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NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates

Date	Event			
18/12/18	Stage 2 Assembly – 2.15pm			
19/12/18	Last Day of Term 4			
29/01/19	Pupil Free Day – Staff Only			
30/01/19	Best Start Begins			
	Years 1-6 Return			
31/01/19	Best Start Continues			
01/02/19	Best Start Continues			
04/02/19	Kindergarten 2019 First Day			
	QHHS Taster Day – Year 6			
25/02/19	Swimming Carnival			
01/03/19	Principal's Assembly – 9.30am			

UNIFORM SHOP MONDAYS – 8.45AM TO 10AM UNIFORM SHOP THURSDAYS – 2.30PM TO 3.30PM SCHOOL BANKING EACH WEDNESDAY

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Staff Changes

Staff Changes Rosannagh Ryan



It is with great pleasure that I announce that Miss Rosannagh Ryan has been appointed to the position of Deputy Principal of Quakers Hill Public School through the merit selection process. Miss Ryan has been acting in the role since the start of Term 4.

Miss Ryan has been an integral member of our teaching staff for the past 8 years and has worked tirelessly as a classroom teacher, stage coordinator, and assistant principal and as an instructional leader, providing outstanding educational instruction for our students and wonderful leadership for our teaching staff.

Miss Ryan's commitment, enthusiasm and exceptional knowledge of curriculum and welfare will make her a wonderful asset to our senior leadership team and to our school community. Miss Ryan demonstrates a wonderful rapport with all members of our school community, students, staff and parents.

Miss Ryan demonstrates all of the skills that one would expect of a member of the school's senior leadership team. She demonstrates excellent interpersonal and personal skills, a wonderful understanding of educational pedagogy, proven high level organisational skills and a commitment to strategic planning and building upon the school's vision and culture.

Laura Pearce/Lorraine Byrne



It is with great sadness that I announce that two of our permanent staff members Mrs Laura Pearce and Mrs Lorraine Byrne will be leaving Quakers Hill at the end of Term 4. Mrs Pearce will commence her new role as Assistant Principal at Werrington

County Public School, while Mrs Byrne received a transfer to Lithgow Public School. This of course is wonderful news for both Mrs Pearce and Mrs Byrne as they commence their new educational journeys.



These amazingly talented classroom practitioners carried out their role as educators with great pride, determination and enthusiasm ensuring that our children were provided with exceptional learning opportunities.

As a classroom teacher and Rel. Assistant Principal, Mrs Pearce has held the belief that strong communication and a foundation built on relationships and mutual respect is paramount for any successful school and Mrs Pearce embedded this philosophy within the culture of the school.

On behalf of our school community I wish Mrs Pearce and Mrs Byrne the very best as they continue their educational journeys and their new schools. Thank you for your wonderful 'service to students.'

Celebration of Excellence Assembly

Celebration of Excellence assembly 2018 was the culmination of what quite simply was a hugely successful year filled with so many innovative programs, outstanding achievements and important successes across all facets of school life, both in the academic and non-academic areas. Certificates, trophies and medallions were awarded for academic success, sporting success, and success in the performing arts, leadership and citizenship.

Although we celebrated the achievements of a select number of children across all facets of school life, it is also important that we acknowledge the efforts and achievements of all of our students not just the award recipients. Presentation Day was all about recognising the achievements and successes of all 1060 of our

wonderfully dedicated, beautiful students who have demonstrated success in their learning and have been acknowledge either through the school's award process (blue award, merit certificates, assistant principal's award, principal's award and the caught you being good slips), as well as the many and varied other extracurricular awards and certificates.



The Celebration of Excellence Assembly was an acknowledgement of Quakers Hill and the four unique, wonderful and equally important groups. Our talented, enthusiastic and wonderful classroom practioners and support staff, our truly supportive community, who have helped to shape the vision of our school and to create a truly family feel to our quality learning environment. And of course our wonderful P&C, who on behalf of the community help to provide our staff and our students with state of the art resources and of course our future, the students of Quakers Hill.

It is also important to acknowledge the achievements of the 52 students in Year 6 who have gained entry in to selective high schools, the 8 Year 4 students who have gained placement in an opportunity class for 2019, the 80 students who have been placed in the school's enrichment classes for 2019 and the children who sat the international school's competition and achieved outstanding results. Just to name a few.

Congratulations Quakers Hill, innovation, excellence and success is embedded across every part of school life. Our banner statement is our mantra, our reason for being, and this was once again demonstrated throughout 2018. At Quakers Hill we will always work with our students to imagine the possibilities, believe in the possibilities and create the possibilities.

Parent Helpers - Thank you

Our annual parent helper morning tea was held on Thursday 13 December. This was our way of thanking our magnificent parent helpers. Quakers Hill staff and students value the wonderful support of our parent and community helpers who continue to help us provide our students with all of the curricular and extra-curricular opportunities. Our school has a wonderful connection and connectedness with our parents and this relationship is an important one as it defines who we are. Nothing is more important to us, that our parents working hand in hand to ensure that our children have the very best education.

School Captains

Congratulations to **Neel Velani** and **Sienna Abran** 2019 school captains and vice captains **Liam Balintec** and **Kashish Narayanan**. These four wonderful, altruistic, young individuals have had the trust of the students and staff placed upon them, and I am absolutely positive that these wonderful, caring individuals will represent the school and student body with great pride, enthusiasm and maturity. Congratulations to our captains and vice captains, I know you'll be outstanding ambassadors for the school, demonstrating our expectations and upholding the wonderful reputation that Quakers Hill enjoys in the community.



A wonderful thanks you to our 2018 captains and vice captains Anastasia Prokhorov and Romeo Abran and Sachi

Gautam and Akila Gunaratne and the entire school leadership team who performed their duties as our school leaders with great maturity and dedication. These four truly altruistic students have been outstanding role models for all students. They have demonstrated our school expectations with so much pride.

School Leaders 2019

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected by the students of Quakers Hill to represent them and the school in 2019;

Aidan McDonald, Yug Ruparelia, Ashlin D'Cruz, Akul Jaganath, Ariel Delos Santos, Saamiya Abbas, Suwanthi Edirisinghe and Leila Crisafulli-Kefu

Our 2019 leaders have had the trust of the students and staff placed upon them. The teachers and students believe in their abilities and skills and I am sure that they uphold our school expectations and banner statement.

So Long, Farewell, Good Bye



On Monday 10 December our wonderful Year 6 students attended their Year 6 Farwell at Blacktown Workers. The evening marked the culmination of Primary School for our amazing students. These fine young individuals made the night a memorable experience, demonstrating great maturity. Our school expectations were evident throughout the night as our wonderful seniors mingled and danced the night away.

Congratulations Kindergarten

The end of 2018 marks a very important milestone for our beautiful Kindergarten students - the completion of their first year at "big school". What a wonderful year these

wonderful young students have had, experiencing so many wonderful learning opportunities and achieving so many educational successes. I am very proud of each and every one of these student. Their progress has been simply stunning. Make no mistake, our Kindergarten teachers have ensured that each and every one of our Kindy students have been provided with an outstanding foundation year.

Merry Christmas



On behalf of the staff and myself, I would like to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Thank you for your continued support of our beautiful school and for being the very best parents in NSW. I continue to be humbled by your friendship, loyalty and generosity. Together we have and continue to create a shared vision for Quakers Hill, providing our students with an outstanding educational resource which has placed Quakers Hill as a leader in public education. We continue to write wonderful, bright new chapters for our school. As a school community we continue to ensure that our school is at the forefront of education and indeed an innovator in education. Together we have transformed into a future focused school, and one that continually evolves and embraces change.

As our banner statement says, **Innovation-Excellence-Euccess**, it defines us, it sets us apart, it tells our community that quality teaching and learning is embedded into every single classroom, that our students are provided life shaping learning opportunities across many areas and that our students are provided with the skills, knowledge and tools to become successful, happy lifelong learners. Thank you for a wonderful 2018 and I am looking forward to an incredibly exciting 2019.

I look forward to seeing you and welcoming our new families and our 1050+ students and their families in 2019.

2019 - Major Fundraiser

The school's major fundraiser for 2019 will be held in April. The theme for next year's fundraiser is based around Guinness World Records.

All money raised from the fundraiser will go directly towards complementing and extending our providing our students with the very best resources.

Last year's fundraiser raised in excess of \$22 000, and I am hoping that we will be able to match this in 2019. Remember this is our only **major** funding activity planned by the school. If each child raised \$35 each this target would easily be reached.

Term Dates

Staff Development Day Term 4, 2018 – Wednesday 19 December is the last day of school for students. Please make alternative arrangements for your child(ren). Vacation care services will be available via our before and after school care providers. All enquiries should be directed through them.

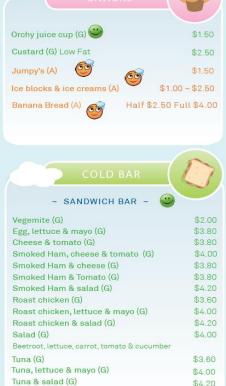
Students in Years 1-6 commence 2019 on Wednesday 30 January. Kindergarten students start school on Monday 4 February 2019.

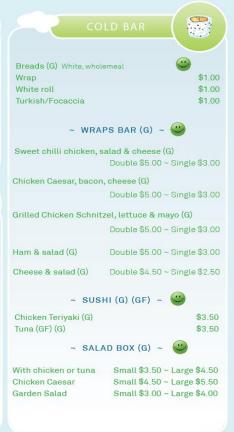
December's core value is EXCELLENCE - Striving for the highest personal achievement in all aspects of schooling and individual and community action, work and life-long learning.

Bert Lo Campo - Principal

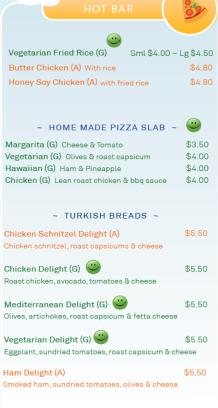
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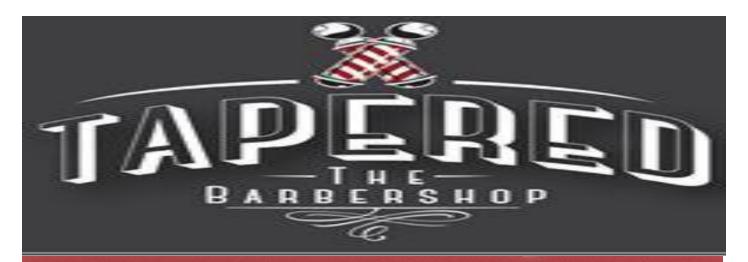








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TAPERED THE BARBERSHOP



Tue-Wed: 9am - 5.30pm, Thurs: 9am - 8pm, Fri: 9am - 5.30pm Sat: 9am - 4pm, Sun: 10am -3pm

PRICE LIST

W.	HE	GENTLEMAN DELUXE CUT, ALL FACIAL TRIM & RAZOR WORK)	,\$40
W.	THE	GENTLEMAN	\$25
N.	THE	Crew	\$20
W.	THE	YOUNG MAN	\$22
M	THE	YOUNG BOY	\$18
W.	THE	SENIOR	\$20
W.	THE	Pensioner	\$18
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OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE, CONSULT WITH YOUR BARBER EXTRA CHARGES MAY APPLY

02 9837 1399

Shop 15, 216 Farnham Road, Quakers Hill

EFTPOS FACILITIES

The school office has an Eftpos machine and can take credit and debit card payments.

<u>Eftpos payments can only be made between the hours of 8.30am to 2.00pm</u> as we need to balance the money at the end of the day.

You can also pay by **cash** and by the **online payment** option on our school website. Please remember when paying online that you need to pay before 5pm for the school to see the payment the next day.



DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN PAY ONLINE?

Many families are now using the school's online payment option linked to our school website to pay for school related expenses. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other (any items not listed above)

UNFORTUNATELY, PAYMENTS TO THE UNIFORM SHOP AND P&C CANNOT BE ACCEPTED VIA THIS SYSTEM.

How do I make a payment?

Go to the school website.

Click on make a payment, found on the front page of the school website.

- 1. In the student and payer details, fill in all the green asterix items. (These are compulsory)
- 2. Choose a payment option.
- 3. Enter the amount you are paying and the payment description (Eq: the name of the excursion)
- 4. Enter credit card details.
- 5. Confirm payment details.
- 6. Receive online payment receipt.

Pay before 6pm for the school to receive your payment the next working day.

How do I let the school know I paid online?

Please write the receipt number on the permission note and return to the school.

Making an online payment does not constitute permission. Please return all signed permission notes as per normal.