



Orana Heights Public School

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OHPS Netball Team

On Wednesday 3rd April, the Orana Heights Public School Knockout Netball Team played Wellington Public School.

We had a convincing win, scoring 51-0. Well done to all the girls, who showed incredible sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr Chatfield and Mrs Hall for transporting students to the game. A big thank you to all our parent support and cheer squad on the day. Our next game will be against Dunedoo Central School this term.



Pictured above - students participating in the ANZAC March. Well done to those students who marched.

Pictured right - Year 6 students on their way to their Sydney excursion. Everyone had a great time at the Sydney Academy.



From the Principal's Desk

- **Welcome back** to Orana Heights for Term 2. I hope you and your families have enjoyed the autumn break. Also welcome to the new families joining our school.
- There have been a few **changes to our staffing** over the holidays. I would like to welcome Miss Phoebe Horrell back to OHPS. Miss Horrell will be teaching classes during their RFF time each week. There have also been SLSOs (Teachers' Aides) gain permanent employment at the new school in Dubbo - Yawarra Community School. We wish Katie Johnston and Corrina Lindner well and thank them for all their work at OHPS in the past years.
- Students who are 8 years and older will have the opportunity to complete **athletics trials** later this term in preparation for the carnival early Term Three. Information regarding this will come at a later date.
- In this newsletter are some points regarding **conduct for adults and students at PSSA Friday sports**. Please take the time to read this with your child/ren in Years 3 to 6.
- **Please read the calendar** closely as there are several events taking place this month.
- During the holidays, some families may have received letters regarding their child/ren's **attendance**. This letter is a part of the "Education Act" where schools are to monitor and communicate with families any attendance issues. Our school lets parents know when a child's attendance falls below 90%. It is not a question as to if absences are explained and/or justified, it is a method of communication about how we value your child's education.
- With cooler mornings- please dress your child in the **appropriate school jumper** or jacket. These are available through our online ordering and will be delivered to the student at school. It is important to name items as at this time of year we see students shedding layers as the day warms.
- If you have any items of suitable uniform no longer needed- these are appreciated as **donations to our clothing pool**. Pre-loved clothing is a great option for growing people.
- Hoodies of any type are a safety concern during play. If your child owns a jumper from Western or State athletic representation - please encourage this to be worn outside school hours.

Annie Munro

Quote: "The highest result of education is tolerance." – Helen Keller

NAPLAN information for Parents/Carers with students in Years 3 and 5.

From May 14 to May 24, our school will participate in NAPLAN Online. A separate information page has been sent home with all students in Years 3 and 5.

One of the main features of the NAPLAN Online format is that it is a tailored (or adaptive) test. The tailored test provides a more precise assessment of your child's performance in the areas of reading, language conventions (grammar, spelling and punctuation) and numeracy by adapting to responses. As your child progresses through the test, questions may be easier or more difficult, to better assess his or her ability. Your child should not be concerned if he or she finds the questions more difficult than expected – the pathway may be more challenging.

Many of the same questions appear in both paper and online tests, but not every student doing the online test will be answering the same questions in the same order.

Your child's NAPLAN results and scores are based on the number **and** complexity of questions he or she has answered correctly.

If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, please contact your child's teacher.

For more info:

[learn how to support your child during NAPLAN](#)

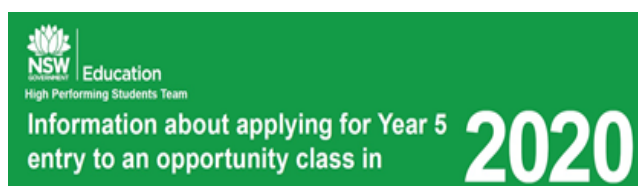
[read more information for parents and carers](#)

[view types of questions on the public demonstration site](#)

[access translations of the parent information brochure](#)

[watch a video that explains the NAPLAN Online tailored test](#)

[download the frequently asked questions on tailored testing](#)



What are opportunity classes?

Opportunity classes located in 75 NSW government primary schools cater for Year 5 and Year 6 academically gifted and talented students. These classes help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students and using specialised teaching methods and educational materials at the appropriate level.

Important dates: You must apply online by Friday 17 May 2019. The application site will close at 10pm on 17 May 2019. The closing date will be strictly observed except where there is a shortage of suitable candidates or where extenuating circumstances are serious and well documented.

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020?

You must apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Term 2 - 2019 Planner

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 <i>April/ May</i>	29 Staff Development Day 9-12pm Uniform Shop Open	30	1	2 ANZAC Service	3 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
2	6	7 6pm P&C Meeting Cross Country	8	9 Mother Day Stall	10 ES1 Mother's Day Morning Tea & Craft 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs 3-6)
3	13 Knockout Soccer	14 NAPLAN Online Passport to Success - Yr6	15 NAPLAN Online Passport to Success - Yr6	16 NAPLAN Online	17 NAPLAN Online 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
4	20 NAPLAN Online	21 NAPLAN Online Passport to Success - Yr6	22 NAPLAN Online AVID Test - Senior Campus Passport to Success - Yr6	23 NAPLAN Online	24 NAPLAN Online 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
5	27 SRC Camp Brian Palmer Shield - Rugby Union Gala Day	28 SRC Camp Passport to Success - Yr6	29 SRC Camp Passport to Success - Yr6 Knockout Rugby League Classic Shield	30 9am - 1pm Grandparents Day	31 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
6 <i>June</i>	3	4 Passport to Success - Yr6 Girls Peachey/ Richardson gala Day 6pm P&C Meeting	5 Passport to Success - Yr6 District Cross Country	6	7 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
7	10 Queen's Birthday	11	12 Western Cross Country	13	14 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
8	17	18 Passport to Success - Yr6	19 Passport to Success - Yr6	20	21 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
9	24	25	26	27	28 11.20 - 1.20 PSSA Sport (Yrs3-6)
10 <i>July</i>	1	2 Semester Reports Home	3	4 NAIDOC Day	5 Last Day Term 2

SPORT NEWS

School Cross Country - Our school cross country will be held on Tuesday May 7. This year the students will run a course around number 2, 3 & 4 ovals at Apex Oval. Students will walk down and back with their classroom teacher. Students are to wear sunscreen, joggers, a hat and bring a water bottle.

ALL students in Years 3 to 6 participate, plus any Yr 2 students turning 8 this year.

ALL STUDENTS GET 1 HOUSE POINT FOR COMPETING.

8/9 & 10 year olds will run 2 km.

11 & 12/13 year olds will run 3km.

Parents are welcome to come along and watch. Juniors (8, 9 & 10 Yrs.) will run at approximately 11.40am and Seniors (11, 12 & 13 Yrs.) will run at approximately 12.40pm.

District Cross Country - Wednesday June 5 at Geurie Racecourse.

Western Cross Country - Wednesday June 12 at Geurie Racecourse.

Upcoming Knockout games:

Netball

Rugby League

Boys & Girls Soccer

Term Two PSSA Sport - Things to remember are:

\$3.50 per week for the bus.

Head gear & mouth guard for rugby league & AFL.

Shin pads for girls and boys soccer.

Children are to wear their sports uniform, sunscreen, hat, joggers and bring a drink bottle.

Mrs Hall, Sports Co-ordinator

Dubbo District expectations for PSSA sport in Term 2

Misconduct by adults and students will not be tolerated. Conditions are as follows -

- ♦ Students will be given a warning by the referee. If behaviour does not improve they are to be replaced by a reserve. The convenor will be informed by the referee who in turn will notify the player's respective coach / teacher and school Principal. The school Principal will make the final decision about the consequence given to the child for the misconduct. Decisions regarding the prohibiting of students from a sport will not be decided by the convenor but by the school.
- ♦ Adults (including parents/carers) may watch student games. Adults must be respectful towards the umpires/ referees. If an adult behaves in an inappropriate manner, the convenor has the right to ask them to leave the grounds. The convenor should then contact the DDPSSA Executive, who will advise the school Principal on the course of action they have decided upon.

Conditions of photographs and videos -

- ♦ Parents/carers may only take a photo of **their own** child (with no other students in the photo).
- ♦ Videoing of games is **not** permitted.
- ♦ Staff may take photos which include only students from their own school.
- ♦ No jewellery is to be worn for any sport. Umpires/referees will not allow students with any form of jewellery (including newly pierced ears and electronic watches) to take to the court/field. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS!
- ♦ Students with a plaster or plastic cast will not be permitted on the field/ court.
- ♦ It is not compulsory to wear specialised footwear for particular sports, however, boots are permitted to be worn for Rugby League, Soccer, League Tag and Touch Football. Boots can have either plastic or metal studs.
- ♦ Compulsory equipment includes a mouthguard for rugby league and AFL, shin pads for soccer, breast plate and full face helmet for the softball backstop. (Head gear is at the discretion of the school.)



Woolworths Earn & Learn

It's back for 2019 and Orana Heights Public School would appreciate your support in collecting stickers to earn new equipment for our school.

Collect stickers from

Wednesday 1 May and Tuesday 25 June 2019.

Bring them into school and give them to your class teachers or place them in the collection box at the front office or at our local Woolworths.