

# Orange East Public School



## NEWSLETTER



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### **PBL Assembly**

Students and staff are looking forward to our upcoming Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Assemblies. It is important to note that this year there are some significant changes to how we use the PBL 'Bees' and the end of term award presentation.

Every term (including Term 4 this year) we will still recognise students for their behavioural achievements throughout the term. Different to previous years we are starting a reward level system which recognises when students reach certain milestone amounts of 'Bees' (pictured above). The reward levels are listed below:

Level	Bees Required
Medallion	400
Pennant	300
Gold Certificate	200
Silver Certificate	100
Bronze Certificate	50

Towards the end of each term we will hold an assembly for K-2 and 3-6 to present students with any level/s they have reached during the term. It is possible that students may be presented with two levels during a term, for example – a student may have received 103 Bees this term and will therefore receive both their *Bronze* and *Silver Certificate* at the assembly. It is also possible for a student to have an assembly where they do not receive an award as during the term they did not quite progress another level since the previous term's award

assembly (more likely as a students move into the *Gold* level and above).

We have implemented this new system, with significant consultation with all staff and the P&C, to continue to recognise positive student behaviour across the school. This system will also provide students with clear reward targets and recognition for the various levels they achieve. Importantly, it will simplify many of the rewards associated with our *PBL* program. We will no longer be giving 'Bee' Merits, *Class of the Week*, Term/Semester PBL Prize Draws and Whole School 'Bee Total' reward activities.

At the end of the newsletter I have included a simple visual explanation which hopefully helps to explain our PBL and Merit systems. Please find following some key information and answers to questions you may have:

- The *Blue Merit* and *Achievement Award Certificate* system will still operate unchanged.
- Past 'Bee Merits' will still be counted as a 'Bluey' and can be used for the *Achievement Award Certificate* system. No new 'Bee Merits' will be issued from this year on.
- At the beginning of each year students will start with 0 (zero) Bees.
- Students cannot have Bees taken off them.
- Before each term's PBL Assembly, parents/carers will still receive a letter notifying them that their child will be receiving an award. Letters for this term's assemblies will be sent next week.
- Each level of the new system earns students various small rewards. i.e. *Bronze Certificate* students also receive an iceblock.

Our Term 1 PBL Award Assemblies will be held in Week 10, Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March in the school hall. Infants (K-2) will be held at 1:50pm and Primary (3-6) will be held at 2:30pm – all welcome.

Should you have any questions regarding the new system, please do not hesitate to talk to your child's class teacher or contact the school office.



### ***Easter Hat Parade***

On Friday 7th April, Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two children will participate in an Easter Hat Parade starting at 12:30pm under the COLA. **The children are asked to make their own hats at home.** We suggest they may like to decorate an old hat from home with Easter pictures and/or eggs etc. This will be an exciting event for our infant students with each class parading their hats out on the playground in front of the Year 5/6 classrooms. Stage 2/3 students will also come out to enjoy the parade. In conjunction with this event, Stage 3 will be organising an Easter raffle for which they are asking donations of Easter eggs, rabbits, bilbies or any other item that could be given as prizes, as well as small baskets. These items can be left at the school office. Tickets for the Easter raffle will be \$1.00 each and sold under the COLA each morning and recess during the last two weeks of term, and before the parade starts. The P&C will be holding a BBQ on the day prices TBA.



### ***Walk for a Guide Dog***

As you may have seen on television, the schools across our region, local businesses and the Rotary Club of Orange North are joining together to raise money for this worthy cause. Matt and his faithful dog Bronco joined us for an assembly last week to explain the day. Students were also given information and a sponsorship form that they can return to the school by Friday 17th March. The walk will take place on Sunday 26th March and promises to be a great day for the whole family with

food and activities planned throughout the day. This is a community event and families who wish to be involved will be required to make their own way to and from the Botanic Gardens.



### ***Reminders & Acknowledgements***

- Our Supported Playgroup will continue to meet every Tuesday (during school term) between 11:40 – 1:10pm.
- PLEASE NOTE – our last regular Primary (3-6) Assembly for the term will be this Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> March. Likewise, our last Infants (K-2) Friday assembly will be next Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> March. This is due to a number of school activities already occurring across the last two weeks of this term (School Photos, PBL Assemblies, School Anzac Ceremony and Easter Hat Parade, etc).
- Best of luck to students taking part in the Soccer Gala day this Friday. Details and photos in next week's newsletter.
- The World's Greatest Shave - Crazy Hair Day will be held on the 23rd of March (Thursday, Week 9). Students can come to school with crazy hair styles and colours for a Gold Coin Donation. The World's Greatest Shave helps to raise money for Blood Cancer Research.
- Athletics Carnival - Our School Athletics Carnival will be held at Waratah's Sports Club on the 4th of April (Tuesday, Week 11). If any parents or carers would like to assist on the day, please contact Mr Neal.

Have a great week!

Glen Bourke  
Principal

### ***Staff Training***

Class Effected	Course	Date
3/4CL	Leadership Training	15 – 17th Mar (Mr Cook being replaced by Mrs Laughton)

**Assembly Awards** – Congratulations to the following Infant students Oscar Paul, Torri Barber, Lucy Goodacre, Mary Collins, Ardent Thurtell and Caleb Miller for receiving a sticker on their award sheet. Congratulations to Charlotte Ash for completing her 150 certificate. Well done

**Principal Award**~ congratulations to Gabriel Bennett, Addison Warren, Sonny Pallier, Claire Anlezark, Conor Buckland and Erin Anderson.

**Jars with lids needed**~ to help preserve our delicious school garden grown tomatoes.

**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



It's never too late to join the P&C. We welcome everyone to come along to a meeting and see if perhaps this is something that may be of interest to you! There are lots of ways in which you can be involved, big and small. There's always a little something yummy to eat and the atmosphere friendly. So don't be shy, come and say hello and find out some more information.

**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. School bags are now available for purchase for \$40.00 through our clothing pool and office.



## Dates to Remember

Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Primary (3-6) Assembly @2.15pm
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	School Photos
Thur 30 <sup>th</sup> Mar	PBL Award Assemblies K-2 @ 1.50pm 3-6 @ 2.35pm
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> April	School ANZAC ceremony
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Hat Parade

**You're invited to our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017**



## School Tours and Historical Displays

Saturday: 12:30pm – 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am – 12:30pm

## Celebratory Dinner

Orange Function Centre at 6pm on Saturday evening. Tickets available from the school office (63621677) for \$60 each



## Merit/Achievement Certificate System

**Focus:** Reward academic effort, progress and achievement in all school settings and activities.

**Blue Merit (pictured right):** Students can receive *Blue Merits* ('*Blueys*') at any time of the school day from any staff member.

**Achievement Certificate (pictured right):** When students have collected 10 *Blue Merits* they bring them into the school office on Friday morning (between 8:40 – 9:10am) to be stamped, usually by Mr Bourke or another member of the school executive. The *Achievement Award Certificate* is presented to the student in the afternoon at the assembly. Please remember that the assemblies alternate between infants (K-2) and Primary (3-6) and *Blue Merits* should only be brought in when it is your child's assembly day (they will still be stamped if it is not the correct week).

**Reward levels:**



10 *Blue Merits* = Sticker on Achievement Award Certificate



Every time a student fills an *Achievement Award Certificate* with 5 stickers they start on a new certificate.

## Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Reward System

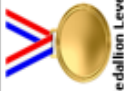





**Focus:** Teach and reward correct behaviour in all school settings and activities.

**Bee (pictured below):** Students may receive an actual *Bee* (which they later hand in to their teacher) or their teacher may also just add a *Bee* to our computer recording system (*Class Dojo*).



**Reward Times:** *Bees* can be given at any time of the school day by any staff member. The PBL Award Assemblies will happen towards the end of each term (4 times p/year). Parent will be notified if their child is receiving an award.

**Reward Levels:** (please note – this is not what the actual rewards will look like)

	<b>Medallion Level</b> Earning 400 bees <b>Reward</b> OEPS Medallion Game of Ten Pin Bowling
	<b>Pennant Level</b> Earning 300 bees <b>Reward</b> OEPS Pennant Receive a milkshake from Simply Nille
	<b>Gold Level</b> Earning 200 bees <b>Reward</b> Gold Certificate Session of free play at Newman Park
	<b>Silver Level</b> Earning 100 bees <b>Reward</b> Silver Certificate Participate in a games afternoon
	<b>Bronze Level</b> Earning 50 bees <b>Reward</b> Bronze Certificate Receive an Ice Block
	<b>Busy Bee Level</b> All students start at busy bee level at the beginning of a new school year.