



Orana Heights Public School

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Term 2 Week 2

Tuesday 6 May 2025



The OHPS P&C (Parents and Citizens) are holding their 2025 AGM (Annual General Meeting) this evening. If you are interested in supporting other parents support our school, please come along and say hello.

When: 6pm - Tuesday May 6 2025

Where: OHPS staffroom—enter via the main Oak St gate



ANZAC Day was commemorated at school, with the SRC leading a short service at the front of the school.

On Friday April 25, some of the SRC and staff walked with a group of students in the Dubbo ANZAC Day march. It was a beautiful morning and a moving service that also celebrated 100 years of the Cenotaph.

OHPS cross country event... Wednesday May 7

Tomorrow, students will run around Jubilee oval for our school cross country trials. Students should wear their sport uniform, bring a water bottle and have sunscreen applied before school.

An approximate time for each age group:

8/9 year boys - 9:30am 8/9 year girls - 9:50am

10 year boys - 10:10am 10 year girls - 10:30am

11 year boys and girls—11:40am

12 year boys—12pm 12 year girls—12:20pm



Orana Heights Public School P&C Association
are holding their annual Mother's Day Stall on
Thursday 8 May 2025.

A note has been sent home with each student, or
alternatively, parents can order on Flexischools. Students
will then be able to go to the stall and choose a gift.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY



Flexischools ordering closes on Wednesday evening at 6pm. Cash only after this time.



Optional sport and other activities: During the school term there are many activities which are optional for students to attend. These may be excursions, representing the school in sport, clubs such as chess, or being on the debating team. For students to represent OHPS in these activities, we would expect that they always **represent us well when they are wearing our uniform- including whilst on bus travel**. Those students who are not meeting our expectations of being a suitable representative for our school, will not be considered for extra activities.

Whole school performance: Each year our staff take on one big “project”. Alternate years we hold either a school fete, or a whole school performance. In 2025 we will be holding a whole school performance which gives every student the opportunity to participate. Our creative team at school are well into planning and classes will start to rehearse ready for the stage in late August.

K-2 assemblies: As part of our ongoing efforts to make school experiences more meaningful and engaging, we’re refreshing our assembly format. Assemblies will now be more concise, allowing us to focus on the most important messages and student contributions. We are making a small change to the presentation of awards. Starting this term- Kindergarten students will receive Honour Awards and students in Years 1 and 2 will receive Distinctions at the assemblies. Honour Awards for students in Years 1 and 2 will be presented at a different time still providing recognition for their achievement.

Eisteddfod: A few classes are preparing items to perform at the local Dubbo Eisteddfod. Please be prompt with permission notes to support teachers in their organisation.

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Quote for the week: “Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.” – Helen Keller.

Congratulations to the following Award Winners this week Honour Awards



Armie Fistr	Luxyn Riley	Luna Da Roit	Connor Jump	Franki Williams	Carter Triplett
Ryder Anforth	Eliza Cheney	Nicolas Cronin	Zayd Morgan	Charlie Porteous	Ronnie Schleinker
Nixon Storch	Eli Turuva x 3	Xavier Norton	Nate Harris	Darby Dawson	Finlay Prabhakar
Chloe Pearce	Myles Kelly	Maisy Carey	Yulia Tsuchiya	Harlie Lummis	Connor Matheson
Hannah Furney	Estella Dennis	Carissa Nolan	Hallie Baker x 2	Abdia Patwary	Leo Hodge
Bryson Frail	Arlo See	Lennix Robbins	Remmi Smith x 4	Meredith Lee x 3	Olivia Cameron
Matilda Wade	Ariah Johnston	Olivia Cameron	Lachlan Smith	Mia Gamble	Lucy Lee
Liam Allen	Ellie Baker	Ariyah Morgan	Jarvis Sullivan	Ari Williams	Jarvis Sullivan
Olivia Rowney	Ari Williams	Mia Stein	Maliah Corby	Brian Miller	Matilda Cameron
Harrison Lemonius	Marianna Koutsogiannis		Sophia Zmyslowski	Ashton Prabhakar	
Ariyah Morgan x 2	Elleanora Koutsogiannis				

Distinction Awards

Franki Williams	Esme Harris	Zayd Morgan	Khadijah Cubby	Mahaliah Oui	Eli Turuva
Myles Kelly	Maisy Carey	Yulia Tsuchiya	Alex Ronayne	Dakota Johnston	Ariyah Morgan
Sebastian Bolotaolo					

Ordered school photos that were taken in early Term 1, were distributed to students last Friday. Photos of all students present on the 2 days the photographers were at school were taken. If you need to order more photos, please contact the photographers directly. **MSP Photography Central West NSW—6360 2008**

Term 2 - 2025					
Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 May	5	6 P&C AGM 6pm	7 OHPS Cross Country	8 P&C Mother's Day Stall 9am KO Boys Touch	9 9.45-10.30am Kindergarten Mother's Day Craft Day 11.40am PSSA Sport
3 May	12 SRC Grip Leadership KO Girls touch	13	14	15 9am-3pm KO Rugby League Classic Shield	16 Walk Safely to School Day 11.40am PSSA Sport 11:40am K-2 Assembly 2pm 3-6 assembly
4 May	19	20 KO Boys & Girls Soccer	21	22 KO Boys AFL	23 11.40am PSSA Sport
5 May	26 AFL - Orange	27 KO netball	28 9am-3pm District Cross Country	29 Book Fair 12-2pm Grandparents Day	30 11.40am PSSA Sport
6 June	2 Chess Tournament	3 Debating Workshop P&C meeting 6pm	4	5	6 11.40am PSSA Sport 11:40am K-2 Assembly 2pm 3-6 assembly
7 June	9 Kings Birthday Public Holiday	10	11 8am-3pm Western Cross Country 9am – 3pm Ear Bus	12 Ear Bus NSW Primary Schools Chess Teams Comp.	13 11.40am PSSA Sport STEM show
8	16	17 Eisteddfod dance groups	18 10am 2T/2R Eisteddfod verse speaking 12.30 Eisteddfod drama groups	19 Western Dance Festival	20 11.40am PSSA Sport
9	23	24 Semester reports published	25	26 9am– 2.30pm Year 3 Wellington Caves	27 11.40am PSSA Sport 11:40am K-2 Assembly 2pm 3-6 assembly
10 June/ July	30 NAIDOC Day	1 NAIDOC activities Rugby Union Gala Day P&C meeting 6pm	2 NAIDOC activities 3.20 -7pm Parent/ Teacher Interviews	3 NAIDOC activities	4 NAIDOC activities

Grandparents Day - Thursday May 29

We invite grandparents to visit their grandchildren at school. Classrooms will be open from 12:30pm.

There will also be a Book Fair, where you can purchase quality books and reading material.



At 1pm you can lunch to enjoy together. There will be an option to buy a sausage sandwich. Ordering details will be available in coming weeks.



SPORT NEWS

School Cross Country - Wednesday 7 May. Held on Jubilee oval. Starting at 9.30am with 8/9yr old boys.

District Cross Country - Wednesday 28 May at Geurie Racecourse

Western Cross Country - Wednesday 11 June in Orange.

Dubbo District Netball Team - Congratulations Layla Weatherall on your selection in the DDPSSA girls netball team. Good luck at Western trials on Friday 9 May.

Dubbo District Boys Soccer Team - Congratulations Elijah Sargent, Kyron Fistr, Preston Trindall, Bryson Frail & Heath Boxall on your selection in the DDPSSA boys soccer team. The boys will trial for a spot on the Western team on 19th May.

Dubbo District Girls Soccer Team - Congratulations Aria Bernard & Paityn Fox on your selection in the DDPSSA girls Soccer team. The girls will trial for a spot in the Western team on Monday 19 May.

Stage 2 Mixed Liam Henry Gala Day - #report & photos from Dylan Hill ??

NSW Netball Schools Cup - **Phots from Jess Quinn**

Western AFL Team - Congratulations Ari Williams & Olly Grose on your selection the Western AFL team. The boys will play at the State Carnival in Week 6 next term.

Western 11's Rugby League Team - Congratulations Jonty Goodwin & Bryson Frail on your selection in the Western 11's rugby League Team. The boys will play at the state carnival in Week 6 next term. Good luck boys.

Western Girls Rugby 7's Team - Congratulations Bella Simpson on selection in the Western Girls Rugby 7's Team. Bella will play at the State Carnival in Week 6 next term. Good luck Bella

Term 2 PSSA Sport - There will be no cost for PSSA sport this term.

Soccer players must wear shin pads.

Stage 3 boys Rugby Union must wear a mouthguard & head gear. No football boots.

No jewellery to be worn at any sport.

Junior Soccer (Girls)	Jubilee Oval
Senior Soccer (Girls)	Jubilee Oval
Junior Soccer (Boys)	Lady Cutler A/B/C & Pavans
Senior Soccer (Boys)	Lady Cutler 1-4 & Market Garden
Junior Netball (Girls)	Nita McGrath
Senior Netball (Girls)	Nita McGrath
Junior League – Tag (Girls)	Bob Dowling Ovals
Senior League – Tag (Girls)	Riverbank
Junior Ultimate Frisbee (Boys)	Apex Oval
Senior Ultimate Frisbee (Boys)	Apex Oval
Rugby Union – Senior Boys ONLY	Victoria Park 2&3
Variety of sports – Support class students or funded students in mainstream	Katrina Gibbs oval

2025 Knockout Sports

Boys Cricket – Friday 5 September against Condo in Dubbo

Netball – Thursday 1 May against Buninyong. Won 14-7. Girls play Wellington next on Tuesday 27 May.

Boys Touch – Thursday 8 May against West.

Girls Touch – Monday 12 May against Wellington in Dubbo

Rugby league – Thursday 15 May in Dubbo

Girls & Boys Soccer – Tuesday 20 May against North.

Boys AFL – Thursday 22 May



Yours in Sport
Mrs Hall

This year we are holding a whole school performance.

'DAHL-IGHTFUL WORLD OF IMAGINATION'

So, save the date

Matinee @ school - Tuesday August 26 2025

Evening performance - @ Dubbo College Senior Campus -
Wednesday August 27 2025

Times to be confirmed.

Kindergarten Mother's Day craft and morning tea

Friday May 9 - we welcome our Kinder mums to school for a craft activity and morning tea to acknowledge Mothers Day.

Please notify your child's class teacher if you are coming. If Mum is unavailable, an aunt, grandmother or close friend is welcome.

The Kinder students enjoy having someone special join them at school for this special time.



The knockout netball team following their win against Buninyong PS in Round 1 of the competition. Their next game is on May 27.



On Monday, 40 students enjoyed a fun skill building day of netball. The NSW Netball Schools Cup encourages students to 'have-a go' in a supportive environment.

BroSpeak and SistaSpeak



interactive for our students. BroSpeak then began working on their art project that they will keep as a part of the program.

Friday Week 1 of Term 2 saw both BroSpeak and SistaSpeak recommence. We were lucky enough to have Aunty Ann Sheridan attend both programs to teach our students some Aboriginal Language in Wiradjuri.

The students were engaged in her teaching as she made it fun and





Orana Heights have participated recently in the Isaiah Yeo and Liam Henry Rugby League Gala days.

We were able to field two Year 5/6 boys teams and two Year 5/6 girls team in the Isaiah Yeo Gala Day in Term 1. Orana also had two Year 3/4 teams in the Liam Henry Gala Day in Week 1 of Term 2.

All students played with quality sportsmanship and had successful days.



At the end of last term, the Orana Heights Knockout Cricket Team played Buninyong Public School in a 50 over cricket match.

Orana came away with the win after bowling Buninyong all out with 2 overs and 43 runs to spare. The team will play again in September.



Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Easter Raffle at the end of last term. Buying tickets, donating prizes and coming to watch the parade all add to the excitement of the event.

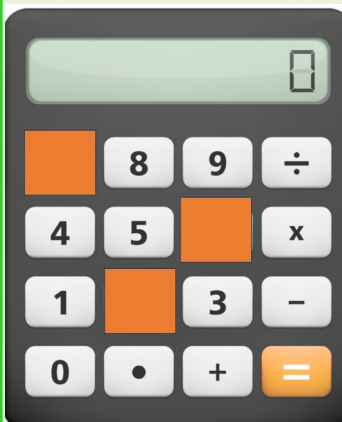


Oakey's New Challenge Week

Week 2 - Boggle

How many words can you make using the letters below? For example deck, add, you, justice, etc. Post your entries in the library by Friday.

d	e	k	c
r	y	o	m
a	n	s	j
u	t	d	i



Week 3 - Broken Calculator

Some of the buttons on Oakey Dokey's calculator are broken. The numbers 2, 6 and 7 are unable to be used.

Can you help him make the number 44? See if you can create 10 different ways to make the number 50. For example, $5 \times 10 = 50$, $45 + 1 + 1 + 3 = 50$ etc.

ICAS Assessments - ICAS recognises academic performance in a way others celebrate achievements in sport or the arts. Students can sit up to [six literacy and STEM papers](#) including [English](#), [Mathematics](#), [Science](#), [Digital Technologies](#), [Writing](#) and [Spelling Bee](#). If you would like your child to participate in these assessments please use the link below to the parent page and enter our school access code to purchase these for your child. Registrations close on the **21 July 2025**. Assessments will be conducted at school during the dates set out below.

Parent page link: <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

School access code: WDD579

SUBJECT	SITTING WINDOWS	PRICE PER ASSESSMENT
Digital Technologies (Years 2 – 6)	4 Aug – 8 Aug 2025	\$20.95
Writing (Years 3 – 6)	4 Aug – 8 Aug 2025	\$24.95
English (Years 2 – 6)	11 Aug – 15 Aug 2025	\$20.95
Science (Years 2-6)	18 Aug – 22 Aug 2025	\$20.95
Spelling Bee (Years 2-6)	18 Aug – 22 Aug 2025	\$20.95
Mathematics (Years 2-6)	25 Aug – 29 Aug 2025	\$20.95

National Walk Safely to School Day

This year marks the 26th anniversary of National Walk Safely to School Day. Championed by the Pedestrian Council Australia, the initiative aims to raise awareness of the health, road safety, transport and environmental benefits that regular walking, or alternative active transport (especially to and from school) can provide for the long term well-being of our children, not just on 16 May, but every day.



If you would like to have your child's school hat clearly labelled with their name, ask your child to drop it into the school office before school. The staff will label the hat and return it to your child before recess.

We ask for a gold coin donation for each label.

