

Quarter Times

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Issue 6 Thursday 30th April 2026

Important Dates and Reminders:

Friday 1 st May	Assembly 2:30pm
Wednesday 6 th May	Mother's Day Stall
Friday 8 th May	Mothers and Special Others Picnic – 11:30am – 12:10pm
Wednesday 13 th May	District Athletics
Friday 15 th May	Assembly 2:30pm
Monday 18 th and Tuesday 19 th May	Gr 1/2 Hands on Science Incursion
Monday 18 th May – Friday 22 nd May	Education Week
Thursday 21 st May	Education Week Open Showcase 9:00am - 9:50am
Wednesday 27 th May	National Simultaneous Storytime
Wednesday 27 th May	Donut and Prima Day
Friday 5 th June	Pupil Free Day – NO Students at School



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Principals Message

Acting Principal's Report – Term 2

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope all families enjoyed a relaxing break and the opportunity to spend quality time together. We are looking ahead to a busy and productive term, with many events, learning opportunities, and whole-school activities planned.

We warmly invite members of our school community to attend our Annual General Meeting, which will be held on Thursday 14th May 2026 in the staffroom at Quarters Primary School, commencing at 3:45pm. This is a great opportunity to hear about the school's performance in 2025 and to meet our School Council members. If you would like to attend, please contact the school office.

Recently, we have experienced an increase in issues arising from students' use of social media at home, particularly on platforms such as TikTok and Instagram. These matters are requiring significant staff time to investigate and are impacting student wellbeing and relationships at school. As a reminder, age restrictions on social media came into effect in December 2025, aimed at protecting young Australians from the risks and pressures associated with online platforms. We encourage families to closely monitor and support their children's online activity.

A reminder to all families that if students bring mobile phones or smart watches to school, these must be handed in at the office and stored securely in the designated cupboard. These items should not remain in school bags or be accessible during the day.

We have also seen an increase in extended absences due to family travel. While we understand many families have connections overseas, extended time away from school significantly disrupts learning continuity. It is very difficult for students to recover from missed learning, and these absences will be reflected in Semester 1 achievement scores in reports. Family holidays are considered unapproved absences and should be scheduled during school holiday periods wherever possible.

A reminder regarding school uniform expectations. PSW has our full winter uniform range available. Please ensure all removable items are clearly named so they can be returned if misplaced. We maintain high standards and expect all students to wear the correct uniform with pride. Approved items include black pants, shorts, and skorts, which can be purchased from any retailer, while all other items should be purchased through PSW. Leggings and black hooded tops are not part of the school uniform. Additionally, makeup, nail polish, and jewellery such as rings, large earrings, and non-faith items should not be worn. Students will be asked to remove these items if they are worn to school. Reminder that there are no hats required in Terms 2 & 3 after Friday 30th April, so students will bring their hats home to be washed and ready for term 4.

This term we also look forward to our upcoming camp for our Grade 5/6 students. This is a fantastic opportunity, and the Phillip Island camp is a wonderful destination offering a range of exciting and engaging activities.

In addition, we look forward to welcoming families into the school for several community events, including our Mothers and Special Others picnic on Friday 8th May, as well as celebrations for Education Week. Further information about different events will be shared later in the term.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We look forward to a positive and successful term ahead.



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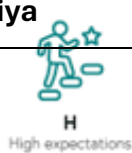
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Gold Award Recipients – Term 1

A big congratulations to our Term 1 Gold Award recipients. These students are being acknowledged for demonstrating excellence in their learning and learning growth in specific areas of the curriculum.

Grade	Academic Excellence Awards
Prep A	Stefan
Prep B	Daniel
Prep C	Rayansh
Prep D	Chloe
Prep E	Alex
Prep F	Caden
1/2A	Lenny
1/2B	Ashmin
1/2C	Aaron
1/2D	Divon
1/2E	Devaki
1/2F	Hennessey
1/2G	Macky
1/2H	Asees
3/4A	Taha
3/4B	Christina
3/4C	Aviraj
3/4D	Logan
3/4E	Claire
3/4F	Briell
3/4G	Tisha
5/6A	Dhwiti
5/6B	Shivam
5/6C	Adelaide
5/6D	Panya
5/6E	Jiya

Grade	Learning Growth Awards
Prep A	Hendrix
Prep B	Jorawar
Prep C	Thomas
Prep D	Ameer
Prep E	Avraj
Prep F	Ivah
1/2A	Mehra
1/2B	Tanraaj
1/2C	Monica
1/2D	Navid
1/2E	Jarryn
1/2F	Logan
1/2G	Eh Law La
1/2H	Rayeha
3/4A	Gurfateh
3/4B	Aliza
3/4C	Avleen
3/4D	Mackenzie
3/4E	Sarjun
3/4F	Balraj
3/4G	Hamza
5/6A	Bonnie
5/6B	Baani
5/6C	Yashika
5/6D	Matin
5/6E	Donya



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These students were presented with their certificates of achievement at our Term 1 Gold Award Assembly on Thursday 3rd April.

	Excellence Awards
PE	Adeline – 3/4F
Visual Arts	Peaceful – 5/6E
Auslan	Sahej – 5/6E
DigiTech	Mia H – 5/6C
Music	Lilith – 3/4D
Literacy Intervention	Adam – 1/2G
Numeracy Intervention	Gloria – 5/6C

	Learning Growth Awards
PE	Amelia – 1/2D
Visual Arts	Noah – 3/4F
Auslan	Adeline – 3/4F
DigiTech	Monica – 1/2C
Music	Samer – 1/2F
Literacy Intervention	Ruby – 1/2A
Numeracy Intervention	Mivy – 5/6D

Student Attitudes to School Survey - AtoSS

Parents of Students in Grades 4, 5 and 6

A message to families of students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 regarding the upcoming Student Attitudes to School Survey. This is a voluntary student survey offered by the Department of Education every year to help schools and the Department understand students' experiences of school.

In the survey students will be asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer relationships, resilience, bullying, health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general.

At Quarters Primary School we value student voice as a means to improve student engagement, wellbeing and quality instruction. This year, the survey will be conducted with Grade 4, 5 and 6 students between **11th May to the 12th of June**.

Additional information will be sent home to families of students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 via the Sentral Portal on Monday 4th May.

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Uniting – Being Dad



Being Dad

Do you want to be the Dad you've always wanted to be?

Being Dad is an interactive group for fathers with children aged 0-17.

For fathers/carers in Southern Melbourne and Bayside Peninsula

This 6-week group will help you explore:

- Parenting
- Children's development
- Healthy relationships
- Managing a work/life balance
- Cyber safety
- Supports and activities available to you and your children



Cost: Free

Date: Every Wednesday

29th April 2026 to 3rd June 2026

Time:

5:30PM to 7:30PM

Venue:

Uniting

55 Webb Street, Narre Warren 3805

Light refreshment will be served

Get in touch:

Colin or Anas
03 5990 8400

BeingDadSM@vt.uniting.org

Bookings essential

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Attendance and Uniform



Uniform Reminder

“Wear the right uniform, stand out like a STAR!”

At Quarters Primary School, our school uniform supports a strong sense of belonging, pride, and equity across our student community. Wearing the correct uniform each day helps students feel prepared for learning and reflects our shared school values.

We kindly ask families to ensure students attend school in full and correct uniform, including appropriate footwear. This also includes wearing hats during outdoor play and sporting activities, in line with our SunSmart policy.

We are currently noticing a small number of students wearing items outside our uniform expectations, including dangling earrings and non-uniform pants such as leggings or blue sports-style pants. We kindly ask for your support in ensuring these items are kept for non-school use, so that we can maintain a consistent and safe presentation for all students.

If your child is out of uniform, please let their classroom teacher know so we can support them appropriately.

The Student Dress Code Policy is available on our school website, and a uniform flyer is included at the end of this newsletter for your reference.

Let’s wear our uniform with pride and help make our school a happy, safe, and friendly place for everyone. At our school, we have **high expectations** for ourselves and each other. By showing respect, responsibility, and effort, we can make our school the best it can be.

Thank you for your ongoing support in upholding our school expectations and helping our students take pride in their appearance and school community.



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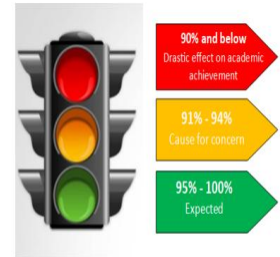


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Every Child Matters. Every Moment Counts

End of the Term 1 Attendance Raffle Award Winners 2026



Attending school every day is the most important part of your child's education. Students engage in new learning experiences daily, and regular absences can impact their progress and connection to learning.

If your child is absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible on the day of absence using one of the following methods:

- **Online:** Log the absence directly via *Sentral*
- **Telephone:** Contact the school office and provide your child's name, class, date of absence, and reason
- **Email:** Contact school via email - quarters.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Notifying the school on or before the day of absence helps us ensure the safety and wellbeing of all students and meets your legal responsibility.



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Why is it important to notify the school?

Schools must account for every student's attendance each day. If your child is absent and the school has not been notified, the absence will be recorded as *unexplained*. This process helps ensure both student safety and accurate attendance records.

If we have not received notification of your child's absence, you will receive a "We Miss You" email from your child's classroom teacher, along with a check-in phone call from a member of our Student Wellbeing Team.

Parent/Carer Responsibilities

Parents and carers are legally required to ensure their child attends school every day, unless there is a valid reason for absence. This includes:

- Notifying the school in advance of planned absences, or on the morning of an unplanned absence
- Providing a clear reason for all absences
- Avoiding routine appointments during school hours where possible
- Planning family holidays outside of school term time

Recognising Positive Attendance

At Quarters Primary School, we value and celebrate strong attendance and punctuality.

Students who attend school for the full week have their names entered into a raffle, which is drawn at assembly. This is one of the ways we recognise and encourage consistent attendance and positive routines.

We also acknowledge strong attendance through positive Chronicle entries, reinforcing and celebrating students' commitment to attending school regularly.

Celebrating Great Attendance

Congratulations to Prep B, Prep F, 1/2 B, 1/2 C, 3/4 A, 3/4 D and 5/6 B for fantastic attendance this week!

It has been wonderful to see these classes showing great commitment by coming to school every day and being ready to learn. Keep up the amazing effort!



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School Celebrations

Education WEEK

CELEBRATING LEARNING TOGETHER

A time to recognise the *amazing learning* happening in our school and the partnerships that help our students thrive.

Everyone is welcome!



THEME:

Showcase Your School



OPEN CLASSROOM SESSION

THURSDAY 21ST MAY

9:00AM – 9:50AM



This is an opportunity for students to **celebrate** and **share** their learning with families.



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Specialist News – Art

To commemorate ANZAC Day, our 3/4 students have been making art that highlights the poppy as a symbol of remembrance. They have made a poppy by paper ripping, painting, drawing and out of clay



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Art Room Donations Request



Our art room welcomes all donations to help with maintaining our budgets, but here are a few items needed for this year that can be bought from our local supermarkets and would be very much appreciated.



Wooden skewers
lentils and pasta
Brown baking paper
textured materials
shaving foam
biros
doilies
pegs
potato mashers
sponges



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Annual General Meeting



You are invited to our Annual General Meeting

Thursday 14th May



3.45pm



Staffroom at
Quarters Primary School

Please contact the office if you wish to attend



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GOOD CLEAN FUN

[PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK](https://play.afl/auskick)

CASEY THUNDER ALL GIRLS TERM 2 AUSKICK CENTRE

Starting May 21st (5-weeks)
Thursdays from 5:30pm
Hunt Club Oval, Cranbourne East



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