



Orange East Public School NEWSLETTER

Safe, Respectful, Learners

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Term 1 Week 4 2018

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations Swimmers

Well done to all students who attended the School Swimming trials last Thursday and Goodluck to students who will be competing at the District trials next Monday. Many thanks to all staff and parent helpers in attendance, particularly Miss Croker the trials organiser.

Meet & Greet

A reminder that this Thursday, 22nd February between 5 - 7pm we will hold our annual Meet & Greet. This year the Meet & Greet will be less formal with a BBQ, canteen, several jumping castles, show bags and fairy floss/snow cones available. Families are invited to bring a picnic rug to this community event and informally meet staff and other parents/carers. Please note all students wishing to attend must be under the supervision of a responsible adult.

Spring St Block

In the coming weeks, work will commence on putting a new roof over the Spring St block (Office Admin, Staffroom and 3/4 Parrot & 3/4 Kookaburra). The majority of renovations will take place over weekends and I am working closely with the Department's Assets Management Unit to minimise any adverse impact on the school and maintain students, staff and visitor safety at all times. At this stage, work has been scheduled across the weekends of 3/4th March, 10/11th March and 17/18th March - though this timeframe may change pending weather and any difficulties encountered. Again we are aiming at minimising impact, particularly on classrooms throughout the school week. I will communicate more detailed information regarding work areas, times and potential impact as the plan becomes clearer. There will be various areas protected by scaffold fencing throughout this time.

Mayoral Visit

Mr Meares received some exciting news this week, with confirmation Orange City Councillor, Mayor Reg Kidd will be coming into OEPS this week to view the School Vegetable Garden, Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and the Indigenous Garden. Mayor Kidd expressed interest in these programs at last year's Presentation Day and so Mr Meares took him up on the offer. More details and pictures to come next week. Well done Mr Meares!

Have a great week!

Glen Bourke

Up Coming Events

Tuesday 20th February

P & C AGM @ 6.30pm

Thursday 22nd February

Meet/Greet

BBQ

5-7pm

Friday 23rd February

Primary Assembly @ 215pm

Friday 2nd March

Infant Assembly @ 2.15pm

CANTEEN

Chicken & Cheese Melt +
Popper

\$5.00

**ON SALE MONDAY
26TH FEB**

Check out next weeks
newsletter for more Monday
Special Meal Deals

Permission Notes

Permission Note	Year/Group	Cost	Due By
Dance Lessons 2018	Yrs 1-6	\$100 yr 3x \$40 instl	Tues 20th Feb
GRIP Leadership Conference	Student Leaders	\$10 Deposit	Fri 23rd Feb

Assembly Awards

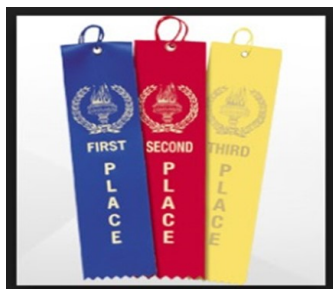
Congratulations to the following Infant students Torri Barber, Wade Fox, Daniel Johnson, Kim Fangufangu, Tyson Morris, Grace Duffy for receiving a sticker on their award sheets. Congratulations to Jayda Quinlan for completing her 50 certificate.

Principal Awards

Congratulations to Beau Uren, Zarlie Byrnes, Denin Quinn, Marcos Roxburgh and Rameen Faisal.

Swimming Trials

Congratulations to the enthusiastic group of students who participated in our school swimming trials last Thursday. The students tried their best in all events and showed fantastic support for each other through their cheering and words of encouragement. Students who placed first, second or third in their event/s are invited to participate in the District Swimming Carnival next Monday 26th February at the Orange Aquatic Centre. These students will bring home a permission and information note today.



Swimming Trial Ribbons

Will be presented at this weeks Primary assembly, Friday 23rd February.

PBL Assembly

Every term we will recognise students for their behavioural achievements at our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Assemblies. As introduced last year, we are continuing an acknowledgement level system which recognises when students reach certain milestone amounts of 'Bees'. The acknowledgement 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 students move into the *Gold* level and above). This system provides students with clear reward targets and recognition for the various levels they achieve.

At the end of the newsletter is 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:

- 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 receive a letter notifying them that their child will be receiving an award.
- Each level of the system earns students various small rewards. i.e. *Bronze Certificate* students also receive an ice-block.

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)

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

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).



Please Note: *Principal's Awards* (pictured right) CAN be used in place of a Blue Merit when students bring their collection of 10 merits to the office on Friday morning.

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.

School Parking

A reminder that the Nile St 'Kiss and Drop' zone that operates between 8.00am and 9.30am is a temporary parking spot specifically intended for parents to pull up, farewell and let students out and then move away when safe. If you wish to escort students onto the grounds, adjacent longer term parking should be utilised.

Photos/Videos of Students

With a number of exciting events happening at school throughout the course of a year it is understandable that parents may want to capture these memories via video or still images. We ask that parents be aware of a couple of issues in regards the use of these images:

- Where such images have been captured, if they contain images of other students that these are not placed on personal social media pages/accounts.
- While we obtain and maintain a record of student media/publishing permission status, this permission does not extend to parents' use of images.
- Some students are not permitted to be identified due to care/living arrangements.

We ask that parents understand and support these privacy requirements in relation to video footage and still images captured at school or during school events

Signing Out Students

A reminder for all parents and caregivers when coming to take your child/ren home during the school day (i.e. sick, appointment, trip) that children are signed-out via the school office. The easiest way to do this is come directly to the office and notify Mrs Gold or Mrs Watson that you wish to sign your child-out. They will send for your child and complete the correct paperwork (only takes about 30 seconds). If the office is unattended, alternatively please come to the staffroom and a staff member will assist.

School Winter Jacket

If you are interested there are samples of each size at the school office for children to try on. Pre-order forms are located in the school office and payments are due by Friday 9th March.



Parent Helpers

Needed to assist with Speech Pathology and Occupational Therapy (OT) on Tues/Wed or Fridays. Please see Mr Cook if you are able to assist.

Reminders & Acknowledgements

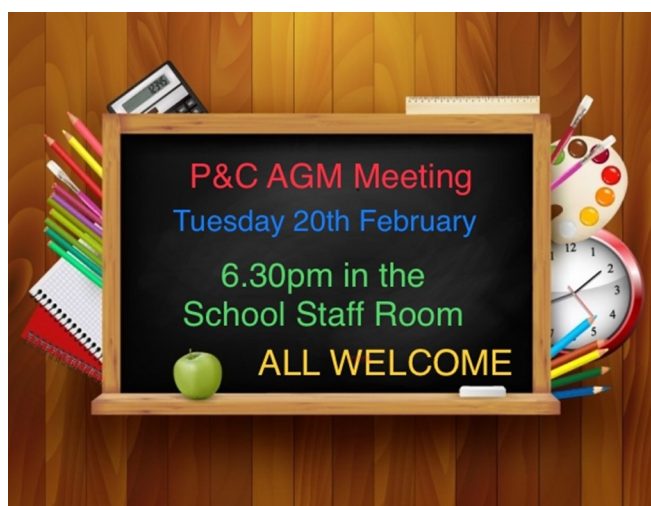
- Grip Leadership Excursion \$10 deposits are due back this Friday for student leaders, house captains, SRC and Indigenous SRC students in Year 6.
- This week is a Primary assembly (3-6) - Friday 23rd February starting at 2.15pm in the school hall.
- The school canteen is open each Monday, Wednesday 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. Keep an eye out in each weeks newsletter for our Monday 'Special Meal Deal'.
- Book Club was forwarded home last week. Order and online LOOP payment due by Friday 23rd February.



P&C NEWS

Inviting all to come along to tonight's Annual General Meeting. The General Meeting will follow. New members welcome with \$2 membership owed before meeting starts. We would love to see some new faces ☺

Refreshments will be available.



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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.



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.

Please bring a hat and fruit for morning tea.

Where: Orange East Public School
(new demountable)

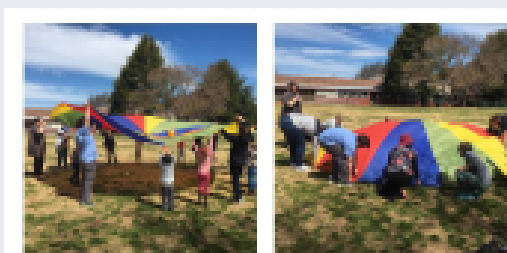
When: Wednesday 9:10– 10:40 (during school terms)

STARTS IN WEEK 5 TERM 1 2018

28th February

Cost: Free

Further Information: *Mrs MacLean* (6362 7464)





ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY WHEN THEY ARE TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

Drive and park safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools.

You can help keep children safe by remembering the following:

- drop off and pick up children on the school side of the road
- never call out to children from across the road – it is very dangerous
- always take extra care when driving in 40km school zones
- follow all parking signs – these help keep children as safe as possible
- park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- never double park – it is illegal and puts children at risk
- never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts children at risk of harm
- model safe and considerate pedestrian and driver behaviours to your children.

For further support

Go to the department's Road Safety Education program at education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education or visit education.nsw.gov.au and search for road safety education.

When travelling in a car ensure your children:

- use a booster seat if they are aged between 4 and 7 years old – it's the law
- are correctly buckled up in their seatbelts
- always get in and out of the car through the 'safety door' – the rear door on the footpath side of the car
- are never left alone in the car.



Up to 6 months

Approved rear-facing child car seat



6 months to 4 years

Approved rear- or forward-facing child car seat



4+ years

Approved forward-facing child car seat or booster seat



145cm or taller

Suggested minimum height to use adult lap-sash seatbelt