

OAKWOOD NEWS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have had a busy few weeks with lots of valuable learning. It is wonderful to go around the classes and see all the children engaging in their learning and telling us what they are learning about. The students are then applying their learning into our Oakwood Learning Investigations or Inquiry Learning. We are so proud of them!

School Board

School Board have commenced their termly meetings, with their first meeting in Week 4. Our school board are an integral part of our school, they listen and support the drive and vision that we have here at Oakwood, to ensure we are acting with integrity in the best interests of our Oakwood students. We would like to thank our school board members for their commitment and passion. There are two parent positions available on our school board for a three-year tenure. Should more than two parents submit an expression of interest, an election will be held next week. The deadline for nominations **Friday 8 March 2024**.

Oakwood P&C

The P&C have had their first AGM meeting of the year. It was a very successful meeting with lots of great ideas to support the school for the year and raise much needed funds to buy resources for teaching and learning. Our Oakwood P&C are a wonderful group to be part of, they are very active within our school, and have fun events throughout the year for our students to participate in. If you wish to join the P&C, join their Facebook page to find out what events are happening and when meetings will be held.

Twilight Swimming Carnival

Friday evening, of Week 4, we held our swimming carnival for students from Year 4-6 at the MARC. It was a fun and competitive evening where students who swam did their personal bests and supported each other. Our champion and runner up for each year group were:

Year 4

Champion Boy: Charlie Bentley

Runner Up Boy: Hudson Slack

Champion Girl: Lottie Wardope

Runner Up Girls: Ellie Price and Grace Hansord

Year 5

Champion Boy: Mitchell Harris

Runner Up Boy: Liam Sockett

Champion Girl: Emily Snowdon

Runner Up Girls: Ruby Dryden and Isabel Warman

Year 6

Champion Boys: Jye Tournay and Eli Inch

Champion Girl: Chloe Duthie

Runner Up Girl: Samurai O'Neill-Masoe

Our overall winners were **OSPREY!**

We congratulate them on a successful swimming carnival for their faction. Thank you to Mr Young for leading this event and to the staff who attended that evening.



Perth Dream and Lead Conference

Our Year 6 student leaders attended the Perth Dream and Lead Conference to experience and explore ways to become a strong leader in a school setting. The students were exemplary and showed what it is to be an Oakwooder. We are very proud of their developing leadership skills.

Dates to Remember

Monday 11 March
Your Move Pop-Up Event

Wednesday 13 March—
Monday 25 March
NAPLAN

Tuesday 12 March
Principal's Lunch 1pm

Thursday 14 March
Year 5 Camp Parent Info
Session 3:30pm

Friday 15 March
Senior Assembly 2pm

Tuesday 19 March
School Board 7pm

Friday 22 March
Junior Assembly 2pm

Monday 25 March—
Wednesday 27 March
Year 5 Camp

Wednesday 27 March
Easter Free Dress Day for
Kindy 5A and 31B

Thursday 28 March
Easter Free Dress Day

Attendance Assembly 2pm

Friday 29 March
Good Friday
PUBLIC HOLIDAY



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FISH! Day

What a wonderful FiSH! Day we had. This is a flagship day celebrating our school community and the wonderful families we have at Oakwood. The Fish Philosophy culture that we follow and the common language we use with the students are: *Be There, Play, Make Their Day, and Choose Your Attitude*. We loved having our community families join us for breakfast and/or lunch to celebrate this school culture with us, thank you for 'being there!'.



BE THERE PLAY



CHOOSE YOUR ATTITUDE



MAKE THEIR DAY



Crossing Warden

We are very fortunate to have crossing wardens supporting students crossing the road. Please remind your children to cross the road safely and cross where the crossing warden is. The crossing wardens choose a student each week to receive an award during assembly.

Junk Play Incursion

Students have been given the opportunity to experience the Junk Play Incursion across the whole school. It is an innovative way to engage students in play and encourage a growth and inquisitive mind set. The students loved this opportunity to explore and develop skills that require problem solving and reflection.

Outdoor play spaces

Please remember that our outdoor play equipment in ECE, Junior and Senior school are not to be used before and after school by students or other siblings dropping off or collecting siblings. The green playground is available before and after school, for play, for families. Your child must be in your sight, at all times, whilst playing on the green playground. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

School Officer and Library Appreciation Day

Friday of Week 6, today, we celebrated our wonderful Oakwood School Officers and Librarians. They do an amazing job to support the school, supporting our Oakwood families, students and staff. We would be lost without them, they are the engine that keep us all ticking over. Thank you - Monique Tennyenhuis, Julia Kerr, Michelle Bishop, Ashli Tennyenhuis, Pattina Fulton, Ashe Pellew, Kaitee Mountford, Gillian Parr & Michelle Barker.

Year 6 High School Transition

Our Year 6 students attended their first Coastal Lakes Transition session in Week 5. There was much excitement from them along with some nerves. They had a wonderful time at the school experiencing what it would be like as a Coastal Lakes student for a day.

School Board

Term 1 Meeting 1

It is with absolute joy that our school board convened for our first meeting of 2024 to proudly discuss important events and strategies for our school community. We welcome everyone back to Oakwood Primary School for another wonderful year.

The board met and discussed the following points:

- Our year has started smoothly with an incredible 943 students at census. Our enrolment numbers are a reflection of the hard work and support provided throughout our school community.
- We highlighted key events for Term One, including NAPLAN, Year 5 Camp, and Fish! Day. We look forward to many community events together throughout the year, and we intend on having members of the board represented at each where possible. Please come and say hello!
- We reviewed aspects of finances for the year and important considerations made by the school in managing this. We would like to kindly remind families that voluntary contribution payments significantly support our school in providing resources for our children
- There will be Parent Board Member nominations and an election held soon due to newly vacant positions. We sincerely look forward to expressions of interest, and if you would like further information about this role, please contact William Davis (Principal). Further communication will be provided soon, as nominations are not open yet.
- We would love you to get to know your board members! We have updated our member profiles on the Oakwood Primary School Website, go check it out!

As a board we decided that we wanted to begin providing more information about our role, as well as updates and changes happening in education. We look forward to sharing this with you over the year. Thank you for all that you do in keeping our children 'at the heart of our school'.

Kind regards,

Nikki Fairhurst—Board Chairperson

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P&C NEWS

Welcome to our students and community . Firstly, I would like to thank all our Financial Members who have joined with us for the 2024 year. Welcome back previous members, thank you for your continued support, and a warm welcome to our new members. Appreciate you all for volunteering your time, which we all know is so valuable these days.

Let me introduce our Office Bearers and Executive Members for 2024.

President Robyn Warnes

Vice President Chevy Mahanga

Secretary Kellie Wright

Treasurer Michelle Barker.

Thank you so much ladies for volunteering for another 12 months with our P&C. Executive Committee members are: Kirsty Shanahan, Michaela Robertson, Ashleigh Frame, Kirra Radcliffe, and Aaron Landwehr. Thank you for volunteering to be an Executive for 2024.

To complete Term 1 we will be holding the following fundraising events. **An Easter Colouring-in competition** along with our **Free Dress Days** on Wednesday 27 March for Kindy Rooms 5A & 31B, then Thursday 28 March 2024 for the whole of school students. For a gold coin donation, our theme is "Easter Inspired Outfit".

Our **Car Park Raffle** will be conducted from 21 March 2024 – 27 March, drawn on the 28 March. Tickets are a low \$2 each. Look out for notices advertising them all.

All monies raised from our events go towards our donation of funds for the Kiss and Drive Shelter that is now complete. To date we have raised \$8500 of the \$15k we have pledge to the school. Our aim is to raise the balance by Dec 2024. This shelter will be extremely helpful while the children wait for their ride, not just in the wet weather, but also in the shade with the extreme heat we have been experiencing.

Our next meeting will be held on the 13 March 2024 commencing at 5.30pm in the school Staffroom. New members are always welcomed. This year we are providing a video option to our meetings for anyone who would like to attend, however unable to do so on the night. Please contact us no later than 24 hours prior so that we can set up the video meeting. Annual fee to become a financial member is \$1. We can be contacted on our email address or Facebook page.

We all look forward to another enjoyable and successful year representing Oakwood Primary School P&C.

Robyn Warnes
P&C President



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Kiss and Drive Shelter

