

Orange East Public School



NEWSLETTER



No.3

Tuesday 14th February, 2017



Meet & Greet/Family BBQ

Firstly, a save-the-date request for our Meet & Greet/Family BBQ. We will be holding the Family BBQ on Thursday, 23rd February from 5-7pm. Over the past few years this has been a highly successful evening where we welcome new families and all our other families at Orange East and take the opportunity to come together as a school community. As before we are continuing with an open information session providing parents & community an opportunity to find out what is happening at Orange East, in the hall from 5pm – 6pm. Each class teacher will front a stage stall to showcase some of the things that will be happening in their class this year. Then, at around 5:45pm the Family BBQ will kick-off with food, drinks and other activities for the children. The evening gives the kids a chance to catch up and parents the opportunity to mix and mingle, to meet staff and other parents/members of the community. We will look at running the open classrooms concept used last year, in Term 2 when students/rooms are more settled. Thanks to the P&C for their support of this important event.



OEPS Supported Playgroup

Some exciting news this week with the announcement our Supported playgroup is coming back! The playgroup is free and open to current or potential OEPS families with children 0 – 5 years old not yet attending school. The playgroup will operate out of our new

demountable classroom, located just near the lower March St school entrance. Mrs MacLean will be running the program but a condition of being involved is that parents must stay with children for the duration of the session. The playgroup will give the children an opportunity to be involved in early school socialisation, developmental play, story time, library visits, craft and outdoor activities. It is also an opportunity for parents and caregivers to meet other families and form new friendships across our community. The playgroup will commence on Tuesday, 28th February 11:40am – 1:10pm, every school week. Please spread the word to future OEPS families. In Term 2 we will be looking to include a pre-transition program as part of the playgroup for students starting school in 2018.



Reminders & Acknowledgements

- Best of luck to all students attending the school swimming trials on Monday. Full story and photos in next week's newsletter.
- This week is a Primary (3-6) Assembly - Friday, 17th February starting at 2:15pm in the school hall.
- **Student Information Sheets were sent out in the first week. The prompt return of this information is vital to the school and teachers. Also, please ensure that all sections are completed and signed.**

Have a great week!

Glen Bourke
Principal


Staff Training

Class Effected	Course	Date
K – RED (Mrs Cheney) 2M	Hearing Support Professional Learning	Fri, 17 th February
3/4S	Debating Workshop	Fri, 17 th Feb

Assembly Awards – Congratulations to the following Infant students Felicity Britten, Ava Lanser, Felicity Moller, Hunter Bennett, Lucy Goodacre, Charlotte Ash, Will Sligar for receiving a sticker on their award sheet. Congratulations to Kaylah Meyers and Riley Bell for completing their 50 certificate Riley Blake for achieving his 100 award and Sylvie Prusiak for completing her 150 certificate. Well done!

Principal Award~ congratulations to Brock Anderson, Jessica D'Elboux, Lachlan Ash, Mason Coles, Bayden Ruddy, Ava Lanser, Tiggy Gardner and Jasmine Bengsen.

Book Club ~ have gone home today. Order and payment due by Friday 24th February.



FREE Music Lessons at OEPS

Salvation Army have kindly offered to run free Brass band lessons at OEPS on Thursday afternoons from 1:10 -3:10, as part of their Just Brass program.

The sessions will either be individual students or in pairs, we have very limited spots available. Lessons will go for 30 minutes. Places will be allocated to students who get their names in first.

If your child is in Years 3-6 and would like to take part, please contact Julie Gold in the office as soon as possible.

Instruments will be **provided** and lessons are **free** of charge.

Lessons will commence in Week 6 Term 1.

Some instruments which may be available- Cornet, Tenor Horn, Baritone, Trombone and Percussion.

Lost Property ~ any items that have names on them will be returned to the class teacher each day after lunch for collection. Any items that do not have a name will be given to our clothing pool each Thursday morning for resale. Please ensure all student clothing is clearly labelled and readable.

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.

P&C



Orange East Public School P&C AGM
followed by General Meeting
Tuesday 28th February
6:30pm
Staff room

P&C Clothing Pool

Please note that our clothing pool will be open each morning and afternoon for the next few weeks. School bags, hats and second hand uniforms are available to purchase at very reasonable prices. As always any donations of uniforms are greatly appreciated. Many thanks to Sharlene Anderson for providing this valued service.

Dates to Remember

Fri 17 th Feb	Primary Assembly @ 2.15pm
Mon 20 th Feb	Swimming Carnival
Thur 23 rd Feb	District Swimming Carnival
Tues 28th Feb	P&C AGM/Meeting @ 7pm



Entries are open for the 2017 Orange Running Festival and we have entered a team for our school. This is a great opportunity for our school to be represented and participate in a community event. For those that do enter, we ask if you could please wear your **sports uniform** so we can easily identify you and as a mark of respect towards the school. We also stress that students won't be supervised as such and parents are asked to join in for some family fun as well. It is not necessary to run the 5km, walking is fine ! Anyone interested in participating are asked to contact Leanne Warren via email: tinole81@bigpond.com



Orange East Public School Supported Playgroup

Supported playgroup is for families with children aged 0 - 5, to come together on a weekly basis for developmental play, story time, art / craft and outdoor play. Tea/coffee provided to parents free of charge.

Playgroups give children an opportunity to have fun, make new friends and develop new skills through play.

Playgroup also allows parents and carers to spend quality time with their children, encouraging, helping and learning about their child's development, while meeting other families and forming new relationships.

Where: Orange East Public School
(new demountable)

When: Tuesday 11:40-1:10 (during school terms)
STARTS IN WEEK 6 TERM 1 2017
28th February 2017

Cost: Free

Further Information: *Mrs MacLean* (6362 7464)