

Quarry Hill Primary School

POPPET HEAD BLAST

Thursday 30th July 2026

2026 TERM DATES

Term 3: 13th July - 18th September
Term 4: 5th October - 18th December

Principal: Anne Rochford

School Council President: Andrew Ellis

PFA President: Michelle Kennedy

PFA Vice President: Rhayven Milliner

~OUR VALUES~

Kind

I understand that everyone is different.
I co-operate.
I respect myself, others, and the environment.
I am community minded.
I belong.

Curious

I am a learner.
I seek knowledge.
I ask questions.
I explore and wonder.
I create.

Brave

I am honest.
I am independent.
I have high expectations.
I am resilient.
I am open to feedback.

IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST		
Wednesday 5 th	All day	100 days of Prep- '100 days Brighter'
Friday 14 th	9:00am-2:00pm	Grade 3/4 Discovery Centre excursion (see Compass for further details)
Friday 28 th	All day	Book Week Dress Up/Parade (9:05am) and Multi-Age Activities (12pm-2pm)
SEPTEMBER		
Tuesday 1 st	All day	Father's Day/Special Persons' Stall
Thursday 3 rd	Rehearsals during day Performance at 7pm	Whole School Production (more information to come)
Friday 4 th	All day	Curriculum Day- no students at school

Reminders

- Prep 2027 Enrolments
-Application forms are due to the office by tomorrow Friday the 31st of July.
- Father's Day/Special Persons' Stall Donations
-Donations to be dropped off to the office. All gifts will be sold for \$2.

A CONNECTION TO NATURE - ENVIRONMENT MULTI AGE DAY

Students and teachers had a wonderful time celebrating the day by dressing up as something inspired by the great outdoors. Throughout the day, students enjoyed learning fascinating facts about the environment and discovering more about the world around them in a fun and engaging way.

A big thank you to our Junior School Council (JSC) for helping to organise this fantastic event!

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to Flora Hill Quality Meats for generously donating sausages for our students, and to Shane from Woolworths Golden Square for kindly donating all the bread. A special thank you also goes to Boys to the Bush for generously volunteering their time to cook the barbecue and for their ongoing support of many of our students through their programs. Your generosity, time and commitment helped make the day such a success.

BOYS
TO THE
BUSH



SMOKING AND VAPING ADVICE

Parents, carers, schools, and community all play an important role in protecting children and young people from, and educating them about, the harmful effects of smoking and vaping.

Research from [VicHealth](#) shows that young people care about what their parents, carers and older siblings think and do about vaping.

The Department of Education has developed resources to help you learn more about the health risks of smoking and vaping. The resources include advice about how to talk to children and young people about vaping, and where to get support.

To access the resources, go to <https://www.vic.gov.au/smoking-and-vaping-advice-parents>

You can also view [this video](#) on smoking and vaping from experts at the Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne for health advice and tips for starting a conversation with young people.

UNIFORM

A reminder to please check your children's uniform when they come home for any labels with other student's names. If you have any items of clothing belonging to another child, please return them to the office.

There is a lost property area located at school where all unclaimed, unnamed clothing is left. If your child loses anything, please feel welcome to check through and collect belongings. Unclaimed clothing is regularly displayed and then sent to our second-Hand uniform cupboard and sold for a gold coin donation per item.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



KIND

Noa B	Room 1	For consistently demonstrating our school value of Kind in your interactions in the class and yard with everyone you encounter.
Lachie G	Room 10	For being a community minded student who respects himself, others and the environment. Great job, Lachie!
Fern W	Room 13	For always treating those around her with warmth and kindness.

CURIOUS

Maeve C	Room 6	For her confidence in using a bar model to solve maths problems!
Brodhi C-G	Room 17	For confidently sharing your ideas in class and answering in full sentences.
Oliver G	Room 11	For working towards improved engagement and achieving success!
Riley M	Room 5	For confidently sharing ideas in class discussions and always being a curious learner.
Bailey Q	Room 2	For always having your whiteboard parked and ready to learn.
Nixon S	Room 14	For a great start to term 3, improved focus and participation in class. It's great to see!
Orson S	Room 12	For always seeking and answering questions during our Middle Ages unit. Awesome work, Orson!
Astrid X	Room 7	For quick transitions when using 'Show me Whiteboards' and showing readiness for learning.
Nash W	Room 8	For trying your hardest and doing AMAZINGLY at Maths. Keep up the great work!

BRAVE

Louie F	Room 16	For demonstrating strong independent learning skills. I am so pleased to see such high-quality work.
Lola H	Room 9	For having high expectations with her reading and writing. You are a super star!
Mietta S	Room 14	For a great start to term 3, participating and contributing to class discussions. Keep up the great work!



Book Week Parade - Friday 28 August

Families are warmly invited to join us for our annual **Book Week Parade** on **Friday 28 August**.

The parade will begin at **9:05 am** on the **school basketball court**.

This year's Children's Book Week theme is **"Symphony of Stories."** It celebrates the idea that books are not isolated voices on a shelf. Instead, they are part of something much bigger—a collective composition of ideas, emotions, characters and worlds that come together like instruments in an orchestra. Every story has its own unique voice, and together they create a rich and inspiring symphony of imagination.

Students are encouraged to dress as a favourite book character or something inspired by a story they love. Costumes don't need to be elaborate or expensive—simple, creative ideas are perfect! Some suggestions include:

- Favourite picture book or novel characters
- Animals from storybooks
- Fairytale characters
- Superheroes or villains from books
- Historical figures from biographies
- Fantasy creatures such as dragons, unicorns or wizards
- Explorers, scientists or inventors from non-fiction books

We can't wait to see everyone's creativity on display as we celebrate the joy of reading together. We look forward to seeing our school community there!

