Welcome to Week 9

Thank you to our parents who supported our whole school assembly on Friday. Our fabulous year 2 students revived old memories with the song “The Marvellous Toy” that was inspired by objects they had been making in their science unit on ‘Energy and Force’. 3NW recited a beautiful poem, congratulations year 3 for recalling those complicated words and reciting them so well. Wonderful presentations from both classes.

Skoolbo

Skoolbo in an innovative educational tool focusing on literacy and numeracy that our students in year 2 have been using on their iPads. This is now being used nationally (with a Canberra Programmer) and QPS has been at the forefront of its use. Skoolbo came to our assembly to make a special presentation to Bowen, Patrick and Jacob who have answered the most questions correctly. Baylia answered the four millionth question Australia wide. Well done to all our students so successfully engaged in this program.

Following our assembly Mrs Harley and Mrs Bradford ran a Skoolbo workshop for the many interested parents. I thank our staff for their time and commitment and to the parents for their support.

NAIDOC Assembly

We extend a warm welcome to all our parents to join us for our NAIDOC assembly tomorrow. Details over page. Our students have produced beautiful artwork for display and we are very proud of their art pieces for you to enjoy in the “Art Gallery” (old hall).

Further Celebrations

Further NAIDOC celebrations will take place on Wednesday evening at the Queanbeyan Bicentennial Hall, when our students participate in the Queanbeyan Youth NAIDOC Celebrations 2014. Our indigenous students have created and designed T-shirts in Studio 1 with Mr Papoulis and will parade their work on the evening. The whole school has contributed art work to add to the gallery. A great week of celebrations ahead.

Football Workshop

Congratulations to the students from QPS who attended the Indigenous Football Sports Clinic and oral health promotion with a focus on eating well and playing well held at QPS last week. Your sportsmanship and behaviour is to be commended.

Winter Break

I take this opportunity to wish all our students and families a safe and restful winter break.

Genevieve Jackson
Principal
NAIDOC at QSPS 2014
Theme: Serving Country – Centenary and Beyond
Come along and join us in celebrating Australia’s Indigenous culture
Tuesday 24 June

11:00am - Stall for students in old hall
12:10pm – K-6 Assembly led by Year 6 Aboriginal students.
At the conclusion of the assembly parents and visitors are invited to view the exhibition of student art in the old hall while they have refreshments.
1:05pm - Stall will re-open for student purchases.

Wednesday 25 June 6-8pm at Bicentennial Hall we hope to see our Aboriginal families at the AECG NAIDOC Youth Expo for the Queanbeyan Community.

LIBRARY NEWS
Holidays are coming so don’t forget to borrow some books to read over the break. This is a great time to catch up on some of those books for the Premier’s Reading Challenge. I currently have 2 students who have completed the challenge and have returned their sheet. Looking forward to many more.
This week we are having a visit from Jayde who is going to share some information about the MS Readathon. Some students will be finding out about this worthwhile cause and may be starting this program in August.
Enjoy your holidays and keep safe. Happy reading.
“Reading is the sole means by which we slip, involuntarily, often helplessly, into another’s skin, another’s voice, another’s soul.”
- Joyce Carol Oates
Sandy Swift
Teacher Librarian

Stage 3 students were challenged to design a house using ‘Google SketchUp’, a 3D modelling tool. The house was to be innovative yet functional and to incorporate its own power source. Over the next few weeks, we will be showcasing the best of each classes work. This week from 5HC the designs belong to Marc and Aleks.

Sandy Swift
Teacher Librarian

Attention Parents
Student Absences
As per DEC guidelines all student absences need to be explained within 7 days of the absence. If no explanation is received within 7 days it will be recorded as an unexplained absence.

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2015. Children must turn five by 1 August 2015. Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school office.

THE FIRST DAY OF TERM 3 FOR STUDENTS IS TUESDAY 15 JULY.