Welcome
The school extends a very warm welcome to all parents/caregivers, students and staff members for 2015.

In particular, we welcome our new Kindergarten students – Oscar Amey, Ted Curry, Tilly Morley, Scarlett Nowlan, Amanda Penfold and Matilda Penfold. The Kindergarten students are not really “new” to the school, because they have all attended the on-site Grenfell Mobile Pre-School and participated in the Preschool to Kindergarten Transition program in Term Four of 2014. The students have all made a seamless transition to Kindergarten, and are very happy and comfortable in class with Mrs Dixon and in the playground. They are all familiar with school routines and they all look fantastic in their school uniform. I’m sure this is a result of the excellent transition program that was organised and run by Mrs Dixon.

We also welcome our continuing Year 12 students – Tahlia Karpinsky; Theresa Kessey and Maryanne Wright. The year 12 students have already completed the first term of their studies for the Higher School Certificate – in Term 4 of 2014. They will complete their coursework by the end of Term 3 this year and then sit the HSC exams in early Term 4.

The junior secondary students have either made a successful transition to The Henry Lawson High School, or relocated to another town and school.

Staffing
The school has maintained two primary classes for 2015, with Mrs Anne Dixon teaching K, 1 – 2 and Mrs Wendy Robinson (Assistant Principal) teaching Years 3 – 6. Mrs Suzie Maslin has joined the staff for 2015 and will teach primary classes each Wednesday. We are very fortunate to have Suzie as a member of staff, as she brings exceptional skills and experience to our school.

Mrs Anne Noble takes on the role of Head Teacher Secondary Studies for 2015. Also supporting our Year 12 students are Mrs Karen Pollock and Mr Geoffrey Parlett. Mrs Pollock will also take on the role of Girls Supervisor. This means that our Year 12 students will be thoroughly supported throughout 2015.

The school over 2015 and 2016
During Term 3 of 2014, Mr Glenn Stewart (Director Public Schools, Lachlan) and Mrs Lisa Varjavandi (relieving principal) facilitated consultations with students, parents/caregivers, members of staff, and the Parents and Citizens Association on the future of the Secondary faculty at QCS. Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 were closed to new enrolments and the students were supported in transitioning to The Henry Lawson High School for 2015.

After the current Year 12 students have completed their HSC program at QCS, the Secondary faculty will be placed into recess.

The Primary faculty (Kindergarten to Year 6 inclusive) will continue, probably as a Primary School PP6 in 2016 and beyond.
**NAPLAN test results 2014**
While the very small class sizes in 2014 mean we can’t validly analyse the NAPLAN results for each Year group, the results for individual students were very good indeed. In particular, I am very impressed by the growth achieved in Literacy and Numeracy by students in Year 5, and the very sound results achieved in Literacy and Numeracy by students in Years 3.

Congratulations to each student, and to Mrs Wendy Robinson and Primary teachers. This confirms that the performance of primary students at Quandialla Central School matches that of students in other schools.

**School Development Day**
On Tuesday 27-1-15, staff members participated in the first of the 2015 School Development Days. This was a very well planned and very positive, productive day. We all participated in the sessions, including Strategic Directions and the School Plan 2015 – 2017; Knowing our students and understanding their individual learning needs; Primary and Secondary Faculty planning, and discussions on our new school-wide computer system.

This was followed by a full e-training session on Anaphylaxis and responding to incidents of Anaphylaxis. All members of staff successfully completed the mandatory Anaphylaxis training.

**Anaphylaxis, asthma and allergies**
The student enrolment form has a section where parents indicate if their child is affected by Anaphylaxis, asthma or allergies. Anaphylaxis is a potentially fatal reaction to some allergens (foods, insect bites).

Parents/caregivers are requested to ensure they inform the school if their child is affected by Anaphylaxis, asthma or severe allergy. Also, please inform the school if there is any change in your child’s Anaphylaxis condition and management plan, and if there is a change in your child’s asthma or allergy condition and management plan.

**New school year**
It was great to return to school and see the excellent planning that had occurred while I was on leave. I wish to thank Mrs Wendy Robinson, Mrs Kym Orman (relieving Head Teacher) and Ms Lisa Varjavandi (relieving Principal) for this. As a result of their work, from Day 1 we had an excellent school development day; sound staffing and allocations; a well-constructed timetable and a very sound draft School Plan.

I also wish to thank our SASS staff, Mrs Narelle Gault and Mrs Reggie Ray for their hard work in areas of school administration during 2014. We are certainly well organised and “know where we are going” in 2015.

**School grounds and facilities**
It was also great to return to the school and see the grounds looking so good and obviously so well maintained. Likewise with all of the classrooms, offices and workrooms. I wish to thank Paul Harris, Norma Harris and Jillian Causer for their work on this. The school is fortunate to have you.

**Bonus**
The unseasonal mild weather for the end of January was a welcome bonus for everyone. It was great that the uncomfortable hot weather we usually experience at this time of the year, did not eventuate. I think this helped everyone start the year so well.

**Thanks**
I also wish thank the many people (students, staff and members of the community) who have welcomed me back to Quandialla Central School – greatly appreciated.

**Enrolling children at school**
Quandialla Central School is a very well resourced school, with excellent teachers and staff, where students consistently achieve excellent results. The school works closely with parents, families and the community.

Parents and families are invited to contact the school for further information on enrolling children in Kindergarten and Years 1 to 6 at Quandialla Central School for the 2015 school year.

**Contacting the school**
Please contact the school for further information. I am always available to meet with parents, provide further information and answer questions.

Kind Regards
Phillip Foster – Principal

**P&C**
The first P & C meeting will be held at the Bland Hotel on the 5th February. The Annual General Meeting will be held on the 5th March, 2015.
School News

**Sport**
All Primary students have sport on Wednesdays and therefore are required to wear yellow shirts on Wednesdays.
Years 3/4/5/6 will be going to the pool for sport until further notice and are required to pay $2.00 towards hire of the life guard each session.
K/1/2 will have sport at school on Wednesday morning. They will NOT be going to the pool.

**Tissues**
Thank you to all the parents who have sent in tissues for the class stores. At this point all students were asked to bring in two boxes each. Tissues are highly consumable and life is more pleasant for all with a handy supply.

**Forbes Small School Swimming Carnival**
Friday 13th February 9.00am – 2.30pm
There will be no classes for Kindergarten to Year 6 on Friday 13th as all students are expected to be involved in the swimming carnival at Forbes Swimming Pool. Parents are required to transport children. This carnival is the selection trials for the Lachlan District PSSA Carnival which is on the following week. The non-swimmers are engaged in novelty activities in the small pool.
Parents are encouraged to bring a chair and picnic lunch. The pool canteen will operate throughout the day.
Permission notes will be sent home in the next few days.
**Wet weather:** The carnival will be on rain, hail or shine. The only reason it will be cancelled will be if there is lightning. A decision will be made at 7.30am if carnival is to be cancelled. Contact Wendy Robinson 0429000330 or at school on 63471207.

Have a great week,
Wendy Robinson
Assistant Principal

**Quandialla Swimming Carnival**
This Wednesday 4th Feb.
The Swimming Carnival will be held this Wednesday 4th February, starting at 9.30am, at the Quandialla Pool. There is no entry fee required for students or parents, as the school will cover this cost. Caragabal School will be joining us for the day.
We would appreciate any parent help on the day.
There is a floaties race for all students, so bring along your own floaties, blow up shark to ride or whatever you can use to get you form one end to the other. The swim club does have some boards and noodles you may be able to borrow if you ask.
Don’t forget the Parent relay!!!!!
The P&C will be operating a BBQ on the day, so bring some money along for your BBQ feed. The pool canteen will also be available throughout the day.

Wendy Robinson
Assistant Principal

Zach Broomby (School Captain) & Will Dixon (Vice-Captain)
### COMMUNITY HEALTH

**Drop In Clinic** – 9.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. or by appointment. All other services as usual.

*Phone: 6347 1200*

### QUANDIALLA SWIMMING POOL

Hours are Tuesday, Thursday 3.30-6.30pm  
Wednesday, Friday 3.30-6.00pm  
Saturday, Sunday 2.30-7.30pm  
Family pass (dependents ONLY) $150  
Single pass $60  
Monthly pass $60  
Season pass does NOT cover school events or carnivals.  
Please note; there has been NO CHANGE in our hours or our fee’s this year.  
**Contact Kim 6347 1204 for more information.**

### BELL TIMES

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### DIARY DATES – TERM 1

#### WEEK 1

**Tuesday, January 27th**  
Staff Return

**Wednesday, January 28th**  
Students Return

#### WEEK 2

**Monday, February 2nd**  
Library

**Wednesday, February 4th**  
Swimming Carnival @ Quandialla Swimming Pool. Starts 9.30am. Whole school.

**Thursday, February 5th**  
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden K-2

#### WEEK 3

**Monday, February 9th**  
Library

**Tuesday, February 10th**  
Police visit with K,1 & 2 @ 12pm.

**Thursday, February 12th**  
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden 3-6

**Friday, February 13th**  
Forbes Small Schools Carnival @ Forbes Swimming Pool Starts 9.00am. Yrs K-6

#### WEEK 4

**Monday, February 16th**  
Library K-6

**Thursday, February 19th**  
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden, K-2

**Friday, February 20th**  
Lachlan PSSA Swimming Carnival @ Condobolin Starts 9.00am

#### WEEK 5

**Monday, February 23rd**  
Library K-6

**Thursday, February 26th**  
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden 3-6