

# 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 1 Week 6**

**3rd March, 2015**

### Principal's Message

This week's value is RESPECT and we have been seeing many examples of students showing respect at Oxley Vale Public School.

The week began with the forming of new classes due to increased enrolments which is very pleasing for our school. The classes are settling in well and we look forward to some wonderful things happening with our students.

We welcome back Prue Farrell who will be with us until the end of Term 1, 2015 teaching our Year 5 class. From there the Department will then appoint a new teacher to our school.

We are very excited to see our facilities being used for Saturday cricket in the community. From all reports the OVPS boys are doing exceptionally well.

I would like to thank those students who are wearing their hats at school, as this is part of the school uniform and protection from the sun is very important.

A reminder that the 'pedestrian crossing' and the 'crossing bay area' out the front of our school must not be used for any stop over parking or picking up or dropping off of children. This is against the law and is also very dangerous, so please make sure this area is clear at all times. We thank you for your support in keeping all children and people safe. Have a good week!

**Luke Norman**



### Upcoming Events

**Monday 9th March**  
PSSA Tennis Trial

**Thursday 12th March**  
Selective High School Test

**Thursday 19th March**  
Science & Engineering Challenge

**Monday 23rd March**  
Harmony Day

**Friday 27th March**  
Cross Country  
Clean Up Australia Day

**Thursday 2nd April**  
LAST DAY of TERM 1



**KD enjoying a story from Miss Dawson**

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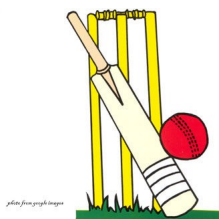
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## **VOLUNTARY SCHOOL FEES**

Thank you to the families who have made voluntary contributions this term, we appreciate your support as these contributions go towards providing valuable resources to assist students with their learning needs.

## **OVPS SATURDAY CRICKET**

On Saturday the cricket team played Tamworth Public School. In a close fought battle we only just lost by 5 runs. James was a fantastic all rounder, with Batu and Hayden improving well. The team showed great sportsmanship and showed great pride and respect to our school well done.



See you Saturday!

## **P&C**

Dear Parents & Carers,

On behalf of the Vice President and members of the OVPS P&C, welcome to another great year at our great school! Our first meeting of the year went very well with new parents attending and we thank you for making the time and look forward to your assistance throughout the year.

Do you know what the P&C does? What do we do all that fundraising for? The P&C pays for things like trophies for presentation night, kinder ready and supplying technology items in the school and we own the canteen! We also have a say on the plans and policies that keep our school moving forward.

The canteen is going great guns thanks to the amazing Caterina, but Fridays are a busy day and she would appreciate a little extra help on that day, or any other day that you may be able to pop in for a couple of hours. We are also looking for someone to assist with canteen accounts – if that's you, please contact the school asap.

We are always trying to come up with new ideas to fundraise. We are looking to do some things this year and finishing with a new and improved Rainbow Run Fun Day like we did last year! What can you do? Are you a good promoter, colour maker, marshall, seller, cooker? With your help, it will be fantastic – contact the school to help. The Rainbow Run is planned for Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

From the Clothing Store – there was an amazing response to the first few open days when school came back and we sincerely apologise for not having stock since. However, there is now a fresh supply of hats and a small number of sports shirts. The new style sports shirts come from China and when we go back to school, they close down for Chinese New Year so it has taken a bit longer to procure new stock – we will know better next year. I also have to report that there has been a small increase to shirts due to supplier's price rise – new style shirts now \$30ea, shorts remain \$25ea. Remember, you can always fill in an order form at the front office if you can't make it to the clothing store on Fridays.

The next meeting of the OVPS P&C is the Annual General Meeting when all positions will be declared vacant. Written nominations may be made to the P&C prior to the meeting or on the night. Only financial members may vote (\$1 fee applies). This will be followed by a regular meeting with new committee.

**NO committee = No P&C = NO canteen & NO clothing store = KIDS MISS OUT!**

**Come along at 6.30pm on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March and get involved in the best school in NSW!**

Yours faithfully,  
Jayne McCarthy  
(Parent/Secretary/Treasurer)



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## **The simplest way**

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**Breads/cereals:** wholemeal or wholegrain bread, wraps and pita. For a treat, pack pikelets, rice cakes or homemade muffins and slices.

**Fruit:** Serve in fun ways; try fruit kebabs or fruit in jelly, and cut whole fruit into small pieces.

**Veggies:** Pack carrot or celery sticks with hummus.

**Reduced-fat dairy:** A slice of cheese, yoghurt or custards are all great lunch box items.

**Lean protein:** cooked chicken, tuna, egg or roast meat. Legumes like red kidney beans and chickpeas are a good source of protein, and a great source of fibre too!

**Water or milk:** Water or reduced-fat milk are the best drink choices for the lunch box.

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# ASSEMBLY BRAG BOARD



## Sports House Captains 2015



**Back L to R:**

*Josiah Kranenburg, Isabelle Bukovac, Matthew Peel, Adrian Graham, Sarah Gill, Fletcher Morris, Chloe Ison.*

**Front L to R:**

*Tayla Childs, Cooper Newton, Danny Davidson, Amanda-Rose Hall, Courtney Trembath, Hugh Morris, Jack Wiseman, Madison MacAlpine . Absent: Amity Smith*

## ASSEMBLIES for this week



INFANTS @ 12:00pm

PRIMARY @ 1:00pm

*All parents and families welcome to join us !!!*

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

*The school has received many community notices in regards to sport and local activities within our area. Please come in and view the Parent Notice Board in the front office for more information in regards to the particular activity you may be interested in.*

**LIFE WITHOUT BARRIERS** - Urgent need for Foster Carers.

**PCYC After School Care Program** - 67 665 009.

**PLAY GROUP** - Fun & safe environment, In school hall held each Tuesday from 10am—12 midday. Bring a piece of fruit to share and a water bottle.


**CENTRE CARE**- Couples and Relationship courses starting soon.

**TAMWORTH BASKETBALL** - Aussie Hoops Minnie Bolts.

**SK8 THUNDERDOME** - 02 67 627 999.

**HIPPY TAMWORTH**—HIPPY (Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters) has had a positive outcome for over 50 children and their parents in the past 4 years. It is once again time to enrol for this free 2 year-home based early learning program for families with a four year old. There are only 20 places left in the program to start in March. For more information contact the Tamworth Family Support Central line on 67632333 or 1 800 073 388.

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