



# Orana Heights Public School

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Welcome to our new  
Kindergarten students.  
All the students have  
settled in well are  
having a great time.



## Principal Message:

To all out new and existing families - welcome to the 2019 school year.

- ◆ Water bottles are permitted in classrooms and there are now two refill stations located in the playground for student use.
- ◆ Birch Street carpark - the designated disabled car spaces are relocated due to the new classroom. Be aware that these are monitored by local police and can incur fines if not used correctly.
- ◆ During the heat students are offered alternative activities and spaces during the lunch break.
- ◆ Parent/teacher interviews will be held in Week 8 (Wednesday 20 March 2019). If you would like to see your child's class teacher before this, please call the school number to make a mutually convenient time.
- ◆ Students are not supervised in the playground before 8.30am. Please make alternative arrangements before this time.
- ◆ Scripture lessons start in class this week. If you do not want your child to participate, please put this in writing to your child's class teacher. Your child will be provided with substitute class work.
- ◆ Stage 3 excursions are booked in and deposits and payments are being taken at the office.

Quote: "A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new," - Albert Einstein.

Annie Munro

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**Parent Teacher Interviews** - Will be held on Wednesday 20 March 2019. Booking details will be distributed in Week 6.

**Class Dojo** - information has been sent to those participating classes. An agreement of use form needs to be signed and returned to your child's class teacher in order to receive an invitation to join.

**NAPLAN** - Orana Heights Public School students in Years 3 & 5 will complete their NAPLAN online in 2019. They will complete a practice test in Week 9 this term.

## Term 1 - 2019 Planner

<i><b>Week</b></i>	<i><b>Mon</b></i>	<i><b>Tue</b></i>	<i><b>Wed</b></i>	<i><b>Thu</b></i>	<i><b>Fri</b></i>
<b>2</b>	4	5	6	7 SRC Induction	8
<b>3</b>	11	12	13	14 5pm Twilight Swimming Carnival	15
<b>4</b>	18	19	20	21	22 12.30pm K-2 Assembly 2.05pm Yrs 3-6 Assembly
<b>5</b> <i><b>Feb/Mar</b></i>	25	26	27	28 5pm Twilight District Swimming Carnival	1 Clean Up Australia

## An invitation to playgroup

Dear Parents and Carers,

Orana Heights PS is starting a playgroup for existing families who attend our school. The aim of this program is to get to know our families and future students in a friendly, welcoming environment while becoming familiar with the school.

**What** OHPS Playgroup

**When** Friday mornings 9:00 to 10:30am

**Who** Preschool siblings and parents of existing students at OHPS

**Where** Early Intervention classroom

**The first playgroup morning will commence on Friday 8 February 2019.**

Morning tea and activities for the children will be provided.

We look forward to meeting families and encourage everyone to come along. Please see Mrs Neave at school if you are interested in attending.



## School Twilight Swimming Carnival

**Date:** Thursday 14 February 2019

**Time:** 5-7pm (warm up 4.30pm, first marshalling call 4.50pm)

**Venue:** Dubbo Aquatic Centre

**Cost:** \$3.80 per person

**Entries:** Students will select events at school. Students must be able to swim 50m independently to enter events.

Students may dress in house colours.

**NO** – coloured zinc, face paint, crepe paper, coloured hair spray, water bombs or blow up toys.

No commercial food (McDonalds etc).

Students must remain in the grandstand when not competing.

Sports equipment eg: soccer balls must not be brought into pool area.

The pool canteen will be open.

Parent help is needed. Please contact Mrs Hall if you are able to help.

## Uniform Opening Hours 2019

Wednesdays - 8.30 - 9.30am

Fridays - 2.30 - 3.30pm

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**Great News!** Our school now has a mobile phone app. The app will give you the ability to instantly access newsletters without going to the website, send in a sick note while you stand outside the school because you forgot to write a paper note and receive reminders about school activities! To get started, download it to your smartphone by going to either the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Market and search for **ORANA HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL**. Once you have found it press install or download. We will be sharing other features with you over the coming weeks.

## REGISTER

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## CANTEEN

A new menu is in operation at the canteen. A copy has been sent home with this newsletter. Please note changes to menu options and prices.

Volunteers are urgently needed for the breakfast program from 8am-9am in the canteen. The canteen currently offers breakfast options for students at very reasonable prices; however this program depends on volunteers. If you can regularly spare some time when dropping students off please contact the P&C via email or speak to Deb at the canteen.

The canteen is also in need of volunteers during the day. Duties include serving students, food preparation and cleaning. Again, please contact the P&C via email or speak to Deb at the canteen if you are able to help.

If you order an ice-block with lunch, please bring your bag back to the canteen to collect the ice-block.

## FLEXISCHOOLS

During the month of February, the canteen is offering a free bag tag with all lunch orders made via Flexischools. This will continue while stocks last. We appreciate parents using Flexischools as it makes it easier for canteen staff to process orders.

### Place school canteen lunch orders online with Flexischools

Flexischools is a well-established organisation allowing you to easily place all your canteen orders online at any time.

Download the Flexischools app from the App store or Google Play <https://www.flexischools.com.au/mobile-app> for details on how to set up your account

Once registered, you can start placing orders immediately. If you have any questions, please contact the Flexischools Customer Service Team on **1300 361 769**, or you can contact them via their website.

## AGM

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of the Orana Heights Public School P&C Association ABN 77421310892 will be held:

**Date:** Tuesday, 5 March 2019

**Time:** 6pm

**Venue:** Orana Heights Public School staffroom Oak Street Dubbo NSW 2830

New members are most welcome to attend.

## Newsletter Distribution

- ◆ The newsletter is available via the Website or our App (App information on the previous page).
- ◆ Hardcopies of the newsletter will be given to every student this week and next week.
- ◆ If you require a hard copy or an emailed copy of the newsletter in the future please fill out the form below.
- ◆ Please return the note to your child's teacher by Friday 15 February 2019

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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