QUAKERS WHISPER No. 27
Thursday 28 August, 2014

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
NO WINTER PSSA

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

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

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

3 Wed FEATHERDALE EXCURSION – 2B, 2C, 2K, 2S AND YEAR 2 STUDENTS IN 1/2A

4 Thur FATHERS’ DAY STALL
10AM – 12NOON
11:30am - Debating Final QHE v Kings Langley PS at Quakers Hill PS

5 Fri 11:20am – Infants Assembly
LED BY KC
12:15pm – Primary Assembly
LED BY 3B

WINTER PSSA

ACCOMPANYING THIS NEWSLETTER

* Movie Night Invitation
* Musica Viva Note – K-6
* K-2 Athletics Carnival Note
* Stage 2 Aquarium Excursion Report

FATHERS’ DAY STALL
Thursday 4 September
All gifts $5 each
If you would like your child to purchase something please send them with their money on the day, in a sealed envelope with their name on it so that it does not get lost

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

"Pursuing excellence in student achievement and community participation"
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

SCHOOL AND ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT (SAS) STAFF RECOGNITION WEEK 1-5 SEPTEMBER

Every year we recognise the vital role that SAS Staff play in schools. This year the theme is “Stepping up to the Challenge”. Our SAS staff play an important role in ensuring the smooth running of our school. On behalf of the staff and students I’d like to thank all of our SAS staff for the wonderful job they do supporting the teachers and your children each day at QHEPS. We wish Mrs Marshall, Mrs Devlin, Miss Hussey, Mr Thompson, Mrs Campbell, Mrs Powell, Mrs Mann and Mrs Partridge an enjoyable week. If you have the chance please say a big thank you to our SAS team!

EXITING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

Many of our students and parents have taken up the opportunity to exit the school via the back gates which has made a small difference to the number of cars blocking the drop and kiss zone. Unfortunately with all the rain it’s a bit of a soggy exit but it is still a very safe one! Pass the word around to everyone as there are many more people who could be using the back gates on their way home. Mr Ross and I will continue to monitor the gate for the next few school days to ensure its safety.

CONGRATULATIONS TO....

- Shaunik S, Casey L, Elise G who all received a Highly Commended in the Blacktown Council Writing Competition.
- William P who was selected as a member of the NSW PSSA Rugby Union team. They will be competing in Adelaide during the upcoming school holidays.
- Riley W who was selected to play for the Sydney West PSSA Softball team.
- Tayzia H, Amelia D, Grace M and Juliet T, winners of the Premier’s Spelling Bee school competition. We wish them the best of luck at the regional final.

GOOD LUCK TO....

All of the children who are competing at the Zone Athletics Carnival on Friday.

SPARE CLOTHES

Just a reminder that if your child has been given a change of clothes at school could you please send them back as soon as you have a chance to clean them so they are ready for the next child to wear.

FATHER’S DAY STALL

The P&C will be running the Father’s Day stall on Thursday 4 Sept. Information will be coming home next Tuesday in a separate note. Make sure you look for the note in your child’s bag!

Michele Hedge
Principal

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Week 6 Term 3 Award Winners

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Week 6 Citizens of the Week

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Week 6    “Be Your Best” Award Winners

K-2      Balhar A
3-6      Nicole L

SPELLING BEE RESULTS
Congratulations to the following winners of the Premier’s Spelling Bee school competition:

Stage 2:  1st    Tayzia H
         2nd    Amelia D

Stage 3:  1st    Grace M
         2nd    Juliet T

2014 SCIENCE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)
Congratulations to the following students for their performance in the ICAS Science Competition.

Merit Awards
Year 3:  Gurasees C
Year 4:  Kanishka A, Devina M
Year 5:  Aditya J
Year 6:  Jenna H

Credit Awards
Year 3:  Martin B, Calvin K, Preethi R, Gurnoor S
Year 4:  Jeremy B, Kael B, Nemi S
Year 5:  Danielle S

Distinction Awards
Year 5:  Rachel L
Year 6:  Shaveen P

2014 WRITING INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)
Congratulations to the following students for their performance in the ICAS Writing Competition:

Credit Awards
Year 3:  Gurasees C, Calvin K, Gurnoor S, Kayla S
Year 4:  Sonali S, Niklas J, Sarah M
Year 6:  Casey L

Distinction Awards
Year 4:  Nemi S

We wish them good luck at the regional finals at Shelley Public School on 12 September.
WINTER PSSA REPORT
Week 7

Due to wet weather, no PSSA games were played last Friday.

There will also be no PSSA games played tomorrow due to the Zone Athletics Carnival being held.

TRISKILLS – MAKE UP LESSON

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control this week, the TriSkills lessons on Monday 25 August 2014 were postponed. The classes affected were 1M, 1B, 1D, 1AR, 3R, 3B, 5T, 5S and 6T.

These lessons have been rescheduled and they will be held on **Tuesday 14 October 2014**. This will be in week 2 of Term 4. The students can wear their sport uniform on this day. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Kerrie Scott, Coordinator

P&C NEWS........

FATHER’S DAY STALL

Our annual Fathers’ Day stall is being held on Thursday 4 Sept. The stall is designed as a fundraising initiative and will run from 10:00am to 12noon. Each student will have the opportunity to purchase an individual gift with their class (for $5). We are looking for volunteers to help run the stall on that day (approximately between 10am-12noon) and would love to see P&C members as well as non P&C members attend. This is such an easy (and small way) of not only helping out the school, but getting to know other parents. Dads are also welcome to help.

If you can help in anyway please email: quakershilleastpc@outlook.com or visit our Facebook page: QHEPS P&C Community Page

Usha Vishram
On Behalf of your P&C

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS....... 

Don't forget if you would like to purchase items from the uniform shop - we are now cashless (except for 2nd hand items). All purchases are to be made through Flexischools. More information on this can be found on the school website, our Facebook page or at the office/uniform shop.

**If something is urgent- make the purchase via Flexischools and email uniforms_qheps@hotmail.com as I may be able to find a volunteer to fill that order ASAP.** Cut off times are: Sunday 5pm (for Monday) and Thursday 5pm (for Friday).

When placing an order through Flexischools- **if possible please choose the "pick up" option** (unless you are unable to come into the school). By choosing this option (pick up)- it means one less thing your child has to remember to bring home. It also means you may get it quicker as 'delivery to class' may take a few days till it arrives home (depending on where your child's class is in the afternoon etc.).

Thank you to those that have already been supporting this online method of payment/ordering, much appreciated.

LibRARY NEWS....... 

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier’s Reading Challenge has come to a close for 2014. Congratulations to all students who participated in the challenge and handed in their forms on time.

I am busily entering all of the records online, therefore no names will be listed in the newsletter this week. All students who participated in the challenge and handed their forms in recently will appear in the newsletter over the next two weeks. Thank you for your participation.

Mrs J Dickerson
Library Teacher
Quakers Hill East Public School
The Story of a Nobody Who Saved Everybody

The LEGO Movie

You're Invited

Sausage Sizzle, Drinks, Coffee, Ice Cream & Lots More available on the night!

Day  Time  Cost
Frid 12  7:00PM  $2 each

Gates Open @ 5PM

All children must be accompanied by an adult
Musica Viva in Schools Performance
‘Jacana’

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

On Thursday 18th September (Week 10, Term 3) the ‘Jacana’ group from Musica Viva will be performing in our school. This in school performance will be a valuable musical experience for all our students. Not only will the students be entertained by a group of very talented musicians with music, they will also learn more about musical concepts and have the opportunity to perform. Musica Viva performances are always highly engaging and enjoyable.

The cost of the concert is **$7.50 per student**. As this performance is part of our schools’ music education program, we hope all students will be able to attend. Please return your permission note and payment to school by **Friday 12th September**.

Mrs J Taylor
(Musica Viva Coordinator)

Mrs Michele Hedge
Principal

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Musica Viva in Schools Performance
‘Jacana’

I give permission for my child______________________________ of class____________ to attend the Musica Viva concert held on Thursday 18th September.

Please find enclosed $7.50.

Signed_________________________________           Date______________________

(Parent/Caregiver)
Thursday 28 August 2014

K-2 Athletics Carnival

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Quakers Hill East Public School will be holding its annual K-2 Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 17 September 2014 at Waite Reserve, Tamarind Drive, Acacia Gardens.

This event involves students from all classes in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2. Our students will access Waite Reserve via the gate in the top corner of our tree area. We will leave the school grounds at 11:00am and we will be walking to the reserve in class groups. At the conclusion of the carnival at 2:30pm, the students will return with their teachers to school and will be dismissed at 3:00pm as usual. There is NO COST for the carnival but the permission note below must be signed by parents/caregivers and returned to the school by Monday 15 September 2014 or students will not be able to leave the school grounds to participate in this event.

Students are asked to come dressed in their house colours on the day. The colours are:
- Douglas-RED
- Harvey-BLUE
- Pearce- YELLOW
- Pye – GREEN

Alternatively, students may wear their sports uniform if they prefer. They must also wear appropriate sports shoes and their school hat.

On the day, students should:
- Wear sunscreen and put this on regularly throughout the carnival
- Bring recess, lunch and drink bottles with plenty of water. There will be NO CANTEEN operating at the venue. Students will NOT be able to order their lunch at the school canteen on this day, so it is essential that all students bring their own lunch to school.

Parents are welcome to join us at Waite Reserve to enjoy this great event. The carnival will be postponed if it is raining on the day.

Please complete the permission note below and return it to your child’s class teacher by Monday 21 July 2014.

Mrs Scott
Coordinator

Mrs Hedge
Principal

K-2 Athletics Carnival

I give permission for my child __________________________ of class ______ to participate in the K-2 Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 17 September 2014 at Waite Reserve. I understand that students will be walking to and from the venue with their teachers.

__________________________
Signature of Parent/Caregiver

__________________________
Date

Please return this permission note to your child’s class teacher.

“Pursuing excellence in student achievement and community participation”
On Wednesday 20th August Stage 2 went on an excursion to the aquarium in the city. Stage 2 teachers and Miss Tugano came.

Firstly all stage 2 marked their class roll and walked to the bus stop. When we got into our buses we clipped in our seat-belts and went on a 30 minute drive to the city. We went under the Harbour Bridge. We saw the Opera House and quietly talked to our friends.

When we arrived we got into our groups and walked to the aquarium. Outside the aquarium we ate our fruit and recess and got attacked by seagulls. Then we walked into the aquarium. We saw jelly-fish, parrot fish and stingrays. There was a shark tunnel that was filled with sharks and stingrays. It was incredible walking carefully through the tunnel. At the start I thought I would be able to see the dugongs! But we didn’t as their habitats were closed. Miss Latham gave us all work books to work in and we got a sea-life quiz trail to scratch.

My favourite part would have to be the touching pool. We got to feel the animals such as starfish and I accidently touched a fish reaching out to touch a starfish. We got to eat lunch and watched a talk. I leaned that stingrays look like they are smiling but it is actually their nostril. Soon enough we had to go back to school. I had a great day.

Sarah M 4L
STAGE 2 EXCURSION.

On Wednesday 9am the teachers came over and told us to walk out of school and go on our bus. We had 26 people and then we were split into 3 groups. When we were on the bus we played lots of games and we got to see cool things on the way.

When we arrived we all walked together to get to the aquarium. Before we got into the aquarium we had fruit and also recess.

After we had eaten we went into the aquarium. We got into groups and walked to the entry. Just before we got in we got a scratch card and activity booklet. When we walked in we were in our groups and we saw lots of cool things and sea creatures.

Later on we went in an underwater tunnel. There were sharks and other creatures. I thought it was really cool. When I got to the touch pool I looked and liked the fish because they changed colours.

When we got out there was a store that you could buy from. I didn't buy anything but I looked around.

When all of us went out we all had lunch. The seagulls came and they were scavengers. After lunch we went back on the bus and we played more games. When we got off the bus we went back to our classroom and talked about how the excursion was. When the bell went we went home. I had a good day.

Dylan 4L