

3 February 2022

STAGE 2 WELCOME LETTER

We would like to warmly welcome you to a new year at Quakers Hill Public School and we look forward to meeting you throughout the year. 2022 promises to be a very busy year with many interesting experiences planned for your child. In order to help your child achieve maximum success at school, it is recommended that they have the following items as soon as possible:

Personal Items in a pencil case – All items should have your child's name on them.	Classroom contributions
 2 packets of HB lead pencils 1 packet of coloured pencils 2 highlighters 1 wooden ruler 1 eraser 1 canister sharpener 2 quality glue sticks 4-6 whiteboard markers 1 whiteboard duster 1 black permanent marker 1 pair of scissors 	 1 box of tissues 1 bottle of hand sanitiser 1 bottle of hand soap 2/3 pack roll of paper towel 1 packet of wet wipes 1 pair of labelled headphones in a ziplocked bag

Homework

Homework will commence in Week 5. Your child's teacher will provide more information about the homework routines for their class. Students will also have access to Literacy Planet, Mathletics and Seesaw. It is strongly encouraged that students read every night.

Sport

All Stage 2 classes will be participating in sport on Fridays. Students are required to wear their sports uniform (including school hat) and appropriate joggers to participate in the planned sporting activities. They are strongly encouraged to bring a water bottle in order to properly hydrate themselves.

Library

Students will be given the opportunity to visit the library each week. Books must be returned on their library day before students may borrow again, and they must have their library bag at school. You will be informed of your child's library day once timetables have been finalised.

Bring You Own Device (BYOD)

Quakers Hill Public School will continue to run the BYOD program in 2022. Students who choose to participate in the program will be permitted to bring in their own device from home to participate in learning activities in the classroom. The BYOD program will not replace the school's policy of 1 device for every 2 students in a classroom. Instead, we aim to further improve the ratio of devices per student. Being a multi-platform school, we are open to students bringing in any one of a range of devices; if you are unsure of your devices suitability, ask your classroom teacher. Mobile phones are not acceptable to use as part of the BYOD program. Students who wish to participate in the program need to sign and return the student agreement form prior to bringing in their device. Those who signed and returned the note in 2021 will not need to resubmit a note in 2022.

Mobile Phones and Smart Watches

Should you wish to send your child to school with a mobile phone or a Smart Watch (E.g. Moochies), they will need to be switched off and not used during school hours. In the event that the school needs to communicate with parents, for example, the early departure of students due to illness, then normal procedures will be followed and the office staff will phone parents and carers. Quakers Hill Public School takes no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged phones and Smart Watches.





Social Media

Our school regularly communicates through our school website https://quakershil-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/ and social media accounts. More and more of our wonderful families are following us on social media.



Website
Visit our website:
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Twitter
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School App



Our school uses a FREE app called SCHOOL STREAM. This can be downloaded onto your mobile phone. This will enable our school to send out important notifications at a much faster rate all at the convenience of your mobile device. Newsletters, notes and school events will be uploaded, reminders sent through, as well as information of your child's grade/stage when at school or attending excursions. School Stream is available

via the App Store for iPhone/iPad iOS and the Play Store for Android/Tablets.

Uniform



Students at Quakers Hill Public School are expected to wear full summer uniform on return to school; this **includes a school hat** and black school shoes. The <u>School Uniform Policy Implementation Statement</u> is available on the school website; outlining the school uniform guidelines. We encourage all parents to download the Flexischool app and place orders online. Please submit your orders 3 days prior to your

anticipated collection date. Orders can be sent to your child's classroom or collected on Thursday from the uniform shop. The uniform shop will be open Thursday afternoons from 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm. Please ensure that all items of clothing purchased are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Expectations

Quakers Hill Public School prides itself as a school that demonstrates innovation, excellence and success. It is through our PBL welfare system and our school expectations of **Safe, Responsible, Proud Learners** that we nurture our students to achieve great success. It is imperative that all students know, understand and uphold our expectations. We continue to use our 'PBL steps' system to maintain our high expectations and also our blue awards system to ensure positive behaviours are recognised and celebrated.

Upcoming Events

Week 4 - Meet the Teacher

Week 11 - Parent Teacher Interviews

Notes with more information regarding these events will be sent home shortly.

If you have any concerns regarding your child please contact the class teacher either by a note, or by phone, to arrange a suitable appointment time.

If you have any concerns please contact the school office.

Thank you for your support,

Bert Lo Campo **Principal**

Jared Madden

Stage 2 Assistant Principal