

Orange East Public School



NEWSLETTER



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Presentation Day

Thank you to those parents, friends and family members who attended our Presentation Day last Thursday. It is great to see so many parents and relatives sharing the occasion with our students. It was indeed a day where our school community celebrates and acknowledges student achievement in all areas throughout the school. Thank you to all teachers who presented citations and in particular the considerable behind the scenes work of Mrs Watson, Mrs McNamara and Mrs Gold in organising the presentation.



Year 6 farewell

Congratulations to our Year 5 students who organised a wonderful Year 6 Farewell last night. This was a truly outstanding night with fantastic decorations and presentations. I would particularly like to acknowledge the hard work of Miss Croker, Mr Neal, Miss Scott, Mrs Maclean, Mrs Iskrick, Mrs Armitage, Mr McGregor, Mrs Kjoller, Mrs Leahey and Mrs Corby. Thank you also to Mr Meares and our parent helpers who assisted with serving and in the kitchen. It was clear the care and enthusiasm that went in to making this a very special night for these boys and girls. Congratulations to our

outgoing Year 6 students, you have been a wonderful group and we wish you every success in your high school years.



Learn to Swim

I would like to thank Mrs Waters, Mr Meares, Mrs Frecklington and Mrs D'elboux for their work in running and attending the Learn to Swim program over Weeks 8 & 9. This is a big ask for very tired staff at the end of what has been a very busy term. I know the students really appreciated this opportunity to develop their skills in water confidence and swimming. Thank you to all parents for supporting this program and ensuring the students came to school with the correct gear each day.



Chromelinks Program

A reminder for parents of students in Year 6 going into Year 7 at Canobolas Rural Technology High School in 2017: for some parents your \$50 payment is now overdue to reserve your child's Chromebook as part of the Chromelinks program. Parents need to make payment by the end of this week for your child's device to be handed out on first day back at CRTHS. Please contact the office should you require further information.



Year 6 Graduation Assembly

This Wednesday, 14th December from 2:15pm is our final Graduation Assembly for Year 6 where they will be presented with their Graduation Certificate. Parents or family members of Year 6 are most welcome to attend this special ceremony in the hall.



Parent/Helper Morning Tea

At Orange East we are very fortunate to have the help of many, many volunteers throughout the year. These roles range from P&C, Scripture, classroom assistance, travel, gardens, canteen, office, special events planning, working bees, construction – and the list goes on. Without this support, simply the school would not be as good or function the way that it does. In recognition of these valuable people we are holding our annual Parent/Helper Morning Tea this Thursday, 15th December at 11am in the School Hall. I extend a very warm invite to any person who has assisted our school big or small over 2016.



Final 2017 Class Arrangements

We will establish 11 classes to commence 2017. The following class combinations/teachers are planned to start next year:

Grade	Teacher
K	Miss Cheney
K/1	Mrs Bourke (3 days) Mrs Kable (2 days)
1	Mrs Carrigan
1/2	Mrs Whiting
2	Mr Sillett
2/3	Mr Mellis
3/4	Miss Scott
3/4	Mr Cook (3 days) Mrs Laughton (2 Days)
4/5	Mrs Sweeting (3 days) Mrs Bertram (2 days)
5/6	Mr Neal
5/6	Miss Wyatt
Instructional Leader (K-2 – EAFS - 5 days)	Term 1 – Ms Stokes (Rlg) Terms 2-4 - Mrs Wright
Instructional Leader (Yr 3-6 – 3 days)	Miss Croker
Release Teachers	Mrs McKay Mr Meares
Library	Mr Meares
Reading Recovery	Mrs Press
IT Support/ Training	Mrs Press
Learning Support/ Intervention/ Norta Norta	Mrs Hewitt, Mr Meares/ Mrs McKay (K-2) Mrs Laughton, Mrs Pulbrook, Mrs Maclean, Miss Croker (Yr 3-6)
Social Skills/Well Being (Kids Matter)	Mrs Maclean
School Learning Support Officers	Mrs Bennett, Mrs Leahey, Mrs Frecklington, Mrs Kjoller, Mr McGregor
Kitchen Assistant	Mrs Corby
Office	Mrs McNamara, Mrs Gold, Mrs Watson
Cleaning Grounds	Mrs Bowman
Canteen	Mr Visser
Executive Staff	Mrs Press (Rlg)
AP K-2	Mr Cook
AP 3-6	Ms Stokes (Rlg)/Mrs Wright, Miss Croker
Instructional Leaders	



PBL Rewards Day

Students enjoyed playing modified Indigenous games on Wednesday afternoon as a reward for reaching in excess of 15 000 bees this year. We would like to thank Year 6 and Mr Neal for the organisation, preparation and running of the games, they did a terrific job. A big thank you to all students for contributing to this record number of bees! Please remember to keep being Safe, Respectful, Learners! Our final PBL draw for the end of Semester 2 will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) at the recess assembly. The winning recipient will receive an \$80 voucher from Big W.



Reports

Teaching staff have been very busy gathering information about student learning achievements and summarising assessment data from students' work throughout Terms 3 and 4 as part of the process of writing the Semester 2 reports. Teachers constantly have professional dialogue about student learning and use assessment information to make decisions about student learning achievements against syllabus outcomes. The reports will be sent home with students this week.



Final Week

Kindergarten to Year 4 students will have their discos tonight - Tuesday, 13th December (school hall).

- Kinder – Year 2 students will commence their disco at 5:00pm and finish at 6:00pm.
- The Year 3-4 disco will start at 6:15pm and finish at 7:30pm.

Parents are reminded that staff volunteer their time to supervise these events - please be punctual to pick children up at the conclusion of their disco. Gold coin for entry.

The P&C will also be running a BBQ in the COLA area from 5:30pm. Prices as follows: \$3.00 Sausage sandwich, \$5.00 Steak Sandwich and \$2.00 for drinks. All welcome to come along and support the last P&C BBQ for the year.



Holiday Security

As we are fast approaching the holidays I would like to remind parents and community members that school security can be contacted on: 1300 880 021. If you have any concerns around people or suspicious activities in the school during the holiday period, please contact school security on this number.

Announcements & Reminders

- Canteen - please note: the canteen will open as per normal this week (Monday, Wednesday & Friday). Many, many thanks to our wonderful canteen supervisor, Mrs Roughton for the wonderful service that she proved to our staff and students. Thank you also to crew of volunteers who have assisted throughout the year!



School Finish and Restart Dates

A reminder that this Friday (16th December) is the last day of school for students. Students in Years 1-6 return to school on Monday, 30th January and Kinder start on Friday, 3rd February (Week 2). Mrs Bourke, Mrs Kable and Ms Stokes will be conducting *Best Start Assessments* by appointment with Kindergarten students from the 30th Jan – 2nd Feb (inclusive).

Lastly, I would like to thank all parents, caregivers, extended family and the wider community. It is our great pleasure to work with your children every day. Thank you for the ongoing support of our school throughout 2016. I wish all parents and caregivers a safe and happy Christmas and best wishes for a prosperous new year.

Glen Bourke
Principal

Assembly Awards – Congratulations to the following Infant students Lulu Baker, Kane Richmond-Jones, Denin Quinn, Bayden Ruddy, Sophie Ash, Nevaeh Graham, Riley Davis, Lily Connor-Maiyo, Jazmin Agland-Fuller, Ben Gold and Charlotte Ash for receiving a sticker on their award sheet. Congratulations to Caleb Miller and Marcos Roxburgh for receiving their first sticker. Congratulations also to Sonny Pallier and Eva

Connor-Maiyo for completing their 50 certificate Paige Quinn and Caiden Parkes for receiving their 100 award. Well done!

Principal Award~ congratulations to Gabe Gkounelas, Willow Fisher, Levi Forrest-Smith, Harrison Landrigan, Addisyn Tabernor and Jayden Deveigne.

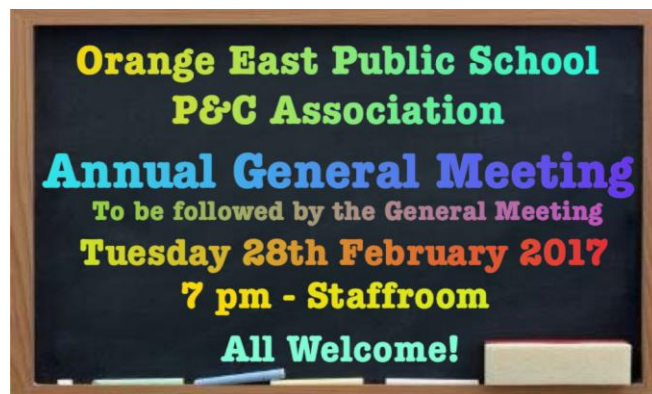
Canteen ~ The school canteen is open each Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure that you have your child's name and class on all orders. Orders must be in no later than 9.15am.

Clothing Pool~ Thank you for all the support in purchases from the clothing pool. As you re stock your children's uniforms for summer please consider donating items of clothing they may have grown out of to the clothing pool. All money raised is used to benefit the students of our school.

School Bag Faults ~ if you have purchased an OEPS school bag and are having difficulties with the zippers please return to school office by the end of term with name clearly marked on bag so as they can be accessed by the manufacture for repair or replacement.

P&C

A reminder to all current members and families already with us at OEPS, we are holding an additional meeting in December. If you wish to re-join the P&C or join for the first time (current OEPS Families not new Families) you need to pay your membership fee of \$2 at the December meeting or prior to this date in order for you to be eligible to vote in the AGM which will be held in February. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can pay your membership to our Treasurer whom you will find at the Clothing Pool.



Dates to Remember

Tues 13 th Dec	Stage 1 & 2 Disco
Wed 14 th Dec	Year 6 Final assembly
Fri 16 th Dec	Last Day for 2016

Congratulations

It's always nice to see former Orange East students doing well and reaching great heights after they leave the school.

This week I would like to congratulate Hunter Ward and Yool Yool who were selected to represent NSW in the Rugby 7's Under 18 team. The boys travelled over to Perth and came away as undefeated champions after their victory over the Queensland Red team on Sunday. Nice work boys, always good to get one over those maroons!



Farewell Class of 2016!

