

## Start of Year Information

### Meet the Teacher

To comply with COVID-19 guidelines our 'Meet the Teacher' event will be split into four sessions:

Years 3 and 4 (Stage 2)	Wednesday 17 February 2021	4.30pm – 5.15pm
Years 5 and 6 (Stage 3)	Wednesday 17 February 2021	5.30pm – 6.15pm
Kindergarten (Early Stage 1)	Thursday 18 February 2021	4.30pm – 5.15pm
Years 1 and 2 (Stage 1)	Thursday 18 February 2021	5.30pm – 6.15pm

These sessions will be an opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher and stage teachers. It will be an informal gathering and an opportunity to meet other families. Tea, coffee and light refreshments will be provided. Teachers will give a demonstration of Class Dojo and a general introduction to the year.

Meet the Teacher sessions will be held in the school hall. COVID Safe Plans and sign in procedures will be in place. Please enter the school through the staff carpark gate on Thurrallilly Street. Supervision will not be provided for students.

### School supplies

As a proud public school, we provide all the classroom resources that your child will need throughout the school year. If students in Years 3-6 would like to bring a pencil case with additional stationery, they are welcome to do so.

Students may also wish to bring in a set of headphones to use with their iPad (which are provided by the school). Headphones should have a 3.5mm jack (standard wired headphones) and be easily storable. Headphones are brought to school at own risk of damage. We have school headphones available which are cleaned and stored in classrooms, however, we encourage families to send in headphones for their child/children.

### Voluntary Contributions

Every public school in NSW requests Voluntary School Contributions from parents, the money collected is used to enhance the school's educational, arts and sporting programs. They help provide those 'little extras' for the benefit of your child.

The Voluntary School Contribution rates for 2021 at Queanbeyan East Public School were made in consultation with the P&C. The rate for 2021 is \$40.00 per child. As a school, we will ensure that no student or family suffers any discrimination or embarrassment over Voluntary School Contributions.

### Uniform

We ask that your child attends school in full Queanbeyan East Public School uniform, including a school hat. If you require assistance in fulfilling this request, please contact the school office on 6297 2619.

### ClassDojo

This year we will continue to encourage and reinforce the QEPS Positive Behaviour Code, with student expectations of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience using ClassDojo. We are also going to begin to use it as a communication tool with families to share student learning and photos from class. It's simple, secure and gives you a window into your child's school day! More information about Class Dojo and how it will be used in your child's class will be provided at the Meet the Teacher Session.

We would like all families to sign up for a parent account on ClassDojo. You can use it on any device: it's a simple, free mobile app for iOS and Android and can also be accessed from your computer. Please go to [www.classdojo.com](http://www.classdojo.com) and create a free parent profile. Your individual family code is on the reverse of this note. Please use this code when you log in as a parent to connect instantly with your child's Portfolio of Learning.