

OAKWOOD NEWS

♥ Learning with heart

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 2 has gone by at a rapid pace and our students and staff are ready for a break after working so hard. We are very proud of our Oakwooders who have been striving to do their personal best, this will be reflected in the fabulous reports they will have received. Thank you to our staff who have worked diligently on grading students and writing about our students academic achievements and about the students personal progress in school. We wish you all a safe and enjoyable holidays!

Year 3 Scitech Excursion

Year 3 visited Scitech on their recent excursion. They had a wonderful visit where they investigated, explored and experimented with all the opportunities Scitech has to offer. They had a great time and linked what they saw with the learning they have been doing at school. Well done to the Year 3 staff team for organising the trip and thanks to the parents who came along to join in the fun!

Canteen

Thank you to Robyn, Bec and Reg in the canteen for their hard work, kindness and wonderful provision of food to our Oakwood community over the last two years!

We really appreciate their contribution to the school community and wish them well as they go on to new things in the future. We will miss you!

Choir Performances

Huge shout out to our choir who have recently performed 'Naughty' from Matilda the Musical in our senior and junior assemblies. You sounded amazing! Thank you to our choir leaders, Mrs Paganini, Ms Mathews and Mrs Aust.

Cross Country

Over the past weeks Oakwood has held the annual Cross Country events from Year 1 to Year 6, with students showing steely determination and a will power to do their personal best. We are very proud of our Oakwooders perseverance and sportsmanship for their fellow competitors, factions and friends. Well done to Mr Young for leading and organising these events - they both ran like clockwork! Big thanks to the staff team who helped with set up, marshalling, supervising in the bays and supporting the smooth running of the day. We appreciate you all. Teamwork makes the dream work! Thank you to parent helpers and our community members who came to cheer on the students, we appreciate you all supporting the event to make it a fun and nurturing environment for our students. Finally congratulations to all our podium placers from first to sixth place who were awarded points for their factions, and huge shout out to our overall faction winners, **BLUE WREN**, who were awarded with the winning shield for the overall highest points.



Year 2 Water Corp Incursion

The Year 2 students had a wonderful time with the presenter, Hannah, who did a wonderful job engaging the students about Perth's water supply. The students reviewed water sources and the stages that water goes through before it comes through the tap. Hannah highlighted the impact of what is placed in our pipes and drains. The children also looked at the impact on the plants and animals in our wetlands. Thank you to the Year 2 staff for organising this for our Oakwooders.



Dates to Remember

Monday 17 July
School Development Day
STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND
SCHOOL ON THIS DAY

Tuesday 18 July
Students back to school

Friday 21 July
Senior Assembly

Wednesday 26 July
Student Leader and Faction
Captain Speeches

Friday 28 July
Junior Assembly

Friday 4 August
Interschool Cross Country
P&C Silent Disco

Winter Carnival

The Winter Carnival took place at Coastal Lakes and Meadow Springs club, it was lots of fun for our Year 5 and Year 6 students who participated. Our students competed in Footy, Soccer, Netball and Volleyball. Well done to all who competed, the students showed true Oakwood sportsmanship skills. Thank you to the staff who coached and Heinro Karg's dad who coached one of the soccer teams. We appreciate you giving these students the opportunity to succeed!

Faction Captains & Student Leaders

Our Semester 1 Student Leaders and Faction Captains have done a wonderful job in the last two terms and shown great leadership. We are proud of the positive impact they have had around our school! Early in Term 3, elections will be held for Semester 2 places to be filled.

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PBS Free Dress Day

Quenda and **Monarch** reached their fourth outdoor PBS milestone and were awarded with a free dress day in Week 10. They are doing fantastic work in the play areas, well done!

Uniforms

Please take the opportunity to purchase the correct winter uniform over the holidays. Students are to wear school shirt only, school jumper only, school hat only, **NAVY blue** bottoms only. Thank you to those many, many students who always wear the correct Oakwood uniform.

2024 Kindy Enrolments

Kindy enrolments for 2024 are open, if you have a child who is starting Kindy in 2024 please enrol ASAP, as available places are filling fast. Applications close on 21 July 2023.

Reports

Reports have been emailed for all students from Pre-primary to Year 6 this week. The staff have worked hard on ensuring your child is graded against the judging standards for each subject area. Please ensure you celebrate your child's achievements with them, they work so hard throughout the term to achieve their personal best. The link for the reports is only active for 28 days, please download it so you don't lose it.

Principal's Lunch

We were joined by our chosen students for our Principal's Lunch recently. We were so honoured to be in their company and serve them lunch for their amazing contribution above and beyond at Oakwood. We were lucky enough to squeeze in an outdoor play when the rain stopped!

Oakwood Awesome Students

We have had lots of students coming to the office with great work from all our whole school approaches; with fabulous achievements on mental maths data and reading Lexile data, with great opportunities in our Talk for Writing and wonderful spelling in Letters and Sounds and Spelling Mastery. Well done to all students achieving personal bests each and every day.

Free Dress Day

It was wonderful to see our students in their favourite or most comfy outfit on Friday. Thanks to the P&C for organising this event. The P&C continuously strive to raise money for our school to resource so many areas for the benefit of our Oakwooders. Thank you to our community for supporting us with this event.

Staffing Update

We say Bon Voyage to our wonderful **Carolyn Pascoe** who leaves us for Term 3 and Term 4, we will miss you Carolyn and all the work you do to support our Oakwooders and staff, enjoy your time on Long Service Leave.

We welcome to Oakwood, **Di Mearns**, who is a very experienced Special Needs EA and **Shona Cusack** who is working as an EA with our little Kindy group on a Monday and Wednesday. Welcome both to the Oakwood family!



Di



Shona

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS AND RUNNER UPS



Year 1 Boys

Knox Allen
Joel Orbell



Year 1 Girls

Macy-Rae Wardope
Franki Baird



Year 2 Boys

Liam Campbell
Reuben Grace



Year 2 Girls

Maddison Dryden
Ava Tucker



Year 3 Boys

Dylan Roberts
Marcus Jackson



Year 3 Girls

Lottie Wardope
Isla Plackett



Year 4 Boys

Mitchell Harris
Ben Mendes



Year 4 Girls

Masina Faafete
Isabel Warman



Year 5 Boys

Bodhi Bailey
Jayden Scheutjens



Year 5 Girls

Phoebe Prevost
Samurai O'Neill-Masoe



Year 6 Boys

Floyd Ruys-Ellul
Blake Melling



Year 6 Girls

Seren Aquilina
Itaya Faafete

P&C NEWS

Our P&C has been busy over the past months with school events and preparing for our Term 3 fundraisers.

At present, to support our school and students, all monies raised will go towards the **Kiss and Drive shelter** and the **Yarning Circle classroom**.

Fundraisers

Our **Mother's Day Stall** raised an amazing sum of **\$2211.98**. We would like to thank Chevvy Mahanga and Kiah Forrest for the vast number of hours you spent in ordering the stock, compiling, and placing it all into parcels for the children to purchase. To our volunteers - Kirsty Shanahan, Kellie Wright, Candice Dibley, Anne Hill, Marie Filipo, Michaela Robertson, Kerry Butterworth, Lee Marie, Kylie Servante, Michelle Barker, Melissa Kaspar, Kirra Radcliffe, Ailsa McGlen, Shelly Ratcliff, Emma Howells, and Vicki Williams. Thank you for your valuable time in assisting at the stall and making it the success that it was.

Term 2 Car Park Raffle tickets were sold during the school break and drawn on Monday 24 April 2023. The lucky winner was Renae Reid, congratulations Renae. Funds raised from the Term 2 raffle was **\$318.83**. These funds will go towards the Year 6 Graduation.

Term 3 Car Park Raffle tickets were sold during Week 10—the lucky winner was the **Stone Family!** Congratulations and enjoy your VIP parking for Term 3!

For a gold coin donation, we finish Term 2 fundraising with our **Free Dress Day** on **Friday 29 June**. The theme is.... *'Come to school dressed as Yourself'*. Have a great day everyone!

Flyers will be out this week for our first fundraiser for Term 3 which will be our **Silent Disco**, and the theme this year is a 'Pyjama Party'.

Michelle Barker, Ashleigh Frame and Chevvy Mahanga are fine tuning the final preparations. Date for the Disco is **4 August 2023**. This year all tickets will be purchased online through our square, just enter the link that will be printed on the flyer, and you will be directed straight through to the page. The weather this time of the year is not always the best, so there will be no sausage sizzle, however a coffee van will be on site. We will be asking for volunteers to help on the night with the disco, at the beginning of Term 3.

Kerry Butterworth and Kirsty Shanahan have also been very busy with preparing the gifts they have purchased for our **Father's Day Stall**. With the week leading up to Dads Special Day being busy for the school, we will be holding the stall earlier, on the dates of **22-24 August 2023**. Our flyer will be out just after we return for Term 3.

General Business

19 May 2023 was **P&C Day WA**, and I was proud of the project we put together to show our community the many items we have purchased for the school from fundraising events held since the year of 2018 up until now. Thank you, Michelle Barker, and Ashleigh Frame, for assisting me with all your photography work and endless hours of editing that you put in to make it the success it was. Thank you to the staff, children, and families for being part of our amazing photos. You can view them all on the schools P&C Web Page. The amount our community has donated through the P&C towards school projects/items totalled approx. **\$88k**, plus in 2020 we donated **\$684.20 to Telethon** and in 2021 donated **\$3788.85 to JDJR**. An incredible amount!

Thank you to the school for preparing our morning tea, also to David Templeman MLA and Lisa Munday MLA for Dawesville, for the luncheon that was provided for all P&C volunteers from all schools in our City of Mandurah area.

We have now started to use the two notice boards, one outside the library and the other outside Room 3. These will have current important information displayed on them, along with the date of our upcoming meeting and a brief copy of Agenda items.

On behalf of a request received at our meeting of 27 April 2023, we emailed Linda Emery, Coordinator, Ranger Services, asking that the lines of the Kiss and Drive be painted in a different colour to the general parking bays. Linda advised that our enquiry required approval via the City's Parking and Signage Committee, and our issue raised has been placed as an agenda item for their next meeting on 30 June 2023. Linda also advised that a Parking Officer will patrol the parking around the school, the car park areas, especially the Kiss and Drive zone, not to hand out fines, but to help educate drivers, hence the recent flyer distributed by the school, on the correct usage of these bays and ensure that drivers are not double parking or parking where it is unsafe for the community. If parents attend the Kiss and Drive bays too early, then they will be required to drive around again, as this is a 2-minute limited time area and drivers must not leave their vehicles unattended. It is suggested, that where possible, don't arrive at the Kiss and Drive until at least 10 minutes after the siren. This will give the children time to say goodbye to their friends, pack their bags, and then wonder down to parking bays.

Have a great two-week holiday everyone. Enjoy your time with family and friends, and time away from schoolwork. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all in Term 3.

If you would like information on joining our P&C, cost being \$1, please email the Office Bearers at pc.oakwoodprimary@outlook.com.

Robyn Warnes
P&C President

Next P&C Meeting 27 July at 8:50am