OATLEY WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT OUR SCHOOL







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Kindergarten Dance Group - Can't stop the Feeling



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Our session today will cover:

- Our School
- Communication
- Starting Kindergarten
- School Routines
- Classes Formation
- The First Day
- ✤ Dates for your diary



- The Beginning of the Year
- Start and finish Times
- Who will teach my child?
- Support Programs
- Uniform Shop
- STEAM \$
- P and C
- OOSH



Principal Mr Paul Nash

Deputy Principal Mr Ryan Fisher

Assistant Principals Mrs Jodie Weber, Mrs Julia Dimovska, Miss Stephanie Aravanopoulos and Mrs Justine Cordingley

School Captains Jemma Pekert and Zen Soto



Kindergarten Team 2022

STEAM Elanna Diwell

K Orange - Jodie Weber and Kate Manners

K Green - Kylie Thieson

K Blue - Kylie Smits and Sue Manuel

K Pink - Kat Colbert and Vicki Heneghan



Mr Paul Nash - Principal

School Vision Statement

At Oatley West Public School, we are 'learning to live and living to learn' through quality instruction, positive partnerships with our community, and a respect for the schools' eight core valuesrespect, fairness, integrity, cooperation, excellence, participation, care and responsibility.

Our vision is to prepare our students for a rapidly changing world. Students are empowered to acquire, articulate and value knowledge and skills that will support them as life-long learners.

The school will develop resilient students who embrace challenge, adapt to change and take personal responsibility to strive for excellence in all they undertake.

Our School



The school has increased enrolments of students who have a language background other than English with 52% of students in this category. We currently have over 540 students and 23 K-6 classes. There are 4 Kindergarten classes.

Oatley West Public School offers a large range of extra-curricular activities including band, percussion, chess, choir, debating dance groups and public speaking. A strong focus on Literacy and Numeracy ensures our students receive an excellent platform from which to build their future learning.

Communication with the School

If you have a question or concern related to your child • The class teacher is the first port of call for questions or concerns about your child's progress in learning, learning needs, homework or wellbeing • If the matter is unresolved please contact the Assistant Principal of the stage

• If the matter remains unresolved your concerns will be referred to the Deputy Principal or Principal

f you have a question or concern related to the actions of another child, staff member or parent

- Email the school office oatleywest-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
- The matter will be referred to the appropriate persor

 All efforts will be made to respond to your question or concerns within 72 hours

If you would like to provide feedback, ideas, suggestions or have a complaint • As above

School Communication Platforms



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School Facilities

- 24 classrooms
- STEAM Room with computers/iPads
- Covered outdoor learning area (COLA)
- Well resourced library with computers
- A school hall
- Astro Turf
- Playgrounds: Adventure playground, caterpillar playground and the sail area
- Amphitheatre
- Bike racks
- Canteen
- Before and after school care
- Basketball court
- Handball courts
- Oatley Park next door
- Flexible Furniture



School Programs

- Book club
- Carnivals –swimming, athletics
 and cross country
 Chess Club
- Choir
- Debating Green Gazette
- Gardening Club Peaceful Kids
- Peer Support PSSA

- Public Speaking SRC- Student Representative Council
- Band
- **Percussion Power**

Music Council President – Kylie Archer







Class Formation

Wherever possible we try to create classes using an equal spread of:

- Female/male students
- Students age
- Special/additional needs

We also take into account:

Friendships and recommendations from preschool and childcare.

Classes and teachers have not been finalised for 2023



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 2nd November 10:00am - 11:20am Orientation Wednesday 9th November 10:00am - 11:20am Orientation Wednesday 16th November 10:00am - 11:20am Orientation

Week 1- 2023

Best Start - Tuesday 31st Jan or Wednesday 1st Feb or Thursday 2nd Feb (email to come)

Week 2 2023

Monday 6th Feb 10-3 pm Transition to school (Meet Year 5 Buddies)A- L Tuesday 7th Feb 10-3 pm Transition to school (Meet Year 5 Buddies) M - Z Wednesday 8th Feb First Day of School -Surnames A to L 9:40am -3pm M to Z 10am to 3 pm

School starts at 9.25 am

Kindergarten students are dropped off and picked up at their classroom for the first few weeks. *Supervision in the playground is from 8:55 am.*

School finishes at 3.00 pm for weeks 2, 3 and 4.

Pickup from the classroom up until Week 4.

Week 5- students line up in the COLA area at 9.25 am.

Kindergarten Calendar

Weeks 1-5 2023

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Week 1 Staff Development Day 23 25 January 24 26 27 Staff Best Start Best Start Best Start Planning Day Week 2 Development Assessment Assessment Assessment Day 30 31 February 1 2 3 **Kindy Students** Kindergarten Kindergarten First Kindy Students Week 3 Kindergarten Transition Transition Day of School 9:25am-3pm 9:25am-3pm Surnames A-L Surnames M-Z A - L 9:40am - 3pm 10am-3pm 10am-3pm M-Z 10am-3pm 6 7 8 9 10 Kindy Students **Kindy Students Kindy Students** Kindy Students **Kindy Students** Week 4 9:25am-3pm 9:25am-3pm 9:25am-3pm 9:25am-3pm 9:25am-3pm 13 15 16 14 17 Week 5 Kindy Students Kindy Students Kindy Students Kindy Students Kindy Students 9:25am-3:25pm 9:25am-3:25pm 9:25am-3:25pm 9:25am-3:25pm 9:25am-3:25pm 20 23 24 21 22

Kindergarten 2023 Calendar



The Beginning of the Kindergarten Year

Week 2

Monday 6th February 10.00 am – 3.00 pm (Surnames A to L) Tuesday 7th February 10.00 am - 3.00 pm (Surnames M-Z) Wednesday 8th February 9:40am (A to L) 10:00am (M-Z)- 3:00 pm finish Thursday 9th and Friday 10th February 9.25 am – 3.00 pm

Week 3 and Week 4

Monday 13th to 24th February

9.25 am – 3.00 pm

TheirCare will organise a Kinder Club session 3.00 - 3.25 pm



The First Day

Saying goodbye on that first day can be the hardest moment for parents and children.

- Plan to be at school prior to the start time. Allowing children to have 10-15 minutes in the school playground setting may help to make them feel comfortable. It is a chance to see and play with new friends.
- When it's time to go, make sure to say goodbye to your child.
- Reassure your child that you will return and tell them the arrangement for the afternoon.
- Once you say goodbye, leave promptly. A long farewell scene might only serve to prolong the goodbye. The longer you stay, the harder it may <u>be</u>.

Start and Finish Times

- Kindergarten line up at the start of the day outside their classroom.
- When the music plays just prior to 9.25 am the children move to their class line.
- The teachers will arrive and collect their class.
- At the end of the school day the children will be dismissed under the COLA.
- Each child will put their hand up when they see their parent and the teacher will ensure that they are directed to them.

PLEASE STAND BACK FROM THIS AREA AND ALLOW THE TEACHER TO HAVE FULL SIGHT OF THE CHILDREN



Who will teach my child?

- Every week students will have a variety of teachers in addition to their classroom teacher/s. These teachers may include: Mrs Fitzpatrick/ Mrs Elms (Librarian), and Mrs Georgakopoulos (EAL/D), Mrs Koutsodimos (LaST), Scripture Teachers- Various.
- Each teacher receives 2 hours of Release From Face to Face Teaching (RFF) each week. During this time your child will have set teachers coming in to teach a particular learning area.







Out of School Hours Care

Please see flyer in the Orientation Pack for more information

- OOSH care is operated by **TheirCare**.
- Regional Manager: Peter Broadhurst

Email - peterb@theircare.com.au





Email -owpsuniform@gmail.com

Online Orders - https://oatleywestpsuniformshop.square.site

How does my child know what is theirs?

Label Everything!

STEAM

Oatley West implements STEAM RFF classes.

Science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (**STEAM**) are essential areas of study that foster students' skills and prepare them to participate in a rapidly changing world.

What is STEAM Education?

Key to STEAM education is the integration of curriculum areas along with general capabilities to solve authentic, real-world problems.

When students learn within the context of authentic projects, they can see clear connections between syllabus outcomes and real-world application. Through STEAM, students apply skills, knowledge and understandings the way they will be applied in the workforce and in their daily lives.







We have lots of technology at Oatley West such as, Lego Robotics, Bee Bots, iPads, laptops, Ozobots, Spheros, air block drones, a filming kit, green screen & soon... a 3D printer!





High Potential and Gifted Education

At Oatley West Public School, we are committed to supporting every student to achieve their educational potential across all domains: *intellectual, creative, social-emotional* and *physical* regardless of their background through high expectations and effective, explicit, evidencebased teaching to create optimal learning environments where all students are challenged and engaged.

Oatley West coordinates and implements a range of evidence-based programs, practices and procedures in the **intellectual, creative, socialemotional** and **physical** domains so that high potential and gifted students' specific learning and wellbeing needs are identified and catered for and facilitate talent development.















LIBRARY @ OWPS

- Library lessons are part of learning at OWPS
- The purpose of the school library is to support teaching and learning within the total program of the school
- Students in Kindergarten come to the Library each week for Library lessons
- Students in K 2 have 30 minute lessons. Students in Years 3 6 have 60 minute lessons
- Our collection supports books for reading for enjoyment and for information research lessons
- We encourage our students to read widely and borrow each week
- Students are required to bring a library bag each week to borrow





Parent Involvement

- Parent and Citizens
 P & C Vice President Chris Chuck
- Community Festival Volunteers -Sarah Cummings
- Music Council
- School Club
- Uniform Shop
- Canteen (new canteen operators started in 2022)

- Classroom Volunteers class support
- B.E.A.R reading support program
- Library Volunteers





P and C President - Mr Chris Chuck

Oatley West Public School has an active and enthusiastic association of Parents and Citizens (P&C) which represents local citizens, parents and carers of children at our school.

The objectives of the P&C are to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close co-operation, to assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school and promote the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.

- We meet twice a term (Tuesdays @ 6:30pm in Wk 3 and Wk8 normally)
- Sub committees include Uniform Shop, Music Council, Grants Committee, and Community Festival
- We raise and distribute over \$40k in funding towards school priorities per year
- We would love to hear from you with any questions or suggestions, our email address:
 oatleywestpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au



Final Information

- Office Staff request please provide final documents to the school to complete the enrolment process.
- Please join Class Dojo- OWPS Kindergarten 2023
- All information presented today will be made available on our school website next week.
- This presentation and links discussed today will be sent to all families via email.





Next Session: Getting Ready for Kindergarten

- Making a positive start
- BEST Start information and starting dates
- What to bring to school
- How to prepare your child
- Kindergarten programs
- School Values
- Kindergarten students their experience
- Year 6 Leaders their experience
- Play based learning





Questions



Thank you

Just a reminder the Uniform shop will be open to try on the uniform before and after each Orientation Session.

