



The Oakdale Newsletter

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Dates to remember



Coming up in June

- *5th - *ICAS Science
- *5th – P&C Meeting 2.30pm
- *5th – Mrs Green and Mrs Berger at Leadership Conference
- *6th – Year 5 to Camden HS Discovery Day
- *7th – Book Fair
- *10th – Public Holiday
- *13th – Regional Cross Country
- *17th – ICAS Writing
- *19th – Science Excursion 3-6
- *21st – Gala Day
- *24th – Social 3-6
- *25th – Social K-2 in school time (character dress up)
- *26th – Hot dog day
- *27th – AGM 1.30pm (P&C)
- *27th – AOM Assembly
- *27th - Reports sent home
- *28th – Bullying Performance



Reminders:

- *Pie and Lamington Drive finalised
- *Camp notes and money
- *Bullying Performance note and money
- *Book Fair purchase a book, come in mufti and have your photo taken
- * Send your Woollies stickers/sheets back now!

Book Club orders close on Friday 7th June, all bonus points going to the Library.

From the Principal's Desk:

I would like to reiterate the philosophy behind the direction the school is heading. Long term the staff and I want to make Oakdale Public School the best possible choice of a school for your child. We are aiming to do this in two ways:

By creating a nurturing environment where all students feel valued and receive a comprehensive, well-rounded education that takes into account the individual needs and talents of the child. Two by building the capacity of all teachers in the school to deliver high quality learning programs. In order for staff to keep up with the changes in educational practice there is a continual need for staff to be retrained. As you would expect a doctor to keep up with the latest advances in their field, so should the expectation be there for us, as we are the ones dealing with your child on a daily basis; making choices about their social, emotional and educational wellbeing. I may be biased but I know our new approach is seeing more students reach their potential in sporting, academic, creative and behavioural areas.

Parents are reporting they are more informed when their child is not meeting expectations and that they have been invited to be part of the process to assist their child work through issues.

The processes in the school are very transparent as we have nothing to hide. Parents and students are encouraged to ask questions about what is happening in the school and we will gladly answer them. It is not my school – it is our school.

Multicultural Public Speaking Competition

The Multicultural Public Speaking finals will be held on the 20th, June at Picton Public School. Students chosen to represent our school in the next round are Imogen Ramp, Hayley Underwood, Aislinn D'Arcy and Jami Roberts. Congratulations!

Premier's Spelling Bee



The four students representing us in the Premier's Spelling Bee this year are Aislinn D'Arcy, Jessica Fordham, Zoe Palmer and Reanna Thornton.

S.T.A.M.P OUT BULLYING PERFORMANCE

At Oakdale Public School it is our aim to be proactive about dealing with the issue of bullying. Each year we will have a performance at school that highlights what bullying is and what can be done to prevent it. The cost per student is \$4 and the performance will be held on 28th, June. Ideally we would like to see every student attending. If you need support to ensure your child's attendance please ring Mrs Green.



Hot Dog Day

The canteen committee are organising a hot dog day in the last week of school this term. This will be organised for Wednesday, 26th June.

Playground Markings brighten up our asphalt areas

Our playground markings are finally complete. We ordered these over one year ago and because the company are so busy we had to wait a long time. Teachers will use these as a teaching tool and the students will enjoy them in the breaks.



Chewing Gum

We would appreciate it if students did not bring chewing gum to school. It has been found stuck to desks, concrete etc. and is very hard to remove. Thanks for your support in this matter.

Peer Support Update

Congratulations to Peer Support Leaders and Co-Leaders for very their very successful start to Peer Support! All of the groups are having fun working through activities based on the unit *"Being Positive"*. There has been lovely positive feedback from all of the teachers about how well the groups interact together. The leaders and co-leaders are enthusiastic, organised and modelling effective, positive leadership. The program will continue for the rest of the term and a Peer Support K-6 lunch is planned for next term.

Ms Fuller



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	Phoenix Chelin, Zoe Peters, Joel Harvey x2, Ashley Barnes, Kassidy Halliday, Chris Xegas, Christopher Fordham,
1C	Ike Sanderson, Jeremy Sanderson, Bowyn Scott
5F	Brandon Takiari

Learning and Support Report

The year has started out in a busy way. My support timetable is varied and stretches across the school. In 1C, I am help with the children's motor skills. The program aims at promoting hand strength which in turn improves handwriting.

In 2HI, I am assisting with the development of maths concepts. In 6MW, I am assisting with spelling and am delivering a resilience program which is aimed at providing children with valuable skills to take onto High School.

On the two days that I am here, I run a boys and girls group at lunch time. During these groups, children come along and discuss issues they may be having at school. The boys have

been making wind whirlies for the garden and will be moving onto candle making in the next few weeks.

The girls have just completed a cross stitch project which are displayed in the foyer, and will be moving onto quilling for card making. The remainder of my time is spent on reading with children who are under level 30, and organising home reading for them. I am also available for on the spot issues involving children. I can be contacted at the school on Thursdays and Fridays if any assistance with your child is required.

Thank you

Sharyn Kaapro

Big Blueys

KB	IC	2HI
Term 2 Week 5	Term 2 Week 5	Term 2 Week 5
Joel Harvey, Phoenix Chelin Zahli Hoare X2, Isabel Nash Kuljas Kapoor X3 Reagan Austin X2 Chris Fordham X3 Ashley Barnes X2 Georgia Griffin, Lily Hooper Kassidy Halliday X3 Ella-May Dern, Claire Sproule Zoe Peters X3, David Milne	Bowyn Scott X2 Joshua Ryan Ike Sanderson Suvi Lehtonen Zac Crawford X2 Jeremy Sanderson Breeanna Austin Nash Brackenrig Niamh D'Arcy X2	Anthony Roth X3 Emily Ballard Bella Payne X2 Madelyn Russell Kailyn Harvey X2 Jessica Webber Dylan Palmer
Student of the Week: Reagan Austin	Student of the Week: Suvi Lehtonen	Student of the Week: Bella Payne

OAKDALE SPORTING NEWS

MORE PSSA RAZORBACK SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS!

This time it is softball! **Harrison Meredith** recently competed in the Zone PSSA Softball Carnival at Camden. Not only did Razorback come away victorious, but **Harrison** performed extremely well to make the Regional team. This is an outstanding effort with some 96 players taking part. The state carnival is being held in September at Canberra.

In other news **Macie Carlile** competed last week in the PSSA State Soccer Carnival at Wyong over three days. The Sydney South-West team finished 5th overall, with **Macie** being runner-up in the players' player award. **Ryan Ballard** also competed in his first PSSA Zone Carnival in Rugby Union last Wednesday. Razorback finished 7th and **Ryan** showed great pride and enthusiasm on the day.

RAZORBACK GALA DAYS

Beautiful conditions prevailed for the Soccer, Netball and AFL 'A' Gala Day on Friday at Tahmoor and Bargo. Around 70 students represented the school, and showed exemplary behaviour and sportsmanship. A special mention goes to the Year 3 students who participated in their first Gala Day and showed great enthusiasm and skill.

Congratulations to the Junior and Senior Soccer teams who both came away winners on the day. Supercoach Mr Luckman reports that both teams played with great game sense and sportsmanship throughout the day. Although our Senior and Junior netballers found it harder to score victories, their smiling faces at the end of the day shows they had great time – win, lose or draw. Our AFL participants played in a non-competitive round-robin. For many of the children, it was their first taste of AFL and it was fantastic to see a lot of different goal scorers from both teams.

Finally, as always some big thankyou's go to our parent helpers. Mr and Mrs Stack provided some great 'cat herding,' 'slushie line supervision' and 'stop-gap tailoring' at the AFL, Mrs Beard more than ably assisted Mr Luckman at Soccer along with Mrs Box who was a fantastic help for Ms Walsh at Netball.

On such a warm day, it was also thoughtful of Mr and Mrs Knight to provide water bottles for the soccer teams and Mr Dirani from Foodworks Supermarket, who provided everyone with mandarins.

The next Gala Day is on Friday 21st June (Week 8.) Teams will be selected this week, with preference given to those students who did not participate at last week's Gala Day.

AFL SENIORS: Taylor-Lee Johns; Amy-Rose Ciampa; Alicia Campbell; Jaide Curtis; Hassan Dirani; Ryan Ballard; Kye Dingle; Dylan Newham; Scott Dimech; Casey Ramp; Malcolm Dalton; Brandon Takiari

AFL JUNIORS: Lachlan Brincat; Noah Meredith; Mitchell Welsh; Cooper Taylor; Liam D'Arcy; Hayden Peters; Brandon Baker; Thomas Dalton; Bilal Dirani; Ethan Stack; Jakob Medley; Reanna Thornton; Imogen Ramp; Anastacia Xegas; Ebonnie Brincat

SOCCER SENIORS: Jami Roberts; Macie Carlile; Tom Ballard; Jackson Walker; James Burley; Corey Burton; Adrian Van der Meer; Oscar Roche; Harrison Meredith; Joshua Towner; Blake Harris; Tiffany Brincat; Joshua Prout

SOCCER JUNIORS: Emmitt Carlile; William Salzmänn; Caitlan McSavaney; Chelsea Nink; Tori Davis; Shainnae Knight; Jesse Beard; Lachlan Burley; Joshua Young; Zac Harding

NETBALL SENIORS: Shaylee Robinson; Erika Thornton; Aislinn D'Arcy; Maddison Hartshorne; Sarah Hooper; Madison Box; Darcie Roche; Jessica Fordham; Chloe Jensen; Tori Torrisi

NETBALL JUNIORS: Cody Beard; Charlie Roberts; Olivia Bunce; Kate Foster; Caitlyn Hartshorne; Anastasia Lalic; Hayley Underwood; Amy Hooper; Brooke Campbell; Miki Ashman

PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENGE

Our school has registered for the 2013 Premier's Sporting Challenge. The purpose of the Challenge is to encourage students to participate in sport, games and physical activity and to have *more students, more active, more often!* Over a ten week period (started Term 2 Week 5 and end Term 3 Week 5) our school will be monitoring physical activity we do during class time, at recess and lunch as well as during sport. What we do outside school hours will also count towards the Challenge award for our school.

Each student completing the Challenge will receive a personalised certificate from the Premier of New South Wales.

I know our students are really looking forward to participating in the Challenge and having fun along the way!

Mr Barr