

# 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 3 Week 9

9th September, 2014

### Principal's Message

It is Week 9 already and there is only one more week after this one. How time flies. The last few weeks have seen great triumphs for the students of Oxley Vale Public School, success at Tournament of Minds, Athletics success, cultural events such as Book Fair, and Book Parade and we can't forget Kinder "Come n Try" days, PJ day and a Disco.

Add to this the Stage 3 excursion to Aussie Bush camp this week and you have the recipe for one very busy school. How fortunate is Oxley Vale to have so many opportunities on offer for our students.

Last week was SASS appreciation week which was a great opportunity for our support staff to receive some much needed thanks for all of their hard work. It is easy to forget just how important our support staff are in the running of the school. Without their work the school simply couldn't function. So, thanks to all of our dedicated support Staff. We hope that families enjoy the last 2 weeks of school before the holidays. We are already looking forward to Term 4 and all the activities that occur in the final term of the year.

**Mr Norman**  
Principal



### School Badges

This week and next we will be

selling school badges at discount prices. For the next 2 weeks only badges will be \$3 each or \$5 for 2 badges. We are working on opportunities for students to show our school value of PRIDE. Our badges are a symbol of all 4 values and as such we would encourage all children to wear a badge each day.

### PJ Day

It was wonderful to have so many students arrive at school in their pyjamas on Friday. The SRC organised the pyjama day to support 'Tamworth Meals on Wheels' as a part of their charity focus this term. Thank you to everyone who wore their pjs and donated a gold coin to help the SRC and 'Tamworth Meals on Wheels'.

**Miss Langford**



### Upcoming Events

**Tuesday 9th September -**

**Friday 12th September**

Aussie Bush Camp

Yr 5 & Yr 6

**Wednesday 10th September**

Yarn Up BBQ

**Wednesday 17th September**

K-2 Excursion

Bicentennial Park

**Friday 19th September**

PBL Assembly

12.00pm

**Friday 19th September**

Last Day Term 3

**Monday 6th October**

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**Tuesday 7th October**

First Day Term 4



### Yarn - Up

Wednesday 10th September between 9.30 - 11.30am, please come along and share in our end of term BBQ.

**Thank You**

**Yarn - Up**

### Library News

To encourage children to read more books in the library, a new reward system is now in place. When children borrow and return their book five times, they will be able to select a prize from the 'Treasure Box'. Good luck everyone - remember.... Read, read, read!!

### Library Bags

To be able to borrow from the library, children must have a library bag to protect the books. Pillow slips and even plastic bags are fine to use, so our children can.... Read, read, read!

### Golden Tickets - Dad's Surprise

Last Wednesday teachers nominated children from their class who were showing 'respect' to themselves and others. As Father's Day was approaching, the special reward for these children was preparing 'Dad's Surprise'- a Bacon and Cheese Muffin. I hope the lucky Dad's to

receive this specially made muffin found it super yummy.

**Mrs O'Neill**

### Tamworth City Swimming Club

The Tamworth City Sharks Swimming Club is running some swimming assessment days this school holidays for those that may be interested in joining the Clubs Squad or Sharks Swim School:

**When:** 4.30 - 5.00pm Monday 22nd to Friday 26th September and Monday 29th September to Thursday 2nd October.

**Where:** Scully Pool (Don't worry it is heated)

**How:** Email the Coach Nicolas Monnet at [nicolas.monnet@bigpond.com](mailto:nicolas.monnet@bigpond.com) to arrange an assessment time. During the assessment Nicolas will grade each swimmer and allocate them to either a swimming squad or Sharks Swim School.

**Cost:** The cost of the assessment is free but if you decide to go on to either Squad or Shark swim school fees apply. Nicolas will email you the fee schedules.

Our Tamworth City Swimming Club OPEN DAYS will be held on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> October

between 1pm and 5pm at the Tamworth City Pool.

### Budding Photographers

Mr Barnaby Joyce MP is creating a 2015 calendar depicting the wonderful and diverse landscapes that make up the electorate of New England. Mr Joyce is inviting any budding student photographers from around the electorate to submit an original favourite image that could be selected to be in a 2015 calendar.

Images need to depict and have been captured in the New England area and must be a high resolution JPG format digital image in a landscape orientation (to be provided and either emailed to the Tamworth Electorate office or saved on a flash drive and posted to the Tamworth Electorate office). Entries close 5pm 30th September 2014.

For more information call the Tamworth Electorate Office 1300 301 839 /6761 3080.

This competition is a wonderful way for our next generation of budding photographers to have their images viewed by a larger audience.



## GET READY FOR THE RETURN OF THE FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

When: Friday October 31<sup>st</sup> - Couldn't resist "Halloween" theme considering the date!

Where: Here at the school

Time: 5:30 pm

Cost: Gold Coin donation + cost of food, All proceeds go to the P&C to assist the school in various ways.

Activities:



1. Recycle all those amazing book week costumes or get creative again and come dressed in costume and participate in the first ever "TRICK or TRUNK" (boot). What is a trick or trunk you may ask? Well it works like this... decorate your car boot, park on the school oval, provide a small purchased and packaged treat, children then have an opportunity to visit each car to have a chat and show off their amazing costume in a safe and fun environment. A prize will be awarded for the best decorated car. All cars participating need to be registered prior to the event and forms will be available closer to the event. As we all know most children know what Halloween is and more and more children are going trick or treating. Trick or Trunk provides a safe alternative to going door to door. But this is only a very small part of the FAMILY FUN NIGHT, you can...
2. Join in some fun family games such as relays, Simon Says and much more.
3. Enjoy a delicious sausage sandwich and some sweet treats.
4. Don't forget to bring your beanbags or chairs so that you can sit back, relax and enjoy viewing Hotel Transylvania.



**Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council**

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

**FREE!**

Monday 22nd September to  
Friday 26th September 2014

**ACTIVITIES**

- Arts & Craft
- Cooking & Baking
- Old School Olympics
- Ten Pin Bowling
- Sports
- Fishing
- Games
- Compline with marshmallows and daisies
- Movies
- Cultural Activities
- Amazing Race

**Pick up locations**  
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Hillvue Public School  
Coledale Community Centre  
Westdale Public School

**Venue:** Hillvue Public School and Trelawney Station.  
**Hosted by:** Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council.  
**Facilitated by:** Nestle Supported by Hillvue Public School.

For registration forms or more information contact  
Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council  
02 6764 0028 or admin@tamworthlalac.com.au  
Registrations close Friday, 12th September 2014.

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