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

MR NASH'S CORNER

What a great turnout with 130 parents in attendance at the Restorative Practices Parent Evening last Thursday. This was preceded by a fabulous day working with Terry O'Connell. Terry commenced the day with Executive, then Teaching Staff and continued on throughout the day working with students. Some students were absent on the day at District Swimming and Terry is more than confident for me to take these children through his training. He left me with his presentation. He has also sent the Restorative Practices Handbook for those parents that requested a copy on the night. I will sent these out during the week.

FIVE MINUTES WITH...



An interview with: Paul Nash

Years at OWPS: 11

Favourite thing about OWPS: OUR KIDS! One of the first things I tell prac students at our school is to get in and learn how to teach, to hone your teaching skills because you can. Our students give everything they have and come to school each and every day eager to learn.

Favourite event at OWPS: There have been so many but I think the Prime Minister visiting was a bit of a highlight for our school this year.

Favourite moment at OWPS: The day I arrived in 2008. I received my appointment notice and arrived down from my school in Glossodia after a P&C meeting around 9pm to

look the school over. There was no fencing in those days and I was walking around in the dark trying to get a feel for the place. My positive feelings were confirmed the day I walked into the first assembly in Term 2 and met with students. I haven't regretted a day since.

Favourite music: I love all sorts of music from classical, popular & country and western but favourite would be John Denver, James Taylor and Bob Dylan. Also have a hot spot for The Beatles and Rolling Stones and I know this shows my age!

Favourite place to holiday: Anywhere by the water. Living in Caringbah most of my life I went to the beach in Cronulla, as a family we spent our holidays going south around Gerringong, Gerroa, Mollymook and Narawallee. As a teenager I loved going to Surfers Paradise to surf and for the beach life.

VALUE FOR THE WEEK

PARTICIPATION

Join in, enjoy and support school activities.

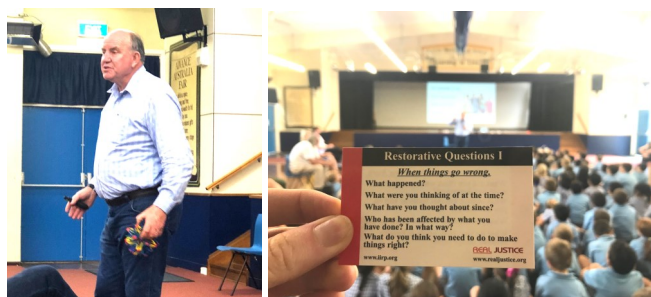
Contribute ideas to improve our school.



Principal Nash continued

We have decided to re introduce a segment for you to meet our staff. We trialled this some time ago and it proved very popular. It takes the form of a ‘quick five’ questions.

I decided to start off this week and have coerced Mrs Ollerton our Wellbeing Officer to be ready for next week’s edition of the Newsletter. I hope you enjoy this segment.



Terry O’Connell

Student Session



Parent Session

STRATEGIC PLAN

I have replaced our usual ‘Quote of the week’ with ‘Our Values’ from the Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018-2022. The values of Excellence, Equity, Accountability, Trust, Integrity and Service will permeate throughout our new school plan for 2018-2020 and reflect into teaching programs within the classroom. This week is Integrity ‘*We act professionally with honesty and consistency*’.

REMINDER

IGA Oatley is supporting the three schools within Oatley again this year and have changed the way they are collecting points. If you shop at IGA Oatley you will need to ask at the checkout for a card to swipe each time you go shopping. They are no longer collecting tokens in the boxes within the store. We are registered for the Coles promotion. Collection boxes are in the foyer in the Administration building.

District Swimming Carnival



A huge congratulations to all those students that represented the school at the District Swimming Carnival last Thursday. It was a very successful carnival, we are still waiting on the official results. Our student’s sportsmanship and comradery was outstanding, especially the sideline cheering during the relays. A big thank you also to Miss Ross and Mr Griffiths for giving up their time and taking and supervising the students.

Attention Year 6 Parents

High school applications were given to students on Friday, please read this form carefully. It is due back to school **Friday 16th of March, 2018**.

Please check with individual schools for their enrolment procedures (particularly out of area) as in many cases they have additional enrolment requirements.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/documents/Moving-into-Year-7-in-a-NSW-Government-School.pdf>

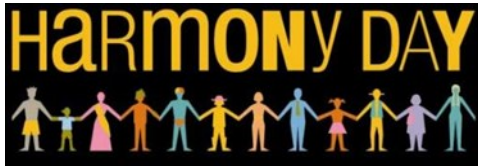
School Photos



School Photos are this Wednesday – please wear full school uniform and a smile! Please bring your envelopes on the day. Sibling photo envelopes are available from the office.

Thank you.

Harmony Day



Oatley West Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day on Wednesday 21st March. The message of Harmony Day is 'everyone belongs'. Students are encouraged to wear the colour orange to school to show their support for cultural diversity and an inclusive Australia. Each class will be involved in various activities in their classrooms to celebrate this wonderful day.

Mrs Assad – Harmony Day Organiser

Fancy Hat Parade



SAVE THE DATE
K-2 Fancy Hat Parade
29th Mar 2:30pm

Get your cameras ready for a wonderful event at OWPS on Thursday 29th March for our K-2 Fancy Hat Parade at **2:30pm**.

Cake Day



Our first Cake Day of 2018 was a huge success.

Thank you to the parents and carers of our 1VK and 6M students for supplying delicious cakes and treats for the kids to enjoy at recess.

Thank you to our volunteers.

Uniform Shop

Manager – Sia Coelho

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The Uniform Shop is managed and run by volunteers and is open for your convenience every Thursday from 9-10am near the COLA outside C Block.

Week 9 – Uniform Shop will be open Wednesday 28th March in lieu of Thursday 29th due to the Easter Hat Parade.

All students should be wearing their summer uniform. All uniform requirements are outlined on the School website.

Thank you: Many thanks to Natalie H, Belinda P and Nicolas P who volunteered at the Uniform Shop last week, allowing me to attend the District Swimming Carnival for my daughter.

Winter Uniform: Winter Uniform is NOT yet available for over the counter sales and is not worn until the day after Mother's Day (14th May).

If your order for winter uniform hasn't already been placed, stock cannot be guaranteed. Our special request for bootleg pants pre-orders only produced two additional orders which is a very disappointing response. A final order for additional stock will be placed with the supplier at the end of this week with any orders for bootleg pants placed after this, no longer guaranteed.

Some stock items which are custom-made, can take between 8-12 weeks to arrive.

NB: Accounts for these orders will not debited and cheques not presented until stock arrives and is ready for delivery.

SALE - Bootleg Pants: Uniform Shop has a limited supply of Size 14 Bootleg Pants without a zip which will be sold for \$20 (RRP \$40). These will be on sale while stock lasts, on a first in first serve basis.

Uniform Orders: Order forms (dated January, 2018) can be completed and dropped in to the school office. 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.

School Banking

Thank you to Faith S, Boris S, Vicky G, Jesn L, Annie H, Wendy Y, Hazel S, Angel D, Kiko M, Wendy Y and Grace L for helping with school banking last week. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Redeeming reward items

For each deposit made at school students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once they have collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a School Banking reward item. There are rewards to appeal to kids of all primary school ages. Reward items have staggered release dates throughout the year and are only available once they are released and while stocks last.

Combining tokens with other children

This is referred to as token "pooling" and is not permitted. The program focuses on rewarding individual savings behaviour.

In it to win it

This year, School Banking is running a Super Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker and their family of up to two adults and three children to Hawaii.

The trip includes:

Return economy flights to Honolulu, Hawaii plus airport transfers 7 nights accommodation at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel staying in a Luxury Ocean Room, with beach views and breakfast included AU\$2,000 spending money.

How to enter

Simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018 to automatically receive an entry into the competition for a chance to win.



Fundraising



The Friday Before Good Friday Trivia and Pizza Night is a P&C initiative to raise money for our school. It is also a wonderful opportunity for parents, teachers and our community to get together and have some fun.

Jump online to book yourself a seat, or better yet, get a team together and book a table.

Please don't miss out, limited seating available.

www.trybooking.com/UESC

FRIDAY 23 MARCH 2018

6.30pm

Oatley West Public School Hall



When kids ask "the" questions...
Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate School Services presents
a special evening program (years 3-6 only)

Where:

When:

Time: Where did I come from? Preparing for puberty

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night

Session 1: Where did I come from? (1 hour session - Year 3-6 only)

This session educates children more about how their bodies work and the differences between males and females, including their understanding of conception, fertilisation, foetal development and the birth process

Session 2: Preparing for puberty (1 hour session - Years 5-6; Years 3-4 at parent's discretion)

This session prepares children and parents/caregivers for the physical, social and emotional changes associated with puberty, and addresses changing emotions and relationships with families and peers

cash only evening

Please **DO NOT** make any payments to the school or leave any money with the office.

This is a P&C organised event and the school office will **NOT** be accepting any payment for this event.

Please **arrive 20 minutes** before the commencement time to allow time for payment. We will be starting the sessions at 6.00pm and 7.15pm sharp.

All questions are to be directed to the OWPS P&C Committee

Email: oatleywestpublicschoolpc@outlook.com

