Quairading District High School

NEWSLETTER

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The purpose of Quairading District High School is to inspire a successful pursuit of knowledge and personal growth.

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Term 1: Wednesday 31st January — Friday 13th April
Term 2: Monday 30th April — Friday 29th June
Term 3: Monday 16th July — Friday 21st September
Term 4: Monday 8th October — Thursday 13th December

Dear Parents, Staff and the Quairading Community,

A very big welcome to all of our returning students, staff and families, and to our new students, staff and their families. We have staff returning from leave this term, they are Miss Wilson, Mr Wright, Mrs Johnston and Mrs Hards. We wish them a warm welcome back.

Congratulations to Mr John who married his fiancée Hannah over the holidays. We welcome Hannah to our country and community; I know she will be made very welcome.

It is with great pleasure that I introduce our new staff: Miss Laura Eastwood will be teaching secondary English and HaSS, Miss Ashlee Kujawski will be teaching the Year 5-6 class, Miss Taryn White is our new Year 1 Teacher and Mrs Char Thomson is joining our junior primary as a Teacher Assistant. All of our new staff will be meeting students today and will be sure to meet our parents and community members over the next weeks. I trust everyone will make them very welcome.

Welcome to the new families who are beginning at our school today. I know our current cohort will also make you very welcome.

Regrettably Mrs Stacey has accepted a fixed term position at a school in Perth. Mrs Stacey has been a long standing staff member of our school, displaying exceptional expertise. We wish her all the very best in her new role.

Our new and current staff have been at school for the past two days in positive and productive school development and planning meetings as well as engaging in preparation for their lessons beginning today. We will make a strong and positive start this morning!

To ensure a strong and extended period of literacy and numeracy learning in the mornings, ensuring optimum use of the best learning times in the day, morning lessons begin at 8:45am sharp. Primary classes will have morning fitness later in the day. Secondary students begin their first academic lesson at 8:45am also. Children must be at school promptly at 8:30am in order to be prepared and ready to begin learning as soon as the bell rings.

Mrs Kerr and Mr Wright will be keeping a very close eye on attendance as school begins and we expect children to attend every day possible. At the end of week three, there will be a reward for the children who achieve 97% attendance across that period of time. It is very important for children to begin their school year on time – there are so many absolutely vital messages and lessons that come at the very beginning of the school year.



First term is already busy for students and staff. Our Parent Information evening will be on Tuesday the 6th of February, our student census is the 16th of February and our Faction Swimming carnival is on the 23rd of February. We have a theatre visit on the 1st of March and 'Clean Up Australia' on the 2nd of March.

Over the holidays we have had the junior primary playground shade repaired and reinstalled. If children are to use this area after hours, I urge parents to please ensure their children play appropriately and do not cause damage to the sail. We also have had poles installed for the eventual installation of shade over the quadrangle seating area. I look forward to this being completed in the next few weeks.

A huge congratulations to Braeden Lawrence (Year 10 2018) who travelled to Westbury in Tasmania over the holidays to compete in the Darts Australia Junior Championships. Braeden's 4s team brought home the silver medal and Braeden himself caught the eye of the selectors to be awarded the Encouragement Award for the competition (from 60 competitors). The selectors cited Braeden's potential, his value to the team due to his team mentality and his adjustment to team competition. This is a great achievement! Well done Braeden.

Congratulations to our late friend and colleague Barb Simpson on the posthumous award of Citizen of the Year on Australia Day. Barb was a long term and integral part of the school community both as a parent and a staff member and it is appropriate to acknowledge her work in (and support for) the school, school community and wider community.

On a sad note, our sincere condolences go to the Drummond and Anderson families on the passing of their Dad and Grandad; and to the Simmonds family on the passing of their Mum and Nanna.

As the year begins I look forward to meeting our students to remind them of our values of Quality, Respect, Pride and Grace. I would also ask our school community to reflect as we begin the school year, to be happy for the little things that we experience every day and special times that help us demonstrate those values. At Quairading District High School we will continue to instruct, challenge and motivate your child with those values, inspiring them to bigger and better things.

Pauline Wray, Principal

PARENT INFORMATION DAY

Tuesday 6th February

We would like to invite you to visit your child's class and teacher. Each teacher will provide a short information session on strategies and expectations in the class, as well as an opportunity to view any early work completed. There is also a quick opportunity to ask the teacher any general questions you may have (more specific questions may be covered by making an appointment).

 Kindergarten:
 2.45pm

 Pre-Primary:
 3.05pm

 YEAR 1:
 3.25pm

 YEAR 2/3:
 3.45pm

 YEAR 4/5:
 4.05pm

 YEAR 5/6:
 4.25pm

 SECONDARY:
 4.45pm



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2018 SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

Kindergarten - \$40 Primary - \$50 Secondary - \$235

SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

The Western Australian Department of Education provides an allowance to assist eligible families with secondary schooling costs. To be eligible for the allowance the parent/guardian must hold a Department of Human Services (Centrelink) or Veterans' Affairs card that represents a statement of income for the family.

The allowance consists of two components:

- \$115 clothing Allowance paid directly to the parent/guardian or the school.
- ♦ \$235 Educational Program Allowance paid directly to the school.

Application is made by the parent or guardian for student/s enrolled in Years 7—12 studying a full time secondary course at a WA Public School.

Please call into the front office to complete form. Applications close **13th April 2018**.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Tuesday 6th February	Parent Information day/evening
Friday 16th February	Assembly, 2pm
Friday 23rd February	Faction Swimming Carnival
Thursday 1st March	'Too Cool For Bullies' Incursion, 9.30am, K-Year 6
Friday 2nd March	'Clean up Australia Day'
Monday 5th March	Labour Day holiday
Tuesday 6th March	School Development Day
Friday 9th March	Interschool Swimming Carnival @ Wyalkatchem
Friday 16th March	Assembly, 2pm
Friday 30th March—Tuesday 3rd April	Easter break
Wednesday 4th April	School Development Day
Wednesday 11th April	Parent Interview Day - half day closure
Friday 13th April	Assembly, Student Council, 2pm Last day of term for students



P & C COMMITTEES, ROSTERS AND NEWS



HELPERS NEEDED TO KEEP OUR P & C CANTEEN GOING!

Please let us know if you are happy to have your name put on the roster for Canteen on Mondays. If we don't get enough volunteers we may have to close the canteen. The continuation of the Canteen will be discussed and voted on at the P&C AGM. Thank you. Carol Dall (President) 0428 181 279

P & C are selling MANGOES again this year. \$40 per tray Orders to Sarah Caporn, 0401052192



COMMUNITY NOTICES

QUAIRADING PCYC AIR RIFLES: Wednesday nights (first night 7/2/18) at 6:30pm down the Ag Hall, \$3/ night, \$25 annual membership, ages 10+, enclosed shoes. We shoot .177 Air Rifles on our state accredited indoor rifle range. Come along and join our club and gain the opportunity to travel away to state level competitions, our first competition for this year is March 17/18 where we will travel to Collie to compete against other clubs. Last year we won the Golden Rifle competition in Kalgoorlie and one of our shooters holds the record for the highest score in Champion of Champions at State Championships. Boy/girls and adults are all welcome to come and try. For more please call 0427454625.

JUNIOR CRICKET: training starts this Friday at 5pm at the nets, Game this Saturday 3rd February versus Seabrook at Brookton. Names to Todd Friday night at training, 0429454229. Oldest 12 get a game.

QUAIRADING **SWIMMING** CLUB: Time Keeping Roster-Thursday 1st February- Don Woodcock, Sarah Johnson. Johnathon Hippisley, Evonne Garwood, Scott Fairhead, Jessica George. Thursday 8th February-Janine Anderson, Sarah Oliver, Stacey Holland, Richie Kerr, Nat Logan, Jessica George. Please arrange your own swaps if unable to make it. Our new 'Quairading' swimming caps & bucket hats have arrived and are for sale for \$10 for caps and \$16 for bucket hats. They will be available at the next few time trials & trainings. Don't forget to mark your calendars for the upcoming Quairading Swim Meet on Sunday 25th February.

First aid saves lives.

We have a range of first aid training courses that equip you with the skills you need to help save the ones you love.

Upcoming courses:

Saturday 17th February 2018 - Provide First Aid (HLTAID003) @ Quairading Sub Centre

'Buy one & bring a mate for free' - Promotion available for courses booked and paid for from 1 December 2017 - 31 January 2018

Full cost \$160.00 - all participants receive a free first aid kit. Prior online learning is required.

Contact your local training centre today to book a course.

Enquiries: 9645 4242 / Bookings: 9621 1613









\$2 per person!

An Official Bike Week 2018 Event

Sunday 18th March 2018

Bring your family and your bike (or any wheels!) for a morning of scavenger hunting around Quairading!

Meeting at 10:30am in the car park of the Quairading Pool. Riders will be provided with a wristband, map and instructions with two hours to complete the tour. Sausage Sizzle and awarding of prizes at the pool afterwards!

Riders please register with the Quairading CRC by Friday 16th March by emailing quairading@crc.net.au or calling 9645 0096.

easy riding for all ability levels!









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