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Thank you Oakville and congratulations

\$4037.82

was raised on Friday

for the **Victorian Bushfire Appeal**



Dear Parents and Friends,

Last week was a very busy and satisfying week. The Parent Teacher sessions, the Friday Victorian Bushfire Fundraising and the Welcome barbecue were all very successful and well attended.

This week we have the Swimming Carnival and our first School Assembly for 2009.

Voluntary School Contributions

Thank you to the people who have already returned the Voluntary School Contribution envelope. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Mobile Phones and Electrical Gadgets

Please read the School Mobile Policy, which is attached to this Bulletin. For safety and security, we do not want any of these items brought to school. If a mobile phone is a necessity then please follow the policy guidelines.

Victorian Bushfire Appeal

The effort with the fundraiser last Friday was amazing. To think that a school of 406 children could raise just over \$4 000 is just unthinkable. Thank you to all families for your support for this very worthy cause. The photo above shows how long the spiral became after all money was placed.

Thank you to the Ramos Family and friends for organising a collection at the Rouse Hill Town Centre. This money is part of the overall total. Information about Friday's outstanding effort has been put into a few of the local papers.

Welcome Barbecue

It may have been a wet and windy evening but many people attended the barbecue on Friday. It was fantastic to see so many new families to our school as well as families who have been part of the Oakville School Community for a number of years. It was a great opportunity for the school community to mix and get to know one another.

Thank you to Mrs Stevens and her team of Canteen helpers for organising and serving the food and to the workers on the barbecues. Thank you to Mrs Iredale-Sams for organising the games and to Mrs Lorenzo and Miss Parkinson for assisting with the games.

We did have other plans but the rain put a stop to those. However, it was still entertaining and a forerunner to a great year.

Parent Information Meetings

It was great to see the number of people who attended the meetings last week. The contact between the teachers and parents is vital.

P & C AGM

The P & C is holding its Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday, 4 March**. All executive positions are declared vacant and elections will be held. Each office holder can only hold their position for 3 years. This means that we will be looking for new people in a few of the important positions.

The P & C is a very valuable organisation for the Oakville School Community (as demonstrated on Friday night). A large attendance at the AGM is needed.

Gary Condon, Principal

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The CANTEEN will be CLOSED tomorrow
due to our Swimming Carnival
Students need to bring their lunch to school

Dates for the Diary

Wed 18 Feb	School Swimming Carnival
Thurs 19 Feb	2.30pm School Assembly
Mon 23 Feb	Young Leaders Conference
Fri 27 Feb	School Clean Up Day
Wed 4 Mar	7.30pm P & C AGM
Thurs 5 & Fri 6 Mar	Leadership Camp
Thurs 5 Mar	2.30pm School Assembly
Fri 6 Mar	District Swimming Carnival
Mon 23 Mar	School Photos

Crunch & Sip Program

This week we launched our 'Crunch & Sip' program. This involves time set aside in the classroom for students to have a break and eat fruit or salad vegetables and drink water. They 're-fuel' with fruit or vegetables during the morning or afternoon sessions. This assists with their physical and mental performance and concentration.

The program takes a 'whole of school' approach and aims to improve children's health. Please encourage your child by packing an additional 'crunch & sip' food.

To support this program, the canteen will have some fruit to purchase over the counter at recess and lunch times. The apple slinky machine will be available also.

Thank you and healthy eating!

Deb Vanderburg, Crunch & Sip Coordinator

Swimming Carnival

Our annual school swimming carnival will be held at the Windsor Oasis Swimming Centre tomorrow, **Wednesday 18 February**.



Students **MUST** come to school in the morning for roll call and to receive their wrist band. **NO** bands will be given out at the swimming pool. **No band no swim.**

Parents may take their children home from the pool after being dismissed by a teacher. Students will not be permitted to go home with other parents without a written note from their own parent. Phone messages are not acceptable.

Mrs Finn, Sports Coordinator

2009 Sports House Captains

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected to lead our sports houses for 2009:

	Banksia	Boronia	Waratah	Wattle
<i>Snr Girl</i>	Brielle	Cassidy	Lily	Simone
<i>Snr Boy</i>	Jay	Brodie	Tyler	Lachlan
<i>Snr Girl Vice</i>	Keiva	Shania	Ashley	Casey
<i>Snr Boy Vice</i>	Valent	Brendon	Luke	Corey
<i>Jnr Girl</i>	Jessica	Talara	Georgia	Amelia
<i>Jnr Boy</i>	Shane	Kobi	Clayton	Jack
<i>Jnr Girl Vice</i>	Serina	Meg	Eilish	Jessica
<i>Jnr Boy Vice</i>	Aaron	Declan	Callum	Jeremy

Invitation

House Captain Badges will be presented on Thursday at our Whole School Assembly.

Parents of these students are invited to come along to this special presentation.

Years 3-6 Rugby Union Gala Day

After the huge success at last year's Rugby Union Gala Day held at Richmond UWS, it has been decided that we will endeavour to include more children from years 3 to 6 this year. The Gala Day is to be held on **Thursday 2 April at the Richmond UWS campus**.

The Gala day is jointly run by NSW Junior Rugby and the Hawkesbury JRUC. We are hoping to send two senior boys and two junior boys tackle teams and four Yrs 3-6 girls "Walla" teams. These numbers will require two buses and a number of teachers supervising.

Today all Year 3-6 children brought home a note to indicate if they would be allowed to be selected in one of the above teams. **THIS IS NOT A PERMISSION NOTE!** It is important that we find out how many children are allowed to participate before entering the teams. Once the numbers are known, I will be holding trials to select the teams. It really is a fun day and we would like as many girls and boys from years 3 to 6 to participate. It must be noted that at this stage there are no non-tackle "Walla" teams for boys, only tackle.

Please have the note sent home today with the bulletin, signed and sent back to Mr Kenna as soon as possible, so that trials can begin.

Mr B Kenna (Rugby Coordinator)

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Thursday, 19 February at 2:30pm
In the School Hall
Hosted by DRACO

P&C Association

