

# 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 2

14th October, 2014

### Principal's Message Welcome Back

This week our school value is respect. I am really thrilled that this value is our focus for week 2 as I have seen so many examples of children, and adults, showing respect in the first week of school.

We have had students take their own time to support others, manners of most students are spot on and children have been getting along with each other.

When thinking about respect many people think that it is the same as obedience. This isn't the case at all. Many children obey if there is an element of fear but if a child respects an adult, they will do as requested because they know the adult wants what is best for them. Being respectful is an attitude and this attitude will help a child succeed in life. If they take care of their belongings, show respect for others, for authority and for themselves then they will find life easier and enjoyable.

Oxley Vale Public School teaches respect but everyone has an important part to play in helping a child show genuine respect. If you catch your child showing respect for themselves, their belongings, their friends or an adult, praise them for it and tell them how important it is and how proud you are for them being so respectful.

Between school and home we can create a generation of successful students and happy children. Our aim here is to maximise opportunities for learning and the research clearly shows that respect is one of the main factors in a student's success.

### Cross Country and Athletics

On Friday 10th October it was a privilege to hand out the Cross Country and Athletics medallions to the Champions and Runner ups in each age group at the Primary Assembly. Thanks to the parents and grandparents who attended this assembly. Your support is much appreciated.

*Mrs Genienne Ellis*



### Upcoming Events

#### Wednesday 15th October

Year 3-6 Cricket

#### Thursday 16th & Friday 17th

October

Kinder Transition

#### Friday 17th October

Seasons for Growth

1.00pm

#### Wednesday 22nd October

P&C Meeting

Please Join Us

#### Monday 27th October -

#### Wednesday 29th October

Stage 2

Lake Keepit Excursion

#### Friday 31st October

P&C Halloween

Fund Raiser

5.30 - 6.30pm

## School Bell Times

**8.55 am** Play Allowed  
School Supervision Starts

**9.25am** Class Time

**11.25am** Lunch

**12.00pm** Class time

**1.40pm** Recess

**2.20pm** Class Resumes

**3.25pm** Home Time

## Wednesday Scripture

**12.35pm** Infants

**1.15pm** Primary

## Friday Primary Sport

**10.30am** Summer

**2.20pm** Winter



## Uniform this Term

The weather is heating up and people are now starting to dress accordingly. Students are now to wear their summer uniform to school each day. Please note that students should be wearing their hats at all times whilst outside. Any student not wearing a hat will be sent to a shaded area for safety reasons.

We would also like to remind families that students should be wearing black school shoes on normal school days and joggers only on sports days (Fridays and carnivals). Recently some students have been coming to school in joggers as part of their uniform, this is not appropriate footwear for a school uniform and these shoes generally do not offer protection to the same standard as regular school shoes. We have a display in our front office of shoes we endorse if you would like to see what we recommend. We appreciate your support in maintaining high standards for our students.

## Kinder Ready Program

This term we will be running our Kinder Ready program. The program will run for 4 weeks

starting in week 3 and will run with one group on Thursday mornings and a second group on Friday mornings. We are looking forward to having our 2015 kindergarten students become an integral part of our school. If you know of any other families considering sending their child to school with us next year please mention to them that they should contact the school.

*Luke Norman*

## Yarn-Up

Our next Yarn-Up meeting will be on Thursday 16th October from 9:30am to 11:30am. Please bring a plate to share. Tom Flanders from the opportunity hub (Tamworth Aboriginal Lands Council) will be here to discuss the cultural aspirations program which started last week and will run until the end of term 4.

## 2014 Swimming Scheme

Last term notes went home regarding swimming scheme. For those students who have not yet paid, extra notes were also sent home this week.

**The Scheme focuses on swimmers in Years 2 and 3 but provides for swimmers who lack confidence in Years 4 to 6, students with special needs (such as new arrivals in Australia) and students with disabilities. Non-swimmers, i.e. students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills, and are UNABLE to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate in the School Swimming Scheme.**

Instruction will take place at Tamworth West Swimming Pool (Scully) by qualified AUSTSWIM instructors. Students will be supervised by Mrs Kristy Morris and other staff members, depending on which classes are most affected. The Scheme will continue **daily for two weeks from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November**. The total cost for the Scheme is **\$50.00** for pool entry and bus travel. Children who have a

season ticket will only have to pay the reduced cost of **\$23.00** for bus travel. There will be no charge for instruction. **Children will leave school at 11:30 and return at 1:30 each day.**

## Juvenile Diabetes Walkathon

This coming Sunday the Diabetes Centre is hosting a walkathon in Bicentennial Park to help raise funds to support the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. If you don't have any other plans it would be a great day out in the park with a 4km walk followed by lunch and fun activities. You can register online at the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation website or simply register on Sunday morning at Bicentennial Park. The walkathon kicks off at 9.00am.

## P&C Meeting

The P&C will be holding their next meeting on Wednesday 22nd October at 6.30pm in the staffroom.

All Parents, Grandparents and Guardians are welcome to attend.



## For Sale

There are some Horse Sports items for sale in the P&C Clothing Pool. The clothing pool is open Friday Mornings 8.45am - 10.00am.

## Student Portfolio Folders

Student Portfolio Folders are available for sale, cost is \$5.50 each. Money is payable to the office.



# ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS

## Merit Awards

### Infants

**KP:** Myah Meek, Harper Barker

**KM:** Laila Ye, Tyannah Barber

**1C:** Alicia Woods, Dylan Hopwood-Young

**1E:** Troy Bennett, Bianca Thompson

**1R:** Dannica Brown, Rhiannon Weribone

**2T:** Jesse Sylvester, Impgen Smith

**2W:** Colby Edgar, Mikayla Butler

### Primary

#### K-6P:

**3S:** Shanieka Dewson, Spencer Edwards

**3/4E:** Faith Woods, Luke Gurney

**4E:** Calab Jenkin, Amity Debenham

**5M:** Hunter Mann-Barber, Cooper Newton

#### 5/6S:

**6L:** Brandon McManus, Hannah Griffiths

## Book Work Ribbon

Tamica Kelly

Lucas Sharp

Tashari Coffey

Emily Rake

Bianca Woods

Taleea Wynne

Jeremy Thompson

Roarke Christian

Montana Patch

William Russell

Chloe Ison

Grace Murray

**Win Bin Winners:-** Term 3 Week 4 Lily Heap 1E, Week 5 Bianca Thompson 1E, Week 6 Dekota Gray 2W, Week 7 Harry Pinchen 1E, Week 8 Bianca Thompson 1C, Week 9 Alicia Woods 1C, Week 10 Maggie Kemp 1R,

**Term 3 Target voucher - Lilliana Gray 1E**

This week's assembly Friday 17th October is a split assembly starting at 12pm Infants & 1pm Primary



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