

OAKWOOD NEWS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What a wonderful Term 1 it has been! It has been fantastic to see so many families joining us for our 8:30–8:45 family time when dropping off their children. Our Oakwooders have fully immersed themselves in their learning environments and have shown enthusiasm and a strong commitment to doing their personal best.

The latter part of the term has included a range of assessments alongside ongoing learning, ensuring we are effectively meeting the needs of all our students.

Staffing News

Isaac Mitchell is leaving Oakwood to go and be a full time sports teacher at Lakelands PS, we wish him the best and know he will be a wonderful asset to their team. From his early days as a student teacher at Oakwood to becoming a dedicated Year 6 teacher and later a passionate sport teacher, Isaac has been an integral part of the Oakwood family. His flexibility, positive attitude, and strong character have made a lasting impact on both students and staff. He is deeply valued by the entire community, and his contributions will be remembered with great appreciation. We welcome Lucy Morgione and Alec Hay who will take on Isaac's sports role and Linda Smith who will teach Room 33 on Friday.



We would also like to acknowledge our School Psychologist **Paris Dunn**, who will be taking 12 months leave, for the work she has done to help our Oakwooders and their families. We have appointed **Reece Scott** as our School Psychologist for the next 12 months. Reece joins us from the private sector, but has worked in schools previously as a youth worker in a high school setting. We look forward to working with Reece from the start of next term.



Principal's Lunch

We celebrated our Term 1 superstars, who were recognised by their teachers for being truly Oakwood awesome. These students were invited to have lunch with the leadership team in recognition of how they consistently demonstrate our PBS expectations and FiSH! Principles. We are incredibly proud of their achievements!



NAPLAN

We successfully completed all our NAPLAN testing by the start of Week 8. We are incredibly proud of our Year 3 and Year 5 students for approaching their national testing with enthusiasm and a commitment to doing their personal best.

FiSH! Day and Oakwood P&C

We are delighted to announce the arrival of a fabulous new sculpture on our school grounds. It reflects our FiSH! Philosophy and is sure to catch your eye when you are on site. Over the coming term, students will be busily contributing their own artwork to the fish, creating a piece that will stand proudly on our grounds for years to come. Thank you to the P&C for their generous support in bringing this project to life—it will be a wonderful asset to our school community. Thank you to our families for supporting this special day, whether you joined us for breakfast or lunch, or contributed a gold coin for your child's colourful dress-up. We truly value the opportunity to celebrate this important occasion together.



Dates to Remember

**Friday 3 April—
Sunday 19 April**
School Holidays!

Monday 20 April
Students return to school

Wednesday 22 April
**Year 1 Mandurah Museum
Incursion**

Thursday 23 April
ANZAC Day Service

Friday 24 April
Interschool Summer Carnival

Senior Assembly 2pm

Monday 27 April
**PUBLIC HOLIDAY for
ANZAC Day**

Friday 1 May
Junior Assembly 2pm

Friday 8 May
PBS Day

Senior Assembly 2pm

Tuesday 12 May
Maths Parent Workshop

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Year 6 Coastal Lakes Transition Day

Our Year 6 students had the exciting opportunity to experience high school during their first transition day at CLC. They thoroughly enjoyed exploring the new environment and taking part in the activities planned for them.

Year 5 Camp

Our intrepid Year 5 adventurers headed off to Point Peron for camp in Week 8, where they enjoyed spending time together while taking part in a range of exciting activities. Throughout the experience, they demonstrated teamwork, resilience, collaboration, bravery and cooperation as they embraced each challenge.



Noongar Word Knowledge

Djeran
Noongar
Season

We are currently in the
Noongar season of Djeran
(April-May)

REMINDERS

ANZAC Ceremony

Join our school community as we gather to mark ANZAC Day. Together, we will remember and honour the courage, service, and sacrifice of all who have served. We welcome students, parents, and families to share in this meaningful occasion.

Crossing Wardens

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.

Parking

We are asking for the assistance from the community to help ensure that everyone is parking safely. Please park safely and responsibly around the school, it comes down to individual choices that can put our children at risk when they are coming to school or leaving school. We have also had reports from residents in the area that cars are parking over driveways, please avoid a fine, and more importantly, keep our precious Oakwooders safe!

Crochet Club

In Term 2, one of our wonderful parents, Paula West, will be running a crochet club once a week during Tuesday lunchtime. All students from Year 1 to Year 6 are welcome to take part. This will be a fantastic addition to our already vibrant lunchtime activities.

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. They are set up for students to use at lunch and recess. The green playground is available before and after school for families with parent/guardian supervision. Your child must be in your sight, at all times, whilst playing on the green playground. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Electric Scooters

We have had a number of students riding on electric scooters to and from school. Please be advised that as of 2 February 2026, eRideables are not allowed to be used by children under the age of 16 by WA law, and therefore are not permitted to be used or stored on school premises.