



# Orange East Public School NEWSLETTER



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## Principal's Report

### **CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

**Please contact the  
school office if you  
would be interested.**

Congratulations to Jack, Tyler and Brock who journeyed out to Dubbo last week to compete in the Western Region Chess Competition. The team achieved an impressive result of fifth out of 26 teams. This is a fantastic achievement as these students represent some of the best primary chess players in the western area. I would like to acknowledge the work of Mr Meares and Mr Cummins in mentoring and teaching our students, not only our experienced players but also junior and beginning players. Thank you also to Sharlene Anderson who supervised and transported the players to and from Dubbo.

Planning and preparation for our Orange East 125 Year Celebration is really starting to gain momentum with tickets going on sale for the Hotel Canobolas Dinner last week. The dinner is on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> November starting at 6pm. Tickets can either be purchased from the school office or preferably via our online booking site, *Ticketbooth* for \$50 per ticket. The link

below will take you directly to the online bookings and payment page:  
<https://events.ticketbooth.com.au/event/OEPSYearCelebration>

We are very fortunate at Orange East to have a canteen three days per week and particularly, an excellent and very dedicated coordinator in Mrs Roughton. I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the fantastic work that Mrs Roughton and Ms Neighbour do in ensuring that the canteen operates efficiently and provides a valued service to our students. Over Term 3 I have been reviewing the operation of the canteen, particularly the viability of volunteers to assist food service/preparation and also the healthiness of our menu options. The promotion of a healthy and active lifestyle is an important aspect of our school and its community. Today our canteen committee met for the first time as part of this review process. The committee is comprised of members of our school P&C, teaching support staff, Mrs Roughton and myself. As a result of our first meeting we have implemented some initial menu changes effective from the start of next term; mainly the removal of deep fried foods from the menu and certain snack items. These items do not meet the dietary requirements for NSW school canteens and as such will no longer be available at school. Our new summer menu will be distributed to all parents via hard copy as well as on our website and school app before the end of the term. Our aim is to provide nutritious and tasty recess/lunch options that support our students to be active and healthy. This will also support the work our students do in the Stephanie

Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, Crunch & Sip, Breakfast Club as well as lessons in PE/PD/Health and Sport. I would like to start a canteen volunteer roster to commence next term, enabling us to maintain prices as low as possible. If you would be interested in volunteering in the canteen or having further questions/input, please contact the school office.

As you may be aware, this week is an exciting time for our Year 5/6 students who are currently over at Burrendong Sport and Recreation Centre on their three day excursion. From all reports, the students are having a fantastic time and representing our school excellently. Updates and photos can be viewed on our school Facebook page.



Next Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September, children in all grades who have shown themselves to be excellent safe, respectful Orange East students will be presented with an award at special assemblies in the hall. The awards recognise students displaying high level behaviour in all aspects of school life. The Kindergarten-Year 2 assembly will be held at 11:40am. The Year 3-6 assembly will be held at 12:30pm. All parents and family members are welcome to attend these special ceremonies. Letters were sent home today advising parents of students who will be receiving this reward. As this is our final Safe Respectful Learner Assembly for the year, the P&C will be holding a BBQ

to mark this special occasion. Food will be available from 12:15pm for parents who do not need to stay on for the primary assembly, with K-2 students moving out after their assembly for an early lunch. We will move our seating down onto the bottom playground, and hold the BBQ in this area so as not to disturb the primary ceremony. The BBQ lunch will continue on for parents and students staying on after the primary assembly.

Cans of Drink \$2.00

Bottled Water \$2.00

Sausage Sandwiches \$ 3.00

Steak Sandwiches \$5.00

Earlier this term we sent out requests for parents to obtain Asthma Care Plans for any students that have been identified through Enrolment Forms or Student Information Sheets as having Asthma. The reason for this request is so that we understand your child's health care requirements in regards managing this condition and to ensure that we provide the safest possible standard of care for these students. These plans must be completed by a doctor and returned to the school as a matter of urgency. With a significant bout of sickness currently throughout the school, we are seeing a greatly increased prevalence of children requiring the administration of Asthma medication.

Please ensure that your child carries a Ventolin Puffer (and spacer if required) in their school bag. Starting Term 4, students who have been identified as having Asthma but with no current Asthma Care Plan at school will not be permitted to attend excursions off school grounds. Blank Asthma Care Plans can be found on the front desk in the school office or also under Permission Notes on our School Stream App.

I recently received an email from Leading Edge Computers advising me of an upcoming opportunity for parents to learn

about ipads. We have attended several staff development sessions delivered by Leading Edge and found them to be excellent, so I recommend this as a good opportunity to learn how these devices can support your child's learning. The session titled 'Discover iPads in Education' is on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> October from 5.30 – 6.30pm. If interested, I suggest registering quickly via the link below:  
<http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/discover-ipad-in-education-for-parents-tickets-18409204426>

Have a great week!

**Glen Bourke**  
Principal

## School News

### Staff Training

Class Effected	Course	Date
1C, 2M 2WK	Stage 1 Collaborative Planning Day	Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept

**Pizza Day Fundraiser~ this Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept** we will be holding a Pizza Day for Cultural Day. Orders and money due **tomorrow Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Sept. NO late orders will be accepted.**

**Assembly Awards ~** congratulations to the following students from Infant classes who received a sticker on their award sheet Willow Fisher, Kruz Carnie, Paige Quinn, Damon Kelly, Audrey Whiting, Hannah Thornberry, Cody Frecklington, Evan Kennedy, Abby Johnson, Aiden Quinn, Riley Dane, Fynn McGlashan, Lachlan Crossman, Blair Morris, Hunter Bennett, Zahra Barber, Cooper Fitzpatrick, Sophie Ash and Felicity Hack. Congratulations also Jasmine Bengsen and Amelia Ellery-White who received their first sticker and a big congratulations to Kayla Goodacre and Zaylee Quinn for reaching their 100 sticker.

**Principal Awards ~** congratulations Mary Collins, Erin Anderson, Mia Ferris,

Nevaeh Graham, Ebony Rawlinson and Mason Madden who all received a Principal award.

**Canteen ~** The school canteen is open each Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure that you have your child's name and class on all orders. Order must be in no later than 9.15am

## P & C News

**Clothing Pool ~** Clothing pool will be open each Wednesday from 8.55am – 9.15am and 2.55pm – 3.10pm. School Bags and Ties still available through the clothing pool.

**Damaged School Bags ~** will be returned to the School bag company at the end of this term for repairs to mesh and zippers. Please note the company has requested that NO metal drink bottles be used in the mesh drink bottle holders. Bags need to be returned to office by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> as they will be posted on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>

**Lost Property ~** there's a large number of jumpers in our lost property, all with no names. If unclaimed they will be given to the clothing pool at the end of term.

## Dates to Remember

10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Pizza Day – Cultural Day
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Primary Assembly @ 11.40am
15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	P & C meeting @ 6.30pm
17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Safe Respectful Learner Assemblies 11.40am Infants 12.30pm Primary
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Last day of Term 3

## Community News

**School Holiday Junior Chess Tournament ~** thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 9.45pm-3.30pm St Barnabas Anglican Church Parish Hall. Register by 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. For more information please call 0408200564.