Quandialla Public School

"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"

NEWSLETTER

Thursday, 21st May, 2026

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ISSUE 6 TERM 2 WEEK 5

Creating our

Bush Tucker Garden

Wednesday, 13th May, 2026

Left to right: Amber, Amelia, Cooper and Aunty Julie.

Relieving Principal's Report

Forbes Small Schools Athletics Carnival

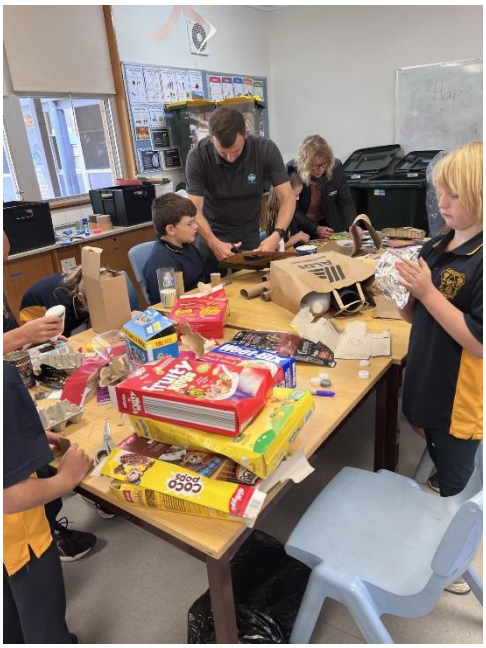
Congratulations to all students on an outstanding effort at the **Forbes Small Schools Athletics Carnival**, where our school proudly finished in **2nd place overall**. Students represented the school with excellent participation, sportsmanship and behaviour throughout the day. A special congratulations goes to **Macey**, who achieved multiple first-place finishes and has progressed to the **Lachlan District Carnival** in several events. Well done also to **Cooper**, who will progress to Lachlan District in his qualifying events, and to **Madden, Jackson** and **Brailyn**, who were awarded **Age Champions**. These are fantastic achievements, and we are incredibly proud of all students who competed. The **Lachlan District Carnival at Parkes** is much later than usual this year **August 14** for those who have qualified. Permission notes and details of events will be sent home today - with a QR code permission note to complete**.**

Front Garden Project

A special thank you to **Aunty Julie**, our local **Wiradjuri Elder**, and **Kirstin from Home Start Cowra** for generously supplying native and bush tucker plants for our school's front garden. The garden is beginning to take wonderful shape and will become a beautiful and meaningful space within our school grounds.

Waste 2 Art Workshop
Thank you to **Bill Tink from NetWaste** for visiting our school and running an engaging **Waste 2 Art workshop**. Students created a range of imaginative artworks using recycled materials to enter into the competition. We saw some fantastic creations, including crocodiles, vehicles and many other inventive designs. It was wonderful to see students combining creativity with sustainability.

Waste 2 Art Workshop:
Top photo:
Oliver.
Photo on right:
Brailyn and
Ms Bradley



Young Small Schools Public Speaking - 2 June
Congratulations to our **Year 3–6 students** for their excellent behaviour and participation at the **Young Small Schools Public Speaking Workshop Day** held at **Murringo Public School**. Students are now beginning preparation of their speeches to present at the official public speaking day. Time will be provided during class to work on speeches, although students are welcome to continue working on them at home. Once completed, students should also be practising and memorising their speeches regularly.
The **Public Speaking Competition Day** will be held at **Murringo on 2 June**, with further information to be shared via **School Bytes**.

Henry Lawson Festival – Recitation Day - 4 June
The **Henry Lawson Festival Recitation Day** will take place on **4 June at Grenfell Public School**. All students have selected a poem, which has been sent home for practice and memorisation. Students are expected to learn their poems in preparation for reciting on the day. Information regarding event details and rules has also been sent home. Students will travel by school bus, and parents are warmly welcome to attend. A reminder and additional information will also be provided through **School Bytes**.

PLEASE COME to our .....

Biggest Morning Tea and Book Fair – 28 May
We will be hosting our **Biggest Morning Tea and Book Fair** on **28 May at 11:00 am**. Parents and community members are warmly invited to attend and join us for the event. For families unable to attend the Henry Lawson Recitation Day, students will also be presenting their poems at the morning tea as a practice run. We look forward to welcoming our community into the school for what promises to be a wonderful morning together.

Kind regards, Brady Pudya – Relieving Principal

Forbes Small Schools Athletics Carnival
Friday, 8th May, 2026

Macey

CONGRATULATIONS

Brailyn

Cooper

Jackson

Madden

Our New Garden

Creating a beautiful garden at the front of our school.

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 5

Monday, May, 18th

Tuesday, May, 19th

Wednesday, May, 20th
Waste 2 Art Workshop at QPS
11.30 start

Visit by Aunty Julie & Kirstin
(~~Bush Tucker Garden~~) Postponed

Thursday, May, 21st

Friday, May, 22nd
National Walk Safely to School Day

QPS to Caragabal Public School

WEEK 6

Monday, May, 25th

Tuesday, May, 26th

Wednesday, May, 27th
National Simultaneous Storytime
Book titled: Luna Roo - 12.00 noon

Visit by Aunty Julie & Kirstin
(Bush Tucker Garden)

Thursday, May, 28th
BIGGEST Morning Tea at QPS
for the Cancer Council
All Welcome - 11.00 a.m

Book Fair at QPS
11.30 am in School Library

Friday, May, 29th
Lachlan Cross Country.
QPS to Caragabal Public School

WEEK 7

Monday, June, 1st
T.H.L.H.S. - Stage 3
Parent Information afternoon

Tuesday, June, 2nd

Wednesday, June, 3rd

Thursday, June, 4th

Friday, June, 5th
QPS to Caragabal Public School -
Hockey Coaching

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

You're invited to our

BIGGEST Morning Tea & Scholastic BOOK FAIR

on

Thursday, 28th May, 2026

Morning Tea

11.00 am

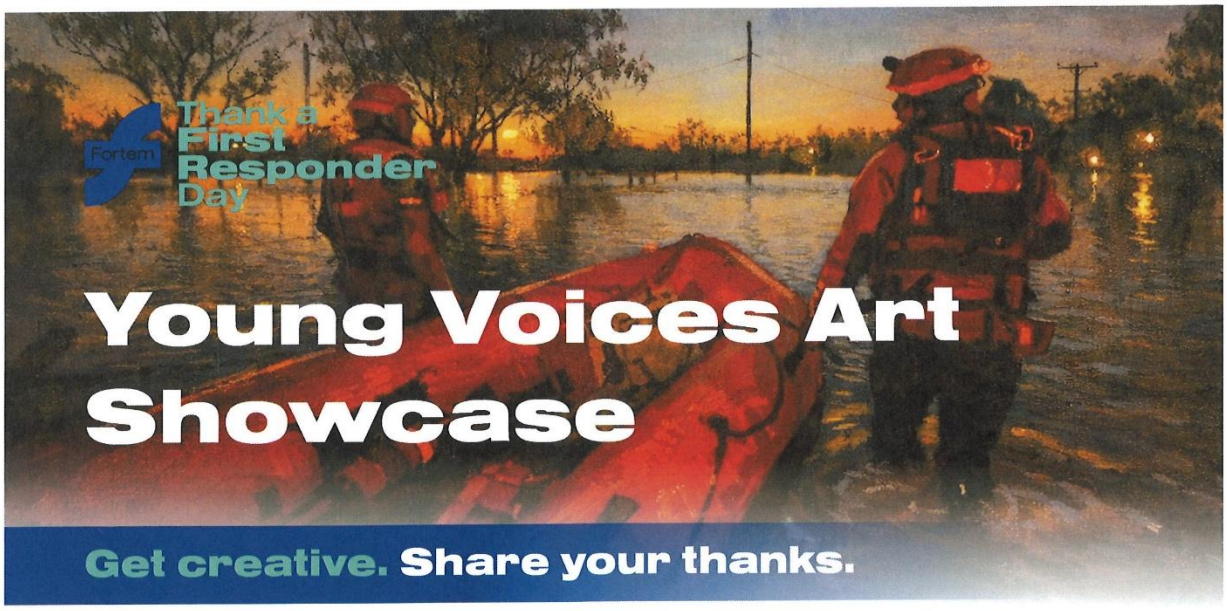
&

Bookfair

11.30 am in our School Library

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

We would LOVE to see you next Thursday



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.

The Smith Family
is delivering Saver Plus
To support families at

ENQUIRE NOW

saverplus

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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'My Landscape'
Harmoney Teasdale
Young Public School

The Arts Unit | NSW Department of Education

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

FCS BRIGHTER BEGINNINGS

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

0458 092 621
fcsbb.murrumbidgee@54reasons.org.au

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Quandialla Progress Association

Can you HELP? ….

We need your help with the Acme Theatre Syndicate Museum.

A working bee will be held at the Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall on Saturday, 23rd May commencing at 10 am. We will be working on our new museum. This includes moving all cupboards and stored items in the space up to the back of the stage. Whilst this is happening others will be finishing lining the walls in readiness for painting.

If you have some free time, please come and lend a hand.

Thank you, Marlene Taylor - Secretary

A lovely Visitor to our school today ……

Miss Suzie called into our school today to say Hello!

Miss Suzie is pictured with Audrey.
It was so nice to have Miss Suzie back in our school!