

OAKWOOD NEWS

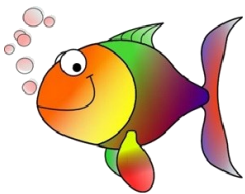
♥ Learning with heart

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It has been a very exciting and active few weeks at Oakwood where the students have embraced every moment. We would like to celebrate our staff and community for keeping on top of all the events that have taken place and motivating the students to be highly engaged and life-long learners.

PBS: Act with Integrity, Show Respect, Do Your Personal Best, Be Caring!

FISH! Principles: Choose Your Attitude, Play, Make Their Day, Be There!



Principal on Leave

I will be on leave from Monday 2 September until Tuesday 17 September. My father in the UK is unwell and I will be caring for him whilst on leave.

I am sad to be missing many significant school events in my absence, but family has to come first.

The good ship Oakwood will be expertly steered by Miss Van Beek, Mrs Hunt, Mr Mercer and the rest of the team in my absence. We are lucky to have a strong leadership team in our school and I know they will do a great job whilst I am away. I would like to thank the staff for their kindness and compassion in what is a difficult time personally.

Staffing

We welcome back Ms Jessie Brittain from maternity leave who will be working around the school as a specialist and relief teacher. We are delighted to have Jessie back at Oakwood.



Yirra Yaakin Incursion

All students from Pre primary to Year 6 were fortunate enough to take part in a whole school incursion split for different year groups over the day. The performances were engaging and explored the perspectives of First Nations people, giving the children a valuable insight into traditions associated with dance and performance. It was a great experience for our students.

Science Week

Staff and students celebrated Science Week in Week 5 in their usual style by fully engaging in science. Our students wore professor science lab coats and carried out their experiments with professionalism and inquisitiveness. Those students who won a special science award were able to go in a special group to investigate and experiment with all things science. Also, Mrs Parr was able to share her vast knowledge of Marine Biology with students when they visited the library. Thank you to Bec Curwood, Amii Kyte and the Inquiry Team who lead this week and supported staff with vibrant and engaging learning.



School Board

We have recently shared our wonderful NAPLAN results for Year 3 and Year 5 2024 with our school board. We are very proud to say we have green lights in 6 areas in Year 3 and Year 5 and are above like schools in all areas for Year 3 and Year 5.

Dates to Remember

Monday 2 September
Faction Carnival Yr 4-6

EA Appreciation Week

Tuesday 3 September
Principal's Lunch 1pm

Wednesday 4 September
Open Night

Monday 9 September—
Friday 20 September
Swimming Lessons
PP, Yr, 3 & 6
(Including Rm 19 Yr 5s)

Friday 13 September
P&C Father's Day Event
4:30pm-6:30pm

Friday 20 September
Free Dress Day
Wednesday 18 for Kindy 5A & 31B

PBS

All our factions achieved their next milestone reward over the last few weeks. With two factions choosing prizes from the prize box and two factions choosing extra playtime on the oval and green playground as their reward. Thank you to the PBS Committee for making this reward happen for our students, it definitely made their day!



Year 5 Your Move Team

Thank you to our Year 5 Your Move Team who were there to greet students arriving at school embracing active transport. It was wonderful to see families, walking, scooting or cycling to school.

Year 2 Incursion – Estuary Guardians

Our Year 2 students loved attending an Incursion with the Estuary Guardians from Mandurah. The incursion included a range of hands-on experiences such as learning about our local population of Indo-Pacific Bottlenose Dolphins and looking at other marine creatures in our estuary.



Year 5 Museum Excursion

Year 5 had a fabulous time on their excursion to the WA Museum Boola Bardip. The students represented our school impeccably. Thank you to our Year 5 teachers for making this happen and to our EA support staff and parent volunteers.

New Monkey Bars

Our wonderful new monkey bars for the ECE playground have been installed and are being loved by so many students. This new addition will help support upper body strength and develop gross motor skills in our youngest students. This playground equipment is for lunch and recess play and is not to be played on before or after school. Thank you to our families for your support with this.

Jumps and Throws

Our Oakwood awesomeness from students shone through in their personal best jumping and throwing, representing their factions. We are so proud of how they supported each other and encouraged each other to achieve.

School Photos

Well done to our families for ensuring your children were in correct uniform and looking Oakwood Awesome for school photos. The four days were very busy and very successful. We hope you have taken the opportunity to order your photos.



Choir

Thank you to our Oakwood choir and Miss Anders, Mrs Denney and Ms Mathews who performed at the MAN PAC this week in the Mandurah schools WAGSMS concert. Miss Anders, Mrs Denney and Ms Mathews have been spending lots of lunch times, along with the Year 1 to Year 6 choir students, practising their big Oakwood hearts out for the concert. We are proud to say they were AMAZING! You guys ROCK!

Open Night

Save the date- Wednesday 04 September 5:30pm – 7:00 pm. You have the opportunity to visit your child's classroom to look at their work, take part in activities or visit the Art room to see the work exhibited. Please come along and enjoy the school grounds and buy your dinner from the Oakwood Kingston Canteen or the Food Trucks that the P&C have organised, from 4:30pm until 7:00pm. We also have our annual Book Fair visiting, pop and visit our Librarian Gill Parr and see if you would like to purchase a book.

EA Appreciation Week

In Week 8 we will celebrate our EA's, mainstream and special needs, for the wonderful work they do at Oakwood. If you see an EA in your travels, please show them your appreciation.

Crochet Club

We would like to thank Paula West who has been popping into school every Monday lunch time to teach students how to crochet. The students have thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity to develop a new skill and we have been wowed with what students are able to make.



Parliament House

Our wonderful Student Leaders were invited by David Templeman MLA to attend Parliament House. They were able to sit in chambers, have a tour of Parliament and enjoy a delicious lunch with David Templeman as his guests for the afternoon. This was a wonderful experience for the students to learn about the history of parliament, to learn how bills are passed today, they had opportunity to speak with a member of parliament and enjoy a wonderful three course lunch. The students felt very special and did Oakwood proud with their behaviour and conversations. We are very proud of our student leaders and the way they are role models and lead success in our school. We would like to thank David Templeman for offering this opportunity to the students.



P&C NEWS

Events Term 3

We held our **sausage sizzle** and cake stall at the **Junior Sports Day** today. This coming Monday will see us once again hold our stall at the Senior Schools Sports day. We hope that all the children enjoyed themselves over the two days. Thank you so much to the Team who put it all together, and to all the volunteers who assisted us over the two days, and congratulations to the lucky winners of our raffles. Our sports day's events were sponsored by **Hayes Tree Care**. Donations were also received from Celebrations Lakelands and Kingston's Kitchen. Thank you also to Oasis Coffee Co van for serving our community with your coffee and products.

Open Night – To be held on 4 September 2024, and we have the following food outlets available for everyone to come along and enjoy the evening with your family: Just Chillin', Street Food Lab, Demz Cones, Stroopie & Co Dutch Waffles, Hendo Coffee Co. and our canteen, Kingston Kitchen.

DADS DAY OUT. In replacement of our Father's Day stalls, this family picnic to celebrate all the Special Adults in our children's lives, will be held on Friday 13 September 2024. Our school's calendar at the end of August 2024 and entering September 2024, is terribly busy, hence why we have moved this celebration day. We encourage our community to come along and enjoy this family event. Food vans that will be attending the event are – Demz cones, P&J The Food Story, The Twisted Kitchen as well as Rollin' Café coffee van. Bunnings Store in Mandurah will also be attending and will give the children the opportunity to plant a herb for their loved ones. Plant numbers will be limited. There will be a craft table where the children can complete cards, as well as raffles to enter. Time of the event will be from 3.30pm – 6.30pm. Looking forward to sharing this event with our community.

Car Park Raffle for Term 4 will be held over the last two weeks of this term, so look out for the social media post as to when the tickets will be available. Goodluck to all who do purchase tickets.

Free Dress Days Theme for Term 4 was to be Crazy Hair and Crazy Socks; however, we have 14 out of the 36 classrooms all with swimming lessons on the last two weeks of this term,

therefore the theme now will be come dressed in your favourite Colours. Rooms 5A and 31B will have their day on Wednesday 18 September 2024 and Friday 20 September 2024 will be the whole school.

Events Term 4

Our events for the final Term of 2024 will see your P&C hold a **Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Mandurah** with the Year 6 families on Sunday 27 October 2024. Funds raised from this event will be shared between the P&C and the Year 6 graduation day. Thank you to Kyla White, Westurn Engineering and Kingston Kitchens for your donations towards the day.

Our **Christmas Charity Drive** will be held on the days of 21 November 2024 and 22 November 2024. Full flyer and details will be available early in Term 4. These days will also be our Free Dress days for Term 4.

We will be holding our **Colour Run** event this year over the two days of 27 and 28 November 2024. Full details of the event along with fundraising information will be sent out with the children over the next few weeks. The Team putting this event together have worked extremely hard with the preparation. Thank you to Hayes Tree Care, Kennards Hire, David Templeman, Dominoes Meadow Springs along with Kmart Lakelands for your sponsorship/donations towards our event.

General Business

Our Meetings are now held during the 2nd and 7th week of each Term, on a Wednesday evening commencing at 5.30pm. There may be that time when a change will need to be made, however notice of the change will always be given in advance. New members are always welcomed. If you would like to be included, however cannot attend in person, there is always the opportunity to attend virtually. Please let us know the morning of our meeting if this is required.

Date of our next meeting will be 28 August 2024 commencing at 5.30pm. To become a financial member of our P&C, the annual fee is \$1. If you would like any further information regarding our P&C, contact us via email.

- Robyn Warnes
P&C President



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Colour Run

Get your Colour on, Oakwood Primary School is hosting a Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun! Our Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun will be on Wednesday 27/11/24 for Kindys 5A and 31b, Years 2,3 & 5. Thursday 28/11/24 for Kindys 5C and 31D, Pre-Primary and Years 1,4 & 6. Students will start arriving on the oval from 2pm on both days. Not only are we hosting an awesome Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun, Students can order up to a total of 5 prizes based on their donations received. They can even mix and match! Don't want the prizes, donate your donations to one of the five causes – Carbon Neutral (tree planting), Great Barrier Reef Foundation (coral planting or turtle protection), The Smith Family (reading support) or OzHarvest (providing meals). Students will receive a sponsorship book with instructions on setting up their cybersafe, online fundraising profile at www.australianfundraising.com.au. This is an entirely online fundraiser; all cash donations must be converted to online donations to redeem your prizes.

Extra Incentives to Fundraise!

- Online Golden Coins – complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit.
- Monty the Monstar's Bonus Prizes – achieve milestones to unlock Monty's bonus prizes.
- \$10,000 Budget Booster Bonanza Spending Spree for one organisation's highest fundraising student
- Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2024.
- A Play Station 5 Gaming Bundle – see your child's sponsorship booklet for more!

For more information, please contact Oakwood Primary School P&C Association on pc.oakwoodevents@outlook.com.

Happy fundraising!