Quarry Hill Primary School

POPPET HEAD BLAST



2023 TERM DATES

Term 1 January 30 – April 6 Term 2 April 24 – June 23 Term 3 July 10 – September 15 Term 4 October 2 – December 20

Wednesday, February 1st 2023

Principal: Jo Menzel

School Council President: Claire Flanagan-Smith

PFA President: Renee Selkrig **PFA Vice President:** Kasslea Shaw

~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
FEBRUARY		
Thursday 2 nd	9.00am	Prep First Day of School
Wednesday 8 th	All Day	Prep Rest Day
Wednesday 15 th	All Day	Prep Rest Day
Thursday 16 th	5.00pm – 6.30pm	Welcome Back Picnic Bushland
Wednesday 22 nd	All Day	Prep Rest Day
Friday 24 th	Appointment only	Teeth on Wheels
Monday 28 th	9.00am	Prep First Full Week of School
MARCH		
Wednesday 1 st	All Day	Curriculum Day- Pupil Free
Monday 13 th	All Day	Labour Day Public Holiday-No School
April		
Tuesday 4 th		School Photo Day
Thursday 6 th	2.30pm	Last Day of Term 1-Early Finish
Friday 7 th	All Day	Good Friday
Monday 24 th	9.00 – 3.30pm	First Day of Term 2
Tuesday 25 th	All Day	Anzac Day Public Holiday- No School

Reminders:

- CSEF- Do you hold a concession card?
 You may be eligible for CSEF. Please see the office.
- **Curriculum contributions & Camp Deposits** can be paid at office or via the Compass app.
- **Compass Login** If you are having trouble or do not have your login details please come and see Amanda at the office.

Phone: 03 5443 3537

STEM Club at The Discovery Centre

This term The Discovery Centre is starting a STEM club for primary school students in and around Bendigo. Each week they will run activities on different STEM topics such as Chemistry, Physics, Technology, and Design. Activities will include making slime, investigating flight, and exploring chemical reactions.

These sessions will be run by their Early Years program developer, Angela Holdaway, who is a qualified primary teacher.

This information is for all students/families who may be interested in the program.

Who: Primary School Children in Grades Prep - 6

When: Wednesday 1st March – Wednesday 5th April 4pm – 5pm

What: 6 weekly sessions of STEM club fun

Cost: \$75 per student per Term

<u>STEM Club!</u> | <u>Discovery Science and Technology Centre Bendigo</u> For further information about this program please contact Angela Holdaway at earlyyearsprograms@discovery.asn.au or call 03.54444400

Teeth on Wheels

Dear Families,

Just a reminder that we have Teeth on Wheels visiting our school for dental visits starting on the 24th of February. Please click on the link below to complete your child's consent form.

https://teethonwheels.com.au/consent-forms/consent-eform/

Complete your form today and the Teeth on Wheels team will be in contact to schedule your child's appointment and notify you on your eligibility. If you are not eligible, Teeth on Wheels will offer you a special deal of \$99 for the full check-up, clean, fluoride treatment and any x-rays if required (this can be claimed back through your private health insurance).

For any further questions, please contact the Teeth on Wheels team on (03) 9338 1191.

CUT OFF DATE FOR COMPLETING YOUR CHILD'S FORM IS Febraury 23rd



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Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amounts this year are \$125 for eligible primary school students and \$225 for eligible secondary school students [remove primary/secondary as necessary]. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

It is important that funding made available in 2022 supports students to participate in school trips, camps and sporting activities this year rather than being held for future years. This funding can also be used in conjunction with any funding accrued from previous years. Please note these activities will only take place if they meet COVIDSafe requirements.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on [insert school phone number] and ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.

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CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 - General eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or carer of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- · on the first day of Term one
- · on the first day of Term two
- a) be a holder of one or more of the eligible financially-means tested cards OR be a temporary foster parent, and:
- b) submit an application to the school by the due date.

For the list of eligible financially-means tested cards refer to the CSEF Policy: https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/policy

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with the above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Special Consideration

A special consideration category exists for

- Families on a bridging visa, temporary protection visa, in community detention or are asylum seeker families
- Students in temporary out of home care arrangements, including statutory kinship care

For more information, see https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/guidance/eligibility

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer concession card being validated successfully with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30 January 2023) or term two (24 April 2023).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- · Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents/carers so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.

Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.

If you are claiming as a temporary Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

If you are seeking special consideration, mark this in the form and provide a copy of the relevant documentation.

- 2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
- 3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2023 closes on the 23 June 2023.

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