

# Orana Heights Public School

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### From the Principal

At present we are organising for 2014. As mentioned in previous newsletters student enrolments have a direct impact on the teacher numbers in a school. As has been the case in the last few years our numbers are right on the "borderline" for 20 or 21 classes therefore we are going to have to set the school up for two scenarios i.e. 20 classes or 21 classes. Our final numbers are sent to Sydney at the end of Week 2 in Term One therefore classes will not be finalised until the commencement of Week Three.

It was pleasing to have schools send us positive messages about the behaviour of some of our 3-6 PSSA teams last week. PSSA is a privilege for the students and it was great to hear about the responsibility shown by our teams. Well done.

At present I am having the concrete areas of the school cleaned. This has not been done for a long time and we are fortunate that Dubbo College South Campus has an industrial cleaner we were able to borrow. If you see water around the buildings of an afternoon this is what it is from.

School contributions are a revenue stream which is important in the management of the school. These are used for the payment of staples such as books, pencils, library books and other class requisites. We will be sending home a reminder to those families who have not made this payment in the coming week. Please think about this as a way of supporting the school. If your child is having music/band lessons, fees must be paid on or before the first day of each term.

Information nights are being held at both Dubbo College, Delroy Campus and Dubbo College, South Campus tomorrow night. Parents of Year 6 students are strongly encouraged to attend these. Both Mr Thompson (Principal, South) and Mrs Exner (Principal, Delroy) are extremely approachable and will be able to answer any questions you may have.

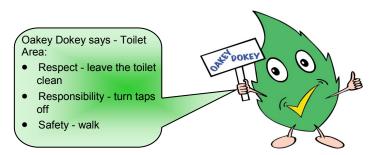
Yesterday the school held a Remembrance Day Service. This was run by the SRC and attended by all students.

**Save the night**: Orana Heights Public School Presentation Night will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December in the hall at Dubbo College, Senior Campus (off Yarrandale Road). We look forward to seeing everyone there. *Craig Renneberg* 

Quote of the week: "Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always try just one more time". Thomas Edison

#### **Year 2 Swimming School**

Year 2 swimming commences on Monday 25 November. All money is to be finalised by Wednesday 20 November 2013. *Gaylene Barker* 



#### Rhino Day

Last Thursday our school celebrated Rhino Day. Students came out of uniform in grey, black and white to represent rhino colours/species and we raised \$420 towards Rhino conservation. Students who donated money went into a draw to win a plush rhino toy and family tickets to the zoo.



Tully Pittock won the tickets and Sophia Nuguid won the toy, both girls are from Kinder Red.

We also unveiled a half completed Rhino as part of our Wild! Rhino competition. Students have cut out pictures from magazines that have been collaged/decoupaged onto the rhino. The images represent the things that need to be conserved in order for rhinos to survive. They need food such as grass and trees, the Savannah they call home and water to drink. Stay tuned for pictures of the completed rhino!

### Orana Heights After School Care & Vacation Care Program

We have recently undertaken the Ranking and Assessment Process for the Australian Children's Education & Care Quality Authority.

The seven areas assessed were: Educational Program Practice, Physical Environment, Staffing Arrangements, Relationships with Children, Collaborative Partnerships with Families & Communities and Leadership & Service Management. The outcome... we passed with flying colours. Well done to the team of educators at Orana Heights After School Care.

We are holding an auction night to "Help Us Build Our New Home"

When: Friday 15 November 2013

Time: 6pm

Venue: Western Star Hotel, Courtyard
Price: \$20 per person (includes a main meal)

For more information please contact Cathy on 0432 619 151.

#### **Year Six News**

Orders for the Year 6 Graduation Bears/Footballs are due by Thursday 14 November. Please note late orders will not be accepted.

Your are able to view the bears and footballs on the following website: www.schoolgifts.com.au

## Student's Health Forms

There are still a number of students who have not returned medical forms. This is a Departmental requirement, even if a student has no known medical issues. If you require a form please contact the office or they are available for you to download off our website.

#### Recipe Book

Orders will soon close. If you would like to order a recipe book please do so at the office.

## **Term 4 Planner**

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
6	11 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	12 Exec Mtg 1.30-2.50 Kindystart 1.30-2.30 Uniform Shop	13 Dream Cricket Gala Day	14	15
7	18 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	19 Exec Mtg 1.30-2.50 Kindystart 1.30-2.30 Uniform Shop	20	21	22 Cricket Trials 12.30-1.25 K-2 Assembly 2.05-3pm Yrs 3-6 Assembly
8	25 Yr 2 Swimming School 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	26 Exec Mtg Yr 2 Swimming School	27 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop Yr 2 Swimming School	28 Yr 2 Swimming School Special Ed - Ten Pin Bowling Excursion	29 Yr 2 Swimming School
December 9	2 Yr 2 Swimming School 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	3 Exec Mtg Yr 2 Swimming School 6pm Presentation Evening 7pm P&C Mtg	4 Yr 2 Swimming School 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	5 Yr 2 Swimming School AECG Mtg—Dubbo South PS	6 Yr 2 Swimming School
10	9 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	10 Exec Mtg 10-11am Free Concert	11 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	12 Yr 6 Farewell	13 12.30-1.25 K-2 Assembly 2.05-3pm Yrs 3-6 Assembly
11	16 Stage 3 Big Day Out 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop	17 Exec Mtg	18 2.30-3.30 Uniform Shop Last day for students	19 Staff Development Day	20 Staff Development Day

# Congratulations to the following Award Winners

## **Oakey Dokey Achievers**

Annalyce Minett Madison O'Connor Kye McNaughton Kevin Derrick Jack Byrne Jordan-Kyle Nurcombe Kassey Moore Jack Holden Caitlin Petrie **Chase Cubby** Mery Gharibi Tamaryn Alchin-Wheeler Lucinda Holmes Gabrielle Dowling Isaac Luckie Jessica Carr Nicholas Taylor Nerida Hayne Ashlea Adamson Jacob Wirth Denise Villanueva Dilan Mohammedhogrre Abby Duce Brianna Knox Gabrielle Peterson

Honour

Raquel Irwin Karla Saffy Shaneille Wathen Nicole Blenkiron x2

**Distinction** Broc Brimley

## P&C News

**Next Monthly Meeting** is on Wednesday 11 December at 6.00pm at the South Dubbo Tavern. This will be our last meeting for the year. As in previous years we all stay on for dinner following the meeting. Everyone is welcome.

**Canteen** - Monday Meal Deal – for the month of *November* is a cheese or egg salad box and a popper for \$4.50. Simply complete your lunch bag as usual and place in the box located at the canteen on Monday mornings. Please remember to include your child's class when completing your lunch orders. Tea towels – any donation of new tea towels would be greatly appreciated.

**Uniform Shop - Most items will rise in price by \$2**. As previously mentioned, our supplier has increased the prices of uniforms. We have stocked up and will endeavour to keep prices as they are until the end of the year. As the shop is run by volunteers of the P&C, any profit made on the sale of uniforms goes directly back into the school toward resources for our children. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

## K-2 Dance







## Yr's 3-6 Dance













Mitchell Ashford (above) who represented Western NSW at State Cricket in Bathurst last week.

**Term 4 PSSA Sport** - There are only 4 weeks left of PSSA sport. Please pay any outstanding bus money as soon as possible.

Time: 9-11am

Wear: Sports uniform, joggers, hat and sunscreen Bring: Water bottles & \$3.50 (if catching a bus)

## **Dubbo District Cricket Team**

Congratulations George Munro, Jesse Spang and Nisarg Amin on your selection in the Dubbo District Cricket Team. The boys will play again on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November where they will be vying for a spot in Western NSW cricket team for 2014. Good luck boys. *Yours in Sport, Mrs Hall*