



OATLEY WEST Lantern

A NOTE FROM MRS CHAPPELL

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers and mother figures in the community. We hope you had a lovely day. We want our mothers to know that you are truly appreciated and that you make a great contribution to our school community in so many different ways, so thank you. We also wish to thank the School Club for organising the Mother's Day stall and the gifts supplied.

Term 2 Week 2 saw some students venturing outside the school gates with Kindergarten off to Calmsley Hill City Farm, a couple of Indigenous Australian students to Yarn Up (public speaking event) and Years 3-6 (plus 8-year-olds) to their Cross Country Carnival. All reports sound very positive for these events. Thank you to the teachers who take on these additional activities beyond the classroom. Without their dedication, these positive experiences for our students would not occur. When students leave our school grounds, it is a great opportunity to learn, have new experiences and display our school values.

Teacher professional learning included looking at writing and analysing English as an Additional Language/Dialect progressions. This is important to assist with providing the correct support for students. Teachers in K-2 are also working on Targeting Early Numeracy with demonstration lessons in classes on Thursday.

This week will be a busy one for our students in Years 3 and 5 with NAPLAN on the agenda. We want to stress that these tests are for a point in time assessment and not to be concerned about them. Please make sure your child has a good breakfast and not to worry. We have been teaching the students about mindfulness, so if your child gets anxious, ask them to use some of the strategies they have been learning about in class. If you have any concerns, please ask your class teacher. There has been information in the newsletters about NAPLAN, so also refer to these articles as well.

Have a great week! Neralie Chappell— Deputy Principal



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



VALUE FOR THE WEEK

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.



Mrs Chappell (continued)



This Friday 17 May is WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY. We ask students to walk to school with their parents or carers while learning to be safe, active and healthy. If you must use the car, try parking a bit of a distance from the school and walk the rest. We are hoping to encourage walking every day. This is supported by the government and they want us to also remind families that until children are 10 they must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.

FATHERING PROJECT

**Fathering Project - Monday Night Movie Filling up Fast!**

Monday 27th May 6pm in the hall.

\$5 per person includes popcorn, lolly bag and a drink. Please return the note and money to front office. There are **50 spots available** if you are intending to attend please return note and money asap. The flyer is attached to today's newsletter.

Miss Benita

YARN UP



On Monday the 6th May, we went to The Powerhouse Museum with Mrs Assad to learn tips on how to improve in public speaking. The aim of the day was to provide opportunities for Aboriginal students in Stage 3 to develop skills in impromptu speaking, public speaking and positive feedback. The next training day will be on 17th June where we will need to have a speech prepared about something we are passionate about. The big showcase will be held in August at The Parliament House where we will be given the opportunity to present our speeches at The Parliament House in front of lots of different schools and our families. We had such a great day and we learnt so much. We are both looking forward to the next two days!

Dominique (5/6 Blue) and Try (5/6 Orange)

LIBRARY NEWS



It was fantastic seeing students borrow some extra books to continue completing the PRC in the holidays. There is still plenty of time so keep reading!

Congratulations to the following students from years 3-6 for completing the PRC:

Hannah-Lee P.

Lewis H.

Katie L.

Hugh R.

Do you have craft bits and pieces and unsure of what to do with them?



We'll send them our way. At lunch students are able to make and create with supplies found in this magical box. We appreciate any donations and look forward to seeing what students create.

Miss Blake and Mrs Fitzpatrick

BOOK FAIR: Wednesday 22nd May until Friday 24th May

Coinciding with NSS, our annual OWPS Book Fair will be on

Wed 22nd May until Fri 24th May, in the Hall.



If you love reading, or have a special occasion or would like to donate a book to the school, please come along to the Book Fair and see the magic of books and reading. All books donated to the school, will have a special Bookplate inside the book, with your name inscribed on the Bookplate. Books will be at discounted prices. This is a wonderful and convenient opportunity to view some great books and choose one!

If you would like us to help your child select a book, please send a note, either with money or how much you would like to spend.

BOOK FAIR TIMES

DAY	BEFORE SCHOOL	2 ND LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 22 ND MAY	8.55 – 9.20	1.45 – 2.05	3.30 – 3.45
THURSDAY 23 RD MAY	8.55 – 9.20	1.45 – 2.05	3.30 – 3.45
FRIDAY DAY 24 TH MAY	8.55 – 9.20	1.45 – 2.05	N/A

SPORTS NEWS

District Netball

Congratulations to Amelia for making the Girls Georges River District Netball team. We wish her all the best for the gala day on Monday 20 May.

PSSA Sport Jersey Return

Teams who hired a jersey in Season 1 PSSA (*Girls Basketball - Seniors Only & Mixed AFL*) will need to return their jersey tomorrow - *Tuesday 14th May (Term 2 Week 3)*.

Jersey return will occur from 8:45am – 9.10 am on this date. Jerseys must be returned on these days. Any students who do not return their jersey on this due date must speak to Miss Ross immediately.

Students are to:

- * Ensure jersey is washed before returning;
- * Meet Miss Ross in the computer room during allocated time.

Students will have their money returned to be taken home to their parents/carers.

Season 2 3-6 PSSA Sport

Season 2 PSSA begins on Friday 31st May (Week 5). The sports are as follows:

Girls Netball – Miss Barca

Girls Soccer – Mr Griffiths

Boys Soccer – Miss Diwell

Boys Rugby League – Miss Ross

Mixed Newcombeball – Miss Aravanopoulos

A few important points for parents and students who make it into a PSSA this season:

- Lunch orders need to be placed into the students classroom lunch order basket prior to the 9.25am bell;
- Ensure you are at school on time. Your team needs you and buses leave promptly in the morning at 9.30am;
- BYOD devices are to be left at school;
- Students must wear a school hat to PSSA;
- Ensure you bring plenty of water;
- Students will return to school at approximately 12pm. They will be given a recess break until 12.30pm to allow them to have something to eat and go to the bathroom;
- If you intend to take your child home directly from the PSSA venue, please notify the team coach in the form of a note. You will be required to sign out your child on the team roll;

- Students participating at outdoor venues should use adequate sun protection, e.g. an SPF50+, broad spectrum, water resistant sun-screen reapplied regularly and a hat.

Season 2 School Sport 3-6 Other Options

Students who do not wish to trial for a PSSA team have the option to choose one of the following for their Friday morning sport:

- School Sport: remains at school with 3-6 teachers and participate in a variety of skill development and modified game activities;
- Yoga: remains at school and led by Mrs McDonald;
- Tennis; travels to local tennis courts and trained by professional coach. Notes were distributed last week by Miss Farrah - please return ASAP in order to secure your spot.

3-6 PSSA Trials Overview

Thank you to all the coaches who have volunteered to trial and take PSSA teams for Season 2. It is because of this dedication we are able to provide a number of sporting opportunities for our children.

Trials will occur on the following dates from 9.25am - recess:

Trial 1: Friday 17th May (Term 2 Week 3)

Trial 2: Friday 24th May (Term 2 Week 4)

With regards to the trials, the following applies:

- When selecting students during trials, consideration will be given to those who display ability and strong skill level, sportsmanship, Cooperation and attitude;
- Selections will be held over two sessions;
- Where there are two children of equal ability the child from the higher school grade will be selected;
- Children do not have to participate in this sport out of school to be eligible to try out for the team;
- The selections will be made according to performance solely on selection sessions;
- If a child is absent for one of the selection days, due to illness or other school commitments i.e. Zone sports or Selective High School Tests, then another training session will be held to determine if he/she is worthy of being selected. A medical certificate needs to be provided in case of illness;

SPORTS NEWS cont

- Students absent from school due to other reasons (for example: family holiday) will not be given an additional opportunity to trial;
- All teams will be selected by two teachers/selectors;
- Once selections have been made, decisions are final and must be respected.

3-6 PSSA Code of Conduct

The behaviour and attitude of our students while in the community reflect on our school and effect the safety and wellbeing of all participants. It is, therefore, essential that all students leaving the school grounds understand our expectations and abide by our Code of Conduct. Students will be provided with a PSSA Code of Conduct upon making a team. Please discuss and co – sign the Code of Conduct with your child to ensure a common understanding between students, staff and parents of Oatley West Public School. Participation in this activity is dependent on this Code being signed and adhered to.

A Parent/Spectator Code of Conduct will also be sent home. Students participate in PSSA during school hours and under the care and supervision of volunteer teachers. Parents and family members may attend sporting venues if they wish, but need to observe the Code of Conduct and follow the values of Oatley West Public School at all time.

Miss Ross

CAKE DAY

Wednesday 22nd May is Cake Day.

1/2 Yellow and 5/6 Orange are the classes providing the cakes. Thanks in advance to everyone who supplies the yummy treats. Don't forget to send your child with 50 cents.

Thanks from School Club

SPORTS NEWS cont



SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL PLUS CROSS COUNTRY AND DISTRICT SWIMMING ASSEMBLY Wednesday 15th May

Good news, our district swimming awards have arrived, therefore we will be presenting these at our whole school assembly this Wednesday. This will be in addition to our school swimming carnival awards.

Also, please be advised our **Cross Country** ribbons will also be handed out at this assembly (ribbons are given 1st-4th place)

Parents/Carers are welcome to attend. It will start at 2.15pm in the hall.

Mr Griffiths—Carnival Coordinator

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

DON'T FORGET!

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

orders are due:

WEDNESDAY 15 MAY

ORGANIC DIGGERS REPORT



The Diggers are continuing to harvest food on a weekly basis. The production garden is in full swing with pak choi, lettuces and kale being rapidly produced, taken home and eaten. This year the Diggers will provide the Flavours of Asia stall with mint, chives, edible flowers and pak choi for the community festival, in addition to supplying the canteen with fresh lettuces for school lunches. Our working bee will be held this Saturday 18th May between 10am-12pm. If you are able to help out for an hour or two, please fill out the note attached to this week's newsletter and return to Mr Burr.

Happy gardening!

Mr Burr

Organic Diggers co-ordinator

TOPOLOGY—MUSICA VIVA WORKSHOP



On the last day of term one, 12 students from our school participated in a Musica Viva workshop. It was a fantastic chance to gain knowledge about instruments and help compose new music, which will be included in a Musica Viva unit of work. We met students from other grades and wrote our very own songs! The name of the musical group we worked with was Topology. The musicians from Topology helped and encouraged us while we experimented with different instruments to suit our ideas and songs. Creativity was required from the minute we stepped into the workshop and started the program. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity, involving many fun and interesting activities. We experimented with various instruments and then heard professional musicians playing the same ideas back to us. Overall, it was a very enjoyable day for everyone. Many thanks to Mr Burr for giving us the chance to experience this aspect of music.

Dominique Mah 5/6 Blue

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. This onsite service would not be available without our wonderful volunteers.

All uniform requirements are outlined on the School website.

Winter Uniform - All students should now be wearing their Winter Uniform

Thank you – Many thanks to Bee M-B and Belinda P who volunteered at the Uniform Shop last week.

Volunteers wanted: Currently, Uniform Shop only has a few regular volunteers who help. If you have a spare hour on Thursday mornings from 9-10am, please consider volunteering at the Uniform Shop. Whether it's once a fortnight, month or term, all help is greatly appreciated.

NB: A Volunteers Working with Children check will be required if you wish to volunteer.

Plastic Bag Fee – Although we are endeavouring to be plastic bag free, **orders will now incur a \$0.25 charge where a plastic bag is required to deliver uniform to your child.** This fee will automatically be added to your payment. If payment is made by cash or cheque, please ensure this fee is added to your payment.

Uniform Orders: Order forms (dated January 2019) can be completed and dropped in to Letterbox 8 located in the front courtyard. 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, provided they are received prior to 9.30am on Thursday. 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.

SCHOOL BANKING

Thank you to Faith S, Annie H, Angel L and Tina Y for being generous with your time and helping with school banking last week!

School banking at OWPS is run by parents and we are desperately seeking new banking volunteers to help us with school banking each Thursdays.

If you like to help, please drop by the old canteen in the school hall on a Thursday morning just after the morning bell.

New School Banking rewards now available!

Exciting new Term 2 Polar Savers rewards are now available, while stocks last!



For every deposit made at school students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens, they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every Thursdays.

What other prizes are available to claim?

Glow light / Heat Reactor Pencils / Mighty Boom handball

Pencil Tech Case / Scented Stackable High Lighters

Snowy Origami Set / Sparkle Glitter Pens

Twister Power Handball / Volt Handball

Zoom Flying Disc

Prize claim forms are available at the school office or following link <https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/school-banking/2019-04/>

MOTHER'S DAY THANK YOU

Mother's Day Stall

On behalf of School Club we hope all the Mothers & Grandmothers had a wonderful day yesterday and enjoyed all of their Mother's Day Gifts.

We would like to take the time to say Thank you to all of those that made our stall possible last Tuesday.

Thank you to the office staff and Mr Eric for your assistance in getting the message out to you all and for helping on the day and lead up to the event.

Thank you to all the volunteers that worked so hard in choosing the gifts, packing the gifts and helping on the day ensuring that all the kids were happy with their selections.

Thank you, Wendy Y, Alex W, Clint W, Markus P, Rene G, Allison H, Jazz P, Mel R, Mandy H, Misuzu L, Kristy G, Belinda L, Rebecca L & Jacqui S for helping out on Tuesday, without you all we could not have made it run so smoothly.

Lastly, thank you to all the students who were so polite and well behaved, We hope your mums and grandmothers loved your choices xx

School Club xx



BBQ FUNDRAISER



Year 5 have been very lucky to snag the Election BBQ as their fundraiser for their 2020 Year 6 Party.

All money raised from the BBQ will go towards their party in 2020.

Although parents need to cook the BBQ, this is really the **kids' opportunity to raise as much money as they can** with their delicious baked goods and superior selling skills.

Please nominate a time for you and your child to come and help out at the BBQ.

Please sign up at

<https://signup.com/go/XvRzmMz>

Cake/ treat drop off is from 7:30am on Saturday.

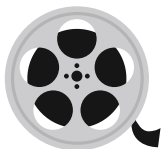
Any questions, please call Michelle Schafer on 0419 477 971 or Kym Coleman 0478 408 553.



Oatley West Public School in partnership with The Fathering Project invites you to our Dads and Kids' event:

MONDAY MOVIE NIGHT

27TH MAY 2019
6 PM IN THE HALL



\$5 per person includes popcorn, lolly bag and a drink. Please return the slip below with cash payment to the office by Wednesday 22nd May, however get in quick, spots are limited.. The movie will be G-rated.

OWPS Monday Movie Night RSVP

Please complete and return to school office. Spots are limited, \$5 per person

Family Name: _____

Class/es: _____ Number of people coming: _____

Cash payments in an envelope can be made via the money chute or box in the office

29/04/2019

School Garden Working Bee - Saturday 18th May 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

A community Working Bee will be taking place on Saturday 18th May in our school garden.

We will be weeding, mulching and preparing our produce garden. *Work will begin at 10.00am.* All adults attending must have a current Working with Children Check. www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check

There is no cost involved for the WWCC for volunteer applicants. No adults are permitted on site without a current WWCC.

Please return the slip below to Mr Burr by Friday 17th May.

Many thanks

L Burr

Organic Diggers Co-ordinator

School Garden Working Bee - Saturday 18th May 2019

I / we (names) _____ intend on participating in the **Organic Diggers Working Bee** on **Saturday 18th May 2019**. My child(ren) _____ from class(es) _____ are attending. There will be _____ children with us.

Working With Children Check

☐ I / we are already on the school system.

☐ I / we have a current Working with Children Check(s).

Clearance Number(s): # _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____



ACTIVE KIDS ARE SMARTER KIDS



FRIDAY 17 MAY 2019



**Until they're ten, children must always hold
an adult's hand when crossing the road**

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