



Wednesday 19th July 2017

Term 3 Week 1

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School Banking

◆ Every Monday

Notes going home today

- ◆ Gymnastics & Zumba
- ◆ Aboriginal Performance
- ◆ P&C Raffle Tickets

Notes that went home previously

- ◆ Stage 3 Berry Camp
- ◆ Year 5 High School Taster Day



Supervision starts
at 9am

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3 and what is gearing up to be an extremely busy term.

A calendar for Term 3 will be sent home with next week's newsletter to keep you up to date with what is happening for students this term. As you will see we have many events, including our Gymnastics and Zumba program, Education Week activities and Naidoc Week activities. Staff and students will also be busily preparing for our biannual concert taking place later this term.

Gymnastics and Zumba Program

This term we will again run our very engaging Gymnastics and Zumba sport programs for all students K-6. A permission note has been sent home today with this newsletter. This program will start next week and we ask that you return the permission slip before next Thursday so that students can participate. If permission notes are returned, we expect that students participate in the entire 8 week program. Due to the short turn around, payment for this program has been extended until the following week, however, if payment is not made on or before the 8th August, students will not be allowed to participate in any further sessions.

A big thank you to Mrs Grieve, who has again successfully applied for a grant from Sporting Schools Australia, to help with the cost of these programs. This grant allows us to offer these programs at a substantially reduced rate and it equates to just over \$5.00 per session - very good value for two sporting programs run by qualified instructors.

Naidoc Week

We will be celebrating Naidoc Week in week 4 and have organised an incursion for students K-6 to be held on Wednesday 9th August. A permission note (outlining the cost) for this event has also been included with this newsletter. Students will have the opportunity to learn about traditional and contemporary dance, story, culture and see some Aboriginal artefacts.

We kindly ask that you return all permission notes and money on or before due dates as we are unable to accept late payments and students will miss out on these fantastic opportunities.

Education Week Open Day

In Week 3 all Department of Education schools in the state will be celebrating Education Week. The theme for this year is 'I Learn, We Learn'. Staff and students invite you to a special 'Open Day' at The Oaks Public School on Wednesday 2nd August starting at 10.00am. Each teacher will be showcasing a part of the curriculum in their classroom for half an hour. A whole school assembly has been organised to start at 10.45am under the COLA where we will showcase some of our extra curricula groups, including our saxophone group and choir. We will also be convinced to one point of view or another by our Stage 3 debaters. At the conclusion of the assembly we invite you to stay and enjoy a picnic lunch with your children. Normal classes will then resume at 12.10pm. Keep a look out in next week's newsletter for more information.

Fete -2017

Our very hardworking P&C have been organising our fete which will occur early in Term 4. As the term progresses there will be a lot of information going home and requests for donations and volunteers to help out on the day. In the past our school fetes have been very successful in raising a lot of money which is donated back to the school to buy teaching and learning resources.

With this newsletter you will receive raffle tickets to sell (one book per family has been sent home). Once sold, raffle tickets and money should be returned to the school and placed in the P&C box in the front office. If you would like another book to sell, please let the office staff know and they will be able to pass it on to the appropriate person.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Also sent home today are instructions for booking an interview with your child's teacher/s. These have been scheduled during Education Week on Tuesday 1st August between 2 pm and 7 pm. Interviews are booked through an online interview booking system and are scheduled in 10 minute timeslots. Please try to adhere to these times as it is respectful to staff and other parents who may have interviews booked with other teachers. If you feel you need a longer conversation with your child's teacher, or you would like an interview but are unable to attend on this day, please contact the school office to arrange another mutually convenient time.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

This year our school will also be participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program. The program runs from Wednesday 26th July until Tuesday 19th September. If you shop at Woolworths, for every \$10 you spend you will earn one Earn and Learn sticker. These stickers can be collected and returned to the Earn and Learn box located in the school office and at Woolworths Camden.

Alternatively, you can collect a sticker sheet and fill it up with stickers and return the completed sheet to the school office. If you have incomplete sheets these can also be returned to the school as we can combine these to make one complete sheet. Sticker sheets are available from the front office or from the Woolworths' website. Schools then redeem stickers for educational resources, so the more stickers collected the more resources we will be able to get. Please encourage friends, aunts, uncles and grandparents to collect stickers as well. Happy sticker collecting!

Kindergarten Information Session for 2018

We will be holding our Kindergarten Parent Information Evening on Wednesday 23rd August. Flyers with further details will be sent out to any parent who has provided their name to the school office. If you know of anyone in our community who is looking to enrol their child in Kindergarten next year, please pass this information on to them and ask them to contact the office for further information.

Leeanne Godkin
Relieving Principal



Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will resume on Tuesday 25th July (Week 2, Term 3).



Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Value of the Week

Week 1

<h2 style="color: #E67E22;">Be a Learner</h2>	<p><u>Playground</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be friendly and caring - Play by the rules - Report incidents to a teacher
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Quick Flick Winners

Taylor K KS, Taylor D 1S, Bodhi J 1S, Emily S 2S, Amelia W 2G, Jess A 5/6G,
Megan S 3/4T, Jordyn P 4/5P, Brodie M 3/4T

Quick Flicks are given to students when they demonstrate our values. Quick Flicks are then drawn each week and the winning students receive a Respectful, Safe and Learner sticker at our Monday morning assembly.



The Great Book Swap- Tuesday 8th August

~~~~~BOOKS WANTED~~~~~

Once again, our school is supporting the work of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation by holding a GREAT BOOK SWAP during NAIDOC Week celebrations on **Tuesday 8th August, 2017 (Week 4)**. The Indigenous Literacy foundation works to put books into the hands of children and families in remote Aboriginal communities across Australia. Last year, the foundation raised over \$160,000, and this year hope to raise over \$200,000. Our Aboriginal students and SRC will help organise the event, which is to be held in the school library. They will help sort books into sections, take money and help promote the event across the school.

We are starting to collect books **NOW** in preparation for the event. To take part, students need to bring along a book that they are happy to donate for another student to "buy". Books will be collected by classroom teachers. Then on Tuesday 8th August, students bring in a gold coin donation to buy a 'new book' of their choice. Students will be able to buy a book during lunch and recess time. All money donated will go directly to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation to buy books for students in remote Aboriginal communities. For more information:

<http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/>

Thank you for your support.
Mrs Levings

Breakfast Club

After a successful start last year the Student Representative Council will again run a Breakfast Club for students once a week. SRC Class Representatives will assist in the running of Breakfast Club each week.

Breakfast Program Details

When: Every Tuesday morning
Time: 8.45am to 9.15am
Where: TOPS School Hall
Who: TOPS Students
What: Students will be able to choose from a range of healthy items, including toast, cereal, fruit and juice.
Cost: A gold coin donation

Hope to see you there!

Mrs Godkin and Miss Yeaman
SRC Committee



CANTEEN NEWS...

Canteen Roster

4th Wednesday - Amanda Ormerod & Jane Windred
4th Thursday - Amanda Biffin & Andrea Gauci
4th Friday - Jodie Stucki, Wendy Stevens & Robin Howell

A HUGE thank you for supporting the canteen with our End of Term Meal Deal last term. We raised \$897.47, which will go towards supporting our teachers and students in the school. A special mention to Lauren Fowler & Shana McKinnon for cooking all the hamburgers and chips.

Amanda Ormerod
Canteen Coordinator



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Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher Meetings will be held on **Tuesday 1st August, 2017**. You can book online at times that suit your family best. Please follow the instructions below to access the website or go through the school site and select Interviews. Don't forget to give yourself time to get to the next teacher if you have more than one child. Bookings will close 3pm Friday, 28th July.

You are able to change your interview bookings any time prior to the closing date by re-visiting the site, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used for the original booking. If you wish to cancel your interview time after the closing date, please contact the school on 46571185. If you do not have access to the internet at home, work, a friend's house or on your phone, please contact the school on 46571185 to request a time be arranged for you.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically – check your junk mail folder if you do not receive the email shortly after.

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Event code: **zyg3w**



Enter your details



Choose Teachers



Choose times

Step 1: Enter your name, your email address and your student's name(s) .

- Your email address is used to send you confirmation of your bookings.
- Select the number of students you want to make bookings for, and fill in their names.
- Press the green "Go" button to go on to the next page.

Step 2: Choose a teacher.

- Press the green "Go" button to go on to the next page.

Step 3: Choose the time(s) you want.

- Missing checkboxes mean that time has already been booked by someone else.
- Press the green "Go" button to confirm your bookings.

You may return to the site to make changes to your bookings up until the closing time.

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