

OAKWOOD NEWS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to a fabulously, exciting Term 3 for our Oakwood students. Our Oakwooders have settled back well to rigorous Explicit Learning with calmness and engagement, they are also enjoying their Intentional Play and Inquiry Learning experiences! It has been lovely to see their happy faces back and enjoying the start to the term. It's a credit to them how well they enthusiastically and passionately get back into school life and remember the expectations of our PBS and FISH! Philosophy.

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

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

Staff News

We welcome back our wonderful **Lauren Clarke**, who will be back three days a week. We also welcome back **Amii Kyte**, she will be returning to her coaching role.

We congratulate **Beth Foster** who will now be our Learning Support Co-ordinator, we are looking forward to her working in the office area and making a difference to our student services. **Tahlia Bartlem** will be stepping into Room 12, Year 2 classroom, we welcome Tahlia to the Oakwood family.

2025 NAPLAN Results

Our 2025 NAPLAN results are extremely positive with the school performing above expected in all areas in Years 3 and 5, as well as performing significantly above expected in 4 areas including Maths and Grammar in Year 3, and Reading and Writing in Year 5. Next week we will send a summary of these results to the community. Please congratulate our staff and students on this wonderful achievement.

Faction Captain and Student Leader Speeches

On Wednesday 30 July we held our Semester 2 speeches, where our fabulous cohort of Year 6 students had the opportunity to address the Year 3 to 6 students where they then voted for Year 6 Student Leaders and Faction Captains. Year 6 students who wished to go for these leadership roles at Oakwood have been working hard on their speeches and public speaking. They amazed us with their confidence and how they spoke about what the role means to them. More importantly they told their audience who were listening carefully, so they could vote, how they are going to make a difference to our school, lead appropriately and support the younger students. We are sure these students will lead with passion, enthusiasm and respect. Congratulations to the following students, we wish them luck this Semester!

Semester 2

Student Leaders

Braxton Masters
Isabelle Clare
Poppy Spalding
Harry Sreedath

Cooper Tucker
Lily Davis
Ruby Dryden
Emily Snowdon

Faction Captains

Monarch

Malakai Wilkie
Zayde Minson

Quenda

Pippa Robinson
Liam Sockett

Blue Wren

Mason Allen
Ben Mendes

Osprey

Mitchell Harris
Lola Fitzsimons



Dates to Remember

Monday 11 August
Kindy Bunnings Incursion

Tuesday 12 August
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Friday 15 August
Rhyme Time—Daycare Visit

Daffodil Day

Junior Assembly 2pm

Monday 18 August
Curriculum Week—Math

PMR Egg arrives at OPS

Tuesday 19 August
Curriculum Week—Spanish

Wednesday 20 August
Curriculum Week—Science

STEMania Incursion
Yr 3-6

Thursday 21 August
Curriculum Week—Book
Week Dress up and Parade

Steve Heron Author Visit
PP-Yr 2

Friday 22 August
Curriculum Week—Inquiry
and Oakwood Learning

STEMania Incursion
Yr 3-6

Senior Assembly 2pm

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Interschool Cross Country

The Interschools Cross Country was held, Friday 1 August. Our Oakwood representatives did us proud, running with heart and determination. Our Oakwooders did their personal best and won the competition by 25 points! Champions for the third year in a row - what an achievement. Thanks to Ryan Young, Isaac Mitchell and the Coastal Sports Association for running the event so well!



WA Primary Principals' Day

Primary Principals' Day was held on Friday 1 August. The Leadership Team consisting of Miss Van Beek, Mrs Hunt, Mrs Foster, and myself were all celebrated in various ways throughout the day. We were spoilt with many thoughtful gifts from all the Oakwooders and staff, thank you!

Year 4 PEAC Testing

Well done to our Year 4 cohort who took part in the WA PEAC testing for all schools. This is a State-Wide test that highlights those children in WA who are excelling in academics. A certain percentage of the children within the state are then offered PEAC classes once every two weeks across the state to enhance their learning. We have been lucky enough to have a number of children from Oakwood being afforded these opportunities over the years that we have been open. Good luck to our Year 4's with this opportunity!

100 Days of School

Our Year 1 and Pre-primary students looked very different at school on 100 days of school, they seemed to have aged dramatically, but still looking their Oakwood selves! Pre-primaries had the challenge of dressing up in "100 things". We saw many creative ways to express this such as Lego, pom poms, and more!

This learning is in line with their History curriculum, and celebrating the 100 days enabled them to embed and enhance their learning further. It included lots of fun activities along with the amazing dress ups that families supported their child with. Thank you for entering into the spirit of dressing your children up!

SDD—School Development Day

Whilst the students had an extra day off at the start of Term 3, staff were working hard developing and up-skilling in different areas of education. We all had a fabulous day together with some staff on professional learning with TEACH WELL, and the majority of staff in school enhancing their skills in trauma Informed practice. We thank our Learning Support Team for providing this learning. We also had an hour of PLAY where staff were set challenges in teams, it was an hour of running around and completing very funny videos, you may have seen our winning team on Facebook!

Year 3 Scitech Excursion

The Year 3 Oakwooders were lucky enough to visit Scitech on Tuesday 5 August. They got to experience the planetarium, watch a science show, and had the opportunity to explore hands on exhibits. This experience is directly linked to their curriculum, studying states of matter, Earth and Space.



Introducing our new section - Noongar Words/phrases

Each edition of our newsletter will now include a Noongar word or phrase, and their meaning. A fun and powerful way to connect with culture and language!

Noongar Word Knowledge

Kaya, Wanjoo

Noongar

Hello, Welcome