QUAKERS WHISPER No. 26
Thursday 21 August, 2014

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SECURITY Phone No. 1300 880 021

DATES TO REMEMBER
AUGUST
22 Fri 11:20am – Infants Assembly
LED BY 1M
12:15pm – Primary Assembly
LED BY 4B

UNIFORM SHOP
We are still "open" as normal for pick-ups,
try-ons, exchanges, second-hand uniforms
and to answer questions at the usual times
of:
Mondays – 2:30pm – 3:15pm (approx)
Fridays – 8:30am – 9:15am (approx)

All purchasing of NEW school uniforms
must now be done through Flexischools

NATIONAL LITERACY AND
NUMERACY WEEK (NLNW)
25-31 August

25 Mon Tri-Skills – 1AR, 1B, 1D, 1M,
3B, 3R, 5S, 5T, 6T

26 Tues Tri-Skills – 2B, 2C, 2K, 2S, 3C,
5W, 6G and 6W

27 Wed Kindergarten - Excursion to
Calmsley Hill City Farm

29 Fri 11:20am – Infants Assembly
LED BY 1B
12:15pm – Primary Assembly
LED BY 3R

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

NO WINTER PSSA

ACCOMPANYING THIS NEWSLETTER
* School Zone Parking Offences Information

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REMINDER:
MONEY COLLECTION PROCEDURES
Students are now required to deliver their
money envelopes
directly to the school office
as soon as they arrive at school.
Thank you

Principal’s Report …..

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

STAFF UPDATE
Mrs Patching will be on leave from 25 August
until 31 August for just one week and
Mrs Allen will be teaching KP during this time.

BACK GATE OPENING FROM MONDAY
We have decided that, beginning Monday,
the back gate will be opened in the afternoon
as another option for parents and children to
use when leaving the school grounds. It is
hoped that this may help to alleviate traffic
congestion closer to the school. Please note that this gate is only to be used by children who do NOT need to cross Tamarind Drive. These children must leave by the gate closest to the crossing.

BOOK WEEK 2014 "CONNECT TO READING ~ READING TO CONNECT".
We’ve had a fabulous Book Week at QHEPS with teachers and students creating posters based on the books short listed for awards from the Children’s Book Council of Australia. The posters are on display in the library for everyone to see along with the Colouring in Competition winners and book reviews.

NATIONAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK (NLNW)
The week will be held during 25-31 August. This is the 16th NLNW and we are excited to work on the theme, Explore. Each stage will be completing a task related to this theme and they will be published in the newsletter either next week or the week after.

How Parents Can Get Involved in NLNW
Parents are an important influence on their children’s education. Through NLNW parents can join with their children to participate in fun literacy activities. Parents can read with their children regularly at home to continue the shared experience of learning. You can also:

- provide book suggestions and visit your local library to find some books to read.
- share your favourite book genres with your children and your favourite authors.
- read aloud with your children, taking it in turns. You can refer to Mem Fox's read aloud tips for some guidance.

It is essential that Australian students have sound numeracy skills. Parents have a pivotal role in their children’s numeracy development, through encouragement, support and exposure to the use of mathematics in everyday activities. NLNW offers opportunities for parents to become involved.

The numeracy activity this year will allow parents and caregivers to actively participate. In 2014 we are asking students to collect data on drinking water.

Help your child conduct a home water audit by doing some of the following:

- How many taps do you have inside and outside your home? Where are they? Are there any other sources of water?
- Helping your child collect data on how many times water is used in a day at home (e.g. having a drink, bathing, toilet, filling the kettle, watering the garden, feeding animals).
- Help your child work out how much water is used at home.
- Discuss how you could save water at home.

Have a great week helping your child with literacy and numeracy activities!

TREE REMOVAL
Trees highlighted as needing removal from the recent arborist’s report are scheduled to be removed on Monday 25 August and our tree area will then once again be open on a regular basis for lunch time play.

GOOD LUCK TO...
- All of the Stage 2 and Stage 3 students in the Premier’s Spelling Bee finals
- Kindergarten who are going on their first ever school excursion. Have a fun day!

Michele Hedge
Principal

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Week 5 Term 3 Award Winners

KC Gabriel, Aaliyah
KJ Francis, Anthony
KP Maddie, Alexander
KR Pranav, Caitlyn
KT Paytyn, Raguram
1AR Ashish, Phoebe
1B James, Pahul
1D Ali, Jayda
1M Aidan, Sahibjit
1/2A Jasper, Chaya
2B Mehnaz, Luke
2C Shanni, Aayush
2K Noah, Aayush
2S Harry, Yenuki
3B Damanjot, Julian
3C Lucrecia, Nicholas
3R Kyan, Pranaya
4B Zahra, Robin
**Week 5 Term 3 Award Winners Continued**

4J Yesmi, Zinar  
4L Inderbir, Alisha  
5S Jassa, Zoe  
5T Grace, Aditya  
5W Oliver, Taye  
6G Lauren, Shreya  
6T Tehan, Shivali  
6W Devang, Maeya

**Week 5 Citizens of the Week**

K-2 Sartaj K  
3-6 Alena K

**Week 5 “Be Your Best” Award Winners**

K-2 Maddie S  
3-6 Sienna H

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**WINTER PSSA REPORT**  
**Week 5**

**SOCCER - BOYS**
Last week the boys’ soccer teams played Kellyville Ridge Public School. The juniors drew 0-0 and the seniors lost 3-1. The players of the match were Mitchell T for the juniors and Zac F for the seniors.

**SOCCER – GIRLS**
The girls’ soccer teams played Oakville Public School. The juniors drew 0-0 and the seniors won 1-0. The players of the match were Holly S for the juniors and Caitlin M for the seniors.

**NETBALL**
The netball teams played John Palmer Public School. The juniors lost 10-3 and the seniors lost 16-3. The players of the match were Chloe H for the juniors and Ella B for the seniors.

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**DEBATING 2014**
After a successful 2014 debating season in the Blacktown District Debating Competition, Quakers Hill East were winner of Division B, being undefeated in 7 rounds against a variety of schools.

Four students (pictured below) will now go on to represent our school in the semi-final at Quakers Hill Public School on Thursday 4 September at 11:30am. These students are Garima 6G, Casey 6T, Arshpreet 6W, and Shreya 6G.

We would like to thank all of the Stage 3 debating students for their wonderful efforts and enthusiasm and for achieving such outstanding success. The debating team included: Samuel R, Marcus H, Joel D, Vismay B, Jorja S, Ruheen D, Mavis C, Jenna H, Jena M, Swarna P, Sabrina D, Casey L, Arshpreet D, Shreya P and Garima S.

We would also like to thank the P&C for their generous sponsorship of our new school blazers, which the team members were able to wear proudly both here at school and away.

*Allison Wong & Sarah Busuttil*  
*Debating Coaches*
LIBRARY NEWS......

BOOK WEEK 2014
Over the last term we have had a great time exploring the short-listed books for Book Week. As a result of this, all grades have created an artwork depicting their nominated story book. These have been beautifully presented and are exhibited in the library. Students from each grade have written book reviews on their nominated book and have entered a colouring competition. The reviews and finalists from the colouring competition are also on display in the library.

We would like to invite you to come in and look at what the students have created. The library will be open on Thursday 28 August from 3pm-3:30pm for you to view the beautiful works of art and student reviews.

PAYMENT REMINDERS:

FEATHERDALE WILDLIFE PARK

1AR, 1B, 1D, 1M
AND YEAR 1 STUDENTS IN 1/2A

Tuesday 2 September 2014
Cost: $22 per student

Please return completed permission slip and payment to the office by

TOMORROW

Friday 22 August 2014

and

2B, 2C, 2K, 2S
AND YEAR 2 STUDENTS FROM 1/2A

Wednesday 3 September 2014
Cost: $22 per student

Please return completed permission slip and payment to the office by

TOMORROW

Friday 22 August 2014
SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES

Current as at 1 July 2014

**NO STOPPING**
Means that in the area in the direction of the arrow, you must **NOT STOP your vehicle** at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.

Maximum Penalty

$415
+ 2 Demerit Points

**BUS ZONE**
Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.

Penalty

$173
+ 2 Demerit Points

**DOUBLE PARKING**
Means that in the direction of the arrow or arrows you are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus.

Penalty

$311
+ 2 Demerit Points

- **STOP** in a NO STOPPING zone: $311 + 2 Demerit Points
- **STOP** on or near a Children’s or Pedestrian Crossing (within 20m on approach & 10m on departure side of crossing): $415 + 2 Demerit Points
- **STOP** on path/strip in built up area: $173 + 2 Demerit Points

Please Note: fines subject to change without notice.
These penalties apply to offences in school zones only while the zone is active.
Thank you for voting for the movie which will be shown on the big screen later this term. The most popular choice was 'The Lego Movie'.

Gates will open at 5.00pm and the movie will commence at 7.00pm. The cost of entry will be $2 per person, payable at the Tamarind Drive entrance. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Prior to the movie, we will be selling food and drinks. Mini Donuts, Coffee Nova and Dipping Dots will be providing donuts, ice-creams, slushies and coffees. In addition, we will be having a sausage sizzle and selling cold drinks, lollies and popcorn.

Fun Tatts will offer safe and harmless airbrush tattoos. A variety of other activities will also be available and glow sticks will be sold.

Companies who wish to advertise on the big screen, in the fifteen minutes before the movie begins, may do so for a fee of $20. Please contact the school directly should you wish to take up this option.

To assist us with our ordering, please indicate below if you intend on purchasing sausage sandwiches on the evening. It would be appreciated if you could return this by Friday, September 5.

We will purchase ________ beef sausages.

We will purchase ________ chicken sausages.

Other suggestions: ___________________________