



The Poppet Head

Weekly newsletter of Quarry Hill Primary School
 Wednesday October 18, 2017
 Newsletter No. 31

Our Purpose:

To provide a creative and nurturing learning environment that enables everyone to achieve their personal best.

Principal: Jo Menzel
School Council President: Tim Shanahan
PFA President: Kasslea Shaw

2017 TERM DATES

Term 4 October 9 – December 22

2018 TERM DATES

Term 1 January 30 – March 29

Term 2 April 16 – June 29

Term 3 July 16 – September 21

Term 4 October - 8 December 21

IMPORTANT DATES

	Time	Details
October		
Thursday 19	9.00am – 11.00am	VIP Day
Friday 20	2.00pm – 2.30pm	Teacher Appreciation Day
Wednesday 18 – Friday 20		Grade 3/4 Camp to Swan Hill – Group 1
Monday 23 October	6.00pm-8.00pm	Strategic Planning Session
Wednesday 25 – Friday 27		Grade 3/4 Camp to Swan Hill – Group 2
Tuesday 31	3.30pm	Mango Orders Due
November		
Wednesday 1	All Day	Bendigo Cup Holiday
December		
Monday 4 – Friday 8	Various	Swimming Program
Thursday 7	TBC	PFA Disco
Monday 11	All Day	Whole School Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 12	9.00am – 11.00am	State Wide Transition Day
Wednesday 20	5.30pm – 9.00pm	Grade 6 Graduation Bendigo Club
Friday 22	1.30pm	Last Day of the Year Early Finish

~OUR VALUES~

Integrity:

Being true to oneself
 Being honest
 Owning our choices
 Respecting people, property & environment
 Being Positive ambassadors for QHPS.

Sense of Belonging:

Feeling safe
 Being part of a community
 Being inclusive and accepting
 Being committed to friendliness and caring for others.

Passion for Learning:

Being curious, inquisitive, active thinkers and engaged learners.

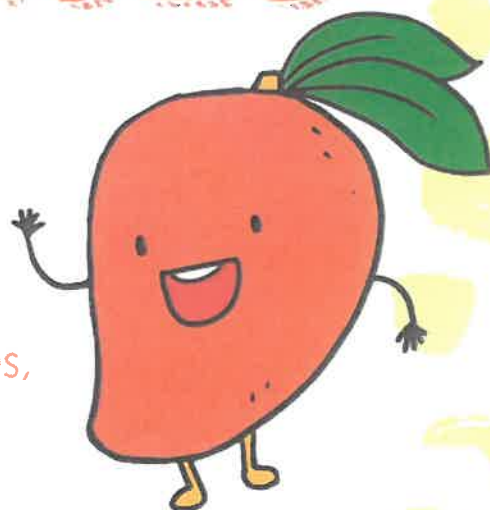
PREP 2018 TRANSITION DAYS

Monday November 6 th	12.15pm – 1.45pm	Prep Picnic
Tuesday November 14 th	12.45pm – 1.45pm	Classroom Visit
Monday November 20 th	12.45pm – 1.45pm	Classroom Visit – Meet Buddies
Tuesday December 12 th	9.30am – 11.0am	Classroom Visit & Parent Information Session

MANGOES

\$25 Tray

You will receive
12-20 Bowen mangoes,
total weight of 7kg



Orders in and paid for by
Tuesday 31st October

NO LATE ORDERS - SORRY!

Pick up
Early December at
Quarry Hill Primary School



Dear Parents and Carers

Chinese Visitors

On Monday we welcomed our Chinese visitors to our school. Linda, Crystal, Ethan and their teacher Chenlu (English name – Oranda) arrived after spending nearly 24 hours travelling to Bendigo. They are visiting from our Sister School, Suzhou Industrial Park Wencui Primary School. Wencui Primary School is a very large school which covers an area of 39 000 square metres. The school has 6 grade levels and 36 classes, each with between 35 – 40 students in each class. The school was opened in 2011 and was designed to inspire excellence. Wencui is designed around five garden settings, each with different functions. The *Enlightenment Garden* is said to embody the ambition of teachers to enlighten and inspire students. The *Footprint Garden* with six pairs of footprints represents step-by-step growth of students with teachers working alongside. The *Botanical Garden* has various plants and fruit trees, whilst the *Poetry Garden* matches famous ancient poems with specific plants. The *Farming Garden* is the place where students have the opportunity to grow vegetables.

The school offers diverse extracurricular activities, covering things such as clay making, low-carbon farming, Japanese and English clubs, international chess, traditional Chinese martial arts and ancient Chinese music. It is also well known as a school that excels in volleyball.

Linda, Crystal and Ethan have a good understanding of the English language. They are still getting used to our accent, slang and speed of speech. I feel confident that by the end of the 8 weeks, they will be very fluent and far more confident in speaking the language.



2018 Overseas Learning Experience to China

Applications for any 2018 Grade 5 & 6 children (currently Grade 4 & 5) interested in travelling to China in June next year close on **Friday 20th October**. Students must complete a written application. Further details about this are available from the office. If you require any further information about this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

VIP (Grandparents and Special Friends) Morning

Tomorrow, October 19th will be our VIP Morning for our grandparents and special friends. Our students have invited their guests to join them for group activities in their classroom from 9.00am – 11.00am. The students are excited about sharing their classroom with their family and friends and are really looking forward to the day. A big thankyou to our PFA for providing morning tea for our visitors. Weather permitting, this will be held on the Astroturf area outside of the BER building.

Teacher Appreciation Day

Internationally World Teachers' Day is celebrated on the first Friday in October. As this is usually during Australian school holidays, Australia typically celebrates the day towards the end of the month of October.

World Teachers' Day was inaugurated on 5 October 1994 by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) to commemorate the 1966 joint signing of the UNESCO/ILO Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers. In adopting this recommendation, governments unanimously recognised the importance of competent, qualified and motivated teachers in society.

Teachers at Quarry Hill Primary School work hard to provide the best education possible for our students. Their work doesn't fit nicely within a 9.00am – 5.00pm day. The nature of their work means that they can't always clock in and clock out or 'leave their work at the office' - but most would agree that it is a wonderful job! Every day is different! Our wonderful PFA will provide afternoon tea on Friday as a way of expressing their thanks to our teachers.

I would personally like to thank all of our teaching staff for the work that they do.

Strategic Planning Session

On Monday October 23rd, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, our School Council is participating in a Strategic Planning training session run by the Department of Education. This session will be held here at school, and any interested members of our community are cordially invited to attend. This session will be facilitated by John Sloan. John is well credentialed; being the former Principal of Spring Gully Primary School, as well as having worked in a number of leadership roles within the Department of Education. If you are interested in attending, please let either myself or the school know.

Jo Menzel
Principal

Student Achievement Awards

Persistence

- Lacey E (Room 7) for her beautiful handwriting.
Oliver R (Room 15B) for showing determination with his handwriting & receiving his pen license.
Nevayah H (Room 14B) for focused effort with her reading & making improvements.
Jordy L (Room 14B) for excellent growth in reading & improving in his lexile score.
Charli H (Room 15A) for having automatic response of all times tables.
Thom H (Room 10A) for working hard to remain focused during mindfulness.

Getting Along

- George P (Room 10B) for including his peers in the yard by making sure they can always join in his activities.
Ryder M (Room 15B) for being an inclusive & kind classmate.

Passion for Learning

- Oscar T (Room 9) for a great start to the term by consistently applying himself to all tasks.
Eva K (Room 12A) for displaying a consistent attitude & work ethic to all given tasks.
Hamish J (Room 12B) for focussed work & persistence with division.
Jacob W (Room 15A) for interest & enthusiasm on all First Fleet activities.

Sense of Belonging

- Finn RS (Room 1) for being brave and settling in to Room 1.

Resilience

- Jasper S (Room 4) for making a wonderful start in his new classroom with ease. Welcome to Quarry Hill!



Our Chinese visitors are welcomed to Quarry Hill Primary School. Students Ethan, Linda and Crystal with their teacher Oranda are pictured here with Ms Menzel and the host family children.



BOOK CLUB

Issue 7 of Scholastic Book Club is due Friday 27th October. No late orders will be accepted.

One of the features of Book Club is you can order the books online and pay with your credit card via the LOOP facility (visit http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/assets/img/letter_tile.jpg for more information). The LOOP facility eliminates the need to put your credit card number on the order form.

For hard copy book orders please include your child's name and classroom number on the top of the form and return to office with correct payment.

Thanks
Jane



NEXT PFA MEETING IS **in staffroom.**
Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

BAKERS NEEDED

VIP Day is tomorrow and the school has asked PFA to host a morning tea for our visiting VIPs. Every year we have about 100 guests visit our school on this day, to cater for this we ask our generous school community if they can donate baked goods such as cup-cakes, biscuits, slices, whole cakes and or a fruit platter. They can be store bought or home-made, both will be gratefully accepted. Please drop them off at the staff room around 9.00am. We are also looking for volunteers to help serve the tea and coffee. If you would like to help please let the office or myself know. Thank you.

Teacher Appreciation Day Afternoon Tea Friday 2.00pm October 20th

The Mango Fundraiser is back.

Order forms for the mango fundraiser have been sent home and is also attached to this newsletter. Trays of 12 – 20 Bowen mangoes (total weight 7kg) are \$25.00. All orders are to be paid for at the office and orders close on the 31st October. No late orders can be accepted. Delivery is early December, and a text message will be sent out to you when we know the exact date of delivery. All trays MUST be picked up on the day of delivery between 3.00pm-4.00pm at the school. Please ask your co-workers, family and neighbours if they too would love a yummy tray of fresh north Queensland Bowen mangoes.

SAVE THE DATE

The QHPS Disco is on Thursday December 7th! We are also excited to announce the free photo booth is back!

Kasslea Shaw
President



Walk to School Photo Competition

October is Walk to School month! Be creative and decorate your shoes, bikes or scooters and travel to school in style. Take a photo of your creation and our school will go in the draw to win a healthy breakfast for the entire school! Send your entries to i.nicholsmith@bendigo.vic.gov.au

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Fax: 5442 7590
Mobile: 0427 595 073

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

Proudly funded and supported by:

- WARRNAMboola
- LAKEVIEW
- ADROIT
- ORRCON

SHARE YOUR WORLD!

(WITH AN OVERSEAS EXCHANGE STUDENT)



TAKE A LEAP OF FAITH

Have you ever considered having an exchange student into your home? WEP is looking for Australian families to join their community of volunteer host families!

Treat your family to an intercultural experience like no other by hosting an exchange student from overseas. Share a piece of your heart and your backyard and support a young person make his/her dream of living and studying in Australia come true.

If you have a room to spare and an interest in other cultures, we would love to hear from you! Remember, sometimes the greatest rewards in life come from taking a leap of faith or doing the things you never thought you would.

CONTACT WEP

1300 884 733 INFO@WEP.ORG.AU WEP.ORG.AU

Eaglehawk Children's Festival

Friday Oct 20, 2017
3.30pm - 6.30pm

Canterbury Gardens Eaglehawk
Parking in Napier Street or Bowls Club

Contact Eaglehawk Community House
admin@eaglehawkcommunityhouse.com
T: 5446 6322

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Wildlife animal display
Virtual reality experience
Large games
Mobile Play Zone

Storytime
Parkour session
Wind tunnel
Face painting
Helium balloons
Science experiences
Live entertainment

MEET DAVID!

I have a passion for the arts. I dedicate a lot of my time to photography, drawing, music and writing. I am also addicted to reading and I'm a great cook. I have an active nature and I enjoy outdoor sports such as volleyball, biking and running. I'm from a fun-loving family and I love to tell them all about my day. I hope my host family enjoy the experience as much as I will!



STEP 1 - REQUEST PROGRAM INFO

- Email or call Sylvia at WEP: sylviakelly@wep.org.au / 03 9506 4733

STEP 2 - CHOOSE YOUR STUDENT

- WEP will send you comprehensive program and student information, so you can choose the student best suited to your family.



STEP 3 - PREPARE FOR ARRIVAL

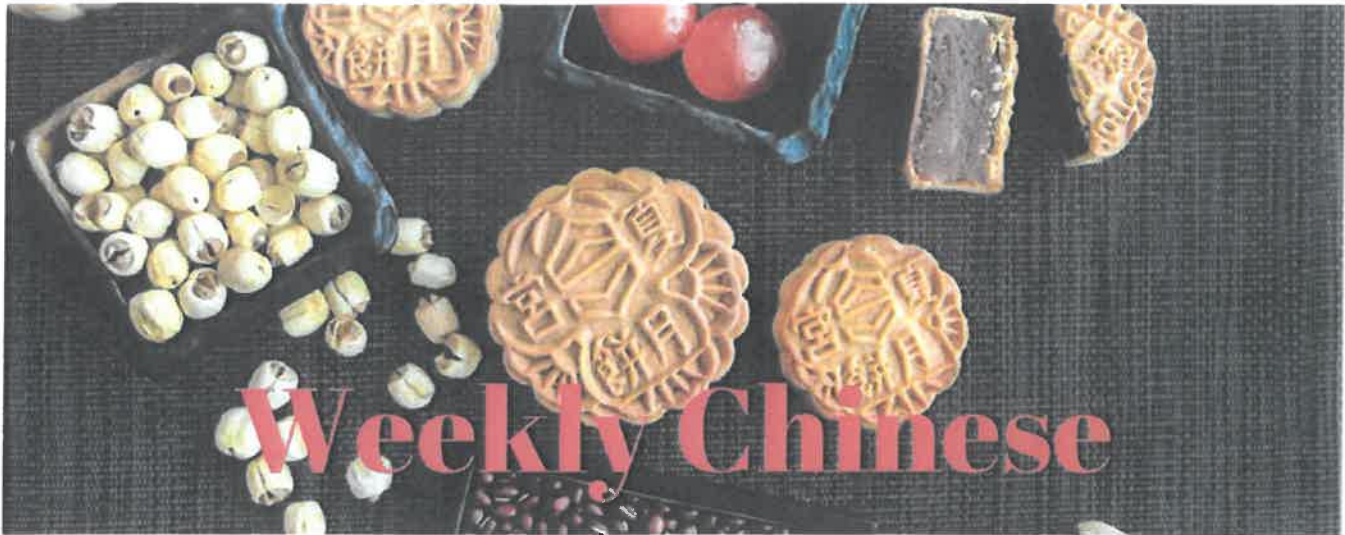
- WEP will assess your application, prepare you for your student's arrival and take care of everything including school enrolment, assistance with your application for relevant working with children checks, flights, insurance, and more.

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FUNLOONG. FUN DAY!

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT!

Celebrating Children's Week!
Saturday October 28, 2017 from 11am - 2pm



Mooncake 月饼 Yuèbǐng is the most popular and important food eaten during the Mid-Autumn Festival 中秋节 Zhōngqiū Jié — the festival is about moon appreciation and family reunion. Food with a round shape means unity and togetherness. For example, mooncakes represent good wishes and happiness.

TOP 5 MOONCAKE

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| 1 |  | 2 |  | 3 |  | 4 |  | 5 |  |
| | Five Kernel and Roast Pork | | Red Bean Paste | | Lotus Seed Paste | | Snow Skin (non-baked) | | Vegetable and Fruit |

Mooncake Prices
¥5 — ¥200

Other Popular Food

The cost of a mooncake is actually quite low for one mooncake. But mooncakes decorated in **beautiful and luxury packs** are sold at higher prices and sometimes the boxes are more expensive than the mooncakes themselves!

- Duck: Different cooking methods
- Pumpkins: To bring good health
- Wine Fermented with Osmanthus Flowers: For a happy life
- Hairy Crab: A seasonal festival delicacy



Today's character is 水 (shuǐ), which means "water". To write this Chinese character, please follow rule #2.

Rule #2: When you are writing a character that is centred and more or less symmetrical (but not stacked from top to bottom), the general rule is to write the centre stroke first, then left, then right.



Quarry Hill primary School

Mango Fundraiser

\$25 per Tray

(Tray may contain 12 to 20 Bowen Mangos, total weight 7kg)

Orders need to be placed at the QHPS office by 31st October
NO LATE ORDERS can be accepted. Expected delivery will
be early December. A text message will be sent to you to
notify you of the exact date. All orders **MUST BE COLLECTED**
FROM QHPS between 3pm & 4pm on the day.

Name.....

Mobile phone
number.....

Number of trays.....TOTAL \$.....



we make kids smile

GREAT FUN

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



Camp Australia – Quarry Hill OSHC/ 18th October 2017

Hello Everyone!

Don't forget about our Halloween Party on Tuesday the 31st of October



HALLOWEEN DISCO PARTY



If the children would like to dress up in a costume they are welcome to and we will be playing fun games and dancing and eating some special party foods.

We will also be doing some special activities and art projects next week leading up to our Halloween celebrations, hooooooooppe you can make it.

We offer many activities in Before and After School Care such as arts and crafts, painting, indoor and outdoor games, blocks, books and colouring. We also do some cooking activities that the children love to take part in. We try to go outside when we can, but the weather is hard to predict. We do at least try to play a couple of group games outside just to get our bodies moving, if it's not raining.

This term the children will need to wear hats in After School Care.

Camp Australia has a strict policy of **"No Hat/No Outdoors"**. Therefore if we go outside and the children do not have a hat, they will be asked to remain in the shaded area. We will provide sunscreen, but if the children prefer their own, they are welcome to use that instead.

You're welcome to call in and check out our service and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have. If you would like to book into Before/After School care or Holiday program or for any extra information please contact our friendly Customer Service team, who will be happy to help you.

Hope to see you soon.

Tara and Luana.

Program Details

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campastralia.com.au