



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. 2024 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 – labelled with child's name

- 10 HB lead pencils
- 1 packet of coloured pencils
- 1 packet of coloured textas
- 2 highlighters
- 1 wooden ruler
- 1 eraser
- 1 canister sharpener
- 2 **quality** (Bostick or UHU) glue sticks
- 4-6 whiteboard markers
- 1 whiteboard eraser/duster
- 1 black permanent Sharpie/marker
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 pencil case - the items above should fit in an appropriately sized pencil case and be clearly and individually labelled with your child's name.
- 1 pair of labelled headphones in a ziplocked bag

All pencil case items are to be clearly labelled with your child's name and brought to school from Day 1, 2024. Please note that items will need to be replenished as required throughout the year.

Class items

- 1 box of tissues
- 1 bottle of hand sanitiser
- 1 bottle of hand soap
- 2 or 3 pack roll of paper towel
- 1 packet of wet wipes

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 [School Uniform Policy Implementation Statement](#) is available on the school website; outlining the school uniform guidelines. School uniforms can be purchased online at www.qhpspnc.com.au or on-site at the Uniform Shop. The Uniform Shop is open Tuesday afternoons 1:30 pm to 2:45 pm and Thursday mornings 9:15 am to 10:30 am. To contact the Uniform Shop, please email support@qhpspnc.com.au.

Homework

Homework will commence in Week 4. Your child's teacher will provide more information about the homework routines for their class. Students will also have access to 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.



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Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Quakers Hill Public School will continue to run the BYOD program in 2024. 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 2023 will not need to resubmit a note in 2024.

Mobile Phones and Smart Watches

Whilst students are asked not to bring mobile phones and smart watches to school, we understand that it may be necessary for them to use a phone or communication device before or after school. Any mobile phone or smart watch brought to school must remain switched off in the students' bag and it is not to be used on the school grounds or during school hours. Quakers Hill Public School is under no obligation to provide storage facilities for student devices and the school takes no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged devices while in transit to, or on school grounds. Students are not allowed to use digital devices in the following spaces under any circumstances: playground during recess and lunch or before and after school, toilets, while on excursions or other school events or when representing the school in sport or other extracurricular activities.

Social Media

Our school regularly communicates through our school website, school parent portal app and social media accounts. More and more of our wonderful families are following us on social media.



Website
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School Bytes Parent Portal

The School Bytes Parent app is now available to download. Please ensure you download the app to your device/s to access the parent portal and;

- Receive news and push notifications
- Make school payments online (including paying for multiple siblings at once)
- Use a family credit to pay for an activity or school contributions
- Download a receipt for payments made
- View all historical payments in one place
- Complete and submit digital permission notes
- View the status of all permission notes
- Explain student absences
- View and sync the school calendar to a device
- Access student academic reports



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 3 – 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
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