

Term 2, Week 10

3 July 2025

K Dharri

K Dharri has been anxiously waiting for Pyjama day and it did not disappoint. It was awesome being able to wear our warm comfy PJ's on a cold winter's day!





Principal's Report

We are at the end of Term 2 and what a celebration of student achievement we have had this term! Last Friday, Mrs Drummond presented all finalists and announced the winners and runner ups for the Premier's Spelling Bee. Congratulations to Alfie Donoghue and Jai Oliver, winners of Stage 2 and Stage 3 respectively, and to our runner ups Eli Percy and Rosie Maybury.



This week our school celebrated NAIDOC Week. Thank you to our families and community members who came to our opening ceremony at the Wan.guy Dhiiyaan Cultural Meeting Place and conducted by Year 6 students, Blake Curtin-Moore and Isaac Hall. It was a pleasure to have Charlotte Peach of Year 6 deliver a personal Acknowledgement of Country and for Year 6 students Lilly Peach, Tiyrelle Nean and Lewis Stevenson to cut the celebratory cake. We then had the official opening of our annual NAIDOC Week Art Show. The effort by our students and staff to put this showcase of student creative talent was immense. Congratulations to our awarded students for their

artworks. They were: Liam Seymour Lindsay Whitten Emily Graham

Layla Woods Haylie Clayton Elise Lobsey Samuel Stewart Kody Ward Chloe Fincham Shanaya Gujral



This year, we had the pleasure of Mrs Letitia Barty, mother of Chase Barty, judge our student artworks. Thank you, Letitia, for your time and patience in perusing these works of art. I know just how difficult it was for you to select our top ten artworks based on the theme The Next Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy.

Congratulations to our Open Netball team for progressing through to the next round of the PSSA knockout competition. This week, our team defeated Ross Hill Public School from Inverell 13-4. Miss Adams was exceptionally proud of her team, especially since she



pulled in a few last minute recruits to fill vacancies through injury. We eagerly await news of our next opponent.

Congratulations to Miss Downes and the Open Boys Soccer team on their efforts at the Tamworth Zone knockout and gala day last Friday. Our boys had a fabulous day, but were unfortunately knocked out in the first game. Nevertheless, the boys played with enthusiasm, sportsmanship and genuinely had a great day. Thank you to our parents for their transportation of the team and support throughout the day.

Our Breakfast Club has been going gang busters each morning. Mrs Davis and our trusty team of School Learning and Support Officers have been busy cutting up fruit, making toast and pouring countless bowls of cereal for all students K-6. We must also thank our local CWA group for their lovely donation of vouchers to assist with the purchase of food items that we are unable to procure from Foodbank. This local support is most truly appreciated.

This week, our student reports will be published via the Sentral portal for all families. I encourage families to take time in reading and talking about these reports with their children. It's a wonderful opportunity for celebration and reflection. If parents have any questions, please make contact with your child's teacher.

I would like to wish the safest of winter holidays for our students and their families. Students will return to school **Tuesday 22 July 2025**.

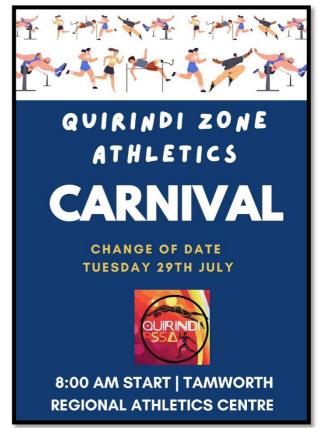
Until next term, please take care. Mrs Cara Cracknell -Principal

Lost Property

Our lost property basket is overflowing with clothing that cannot be returned to the rightful owners as the articles are not labelled.

If you think your child may have lost clothing this term, please come to the office to look through the lost property.

All unclaimed clothing will be sent to a local charity shop.



Student of the Week Awards

Class	Student of the Week Awards
K Dharri	Elise Lobsey
K Dhinawan	Cooper Musgrave
1/2 Dhirri Dhirri	Harrison Jones
1/2 Gugurrgaagaa	Eli Lawson
1/2 Guni	William Morris
3/4 Yurrandaali	Deborah Davis
3/4 Yurayaa	Toby Lees
5/6 Bugali	Award given
5/6 Buubumurr	Lilly McKay
K/6 Bigibila	Rhys Picton-Raduns



Notes home this week

- 1. CPR Awareness
- 2. Quirindi High School Experience Day for Year 5 Students

Years 5 and 6 Year 5

Merit Awards

Class	Merit Award
K Dharri	Oliver Le Cornu
K Dhinawan	Grace Tully
1/2 Dhirri Dhirri	Leo Hunt
1/2 Gugurrgaagaa	Benjamin Maybury
1/2 Guni	Mia McKay
3/4 Yurrandaali	Jacob Crouch
3/4 Yurayaa	Uyerhi-Mayzoin McGregor
5/6 Bugali	Elijah Peach
5/6 Buubumurr	Alexander Maczi
K/6 Bigibila	Emmie-Rose Nixon



P&C Uniform Shop Hours

Open every Wednesday - 3.00pm until 4.00pm

Uniform orders can be made at <u>https://qpsuniform.square.site</u> Please place orders by Tuesday evening for class delivery on Wednesdays.

All orders will be delivered to students in their classrooms - ONLY on a Wednesday afternoon.

If you need to visit the Uniform Shop it is located on Munro Street. Please remember EFTPOS sales only.

For any enquiries you can contact the Uniform Shop via email at *qpsuniform@yahoo.com*

Don't forget you can purchase hats from the school canteen on any day of the week.

Waste Free July

Last week our Eco Rangers announced that our school is joining the global Plastic-Free July movement! To kick things off, students have taken up the challenge this week and will continue our efforts through Weeks 1 and 2 of next term.

We're encouraging every student to bring a plastic-free lunchbox as many times as possible during the challenge weeks. That means no plastic cling wrap or single-use snack packets. Instead, consider:

- Reusable containers or beeswax wraps for sandwiches and snacks
- Stainless steel or glass tubs for fruit, treats and leftovers
- Reusable drink bottles refillable from home or bubblers
- Homemade snacks instead of individually wrapped goods



Each class will be involved in the challenge to see how many students each day can bring a plastic-free lunchbox. The winning class will receive a special prize.

Plastic pollution is a pressing global issue, and small changes make a big difference. Studies show that even swapping a few single-use plastic items can lead to long-term, impactful habits.

Thank you for your support! Mrs Roberts and the Eco Rangers



END OF TERM 2

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THIS TERM! HERE ARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM THEIRCARE

GlowTopia Party + WeCare!

On Friday 13th of June, we had our GlowTopia Party to celebrate the amazing fundraising done through WeCare this term!

TheirCare services across the country helped support the *Starlight Foundation* and the *Indigenous Literacy Foundation* – two great causes that help sick children and children in remote communities get access to books.

We had a blast with glow games, dancing, music and tasty treats, whilst also raising over \$3000 for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation and \$5000 for the Starlight Foundation as our spotlight charities, along with many other local community charities! Thanks for joining the fun and celebrating something really special!

Reconciliation Week

TheirCare where Kids love to be!

During Reconciliation Week, we celebrated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures with fun and meaningful activities!

We started each day with Yarning Circles to share ideas and learn about respect and reconciliation. Children have had the chance to get creative with dot painting, weaving, and decorating hands with special messages.

We played traditional games like Apwerte and Koolchee, explored sensory tubs, and made art inspired by Dreamtime Stories. It was a fun week full of learning, creativity, and connection to country!

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Worker Retention Payments

The Worker Retention Payment (WRP) is a federal government initiative to recognise and support the workers in the Early Childhood Education and Care sector. Aiming to retain and attract more workers to the sector.

TheirCare were proudly one of the first OSHC providers to be approved and begin to make payments to our staff. These payments are now occurring on a routine basis to staff. We will continue to advocate to the government for initiatives to support our staff and the workers in the sector.

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Some exciting announcements from operations!

We are excited to share with you today that TheirCare has appointed two new heads of Operations.

Sonia Zakhour is one of the original founders of TheirCare and the heartbeat of the company. Her long-standing commitment and passion for supporting children, families and school communities will be essential to her role in the team, as Commercial Operations Manager.

Jacob Schuster will also be playing a crucial role as the infield Operations Manager in this team. Jacob has a wealth of knowledge working within TheirCare. Starting out as a Coordinator and working through to the Area Manager and then Operations Manager roles.

Winter Holiday Program

With the Winter school holidays fast approaching, get excited for Holiday Program!

Theme: We Are The Champions!

This Winter, we're turning up the fun with We Are the Champions! Loaded with fantastic excursions, engaging in-house days, and special activities for everyone to enjoy. And don't miss the incredible magic of Disney on Ice, making these school holidays truly unforgettable!

This winter is also in line with NAIDOC celebrations and National PJ Day!

It's not too late to book, simply book online at www.theircare.com.au.



In the spirit of reconciliation, TheirCare acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country in Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

UPCOMING IN TERM 3





Permission notes and payments due

Years 5 and 6 CPR Awareness Course Note due: Friday 25 July 2025

Years 3 & 4 Excursion to Point Wolstoncroft Payment due: Sunday 27 July 2025



Bell Times

9.20am - School begins 11.20am - 11.55am - Break 1 1.30pm - 2.00pm - Break 2 3.20pm - School concludes



School Office Hours

8.30 to 3.45pm

Phone: 6746 1565

Upcoming events

4 July 2025 Last Day of Term 2

21 July 2025 Staff Development Day

22 July 2025 Students return to school PSSA Boys Softball Gala Day

23 July 2025 PSSA State Cross Country

29 July 2025 Quirindi Zone Athletics Carnival

7 August 2025 Night of the Notables – Stage 3

14 August 2025 Boys Rugby Knockout Gala Day

20 August 2025 P&C Meeting

25 August 2025 - 27 August 2025 Stage 2 - Point Wolstencroft Excursion