

Orange East Public School



NEWSLETTER



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Tuesday 28th February, 2017

Meet & Greet BBQ~ Many thanks to all students, staff, parents and friends of OEPS who supported the annual Meet & Greet Family BBQ last Thursday. The event was well attended and showed the strong partnerships that our school community have to support students' learning. I would also like to acknowledge the work of our school P&C in organising and running the BBQ. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated group willing to support the school, you are much appreciated! Lastly I would like to acknowledge all staff, particularly class teachers for their fantastic class displays and information provided to parents in the hall, and our hardworking Kidsmatter staff team lead by Mrs Maclean, who organised for some important external service providers to attend and also provided some special free activities for children on the night. We are very fortunate to have a great team of professionals dedicated to providing the very best opportunities to our children.



Swimming Carnivals~ Last week was a busy week for some of our students as they participated in the OEPS Swimming trials on Monday. Nineteen of these students who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in their events went on to represent Orange East PS at the Orange District Swimming Carnival on Thursday. From all reports our students put 100% effort into their swimming at both events and participated with high levels of sportsmanship and enthusiasm. I would like to congratulate all of the students who participated in the swimming events and thank the staff and parents who attended for their help in ensuring both events were well organised and enjoyable for our students.



Swimming Ribbons~ Students who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in events at our School Swimming trials will receive their ribbons at the Primary Assembly this Friday 3rd March. Parents are welcome to come along and see our swimmers receiving their ribbons.

Class Dojo~ this year, teachers have chosen to use the online Class Dojo system to record 'bees' earned by students through our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program. The Class Dojo system has a parent communication feature,

however as a staff we have decided not to utilise this feature, as teachers prefer to have face to face discussions with parents regarding their child's progress and behaviour at school. I encourage you to please make an appointment through the school office to speak to your child's teacher if you wish to discuss any aspect of their learning at school.

Exiting the school procedures~ The end of the school day is a busy time for students, parents and staff, as we work together to ensure students exit the school and head home safely. We have teachers rostered on at each exit gate and at the bus waiting area in front of the staffroom and office area, who supervise students as they move off in various directions. The area along the Spring St office and classrooms building can become particularly congested at times as students move in both directions to either the bus area or towards other gates in the school. To support a smooth and safe exit for students, we ask that parents collecting children from Year 3/4 classrooms wait in the COLA area. This will enable a smooth flow of traffic from other stages up to the Spring St gate. In the interests of safety, the play equipment area is an out of bounds area for all children after school, so we ask that parents please remind their children not to enter this area and not to play on the equipment, and that young (non-school aged) children are supervised by parents at all times.

Easter Hat Parade~ A save the date for our Infants Easter Hat Parade which is coming up at the end of this term, on Friday 7th April. This is an exciting annual event at our school and we hope many parents and friends can come along and join the celebrations. Look for more details in upcoming newsletters.



Reminders & Acknowledgements

- This week is a Primary (3-6) Assembly - Friday, 3rd March starting at 2:15pm in the school hall.
- A reminder that as of next Monday 6th March the finishing time for Kindergarten students will be 3:10pm, in line with the rest of the school.

Have a great week!

Glen Bourke
Principal

Staff Training

Class Effected	Course	Date
2S 1/2W	L3 Ongoing Training	Thurs, 2 nd March
5/6N	Stronger Smarter Leadership training	Mon, 27 th Feb – Fri, 3 rd March
3/4CL, 3/4S, 4/5SI, 5/6N, 5/6W	Primary Collaborative planning for Literacy	Tues, 7 th March
n/a	L3 Kinder training (Infants Instructional Leader)	Fri, 3 rd March

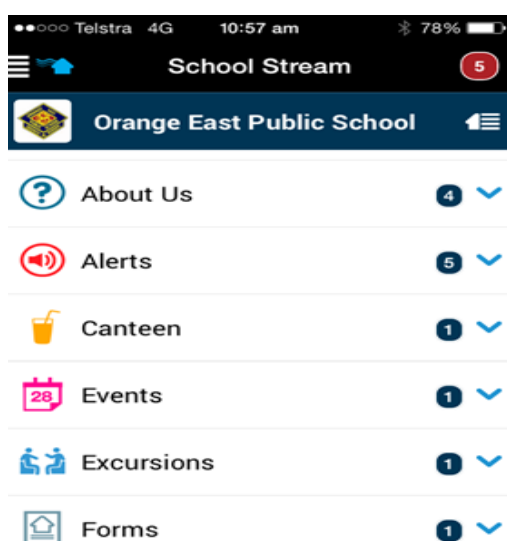
Assembly Awards – Congratulations to the following Infant students Mia Warren, Kaylah Meyers, Liam Scott, Tyson Morris, Riley Davis, Erin Anderson for receiving a sticker on their award sheet. Congratulations to Torri Barber for completing her 50 certificate. Well done

Principal Award~ congratulations to Gabriel Gkounelas, Audrey Whiting, Liam Scott and Charlotte Ash.

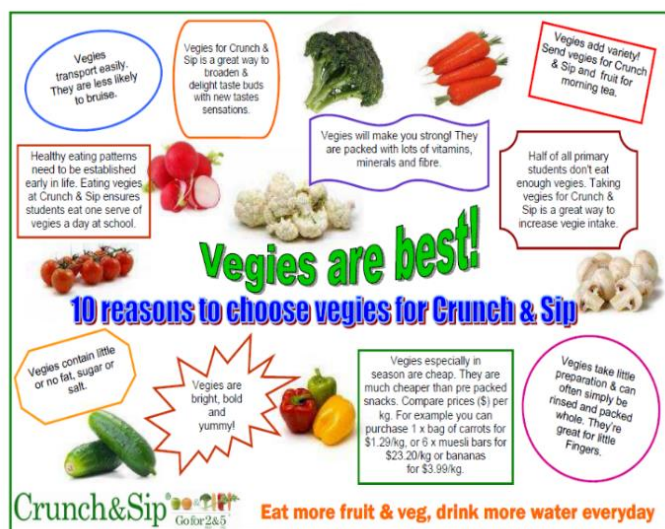
Clean Up Australia Day~ Our school has registered to participate in the Schools Clean Up Day for Clean Up Australia Day this Friday 3rd March, to do our bit to keep our environment clean and beautiful. Throughout the day classes will spend some time collecting rubbish, cleaning and beautifying an allocated area of the school

playground. We ask that you please provide your child with a pair of gloves for them to participate in our clean-up activities on Friday.

School Stream App ~ Don't forget our FREE school app! Simply go to your *App or Play Store*, depending on your mobile device, and search *School Stream*. Once you have found and downloaded the app, simply search for Orange East and select as your school. Currently available are permission notes, newsletters, upcoming event notifications, live alerts and even the ability to return absence slips.



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 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.

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P&C AGM

TONIGHT

6:30pm in Staff Room

General meeting to follow at 7pm

Positions open:

- * President
- * Vice President
- * Secretary
- * Treasurer
- * Fundraiser
- * Markets Manager
- * Publicity Officer
- * Uniform Shop Coordinator

Don't FORGET!

Our AGM is an exciting meeting when all positions will be declared vacant and a whole new Committee will be elected. For our new parents to the school please come along 15 minutes early to sign up to be a member. Although the time frame is over for existing school members to have the opportunity to vote at tonight's AGM it is not too late to join our P&C. We are always seeking new members who would love to be involved in our fundraising activities, come along to our monthly meetings, cook a BBQ or perhaps you would just like to receive the minutes and be informed. There are no obligations to attend meetings or volunteer your time so no need to feel guilty if you can't make it to our events or meetings. So come along and join us tonight to find out what your P&C is all about or speak to one of our friendly members. Hope to see you there.

Dates to Remember

Tues 28th Feb	P&C AGM/Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 3 rd Mar	Primary Assembly @ 2.15pm Swimming Ribbons
Fri 10 th Mar	Infant Assembly @ 2.15pm
Wed 29 th Mar	School Photos
Thur 30 th Mar	PBL Award Assemblies K-2 @ 1.50pm 3-6 @ 2.35pm
Wed 5 th April	School ANZAC ceremony
Fri 7 th April	Easter Hat Parade