

OAKWOOD NEWS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have had a fabulous start to Term 4, action packed as always, with lots of fabulous teaching and learning. We are very proud of the way the students have come back focussed on their learning and supporting each other using our PBS values.

Story Dogs Fundraiser

The Story Dogs is an invaluable program that supports readers within our school. It is a voluntary program that people and their dogs give up their time to read with our students. On the last day of Term 3 we had a free dress day to raise money for this program, we raised a whopping **\$729.55**. Thank you to you, the families, of Oakwood for supporting this program. Thank you to Kym & Ginny and Amelia & Stirling for giving up their time to deliver this opportunity to our students.

Staffing News

Well as they say, it must be in the water!!! We would like to congratulate many of our staff and their families on their soon to be expanding families.

Kristy Rankin
Sarah Childs
Jessie Brittain
Lauren Clarke
Jacinta Porter
Vicky Kershaw



We wish you a fabulous pregnancy and fun getting ready for your soon to be new addition.

We would like to welcome Dave Mercer to our wonderful Oakwood school and community, he is supporting the school this term providing consistent relief. Dave has already made a huge impact and got to know our students.

Kindy and PP St John Incursion

Our Kindy and Pre-Primary students enjoyed and learnt a lot from our St John ambulance experts. We would like to thank St John's ambulance for providing this opportunity.



Kindy and PP Sports Carnival

The Kindy and Pre-Primary students and families had a very busy Week One including their sports carnival. The students tried their personal best with all their fun events and showed great care towards each other. We loved the parent race, thanks for bringing your fun to our community. Thank you to staff for all your hard work preparing the students for each event and for your great organisation.



Interschool Athletics Carnival

In week 2 some of our older students represented Oakwood in athletic events competing against other schools in our network cluster. As always our students showed impeccable respect towards other schools and competitors. We are very proud of them achieving their personal bests and representing Oakwood with great sportsmanship. Well done to all students!

Dates to Remember

Tuesday 2 November
P&C Meeting 9am

Wednesday 3 November
Year 6 Camp Parent Information Session 6pm

Friday 5 November
Junior Assembly

Friday 12 November
Story and Rhyme Time

Senior Assembly

Monday 15 November — Friday 19 November
Year 6 Coral Bay Camp

Tuesday 16 November
Pre-primary Perth Zoo Excursion

Friday 19 November
Junior Assembly

Monday 22 November — Friday 3 December
Year 4-6 Swimming Lessons

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BOOK WEEK

Old worlds, new worlds, other worlds

Thank you to our community families preparing your children so well for our book week. The costumes were fabulous, the parade showed off the fun of all the book characters from other worlds, the students were vibrant and really thought about the book week theme. We hope your students had a great day celebrating how important books are in our lives. Thank you to staff for getting so involved, surprising students and the community with a flash mob dance and the daily news items meant we all needed to keep our eyes open for these other worlds.

Castaways Art Project

Oakwood was successful in the 2021 Castaways exhibition winning the Alcoa Primary Schools Award. The sculpture was produced by our art club students and Ayundantes who gave up their lunchtimes to produce such a fabulous sculpture. Thank you to Mrs Starbuck, Mrs Dadds, Ms Oddy and Mrs Baxter who supported the students to construct this sculpture and exhibit it at the Rockingham Foreshore. If you would like to visit the sculpture it will be on show until Sunday 31 October at Rockingham Foreshore. It will then be returned to be a feature in school from Monday 1 November.



P&C Slime Afternoon

Thanks to the P&C for organising such a fun and gooey afternoon for our students. Slime, inflatables, bubbles, water guns and fun!



School Board

This week, we had our Term 4 School Board meeting. Thank you to the School Board members who represent Oakwood and strive to make Oakwood the best it can be.

World Teacher's Day

We celebrated our teachers and educators today with an early cooked breakfast and making sure they feel their value and how much of an impact they have on our students lives. Without these fabulous educators Oakwood would not be the Oakwood Awesome place it is, we are proud of every single educator in our school who always go above and beyond to support and ensure our students feel safe and supported each and every day. Please take the opportunity to acknowledge our educator's efforts with a simple thank you, those simple words make a huge difference!

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Kiss and Drop

REMINDER: Please use the kiss and drop correctly, it is important to keep all students safe and work together to protect all students. Using the Kiss and Drop inappropriately can put other students at risk.

Parking on Verges

Please DO NOT park on verges opposite the school, not only is it damaging property but this creates a hazard to cars driving and students walking.

SNAKES!

Snakes are becoming very active in the local area with a number of sightings. Please take the opportunity to teach your children what to do if they encounter a snake.



P&C Silent Disco

Thank you P&C for providing a wonderful and very different disco in week one for our Oakwood students. Lovely and quiet for the parents, and fabulously loud and fun music for the students. Are silent discos the way forward???



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P&C NEWS

Welcome to Term 4, and it is amazing as to how quick this year has gone already.

We have some wonderful events arranged for Term 4 to finish of what has been a busy year for your P&C and our members, so hopefully the children, along with the Oakwood Community, enjoy them all.

Fundraisers

P&C Car Park Bay—Congratulations to Chevy Mahanga for being the winner of our parking bay for Term 4. Hopefully you enjoy not having to drive around for ages looking for somewhere to park, and it is also nice and close to the entrance too. P&C will raffle of the Bay for Term 1 for 2022 commencing in week 7. Look out for the flyer and instructions on purchasing your tickets online.

Silent Disco—This was the fundraiser of the year that I was very doubtful of, in the way as to how it would work, with no DJ and loud thrashing music, however I was very quickly taken aback to appreciate the effect that it had on all our children, and the picnic like vibe it brought to our community, whereas parents could sit and relax and hear each other speak. The children loved the fact that they were in control of the volume and the different channels of music that they could listen too, with no coloured flashing lights. It did look strange though seeing kids dancing to the music we could not hear, just them singing along to their own tunes. A huge thank you to **Michelle Barker, Laura Johnson, and Kerry Butterworth** for all the work you did to get this event up and running. Thank you also to Reg and Ross who once again attended to the BBQ, to all our P&C personnel for assisting on the night, also Gillian and Amelia Parr, Mrs. Mitchell, and the other mums from our community who stepped in to help during our busy periods. You were all amazing and we value your time. The event raised **\$3070.00**.

Slime Days—This event was held over two days, and thank you goes to the Trio who worked tirelessly to Lead this fundraiser, **Kerry Butterworth, Kirsty Shanahan** and **Adam Crich**. Thank you also to all the amazing people who came and helped at one of the stations, whether it was squirting the kids with slime, or on one of the many obstacle courses that were set up for the children. I think the Adults had just as much fun as the children. We really do appreciate and value your time that you gave up helping our P&C. Hopefully the children had a good time too, and congratulations to the lucky winners of our prizes.



Christmas Charity Fundraiser: Free Dress—Our annual Christmas charity event, along with a Free Dress Day – theme - Christmas Dress, will be held on the 1st and 3rd December 2021. This year Our Oakwood Community are supporting two charities, whereby the children will be given the option to donate a Christmas gift for a child their age, or a non-perishable food item. The gifts will be presented to **The Foster Share Shed**. This organization support foster families in the Peel Area, 250 at present, when they have a foster child suddenly come into their care, and they are without any clothing or even furnishings for them. Oakwood gifts will be wrapped and distributed at their annual Christmas party. Our other charity we are supporting is **The Hands Up Team**. This organization support families in need until they are on their feet again and provide over 100 food hampers every Christmas to many organizations. A flyer will be out over the coming weeks. Volunteers will be needed on the mornings of the 1st and 3rd December, to gather all the items together for Mr. Davis to then present to each charity. Please let me know if you can assist on either morning. Thank you.

End of Year Concert—This year the school's concert is to be held on the 8 December 2021, and our P&C are looking at making it a family affair picnic for everyone. There will be food trucks and/or our sausage sizzle on the evening. We will advertise the Food Trucks once confirmation comes through. This is always a lovely night watching each classroom perform an activity, and children receive their special book awards.

Other Events

Year 6 Coral Bay Camp—Our Year 6 students are off to their camp in a few weeks, and we hope they behave, have a great time, and look after the Teachers and Parents who are going up to Coral Bay too.

Today is **World Teachers Day**, and I am sure you will join in with our P&C in saying thank you to all the wonderful Teaching Staff we have at our school.

Robyn Warnes
P&C President

Next P&C Meeting

Tuesday 4 November at 9am in the staffroom. Everyone welcome.



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