Roll-a-thon
Students should now be collecting their sponsorship money and returning it to school, in preparation for our Roll-a-thon this Friday. All students attend this event. A reminder, those children using any wheeled mode of transport (remember no bikes) will need a helmet or they will be required to walk. Knee pads and elbow pads are highly recommended. Please contact your child’s teacher if you are able to assist transport equipment.

Payment Online is Coming!
Did you know that you will soon be able to make payments to your child’s school online?
We are about to launch a new online payment portal linked to our school’s website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?
- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other

When?
This payment method will go live on 23 March 2015. There will be further details in the future Westerlys.

Road Safety
I have a concern about the safety and wellbeing of our students and parents when students are arriving and departing from school. The school has crossings at the front of the school on Morton Street and one on Richard Avenue. However we have parents leading/sending children across the road in the front of the school, often between cars and buses. This is dangerous and sets a poor example and is illegal, so please use our crossings.

It would take one minute to walk from a gate to either crossing. This combined with cars doing ‘u’ turns, double parking and not adhering to speed limits (40kph) in school times, is a recipe for disaster. The Ranger and Police will be patrolling regularly and the fines for not following the correct road use are significant. For the safety of our students and school community please be vigilant and careful on the road, especially in the vicinity of our school. Also any child who rides a bike or scooter to school must wear a helmet.

School Counselling Service
The school counsellor’s role is to work with students, families and carers to provide a counselling and support service to allow you to make an informed decision about your child’s education. This also includes assessing student’s learning and behaviour, assisting the school to identify and address disabilities that affects student’s learning and working with other allied health professionals such as Paediatricians, Occupational Therapists, Speech Pathologists, and Physiotherapists in order to help streamline your child’s care and needs.

The school counselling service can assist with referrals to other agencies, advocacy to teachers and other professionals as well as providing case management for your child. The school counsellor can provide individual counselling, family therapy and support for parents. Students may refer themselves to the school counsellor or may seek an interview at the suggestion of a teacher, parent or a friend. A student’s reasons for seeing a school counsellor may include worrying about school work/learning, conflict with friends, being in trouble at school or just feeling “down”.

The service is available at Queanbeyan West Public School on Monday and Tuesday; 8:30am – 3:15pm. Other times are available by appointment. Please don’t hesitate to contact the School Counsellor on 62972020 to make an appointment.
All about apostrophes
Not knowing where to place apostrophes can haunt people for their entire lives. Here’s an easy guide to help your child understand what they mean, how to use them and get them right, now. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-a-to-z/-/english_glossary/8Qum/551/apostrophe+denoting+ownership

When older kids struggle with reading
Should you let your reluctant teen reader choose magazines over books? If your child is still struggling to read and write, and they’re heading into high school, there are ways to get them on the right page. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/when-older-kids-struggle-with-reading

Multiplication times tables

Sorting fact from fiction
Help your child develop their “dodgy website” antennae when doing homework. Here are ways your child can tell a good website – or any document – from a bad one. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/sorting-fact-from-fiction

SRC News
The Student Representative Council (SRC) is a group of Years 2-6 students nominated by their peers to be the representative and voice for their class. Students on the SRC are involved in organising fundraisers, discos and other school events. Nominations and elections were recently conducted and the SRC representatives to hold office for Semester 1 were presented with their badges at the Primary Assembly held yesterday.

Elected SRC are:
2B: Nickayla, Sienna
2D: Molly-Mae, Zac
2P: Max, Amber
3T: James, Jake
3U: Cody, Ella
3/4B: Jemma, Mathew
4/5W: Maddison, Korby
5B: Syed, Ella
5/6R: Amy, Bailee
5/6S: Bree, Braden

Barbara Petchenik Children’s Map Competition 2015
Competition’s theme is “My place in today’s world”. Entries can be nominated in four age groups: under 6 years, 6-8 years, 9-12 years and 13-15 years. The deadline for participation in the contest is Thursday, 2 April 2015. For more detailed information about the competition, please visit the MSIA website http://mappingsciences.org.au.

Too sick for school?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

The Westerly School Web Site: www.queanbeyaw-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
P&C
The P&C AGM and will be held on Wednesday 4 March. At this meeting all committee positions are elected and membership is renewed. This meeting is followed straight after by a general meeting. Please come along and take an active part in your child’s fantastic school. We look forward to seeing you there.

Clean Up Schools Day
Clean Up Australia is recognised as a world leading environmental community event. Schools Clean Up Day allows our school to demonstrate care for our local environment and by running an activity in the school it allows students to participate in this community activity and contribute to a better Australian environment. Queanbeyan West Public School is participating in Clean Up Schools Day this Thursday afternoon 26 February 2015. Children will be asked to help pick up rubbish inside our school grounds to show their pride in our environment. Please allow your child to join in and remind him/her to help keep our environment clean at all times.

It is important for your child to bring a hat and gloves and a bucket (if possible) – all marked with your surname
If you do not wish your child to participate in the Clean Up Day please notify the class teacher before the day

Have a great week
Vicki Muscat
Principal

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Tuesday 17 March 2015
Envelopes will be going home shortly.

Students to please be in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM.

2015 Premier’s Reading

It is important we encourage our children to read a variety of texts. We encourage all parents to help and encourage students to participate in the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC).
The program fosters the enjoyment of reading and runs between 3 March and 22 August, 2015 (last day for students to enter information online). Books read from September 1, 2014 count towards this year’s challenge.

Kindergarten to Year 2
Students will be doing the PRC with the help of their class teachers and Mr Lumley who will be reading a variety of books to them. We also encourage parents to get involved and help students to complete the Reading Challenge.

Independent readers may wish to do the PRC by themselves or may read books from the 3/4PRC list but they will need to talk to their class teacher and Mr Lumley first.

Students in Years 3-6
All students can complete the PRC as there are books that cover a variety of reading levels. It is particularly important for students in Yr 3 not to miss this year as they will be eligible to earn a special PRC Reading medallion if they complete the PRC between Years 3-9 inclusive.

Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 who have missed doing the PRC in one of these years won’t be able to earn the PRC medallion but can still earn special certificates for completing the PRC each year. When they have completed the PRC for 4 years, they will receive a Gold Certificate and a Platinum Certificate for completing the PRC for 7 years.

Students can record books read online after March 3, 2015 by entering their school internet user name and password. Paper forms are also available from Mr Lumley or can be printed from the PRC website. The update of the PRC free application is available for Windows 8.1 devices but student will need to enter books they have read on the PRC website directly until late June, 2015. The new release in late June will enable students to search for booklist and new books and update records through the PRC application. It is available with parental permission, from https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/rules.html

For further information on rules and book lists: https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html

Happy Reading
Mr Chris Lumley
Teacher Librarian

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District Swimming Carnival
Last Friday, 21 of our students represented the school at the District Swimming Carnival. All students represented the school with great sportsmanship and pride. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who not only transported students to and from the venue, but also assisted with timekeeping. We would not be able to run these carnivals without this amazing support from parents. Finally, I would like to congratulate Michael on making it through to the Regional Swimming Carnival to be held in Dapto. Good luck Michael!!

District Basketball Trials
On Thursday Michael Armstrong, Bailee Gilbert, Ryan Bradley and Amy Frost attended the District Basketball trials. They represented the school with not only great skills and knowledge, but with outstanding sportsmanship. I would like to congratulate Michael who is off to the Regional Basketball Trials, to be held in Wollongong on Friday. Good luck Michael!!

Netball come and try day
Where: QNA netball courts, 17 Thornton Rd Queanbeyan
When: Thursday 5 March
Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm
Who: Everyone is welcome!
Cost: There is no Cost

Further Information
To register online click here go to: https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/oauth/olregstart.aspx?type=1&entitvid=43467&fl=1&id=15889
• Contact our committee at waratahnetballclub@outlook.com.au or our president Rena Spears on 0421018799

G’DAY ASIA
I give permission for my child/ren to attend the G’Day Asia performance show on Monday 2 March 2015. In this engaging introduction to Asia, students are encouraged to get up and participate in both traditional cultural ceremonies and colourful contemporary celebrations. Puppets and masks as well as special clothes, and flags, all contribute to the positive experiences of Asian cultures, customs and traditions. If you took the opportunity to pay for all the performances in one payment at the beginning of the year ($47.40), this performance visit is already covered. Please return note and money by Friday 27 February. I enclose $5.00 per child. You may also pay by credit card if more convenient.

Name:______________________________
Class:_____________________________
Name:______________________________
Class:_____________________________
Signature:__________________________
Date:______________________________

Credit Card Authorisation
Please Charge $___________ (total amount)
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Alternatively, a credit card authorisation can be given by telephone to the Front Office on: 6297 2020
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BUNGENDORE TIGERS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB
Tiny Tiggers Program
Monday 2, 9, 16 & 23 March 2015

Mick Sherd Oval, Bungendore from 4.00-5.00pm

Tiny Tiggers Program introduces 4-6 year olds to the fun and skills of modified Rugby League and is run by a qualified Coach

We are a goodSPORTS club

To Register your Tigger’s attendance please contact the Club Registrar at tigerregistrar@optusnet.com.au
For further information, please visit our Club website: www.bungendoretigersjunior.sportingpulse.net

BUNGENDORE TIGERS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB
Join us in 2015

REGISTRATION DAYS
Saturday, 28 February 2015 & Saturday, 14 March 2015

Mick Sherd Oval, Bungendore from 10.00am-2.00pm

We are looking for interested boys and girls aged from 5 to 16 years who would like to play Rugby League

We are also looking for Coaches, Managers, First Aid Officers and LeagueSafe officials

We are a goodSPORTS club

For further information, please visit our Club website: www.bungendoretigersjunior.sportingpulse.net or Contact the Club Registrar at tigerregistrar@optusnet.com.au

Up To Date Contact Details
If you have changed your contact details please let the office know so we can update our records. It is important that we are able to contact you regarding your child. Thanks

School Hats
Our school has a policy of ‘no hat – play in the shade’. Please encourage your child to wear their school hat. Hats may be purchased from the front office at a cost of $7.00 – thank you.

Class Library Days
Monday- 4/5W, 5/6S, 1T
Tuesday- 2B, 3U, KC, 3T
Wednesday- K/6B, K/6R, K/1K, 2D
Thursday- 5/6R, 2P, 1N, 3/4B
Friday- K/6H, KM, 5B
K-2 students should have their library bags when borrowing.

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**Junior Girls Champion** - Isabel  
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**Junior Boys Champion** – Michael  
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**11yrs Girls Champion** – Kiara  
**11yrs Boys Champion** – Ryan  

**Champion House** - Hume