

Quarter Times

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Issue 4 Thursday 19th March

Important Dates and Reminders:

Friday 20 th March	Whole School Assembly – 2:30pm
Wednesday 25 th March	Grade 1/2 Footy Incursion
Thursday 26 th March	Harmony Day – Wear a touch of Orange
Monday 30 th March	World Autism Awareness Day – Wear as much colour as possible
Tuesday 31 st March	District Cross Country
Wednesday 1 st April	Inquiry Open Afternoon 2:30pm – 3:00pm
Thursday 2 nd April	Last Day of Term 1 – Gold Assembly 9:00am, Dismissal 2:30pm
Monday 20 th April	Term 2 Starts

**QUARTERS PS
PREP 2027 TOURS**

**MONDAY 30TH MARCH
3:45 - 4:15 PM**

**MONDAY 25TH MAY
3:45 - 4:15 PM**

**MONDAY 1ST JUNE
3:45 - 4:15 PM**

**TOUR AND
INFORMATION NIGHT
THURSDAY 4TH JUNE
5 PM OR
ONLINE SESSION
THURSDAY 24TH JULY
6:30 - 7:30 PM**

**QPS Open Afternoon
Belonging and Culture**

**Date: Wednesday, 1st April
Time: 2:30pm - 3:00pm
Location: Your child's classroom**

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to gain insight into your child's learning about Belonging and Culture and see the projects they have been working on in Term One.

QPS Inquiry Big Ideas

**Prep: Me and My Family
Year 1 and 2: Connection to Communities
Year 3 and 4: Let's Celebrate
Year 5 and 6: We are One & We are Many**



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Principals Message

Dear Families and Carers,

As we head into the final two weeks of Term 1, it's a wonderful time to reflect on all the learning, growth and achievements our students have experienced so far this year. We're looking forward to finishing the term positively, with a strong focus on attendance and pride in wearing the school uniform.

There are also many exciting activities planned over the coming weeks. Please keep an eye on the weekly email from your child's teacher via the SENTRAL portal for all key dates and details.

We warmly invite families to join us for our Gold Assembly on the last day of term, beginning at 9:00am on Thursday 2 April. Please note that school will finish at 2:30pm on this day.

Industrial Action

Earlier this week, we shared some information about upcoming industrial action and the timelines for communication. It is possible that some classes may be affected.

We will confirm arrangements with families as soon as possible—either over the weekend or early Monday morning—once final details are available. Until then, the school office will not have further information, and we kindly ask families to wait for the confirmed update rather than contacting the school.

We appreciate your understanding and support. Our intention is to keep you informed so you can plan ahead if needed, and we will communicate clearly as soon as we are able.

Have a great weekend when it rolls around.

Liz Davey
Principal



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Teaching and Learning News

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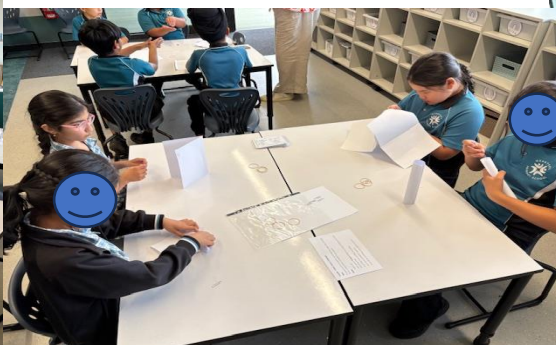
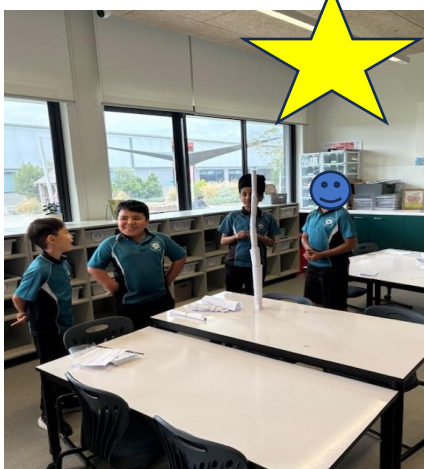
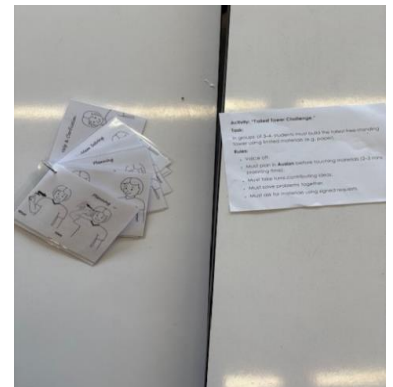
A huge congratulations to students and staff for doing such a great job throughout the NAPLAN period. There have been disruptions to classes and I appreciate all staff and students for working so hard to get the tests completed. There was a rocky start with the Year 5 writing and the Nation-wide tech issues that occurred, however our students demonstrated great resilience and patience and were able to regroup and get it done!

The final day for testing and catch-ups is Monday the 23rd March. Catch-ups are for students that have missed days of the testing due to illness and other absences. If students have not completed tests by the end of the testing period then they will be marked as absent for that particular assessment and will receive data on any tests submitted.

Data and student reports will not be available until later in the year. Once we do receive the individual student reports later in the year, we will provide communication regarding how families will receive these.

Learning at QPS

Spotlight on AUSLAN this week. Students in year were set the challenge of working together to build the highest tower that could stand on its own. The challenge was they were only able to only use gestures and signs and the had only 12 pieces of paper, 12 elastic bands and 12 paperclips. Students showcased their structures one by one with one group being crowned the silent champions and the tallest structure builders!!



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Wellbeing and Inclusion News

**World Autism Awareness Day
QPS acknowledging on Monday 30th March**

On **Monday the 30th of March**, Quarters Primary School we are acknowledging and celebrating **World Autism Awareness Day**.

To show our support and celebrate diversity, we invite all students to leave their school uniforms at home and come to school dressed in bright, cheerful colours.

For safety, students must wear **closed-toe shoes** and stay sunsmart by **wearing school hats** during the lunch and recess breaks.



WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY

MONDAY 30TH MARCH

Celebrating
World Autism Awareness
Day

When: Monday 30th March
Theme: Colour

What: On Monday 30th March school uniforms stay at home and students are encouraged to dress in as much colour as possible.
The more colour the better!!

QUARTERS PRIMARY SCHOOL
ACHIEVE SUCCESS

The poster features a central illustration of a hot air balloon with a rainbow-colored body and a white basket, set against a blue sky with white clouds. The text is arranged in a clear, readable layout with bold headings and a call to action.



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SEL STAR Award Recipients

Congratulations to our SEL STAR award recipients from weeks 3 and 4 and weeks 5 and 6. These students are being acknowledged for demonstrating our ACHIEVE values and making positive contributions to our school community.

Grade	SEL Star Award Recipients Weeks 3 and 4
Prep A	Eleanor
Prep B	Shreya
Prep C	Willow
Prep D	Jax
Prep E	Aydin
Prep F	Charlie
1/2A	Kara
1/2B	Dharsh
1/2C	Chloe
1/2D	Eliana
1/2E	Jarryn
1/2F	Yuvraj
1/2G	Azariah
1/2H	Alice
3/4A	Aliyah
3/4B	Eddie
3/4C	Gabriel
3/4D	Amreen
3/4E	Noor
3/4F	Delylah
3/4G	Kate
5/6A	Haniya
5/6B	Kacey
5/6C	Adelaide
5/6D	Adeen
5/6E	Peaceful



	Specialist Awards – Weeks 3 and 4
PE	5/6A
Visual Arts	3/4D
Auslan	5/6B
DigiTech	3/4F
Music	Prep C



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Attendance and Uniform

Celebrating Attendance at QPS!

Regular school attendance is a key indicator of a positive school climate. Students who attend consistently enjoy better educational, social, and emotional outcomes.

At **Quarters Primary School**, we are incredibly proud of our learners' resilience and commitment to school each day. To celebrate this dedication, we run a **termly Attendance Raffle!**



Learners who attend school every day earn raffle tickets—**one ticket for each full week of attendance**. The more full weeks a student attends, the more entries they have, and the higher their chance of winning an exciting prize!

We're excited to share that the **raffle prizes are generously donated by The Sixth Child Charity**, and we sincerely thank them for their ongoing support.

The **Attendance Raffle Winners will be drawn at our Gold Assembly on Thursday, 2nd April**.

A big thank you to all our QPS families for supporting strong attendance habits. Together, we're fostering a culture of achievement, resilience, and belonging.

#ACHIEVE #QPSAttendance



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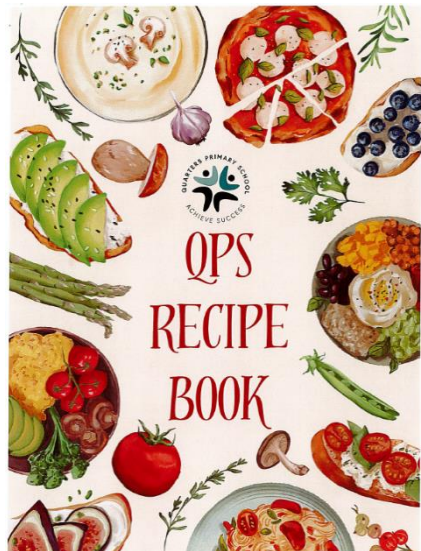
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Our school's Multicultural Recipe Cookbook is now complete and ready for distribution. This cookbook is a celebration of the rich cultural diversity within the Quarters Primary School (QPS) community and was developed as part of our involvement in the Connecting Schools with Indian Communities (CSIC) Program in 2025.

We extend our sincere thanks to all families who contributed recipes—your support has made this initiative a meaningful representation of our shared cultures and traditions. Families who submitted a recipe will receive a complimentary copy of the cookbook.

A limited number of additional copies are available for purchase for a gold coin donation. Copies will also be available at our Harmony Week assembly; however, numbers are limited, and families are encouraged to secure a copy to avoid missing out.



2025 RECIPE BOOK CONTRIBUTORS

Honouring the families, students, and staff who shared their treasured dishes

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nath Family • PK & Pranshi's Family • Abro Family (Shanaya & Shivoy) • Fabeha & Family • Hashimi Family (Donya & Zainab) • Hildred Family • Hosseini Family • Kwong Family • Lilliette Maguire & Family 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adeen Sikder • Ameen Sikder • Chloe Jones • Jiya Patel • Shaila Zabeen & Family • The Jones Family (Celeste & Chloe) • The Walker Family 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demelza Gilliland • Danni Hofinger • Hayley McCarthy • Joe Rasasane • Seonaid Hobbs • Sarah Sullivan • Shilpa Sanghani • Vicki-Ann Needs
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Introducing Clifford! 🐾

We're excited to introduce Clifford, our new wellbeing dog!
Clifford is a 1-year-old German Shepherd x Labrador
(DOB: 09/08/2024).

Clifford will be working alongside our Youth Worker to support students.

Wellbeing dogs can help reduce anxiety, improve wellbeing, build social skills, and increase student engagement and attendance.

Clifford starts this Monday!

As he is still in training, please:

- Give him space
- Use calm voices and gentle movements
- Always ask before patting

Thank you for supporting Clifford as he settles into our school community!



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End of Term 1 Breakfast Club

Tuesday, 31st March | 8:10 - 8:40 am

"Students please join in for our final Breakfast Club day this term with special hot cross buns as an Easter treat along with crunchy toast and cereals.



Thank you to all supporters, friends, donors, volunteers and participants for your wonderful contributions.



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