QUAKERS WHISPER No. 34
Thursday 20 November 2014

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER
21 Fri 11:20am – Infants Assembly
       LED BY 1/2A
12:15pm – Primary Assembly
       LED BY 5W

SUMMER PSSA
24 Mon Tri-Skills - KC, KJ, KP, KR,
       KT, 1/2A, 4B, 4J, 4L

SWIM SCHOOL WEEK 2
26 Wed House Captain Elections
27 Thur QHHS Orientation Day
28 Fri 11:20am – Infants Assembly
       LED BY 1AR
12:15pm – Primary Assembly
       LED BY 6G

SUMMER PSSA

DECEMBER
1 Mon Tri-Skills - KC, KJ, KP, KR,
      KT, 1/2A, 4B, 4J, 4L
3 Wed Other HS Orientation Day
5 Fri NO INFANTS ASSEMBLY

9:15am - SPORTS AWARD
      ASSEMBLY
1:30pm - TALENT QUEST
9 Tues PRESENTATION DAY
      ASSEMBLIES
11 Thur Appreciation Morning Tea

12 Fri PRINCIPAL AWARD
       ASSEMBLY
       Reports Sent Home
15 Mon Year 6 Graduation Assembly
16 Tues Class Parties
   2pm – Year 6 Farewell
       Assembly
   Year 6 Farewell Evening
17 Wed LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
       FOR 2014

SCHOOL RESUMES FOR
YEAR 1-6 STUDENTS ON
WEDNESDAY
28 JANUARY 2015

IMPORTANT – PLEASE NOTE:

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop’s
last opening day for 2014
is MONDAY 1 DECEMBER
8:30am – 9:15am (approx)

Please ensure that you have
ordered/purchased any uniforms
required for next year by this date

Opening hours up to Monday 1 December:

Mondays – 2:30pm – 3:15pm (approx)
Fridays – 8:30am – 9:15am (approx)

“Pursuing excellence in student achievement and community participation”
YOU ARE INVITED TO:

SPORTS AWARDS ASSEMBLY
Years 3 - 6
Friday December 5, 2014
at 9:15 am

PRESENTATION ASSEMBLIES
Tuesday December 9, 2014
10am - Kindergarten to Year 2
11:30am - Years 3 to 6

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD ASSEMBLY
Kindergarten to Year 6
Friday December 12, 2014
at 9:15am

ANNUAL SCHOOL TALENT QUEST
Friday December 5
commencing at 1:30pm
Entry fee: gold coin donation
Everyone welcome

Principal’s Report ……

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

STAFF UPDATE
Mrs Gauci will be going on Maternity Leave from Monday 24 November awaiting the birth of her first child. We wish her all the best as she begins this new role in her life. Mrs Leech will be teaching 6G for the remainder of the year and continuing with the delivery of the Stage 3 curriculum. Also Mrs Smith will be on leave until 3 December.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 2015
The Kindergarten orientation program was very successful and all incoming Kinder students have visited the school and participated in various activities. Mrs Clissold has done an amazing job of coordinating the program with the support of the Kindergarten team and the support staff. I’d also like to thank Ms Hussey who has been instrumental in organising the clerical aspects of the program and the P&C for their support and coordinating the uniform sales.

CAPTAINS AND PREFECTS ELECTIONS 2015
The candidates gave their speeches on Tuesday to students in Year 2 to Year 6. The students have all voted for the children they feel will be good student leaders in 2015. The students will hear which students were voted in as the top 10 this week and the Captains will be announced at the Presentation Day Assembly. Every candidate should be very proud of their efforts on Tuesday as they presented themselves admirably.

SCHOOL EVALUATION
Every year we must complete a school evaluation that requires input from parents, students and staff. This year we are evaluating the area of Learning and the curriculum area of Mathematics as well as School Satisfaction. I have created three online surveys for you to complete. There are only a few questions in each survey and it will only take a short time to complete. I would urge every parent to complete the surveys to ensure you have a say. You can access the links via our school website http://www.quakershine.schools.nsw.edu.au by going to ‘Our School’ and then clicking on
‘Surveys’ in the menu on the left hand side of the screen.

**Learning Survey**  
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RXY9C9B

**Mathematics Survey**  
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RTSHCNQ

**School Satisfaction Survey**  
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RRBCFBS

The surveys are now open and will close on Friday 5 December. I will be reporting the results of the surveys in the Annual School Report which will be published in May 2015.

**STUDENT REPORTS**  
Staff are currently writing reports on every child’s academic progress during Semester 2 of this year. Much thought and reflection have gone into these reports so that they carefully reflect each child’s achievement. At this stage reports are planned to go home on Friday 12 December. Thank you to staff for the extra hours of personal time they have contributed during the writing of the reports.

**SWIM SCHOOL**  
We had a great response to swim school this year and the students who are attending are learning some important water safety skills and basic stroke correction. The weather has been kind to us so far and I hope this continues into next week. Thank you to Ms Rothery for her organisation of swim school and also to Mrs Brady, Ms Baker, Mr Ross and Mrs Partridge who are supervising the students each day.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO.....**

- William P who has been chosen by the Sydney West Executive to receive the 2014 Peter Davis Outstanding Athlete Award.
- Clayton C and Riley W who represented Sydney West at the State Softball Carnival and whose team were runners-up.
- The four students who represented us at the BLC Public Speaking. Ben, Caitlin, Juliette and Casey. Juliet received a Highly Commended.
- Maddie S whose artwork was selected for the Operation Art 2014 Touring Exhibition. Her artwork will then become part of The Children’s Hospital at Westmead’s permanent collection.

**STUDENTS NUMBERS FOR 2015**  
To allow us to accurately organise classes for 2015 we would ask that you notify the school office if you intend to leave QHEPS at the end of the school year. Please complete the slip located later in the newsletter and return it to your child’s teacher as soon as you make that decision.

Michele Hedge  
Principal

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**Term 4 Weekly Award Winners**  
- Weeks 5 & 6

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    Jaelyn, Ryan
5S  Ruheen, Serhat,
    Patrick, Tyra
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    Oliver, Jake
5W  Yashasvi, Sriharen
    Kartikay, Juliet
6G  Thomas, Charles,
    Shreya, Jai
6T  Joel, Caleb,
    Aimee, Shaveen
6W  Aryan, Linen,
    Luke, Enrike

Weeks 5 & 6 Citizens of the Week

K-2  Ali M, Alice E
3-6  Faith G, Mavis C

Weeks 5 & 6 “Be Your Best” Award Winners

K-2  Rhyan P, Jahnavi M
3-6  Jassa D, Felicity J

SUMMER PSSA REPORTS

CRICKET

Week 5
The Cricket teams played Rouse Hill Public School. The juniors lost 100-68 and the seniors lost 90-80. The players of the match were Bailey B for the juniors and Devang K for the seniors.

Week 6
The Cricket teams played Kenthurst Public School. The juniors won 111-99 and the seniors won 114-79. The players of the match were Jake C for the juniors and Tehan J for the seniors.

T-BALL- Juniors/SOFTBALL – Seniors

Week 5
The T-Ball and Softball teams played Rouse Hill Public School. The T-Ball team lost 23-9. The player of the match was Holly S. The Softball team lost 11-9. The player of the match was Teaghan M.

Week 6
The T-Ball and Softball teams played Ironbark Ridge Public School. The T-Ball team drew 23-23. The player of the match was Alexi M. The Softball team lost 13-11. The player of the match was Aimee V.

OZ-TAG

Week 5
The Oz-Tag teams played John Palmer Public School. The juniors lost 40-8 and the seniors drew 12-12. The players of the match were Mitchell T for the juniors and Jakeb N for the seniors.

Week 6
The Oz-Tag teams played Kellyville Ridge Public School. The juniors lost 40-12 and the seniors lost 52-28. The players of the match were Oliver D for the juniors and Thomas M for the seniors.

REMINDER:

YEAR 6 MOVIE DAY

TUESDAY DECEMBER 16

All permission notes and payments of $14 due in to the office by next Friday November 28
COOKIE DOUGH ORDERS

DELIVERY INFORMATION

Please note that the cookie dough orders are being delivered next Friday 28 November.

Orders will be delivered to the school around midday and the P&C volunteers will distribute them to the children’s classrooms in the early afternoon in time to be taken home.

If you have ordered 4 or more tubs please come to the staffroom door from 2:45pm and collect your order from there.

TALENT QUEST

This year’s Talent Quest will be held on Friday the 5 of December at 1:30pm in the Hall. Parents are most welcome to attend. As this event is a Year 6 fundraiser we are requesting that each child bring in a gold coin donation on the day of the event. Thank you to all the students who auditioned for the event. We would like to congratulate the following students who have been successful in being selected to perform in this year’s Talent Quest:

- Amber 1D
- Erin 1D
- Chaya 1/2A
- Ella 1/2A
- Matilda 1/2A
- Kelly 1/2A
- Emma 1/2A
- Renee 3C
- Amy 4J
- Jaelyn 4L
- Alexander 4L
- Montana 4L
- Sarah 4L
- Rachel 5S
- Aimee 5S
- Carlie 5S
- Marcus 5S
- Mitchell 5S
- Luke 5S
- Abbey 5T
- Jessica 5T
- Teghan 5T
- Mackenzie 5W
- Juliet 5W
- Lauren 6G
- Elise 6G
- Shreya 6G
- Garima 6G
- Payal 6G
- Aleksa 6G
- Faith 6T
- Drashti 6W
- William 6W
- Luke 6W
- Ethan 6W
- Enrike 6W
- Samantha 6W
- Madelyne 6W

Congratulations and good luck!

Miss Latham & Mrs Rubino
Talent Quest Coordinators

Maddie S whose artwork was selected for the Operation Art 2014 Touring Exhibition.
SOCCER GRAND FINAL 2014

On Thursday 6 November, we had the Year 2 soccer grand final. The two teams playing against each other were Greece and Spain and it was a fun game. When the game started, Greece quickly scored three goals. It was amazing! There were more goals from Greece... but sadly, Spain tried hard but they could not score in the first half.

After a little while it was half time. Spain came back stronger in the second half. When the game resumed, Spain scored! The score was 5-1. Spain continued to play well and with strong defence, prevented Greece from scoring any more goals. The crowd were so excited and were cheering loudly. Finally, the game was over and Greece had won!

By Kaira and Sarita 2S

GREECE:

SPAIN:

CHRISTMAS HAMPER COLLECTION:

There is an opportunity to give an item or two to the collection box in the foyer of the school office. In partnership with Life Anglican Church, these donated goods will be used to make up Christmas hampers to be provided to families who could do with a helping hand.

So bring an item or two (or more) of non-perishable food or other basic items (for example bathroom products or “Christmassy” items) that will be well received this Christmas.

If you happen to know of a family who could do with a hamper please let the office know.

The collection box will be in the office until Thursday 4 December.

Please take this opportunity to think of those less fortunate than yourself with a small donation from your family meaning so much to someone else.

LOST PROPERTY

UNLABELLED FOOD AND DRINK CONTAINERS

We have a few unlabelled plastic drink bottles and food containers starting to gather in lost property. If your child has lost something please come to the office and check lost property.

For hygiene reasons, any unlabelled food or drink containers still here are the end of term will be disposed.
LIBRARY NEWS………

BORROWING
The end of next week, Friday 28 November, will be the LAST DAY of borrowing for the year. This allows for all books to be returned before the end of the term. Please assist the library by making sure your child returns all books by this date.

Payment notices will also be sent home at this time for any lost/unreturned books.

Thank you.

Miss Quinn, Mrs Dickerson & Mrs Weinert
Library Teachers

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UNIFORM SHOP NEWS……..

Next year the uniform shop will continue to be open Monday (2:30-3:15pm) and Friday (8:30-9:15am) only for trying on clothes and exchanging items (with tags still attached). All orders should be completed online on Flexischools.

Second hand items will be available for sale once a month at a separate stall (dates to be advised).

PRICE RISES AS OF 2015**
Please note, some items will have a slight price rise as of 2015 (1-2 dollars only) due to the suppliers price rise. If you wish to stock up, please do so early as no orders will be placed to suppliers in December.

Prices of the "value packs" will also increase to reflect the changes in prices.

Jo Fickel and Jackie Moretti
Uniform Shop Coordinators

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P&C NEWS……..

P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Congratulations to our new P&C Executive for 2015, elected at last week’s Annual General Meeting:

President: Gavin Glenn
Vice President: Alice Bullivant
Treasurer: Karren Parsons
Secretary: Chris Black
Uniform Coordinators:
Usha Vishram (Monday)
Alice Bullivant (Friday)
Linda Glenn (stock control)
Jo Fickel (Supplier Orders)

MONTHLY P&C MEETINGS 2015
Next year we will be trialling meetings during school hours in alternate months as follows:

Tuesday 17 February 7:30pm
Wednesday 18 March 2:00pm
Tuesday 21 April 7:30pm
Wednesday 20 May 2:00pm
Tuesday 16 June 7:30pm
Wednesday 15 July 2:00pm
Tuesday 18 August 7:30pm
Wednesday 16 September 2:00pm
Tuesday 20 October 7:30pm
Tuesday 17 November 7:30pm (AGM)

Gavin Glenn
P&C President

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TERM FOUR SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Please note that the last day of school for students for 2014 will be Wednesday 17 December.

Thursday 18 December and Friday 19 December 2014 are School Development Days for staff only.
VACATION CARE AT QUAKERS HILL EAST

Quakers Hill East Combined OSHC Inc (CCB Approved) will be operating vacation care at their centre in our school grounds

from Monday 12 to Friday 23 January 2015

Hours of Operation
7 am – 6 pm

Cost - $47 per day per child

For bookings or more information please call the centre on 9626 6172

NUTRITION HINTS:

HAVE A SECOND THINK ABOUT COLA DRINKS

* Cola drinks have a high sugar content, which can lead to dental decay and increased weight in your child.

* They also contain caffeine which can be addictive and may make your child dehydrated.

Instead, choose water, 100% juice diluted 50:50, low fat milk, non-caffeine soft drinks or low joule cordials.

ADVICE OF STUDENT LEAVERS

This is to advise that my child/children: .................................................................

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is/are leaving Quakers Hill East at the end of 2014 and WILL NOT be returning to Quakers Hill East in 2015.

Parent signature ______________________________     Date: _______________