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You are invited to

Education Week Open Day Celebrations

Book Fair

& Lapathon

Public Education Day

Thursday, 28 May

A love of learning

NSW public schools leading the way

10.00 a.m. Stage-based activities and open classrooms

11.15 a.m. Recess

11.35 a.m. School Lapathon

12.55 p.m. Picnic Lunch

The Book Fair will be in the Library all day

Everyone is invited to attend!

Dear Parents and Friends,

The weather is causing a build up of events. The District Cross Country is now on next Tuesday and the painting of the outside of the buildings has been held up. Hopefully, these things can be completed in the next couple of weeks.

Education Week

This week we celebrate Education Week and highlight the quality of our students and teachers work. The theme is *"Leading the way"*

Our school leads the way in many areas as will be demonstrated next week.

We start with our 3 dance groups performing at Windsor Riverview, tomorrow, Wednesday at 12 noon. It will be the debut public performance for each group.

On Thursday, we have our Open Day, starting at 10.00a.m, moving into the Lapathon after Recess and featuring the Book Fair all day. It would be great to see everyone here to enjoy the students' work.

The top weatherboard building is currently being painted. The three classes have been relocated and their activities will be adjusted accordingly.

Thursday is also Public Education Day, where public education is celebrated around Australia.

Lapathon

The Lapathon is due to be held as a feature of Open Day. However, the grounds are extremely wet and we will have to adjust the planned laps that the students are to walk. We do want the activity to go ahead as planned, so every effort will be made to find safe walking areas.

Gary Condon, Principal

Stage 3 Open Day Organisation

At present the Stage 3 classes are not in their normal rooms as the rooms are being painted. There is not enough room within the computer room for additional parent bodies and it is unlikely that the rooms will be finished by Open Day so for Stage 3 classes their Open Day activity will be an outside sport rotation. Parents are welcome to come and participate in outside games with their children. You can meet us under the COLA at 10am for the beginning of the open classroom session or just join in at any time after 10am.

Stage 3 Classes : Krypton, Draco, Pisces and Light Year

Miss Downie, S3 Supervisor

Maths Containers

We are after ice cream containers with lids to store some of our maths equipment. We know it's winter but are sure some ice-cream lovers are out there! Please send washed ice-cream containers to the office. Thank you in advance for your help.

Maths Committee

Our Annual Book Fair

The Library will be having our Book Fair this Thursday, 28 May. We will be located under the verandah outside the school office. Parents are welcome to purchase a much needed book to donate to our Library. The books are priced between \$2 and \$8.

Mrs Robertson, Librarian

Dates for the Diary

Wed 27 May	ICAS Computer Competition Dance Performances at Windsor Riverview
Thurs 28 May	Education Week Open Day Lapathon & Book Fair Public Education Day
Week starting 1 June	Sydney West Dance Festival
Tues 2 June	District Cross Country
Tues 9 June	Stage 2 Excursion
Wed 3 June	7:30pm P&C Meeting
Thurs 4 June	2.30pm School Assembly
Wed 10 June	ICAS Science Competition
Tues 16 June	ES1 Excursion to Zoo

Zone Cross Country and PSSA Update

The Ridges Zone Cross Country has again been postponed to next Tuesday, 2 June at Paterson Reserve, Quakers Hill. It is important that **all** students are at school on time for the **9:00am departure**.

This has also affected the PSSA start date as this has now been pushed back a week to Friday 5 June.

Could all notes for both events be returned as soon as possible

Ms Finn, Sports Coordinator

SRC News

Thank you to all the families who donated to the Stewart House Envelope drive. You are now in the draw to win a fabulous \$4000 holiday to the destination of your choice. We raised a total amount of \$138.25. Well done Oakville.

Now it's time to start cleaning out your wardrobes because next week, all families will receive a Stewart House Clothing Appeal Bag. Due dates will be published in next week's bulletin.

Stewart House is a charity organisation that helps children and their families develop healthy lifestyles and build positive self esteem. They are in need of our help so please show them the Oakville spirit by filling as many clothing appeal bags as you can!

Jo Lorenzo, SRC Coordinator

Dance Update

How exciting....The time has come for our debut performances!

Tomorrow, all 3 dance groups will be performing at Windsor Riverview Shopping centre at 12:00pm as part of this year's Education Week festivities.

If you can make it, we would love to see you there for as much support as possible.

Next week we are looking forward to the Sydney West Dance Festival to be held at Castle Hill. Our Juniors and Seniors will both be involved in a dress rehearsal on Monday 1 June, a matinee performance on Thursday 4 June as well as our Juniors performing Tuesday evening (2 June) and our Seniors performing Friday evening (5 June). It will certainly be a busy but exciting week!

Jo Lorenzo, Dance Coordinator

ICAS Computer Competition

Tomorrow, **Wednesday 27 May**, the first of the ICAS competitions takes place. If your child entered into the Year 3 – 6 Competition for **computers** they should come to school prepared to sit this test at 9.30am – bring rubber, pencil and sharpener. The **year 5 and 6 students** will be sitting the competition in Mr Kenna's classroom and the **year 3 and 4 students** will be sitting the competition in the staffroom.

If your child is absent on the day there is no way to refund their money, as all monies for the competitions had to be paid in advance. If your child is still unsure if they have entered the computer competition or any other competition, a list was sent home, another provided to each class teacher and finally a master list placed on the staffroom window.

Mr B Kenna, ICAS Competition Contact Person

S2 Excursion

All stage 2 students will be visiting the Powerhouse Discovery Centre at Castle Hill on Tuesday 9 June. Permission notes have gone home today. Please complete and return to school by Thursday, 4 June.

S2 Teachers

ES1 Visit to the Zoo

Just a friendly reminder that ES1 permission notes and payment for our Taronga Zoo excursion needs to be paid prior to Tuesday, 9 June.

ES1 Teachers

World Environment Day ~ 5 June 2009

The SRC and the Environmental Club have made a decision to support this day beginning on a weekly basis, 'No Waste Wednesday'. This day is to be supported by the students and teachers of Oakville Public School as diligently as possible. This means replacing packaged and wrapped recess and lunch items in containers. Choosing food alternatives that do not require plastic bags, eg fresh fruit and vegetables and using drink bottles instead of poppers. It is hoped that on this day our school's litter and waste will be considerably reduced.

For more information on World Environment Day go to: www.unep.org/wed/2009/english/

Remember that all change begins with the smallest steps and those begun at home (or school) can lead us on the greatest journey.

Ms Vanderburg, Environmental Club Coordinator

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

OAKVILLE STAR AWARD

- Jessica*
- Hannah*
- Kane*
- Ruby*

Principal's Awards

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| Astronauts | Roan |
| Comets | Jamison |
| Venus | Emily |
| Clusters | Tiana |
| Delta Star | Harry |
| Jupiter | Brooke |
| Rockets | Bella |
| Halley's Comet | Ben |
| Blue Moon | Tiannah |
| Calypso | Mitchell |
| Futurama | Clayton |
| Galileo | Felicia |
| Draco | Kirsten |
| Krypton | Jorja |
| Light Year | Rachael |
| Pisces | Tiarne |

Merit Awards: Felicity, Daniel, Tahlee, Hayden, Bradley, Jacob, Courtney, James, Harrison, Alicia, Kristen, Dane, Izabella, Jackson, Jarrod, Joshua, Declan, Amy, Daniel, Aidan, Jack, Serina, Madeleine, Adrian, Katie, Jack, Brielle, Nic, Lucy, DJ, Paige, Jed.

P&C Association

LAPATHON THIS THURSDAY!!

Our Lapathon will be held this Thursday between recess and lunch. Please remember the following items for the day:

- Lapathon sponsorship card
- Sneakers
- Hat
- Water bottle.

We hope to see lots of parents and friends cheering on the students.

At the end of the Lapathon all students will receive a free Zooper Dooper.

As there were no volunteers to organise a barbeque you are welcome to bring a picnic lunch or order from the canteen through your child's class in the morning. Tea, coffee and cup cakes will be available at recess and lunch.

Your child will bring home their sponsorship card with the amount of laps they completed recorded on the card. Please return the money raised to the school by **Friday 5 June**. We will then organise a Pizza Party for the class that has raised the most money (on average) and also organise the fantastic prizes donated by **Bing Lee**.

Remember, there is a major prize of a Portable DVD player with a swivel screen (valued at \$239) for the student who returns the most money as well as the chance to win a Stage prize for students who raise more than \$10.

Thanks for your support,

Reminder

Stage 1: Don't forget cupcakes on Thursday. Maximum of six cakes to be taken to canteen in the morning.
Thank you for your continued support.

P & C Fundraising Committee

HELPERS URGENTLY NEEDED

We need helpers in the canteen on Friday, 29 May
Or
The canteen will CLOSE
If you can help, please call Su 0417 047 880
Or Leanne 0430 213 615

CANTEEN ROSTER

New Products

- Yummy Drummies (crumbed chicken) 80c
- Twirls (pasta & bolognaise) \$2.60

- Hot Cakes & Maple Syrup \$3.50

Also, slush puppies will be closed down for the winter months. We will offer this again when the weather warms up.

Leanne Stevens, Canteen Coordinator

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will reopen on Thursday, 4 June after renovations being completed.

Business as usual – Thursday and Friday 3pm – 3:15pm

Sandra Woodward, Uniform Shop Coordinator