QUAKERS WHISPER No. 20
Thursday 26th June, 2014

SCHOOL SECURITY
PLEASE keep a watch over the school during the school holidays. Should you observe trespassers within the school grounds please ring Department of Education and Training, free call 1300 880 021 or Quakers Hill Police 9678 8999

DATES TO REMEMBER
JUNE
27th Fri PEER SUPPORT DISCO AND FUN DAY

NO Infants Assembly
NO Primary Assembly
NO WINTER PSSA

LAST DAY OF TERM 2

STUDENTS RETURN FOR TERM 3:
TUESDAY 15TH JULY 2014

GLOW STICKS FOR SALE!!!

YEAR 6 PEER SUPPORT FUN DAY DISCOS
Glow Sticks will be on sale before each disco session

tomorrow, Friday 27 June

GLOW STICK BRACELETS
50 cents each or 3 for $1
NECKLACES $1.50 each

Principal’s Message ..... 

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

STAFFING UPDATE
From the start of next term Mrs Hedge will commence as our new school Principal. I return to my role as Deputy Principal and Mrs Talintyre will return to her role as Assistant Principal and classroom teacher for 6T.

I would like to thank Mrs Talintyre, Mrs Clissold and Mrs O’Neill for doing outstanding jobs relieving in higher positions.

Thank you also to Mrs Partington and Mrs Leech who conclude extended casual engagements with us at the end of term. Mrs Cole will continue her work at Quakers Hill PS for the rest of the year and return here part time next year. We thank them all for their hard work and dedication to the students at QHEPS.

ACCOMPANYING THIS NEWSLETTER
* Term 3 Planner
* The Ant Bully Film Reviews

“Pursuing excellence in student achievement and community participation”
Mr Miranda will conduct Years 3-6 RFF teaching for the first 5 weeks of next term.

REPORTS HOME TODAY
Semester 1 student reports have been sent home with students today. Please take the time to review your child’s progress and areas for development.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS
Last Friday we had the opportunity to present Principal’s Awards to many of our outstanding students. These awards show commitment to our school rules. To ‘Be Your Best’ at QHEPS we are safe, responsible, respectful learners.

We are very proud of these students:

Bronze Award Recipients

Silver Awards

Gold Awards

NSW RUGBY LEAGUE
William P in Year 6, has been selected to represent NSW in Rugby League at the interstate championships in Wollongong in August. This is an outstanding achievement and demonstrates William’s great talents and skills. We are incredibly proud of his achievements. Guessing competition tickets are available from the front office for $2 each. Purchase of these tickets will assist with the expense of participating in a national competition.

DEBATERS
Our debaters continued their unbeaten run with their most recent success against Bert Oldfield PS. Well done debaters.

MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVES
PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS
Congratulations to Kanishka A and Caitlin G, Stage 2 and Juliet T and Elise G, Stage 3, who represented our school brilliantly at the zone finals. Juliet received a highly commended award. Well done.

SRC REPRESENTATIVES
Our Semester 2 SRC representatives will commence their responsibilities next term. Badges will be presented to those students at the Week 2 assemblies. I would like to again congratulate our Semester 1 representatives for their efforts.

EDUCATION WEEK
We will be holding our open day and a book character parade for Education Week on Monday 28 July. Times will be confirmed early next term.

Our dance groups will also be performing at Westpoint Shopping Centre Blacktown at approximately 11:30am on Tuesday 29 July.

END OF TERM
We are almost at the end of another busy term of learning. I wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday. Students return on Tuesday 15 July.

KEEP AN EYE ON OUR SCHOOL
I have received reports of increased break and enter offences in schools in our area. If you notice any suspicious activity on the school premises during the holidays, please contact the School Security hotline 1300 880 021 and/or Quakers Hill Police 9678 8999.

Colin Ross
Relieving Principal

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WHAT’S THE BUZZ?
This term, the majority of our students have been wearing their full school uniform with pride. It was pleasing to be able to present a record number of Uniform Awards at the weekly assemblies. The winning classes for the Uniform Award this term were KP and 4J. Both of these classes were rewarded with a sausage sizzle.

Congratulations to everyone for showing respect to our school and wearing their school uniform with pride.

Lynda Talintyre

WINTER PSSA REPORT

Week 8

SOCcer - BOYS
Last week the boys’ soccer teams played Ironbark Ridge Public School. The juniors won 4-1 and the seniors won 2-0. The players of the match were Mitchell T for the juniors and William B for the seniors.

SOCcer – GIRLS
The girls’ soccer teams played Ironbark Ridge Public School. The juniors lost 3-0 and the seniors lost 2-1. The players of the match were Rhiannon M for the juniors and Isabella D for the seniors.

netball
The netball teams played Parklea Public School. The junior’s lost 8-1 and the seniors lost 6-1. The players of the match were Chloe H for the juniors and Zoe S for the seniors.

PEER SUPPORT FUN DAY
Tomorrow we will be concluding our Peer Support lessons with a day of fun filled activities. During the day, students will participate in group activities, both inside and outside the classroom, as well as a disco. All students are invited to wear mufti but must have enclosed shoes, covered shoulders and a hat. If your child has not paid the $2 to wear mufti and attend the disco, they will be supervised in a classroom during this time. The $2 can be paid tomorrow. Glow sticks will also be available for purchase before each disco session. Glow stick bracelets will cost 50 cents each or 3 for $1 and glow stick necklaces will cost $1.50 each.

Thank you for supporting this Year 6 fundraiser.

Lynda Talintyre
Stage 3 Team Leader

UNCLAIMED LOST PROPERTY
If your child has lost a drink bottle, lunch box or an item of clothing please have them come and check in lost property.

For hygiene reasons, any food or drink containers which have not been claimed by the end of Week 2 Term 3 will be disposed.
PAYMENT REMINDERS:

NAIDOC YOUNG AUSTRALIA WORKSHOP

Wednesday 16 July
(Week 1 Term 3)

Cost: $5 per student

Please return completed permission slip and payment to the office by

TOMORROW, Friday 27 June 2014.

TRI-SKILLS GYMNASTICS LESSONS

1AR, 1B, 1D, 1M, 2B, 2C, 2K, 2S, 3B, 3C, 3R, 5S, 5T, 5W, 6G, 6T, 6W

begins Week 2 Term 3

Cost $34 for 8 week program

All permission notes and payments due in by Friday 18 July 2014

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 over the school holiday period.

Hours of Operation
7am – 6pm

The cost is $45 per child per day which includes activities on the day.

SPECIAL REQUEST

It would be appreciated if you could take the time over the holiday break to check your children’s school clothing, drink bottles and lunchboxes to make sure they are clearly labelled.

We end up with so much lost property handed in each term which isn't claimed and cannot be returned because things are not clearly labelled.

Labelling all your children’s belongings clearly, preferably with permanent marker in large lettering, makes it easy for your child to identify all their belongings and for other parents to easily notice if their child brings home the wrong thing.

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The Ant Bully

This term, as part of their English program, 5S watched the movie Ant Bully. Here are some of their reviews.

Lucas has some problems with bullies and now he’s bullying ants but the ants have a trick up their sleeves. I really like this movie, it’s so funny. Zoc shrinks Lucas to ant size, then he learns their ways and now the ants have a big problem. The moral of the story was not to bully. I would give this movie 7/10 and I recommend it for all ages. **Lachlan**

Ant Bully is a great, funny movie that shows how working together makes things easier. Lucas is a human who is bullied, so he desires to bully ants. One of the ants turns Lucas into a tiny creature so he can teach him the ant’s ways. Lucas then has to work around the colony to prove he understands the importance of teamwork. This movie is great for the family so I rate it 8/10. **Rachel**

Ant Bully is a funny movie about a boy named Lucas who bullies the ants. He becomes the size of an ant and has to learn the ways of the ants to get back to his normal self. It was all about how bullying is not the way to solve things. It is a great family movie and I rate it 8/10. **Zoe**

Lucas is an ordinary boy who gets bullied nearly every day. He bullies ants that live in his front yard because he feels stronger than the ants. Suddenly, Lucas becomes an ant and learns their ways. I rate this movie 4/5. This movie is suitable for 6+ and it’s a great movie for families to watch. **Kate**

This movie is about a boy named Lucas who hates ants so much that one day he calls the exterminator. Then one day Zark (an ant) mixes a potion and pours it in Lucas’s ear. Lucas becomes an ant and finds out what working together means. **Ruheen**

The Ant Bully is a hilarious movie. It is about a boy named Lucas who is bullied. He takes his anger out on the ants but when he is shrunk down he learns the meaning of teamwork. **Patrick**

The Ant Bully is a very funny movie. I really connected to the characters because it showed that if someone needs a lesson it can be done with the help of kind friends. So even if you’re small, you and your friends can work together to stop people from being bullied. I really enjoyed this movie and I’m glad we watched it. I think it is a good family movie. I rate it an 8/10. **Georgia**

I enjoyed the movie about how Lucas makes peace between himself and the ants. This is a perfect movie for people all ages. I give a rating of 9/10. The moral of the story is that working together makes a big difference. **Samuel**

Lucas hates being bullied because it makes him feel small so he bullies the ants. This is bad for the colony so the ant Zark makes a potion for Lucas to be small. The mother ant makes him become one of the ants. When he does, Lucas can be free. I recommend this movie for ages 6 and up. It is funny, has great scenes and pretty cool characters. I rate it a 3/5. **Carlie**

Ant Bully is an excellent, funny movie. It’s about a boy called Lucas who is bullied every day because the bullies are big and Lucas is not. That’s why Lucas bullies the ants. He’s big and the ants are not. Then Zark makes a potion to shrink Lucas. If you need to find out more, see the movie. I rate this for children 10 plus. **Jassa**