Quandialla Central School
“Together we provide opportunities to succeed”

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Diary Dates – Term 1

March:
Mon.-Frid.  24-4th Apr.  LAP HSC Half Yearly Exams
Thursday  27th  Year 11 Music Assessment Task at QCS
Sun.-Mon.  30-31st  National Young Leaders – Primary Excursion to
Sydney (Year 5 & Year 6 Students).
Monday  31st  Year 11 English Assessment at Condobolin
LAP HSC Half Yearly Exams

April:
Tue.-Frid  1st-4th  LAP HSC Half Yearly Exams
Friday  4th  Harmony Day / School Assembly – 2.30 p.m.

Last Friday, primary students travelled to Wyalong Public School to attend a
Multicultural Day. The children were split into year groups and then rotated around
various activities.

Some of the activities included: African art, Aboriginal stories, learning to speak
Mexican, dance, Aboriginal art and music.
After lunch we went across to the Wyalong Town Hall where the children learnt about
Japanese Drums and learnt how to play them.

All students had a great day.
National Young Leaders Day 2014

Years 5 and 6 are travelling to Sydney on Sunday 30th March for the Young Leaders Day at the Entertainment Centre the next day. Students and teachers from Wyalong PS and Caragabal PS are joining us. The group is staying at the Railway Central YHA.

The students are looking forward to hearing the guest speakers, Ita Buttrose, Andy Griffiths, Hon. Bob Carr and Coen Ashton.

The National Young Leaders Days are an annual event initiated in 1997 to develop student leadership in schools and build a better future for young people.

School principals, members of parliament, mayors and community leaders nominate top student leaders such as Captains, Vice-Captains, Prefects, S.R.C. Representatives, House Captains, Sporting Captains and other students leaders to attend the event. The students are from government, Catholic and other private schools.

The National Young Leaders Days are both inspirational and practical.

The objectives of the day are to:

- Inspire students to make a positive contribution to their school.
- Motivate students to be great leaders in their area of influence.
- Empower students with practical skills of balancing study, school commitments and social life as well as managing the stress in these areas.
- Promote the value of inspirational and positive role models as examples to others, by exposing students to a diverse range of leaders and their views on leadership.
- Educate students about the need to grow in knowledge and practical skills in the areas of excellence and leadership.
- Connect students with other students from other schools and develop long term support networks.

The Halogen Foundation selects a group of high profile personalities to speak and interact with the students. The speaking team consists of top leaders in business, sport, politics, community service, science and the arts.

There is a strong sense on the day that the ‘baton is being passed’, as an older generation of leaders imparts their wisdom into the emerging generation of young leaders.

The message of the day develops, as students are challenged not only to reach their own personal goals but the goals of those they are leading.

Quandialla Central School
HARMONY DAY LUNCH

Friday, 4th April, 2014

Permission Notes for Harmony Day are attached to this week’s Newsletter.

Please RSVP numbers and food by Tuesday, 1st April, 2014.
Students participated in an authentic Japanese experience in Tyke-Oh Drumming.

Students had an art lesson from a South African artist.
2014 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Dear Parent

The University of New South Wales is offering your child an opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS).

ICAS assessments have taken place annually in schools for over thirty years and in 20 countries. Educational Assessment Australia (EAA), who design and deliver the assessments, is the not-for-profit arm of the University of New South Wales.

ICAS:
- is an annual skills development assessment program in key areas of learning for students in Years 2-12;
- assessments are available in Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing;
- gathers performance information through a 30–60 minute supervised in-school test;
- provides a continuous, independent and comprehensive record of a student’s performance, and maps their development over the full period of primary and secondary schooling;
- enables the progress of each student to be mapped in each skill against their previous performance, demonstrating personal improvement no matter the starting point;
- uses fellow students’ results as a reference point; results are mapped against all students sitting at the same year level in Australia;
- provides an excellent preparation for national testing;
- enables students at all levels of ability to participate; ICAS contains questions designed to specifically explore the abilities of students of all standards – this includes those of both lower and higher levels of achievement;
- medals are awarded to the top students in each subject in each school year in each state when sufficiently meritorious and the test was sat on the official test date;
- achievement certificates are awarded to all students at a range of levels:
  1. High Distinction to the top 1% of students.
  2. Distinction to the next 10% of students.
  3. Credit to the next 25% of students.
  4. Merit to the next 50% of students.
  5. Participation to all other students.
- results are available to parents and students online; these online reports and analyses remain available indefinitely. ICAS reports indicate which questions were answered correctly, compare student performance to that of the other students tested and are highly suitable for inclusion in a student’s portfolio for future tertiary entrance or job opportunities;
- entries are administered through the school, so teachers can also access the information.

To enrol your child in ICAS, please complete the registration form overleaf and return it, with your entry fees, to school by Wednesday 2nd April.

For more information about ICAS go to www.eaa.unsw.edu.au, contact Customer Service on (02) 8344 1010 or send an email to info@eaa.unsw.edu.au.

Your child can also prepare for ICAS using Practice Online. Practice Online tests are available for English, Mathematics and Science. Find out more about Practice Online at www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online.

Yours sincerely,

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Registration Forms are attached to this Newsletter.
CANTEEN NEWS & ROSTER Term 1- 2014

Our School Canteen is open on Wednesday

Time of Arrival is 10.00 a.m.
President: David Dixon – 6347 1271 Secretary: Leanne Penfold - 6347 2119
Treasurer: Anne Dixon - 6347 1271

Roster

26th March - Kim Broomby
2nd April - Tracy Penfold
9th April - Jodie Atkins

Please Note:
If your name is not on the roster and you would like to have a turn on canteen, please contact
Leanne Penfold and we will put you on the roster either with somebody this term or next.

Please remember to bring lettuce and tomatoes. Buns and ham are purchased from the
Quandialla Café.

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE - CALENDAR DATES

Change of Date:

From: Monday, 24th March, 2014
Now:
Monday, 31st March, 2014
Year 11 English Assessment at Condobolin High School

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Claiming the Date:

Thursday, 10th April, 2014
Primary Easter Social
(More information at a later date)

Primary Students can start making their Easter Hats at home.
COMMUNITY NEWS

ST. BRIDGID’S CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES – 2014
Mass 10:00 am 2nd Sunday of the month
Liturgy 10:00 am 4th Sunday of the month
Services held at St Mark’s Anglican Church until further notice.

EXERCISE CLASSES:
Exercise Classes - 9.00 - 10.00 am Friday’s at the Quandialla Memorial Hall.
$7 / class, please bring water bottle, comfy clothing, and appropriate shoes.
Enquiries please phone: Kim 63472152

Sale O’ Sale O’
FOR SALE - FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS:
Phil is retiring and everything must go – dining suite; coffee table; small utility table; 2 TVs with set top boxes; single bed (as new Sealy mattress); b/r drawers with book shelf; small drawers; small bookcase; lamps; kitchen appliances; some cutlery/crockery. **Very realistic prices** (or offers)
Inspect at Residence on 8, 9, 10 April. Sale 9.00am (or collect by) 11, 12 April. Contact Phil at school on 63471207.

MASSAGE THERAPIST:
Angela Armstrong will be practicing in Quandialla on 31st March and 1st April, 2014.

1 hour - $50.00 / ½ hour - $35.00

Health Fund rebates available. ATMS Accredited.

Please contact Angela on 0421 170 743 or Ruth Penfold on 6347 2130.

GRENFELL NETBALL ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION DAY:
A registration day will be held for all Junior (Yrs 3-6) and Senior (Years 7-9) players on Thursday, 3rd April from 4:30 - 5:30 pm at the Grenfell Netball courts. Both boys and girls are welcome to play in the Junior and Senior divisions. This registration day will determine if we have the numbers to run a competition for our junior members.

The 2014 Open Ladies competition (Yrs 10+) will also begin Thursday, 1st May, we are currently taking team and individual nominations.

If you or your child can not make the registration day but wish to play please contact Jordan Crutcher on 0447 710 445 prior to the day to ensure you are added to a team. If there are any individual open ladies players who are keen to play, that have not got a team - just let us know, and we will definitely be able to find you one

Registration fees for the 2014 season are $40 each and you must be a member of the Grenfell Bowling Club.

For all questions and inquiries please contact Jordan Crutcher on 0447 710 445 or email grenfell.netball@hotmail.com
SUPPORT CANCER RESEARCH - CAR RALLY ......‘BATTERY DRIVE’:

This Rally is an annual event that raises money for Cancer Research.

Local resident, Bevan McAlister and his daughter, Danette, have been accepted into this year’s event. They will be driving a 1993 Holden Apollo, which will be painted to look like a dog. To help raise funds, flea stickers will be available for purchase. These will be stuck on the car for the journey!

Bevan and Danette are currently holding a Battery Drive to raise funds for Cancer Research. If you have any batteries that you would like to donate to the Battery Drive, please leave at Bevan’s home, Fourth Street, Quandialla. Batteries may be left at the southern side of Bevan’s house.

The Battery Drive will finish on Saturday, 12th April, 2014.

All funds raised from the Battery Drive and from the sale of ‘Flea’ stickers, will go to Cancer Research.

For further information please contact Bevan on 6347 1227.

Please support this very worthy cause.

Local produce market and ‘pop up’ breakfast cafe using some of the regions finest ingredients.

Sunday 30th March
8am – 12pm
On the lawns of the Grenfell Country Club

Join us for a delicious breakfast serving quality regional products then wander through the variety of local produce stalls including: olives, smoked trout, honey, chickpeas, lamb, coffee, preserves, muesli, blood orange juice and more!

Live music, outdoor yoga class, children’s activities & cooking demonstrations.

For more info contact: Gabrielle 0488 436 347 or Sarah 0417 219 182

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www.facebook.com/breakytable
2014 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Registration Form

Please return this form to your child’s school

I give permission for my child of

Child’s name Class

to participate in the following 2014 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS):

Please select the subjects you would like your child to enter:

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**TOTAL**

*Students should sit on the official sitting date for each subject to be eligible for UNSW medals. However, your school may choose to sit at another time to fit in with other school activities and routines.*

Please find enclosed ________________ total entry fee.

Amount

Name of Parent/Guardian Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian
QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL HARMONY DAY LUNCH

25th March 2014

Dear families and friends of the School,

On behalf of the students and staff of Quандиalla Central School, the Student Representative Council wishes to warmly invite you to attend a communal lunch at the school in celebration of Harmony Day 2014.

To celebrate Australia’s cultural diversity, we ask that you bring a plate of food to share which represents a particular culture or country. To celebrate harmony, everyone is invited to enjoy games and activities on the oval after lunch.

Everyone is invited to stay for the Whole School Assembly following the celebrations.

Date: Friday 4th April

Time: Lunch from 1pm, followed by the final Whole School Assembly for the term, to conclude around 3pm.

What to Bring: Please bring a plate of food from a particular culture or country.

RSVP: Please RSVP numbers and food by Tuesday 1 April 2014.

We look forward to seeing you there.

We would/not like to attend the Quандиalla Central School Harmony Day Lunch on Friday 4th April at 1pm.

Number of adults: ____________________________

Number of children: ____________________________

We would like to bring a sweet/savoury dish. (Please select one)

Name & Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: ____________________________