

# Orange East Public School

## Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 10 ~ 13th December 2017

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

#### *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 and Miss Croker as Master of Ceremonies.

**Year 6 Farewell + Discos** ~ Congratulations to our Year 5 students who organised a wonderful Year 6 Farewell on Monday night. This was a truly outstanding night with fantastic decorations and presentations. 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.

I would like to acknowledge the following people for their contribution:

- The hard work of Mr Neal, Miss Wyatt, Mrs Sweeting, Miss Croker, Mrs Kjoller, Mrs Leahey and the wonderful cooking of Mrs Corby.
- Thank you also to our parent helpers who assisted with serving and in the kitchen.
- Rolly Tandang for providing the disco equipment and DJ over Monday and Tuesday night's discos and also Jess Thurn for being the games master/DJ for the Stage 3 disco.
- Thank you also to Vicki Baker for preparing the wonderful Willy Wonka inspired Farewell Cake.
- Lastly, thank you to our P&C for providing the BBQ for last night's Stage 1 and 2 discos and to staff supervising the discos after a very long and busy term!

**Year 6 Graduation Assembly** ~ This Thursday, 14th December from 2:20pm is our final Graduation Assembly for Year 6 where they will be presented with their Graduation Certificate. Parents or family members of Year 6 students are most welcome to attend this special ceremony in the hall.

**ICAS Certificate Presentation** ~ Please note for parents of students who sat the ICAS Tests this year – all students will be presented with their certificates at the Friday PBL Assemblies. The Spelling results have also finally arrived and will be presented on Friday as well. Infants students will be presented at the end of the K-2 PBL Assembly (10am) and primary students at the end of the Yr 3-6 PBL Assembly (10:30am).

#### *Canteen*

Please note: the canteen will open as per normal this week (including this Friday). Many, many thanks to our wonderful canteen supervisor, Mrs Roughton for the wonderful service that she has provided to our staff and students over the last few years. On behalf of the Orange East community I wish her well in her future endeavours! Thank you also to volunteers who have assisted throughout the year!

**Chromelinks Program** ~ A reminder for parents of students in Year 6 going into Year 7 at Canobolas Rural Technology High School in 2018: 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.

**Holiday Security** ~With just a few days until 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.

**2018 School Planning** ~We are finalising the process of forming new class groups for 2018. If there is anything that we should be aware of that will affect your child's placement, please contact me in writing, within the next week. This is not an opportunity to choose a teacher - but simply the sharing of information that will assist us in making good decisions. This is particularly important if you know that you will be moving away from the area and hence your children will not be attending Orange East PS in 2018. It is difficult to make changes when the classes are finalised and virtually impossible at the beginning of the school year.

We will establish 11 classes to commence 2018. The following class combinations/teachers are planned to start next year.

Grade	Teacher
K	Mrs Kable
K	Mrs Bourke (3 days)
	Mrs MacLean (2 days)
1/2	Mrs McLennan
1/2	Mrs Whiting
1/2	Mr Mellis
3/4	Mrs Press (3 days)
	Mrs Pulbrook (2 Days)
3/4	Ms Hay
3/4	Miss Cheney
5	Miss Scott
5/6	Mr Neal
5/6	Miss Wyatt
Instructional Leader (K-2 – EAfS - 5 days)	Mrs Wright (4 days)
	Mr Cook (1 day)
Instructional Leader Yr 3-6	Miss Croker
Release Teachers	Mrs McKay
	Mr Meares

Library	Mr Meares
Intensive Stage 1 Reading Support	Ms Stokes
Learning Support/ Intervention/ Norta Norta	Mr Cook (K-2)
	Mrs Hewitt, Mrs Sweeting, Miss Croker (Yr 3-6)
Social Skills/Well Being (Kids Matter)	Mrs MacLean (1 day)
School Learning Support Officers	Mrs Bennett, Mr McGregor, Mrs Leahey, Mrs Frecklington
Office	Mrs McNamara, Mrs Gold, Mrs Watson
Cleaning	Mrs Bowman
Grounds	Mr Visser
Canteen	Mrs Corby
<b>Assistant Principals</b>	
AP K-2	Mr Cook, Mrs MacLean (1 day Rlg)
AP 3-6	Mrs Press (Rlg)

### ***School Finish and Restart Dates***

A reminder that this Friday (15<sup>th</sup> December) is the last day of school for students. **Students in Years 1-6 return to school on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> January** and **Kinder start on Friday, 2nd February**. Mrs Bourke, Mrs Kable and Mrs MacLean will be conducting *Best Start Assessments* by appointment with Kindergarten students from the 30<sup>th</sup> Jan – 1<sup>st</sup> Feb (inclusive).

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 2017. I wish all parents and caregivers a safe and happy Christmas and best wishes for a prosperous new year.

Glen Bourke

Principal

# WHAT'S ON

## Week 10

Mon 11th Dec ~ Year 6 Dinner Farewell & Dinner

Tues 12th Dec ~ Stage 1 & 2 Disco

Wed 13th Dec ~ Parent Helper Morning Tea 11am—12pm

Thur 14th Dec ~ Year 6 Graduation Assembly @ 2.20pm

Fri 15th Dec ~ PBL Assemblies  
Infants @ 10am Primary @ 10.30am  
PBL Activities 11.40—1pm  
Last day of 2017

### Staff Training

Class Affected	Course	Date

## Week 1

Tues 30th Jan ~ Students Return for 2018

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Class Affected	Course	Date



# *Thank You*

On behalf of Mrs Watson and Mrs Gold we would like to thank the school community for your patience and support throughout our transition to the new LMBR system.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year



# Year 6 Farewell

We had a wonderful time at the Willy Wonka themed Year 6 Farewell on Monday night, sharing many special memories with the class of 2017. Congratulations and best wishes to our amazing Year 6 students!





## P&C

Another year has flown by and what a massive year it has been for our School and for P&C. This year I was given the honour of taking on the role of President and it has been such an amazing experience. It has been a privilege to work beside so many dedicated people within our School Community and see just what we can all achieve together.

This year our Fundraising Co-Ordinator Karly Rogers was voted into the task of establishing a Fundraising Sub-Committee. The Committee flourished and managed to reach all new Fundraising highs. Not only raising funds but also providing the P&C with the opportunity to offer new services to the school such as the Mother's and Father's Day stalls. A big thank you to Karly and the team for all the hours of hard work you have put in to making each event happen.

Our East Orange Village Markets was once again a massive success bringing in a Gross Income of almost **\$25,000**. A big thank you to all of our volunteers and teachers who came along to help on the day, it is by far our proudest moment to see our School Community come together to make our Markets the success that it is. Thank you to our Markets Manager Belinda Drane and the Markets Committee for all your hard work and dedication.

From myself and the whole P&C Committee, we wish to thank Mr Bourke for his contribution to the P&C. Fun Fact: Mr Bourke spent over 5 hours on a blower vac making our school shine before Markets! He was here well after dark with his sleeves rolled up helping out and we truly appreciate the time and effort he gives helping the P&C achieve our goals throughout the year.

P&C is so much bigger than a small group of parents. It is the teachers that support our activities, the assistance of the Kitchen and Canteen staff in giving us space to work in, the amazing Office Ladies who are so generous offering assistance and their time, Mrs Bowman for helping clean up after our events, Mr Visser for his handy man skills, and most importantly it's you! The parents who are always there to buy a sausage with a smile or show support of the next event. We wish to thank the whole school Community for your ongoing support and encouragement. We look forward to seeing what we can achieve together next year.

On behalf of our 2017 P&C Committee, we hope you have Happy Safe holidays and a Merry Christmas!

**Amy Quinn**

**2017 P&C President.**

**Reminder** ~ Don't forget the final P&C meeting for the year will be held tonight, 6.30pm in the staffroom, come along to hear an in-depth wrap up of our year. Existing members are reminded to pay membership fees prior to the end of the meeting tonight to maintain voting rights for our AGM. Hope to see you all there.

AGM will be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018 followed by our first General Meeting for the year. A \$2 membership fee is payable prior to the meeting.



# *Fundraising 2017*

2017 has been a huge fundraising year!!!!!!

We have accomplished a lot and made around \$40000

( accurate final figures to be announced at our meeting tonight ) .

## **Events from this year:**

Welcome BBQ

Easter Hat Parade BBQ

Mother's Day Stall

Term 2 PBL BBQ

Father's Day Stall

Bookweek BBQ

Winter Wonderland Disco

East Orange Village Markets BBQ & Stall

Newcastle Permanent Cinema Under the Stars BBQ

Mega Raffle



## **Also:**

Providing breakfast for Naplan students

Clothing Swap

Anzac ceremony - Laying a wreath

And fruit platters, fruit and water for various events.



We would like to acknowledge our supporters from over the year and most importantly thank the OEPS Parents & Caregivers who have tirelessly supported the P&C fundraising events.



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