

# Oxley Park Public School

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From the Principal's desk



## Surveys from Staff, Students and Community

Could I encourage you all to take some time to complete the Tell Them From Me Survey. The survey is anonymous and is provided to schools from the Centre for Evaluation and Statistics. The purpose is to gain your thoughts about our school, the questions are related to your experiences and possible suggestions.

We are always looking at ways to capture community voice so we can improve what we do for students and their families. One way to ensure this is to get feedback from our community. This survey is **confidential, voluntary**, and you **may skip any questions** you are not comfortable answering.

To take the survey please go to: <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/opps2> We thank you for your support. The survey will stay open during the school holidays and the first week back for term four.

## K-2 Public Reading Competition

Congratulations to the talented students who shared their reading this morning. What a wonderful experience to read aloud in front of such a large audience. I am very proud of all the students for participating in our competition and congratulations to the students who made it to the school finals today. I wish our successful students all the best for next term as they compete against other students in our learning community of schools.

## School Holidays

On behalf of the staff we would like to wish you all a very happy and safe holiday. Take care and enjoy the spring break, spending time together with loved ones resting and recuperating. We look forward to seeing you all back for term four on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October**.



## Safety in Vehicles

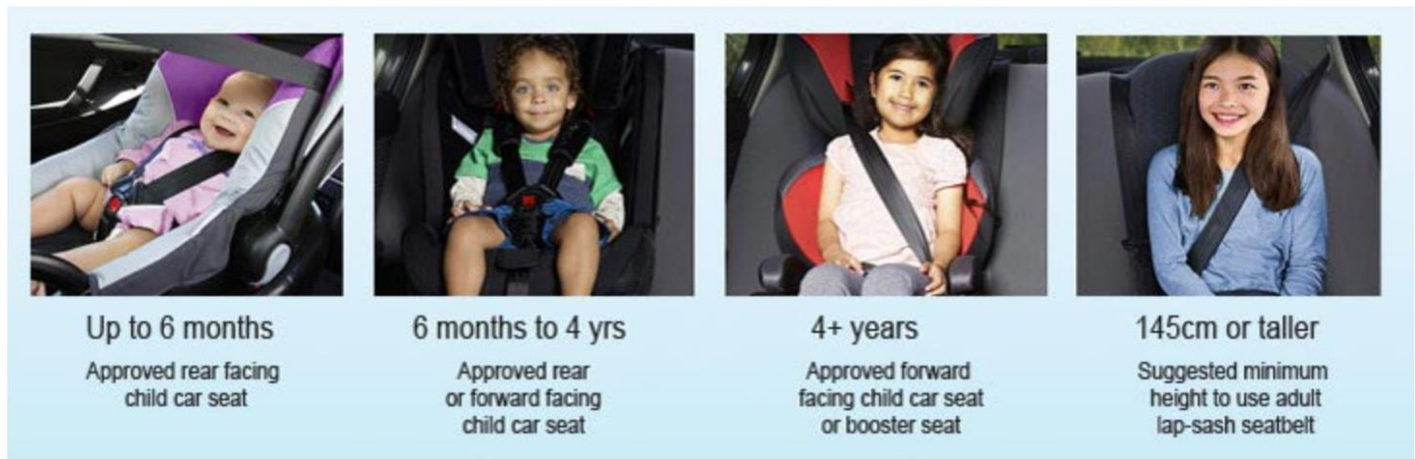
Please see below partial email from a concerned parent

*'During my morning drop offs and after noon collections, I have observed something quite distressing and that is children being dropped to and collected from school and not being restrained correctly in the car.'*

For further information on fines and demerit points please see the link below. This concern has been reported to the police who will be conducting regular visits to our school during drop off and pick up times.

<https://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/index.cgi?fuseaction=demeritpoints.browsehandler&category=Seat+belts+%26+restraints&offence=>

I want to thank the parent who emailed about their concerns, working together for the safety of all our students is a joint effort, and I appreciate you taking the time to bring this issue to my attention. Further information about child safety restraints is on the page over.



## National child restraint laws

- Children up to the age of six months must be secured in an approved rearward facing restraint
- Children aged from six months old but under four years old must be secured in either a rear or forward facing approved child restraint with an inbuilt harness
- Children under four years old cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows
- Children aged from four years old but under seven years old must be secured in a forward facing approved child restraint with an inbuilt harness or an approved booster seat
- Children aged from four years old but under seven years old cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows, unless all other back seats are occupied by children younger than seven years in an approved child restraint or booster seat
- Children aged from seven years old but under 16 years old who are too small to be restrained by a seatbelt properly adjusted and fastened are strongly recommended to use an approved booster seat
- Children in booster seats must be restrained by a suitable lap and sash type approved seatbelt that is properly adjusted and fastened, or by a suitable approved child safety harness that is properly adjusted and fastened.

If your child is too small for the child restraint specified for their age, they should be kept in their current child restraint until it is safe for them to move to the next level.

## Pedlars Day

What a wonderful Pedlars Day today – there were so many fun activities for the students to do. The weather was also very kind to us in ensuring we had a lovely day for the event. The students have worked so hard this year in preparing for Pedlars Day. Thank you to Mr MacVean, Ms Willick, Miss Chatterton, Mrs Alberto and Miss Mitchell who have supported the students in designing and making the stalls. Thank you to all the students for your wonderful behaviour during the day and thank you to the families for supporting our year 6 fundraiser by purchasing wrist bands for your children.

## Parking in Evergreen Child Care Centre

Parents and Carers can you please refrain from parking in the Evergreen child care centre, we have had complaints about parents parking and walking across to our school. I appreciate how busy the street is and I would encourage you to complain to the council about the lack of parking – The school has made arrangements in the afternoons that the students can wait with the teacher until 3.15pm to allow a staggered pick up time to assist with the large volume of students leaving at 3 pm. Thank you for your support.

## Evacuation practice

Today the students participated in a compliance Evacuation practice, well done everyone on being safe at our school.

*Working together in partnership for quality education*  
*Kim Smith, Princip*

# Term Four Calendar Oxley Park Public School 2019



Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 1 Oct	14 Students return	15 Group/Special photos	16	17	18 K-2 Athletics Carnival
2 Oct	21	22 ZOO Snooze Excursion S 2	23 ZOO Snooze Excursion S 2  K-2 Public Reading Competition	24	25 Kindergarten Excursion
3 Oct/Nov	28 <b>Swim School</b>  P&C meeting 9.30am Sydney Writers Festival Incursion	29 →	30 →  Public Speaking finals Bunnings upgrade to Koori Garden	31 → <b>Kindy 2020 orientation Stay &amp; Play</b> Oz Harvest Incursion stage 2 World Teachers Day Halloween Disco after school	1 →
4 Nov	4 <b>Swim School</b>  <b>Kindy 2020 orientation Stay and Play</b>	5 →  Ballroom Competition	6 →	7 →	8 →
5 Nov	11 Remembrance Day Assembly	12 <b>Kindy 2020 orientation Stay and Play</b>	13 <b>11am Grandparents Day-Open Classrooms</b>  <b>Kindy 2020 orientation Drop and Play</b>	14	15 <i>Last day to earn superstars</i>
6 Nov	18	19	20 <b>Kindy 2020 Drop and Play</b>	21 <b>Kindy 2020 orientation Stay and Play</b>	22 SRC Fundraiser/ TBC
7 Nov	25 <b>Final Superstar assembly</b>  Stage 1 excursion Penrith Lakes	26 Stage 1 excursion Penrith Lakes	27 <b>Teddy Bears picnic</b>	28 Stage 1 excursion Penrith Lakes	29
8 Dec	2 P&C mtg - 7pm	3 Year 6 High School Orientation Day K-2 Silver/Bronze award day	4 Last Day Explorers - Pre School 3-6 Silver/Bronze award day	5	6 Last Day Discoverers - Pre School
9 Dec	9 Gold Award Day K-6	10	11 Presentation Day 9.15am	12 Xmas Concert 9.15am	13 Year 6 Grad 9.15 am Year 6 Farewell 6 pm
10 Dec	16 Diamond Day Reports Home	17	18 Last Day for students	19 SDD	20SDD

