Principal's Report - Mr Kerry Kurtz

Welcome back
I would like to offer everyone a warm welcome back to Quirindi Public School for Term 3.....although the weather is anything but warm!!

Student Reports
All student reports will be sent home this week. The teachers and executive staff spend a considerable amount of time to ensure that reports are accurate and mistake free...HOWEVER sometimes mistakes sneak through the proof reading process. Please let the office or your child’s teacher know if you find an error in your child’s report. We will certainly rectify the mistake and reprint a correct report for you.

Quality Teaching Successful Students
The Minister for Education, Adrian Piccoli, released a new educational reform on Tuesday called Quality Teaching Successful Students. The Quality Teaching, Successful Students (QTSS) initiative will provide an additional staffing resource allocation to improve the quality of teaching in all primary classrooms.

This initiative is being delivered to ensure that all primary students benefit from high quality teaching and learning practices that better meet the full range of student needs.

This reform will be phased in over 4 years, with some schools (including Quirindi Public School) beginning this term. I will send more information about this initiative as I receive it from the department.

Did You Know?
It is estimated that over 20% of Australian primary aged children experience anxiety. If left unattended anxiety can impact a child’s development, leading to problems later in life. Anxiety can cause constant worry about things close to a child such as homework, participating in school activities like excursions, transitioning to a new school and even non-local events that appear on the news such as natural disasters or terrorism.

At Quirindi Public School we are committed to working with students, parents and carers to help reduce anxiety and give our students opportunities to develop strategies to cope with stressful and challenging situations. This term, Year 6 students and some selected students from Years 4 and 5 are participating in the social skills and resilience building program, Friends for Life which is recognised by the World Health Organisation.
Whilst giving students tools to cope with stress and anxiety, this program also improves participant's social skills, ability to focus, confidence, and the ability to relax and regulate emotions.

If you would like any more information about the program or have concerns about your child please contact Mrs Lewis through the school office.

Adam Hill presents Adamriginal
Next Monday 20 July, we are very lucky to have Adam Hill come to our school to present a humourous and highly energetic program of song, puppetry, language, personal stories and Yidaki (didgeridoo) to all of our students. Adam is a multi-talented Dhungatti Aboriginal artist who works as a professional exhibiting painter, graphic artist, cartoonist and illustrator. He is also a well-respected Yidaki player. There is no cost to the students for this performance. We look forward to a really fun and entertaining experience.

Well done Cameron
During the holidays, Cameron Frear competed at Maitland Polocrosse Carnival and won the Champion Subjunior and Best No.1

Cameron has been named as Captain for the Hunter Valley Zone Subjunior Team which will compete at the NSWPA Zone Championships at Cassilis in August. Well done Cameron.

New Students
We would like to welcome Roy and Isla to our school. We hope you enjoy your time here with us at Quirindi Public School.

School Office Hours
Office hours are 8.30am to 3.30pm.

Notes home this week
1. ASCA

There was movement in the corridors for the word had got around, ASCA preparation time has got away!

When: Week 4, starting Monday 3 August
Where: Quirindi High School Library
Timetables: Will be available next week

Audiences most welcome!
Information notes including school practice times have been sent home with students.
Quirindi Public School’s PBL Launch

Thursday 30 July 2015

Please come and celebrate this with us.

There will be a free BBQ for students and community members starting at 11.00am to enjoy together on the Collarene lawn.

A formal assembly will start at 12.05pm.

Education Week Celebrations
We would like to invite all parents, carers, grandparents and community members to help us celebrate Education Week with us from Monday 27 July to Friday 31 July 2015.

Monday 27th July
Open classrooms at 10.00am to 10.40am
Assembly at 10.40am - local heroes theme with special guests and performances
Art Show in the Library - Mark Young, Director of Schools Wollemi, to open Art Show at the assembly
Picnic lunch at 11.20am on the Collarene lawn

Thursday 30 July
PBL Launch at 11.00am with a BBQ and a formal assembly at 12.05pm

The Art Show will be on display from Monday at 11.20am until Thursday at 3.20pm. We understand that a lot of parents work and have other commitments are unable to attend the Art Show during school hours so the Art Show will stay open on Tuesday until 6.00pm.

A flyer will be sent home next week.

AN ATHLETICS CARNIVAL REPORT WILL BE IN NEXT WEEK’S NEWSLETTER
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COMMUNITY NEWS

QUIRINGI PHARMACY
SHOWGIRL DINNER DANCE

WHEN: 29th August 6.30pm
WHERE: Quirindi Rugby Club
$45 TICKETS (Inc. dinner & entertainment)
ENTERTAINMENT BY BRAD HOULDSWORTH
TICKETS FOR SALE AT QUIRINGI PHARMACY