On Tuesday leading into Reconciliation Week we will hold a school assembly at 9:15am. May 26 is National Sorry Day. At 10:15am students will represent the school on the Reconciliation Walk over Queen’s Bridge to Reconciliation Place in the town park. Please join us tomorrow for both events.

*It’s time to change it up* is the 2015 theme for Reconciliation Week. A time to further develop a school environment at QPS that fosters a higher level of knowledge and pride in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and contributions. A time to find meaningful ways to increase respect; reduce prejudice; and strengthen relationships between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

**Stolen Generation Commemorative Flower -**

The five-petal native Desert Rose, or Native Hibiscus was chosen for the mothers and children of the Stolen Generations.

Narragunnawali (pronounced narra-gunna-wally) is a word from the language of the Ngunnawal people meaning peace, alive, wellbeing and coming together.

The Ngunnawal people are the Traditional Custodians and First People of the land on which Queanbeyan Public School is built.

**Finger Buns – for Breast Cancer Research**

A big thank you to all students and staff who supported the Baker’s Delight Breast Cancer Research Finger Bun Fundraiser last week. 480 finger buns were consumed with an amazing $720 raised towards helping find a cure. Well done Queanbeyan Public!

Special thanks to the Canteen staff, Renata and Kristy and the Year 6 Canteen Monitors, for all their hard work in selling the finger buns throughout the week.

**National Simultaneous Storytime**

National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual campaign that encourages more young Australians to read and enjoy books. This is our 3rd year of joining in on this colourful and vibrant event that promotes the value of reading and literacy using an Australian children’s book.

This year’s book selection is about family life –

**The Brothers Quibble**

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**Aaron Blabey**

Spalding Quibble ruled the roost. He shared it with no other. But then his parents introduced a brand new baby brother… Uh oh.

This year National Simultaneous Storytime takes place during your child’s library lesson this week.

Preschool children are invited to join in free at the National Library, Canberra 11am, Wed 27 May.
Student Leadership

Our Peer Mediators program was launched today. Earlier this term, the Year 6 students trained as peer mediators ready to support the younger students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 in the playground during recess and lunch times.

Students work in pairs to help the younger students solve problems, build friendships and practice ‘getting along’ skills.