The Way We Were

During the year 2000, Sydney hosted the Olympic Games. Students at QPS were very excited because Mrs Dorothy Jamieson, a well-known volunteer at the school, was running in the torch relay along the main street. Dorothy was chosen as a torchbearer because of her community work and service to others. All the students, teachers and some parents, walked down to Monaro Street, and waited opposite the police station. More than 15,000 people lined the main street to see Dorothy. All the students cheered and waved as Mrs Jamieson walked past. Everyone was so proud to see someone they knew taking part in such an historic event. The uniform Mrs Jamieson wore and the torch she carried are displayed in the foyer of the Administration Building.

Citizenship Assembly & Celebration of Learning

This week is an important week in the life of the school. Two formal ceremonies will be held to congratulate students on their learning this year. On Thursday 4 December a Citizenship Assembly will be held in the school Hall at 12:15pm to recognise the service given to the school by students this year. This assembly predominantly focuses on Year 6 students who are given opportunities throughout the year to demonstrate their leadership through volunteering their time to helping others. There are younger students who are also recognised - Library monitors and SRC representatives.

On Friday 5 December students Year 3 to Year 6 will attend the Celebration of Learning ceremony at the Bicentennial Hall in Queanbeyan commencing 12:00 midday till 2:00pm. Students are recognised for their academic, cultural and sporting achievements and Year 6 students will graduate. Students will have an early lunch before walking down to the Bicentennial Hall. Students are required to wear formal school uniform for both these occasions.

Girls: Summer dress or skirt with white collared T-shirt. (No maroon shorts or skort). White socks and black shoes with black laces. No colours.

Boys: Grey shorts or grey long pants with white collared T-shirt. (No maroon shorts or maroon long pants). White or grey socks and black shoes with black laces. No colours.

Senior and Intermediate Choirs: Formal school uniform (skirt / long grey pants) with logo collared T-shirt. Black shoes.

Queanbeyan Public School prides itself on students wearing their school uniform at public events and ceremonies to build a sense of belonging, a sense of place and a sense of positive school community. Parents from across the school, please join staff and students on both occasions to celebrate together and encourage students to continue their learning journey. The final assembly for Kindergarten students will be held on Friday 12 December at 10:15am in the school Hall and everyone is welcome to attend to see the Kindergarten Christmas Concert.
The Bike Project

The Bike Project is a lunch time boys mentoring program led by teacher Miss Emma Boughton, and SLSO and community mentor Mr Scott Russell. The group has built and repaired bikes while gaining a sense of community. The bikes are then given to charities.

Thank you to Big W at Majura Park for donating this bike and to Mr Peter Cox for donating the helmet. Cameron Eagle and Angus Lloyd helped to build the bike which was proudly presented to Major Les Coulter from the Salvation Army to give to a family.

SaCC - Festival of Ability
Sat 6 Dec 4-8pm Queanbeyan Town Park
Lots of fun for the whole family Bring your picnic rug and water bottle Free children’s activities:
A roving clown, jumping castle, face painting, glitter tattoos, games, and more. Kids can try cricket and play footy with the Brumbies.
BBQ and live stage performances.
FREE raffle tickets given away between 4-5pm: prizes include Brumbies season pass, signed Brumbies ball, family pass to Questacon, and family pass to the National Zoo.
For more info contact Brooke 6297 2167.

School Yearbook – Memories of 2014

Our school yearbook is an excellent record of the many individual, team and class achievements that we have had this year. It is a valuable memento for all students and particularly for the graduating Year 6 students. Every student is included.

To order your copy of this book, please complete the form below with a payment of $15, and return it to the Front Office.

I would like to purchase a copy of the 2014 Yearbook
Name: ___________________________ Class: ____________
I enclose $_________ cash/cheque/credit-debit card for ________ copy/s
(Please make cheques payable to Queanbeyan Public School)
I wish to pay by Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ Credit Card ☐

Credit Card Authorisation
Please Charge $ ……………….(total amount)
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Expiry Date: _ _ / _ _ Card Holder’s Name: ………………………………………

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Alternatively, a Credit card authorisation can be given by telephone to the Front Office on 6297 2144
Community Garden Project

Staff from Bunnings Fyshwick worked with students and teachers to create new and improve existing garden areas by building new raised beds and potting out a variety of plants. We thank Bunnings for their generosity and the support they have provided to our school. KL students have adopted one of the raised gardens and have planted snow peas and tomatoes. The school is promoting this area as a community garden project. If you would like to donate plants for this area you are more than welcome to do so.
Queanbeyan Festival of Abilities 2014
6 December at Town Park

Free Children’s Activities 4 – 8pm
- Face painting
- Games on the oval
- Glitter tattoos
- Roving clown
- Jumping castle
- Dream Cricket
- Play footy with the Brumbies!

Live Performances:
4:00pm Welcome to Country & Official Opening
4:15pm Jimmy’s Choir
4:30pm Fantastix
4:45pm Eden Dance Academy
5:00pm Raffle drawn—prizes include season pass to the Brumbies & a signed football, a family pass to the zoo or a family pass to Questacon!
5:15pm Kalari Aboriginal performers
5:30pm Impression Dance & Fitness
5:45pm Quake Bellydancing
6:00pm Cook Island Dance Group Te Uki O Te Kuki Airani
6:15pm Mexico Lindo
6:30pm Ghawazee Moon
6:50pm Johnny Huckle
7:00pm Disco

Kid’s Fishing Workshop
Kids 8-14 years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructors are experienced volunteers and staff from the Department of Primary Industries.

The day runs from 10am – 2pm and involves fishing techniques, bag and size limits, fish handling for catch and release.
Cost: $40 per child and includes rod and reel combination, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag – all to take home.

Bookings are essential – maximum 25 participants.
Location: Gaden Trout Hatchery, Jindabyne
Dates: Friday 16 Jan or Saturday 17 Jan 2015
To book email: stephen.thurstan@dpi.nsw.gov.au
Or ring Stephen Thurstan
Recreational Fisheries
Primary Industries NSW
02 4220 8484 or 0438 245 190

Workshop details are on the web:

Mrs Sawyer’s Farewell Community Afternoon Tea
Please join us for an afternoon tea to say thank you and goodbye. Students past and present, parents, community members and staff are all welcome.
Wednesday 10 December from 3-5pm
QPS School Hall
Afternoon tea provided.
RSVP’S appreciated (for catering) to Front Office

Memorabilia Scrapbook
Thank you to all of you who have contributed information, time, photographs, stories and memorabilia to what has been the celebration of a wonderful and memorable birthday – 150 years!
The school continues to gather items in an endeavour to establish the best possible collection of items in this our sesquicentennial year.
This is a reminder that you, family and friends are invited to complete a scrapbook page which, when complete, will be the finished album of 150 scrapbooked pages.
Anyone who is interested in preparing a page is welcome to contact the school to collect a scrapbooking page kit. Alternatively, a kit can be posted to you.
Telephone: 02 6297 2144
Email: queanbeyan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Office hours: 8:25 – 3:25pm

Kind regards
Janet Barling
School Administration Officer

Registration for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation for Year 3 (2015) Students
Registration for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation for children who will be in Year 3 in 2015 will be held between 1 December 2014 and 13 February 2015.
Your child must be baptised to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. The Sacrament of First Eucharist for these children will then be celebrated in 2016.
Registration paperwork can be downloaded from the parish website at:
http://www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com/sacred-room/sacraments/first-reconciliation/
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Please call the parish office if you have any questions regarding this sacrament-6299 4611.
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