

Oxley Vale Public School

A quality education in a caring and innovative environment

MESSENGER



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Oxley Vale Public School acknowledges that the school is built upon the traditional lands of the Gomeroi/Kamilaroi people. We pay our respects to the Elders both past and present and ask for guidance and wisdom as we work towards improving educational outcomes for all our children.

Term 4 Week 7

19th November, 2013

Kinder Orientation

It was wonderful to see our 2014 Kindergarten students last Friday for Kindergarten Orientation day. The 2014 Kinder students had a great introduction to school life as they interacted with their Year 5 Buddies in a series of learning centres. The Year 5 Buddies were wonderful with our new Kinders as they supported and helped them with a series of fun learning activities organised by Miss Dawson. Parents were given a snapshot into their child's first year at school and were entertained by the school band, led by Mr Bill O'Neil. The Year 6 Buddies stepped up and looked after their buddies, this year's Kindergarten students, while the kindergarten teachers entertained parents in the hall. The Year 6 students helped their buddies to count, make 1...1... Lions and then enjoyed a picnic lunch under the COLA.

A big thank you to Mrs Murray for all her organisation of this day!

Newcastle Permanent Primary Maths Competition

Congratulations to Lachlan Russell, Lori Edgar and Kaylah Higginson for their wonderful success in the Newcastle Permanent Primary Maths Competition.

These very clever Mathematicians received District Awards and a \$40 bank account to celebrate their success.



Schools Spectacular

Next Week, on Tuesday 26 November our OVPS Schools Spectacular Dance Team are heading off for a week of dancing rehearsals, performances and fabulous fun in Sydney. The team will perform with 2000 other dancers, 1300 choir members, 180 musicians at the Sydney Entertainment Centre over two Spectacular nights. Schools Spectacular is celebrating 30 Years of showcasing the talents of students of New South Wales Public Schools. Our dance team, consisting of, Sophie Ison, Krystal Noble, Jasmine Webb, Breanna Russell, Annika Sharples, Lori Edgar, Kaecia Beattie, Lucy Bowden, Jada Ison and Jack Williams, are performing in a Segment called 'Pure Imagination'. The team have been working very hard since the beginning of the year to prepare for this experience. We wish them the very best of luck in Sydney next week.

Miranda Langford
Assistant Principal

Department Policy for Non-Prescription Medication:

Please note that there is a form to be completed at the front office prior to any students requiring the administering of non-prescription medication such as Panadol, Nurofen at school. The medication needs to be handed into the front office by a parent/carer. Thank you for your assistance.

General School Contributions:

School Fee Contributions are still being collected for the 2013 school year up until the 22nd November. The contribution is \$45 per student or \$90 per family. This greatly helps with the operating costs of the school and we appreciate your contribution towards these costs. This will remain open until the 22nd November prior to our end of financial year at the 30th November. Thank you for your support.

Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiads

This year Oxley Vale entered a team of 30 Stage 3 students in the Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiads (APSMO). Teams came from all over Australia, New Zealand and Singapore. For 5 months the students had to solve 5 problems once a month and the results were submitted.

We had 6 students in the top 10% of the pupils who entered; Lucy Bowden, Lachlan Russell, Hannah Griffiths, Lori Edgar, Bridie Martin and Kaylah Higgison.

Lucy Bowden and Lachlan Russell were awarded an APSMO trophy for the 'Highest Individual Score'. Congratulations Lucy and Lachlan.

Logan McCarthy, Krystal Noble, Billy Russell, Declan O'Neil and Sophie Ison were in the top 25% of students, as was the overall results of our team.

A great result for our students and our school.

Dianne Charlton
Librarian

**Christmas in the Courtyard**
Tuesday 17th December 2013

It has been an enormous year for the staff and students at Oxley Vale. In light of our commitments in the past term we have decided to offer "Christmas in the Courtyard", as opposed to our usual carols.

The evening will include a BBQ and lots of other great activities for families. Bring a blanket and enjoy a picnic dinner on the grass. All welcome.

There will also be a Christmas disco for the students from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Disco entry will be \$2 with all the money raised being used to purchase picnic tables for the COLA eating area.

Add the date to your calendar now.

Deadly Day

As mentioned in last week's Messenger, our Deadly Day is only a short while away. We are getting very excited about the activities that students will be doing on the day. We are also very excited about having so many parents and friends come to school to take part with their children.

We would like to see as many mums, dads, aunts, uncles and carers as possible. We will be having a BBQ lunch and all are welcome. Please come along and see what our Deadly Day is all about.

Kindergarten
Presentation

All parents and community members are welcome to attend the Kindergarten Presentation.

Friday 22nd November
Oxley Vale Public School Hall
10am

Please join us.

ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS

Merit Awards

Infants

KP: Kaitlyn Hahn, Rhys Hanson

KD: Thomas Munroe, Olivia Holz

K/1M: Amelia Webb, Tayla Beattie

1E: Saumya Upadhyay, Breanna Moss

1R: Mikayla Butler, Toby Ison

1/2T: Cameron Rake, Craig Johnston

2P: Tristan Taylor, Abigail Clark

Primary

SD:

2/3B: Kye Sharp, Will Jones

3L: Ellie Wiseman, Jarmarnus Geale

4N:

4/5E: Tayla Childs, Miles Shepherd

5S: Jessica Rogers, Angelina Honess

5/6M: Daniel Dwight, Reagan Kent

6S: Broden Jobsen-Grasnick, Janarie Burnes

Book Work Ribbon

Christopher Robinson

Miley Browning

Kierra Thompson

Kealy Gregory

Anthony Nicholls-Daley

Harry Pinchen

Baily Kane

Luke Gurney

Sophie Trewern

Kaecia Beattie

Jelena Dewson

QuickSmart Awards this week was awarded to Makayla Nicholls-Daley and Malakai Troutman .

This week's assembly 22nd November is a combined assembly starting at 1pm .

Chaplin's Spot



During the second half of the year, Year 6 boys have had the opportunity to spend their lunch times learning some new skills by building billy carts with school Chaplin Mr Magill.

Sawing timber, driving screws and hammering chisels has gone along side talk about life, about school and about the future - its been a great way to spend some lunchtimes.

Here Broden and Woody model the first cart, almost completed. Ciaran McKillop is working hard on the second cart which will hopefully be completed soon—ready for some racing.

Lost Property

We have a number of items that are not clothing handed into the office (watches, silver bangle, bag, dvd player and a mask.

If you have lost any of these items please come to the office and describe your it.

If items not collected before end of year they will be donated to charity.

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COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

November

11th - 22nd	Swimming School
22nd	Kindergarten Presentation
27th	P&C Meeting
28th	Deadly Day
29th	Year 1 Presentation
26th & 1st	School Spectacular (Sydney)

December

4th	Swimming Carnival
6th	Year 2 Presentation
10th	Presentation Evening
12th	Year 6 Farewell

YARN-UP

A friendly reminder to parents about Yarn-Up on Wed 20th November from 9:30-11:30.

We need to finalise our Deadly Day on the 28th Nov.

Please join us for a cuppa.

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