

Quarry Hill Primary School

POPPET HEAD BLAST



Thursday 13th August 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

IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST		
Friday 14 th	All day	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
Wednesday 2 nd	9am	Book Club Issue #6 orders due to the office
Thursday 3 rd	Rehearsals during day Performance at 7pm	Whole School Production
Friday 4 th	All day	Curriculum Day- no students at school
Wednesday 9 th	All day	-Division Basketball (selected students- further details on Compass event) -Grade 3/4 White Hills Garden of the Future Excursion (further details on Compass event)
Monday 14 th	All day	Division Athletics (selected students- further details on Compass event)
Friday 18 th	All day	Last day of Term 3- early finish- 2:30pm
OCTOBER		
Monday 5 th	All day	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 6 th	Various times	P-4 Gymnastics Program
Tuesday 13 th	Various times	P-4 Gymnastics Program
Tuesday 20 th	Various times	P-4 Gymnastics Program
Tuesday 27 th	Various times	P-4 Gymnastics Program
Wednesday 28 th	All day	Bendigo Cup Public Holiday

Reminders:

BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY/PARADE (Friday August 28th)

- Parade at 9:05am on the basketball court.
- Multi-Age Activities (12pm-2pm).

FATHER'S DAY/SPECIAL PERSONS' STALL DONATIONS (Tuesday September 1st)

- Donations to be dropped off to the office.
- All gifts will be sold for \$2.

WHOLE SCHOOL PRODUCTION (Thursday September 3rd)

- Approve event on Compass for your child/ren to attend rehearsal during the day.

P-4 GYMNASTICS PROGRAM (Term 4)

- Occurs over the first 4 Tuesdays in Term 4, with sessions running for 60 minutes duration each Tuesday.
- Please view details and approve/pay on the Compass event.

~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.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Orders for Issue 6 of Scholastic Book Club are due to the office by 9am Wednesday 2nd September. No late orders will be accepted.

To order the books online and pay with your credit card via the LOOP facility visit

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>

The LOOP facility eliminates the need to put your credit card number on the order form and/or hand over cash. For paper copy book orders please include your child's name and classroom room number and/or teacher on the top of the form and return to office with correct payment by due date.

H5 BIRD FLU

Cases of H5 bird flu have been confirmed in birds across Australia, including in south-west Victoria.

Our school has steps to follow if sick or dead birds are found at or near our school.

If you see a sick or dead bird at or near the school, please let us know.

If you find a sick or dead bird in the community, the advice from the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry is to:

1. avoid contact and keep your distance
2. record date, time, location and take photos
3. report it to using an [online form](#) or through the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline: 1800 675 888.

For current information about reporting, refer to DEECA's [H5 bird flu page](#).

For more information, you can check out these [bird flu resources from the Australian Government](#).



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



KIND

Oden M	Room 17	For being a kind and thoughtful friend to anyone in need.
Leon S	Room 12	For always showing respect to others in the classroom and all extra-curricular activities. Great stuff Leon!

CURIOUS

Lottie C	Room 14	For thorough and comprehensive written responses to our Middle Ages work.
Remy C	Room 7	For wonderful listening for being able to recall what a base word is.
Charlie G	Room 5	For showing a positive attitude and always striving to improve every day.
Skanda J	Room 16	For demonstrating high level independent learning skills. A great start to Quarry Hill.
Parker L	Room 1	For your fabulous work on sharing into equal groups in Maths!
Kennedy O	Room 8	For always being curious by trying your best every day and challenging yourself to learn new things. Well Done!

BRAVE

Riva F	Room 2	For having a smooth start to your mornings and being ready to learn.
Amelia K	Room 6	For taking on feedback with her 'Ziggy the Zebra' sentences during English!
Sebastien L	Room 11	For asking questions to clarify his understanding and listening carefully to feedback.
Reuben P	Room 9	For consistently having high expectations and trying his best.



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!

