

Oxley Vale Public School

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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 8

26th November, 2013

Principal's Message

Year 1 Presentation Assembly

This Friday at 10:00am we will be holding our presentation assembly for Year 1. We would like to invite all the parents, family members and friends of our Year 1 students along to watch them receive their awards. We are looking forward to seeing you there to support our Year 1 students.

PIP Program –

Phoning families to confirm absences.

We are just again mentioning our phone program that is targeting absences each day. Please remember that this program is designed to keep very accurate records on attendance. If your child has been absent from school please contact us or a call will be made from the school.

This is aimed at making it easier for families to provide the school with explanations for absences.

Students to the UDRH Building

Today, Tuesday the 26th, most of our After School Learning Centre students and their parents will be attending the first official function to be held at the new University of Newcastle Rural Health building. We can't wait to get into the skills lab and see our students use all of the medical training equipment that trainee doctors, dieticians, Occupational Therapists etc get to use. We will post some photos in the Messenger next week.

Yarn Up

We are extending a warm welcome and invitation to all Aboriginal parents to come along to our Yarn Up parent group. The group meet semi-regularly and have chat about their children, school and just generally have a yarn. Please keep an eye out for upcoming meetings in the school newsletter. Hope to see you there.

Deadly Day Reminder – It's going to be HUGE!

We are just reminding all our parents and community members that this Thursday is our Deadly Day. We are inviting all our school community along for this great day. The children will be doing lots of activities throughout the day and parents are able to come along to watch and take part with the kids.

There will also be a raffle, tickets are available for sale on the day and prizes will be drawn at the School's Christmas Disco night on the 17th December. There are some amazing prizes to be won.

We will also be hosting a BBQ lunch at 12pm and Buddy Knox will be supporting some young local artist performing their music for your listening pleasure. Taylor Williams, Rita Walford and a few other local performers will be performing during lunch so come along. We will also have representatives from TAFE there to show parents some of the programs they are running at the moment.

Please remember that this is an out-of-uniform day. Send your children in Red, Black and Yellow.

Treat Day at the end of the Year

Please be aware that as part of our rewards system this term we have been organising treat days for each class, year or stage. This involves a range of reward activities but participation in these activities is dependent on positive behaviour in the classroom and on the playground, this includes social skills and work behaviour. We are thrilled to be offering your children positive encouragement in order to promote good work habits and great social skills. This is all designed to have a positive and encouraging environment for your children.

Please note that all students who are not able to attend the reward day due to unsatisfactory behaviour will be offered an alternative program during this time.

Swimming Carnival Next Wednesday

Please remember that next Wednesday we will be holding our 2014 Swimming Carnival. This is going to be a great day for our swimmers from Year 3 and up. We will also be having some Year 2 competent swimmers attend. This is going to be a great day and we look forward to seeing families come along to support their children.

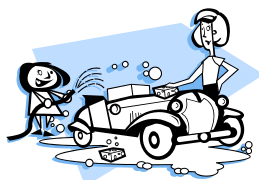
If you would like to offer assistance on the day please come along and let teachers know. We are always happy to have extra hands on deck at these events.

Luke Norman
Principal

Year 6 Car Wash!!

It is a tradition that Year 6 give the school a gift as they leave us and enter the brave new world of High School. This year the students would like to contribute to new long jump pits in the school grounds. To raise the funds needed for such a gift, Year 6 will hold a car wash next Tuesday 3rd December.

Parents and community members are welcome to bring their cars to be washed between 1:00pm and 2:30pm, at a charge of \$5 per car. See you at the car wash!!



Year 1 Presentation

*All parents and community members are
welcome to attend the Year 1
Presentation.*

Friday 29th November
Oxley Vale Public School Hall
10am

School Spectacular

Oxley Vale students departed this morning by train to head for Sydney's School Spectacular. The children are in a segment called 'imagination'. We dance to the music 'pure imagination' and 'a friend like me'. We are in segment 10 towards the end of the show.

This wonderful children's entrainment is going to be broadcasted on Channel Nine, Saturday 30th November from 7pm and then again on "Go" at 1:30pm the 1st December.

Have a great time Miss Langford, Miss Dawson and students.

Canteen News

Deadly Day will be a red day in the canteen.

There will be lolly bags, cup cakes & donuts for sale for 50c

Opening hours for the canteen are Monday & Tuesday for lunch only,
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday for lunch & afternoon tea.

Caterina Walker
Canteen Supervisor

School Clothing

If parents have some school clothing their children have grown out of and they would like to donate to the school we would very much appreciate it. This will help children in need and for small accidents.

Thank you.

ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS

Merit Awards

Infants

KP: *Congratulations on your achievement for Kindergarten 2013*

KD:

K/1M: Krystle Grzazek Cross, Caylab Cabral

Danica Brown

1E:

1R: Kirk Schimann, Laura Woods

Jesse Sylvester

1/2T: Roarke Christian, Harry Pinchen

2P: Bailey Kane, Dre Curry

Kyle Brown

Primary

SD:

2/3B: Chloe Harpur, Spencer Edwards

Alahna Hill

3L: Teonie Wynne, Curtis Field

Kelcee Beattie

4N: Hunter Mann-Barber, Montanna Ellard

Oseis Gois

4/5E:

5S: Lucy Bowden, Isaac Hough

Flo Davidson

5/6M: Ricky Moore, Reagan Bayliss

Hayley Whitten

6S:

QuickSmart Awards this week was awarded to Miles Shepherd and Elijah Browning.

Book Work Ribbon

This week's assembly 29th November is a combined assembly starting at 10am . **Note Time Change**

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

November

27th	P&C Meeting
28th	Deadly Day
29th	Year 1 Presentation
26th & 1st	School Spectacular (Sydney)

December

3rd	Year 6 Car Wash
4th	Swimming Carnival
6th	Year 2 Presentation
10th	Presentation Evening
12th	Year 6 Farewell

School Oval ready to go!

We would like to say a huge thank you to a couple of dedicated dads of children at the school, Mr Duncan Davidson and Mr Troy Debenham, for their efforts getting our oval back on its feet. As many of you may know our oval has been rather sad for some years now but thanks to these gentlemen we now have an oval that is almost weed free and has an automated watering system. We look forward to seeing our magnificent new oval in high use over the next few weeks.

Medical Alerts


We would like to advise our parents there have been a number of cases regarding ringworm, chicken pox and head lice in our school. It would be appreciated if all parents could check their children for these medical conditions. Please advise the school if find your child suffering any of the above.



Why is Breakfast Important?

- ◇ children who miss breakfast are often reported as having poor behaviour and poor concentration.
- ◇ children who miss breakfast are often unable to meet their daily nutrient requirements.
- ◇ children who miss breakfast are more likely to have a greater risk of being overweight or obese.
- ◇ eating breakfast helps children learn and establish healthy eating habits early in life.

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