



The Oakdale Newsletter

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Dates to remember



Coming up in November

- *28th Last 3-6 assembly
- *29th Principal's Morning Tea (last for the year)

Coming up in December

- *2nd Swim School starts
- *2nd 3-6 Social Christmas theme
- *3rd Last Scripture (Combined) 11.00am start
- *4th Camden High Orientation
- *5th Parent Helper Morning Tea 11.30 library
- *9th Year 5 speeches for Captain
- *11th Year 6 Farewell
- *12th Year 6 Fun Day
- *13th K-2 Social and Christmas Fun Day(during the day)
- *13th Swim School ends
- *16th Presentation Day
- *17th Big Day In
- *18th Last day of school

Coming up in January 2014

- *28th Jan – Staff return (Staff Development Day)
- * 29th Jan - Students return



**Planning today to create
a brighter future**

From the Principal's desk

Students from Years 2 to 6 completed a survey about the school. Their responses were as follows:

94.95% of students felt safe at school. Asked if they felt they were listened to when they had an issue 40% replied Almost always, 38% Usually, 16% Sometimes and 6% Rarely. Most students felt happy in their own classrooms 46.46% almost always, 34.34% usually, 18.18% Sometimes and 1.01% Rarely. Asked if students could complete the set work in the classroom 46.94% said they could, 29.59% responded that they could usually do it, 22.45% Sometimes and 1.02% Rarely. The responses to being happy at Oakdale PS were 41.41% are very happy, 29.29 are usually happy and 22.45 Sometimes and 4.08% Rarely. 73.47% of students believe we deal with playground issues fairly, 22.5% Sometimes and 4.08% Rarely. There was a resoundingly positive response of 91.67% to the school offering a wide variety of activities for students to participate in. Only 8.33% believed we could do more and of those students 4.08% did not participate in the activities on offer.

Students suggested we could have more cooking, volleyball, rugby league on the agenda. They also wanted a fitness area and a pool built. Unless we have someone in the community related to the Packers I don't know that I can see the pool in our 2014 budget!

Swimming Scheme starts on Monday, don't forget to send your child with swimmers, a towel and cap in a plastic bag if possible!



TREASURE CHEST

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO RECENTLY VISITED THE TREASURE CHEST. YOU HAVE ALL BEEN TRYING VERY HARD TO DO YOUR BEST IN CLASS.

KB	Jacob Burley, Ashley Barnes, Esther Brown, Reagan Austin, Ella-May Dern, Georgia Griffin, Bindi Woods, Isabel Nash, Claire Sproule, David Milne,
2HI	Jasmine Griggs, William Milne, Joel Graham, Jessica Webber
5F	Shaylee Robinson, Maddison Hartshorne

OAKDALE SPORTING NEWS

REPRESENTATIVE OZTAG

More fantastic news was received this week with seven Oakdale Players selected to play representative Oztag at the junior State Cup at Fairy Meadow in early February. The seven players are **Macie Carlile, Harrison Meredith, James Burley, Josh Towner, Emmitt Carlile, William Salzmann** and **Lachlan Burley**. Congratulations to all and best of luck in the tournament.

RAZORBACK PSSA CRICKET

This Friday four girls will try out for the Razorback Zone PSSA cricket squad at Tahmoor. **Aislinn D'Arcy, Jami Roberts, Caitlan McSavaney** and **Tori Davis** have been practising hard at their skills and taking inspiration no doubt from Australia's first test win in 10 matches this week. **William Salzmann** will also try out next week for the boys' division at Mount Annan. As previously reported William is having a fine season with the bat and ball at 'weekend' cricket and we wish him and the girls good luck at the trials.

RAZORBACK PSSA ZONE SWIMMING

In an unexpected and perhaps belated surprise, Oakdale were victorious in the Small Schools Handicap Division at the Zone Swimming Carnival back in Term 1 this year. We had approximately 21 swimmers attend both days, with the majority of our points tally coming from Macie and Emmitt Carlile. As always, it was a team effort and individual participation points added to the school result. Well done all Zone swimmers.

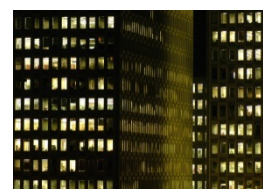
Students Attending Oakdale PS

If you are aware of any new students who will be starting Oakdale PS next year and you know they have not notified the school please ask them to ring the school as soon as possible. We need to start organising classes now and need to have some indication of what classes these students will be in.

Primary Big Blueys

Term 4 Week 7			
3B	4L	5F	6WF
Calix Rowland x 2 Hayley Underwood Charlie Roberts Mitchell Welsh x 2 Kate Foster	Mikayla Ashman William Salzmänn Anastacia Xegas Kalani Wymer Jake Austin	Ryan Ballard x 2 Erika Thornton Kye Dingle Hassan Dirani Alicia Campbell Maddison Hartshorne	Thomas Ballard Tiffany Brincat Corey Burton x 3

Rydgcs Raffle



We have our final fundraiser for the year our Rydgcs Raffle which is valued at \$962. The prize package includes a two night stay in the city, with breakfast for 2 adults and 2 children. A Taronga Zoo pass and fuel card valued at \$200 is also included. Each family is asked to sell one booklet and send the money in as soon as they are sold. There are 20 tickets at a cost of \$2.00 each so each booklet is \$40.00. Unsold tickets need to be sent back as well. The prize will be drawn at our Presentation Day Assembly on the 16th December. **All tickets and money must be returned by 2nd December. Each booklet sold will receive a discount voucher and the chance to win an iPod Shuffle**