

# Oakville Public School

A quality education in a caring environment

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## P & C Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, 4 March 7.30 pm

School Staffroom

There will be the election of officers for the year.

Items for discussion will include plans for the year, academic, technological and environmental.

*All interested people welcome!*

Dear Parents and Friends,

### 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.

### Installation of Two New Smartboards

Thanks to the hard work of our P & C, we have two new smartboards (electronic whiteboards) being installed into the Early Stage 1 classrooms this Friday. This will bring the total number of smartboards in the school up to 10.

This is very fortunate that our students will benefit from such modern technology.

### Swimming Carnival – Wednesday 18 February

The Carnival last Wednesday went very smoothly. The sun came out and the students participated in many events. The attitude and behaviour of the student spectators was extremely pleasing.

Congratulations to all students for their efforts in the races and congratulations to the students who excelled in their events.

Thank you to the teachers for their great work in the hot conditions and thank you to Mrs Finn for organising such a well run Carnival. There was a lot of extra paper work this time to ensure the safety of our students and we appreciate the time that Mrs Finn put into the planning of the Carnival.

### Young Leaders Day

Yesterday, our Student Councillors attended the Young Leaders Conference at the Entertainment Centre in the city. They were members of an audience of over 7 000 students from around NSW and the ACT.

The students were inspired by 5 quality speakers:

- Martin Young - head of the Young Leaders Day
- James Roy - Children's author
- Bridie Carter - actress
- Natalie Cook OAM - Olympic gold medallist
- Mark Beretta - TV sports anchor

It was a fantastic day. Thank you to Mrs Weise and Mrs Teuma for their valuable assistance on the day.



Gary Condon, Principal

### Hawkesbury Rugby Union Gala Day Thursday 2 April

Last week all children from years 3-6 received a note where they could express their interest in trying out for one of the following teams: Junior Boys Tackle, Senior Boys Tackle or Girls "Walla" teams.

If your child is interested in trying out, please make sure the note is returned no later than this Thursday. Teams will then be selected, entered and a permission note sent home closer to the day.

Mr B Kenna, Rugby Coordinator

### Dates for the Diary

<b>Fri 27 Feb</b>	School Clean Up Day
<b>Wed 4 Mar</b>	7.30pm P & C AGM
<b>Thurs 5 &amp; Fri 6 Mar</b>	Leadership Camp
<b>Thurs 5 Mar</b>	2.30pm School Assembly
<b>Fri 6 Mar</b>	District Swimming Carnival
<b>Thurs 19 Mar</b>	2.30pm School Assembly
<b>Mon 23 Mar</b>	School Photos
<b>Fri 27 Mar</b>	Stage 3 Excursion
<b>Wed 1 Apr</b>	7.30pm P & C Meeting
<b>Thurs 2 Apr</b>	Rugby Gala Day
<b>Fri 3 April</b>	School Disco
<b>Wed 9 April</b>	School Anzac Service

**Schools Clean Up Day**

Litter is unwanted waste items that have made their way onto the ground, instead of into the compost bin, worm farm, rubbish or recycling bin where they belong – it is “rubbish on the run”. Litter can damage the environment.

On Friday, 27 February Oakville students will support **Clean Up Australia Day** by participating in **Schools Clean Up Day**. Each class will be designated a small area in the school ground. You may send in a glove for your child if you wish. Students will be washing their hands after the event.

Being part of this event promotes an interest in the environment and keeping our beautiful country ‘environmentally healthy’.

**No Wrapper Day**

To coincide with the Schools Clean Up Day on Friday, 27 February, Oakville students are asked to participate in ‘No Wrapper Day’. This means having a recess and lunch with unpackaged food items. Please assist your child by sending alternative food items, ie fresh fruit and vegetables cut up in a container, sandwiches which are not put in bags but in a lunch box.

If we all make an effort, we will make a difference.

*Deb Vanderburg, Clean Up Coordinator*

**2009 Australian Schools’ Competition**

Next week all children in Years 3-6 will bring home a permission and information note about entering the “2009 Australian Schools’ Competition”. The following subjects are offered: **Computer Skills, Science, Spelling, Writing, English and Mathematics.**

Please read the information carefully and return the permission note and payment to the office by Friday 20 March if you are interested in entering your child in one or more of the competitions.

*Mr B Kenna, Competitions Coordinator*

In our **Pursuit of Excellence** the following students received Awards at our last Assembly:

**Principal’s Awards**

- Astronauts** Daniel
- Comets** Jake
- Venus** Amy
- Clusters** Katie
- Delta Star** Hannah
- Jupiter** Ryan
- Rockets** Tymika
- Halley’s Comet** Madeline
- Blue Moon** Claire
- Calypso** Samantha
- Futurama** Ashley
- Galileo** Chloe
- Draco** Cameron
- Krypton** Lachlan
- Light Year** Alix
- Pisces** Holly

**Merit Awards:** Luke, Evie, Christopher, Amy, Matthew, Emily, Ruby, Liam, Harry, Alicia, Caleb, Liam, Mick, Courtney, Chloe, Gerard, Billy, Jamie, Nathan, Niamh, Calleb, Ben, Felicia, Joshua, Jade, Aiden, Ariole, Ashley, Ashley, Chloe, Daniel, Elizabeth.

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**OAKVILLE STAR AWARD**

- Felicity
- Emily
- Rebekah
- Claudia

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**P&C Association**

**Business Directory**

We are excited to announce that we have begun working on the next edition for 2009/2010. I would like to thank Rhonda, Vicky, Kathleen, Michelle & Lisa who have helped in the distribution of the new flyers. A new flyer will be coming home with your child in the near future.

*Carmen Teuma, Fundraising Coordinator*

**Community News**

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**Galston High School**

**Open Day**

**Wednesday 4 March 2009**

**9:00am to 11:30am**

Come along & be entertained by a performance from our upcoming musical “The Sound of Music”

Meet some of our terrific students who will show you around our beautiful grounds, including our Agricultural facilities and Waddell Cottage

Find out all that we have to offer

For more information, phone 9651 2222