

OAKWOOD NEWS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 2 is in full swing and it has been an eventful first few weeks! The ANZAC ceremony, Inter School Summer Carnival, PBS Day, Maths Parent Meetings and a Public School Review have all been packed in to the first four weeks of this term! What a pleasure it has been to see our students thriving and seeing so many of you attend these events, your support is appreciated!

School Psychologist

We welcomed Reece Scott to the team at the start of this term as our School Psychologist for 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 over the next 12 months as he builds relationships with our staff and Oakwood community.



ANZAC Ceremony

Our ANZAC Ceremony took place on Thursday 23 April. Due to inclement weather, it was relocated to the Undercover Area. It was a poignant occasion and was observed by our community with quiet reflection and reverence. We were joined by RSL veteran Mr Brien Bush, who once again summed up the meaning of the ANZAC spirit. He is a regular with us and it is lovely to have him with us. We were lucky to have Royal Australian Navy retired Petty Officer Kelly Dalglish, who read an inspiring poem. We would also like to acknowledge our special guests who joined us for the service, Mayor Amber Kearns, Lieutenant Commander Mr Benjamin Cole, Flight Attendant Sam Brewer, and Royal Australian Navy retiree Mr Ray Thompson.



Inter School Summer Carnival

On Friday 24 April our students from years 5 and 6 represented us in the Coastal Schools Sports Association Summer Carnival across two venues. The Basketball and Tee ball competitions were held at Coastal Lakes College and the League Tag and Cricket were hosted at Meadow Springs Sports Facility. Teams from Oakwood, Madora Bay, Lakelands, Singleton and Meadow Springs Primary Schools competed fiercely and fairly throughout the day. Oakwood were victorious in Basketball and Tee ball on the day and came second in Cricket and League Tag. All in all, a tremendous effort with great sporting behaviour shown throughout the day. Big thanks to Mr Young for leading this event with his fellow PE teachers in the network and to our staff and parents who helped coach on the day and in the build up to this event. Special mention to our Parent coaches, Lee Hansord, Deb Hone, Paula West, Matt Carley and Luke Nathan – we appreciate you supporting our Oakwooders!



Oakwood Basketball Team with the winning shield

Maths Parent Workshops

This week saw our Maths Parent Workshops take place, run by Sheila Griffin. Sheila worked with our parents to demonstrate games they can play with their children to support their mathematics skills. Sheila is an excellent facilitator and the parents learnt lots. Towards the end of the session, their children came over so they could play the games with their parents/family members. Thank you to Linda Smith and Mary Hunt for organising these sessions, they were very successful.

Dates to Remember

Tuesday 19 May
West Coast Fever Cup

Waste Warriors Tree Planting Excursion

Friday 22 May
P&C Day

Rhyme Time

World Languages Café

Tuesday 26 May
National Sorry Day

Wednesday 27 May
Simultaneous Storytime

Reconciliation Week

Friday 29 May
School Development Day
Students do not attend school on this day

Monday 1 June
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Wednesday 3 June
Kindy Bunnings Incursion

Year 4 Bunbury Dolphin Discovery Excursion

Thursday 4 June
Kindy Bunnings Incursion
Tue 9 and Wed 10 June
K/PP Muddy Gully Incursion

Thursday 11 June
International day of Play!

Friday 12 June
Interschool Winter Carnival

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Public School Review

With 4 and a half years since our first Public School Review, we welcomed Danielle Roache (School Review Team) and David Hall (Principal, Shorehaven Primary School) as our review team. They looked in great detail at our school data and evidence and provided feedback in the six areas of The Standard: Relationships and Partnerships, Learning Environment, Leadership, Use of Resources, Teacher Quality and Student Achievement and Progress. After the visit, the review team decide whether we will receive a 1 year (below standard), 3 year (at standard or 5 year (above the standard) return. The day seemed to go very well and once we receive the report we will share this with you including the length of return the school receives. I would like to thank our staff for their consistent hard work towards making our school a great place to learn and the community members who came in especially to meet with the team.

Student School Review Contributors

We also had a group of students who met with the review team. They answered all sorts of questions about our learning programs, whole school approaches and what it is like to attend Oakwood Primary. They represented us superbly and really impressed the team. Well done to Ron, Cade, Harper, Scarlett, Kohlaia, Annabelle, Elvina and Nathan!



P&C

Our P&C met last week and they have some great ideas for events and fundraising. This week sees the Mother's Day Movie Night at United Cinemas, I'm sure everyone will have a great time! We appreciate the hard work and dedication of our fabulous P&C volunteers.

Mother's Day Stall

Amber Traves and family ran a Mother's Day stall last week and raised \$1745 for our school. Amber also provides the gifts for our assemblies and we are very grateful for the positive impact her and the family have on our school community!



PBS Day

Our Positive Behaviour Support approach was celebrated on Friday 8 May. The students engaged in incursions and activities that promoted our 4 positive behaviours: Care, Respect, Acting with Integrity and Personal Best. The community lunch was very well attended and we loved seeing so many parents, families and community members in attendance. As a community, you are so supportive and we thank you so much for this! The PBS team, led by Mrs Turner and Ms Porter organised the activities and events and deserve lots of plaudits. PBS is high profile and across the school helps us to promote a positive school culture!



Noongar Word Knowledge

Mirda, Wooyan, Yoont

Noongar

Red, Blue, Yellow

Oakwood's Got Talent Final

What an incredible showcase of talent we witnessed at this year's Oakwood's Got Talent! Our finalists lit up the stage with confidence, creativity, and passion, making it an unforgettable event for our whole school community.

A huge congratulations to our winners – what an amazing achievement!

I would also like to thank the fantastic judges who joined me on the judging panel, Mrs D, and Matt Gresham, for their time, expertise, and thoughtful feedback.

A special shoutout to our brilliant student hosts, Stephanie McIntyre and Eugene Newman, who kept the show running smoothly with such confidence and charisma.

Behind the scenes, we are so grateful to our wonderful stage crew – Matilda, Darien, and Mr Hay – for all their hard work bringing the event to life.

A huge thank you to Miss Anders, Mrs Vans and the many dedicated staff members who assisted with the setup and running of the event to ensure a spectacular showcase!

Oakwood is truly bursting with talent, and we couldn't be prouder of every student who took part.



Senior

Winners—Mila Spalding, Evelyn Roper, Ellie Berryman and Dusk Panting

Runner Up—Jessica Strachan

Junior

Winner—Alaina Montgomery

Runner Up—Lily Tierney

People's Choice Award—Amelia Hughes