

Quarter Times

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Important Dates and Reminders:

Monday 12 th Friday 16 th May	Lamont Book Fair (held in the library)
Friday 16 th May	Whole School Assembly 2:30pm
Wednesday 21 st May	Prep Life Ed Incursion
Thursday 22 nd May	Annual Report Presented Before School Council Meeting
Friday 23 rd May	Pupil Free Day – NO Students at School

AN INVITATION TO OUR BOOK FAIR!

Where: Quarters PS Library

Date: Mon 12th May – Fri 16th May

Time: Tues - Fri: 8:30am – 9:00am
Mon - Fri: 3:15pm – 3:30pm

Don't miss out!
Every purchase supports our school!

LAMONT BOOK FAIRS

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Principals Message

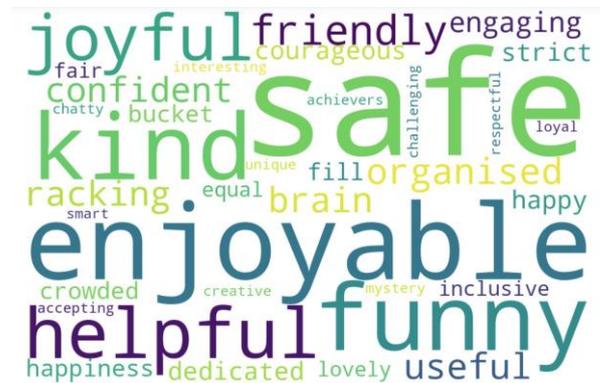
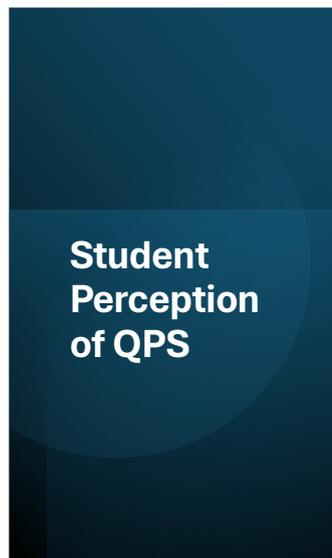
Dear Families,

This week was a very busy week for QPS. Every 4 years every school undergoes a review that is lead by an independent reviewer and 2 challenge partners (current principals), school council president plus our SEIL (Senior Educational Improvement Leader).

On Monday and Tuesday this week, we welcomed Fred Clarke (reviewer Monash University), Kathy Sharp (Tulliallan PS), Gavan Hughes (Kurrun PS), Trish McColley (QPS SC President) and Ken Robinson (SEIL). Myself, Assistant Principal Penny Denton, Leading Teacher Inclusion and Wellbeing Averil Mitchell, Learning Specialist Danni Hofinger and Acting Learning Specialist Inclusion and Wellbeing Shilpa Sanghani made up the panel from QPS. We followed a rigorous process observing and analysing our teaching and learning, wellbeing and inclusion, all our processes and policies.

The leadership team presented all our documentation and classrooms were visited to observe our practice. The outcome of the review sets our school strategic plan for the next 4 years. The goals of the SSP enable us to continue school improvement.

More information will follow with our SSP, but the review was very positive, affirming the work we do and validating our practice. I thank our visiting panel members and QPS representatives for their work and valued professional input.



Presented by Geetman (SC), Ayan (SVC), Simrit (SVC) & PK (HC)

It was a proud moment for QPS, but there was one part that made my heart very happy and even prouder. Four student leaders presented to the panel their thoughts on QPS. Their articulated responses delivered with confidence were thoughtful, honest and very genuine. Here is the slide the student leaders presented to. The families of Simrit, PK, Geetman and Ayan should be very proud of their representation of leaders at QPS, just as I was.

We also had 20 students from across Gr 3-6 speak to one of our challenge partners. Again, this was an excellent opportunity of student voice and to ensure we take on their thoughts and ideas for the next 4 years.



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On another note that is not quite so positive...

It is very disturbing to be informed that students wearing our school uniform are being observed displaying inappropriate behaviour. If this is reported to the school, we will follow up and if a student is found to be engaging in poor behaviour, they may be suspended.

Their parents will be notified. The students will not be required to attend school during a suspension. QPS will not tolerate unkind, physically aggressive behaviours inside or outside of the school. Wearing our school uniform means you need to always demonstrate our school values.

Parents please ensure you know how your child is getting home and ensure they do make it home safely. The school ensures students leave the school boundary safely, however, it is a parent responsibility to ensure they arrive home safely.

Have a great weekend.



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Wellbeing and Inclusion News

Education Support Day

On Friday 16th May we celebrated Education Support Day. We are incredibly lucky to have a dedicated and ever-growing Education Support team who work incredibly hard each day to support our students, teachers and families. Our Education Support staff work across the school in the office, classrooms, supporting students in targeted small group intervention and maintaining our buildings and grounds. We appreciate everything they do within our school community each day and we would be lost without them!

SEL STAR Award Recipients

It's time to congratulate our SEL STAR award recipients from weeks 1 and 2. These students are being acknowledged for demonstrating our ACHIEVE values and making positive contributions to our school community.



Grade	SEL Star Award Recipients Weeks 1 and 2
Prep A	Mehra
Prep B	Nikhil
Prep C	DJ Maheesh
Prep D	Jagunn
1/2A	Isaac
1/2B	
1/2C	Ali
1/2D	Nazia
1/2E	Jude
1/2F	Divon
1/2G	Alisha
3/4A	Samiyar
3/4B	Tisha
3/4C	William
3/4D	
3/4E	Isaac
5/6A	Rosemary
5/6B	Skylar
5/6C	Avani
5/6D	Ellie
5/6E	Simrit

	Specialist Awards – Weeks 1 and 2
PE	5/6C
Visual Arts	3/4A
Auslan	
DigiTech	Prep D



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Uniform

Uniform Blitz

This week, we continue our focus on school uniform, and it has been fantastic to see so many of our students proudly wearing their full school uniform.

Wearing the school uniform is **compulsory** at Quarters Primary School. It fosters a strong sense of belonging and promotes equality across our learning community. When all learners wear the uniform, it helps set a positive tone for our school culture.

We kindly ask families to support this initiative by helping students prepare their uniform the night before. Thank you to everyone who has supported our 'uniform blitz' so far!

Jewellery and Cosmetics

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. The only acceptable items are stud earrings or sleepers worn in the ears, and watches.

We have also noticed some students wearing cargo pants and using glossy lip gloss, which do not align with our uniform guidelines. Please remind your child of our expectations regarding school uniform and personal presentation.

We appreciate your continued support in helping maintain a consistent and respectful learning environment for all.

Our full Uniform Policy is available on the [Quarters Primary School website](#).



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School Celebrations

There was a great turnout for our Quarters Primary School's Mothers and Special Others Picnic. It was wonderful to see families creating special memories within the school community. Learners and families were especially lucky to enjoy the last few warm days of autumn with delicious food and snacks. Quarters Primary School would like to extend its gratitude to families for their support in creating a positive and inclusive community. We would also like to thank YPA Team Anita and Harpreet for organising the Mother's Day hoarding, and our parent helpers for coordinating the Mother's Day stall. Picnic blankets were spread out as families shared their picnic treats, with mums, aunties, grandmas, and significant others.



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Supreme Incursion

Our Year 1- 6 students had a fantastic time in the past 2 weeks taking part in the Supreme Incursions program — a series of hands-on, team-based challenges designed to strengthen communication, problem-solving, resilience, and leadership skills.

Students rotated through a range of engaging activities that encouraged them to think critically, collaborate effectively and take on different roles within a team. The tasks were tailored specifically for each year level for students, with a focus on developing trust, leadership, and advanced problem-solving.

Throughout the sessions, students were encouraged to reflect on their strengths, identify how they contribute to a team, and build confidence in their interpersonal skills. We are extremely proud of the way that they stepped up to the challenge and maintained a positive attitude while working together!



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Specialist News – Sport

Congratulations to the 32 students in the Quarters Primary Athletics Team who competed in the Cranbourne South District Athletics Carnival at Casey Fields Athletics Track on Wednesday 14th May. Our students competed and behaved in an excellent manner and displayed great sportsmanship. All students should be very proud of their achievements. The winner in each event have qualified for the Division Athletics Competition at Casey Fields. This event will be held on Wednesday 8th Oct. We have **1** student who has qualified for this competition. Thank you to all of the parents and teachers who came and supported us on the day. We really appreciate your effort. Good luck to Fatehdeep Singh in the division stage. We are extremely proud of you.



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Community News



Free workshop

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers Pakenham, VIC



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register

This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Wednesday
21 May, 2025
9:15am to 3:00pm



Cardinia Cultural Centre
40 Lakeside Boulevard
PAKENHAM VIC 3810

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:
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Primary School Nursing Program

School Entrant Health Questionnaire

The Primary School Nursing Program is a free health and wellbeing service offered to all Victorian students in their first year of school.

The program aims to assist in the early identification of children with potential health, wellbeing or development concerns which may impact on their education and offers screening which may include:



Hearing



Vision



Speech



Dental



Motor skills



Behaviour and social skills

The Primary School Nurse also provides advice, information and referrals to other health and support services.

Information about the Primary School Nursing Program, including how to access and complete the School Entrant Health Questionnaire, will be sent home soon.



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