

Orange East Public School



NEWSLETTER



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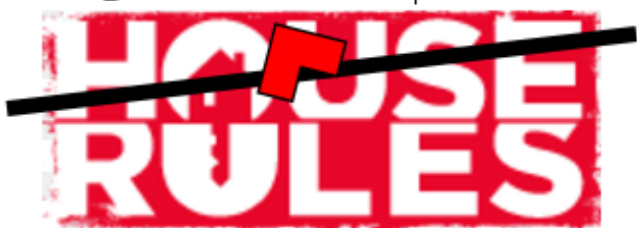


Parent/Teacher Interviews

A big thank you to all parents/caregivers who have booked in to have an interview. We have a total of 206 interviews arranged which puts us into the 90% range for overall bookings, a great achievement, particularly considering this does not factor the Kindergarten interviews which took place at the end of Term 1. Thank you also to our office staff and all teachers for preparing *Reminder* and *Confirmation* letters and also in some cases making contact home to ensure an interview takes place.

The School Interviews site has now closed however interviews can still be booked or rearranged by contacting the school office. Please ensure that you contact the school office if you need to cancel an interview booking as in some cases teachers are using valuable time waiting for an interview when they could be completing other tasks.

My School!



School Renovations

The school almost feels like the set of one of those renovation shows at the moment with significant work occurring throughout! There has been more progress over the weekend with the ramp into the

March St Block with contractors hoping to pour concrete today. I'm still keeping my fingers crossed that we could be using the ramp before the week is out. There is still some minor work to complete in the old library hall and student kitchen with the new vinyl to have 'cold welds' completed. This should have minimal impact on classes in the area. Over the weekend the canteen has had new vinyl laid to replace the old flooring. The recarpeting and flooring work undertaken in the old library hall/kitchen and canteen was funded from DoE Planned Maintenance and as such does not come out of school finances. Likewise, the new ramp does not come from our budget.

Work will commence in the upcoming holidays to improve the lower March St vehicle entrance which has also been widened. The completion of the playground equipment upgrade will take place in the spring holiday period.



Canteen News

Speaking of the canteen, I would like to thank Mrs Roughton for another wonderful term of great food and service (pictured with her lovely new floor)! Every week Mrs Roughton does a great job ensuring that students and staff have healthy, appetising snacks and meals, we are very lucky to have her. The canteen is looking wonderful at the moment with a new freezer, flooring, oven and paintwork as well as our healthy menu. Why not try something from the Winter menu released earlier this term! Canteen will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday this week.

Kids Matter

In Term 3, we are very excited to commence the Kids Matter program across our school. Over the past weeks we have formed a planning team who have been trained in the program, including two coordinating teachers.

KidsMatter Primary is a flexible, whole-school approach to improving children's mental health and wellbeing for primary schools. Schools take action to be a positive community; one that is founded on respectful relationships and a sense of belonging and inclusion, and that promotes:

- social and emotional learning (including evidence-based social and emotional learning programs)
- working authentically with parents, carers and families
- support for students who may be experiencing mental health difficulties.

Positive and respectful relationships at school help children and families feel that they belong and that their contributions are valued. A positive school community also gives children a sense of security that their needs will be met.

To commence this program, it is important that we start with baseline information from all parts of our school community. We are asking parents to fill out a survey, so we can use these results to shape our *KidsMatter* approach (below). We will also be gathering information from school staff and students.

<https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/other-resources/school-surveys/parent-survey>

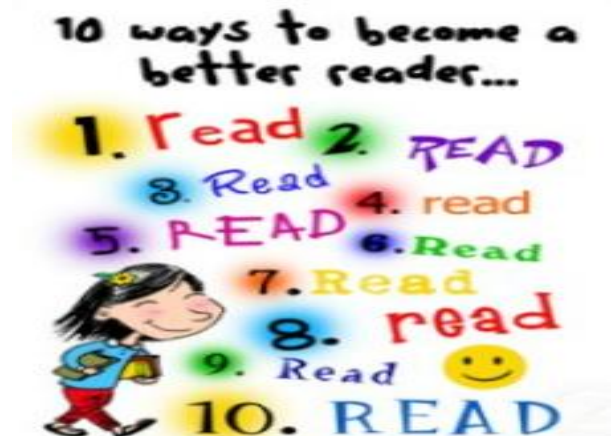
If you'd like to know more about *Kidsmatter* you may also like to watch this short video (below). Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you require further information.

<https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/welcomin-g-families-to-KidsMatter-primary-for-schools>



Pie Drive

Order forms were sent home to each family last week for the Pie Drive fundraiser for Stage 3. The family sized pies available to order include Meat, Potato, Cheese & Bacon, Chicken & Vegie and Apple Pies. Orders and payments are due back to school by Tuesday 26th July and pies can be collected from the school hall on Thursday 4th August between 2pm and 3pm. Thank you for your support for our stage 3 fundraising.



Homereading Deadline

As per last year we have a mid-year prize for students who have reached Club 75 and beyond. These students will go into the draw for a special family lunch at Simply Nile Café. Please note: the cut-off point for students to reach the target (75 homereading entries) was last Thursday, 23rd June. The draw for the prize will take place at the Infants Safe Respectful Learner Assembly which starts at 1:45pm on Friday, 1st July. I would like to thank Mrs Carrigan and Mrs MacLean for coordinating this valuable program as well as acknowledge Simply Nile café for their support. I would also like to acknowledge the following sponsors of our program:

	
	<p>This could be your business! Inquire at the office if interested!</p>



Safe Respectful Learner Assembly

A reminder that this **Friday, 1st July** 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 1:45pm. The Year 3-6 assembly will be held at 2:30pm. All parents and family members are welcome to attend these special ceremonies. Letters were sent home on Friday last week.

Also on this Friday (1st July) we will be drawing our major semester awards for Homereading and Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL). We have shared these two events across the assemblies with the Homereading draw to take place at the Infants' Safe Respectful Learner (SRL) Assembly at 1:45pm. The PBL Semester 1 prize will be drawn at the Primary SRL Assembly at 2:30pm.

School Learning Support Officer Position

Last week I contacted Mr Sam McGregor who has accepted the previously advertised School Learning Support Officer position (SLSO or teacher's Aide). Sam has worked in early childhood education for the past 10 years and



comes with a great knowledge and commitment to working with and assisting young people. He will be working with Years 4/5S and 5/6N. Many thanks to all applicants, letters were sent out on Friday to notify of unsuccessful Expressions of Interest.



Lastly, as we move towards the half way point for the year we begin to make plans around our incoming 2017 Kindergarten students and in particular our school transition processes. Already we have a significant number of enrolments. If you intend to enrol a kindergarten student for next year, or know of someone that will be, please ensure enrolments are placed via the school office as soon as possible.

Mrs Carrigan Long Service Leave

Please be advised, particularly parents/caregivers of students in Year 1C, that Mrs Carrigan will be taking Long Service Leave for the duration of Term 3. During this time Miss Willis will be replacing Mrs Carrigan as class



teacher. Miss Willis has worked in the school throughout Term 1 as an intervention teacher in K-2 as well as English Language support. Both teachers will undertake an extensive hand-over process to ensure the continuity of learning for all students in the class.



Acknowledgments & Reminders

- No regular Friday assembly this week in lieu of Safe Respectful Learner Presentations.
- School Photos have been sent out today.

Lastly I would like to thank the students, staff and parents for a great term. It has certainly been exciting, particularly with our School Production in Week 8 as well as a multitude of extra-curricular activities. I would like to wish all of the Orange East community a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to a wonderful Term 3. School resumes for students on Tuesday 19th July. Should you have concerns during the holiday period School Security can be contacted on 1300 880 021.

Glen Bourke
Principal

School News

Assembly Awards – Congratulations to the following Primary students Kayne Baker, Zaylee Quinn, Chloe Waters, Ngari Gordon-Langlo, Ethan Gersbach, Beau Docherty, Alannah D'Elboux, Bianca Griffiths, Brandon Bouffler, Jai Anlezark and Hayley Rogers who received a sticker on their award sheet. Congratulations to Codi Quinn, Kale Morgan and Keira Morrison who completed their 50 certificate. Congratulations also to Gemma Apps for completing her 100 certificate, Ebony Rawlinson for her 150 certificate and Layla Barrett for her 200 certificate.

Principal Award~ congratulations to Reagan Allan, Breanna Quinn, Jade Edwards, Leilani Thomson and Kyra Bennett.

Staff Training

Class Effected	Course	Date
Over Weeks 9 & 10 various on class staff will be periodically released to support the completion of parent/teacher interviews.		
1W	L3 Training	Fri, 22 nd July

P&C Clothing Pool ~ Clothing pool will open each Thursday morning at 8.50am and in the afternoon at 2.55pm or by making an arranged time through the school office. We have NEW jumpers, hats, beanies, ties and size 4 & 5 Maroon tracksuit pants.

Dates to Remember

Fri 1st July	Safe Respectful Learner Award Infants 1.45pm Primary 2.30pm
Tues, 19 th July	Students first day for Term 3



ARTS' COOL

School holiday art classes will be held from 4 to 15 July at the Gallery.

Lot's of fun for all ages...classes include:

Handmade Brushes with Lisa Madigan
Farm or Wild Animals with Sonya Murphy
Woven Wall Hangings with Madi Young
Mosaic Cork Boards with Catherine Bennett
Make a Movie with Lizzie Butler
Landscape Painting with Laretta Goodacre
Pinhole Photography with Jude Keogh
Collaged Landscapes with Geoff Pelley
Cartooning with Matt Caulfield

Please click on the links below for more information on each of these classes.
https://gallery.mailchimp.com/6684949761e4584aac0c0e6f7/files/ArtsCool_July_2016.pdf

Applications Open

www.eastorangevillagemarkets.com.au



Sunday 16 October 2016

Book NOW to secure your stall
at our Award Winning
Market Day