

Oakville Public School

A quality education in a caring environment

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Issue 10

Tuesday, 31 March, 2009

P & C Meeting

Wednesday, 8 April 7.30 pm

Please note the date is on 8 April and NOT 1 April

School Staffroom

Items for discussion will include progress on plans for the year as well as P & C priorities.

All interested people welcome!

Dear Parents and Friends,

We are rapidly approaching Easter. In the mean time we have a Rugby Gala Day, Disco, Anzac Service and Easter Parade to go to finish off the Term. This means that we will be very busy for the next two weeks.

Today we have 17 students representing our local PSSA at the Sydney West Swimming Carnival. We wish them all the best.

School will resume for students for Term 2 on Wednesday, 29 April. The staff will be at school on Tuesday, 28 April. Monday 27 April is part of the Easter holiday break.

Interesting website for parents

Parents of NSW public school students can now access a one-stop online magazine. It is an easy-to-navigate, online magazine containing information on a range of issues affecting children and their families from Kindergarten to Year 12.

Topics covered in the first issue include the benefits of parental involvement in a child's education, fun learning activities for children on everyday outings and tips on home-alone safety. There are also healthy school lunch ideas, free downloadable family organisers, a vodcast on tackling head lice, and a segment on maths.

School Parents will be updated every two months and is at www.school.nsw.edu.au/schoolparents.

The elimination of bullying is very important

I would like to remind people that we have a zero tolerance to all forms of bullying. The school policy can be found on our school website. This policy is fully implemented. Please find following some important information from the policy.

Oakville Public School has amongst its aims the provision of an environment in which each student is personally involved, in which each can develop as a person of integrity, social conscience and courage.

To this end, we aim to establish a community in which everybody feels valued and safe, and where individual differences are appreciated, understood and accepted. Every student has a right to enjoy his or her time at school.

This community does not tolerate bullying or harassment. Respect for others is expected.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Each member of the Oakville community shares in the following rights and responsibilities:

- To feel safe
- To respect self
- To learn and grow
- To respect others
- To be respected
- To use commonsense
- To be valued
- To support others

DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ALL INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS TO BE FREE FROM BULLYING

- Everyone has the right to feel safe and be safe at school.
- Everyone has the right to be accepted and respected as they are.
- Everyone has the right to be happy about coming to school.
- Everyone has the right to have his or her concerns taken seriously and appropriate action taken.
- Everyone has the right to have his or her concerns dealt with in private.
- Everyone has the right to a quality educational program devoid of disruption.

Gary Condon, Principal

Dates for the Diary

Tues 31 Mar	Sydney West Swim Carnival
Thurs 2 Apr	Rugby Gala Day
Fri 3 April	School Disco
Wed 8 April	School Anzac Service
Wed 8 Apr	7.30pm P & C Meeting
Thurs 9 April	Easter Parade
	Last Day Term 1
Tues 28 April	School Development Day
Wed 29 April	First Day Term 2 for all students
Wed 6 May	7.30pm P & C Meeting
Thurs 7 May	2.30pm School Assembly
Fri 8 May	School Cross Country

DISCO



You are invited to attend the end-of-term disco being hosted by Year 6

When: Friday 3 April 2009

Times: Kindy - Year 2 students -
5:30pm-7pm
Year 3 - Year 6 students -
7:30pm -9pm

Where: The school hall

Cost: \$ 5 - includes entry, chips and a drink.

To purchase tickets see the Councillors under the COLA before school and at recess. When you pay your \$5 the Councillors will mark your name off on a class list and give you a ticket to the disco. Tickets are on sale now!

GLOW STICKS will be on Sale

Bring your money along on the night if you want to purchase glowsticks at the door.

Long Glowsticks (necklaces) \$2

Short Glowsticks (bracelets) \$1

Thank You

Last Friday our Stage 3 students visited the Art Gallery of NSW in Sydney. We went to see the portraits for the 2009 Archibald Prize as we have been studying Identity and portraits for our Creative and Practical Arts lessons this term.

We had several parents attend this excursion with us to help out. All the students and teachers would like to thank these parents for their assistance on Friday. Thank you to Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs Newton, Mrs Hart, Mr Rassack, Mrs Wiese, Mrs Cencic, Mrs Sheridan, Mrs Stevens and Ms Thompson. We really appreciated you giving up your time to come with us.

Stage 3 students and teachers.

Raffle Tickets

Keep buying raffle tickets for our HUGE Easter raffle. We will have lots and lots of prizes. Remember that the more tickets you have the more chances you have to win. The major prize is on display in the office.

If you would like more ticket books sent home just tell your child to ask the Councillors when they come around to their class to collect the raffle tickets each morning. Remember for each book of raffle tickets returned you get an Easter egg.

Prizes will be drawn during our Easter Parade on the last day of term. Raffle tickets will also be sold on the day. Good luck to everyone who has purchased a ticket.

Year 6 students.

ANZAC Service

As ANZAC Day falls within the school holidays our Councillors will be hosting a service to commemorate the day on Wednesday 8 April 2009. The service will be held in front of the flagpole at 10:30am. Parents are welcome to attend.

Environmental Club

An Environmental Club for interested students at Oakville commenced last week. Students will promote environmental events, assist in keeping our vegetable garden green and other environmental issues that arise throughout the year.

The Club has decided to have another 'No Wrapper' Day this Thursday, 2 April

No Wrapper Day

This promotion of lessening litter will be held this Thursday. Please support this day by providing your children with an alternative recess and lunch that does not require packaging. This could include for example having additional fruit and vegies in containers instead of a packet of chips.

Crunch & Sip

This program continues to be successful with a very high percentage of students participating and eating healthy fruit and vegetable snacks. The canteen has also been very supportive in having additional fruit for sale during recess and lunch.

Deb Vanderburg, Environmental Ed Coordinator

Easter Parade Organisation

Easter is almost here and we are once again preparing for our annual Easter Parade.

The staff and students would like to invite all families and visitors along to help us celebrate!

Highlights of the day will include:

- * Kindergarten & Preschoolers - Hat Parade
- * Stage 1 - Costumes (Royal Easter Show theme)
- * Stage 2 - Egg and Spoon relay as well as Easter Egg Poster displays
- * Stage 3 - the Traditional Oakville Egg Toss

Each student will receive a free sausage sizzle and parents and visitors will also be able to purchase sausage sandwiches and cans of drink at lunch time.

There will also be a massive Easter raffle and even an Easter Bunny visit so be sure to remember your cameras and fold up chairs.

Save the date in your diary - Thursday 9 April (last day of Term 1) commencing at 11:40am.

We look forward to sharing our fun-filled day with you all.

Jo Lorenzo, Easter Festivities Co-ordinator

Hawkesbury Rugby Union Gala Day

Good Luck to the following teams who will compete this Thursday at the Hawkesbury Rugby Union Gala Day: 2 Junior Boys Tackle, 2 Senior Boys Tackle and 3 Girls "Walla" teams. Boys in a tackle team **must have a mouth guard** and football boots are preferred, but not essential for the gala day.

A permission note was sent home last week, and there are still a number of outstanding notes. The cost per child to travel by bus is **\$7.00** and please remember the day of the "Rugby Gala Day" is this **Thursday 2 April**, and will be held at the **University of WS, Richmond Campus**. A map was provided on the back of the permission note.

Two buses have been organised and parents are quite welcome to come and support their child and the school. If you would like to take your child home at the end of the day, please ensure you see one of the teachers in charge. No child can be transported home with friends, unless a note is provided.

Don't forget plenty to drink, lunch, recess and your hat. **Jerseys have been provided** for the Boys tackle teams and the girls "walla" teams should **wear their school sports uniform**.

- **All Students Must Be At School By 8.15am to catch the bus at 8.30am.**

Mr B Kenna, Rugby Coordinator

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

Principal's Awards

Astronauts	Amelia
Comets	Zoe
Venus	Tylah
Clusters	Jake
Delta Star	Brydie
Jupiter	Tallulah
Rockets	Emily
Halley's Comet	Parker
Blue Moon	Joel
Calypso	Talara
Futurama	Bradley
Galileo	Blake
Draco	Amy
Krypton	Valent
Light Year	Daniel
Pisces	Brittnev

Merit Awards: Georgia, Max, Charlie, Colby, Joshua, Ellesha, Madeleine, Lewis, Tali, Courtney, Lachlan,

Kristen, Jordan, Ebony, Holly, Liam, Eilish, Matthew, Tyger, Brody, Serina, Ben, Aaron, Keiren, Simone, Lily, Sarah, Stephanie, Ben, Luke, Matthew, Kayla.

OAKVILLE STAR AWARD

*Lara
Christopher
Patrik*

P&C Association

Due to the holidays fast approaching, the canteen will be running down on stock. Please provide a second choice on your order in case we cannot provide your first choice.

Business Directory

Thank you to everyone who has returned their business directory form. It is now time to send us your art work and payment. Everyone should have received a form with relevant information. If you have not received this form, please phone Carmen or email actrees@bigpond.net.au Thank you for supporting our children.

Need A Local Printer ?

If you are in need of a local printer, please remember to use the Business Directory and call Im-Print, Liz Leary on 0432 835 358. Liz has supported the school enormously with last years directory and is again supporting us with our next edition. Without her generosity and help, the Business Directory would not be a successful fundraiser. Let's support our local community!

Carmen Teuma, Fundraising Coordinator

Easter BBQ ~ Help Required

Please call Leanne or Sue if you can help on the barbeque or in the canteen on Easter Parade day, Thursday 8 April.

We need your help to make this day a success. As we would all like the opportunity to watch our children on the day, if we have many helpers, this will be happen.

Leanne Stevens, Canteen Coordinator

