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NEWSLETTER

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ISSUE 5 TERM 2 WEEK 2

ANZAC Day – Quandialla 2026

WE WILL Remember THEM

Relieving Principal's Report

Welcome Back – Term 2

Welcome back to all students, staff and families for **Term 2**. With an **11-week term** ahead, we are looking forward to another exciting and productive term of learning. Term 2 is traditionally one of our busiest terms, with numerous **sporting carnivals, winter sports and school events** scheduled throughout. As the weather becomes cooler, please ensure students are prepared each day with appropriate warm clothing.

Bland School Fridays – Term 2 Update

Due to the large number of carnivals, excursions and events scheduled on Fridays this term, there will be several interruptions to our usual **Friday collaboration schedule**. To support consistency, **Caragabal Public School will host all Bland School Fridays throughout Term 2**. We appreciate the flexibility of our students, staff and families as we adapt to this busy schedule.

Weddin Mountains Cross Country
A huge thank you to **Mrs Anderson and Miss Shantelle from Bribbaree Public School** for organising another fantastic day at the **Weddin Mountains Cross Country Carnival**. It was a wonderful day, and all students should be commended for their outstanding participation, effort and excellent behaviour. This carnival serves as the **Young Small Schools qualifying event** for progression to the **Young PSSA District Carnival and Riverina level**. For those wondering about official Bland School placings, cross country champions between Quandialla, Caragabal and Bribbaree will be announced today at Caragabal.

ANZAC Day Service
Well done to all students who proudly represented our school at the **ANZAC Day Service**. Student **uniform, behaviour and respect were immaculate**, and we are incredibly proud of the way our students conducted themselves. A special thank you to **Macey and Amber**, who read beautifully during the service. Their confidence and respectful presentation were exceptional. **Lest we forget.**

NSW State Swimming Championships
A huge congratulations to **Macey**, who competed at the **NSW State Swimming Championships at Sydney Olympic Park** on Tuesday as part of the **Forbes Small Schools Senior Girls Relay Team**. Competing against students from public and private schools across the entire state is an incredible achievement. Macey swam a personal best in her 50m relay leg, with the team finishing **5th in their heat**. We were thrilled to watch from school and are incredibly proud of this outstanding accomplishment.

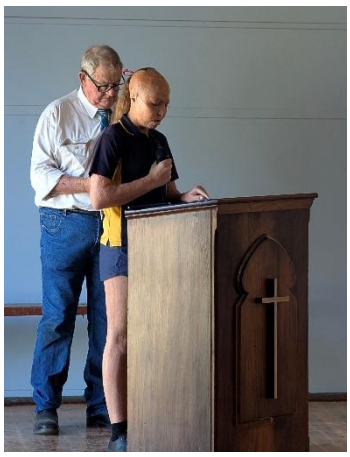
Lachlan Touch Football Knockout
We wish **Madden and Macey** the very best of luck as they represent our school at the **Lachlan Touch Football Knockout** today at **Cheney Park, Parkes**. Mr Pudya will be travelling with the students as coach for the day.

PSSA Netball Match
This year, the traditional **Netball Gala Day** has been replaced with individual knockout matches. Our first-round match will be against **Forbes Public School**, with the winning team progressing to the next round against **Lake Cargelligo**. We look forward to supporting our students as they compete.

Stay Informed – School Bytes
Please continue to keep an eye on the **School Bytes calendar and notifications** for all upcoming events, permission notes and important reminders throughout this busy term.

Kind regards, Brady Pudya – Relieving Principal

Anzac Day 2026



Macey (above) and Amber (below) were both part of Quandialla's Anzac Day service last Saturday. Mr Robert Reeves is also pictured with the girls.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL CANTEEN

Our Canteen operates fortnightly on a Wednesday

CANTEEN ROSTER – TERM 2 2026

22nd April	NO CANTEEN	Week 1
29th April	NO CANTEEN	Week 2
6th May	Kayla Stokes	Week 3
13th May	NO CANTEEN	Week 4
20th May	Kacie Cattle	Week 5
27th May	NO CANTEEN	Week 6
3rd June	Kayla Stokes	Week 7
10th June	NO CANTEEN	Week 8
17th June	Kacie Cattle	Week 9
24th June	NO CANTEEN	Week 10
1st July	Kayla Stokes	Week 11

BELL TIMES

9.00 am – 11.00 am	Morning session
11.00 am – 11.25 am	RECESS
11.25 am – 1.00 pm	Mid session
1.00 pm – 1.50 pm	K – 6 LUNCH
1.50 pm – 3.05 pm	Afternoon session
3.05 pm	SCHOOL FINISHES

TERM 2 - 2026

WEEK 2

Monday, April, 27th	**Anzac Day Public Holiday**
Tuesday, April, 28th	NSW PSSA Swimming - State Championship at Sydney
Wednesday, April, 29th	
Thursday, April, 30th	
Friday, May, 1st	QPS to Caragabal Public School. Touch Knock Out Day at Parkes.

WEEK 3

Monday, May, 4th	LPSSA Netball Knock Out (Playing as part of the Forbes Small Schools)
Tuesday, May, 5th	Public Speaking Day at Murringo (Years 3-6)
Wednesday, May, 6th	Visit by Aunty Julie & Kirstin (Bush Tucker Garden)
Thursday, May, 7th	
Friday, May, 8th	Forbes Small Schools Athletics Carnival at Forbes North Public School (Whole School)

WEEK 4

Monday, May, 11th	
Tuesday, May, 12th	
Wednesday, May, 13th	T.H.L.H.S. - Year 6 Experience Day (1/2 day) Visit by Aunty Julie & Kirstin (Bush Tucker Garden)
Thursday, May, 14th	
Friday, May, 15th	

OPERATION ART 2026

Operation Art - Our goals (Information taken from the Operation Art Webpage)
Operation Art – 2026 exhibition information | The Arts Unit

Continuing on with our new exhibition model, our **goal is to represent students and schools across the state**, celebrating their creative achievements in the most **equitable and accessible** ways possible.
All artwork entries received by schools this year will be exhibited in **galleries across NSW in 2026**, according to the regions where the students' schools are located. This will **provide easier access** for schools and families to attend **opening celebrations**, workshop programs and hospital artwork donations in galleries closer to their hometowns, enabling more of our students to see their work on display.
As always, a team of judges will select **50 artworks** to be gifted to the **Children's Hospital at Westmead** and these works will continue to be displayed at the **Art Gallery of NSW** annually, as well as being displayed in their local gallery in the larger exhibitions.

Curatorial brief
As some exhibited works will eventually be hung at the Children's Hospital at Westmead, we ask that special consideration be given to ensure that the artwork submitted is uplifting and does not contain material that could be considered culturally sensitive in nature.
Ivy Baddock, Art Curator, The Children's Hospital at Westmead

Closing date for entries is: Tuesday, 9th June, 2026. All artworks must be delivered to QPS front office by this date. Selected entries, will then be posted to Sydney.

Entry Fee: The fee this year for Government Schools is $100.00 per artwork. Quandialla Public School will contribute $45.00 to each entry, so parents will only need to pay $55.00 for their child's entry if selected.

Label the back of each artwork with the name of the student and your school. Please use a pencil so that the artwork isn't damaged. Up to A2-sized works are accepted and up to 5mm deep.

PLEASE NOTE: Artworks are more suitable if created on quality art paper. Please contact Mrs Gault if you require paper.

Can you Help???

Macey's Year 6 Fundraiser

'Recycling Cans, Bottles and Cartons'

As part of Macey's Year 6 fundraiser this year, Macey is collecting Cans, Bottles and Cartons (that are part of the NSW Government's Initiative).

If you would like to donate your items to Macey's fundraiser, please contact the front office to arrange how these can be delivered to our school.
Phone: 02 6347 1207

Thank You for your support

Saver Plus gives you down-to-earth money talk – and a $500 incentive to build your savings!

If you save up to $50 a month for 10 months (the length of the program), ANZ will double it.

What can the $500 be spent on?

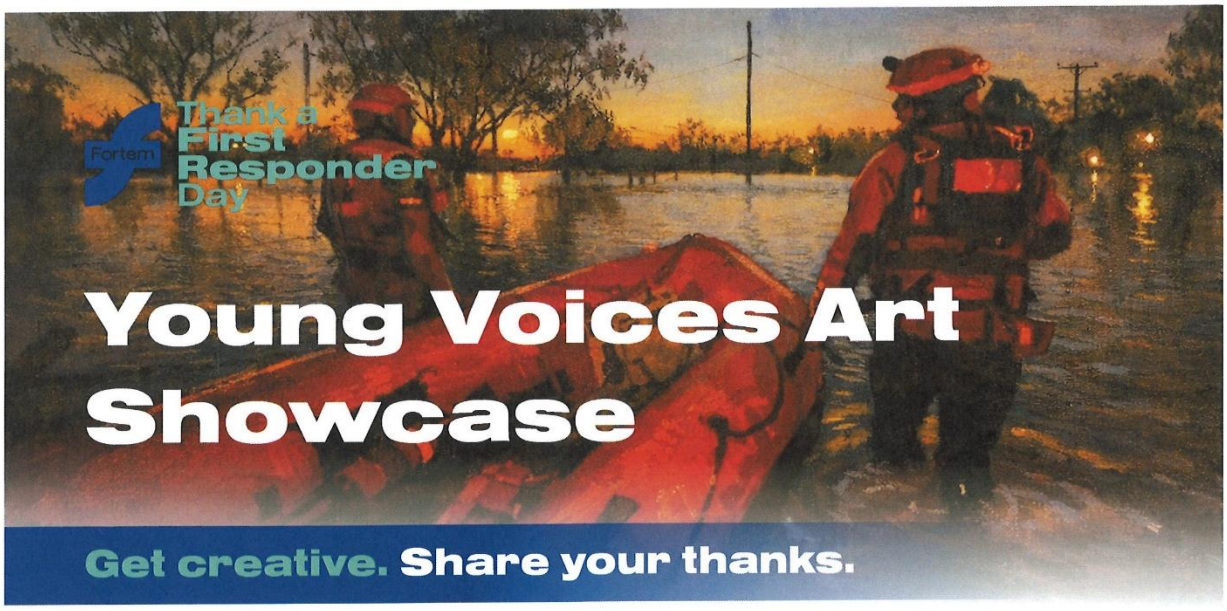
- Laptops and tablets
- Uniforms and shoes
- Vocational education
- Lessons and activities
- Books and supplies
- Camps and excursions

To join Saver Plus

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a Health Care or Pensioner Card
- ✓ Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

Saver Plus supports people to develop life-long savings habits. It's delivered by Brotherhood of St. Laurence, The Smith Family and Berry St Yooralla. It's funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.

saverplus.org.au **1300 610 355**



This Thank a First Responder Day, children and young people are invited to express their gratitude through art. From drawings and paintings to photography and digital design, every artwork is a powerful way to say thanks.

Theme

- Acts of kindness or helping others.
- What first responders mean to your community.
- Messages of thanks or support.
- Community connection or appreciation.

Using the colour teal or the Thank a First Responder Day triple zero heart logo is encouraged.

Who can enter

Children and young people across Australia.
Individual, partnered or group/class entries welcome.

Key dates

- **Entries open:** Friday 1 March 2026
- **Entries close:** Sunday 24 May 2026
- **Winners announced:** Monday 8 June 2026

Thank a First Responder Day
Wednesday 10 June 2026

Win 1 of two $200 book vouchers!

As a special thank you for their creativity, two artworks will be selected to receive a $200 book voucher.

thankafirstresponderday.org.au
#ThankaFirstResponder #PowerOfThanks #TAFRD

Is your child heading to Primary School in 2027?

Could an **extra $500** help with their education costs?

Join Saver Plus, Australia's longest running financial education and matched savings program. Saver Plus is a free program that has supported over 68,000 people to develop lifelong savings habits and receive up to $500 to assist with education costs.

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Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St. Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and the Department of Social Services.

What is Saver Plus?

A free 10-month program that helps you save for your own or your children's education.

- Build lasting savings habits
- Be better prepared for unexpected expenses
- Stay in control
- Improve personal wellbeing

Who can join?

To be eligible for Saver Plus, you must meet all of the following criteria:

- Have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- Receive an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*
- Be studying yourself or have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- Have regular income from work (you or your partner)
- Be 18+ years old

*Many income types and Centrelink payments may qualify. Not sure if you qualify? Just fill out the enquiry form and a Savings Coach will reach out to you.

To confidentially find out more, call Saver Plus or fill out the enquiry form in the link.

1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au

BOORAWA IRISH WOOLFEST

Upcycle FASHION Contest

Cash Prizes Pool Starts at $1500

Open to all—men, women, and children.

To enter, simply create a new wearable garment or accessory using repurposed materials. Your finished piece must contain at least 50% wool content.

Categories:

- Junior – 11yo to 14yo
- Intermediate – 15yo to 18yo
- Open – over 18yo

Entries Open
Sunday 1 st March 2026
Entries Close
Monday 31st August 2026

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Film By

2026 individual workshops

Individual student workshops | 9 am–3 pm | $100 | NSW DET, 105 Phillip St Parramatta

- Animation workshop | Years 5–11, beginners | Friday 13 March (Term 1 Week 7)
- Filmmaking workshop | Years 5–8, beginners | Friday 8 May (Term 2 Week 3)
- Filmmaking workshop | Years 9–11, intermediate | Friday 8 May (Term 2 Week 3)
- Stop motion workshop | Years 5–11, beginners | Friday 12 June (Term 2 Week 8)
- Filmmaking workshop | Years 5–8, intermediate | Friday 14 August (Term 3 Week 4)
- Filmmaking workshop | Years 9–11, intermediate | Friday 14 August (Term 3 Week 4)

Teacher professional learning | 9 am–3 pm | $100 | NSW DET, 105 Phillip St Parramatta

- Teacher professional learning | beginner | Monday 4 May (Term 2 Week 3)
- Teacher professional learning | intermediate | Monday 10 August (Term 3 Week 4)

Teacher professional learning | 9 am–3 pm | $150 | Online

- Teacher professional learning | beginners | Monday 23 March (Term 1 Week 9)
- Teacher professional learning | intermediate | Monday 26 October (Term 4 Week 3)

Applications and further information online now!
artsunit.nsw.edu.au/film-by

NSW GOVERNMENT

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Free and voluntary for children and families

Build on your strengths to make positive change

Right supports at the right time

Family Connect and Support helps children, young people and families in NSW with:

- parenting challenges
- financial stress
- substance use
- family breakdown
- housing issues
- mental health
- domestic and family violence

and more.

Through an initial consultation, we get to know you and your individual circumstances.

Understanding your needs, and building on your strengths, we identify the support your family needs to make positive change in your lives.

We'll give you information and advice and help you connect to the services in your area so you don't have to retell your story.

We stay connected with you until you're matched with the right services or support.

We welcome families from all cultures and backgrounds, lands and communities.

Contact us to find out more

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