



The Poppet Head

Weekly newsletter of Quarry Hill Primary School
Wednesday June 19th 2019
Newsletter No. 18

Our Vision:

QHPS students are empowered to be engaged learners. Our community fosters a culture of respect and belonging.

2019 TERM DATES

Term 2 April 23 – June 28
Term 3 July 15 – September 20
Term 4 October 7 – December 20

Principal: Jo Menzel
School Council President: Joan O'Brien
PFA President: Renee Selkrig

~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

	Time	Details
JUNE		
Thursday 20 th	7.00pm	PFA Meeting - Multipurpose Building
Friday 21 st	9.15am-3.00pm 3.00pm-4.00pm	Division Soccer- Selected students only Pie Drive Pick Up – Multipurpose Building
Tuesday 25 th	All Day Various	Student Led Conferences- Students from Grades P – 6 attend their interview session with their parents. Students are only required at school for their appointment. District Athletics-Selected Students Only
Wednesday 26 th	6.00pm-7.00pm	5/6 Personal Development Session-Multipurpose Building
Wednesday 27 th	9.00am	Pizza Orders Due
Friday 28 th	9.00am 11.00am 2.30pm	JSC- Dress Up Day – Favourite Colour PFA Pizza Lunch Day Last Day of Term- Early Finish
JULY		
Monday 15 th	9.00am	First day of Term 3
Thursday 25 th – Friday 26 th	All Day	Grade 5 Camp – Sovereign Hill

REMINDERS:

The Semester 1 reports will be available to access on Compass on Friday 21st June 2019.

Student Led Conferences: Tuesday 25th June 2019. Students only required for their appointment.

Pie Drive Delivery: Friday June 21st 3.00pm-4.00pm in the Multipurpose Room



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Curious



Brave

Gymnastics Program



Dear Parents & Carers,

CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING AND SAFETY TRAINING

Last Thursday our staff participated in Cultural Understanding and Safety Training (CUST). As previously mentioned in the newsletter, this training is a key commitment in the Marrung: Aboriginal Education Plan, which is the Department of Education and Training's ten year plan to support improved outcomes for Koorie students across all education settings.

Throughout the day we had the opportunity to gain a better understanding of Aboriginal history and culture. We also gained a greater understanding of the importance of equity and inclusion in educational practice. The strong message is for schools to start the conversation and share information with their communities. Today I thought I would start with an explanation of the word 'Koorie'. We often hear and use the word, but may not be aware of what it means.

'Koorie' is a collective or group term which derives from the word for 'people'. Aboriginal people, whose traditional lands and waters exist within the boundaries that today frame the state of Victoria, are often called Koorie peoples or Koories.

Further to the word 'Koorie', some Australian Indigenous people prefer to be called 'Aboriginal' while others prefer 'Indigenous'. Over time, there has been a shift away from the term 'Indigenous' in favour of 'Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander', and sometimes 'First Nations Peoples'.

Most, but not all, Aboriginal people regard 'Aborigine' and 'Aborigines' as outdated and slightly derogatory but are quite happy with 'Aboriginal'. Note that when referring to Australia's First Peoples, uppercase 'A' and uppercase 'I' are used for Aboriginal and Indigenous Australians respectively.

The best way to find out which terms to use is to listen to Koorie community members themselves, and hear what term they use to describe themselves culturally.

As Room 2 now says, "Wominjeka!"

Wominjeka means 'welcome' in the Wurundjeri and Dja Dja Wurrung languages of Melbourne and central Victoria.



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Curious



FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY –THANK YOU!

Every week, Quarry Hill Primary School is incredibly fortunate to have fresh fruit delivered for our students to enjoy. This generous donation comes to us through the McKern Foundation, a philanthropic arm of McKern Steel. The McKern Foundation distributes in excess of \$150,000.00 annually to a number of worthwhile projects locally and across the state. This money is earmarked for:

- The supply, delivery and erection of all steel requirements for the Royal Children's Hospital annual fundraising project of building a house for sale. (This has been donated by the foundation for over 25 years.)
- Supporting charitable causes such as Challenge for Cancer, Kids under Cover, and SCOPE.
- The supply of fresh fruit, every week, to every student at 37 Bendigo schools through the 'Fresh Fruit Friday' Program.



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Our children love the variety, quality and the freshness of the fruit. We are very thankful for this wonderful program.



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END OF TERM 2 – EARLY DISMISSAL

A reminder that Term 2 ends on Friday, June 28th with the earlier dismissal time of 2.30pm.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: BEESWAX RESUSABLE FOOD COVER WRAP MAKING CLASS

Beeswax wraps are a reusable plastic free alternative to keeping food fresh. If you are interested in a class to learn how to make these, please return the form at the end of the newsletter.



Have a great week.

Jo Menzel

Principal

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

KIND

Francesco B (Room 15A)

Jesse K (Room 10B)

Rhea W (room 12B)

for working cooperatively with others during our gymnastics program.

for displaying kindness when working with younger students.

for demonstrating kindness towards others in the schoolyard.

Well done Rhea!

Leonardo M (Room 9)

for keeping our classroom neat in the morning, placing the chairs behind tables.



CURIOUS

Tyler S (Room 14B)

Lachlan V (Room 14B)

Aimee M (Room 14A)

Ellianna L (Room 10A)

for continually working hard on the presentation of his handwriting.

for creating a clear map of his explorer's journey!

for putting in 100 percent on her Explorer's project.

for creating a wonderful diorama and presentation for Inquiry with her partner.



BRAVE

Reid S (Room 7)

for setting himself high expectations in regard to learning his home spelling words.

Clara L (Room 7)

for accepting feedback and working hard to improve your writing.



JSC DRESS UP DAY – FAVOURITE COLOUR

On last day of Term 2, June 28th, Junior School Council will be holding a Colour Day. Dress up in your favourite colour for a whole day! Don't forget that it's a gold coin donation which will go towards the State School Relief. State School Relief is an organisation that ensures that all students feel included and valued. They supply uniforms and footwear for 1 in 10 Victorian school children.

Junior School Council Members: Abbie, Mikayla, Layla & Avery.



STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Student Led Conferences will be held on Tuesday 25th June 2019 and will run from 8.00am to 6.00pm.

Grade 5/6 teachers will also be available on Wednesday 26th June from 9.00am-10.00am. Bookings will be open for you to make an appointment for your child until Monday June 24th.

5/6 PUBERTY & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The Puberty and Personal Development Program has been rescheduled for Wednesday the 26th of June. This event will be held between 6.00pm to 7.00pm in the Multipurpose Building.

This program has replaced the previous in class sessions and is open to all grade 5/6 students and their parents, guardians or special person. Grade 5/6 Team

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SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

The Semester 1 reports will be available to access on Compass on Friday 21st June 2019.

Report Features

Attendance

Student attendance is included and shows the amount of days absent for the semester.

Victorian Curriculum

Teachers assess students using the Victorian Curriculum. The report uses a standard 5 point scale ranging from E - A inclusive.

- A- Well above the standard expected at this time of year
- B- Above the standard expected at this time of year
- C- At the standard expected at this time of year
- D- Below the standard expected at this time of year
- E- Well below the standard expected at this time of year

Victorian Curriculum						
	Rating	Level D	Foundation	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Capabilities						
Personal and Social Capability	C					
English						
Reading and Viewing	C					
Speaking and Listening	C					
Writing	C					
Mathematics						
Number and Algebra	C					
Statistics and Probability	C					
<div> <div> Ratings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Well above the expected level B Above the expected level C At the expected level D Below the expected level E Well below the expected level </div> <div> Legend <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⊗ Previous result, x months ago ● Your child's achievement this semester --- Your child's progress ■ The expected level of achievement </div> </div> <div> Scale Definition The Victorian Curriculum standard 5 point scale. Ranging from E - A inclusive. Where E is two standard points below the expected level and A is two standard points above the age expected level. </div>						

Work Habits

Student work habits relate to student effort and behaviour. It is assessed using the scale of Rarely, Sometimes, Usually and Consistently. The eight Work habits assessed are:

- Persists
- Manages classroom behaviour
- Effective use of class time
- Can work independently
- Organised
- Playground behaviour
- Listens to and follows instructions
- Gets along with others

Work Habits				
	Rarely	Sometimes	Usually	Consistently
Persists			●	
Manages classroom behaviour				●
Manages playground behaviour				●
Effective use of class time			●	
Can work independently			●	
Organised				●
Listens to and follows instructions				●
Gets along with others				●

Teacher Comment

Teacher Comments highlight personal learning characteristics, personal qualities and relate, elaborate on student work habits.

Specialist Subjects

Specialist teachers provide an overview of tasks completed throughout the semester. They use the Victorian Curriculum to assess and assess Work Habits specific to their subject.

Learning Tasks Learning

Students are reported on throughout the year through the Learning Tasks. Completed Learning Task comments from Term 1 and 2 become part of the report. Learning Tasks are activities that have been completed in class and assessed against the Victorian Curriculum by teachers. The tasks are uploaded regularly throughout the term and are from a variety of subject areas.

WHAT WILL BE DIFFERENT IN 2019?

Previous Progression Points

As this is the second cycle using COMPASS previous progression points will be displayed.

Measurement/Geometry Progression Point

Measurement/Geometry is not included in this report as the main focus areas for Maths during Semester 1 centred on Number/Algebra and Statistics/Probability. Measurement/Geometry will be included on Semester 2 reports.

Chinese Report

Students in Grade 3 – 6 will receive a Chinese report. The report will only include a semester overview and student work habits.

GRADE 5 CAMP TO SOVEREIGN HILL

This year the Grade 5 Camp will be to Sovereign Hill on **Thursday July 25th – Friday July 26th**.

Awareness of history is an essential characteristic of any society and historical knowledge is fundamental to understanding ourselves and others. The Students will experience the Sovereign Hill costume school and the lifestyle of the 1850's gold rush.

The bus will depart from Quarry Hill Primary School at 7.00am on Thursday July 25th and return at 5.45pm on Friday July 26th. The full cost of the camp is \$225.00 (\$175.00 if paid deposit) with the final payment due by July 15th 2019. Jess Telford/Sam McCloud.

Human Rights Approach to Education

At Quarry Hill Primary School we have a commitment to promoting a positive climate for learning, in which:

- difference is accepted and welcomed
- all students and their families are listened to, taken seriously and treated with respect
- all students are supported as individuals and as members of a learning community
- all students feel safe and are not afraid to speak up



Everyone should know about the Convention on the Rights of The Child.

Do you know the Convention on the Rights of The Child? Have a look here...

<https://www.unicef.org.au/Upload/UNICEF/Media/Our%20work/childfriendlycrc.pdf>

SAVE THE DATE

Q.H.P.S.'s Human Rights Approach to Education

Quarry Hill Primary School will be running a Community Forum about our commitment to a Human Rights Approach in our school. We invite all community members along to learn about how this looks in our school. We will welcome Kylie Smith from the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission to co-facilitate the sessions. We will run two of the same sessions, so we hope you can make it to one of them.

Wednesday 7th August, 2019

Session 1: 9.30-10.30AM

Session 2: 6.30-7.30PM (Child minding available)

Multipurpose room at QHPS.

This event will be catered for, please indicate if you plan to attend here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFC6J52>

SCHOOL COUNCIL – JUNE MEETING UPDATE

Each year the School Council holds 8 General meetings and 1 Annual meeting. Last Monday's meeting marked the half way point to our meetings for the year.

Our new Strategic plan has been endorsed and is now in full swing. It guides the direction of the school and how we can empower our students to achieve their personal best. It has been exciting to see the new school values adopted throughout each class and across all disciplines of school life.

One focus this year has been focusing on ensuring that we represent the best interests of the QHPS community, in our decision making and our vision for the future. We deepened this work with the community consultations that all families were invited to earlier this year. We are in the process of collating the feedback and look forward to reviewing the recommendations.

Further work includes updates to school policies, monitoring school finances and ensuring camps can run smoothly. Please get in touch if you have any questions about the work School Council is doing, or want to get involved.

Joan O'Brien (parent to Caitlin, Grade 4 and Imogen, Prep) 0414 707 248

AMPLIFYING STUDENT VOICE WORKSHOP

On Monday the 17th of June 2019, we were selected to go to the Amplifying Student Voice Workshop at the All Seasons Hotel in Maiden Gully. We learned about student voice, student agency and student participation. We saw a long PowerPoint about what a student voice is and what it is not. We also learnt about A.L.T.E.R which stands for ask, listen, think, enact and reflect. Later on at lunch we went to the Crook Street Park across the road from the All Seasons. Then we did an activity where we wrote down some things we could improve on in our class. We also got morning tea & lunch and FREE PENS!

Overall, it was a pretty good day and worth the time off school.

By Lloyd & Mia.



KITCHEN GARDEN

Yesterday marked the first time that we used our smoothie bike during Kitchen Garden. Banana Smoothies were the order of the day and Mr Turner and Mr McCloud also joined in with the tasting.

We were also able to shift some soil in preparation of another garden bed and plant some snow peas. We look forward to developing a few more garden beds next term and harvesting some of our winter veggies.



Puppy and Foster Carer Information Session

Could you care for a Seeing Eye Dog?

- Come to this information session
- Meet our dogs
- Hear our client's stories

See how you can help us to make a difference!

Date: Thursday, 4th July 2019

Time: 6pm-7pm

Location: Vision Australia, 20 Bridge St, Bendigo, VIC, 3550.

Everyone welcome!

For registration and questions:

Email: sedvolunteer@visionaustralia.org

Phone: 1800 03 77 73

Visit: sed.visionaustralia.org



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Next PFA meeting will be Thursday June 20th at 7.00pm in the multipurpose building.

What's coming up courtesy of the PFA?

Pizza Lunch Day	Friday June 28 th	11.00am	Last day of Term 2
Pie Drive	Friday June 21 st	3.00-4.00pm	Multipurpose Room

**PFA Pizza Lunch day
Friday 28th June
\$2.00 a slice**

PFA are holding a pizza lunch day to celebrate the last day of term 2. Order forms have been sent home yesterday. Pizzas will be supplied by Eagle Pizza, Kennington and slices will be \$2.00 each.

Pizzas available will be:

- Hawaiian (tomato, ham, pineapple & cheese)
- BBQ Meat lovers (BBQ sauce, ham, cabanossi, bacon, pepperoni & cheese)
- Aussie (Tomato, bacon, egg & cheese)
- Cheese Lovers (tomato & mozzarella cheese)

Cash payment & orders MUST be into the office by 9am on Wednesday 27th, no late orders will be accepted.

WE NEED HELPERS TO SERVE PIZZAS PLEASE.

If you are available at 10.40am on the Friday June 28th and would like to help serve the pizzas please place your name on the list outside room 5 on the PFA notice board. Thank you for your support.

PIE DRIVE

Delivery will be on Friday June 21st from 3.00pm-4.00pm in the multipurpose building.

All orders must be picked up on the day.

BECOME A MEMBER: The PFA would like to extend an invitation to all members of our school community, involvement can be small or large, but together we can create an amazing community for our children. Membership is a small fee of 50c and provides members the opportunity to assist and contribute to the life of the school and education of their children, the right to vote on matters within meetings as well as an invitation to join our committee page were you are able to keep up to date on current events with ease and at a time that suits you.. We actively encourage your input as we all contribute to the wellbeing of the school community together.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM: Our Second Hand Uniform shop will be open on Fridays from 3.30pm-3.45pm and again during the Thursday morning cake and cuppa catch up, from 8.45am-10.00am. As our weather is beginning to change we welcome all to come down to the multi-purpose room and pick up a bargain with each item just 50c. All donations welcome.



**Come and join the
BENDIGO FAMILY HUB
at their first ever
BIG AFTERNOON OUT
at the Bendigo Cinemas**

Date: Sunday 23rd June, 2019
Time: 2:15pm ('Toy Story 4' begins at 2:30pm)
Where: Bendigo Cinemas
 Queen Street, Bendigo
Cost: \$15
 (Includes a chance to win a lucky door prize!)
Raffle: \$2 a ticket

Prizes awarded for the best-dressed Toy Story characters attending the event.

Tickets available from:
bendigofamilyhub@gmail.com
 OR

'Bendigo Family Hub' Facebook page



BENDIGO FAMILY HUB

Facebook: www.facebook.com/bendigofamilyhub



- Face Painting
- Jumping Castle
- Animal Farm
- Mobile Playzone
- Story Corner
- Art Activities
- Balloon Sculpting
- Activities with Kangaroo Flat Football Netball Club



**Sausages,
veggie
burgers,
2 X chicken
sticks, bottled
water \$1 each**

Wominjeka Simu
Welcome
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 ဝတ်လိမ့်မည်ဘိနာ

**Sunday July 14, 2019
12pm – 3pm**
 Kangaroo Flat Primary School Gymnasium,
 60 Olympic Parade, Kangaroo Flat
 For more information contact Kangaroo Flat Community
 House adminkfch@bigpond.com





EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: BEESWAX RESUSABLE FOOD COVER WRAP MAKING CLASS

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Preferred Day: Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐

Cost: \$5.00 per participant

This class will be held in early Term 3 (Day and date to be confirmed.)

I am/We are interested in participating in the beeswax wrap making class.

Name/s:

Please return this expression of interest to the office by **Friday June 21st 2019**.

We understand that this interest is not binding and your participation will depend on your availability on the day and date of the workshop.