



OATLEY WEST Lantern

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Kindy Farm Excurison

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Mother's Day Stall

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Cross Country Yr 2 –6

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School Swimming Car-
nival Awards

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Fathering Project



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

MR NASH'S CORNER

Welcome to Term 2.

Teachers were back at school yesterday involved in professional learning in the Maths strand of the syllabus and other aspects of the curriculum. We look forward to a positive term.



Mr Waugh and Miss Morgan competing in a Maths challenge.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE AT OWPS

French Classes

French Classes are continuing in TERM 2. We had a great start in TERM 1 with the **intermediate and advanced students**. TERM 2, lessons will continue on a weekly basis
LEVEL 1 (Beginners students) (Kindy to Y2): **Fridays – 8 am to 9.15 am**
LEVEL 2 (Intermediate & Advanced students): **Tuesdays – 8 am to 9.15 am**. **TERM 2 is starting on Friday May 3th (LEVEL 1), on Tuesday April 30th (LEVEL 2).**

Enquiries please contact: Laurence (ldmaisonhaute@gmail.com)



VALUE FOR THE WEEK

RESPECT

Be polite, cooperative and sensible.
Treat people as you would like to be treated.
Accept and celebrate our differences.



Principal Nash continued

ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION

Many thanks to students and teachers who attended the Oatley Anzac Day Commemoration Service on Sunday 14th April.



BACK TO SCHOOL & SCHOOL UNIFORM

As Term Two approaches, it's time to check pencil cases and replenish any items that may have been lost or used such as glue sticks, scissors, erasers and rulers.

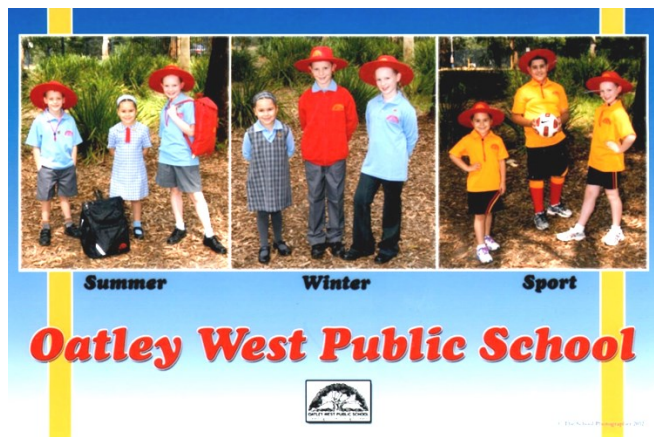
Please also ensure that your child has the correct school Winter uniform. Despite the Autumn warmth, the colder weather can set in quickly. Our school uniform can be purchased from our Uniform Shop on Thursday mornings from 9am to 10am at the end of G block. Any other option IS NOT Oatley West uniform.

Winter Uniform

The Winter Uniform is worn Monday to Thursday the day after Mother's Day (13 May).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT TO ENSURE WE HAVE THE BEST UNIFORM IN THE AREA.

Principal Nash continued



A little something I found on the internet worth considering:

Don't become preoccupied with your child's academic ability but instead teach them to sit with those sitting alone. **Teach them to be kind.** Teach them to offer their help. Teach them to be a friend to the lonely. Teach them to encourage others. Teach them to think about other people. **Teach them to share.** Teach them to look for the good. **This is how they'll change the world.**



Paul Nash



NAPLAN

NAPLAN (*National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy*) has been used as a benchmark in Literacy & Numeracy for student performance against national averages since 2008. The tests cover reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy. NAPLAN is an annual assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN tests skills that develop and improve over time. These are skills that should be continuously developed throughout the year and not just in the lead-up to NAPLAN. At our school we do not believe in the value of excessive preparation for NAPLAN beyond teaching the curriculum and familiarising students with the NAPLAN process.

NAPLAN Advice for parents:

- Encourage confidence - 'a can do attitude' and 'do your personal best attitude'.
- Prepare your child by encouraging them to go to bed early, having breakfast, have their water bottle and a nutritional lunch and snacks prepared; try to keep minimal stress levels at home; arrive at school on time.
- Keep perspective—this is just a test in time; just one form of assessment; success is not determined by a test.

Best of luck to our Years 3 and 5 participating in NAPLAN 14th-16th May. There is a catch up day on Friday 17th May.

Mrs Dimovska and Miss Aravanopoulos

SCRIPTURE—KINDERGARTEN ETHICS

Unfortunately at this stage we were unable to secure an Ethics teacher for Kindergarten. Therefore, these students will now be placed in Non—Scripture. Sorry for the inconvenience.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS 2020

Intention to apply for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020

Opportunity classes cater for academically gifted and talented students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test and school assessments. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Wednesday 31 July 2019**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2020, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **Tuesday 30 April 2019** at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

The application website opens on **Tuesday 30 April 2019** and closes on **Friday 17 May 2019**. You must apply by the due date. There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after **30 April 2019**.

You must submit only ONE application for each student. A note will be sent home to all year 4 students this week.

Assistant Principal (Stage 2)

Julia Dimovska

FATHERING PROJECT



The next Fathering Project night will be a Movie Night!

Please lock in 27th May 6pm-8pm. Spots will be limited due to space.

A note will come out early term 2 with all the information.

Miss Benita

SWIMMING CARNIVAL ASSEMBLY



On Wednesday 15th May, we will be presenting our school swimming carnival awards. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend. It will start at 2.15pm in the hall.

Please note: district swimming carnival awards will be given out at a later date.

Mr Griffiths - Swimming Carnival Coordinator

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL



Our school cross country carnival will take place on Wednesday 8th May (Week 2) at Gannons Park. Start time will be approximately 9.30am. Students will need to be at school at **8.45am on the day of the carnival to mark rolls.**

A permission note with further information is being sent home this week.

Mr Griffiths

Cross Country Coordinator



**On Tuesday 7th May 2019 School Club
will be holding the annual**

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

**The Stall allows children to purchase a special gift for
their mother and or grandmother while at the same time
raising money for our school.**

**Gifts are \$15.50 each with a RRP of considerably more and
come in a gift bag.**

**Gifts MUST be pre-ordered & paid by Flexischools!
There will be NO cash or cheque orders, please go to
www.flexischools.com.au to order. You do not need to
create an account you can order as a guest. Flexischools
orders will close Friday 3rd of May at 12 noon.**

**We encourage orders for both Mothers & Grandmothers
as gifts will suit both.**

**Children will have the opportunity to swap their gift if
their sibling has purchased the same one.**

**We will need volunteers to help on the day with packing
and selling gifts. Please meet in the hall at 9:30am - we
hope to have all gift selection done by recess at 11:15am.**