

Oxley Park Public School

Learning Together for the Future



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Term 1 Week 7

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From the Relieving Principal's Desk



2019 National Young Leaders Day

A big thank you to Mr MacVean who accompanied our 12 student leaders to the 2019 National Young Leaders Day at the International Convention Centre at Darling Harbour on Monday. This program has been running annually since 1997 and was designed to benefit students who show an interest in developing their leadership potential. Many of the great things in this world were dreamed up by leaders when they were young. Our student leaders have been given the opportunity to grow, develop and discover the importance of making a difference. I am sure that the inspirational speakers at the conference have helped to hatch a few great ideas!

Area Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Liliana and Lachlan who will be representing OPPS at the Area Swimming Carnival. We wish them all the best and can't wait to hear how they went!

Canteen Volunteers

I would like to formally acknowledge and thank the volunteers who work in our school canteen every day. Without their care and commitment to our school, the children and families who attend Oxley Park would not have fresh food or lovely smiles to greet them every day.

Please take a moment to say thank you to the volunteers to acknowledge their valuable work. If you have spare time, please leave your details and days or times you are available, at the canteen.

Family Information Session

Next Monday, 18 March from 8:30-9:00am, Mrs Lindsay will be presenting an information session for families in the library called 'Munch and Move - Healthy Eating'. This session will discuss healthy lunches and lunch box ideas for recess and lunch. If you would like some healthy alternatives for all those snacks our kids love to eat, then please come along!

Lisa Solomou Relieving Principal
Working together in partnership for Quality Education



Stage 2

Stage 2 have been writing Persuasive texts. We started with writing an introduction which included persuasive tools or devices such as slogans and strong power of 3 words. Here are some introductions from S2P.

Convince someone to become a volunteer firefighter



By Annelise

Just imagine you just saved someone's life. Then you feel fearless and brave. I will tell you something. It's a wonderful experience. You feel good inside but I think the better reason is seeing new sights and new people. So come and join the squad! Be a firefighter!

By Max

Being a volunteer means kindness, helpful and really nice. I think you should volunteer to be a firefighter because you are grateful, helpful and brave. They're not just sitting on their butt earning dollars. They're actually doing something by volunteering-just do it!

By Braydan

Imagine being a firefighter and getting the truck ready. The firefighter is amazing, fantastic and brave. Join the team! Be a firefighter.

By Hayden

Imagine seeing a house on fire and a firefighter pops out of the firetruck and saves the house. They would be incredible, awesome and amazing. Join the fight, you might be bright!

By Issac

Being a fireman is the best. You should be a fireman not a police man cause being a firefighter is fantastic, amazing and stunning. So it must be the best job!

By Abraham

Imagine that we can go in all the firefighters vehicles. We can save people's lives and they will be happy. A firefighter can stop bush fires. Firefighters are brave, safe and cool. Feel fit to be a firefighter.

By Aping

Imagine firefighters are saving people right now! believe being a firefighter makes you brave and amazing. Being a firefighter is cool. Being a firefighter is great to be brave. Strive to achieve.



A day in the life Of S2T

After some great learning occurred in the classroom, Miss Rybeck decided that we deserved a quick break. With the help of Mrs Jurisic, we went out to do some gardening and have a little play with the ducks and chickens. From the smiles on our faces, it's easy to see that we had a great afternoon and hope to return to the garden again soon!

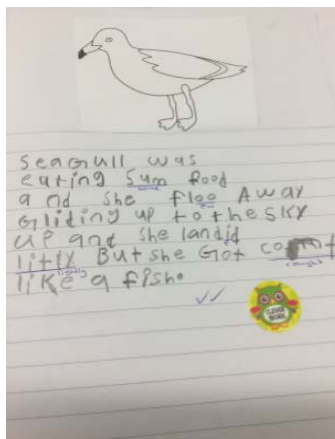
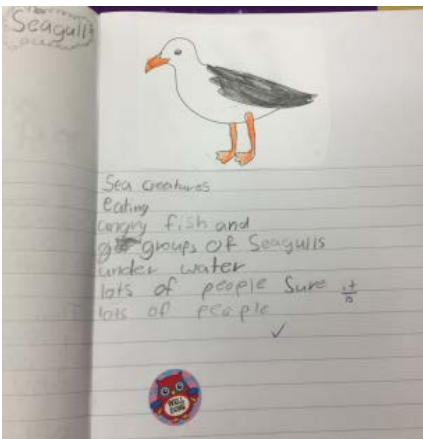




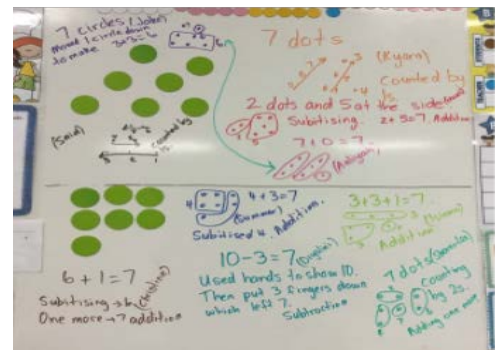
Stage 1

S1M have had a busy start to the year. We've had fun writing about sea creatures and creating Acrostic poems. In maths, we've learnt how to partition numbers which will help us in making groups, addition and multiplication. Daily, we have a Number Talk discussion and share our strategies. We're comparing the length of a variety of objects and had a great time making paper chains for this task.

Acrostic poems written by Aaliyah and Diyalini. Omar and Said finding words hidden in the sand.



In Mathematics, Naveh and Tyrese partitioned quantities of fruit. Here are two of our Number Talks showing a variety of strategies.



For Length, we made paper chains in 3 groups. Each group joined their chains then we measured them to see the different lengths. We could see that the group with the most people made the longest chain while the other two groups made shorter chains because they had less people. Janara and Elizabeth making paper chains.



S1M do fitness daily. We run laps, do sit ups, pushups and star jumps. In class, we also do yoga. We are learning how to log onto computers, type on ipads and read in our cool Outdoor Reading Tent. We manipulate construction materials and play dough to be creative and problem solvers. We play games to help us take turns, work together and learn concepts. In Science, we use our imagination to look at clouds and sketch what they make us think of. We painted these sketches and also painted a variety of sea creatures that we are researching this term. We can't wait to see these at our excursion to the Sydney Aquarium!



Yoga



Running Laps



Sit ups & star jumps



**Push ups,
well done Zachary**



**Kolby, Tyrese, Isioma
and Melodie using the computer**



**We love using our
reading tent.**



**Jake, Zachary, Kolby,
Tyrus and Mr Fitzgerald
being creative**



**Diyalini, Sharni-lee,
Aaliyah and Melodie playing
snakes and ladders.
While Kyara, Emily and
Christian play blends game.**



**Aaliyah, Mia, Diyalini and
Summer manipulating Play
dough**



**Observing and Sketching
clouds.**



**Painting our drawn sea
Creatures. Individually:
Kyara and Emily**



**And painting as a team:
Zachary, Tyrese, Callan,
Elizabeth, Tyrus and Janara**

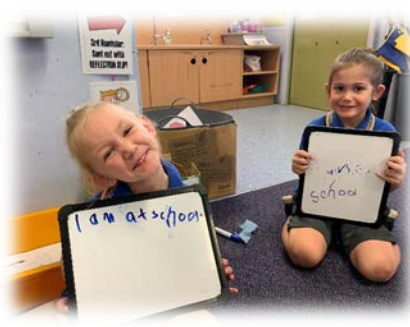
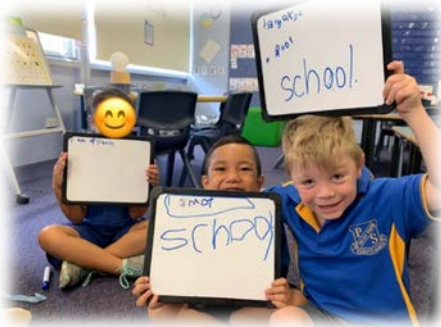


Kindergarten

Learning adventures in KC



KC have been practising writing their sight words in sentences. All students have been encouraging each other to try their best, as well as cheer each other on which has further built positive friendships.



Family Information Session

Family information session is taking place on Monday, 18th March from 8:30 – 9am in the school Library.

Presenting:

Munch and Move – Healthy Eating

A session talking about healthy eating and 'Nude Food' lunch box ideas.

Do not miss out! RSVP at the office today!

Harmony Day

The school will be celebrating Harmony Day on **Wednesday 20th March**. We are looking forward to celebrating with the community. Parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Be kind. Choose to Include!

- **Parents and family** members come **dressed** in traditional costume or orange and you could win a **\$20 canteen voucher**.
- Students will be able to enter a **colouring competition** to win a canteen voucher.
- Families are asked to **donate food** from their culture to their childrens' classes.
- If you have **cultural items** for the museum, please send them to the front office or Mrs Konarew.
 - **9am:** Aussie Barbeque for parents and friends
 - **9:30am:** View hall art and International Museum
 - **9:50am:** Classes move to area 1 for concert
 - **10am:** Concert in area 1
 - **11:05am:** Parents and students to have picnic recess together in area 1 or area 5
 - **11:20am:** Parents and friends can visit their children's classrooms to view the international displays
 - **11:40am:** Students visit other classes in their own stage to see their displays. Parents and friends depart

Thank you to all the students, family members and staff who contribute to making Harmony Day a true reflection of a diverse community working together.

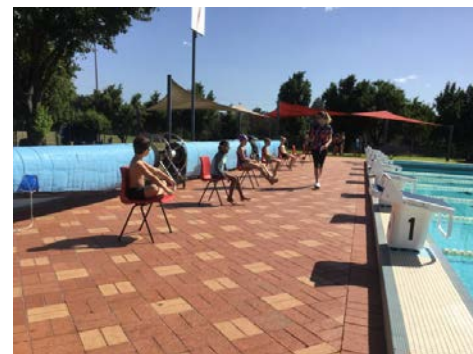


We would love for our parents and community members to dress in traditional dress for Harmony Day. If you do so, we will give you a raffle ticket to go in the draw for a \$20 voucher for the school canteen. You have to be in it to win it!!



Swimming Carnival News

On Wednesday, 13th February, students from Oxley Park Public School participated in a great fun filled afternoon during our annual Swimming Carnival held at Ripples in St Mary's. Several students received ribbons for their fabulous efforts and also represented our school at the District Swimming Carnival.



On Friday, 1st March, Oxley Park Public School students represented our school at the District Swimming Carnival held at Mount Druitt Swimming Centre. The students and parents enjoyed themselves as we cheered on our fellow OPPS members during their heats. Congratulations to all the students who reach this level as it is a huge achievement!



On Tuesday, 12th March, Liliana and Lachlan represented Oxley Park Public School at the Area Swimming Carnival, which is an amazing effort. We are all very proud to see our students doing so well 😊



NRL Gala Day

Last week, we had 21 students represent our school at the NRL Gala Day. Ms Piva and Miss Courntee were the super coaches who led our very skilled students to several victories and the sportsmanship shown by our students was exemplary.

Well done Oxley Park!
Yours in sport,
Mrs Borg



Performing Arts Update

It has been a very busy start to the year for our performing arts groups. Many groups are well under ways with rehearsals for performance opportunities coming up throughout the year. This year we are very fortunate to have groups for drama, recorder, choir and dance running throughout the week - something for everyone!

Our recent spider fundraiser was a HUGE success with just over \$900 raised! Thank you so much for your continued support. We look forward to sharing more updates as the year goes on.

The Performing Arts Team

Office News

Office Hours – 8.30am – 3.30pm

Payment Date Reminders

Closing dates:

Friday 15th March
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Final Camp Payments– Stage 3 Camp
Stage 1 Excursion \$25.00 – Sydney Aquarium



Dates to remember:

Wednesday 20th March
Thursday 21st March
Friday 22nd March
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Tuesday 26th March -
Wednesday 27th March
Thursday 28th March
Monday 8th April –
Wednesday 10th April
Thursday 11th April

Harmony Day
Pacific Islander Dancing @ Regentville PS (Selected students only)
Student/Family Information Sheet due back
Stage 3 – Medical and Dietary Requirements for Camp due back
Peer Support – Leadership Training Days for Stage 3 only

Stage 1 Excursion – Sydney Aquarium
Stage 3 Camp - Outdoor Education Gosford Centre

Easter Hat Parade

Permission Notes

A reminder when returning permission notes for excursions, camps, and any school activities for which a permission note is sent home, a **separate permission note is required for each child**. This is a departmental legal requirement. Permission notes are to accompany payment (when required) and placed in an envelope and placed in the “money mailbox located on the wall” in the office. If you are paying by cash, cheque or eftpos please write on the envelope your child’s first name, last name, class, what the payment is for and the amount enclosed. Please enclose correct payment and permission note.



Student/Family Information Sheet, Student Asthma Record, Anaphylaxis/Allergy ASCIA Plans and Scripture notes

If you have not yet returned your Student/Family Information Sheet, Student Asthma Record, Anaphylaxis/Allergy ASCIA Plans or Scripture note for 2019, please do so **as soon as possible**



Statement of Account

Please note that Statement of Accounts will be sent home this week. Should you have any queries please see the office.

Voluntary School Contributions

Thank you to the many families who have paid their voluntary school contribution fee. We have receipted **\$746.00** in voluntary school contributions. We will be using the fees to support technology upgrades across the school. Please note this is voluntary and we appreciate all efforts that parents and community members make in supporting our school.

Thank you for your support

Karen Curcuruto

School Administration Manager

Term One Calendar Oxley Park Public School 2019



Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 Jan/Feb	28th Public Holiday	29th Staff Development Day	30th Students 1-6 return <i>BEST START KINDERGARTEN</i>	31st <i>BEST START KINDERGARTEN</i>	1st <i>BEST START KINDERGARTEN</i>
2 Feb	4th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY <i>BEST START KINDERGARTEN</i>	5th <i>BEST START KINDERGARTEN</i>	6th Kindergarten students begin.	7th	8th
3	11th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY 9.30am P&C meeting	12th	13th 3.30PM SWIMMING CARNIVAL	14th	15th K-2 Assembly 12.20pm 3-6 Assembly 2pm
4	18th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY	19th	20th PHOTO DAY 4.00 pm MEET THE TEACHER BBQ	21st	22nd Spider Drinks Fundraiser
5 Feb/Mar	25th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY	26th	27th	28th	1st K-2 Assembly 12.20pm 3-6 Assembly 2pm District Swimming
6	4th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY	5th	6th	7th	8th
7	11th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY	12th	13th	14th	15th K-2 Assembly 12.20pm 3-6 Assembly 2pm
8	18th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY 8:30-9:00am Parent Information Session - Healthy Eating	19th	20th HARMONY DAY Special Assembly/OPEN CLASSROOMS	21st K-2 Incursion	22nd K-2 Incursion Election on Saturday
9	25th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY Grafitti Ed Incursion stage 3	26th Stage 3 Peer Support Leader Training	27th Stage 3 Peer Support Leader Training	28th Stage 1 Aquarium Excursion	29th K-2 Assembly 12.20pm 3-6 Assembly 2pm
10 Apr	1st WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
11	8th WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY Stage 3 CAMP	9th Stage 3 CAMP	10th Stage 3 CAMP	11th Easter Hat Parade	12th SRC MUFTI DAY LAST DAY TERM ONE