



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20
JUN

Cake Stall 2M & 5A

26
JUN

Engadine Band Fest

27
JUNCross Country/PSSA
Assembly2
JULPyjama Day
Fundraiser Year 66
JUL

Last Day Term 2



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*The School by the park –
Great Kids, Great Teachers, Great School!*

MR NASH'S CORNER

Congratulations to all of our recorder players. I thoroughly enjoyed their performances at the *2018 Festival of Instrumental Music* at the Opera House last night. They were in the Jacaranda Concert Program, part of a series of four concerts involving more than 4500 students and teachers from 400 public schools. They represented our school well as they took part in this unique opportunity to enhance their music education.

FIVE MINUTES WITH MR MIKHAIL—EAL/D Teacher



How long at OWPS?
Started 2018

Favourite Thing about OWPS:
At Oatley West I really love how friendly and welcoming the students, parents and teachers are. All of the students I work with love learning and help their peers to learn too. We are blessed with an exceptional staff that foster this love of learning and bring out the best in every student.

Favourite Food:
You cannot go past fresh seafood. Peeling some prawns by the water and cooking what you catch epitomizes quality time with my family.

Favourite Moment:

Every Tuesday I run Guitar Club at Oatley West. It is so rewarding to see students learning an instrument and expressing themselves through music. My favourite moment is seeing students happy because they have developed a skill through their hard work and persistence.

Favourite Holiday:

Every two years, my family and I go to Phuket, Thailand. Swimming, fishing and relaxing recharges the batteries and prepares me for whatever life brings.

Favourite Book:

My favourite book is *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway. This book reminds me that we should never give up and that we are stronger by the love and compassion we show each other.

VALUE FOR THE WEEK

EXCELLENCE

Always try for your personal best.
Celebrate your achievements and the achievements of others.
Be proud of your school.



Principal Nash continued

Congratulations to the Department of Education Arts Unit for providing students and teachers with highly motivating and engaging opportunities that inspire our student's creative potential. Thanks go to Mrs Bull for taking on the school responsibility for this program and to Fiona McNamara (one of our Mums and a talented musician herself) for the quality teaching and preparation for our kids to perform at such a wonderful venue.



VALUES AWARD ASSEMBLY

Last Wednesday we had our Values Assembly and it was great to see so many of our students receiving their certificates. It was great to have Mrs Ross our School Education Director here to present some of the certificates.



OATLEY WEST VALUES

OWPS Values were developed in consultation with the student body, staff and the wider community. The points below are indicators that students, staff and the community aspire to live by at OWPS.

Care

Play safely
Show concern for the well-being of others
Be friendly and make others feel welcome
Consider the needs of everyone

Co-operation

Work together to achieve common goals
Help each other to succeed
Work together to peacefully resolve conflict
Listen to the views of others

Excellence

Always try for your personal best
Celebrate your achievements and the achievements of others
Be proud of your school

Fairness

Everyone gets an equal opportunity
Stand up for others who need help
Play by the rules

Respect

Be polite, co-operative and sensible
Treat people as you would like to be treated
Accept and celebrate our differences

Participation

Join in and enjoy school activities
Support the activities at the school
Contribute ideas to improve our school

Integrity

Speak the truth
Respect personal and school property
Do what is right

Responsibility

Take responsibility for your choices

Provide a good example for others

Be in the right place at the right time

Values Leaf System

The Values Leaf Stickers are used to recognise and acknowledge those students who are following OWPS Values. These behaviours could be demonstrated in the classroom, on the playground or wherever students are representing our school.

Values Leaf Sticker Procedure:

Every staff member will hand out approximately 6 Values Stickers each week. Other relevant school community members (including Scripture teachers, Canteen helpers and Casual teachers) will have stickers available to them. These supplementary Values Stickers will be available at the office.

It is the responsibility of every staff member to hand out Values Leaf Stickers and ensure the students know which Value they are receiving the sticker for. Classroom teachers are required to keep a record on a class list.

Values stickers are only valid for the year and do not carry over into the following year.



Paul Nash



Department of Education

Strategic Plan 2018-2022

Our Values—Integrity

'We are transparent with information and our decisions'.



ADVANCED RECORDER GROUP



Last night the OWPS Advanced Recorder Group performed at the Opera House as part of the Festival of Instrumental Music. The Festival provides students from NSW public schools the opportunity to learn and play three repertoires, combined with string instruments.

The students' effort finally paid off in this memorable experience. We were also lucky to be invited for a behind the stage tour at the end of our rehearsal which was a privilege for the students. We thank Fiona McNamara for her assistance and taking the time to be a part of a very special event. Also a big thank you to the parents for their support.

Mrs Bull



YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER

Year 6 Fundraiser



There will be a Pyjama Day week 10, Monday 2 July. Students from K-6 should dress up in their pyjamas and bring a gold coin donation.

Thank you for your support

Year 6 2018

LIBRARY NEWS



NSW Premier's
Reading Challenge

It's fantastic to see students completing their online Reading Record. Remember to keep recording all of the amazing books that are being read. If you need any help, please see Miss Blake in the library who is always happy to assist.

Congratulations to the following students on completing the PRC:

Hugh R- 3/4HB

James B- 3/4HB

Lydia A- 6S

Keep up the great reading everyone!

Miss Blake & Mrs Fitzpatrick

SPORTS REPORT

**Sports Assembly**

On Wednesday 27th June, there will be a Cross Country assembly and Season 1 PSSA Presentation. The assembly will be at 2:10pm, parents are welcome but seating is limited. Parents of the Award winners from Season 1 will be notified by the coaches. The first 4 place getters from Cross Country will also be receiving their awards.

On the completion of each Sporting season we will be holding these special assemblies in lieu of the longer Sports Presentation day at the end of the year. This allows the students to receive their recognition immediately after the events. As these assemblies are held we will advise you of the dates.

Rugby League

Well done to the Rugby League PSSA teams on their first game of the season. OWPS unfortunately lost to Peakhurst in both the Juniors and Seniors. All players played exceptionally well. Congratulations to Taylah and Dean who were the MVP's of the games. Our next game is this Friday against Kingsgrove.

Jersey Amnesty

After stocktaking our sports jerseys, it is apparent that we are missing a significant amount of team shirts. We understand students may be concerned about returning their old jerseys as they may have forgotten these over the years. Outside Miss Ross' office (next to the computer room) will be a round blue tub for jersey returns. We please ask that if you have any old school jerseys hidden in the bottom of the wardrobe at home, that you give it to your child to return. No questions will be asked!

Sydney East Cross Country

Well done to all the students who participated in the Sydney East Cross Country Carnival last Thursday! Results will be published in the Week 9 newsletter.

SPORTS REPORT



OATLEY WEST DEBATING TEAMS

Throughout Term 2, Oatley West has been competing in two debating competitions. Our first team, comprising of Year 5 students (Mia V, Mya H, Jack B, Harvey H, Thomas S, Amelia B, Isabella W and Matilda S) have been participating in the **Sydney Schools Debating Competition**, taking on schools from around our local area.

These students have worked tirelessly preparing their speeches in their own time, as you only find out the topic 24 hours prior to the debate.

Whilst we did win one debate, we were very unlucky to not win a few more. Unfortunately this marks the end of the competition for Year 5, but I'm sure it has helped them all tremendously with their public speaking and debating skills for years to come.

Kicking off last week was the **Premiers Debating Challenge**, comprising of Year 6 students (Chloe M, Mya W, Gillian C, Penny L, Cooper S and Lydia A) taking on Penshurst Public. In this competition, students only find out **60 minutes prior to the debate the topic!** Plus they are not allowed to use devices for research! In what was a truly outstanding effort, our debaters took on Penshurst and came home triumphant. The next Premiers Debating Challenge will take place this Thursday versus our arch rivals, Oatley.

Congratulations to all the debaters for their tremendous effort!

Mr Griffiths
Debating Coach

DEBATING PHOTOS



ORGANIC DIGGERS CLUB

The garden is gearing up for harvest with pak choy, miyzuna and iceberg lettuce, kale and flowers all ready to be bought in. We're continuing to remove onion weed from the swales and will put kale and broccoli in today. The citrus trees are bearing fruit and appearing healthy after their arborizing last year.

Happy gardening!

Mr Burr

Organic Diggers Co-ordinator



UNIFORM SHOP

Manager – Sia Coelho Enquiries:
scoelho@iinet.net.au

The Uniform Shop is open for your convenience every Thursday from 9-10am at the end of G Block next to 1M. This onsite service would not be available without our wonderful volunteers.

All students should now be in their winter uniform. All uniform requirements are outlined on the School website.

Thank you: Many thanks to Joanne G, Belinda P, Nicolas P and Bee M-B who volunteered at the Uniform Shop last week.

Uniform Orders: Order forms (dated January, 2018) can be completed and dropped to the Uniform Shop letter box near the main school gate. Please note, orders are not accepted via e-mail. All orders will be delivered to your child's classroom on Thursday when the shop is open. The preferred payment method for orders is by Credit Card or Cheque as we cannot be held accountable for lost cash/orders. Cards are generally debited one day prior to delivery.

We take great pride in the appearance of the children at Oatley West Public School and encourage all students to wear the correct school uniform.

BAND NEWS

Engadine Bandfest

Intermediate Band and Concert Band will be performing at Engadine Bandfest on Tuesday 26th June. Details have been emailed to parents. Please wear band uniforms to school that day and bring a small backpack with food and water for the day. Please return permission notes to Band letterbox opposite the office ASAP please.

SPAF Rehearsal

Concert Band will be performing at SPAF on Tuesday 14th August. There will be a rehearsal with the combined choir next Tuesday 26th June following normal Concert Band rehearsal (and before Concert Band leave for Engadine Bandfest).

School Band Festival

Intermediate Band and Concert Band will be performing at the SBF at the University of NSW on Sunday 12th August. Details will be emailed to parents. - Music Council

SCHOOL BANKING

Thank you to Annie H,
 Hazel S, Jesny L, Wendy Y,
 Angel L, Tina Y and Grace
 L for being generous with your time and helping with school banking last week.

SCHOOL BANKING DAY
 Thursday

Secret Scratch Notepad

Released Term 1 2018



Please note due to popular demand, Secret Scratch Notepad has run out of stock for 2018.

Did you know 2017 prizes are still available to claim?

See link below for 2017 prizes.

2017 prizes not available are Cyber handball and 3D chalk set.

<https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank/personal/apply-online/download-printed-forms/school-banking-parent-pack-rewards-card-mono.pdf?ei=bl3-tl-download-reward-card>

See link below for 2018 prizes,

Remember Term 1 & 2 prizes are only available to claim.

<https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/youth/2018-01/school-banking-parent-pack-rewards-card-colour-0118.pdf>

Current turnaround time for claiming a prize is 2 weeks.

My child has lost her bank book. What do I do?

We can replace your child's deposit book. All we need is their name and class on an envelope with banking money inside. Ask them to place the envelope in their class banking bag next bank day and we will process their deposit and issue them a new bank book.



Request for items for Trash and Treasure and Silent Auction

The OWPS Community Festival is fast approaching, and with the school holidays coming up it is a good time for a clean out if you have items for this year's Trash and Treasure.

The following items are most popular so are currently requested:

- Toys
- Books, DVD's, electronic games
- Jewellery and fashion accessories
- Sporting goods
- Crockery, decorator and household items
- Household small appliances (good working condition)
- Collectables etc

Trash and Treasure is one of the highest money raisers for the festival because of the high quality of our donations so remember, all goods need to be undamaged, complete and in good resalable condition.

Please note we are unable to accept clothing, blankets, bed pillows or similar. If you have something not on the list please contact us to check before donating.

If you already have items you can take advantage of our Term 2 drop off this Friday 22nd June from 8:30am – 9:30am. We'll be in the shade Sail area near Kindergarten rooms.

The next drop off will be in week 1 or 2 of Term 3 (see first newsletter for details) with a final drop off in August. If you need to organise an alternate drop-off time or have any questions please contact:

Lisa Foy - deco1310@hotmail.com or
Kim Jepson - kimmybimbim@hotmail.com



Have you ordered a canvas for your child to participate in the K-2 Kids' Art Project at the OWPS Community Festival?

Our kids get a real kick out of seeing their artwork proudly displayed in the days leading up to and over the weekend of the festival.

If you have not yet placed your order for a canvas here's how to ensure your child is part of the fun:

Collect an order form from the School Office; or print a copy of the form attached to this newsletter; or

simply order online via www.flexischools.com.au



Should you have any questions please contact:

Julie Schofield 0400 498 696
Hayley Smith 0433 677 035



Dear Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 Parents and Carers,

The Oatley West Public School Community Festival is taking place from **Friday 24 – Sunday 26 August 2018**. The K-2 Art Project is a wonderful opportunity for our kids to be directly involved with the festival by showcasing their artwork in a fun art gallery-type display over the weekend. This is an optional activity and is completed at home.

This year's theme is:
'My Weekends'

Our kids will be asked to create an artwork on their canvas which is inspired by what they love to do on their weekends, and to think of how they enjoy spending their free time eg. playing sport, visiting family, playing with friends, going to the movies etc.

\$10 for canvas, or
\$15 for a complete set which includes canvas, paints and brush

How it will work

- ▼ Complete the order form below
- ▼ Pay online using www.flexischools.com.au
Cash also accepted.
- ▼ Return the order form below (in an envelope if paying cash) to the **designated box located in the School Office by 25 June 2018**.

Canvases and further instructions will be delivered to your kids at school in the coming weeks.

If siblings would like to participate simply order an extra canvas. However, only K-2 students of OWPS will have their artworks displayed at the festival.

**"... the world of imagination
is boundless"**

– Jean-Jaques Rousseau



Should you have any questions,
please feel free to contact us:

Julie Schofield
0400 498 696

Hayley Smith
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ORDER FORM: KINDERGARTEN, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 ART PROJECT

Student 1 name:

Class:

☐ Canvas (12 x 12") **\$10 each**

☐ Canvas and art set **\$15 each**

Student 2 name:

Class:

☐ I have enclosed cash

☐ I have paid online via
Flexischools. Receipt number:

Student 3 name:

Class:

owpscommunityfestival.org