

Ocean Tidings



Every Child Matters, Each Moment Counts, Everyone Belongs

Ocean Road Primary School Newsletter

Week 2, Term 2 2019

The Principal's Pen.....

This year we have commenced a new business planning cycle for 2019 – 2021. The first stage of this process is to develop a clear and shared purpose statement. During the past few months we have been revising our purpose in consultation with staff and the School Board. Our discussions have been sharply focused on what is most important to our students and community. Here is the resulting statement.



We are committed to creating a learning environment where all students can develop the skill and the will necessary to successfully access and apply knowledge enabling them to become effective citizens in our ever changing world.

Our new Business Plan, currently in draft form, will be finalised by the end of Week 6 this term.

School Development Day

During last week's School Development Day all staff engaged in an Aboriginal Cultural Awareness session (Blanket Activity) and a Trauma Informed Practice workshop. Other sessions during the day included EpiPen training for all staff and classroom management strategies for our education assistants. We closed the day with all staff revisiting our purpose statement ensuring we have shared understanding and ownership.

NAPLAN

As you all know NAPLAN testing starts next week for our Year 3 and 5 students. The purpose of NAPLAN testing is to provide information to schools and teachers enabling them to drill deeply into their data, identify specific gaps in overall performance that require attention. We then use this information to establish targets and implement plans and strategies focused on whole school improvement.

The most accurate and reliable information for you, as parents/carers, regarding individual student performance comes from the classroom teacher. They are constantly assessing for learning, as learning and of learning to ensure every child gets what they need, at the right time.

It is not possible for one test on one day, delivered to students in across Australia with such geographic, ethnic, cultural and socio-economic diversity to give an accurate assessment of individual student learning. You can assist your child/ren by not stressing during the NAPLAN testing time.

The Gonski Institute for Education recommends that *a national assessment and reporting system should have a single, clearly defined purpose; and should be based on scientific sampling and have a positive impact on student learning, well-being and equity in education.* You can find out more using the following link www.gie.unsw.edu.au/

RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, RESILIENCE, KINDNESS

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 2

Fri 10 May
Junior Assembly
(Rm 6 & 8)
Mothers' Day
Stall

WEEK 3

Tue 14 – Fri 17 May
NAPLAN

WEEK 4

Mon 20 – 24 May
NAPLAN
Wed 22 May
P & C Meeting

WEEK 5

Fri 31 May
Senior
Assembly (Rm 22
& 23)
Literacy &
Numeracy Stars

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Tuesday 8.30 till
10.30am

Thursday 2.00
till 4.00pm

(undercover area
near the canteen)

Focus Value for Term 2 – Resilience

This term our focus value is resilience. Students will be learning about resilience in class and Gold Slips will be awarded for those students displaying resilient behaviours.

Resilience is defined as an individual's ability to successfully cope with adversity. Adversity and stress can come in the shape of family or relationship problems, health problems, or workplace and financial worries, among others. Resilience is the ability to bounce back from a negative experience with "competent functioning". Resilience is not a rare ability; in reality, it is found in the average individual and it can be learned and developed by virtually anyone. Resilience is the result of successfully coping with distress, rather than a personality trait. (Definition taken from Wikipedia)

You can support this at home by discussing resilience, demonstrating resilient behaviours and acknowledging your child/ren when they are showing resilience.

It is great to welcome Ms Kirsty Meares back this term as she returns from maternity leave. I would also like to welcome Mrs Jeanette Sampson who has joined our team in the front office. Jeanette will be with us for the start of the term while we complete the selection process for the new School Officer.

Finally, I would like to welcome all new students and families to our school. I am sure you will enjoy and gain great value from your time here.

*Regards,
Dean Finlay
Principal*

ASSEMBLIES

Due to our growing student population we will be holding separate assemblies Pre-Primary to Year 2 and for the Year 3 to 6 commencing in this term. The junior assemblies will be run on Weeks 2 and 6 of the term and senior assemblies will be run on Weeks 4 and 8. We will continue to conduct whole school assemblies for major events such as NAIDOC and Book Week. We have returned assemblies to Fridays as it is more convenient for families and friends to attend. Further information will be included in the Term Calendar.



2020 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



Applications for children born between **1 July 2015 - 30 June 2016** are now being taken for our 2020 intake of Kindergarten. Please complete an 'Application for Enrolment' form along with providing the child's Birth Certificate, Immunisation Summary Statement and documentation with your current address. Enrolment forms are available from the front desk or online at <https://oceanroadps.wa.edu.au>.

Applications close on Friday 9 August 2019. If you know of any prospective families in our area who have a child ready for Kindergarten next year, please advise them to call into the office.

EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

It doesn't matter if your kids miss a day of school here or there, right?

Unfortunately, it does. Absence from school, even as early on as Pre-Primary and Kindergarten, can have a significant effect on the educational outcomes and life choices of the students. Absenteeism is an early indicator of 'academic risk' and can have a major effect on performance. They miss out on important writing, reading and mathematics skills.

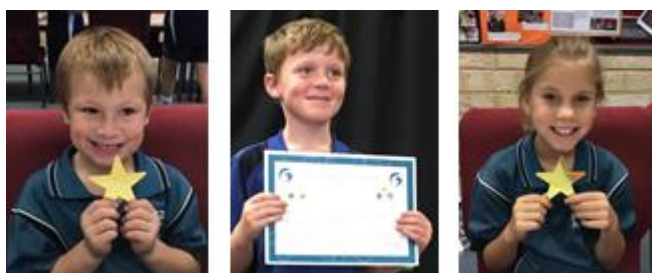
Going to school is your child's 'job', and regular attendance builds good work habits which will help them to achieve in the workforce. They know they need to go to school, so you as parents need to let them know that this is a priority for both you and them. After all, while it might be hard to get them going in the morning, when they get to school they are engaged actively in learning important life skills, such as team work, problem solving, and conflict resolution, in addition to their school subjects.

Of course, if your child/ren are genuinely sick please keep them home. If your child is away, please provide notification to the school within 3 days for our records. A phone call to the office on (08) 9582 2311 is always welcome.

HONOUR CERTIFICATE & LITERACY & NUMERACY STAR RECIPIENTS

4 April 2019

Room M	Maisie	Thomas
Shack	Mya	Braxton
Room 6	Keira	Knox
Room 7	Oliver	Jazintah
Room 8	Stella	Elijah
Room 9	Alice	Brayden
Room 10	Jude/Narlah	Kaelan
Room 11	Emily	Reign
Room 12	Archie	Stevie
Room 13	Lexie	Aleigha
Room 14	Sophie	Jack
Room 15	Isla	Ruby
Room 16	Caoimhe	Lola
Room 17	Sophia	Jackson
Room 18	Jude	Tahlia
Room 19	Alexsander	Chloe
Room 20	Rylee	Nakita
Room 21	Mia	Phillip
Room 22	Imogen	Jet
Room 23	Jaimee	Isabelle
Room 24	Tahlia	Thomas



Shack	Reece
Room M	Jakob
Room 6	Reyne
Room 7	Liam
Room 8	Emily/Mackenzie
Room 9	Harley
Room 10	Summer
Room 11	Abby
Room 12	Emily
Room 13	Lucius
Room 14	Mackenzie
Room 15	Olly
Room 16	Max
Room 17	Iyla/Scott
Room 18	Kaitlin/James
Room 19	Kaydee
Room 20	Datyn
Room 21	Jazmyn
Room 22	Shiloh
Room 23	Tzuriya
Room 24	Mia

HALLS HEAD COLLEGE TOUR WEDNESDAY 22ND MAY 5 – 6PM

If ANY parents/carers wish to join this tour they can register on the link below. This is a great opportunity for anyone who is definitely coming to Halls Head in the future or even just considering.
<https://www.trybooking.com/BCBJI>

PBS

There are a number of commonly asked questions from our school community about PBS.

Through newsletters and facebook, one of these frequently asked questions will be posted along with the answer from our PBS Team.

How does PBS affect my child ?

PBS affects all children by creating a safe and positive learning environment built around our core values of Kindness, Resilience, Respect and Responsibility. Our hope is that our students will take these values into their homes and wider community.

A NOTE FROM THE COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE

A Healthy Lunchbox

Healthy lunches and snacks are important for keeping active kids alert and focused and providing them with the nutrition they need every day.

A healthy lunch box should include:

- Fruit – at least one serve of fresh seasonal fruit. If you don't have fresh fruit, canned (in natural juice) is a good substitute. Dried fruit is high in sugar and should be avoided
- Vegetables – vegetable sticks, salads or a mix of raw (with dip) or grilled vegetables
- Dairy – one serve of milk, yoghurt or cheese supports optimal growth and development in children. If your child can't tolerate dairy provide a suitable alternative.
- Protein – lean meat or poultry, fish, eggs, tofu, legumes/beans, or nuts and seeds.
- Grain foods – wholegrain and high fibre varieties are best.
- Water – the best drink to keep children hydrated.

Remember, children who help plan and prepare their own lunch are more likely to eat it. Your child might like to try out this fun, 'Interactive Lunchbox' website:
www.goforyourlife.vic.gov.au/hav/articles.nsf/html/index.html

P & C NEWS

Mothers' Day Stall - Yesterday most of our students visited our Mothers' Day Stall to make a personal purchase for the mums in their life. It's a great learning opportunity for the students to learn to spend within their budgets. Those classes who missed out will visit the stall tomorrow.

Thank you once again to Hazel and her amazing team of volunteers for organising all the wonderful gifts as well as the raffle.

Federal Election - On Saturday 18th May we will be holding a sausage sizzle throughout the day. Sausage sizzles, bacon and egg rolls and drinks will be available. Voting for the federal election will be held at the school canteen so please come along and support us by buying a sausage or burger. All funds go back into the school.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle - Your P&C will be running a Bunnings sausage sizzle on the 7th July 2019. Please come down and say hi.

Crazy Hair Day - will be on Friday 7th June. For a gold coin donation you are invited to come to school in your school uniform with the craziest hair possible. Use your imagination - gel, mousse, props or anything that makes your hair the craziest in the school. We are looking forward to seeing what you can create with your hair.

Next P&C Meeting - Wednesday 22nd May. All Parents/carers welcome to attend. We hold our meetings in the school staff room at 7pm. Hoping to see you there.

SURF SNACKS CANTEEN NEWS



The new Winter Menu has been sent home. If you haven't received it please come into the front office or alternatively it is on the Ocean Road Primary School website.

Jodie Richards
Canteen Manager

MOVEMENT - GETTING THINGS DONE

Do you moan and groan, nag and beg to get your child to do their chores or their homework?

Turning the chore or the homework task into fun – perhaps with a time-test, a competition or by including some movement – will help. Here are some suggestions; we also welcome yours.

- Reading, spelling words and times-tables can be done on the move for the younger child. Scoot between, jump over or find in a treasure hunt some words, numbers and letters. Your child has done a lot of day time sitting; movement will help to get the job done.
- Throwing a ball against a wall while going through times-tables does work! Get a rhythm and a pattern going, and your child will fly through the practise.
- Movement before work helps: a run or a bike ride gets the brain juices flowing and prepares the brain to concentrate and focus. Walking to school achieves the same or try parking one block away: no parking issues and the movement benefits your child's brain.
- Need an area tidied and packed away? Try making it a competition. Pack up all the construction items first, those with wheels, then books and what's left. First one finished is the winner. Fun, competition and movement all help brains to focus.

Your child's teachers also include movement and brain breaks throughout the day to help with focusing and learning. We're aiming for a good brain work-out for each child!.