

# Oxley Park Public School

Learning Together for the Future



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Term 3 Week 3

7<sup>th</sup> August, 2019

From the Principal's desk



## EPIC

Our staff attended a professional learning evening which was hosted by our school at Penrith Panthers. This professional learning event attracted over 180 teachers from the various schools in our Colyton Learning Community of schools. There were 18 presentations of outstanding teaching practice that is occurring across our community of schools. I would like to thank all the staff for attending, thank you to the staff who presented and shared our success and a special thank you to Mrs Narouz for her leadership and organisation of the event. A great effort.



## Students in the spotlight

Congratulations to Ailexah-Faye in S2P, who competed in the Little Miss Earth 2019 pageant. The event was held in Sydney on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2019. The pageants advocate for promoting conservation of the environment. The pageants dedicate about two months of their time volunteering in helping care for the environment through planting trees and supporting the clean-up of beaches. Ailexah-Faye would like to continue advocating not only for the little Miss Earth competition but by supporting environmental projects at our school. From the words of Ailexah-Faye, Advocacy.

*One of the biggest environmental problems the world facing today is the improper disposal of plastics, which I believe can be reduce by actively promoting and practicing proper recycling among individuals regardless of one's age, race and social class. I think by educating ourselves to this simple act will have a huge and beneficial impact to our environment.*

What a wonderful point of view, we welcome your advocacy as part of our strong eco focus at our school in working together to make a difference to our environment and what will be here for future generations.



### Onsite Before and After School Care

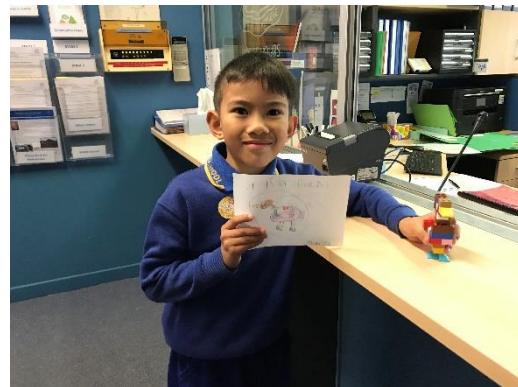
From the commencement of Term four this year Penrith City Council are taking over the before and after school care service. Kids Capers will finish their contract at the end of this term. Thank you to Julie-Ann and Paul for your service to our school. In the coming weeks the Penrith City Council will drop off enrolment forms and brochures about their service.

### New Flag Poles

This week we had three new flag poles erected in the front garden of the school. The flags now comply with Government protocols. Thank you for the community feedback which resulted in the flag poles being updated.

### Lego Masters with S1L

Thank you to Miss Jane for the STEM based lego masters challenge that occurred at the end of term two. The challenge was to create a duck using lego bricks – I was super impressed well done Daniel.



### **From the Deputy Principal's desk**



#### **Kia Ora**

We have had a fantastic start to term 3 and welcomed so many new faces, both students and teachers. Thank you to our fabulous community for being so welcoming and supportive in the face of change. With a busy term 2 behind us, our staff are busy planning, organising and preparing for another term full of exciting and engaging learning activities for our students. If you get a chance, please thank our fabulous teachers for all the time and hard work that they put in behind the scenes.

### Safety

Please remember the speed zones around the school and also in particular, parking. We understand that parking is difficult on the bell, however in the interest of safety, we please ask you adhere to the road rules, park safely and refrain from U-turning in front of the school.

### Parent/Teacher interviews

A note has been sent to book times in with your child's teachers for interviews. If you do not receive the note, please touch base with the school and leave a message for your child's teacher to contact you back.

### Excursions

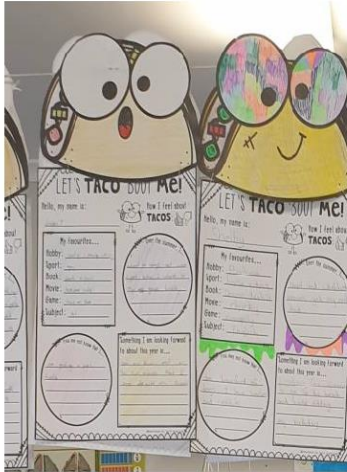
Organised excursions have cut-off times for payment. The reason behind the cut-off is that we need to pre-pay buses and also entry costs. On the odd occasion, if a student has withdrawn from an activity, we may be able to accept a late payment, however this is rare. Please ensure any payments are made to the office before cut-off dates to avoid disappointment.





## Stage 3

**S3C**



S3C have had a busy start to Term 3. We have been getting to know our new teacher, Miss Willick. We did a "Taco 'Bout Me" profile so our new teacher would know a little bit about us! In English we have been learning about persuasive speeches. We've enjoyed watching some excellent examples from the internet and have put together a list of all the things we need to put into our own speeches. In art we watched the opening of "A Bug's Life" and then imagined we were an ant. We drew what an ant would see in our playground.

Our class has done a lot of work learning about how important bees are to the future of our world. Some of our class members have been hard at work, writing their own blog on the topic. We are looking forward to attending the No Bees No Future Research Expo on the 20<sup>th</sup> of August. We are excited about sharing our work with students from other schools and hearing about what they have been learning.







## Stage 3

### S3A's Chocolate Factory

S3A have been looking at persuasive techniques in advertising and packaging design. We combined our scientific knowledge of liquids, solids and gases to pretend we worked at Nestle and designed our own chocolate bars. This week we'll be creating chocolate bar wrappers and making advertisements.





## Stage 2

### CARES BICYCLE HELMET COMPETITION – STAGE 2 CONGRATULATIONS OUR WINNERS ARE: Clarissa and Mahrosh



S2A having fun at Rap4Change.

“This is just the best, can we do it again” says the whole class.







## Stage 2

### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER SCHOOL IN S2A



Ethan at Taekwondo lessons



Charli 1<sup>st</sup> 700m Race Walk



Kehly Participation in Cheerleading. Her first Gymnastics Competition

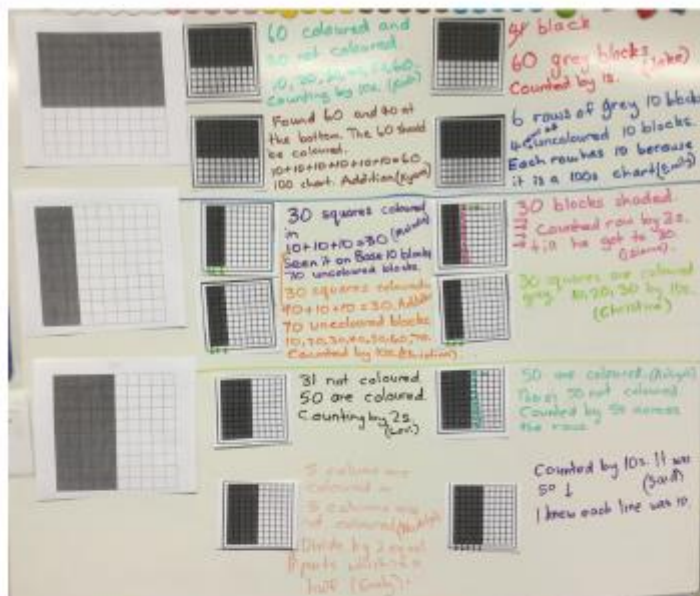


Scarlett and Samuel at the AASCF Winterfest Competition  
1<sup>st</sup> in Mini Pom,  
2<sup>nd</sup> in Mini Hip Hop,  
Both 2<sup>nd</sup> in Youth Level 1



# Stage 1

S1M's first 2 weeks of learning.



**Number Talks** are all about the 100s chart, this term. How many blocks are shaded and how many are not shaded. Look at the amazing strategies we are using! Counting by 10s both forward and backward will help with these problems.

Writing in S1M



Mr V comes and helps us to learn how simple sentences are constructed, by identifying the 'subject' and the 'action'. After lots of discussions we worked in pairs to create sentences about: Our Playground.







# Stage 1

Sharing our writing with our peers. Look at some of our work.



Our playground  
I PLAY SOCCER every  
day at School and at home.  
I like TO play hide  
and seek in area 5.  
I AM HAPPY TO play  
TIPS IN area 2 it  
is fun  
Christian  
Levi

I play soccer every day at school and at home.  
I like to play hide and seek in Area 5.  
I am happy to play tips in Area 2.  
It is fun. **Christian and Levi**

The monkey bars are straight.  
The kids love to do laps.  
Callan melodie

The monkey bars are  
straight.  
The kids love to do laps.  
**Callan and Melodie**

the slide is really tall.  
the teachers look after the kids.  
every one is kicking the soccer ball.  
the childrens play on the monkey bars.  
little kids make sand castles in the sandpit.  
Mia zack

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monkey bars.  
Little kids make sand  
castles in the sand pit.  
**Mia**

I play soccer with omar  
Children run after the ball  
and The plays headbump  
I PLAY tips and fun  
Kush Jake

I play soccer with Omar.  
Children run after the ball.  
They played head bump.  
(using a ball)  
I play tips and it is fun.  
**Jake and Kush**



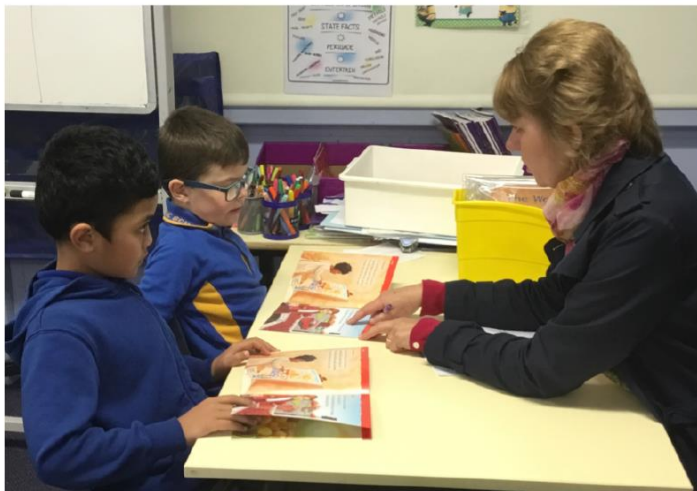


# Stage 1

Reading every day is very important.  
We have lots of teachers coming to listen to us read.



Mrs Murphy listening to  
Nadelyn, Said and Mia  
read.



Mrs A Hawkins  
listening to Tyrese and  
Kolby read.

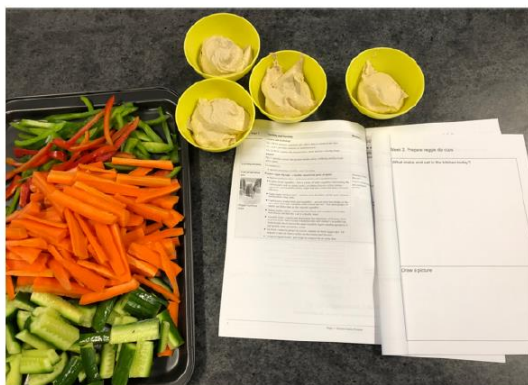


Mrs C Hawkins  
listening to Callan,  
Jake and Elizabeth  
read.



# Stage 1

S1M are doing the Kitchen- Garden program this term so we get to work in our school garden area and cook using the produce from the garden too! Thanks Mrs Lindsay



Last week we went into the garden to see what was growing in there and we smelt, touched, looked at and tasted the fresh produce.

This week we looked at the mobile kitchen unit and named all the utensils and appliance and safety rules.

Then we tasted food for our first cooking lesson. Hommus as a dip with carrots, cucumber, red and green capsicum and celery. Everyone tried it! We were surprised at how good the fresh raw vegetables tasted. Some of us loved the Hommus!



Levi, Jake, Tyrus, Elizabeth, Naveh and Omar trying raw vegetables and Hommus.



Summer, Nadelyn, Sharni-lee and Diyalini trying raw vegetables and Hommus.



Kyara, Emily, Mia, Aaliyah, Christian and Christine trying raw vegetables and Hommus.



Kolby, Kush, Said, Callan, Isioma and Zachary trying raw vegetables and Hommus.



# Kindergarten KG

*Last term all Kindergarten built enclosures for different animals.*



*This term in KG we are improving our writing and mathematics skills.*



*We are exploring our new investigation stations for our Walker Learning. We have been looking at the moon landing in one of our investigation stations and the school office.*





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To ensure your child has a smooth transition into Kindergarten we would like to **invite you and your child** to our 'Stay and Play' sessions. Our Parent Information Session is repeated at different times on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 at 9:00am, 2:00pm and 6:00pm** in the school library.

**'Stay and Play' Transition sessions are held on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November from 9:00am-10:00am and on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2019 from 2:00pm-3:00pm. Please meet in Area 3**

**'Drop and Play' Transition sessions are held in Kindergarten Classrooms on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 9:00am and at 2:00pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2019**

**Join Kindergarten for a Teddy Bear's Picnic on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at 9:30am.**

**For more information please contact Oxley Park Public School on (02) 9623 1375**

***We are an engaged, respectful community  
learning together for the future***



# Oxley Park Preschool



## Looking for a high quality preschool for your 4 year old?

At Oxley Park Preschool we cater for children the year before they start Kindergarten. We have qualified and experienced Early Childhood staff who create a loving and nurturing environment for children to grow. Our preschool program fosters the development of the whole child and provides high quality learning programs focusing on investigative play.



**Join us at our information evening on  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2019 at 6:30pm.**

**Contact Oxley Park Public School  
on 9623 1375 for more details.**

# Office News

## Office Hours – 8.30am – 3.30pm

### Payment & Permission Note Date Reminders

#### Closing dates:

Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	Stage 3 Chifley College – Taster Lessons (Year 5)
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Pedlar's Day Showbags
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Pedlar's Day Wristbands
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	No Bees No Future Research Expo – S3C only
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Stage 2 Zoosnooz Camp (90 students only)



#### Dates to remember:

Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Athletics Carnival
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	Public Education Concert - Stage 3 Blue Dance Group
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	SRC - Pyjama Day (Gold coin donation)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> August	No Bees No Future Research Expo – S3C only
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	Stage 3 Chifley College – Taster Lessons (Year 5)
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Colyton Showcase – Rehearsal & Evening Perf
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Colyton Showcase – Evening Perf
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	ICAS – Digital
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	ICAS – Science
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	ICAS – Writing
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	ICAS – Spelling
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	ICAS – English
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	ICAS – Mathematics
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Pedlar's Day
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October –	Stage 2 Zoosnooz Camp (90 students only)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	

### 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) 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.



### Voluntary School Contributions

Thank you to the many families who have paid their voluntary school contribution fee. We have receipted **\$2500.00** 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





You can now submit absence notifications and change of details information and also download the Request for Administering Prescribed Medications form via the Skoolbag app.

We have had great feedback about the eforms with lots of parents taking advantage of being able to complete and submit absence notifications via the app.

Go to the Home menu within Skoolbag and choose these forms.

## Thank you from Veronica Nou

Veronica Nou, our local pharmacist at Morris Care and Advice Pharmacy, came and spoke to Stage 3 students about her experiences as a refugee from Cambodia for Refugee Week. All the students were enthralled by Veronica's very moving talk. The school gave Veronica 5 boxes of non-perishable food that all students collected over the last two weeks. Veronica was very thankful to pass on the school's generous donations to her two charities: Mama Penny and Mums4Refugees. Thank you Oxley Park for having a heart of gold and to Veronica for her great efforts in making the world a better place for all!



# Thank you!



Our sincerest thanks to the management, staff and students of Oxley Park Public School for their support of the Mama Penny project!

Supporters like Oxley Park Public School are allowing us continue this valuable service into the foreseeable future, with our hope to expand into more locations during 2019 and beyond.



# Peer Support

The 8<sup>th</sup> week of Peer Support (Term 2, 2019) culminated in the last session for Peer Support, 2019.

In this session students participated in a board game aimed at reinforcing all of the concepts and skills that have been learned over the past 7 weeks. They will be reminded of the qualities of a good friend and the skills needed to maintain friendships and make new friends. Each Peer Support Group will have the opportunity to celebrate what they have learned and the new friendships and connections they have made.

We encourage parents and carers to have discussions with their children about how to maintain friendships and make new connections with new friends.

The Peer Support team will build upon the successes in 2019 and aim to foster and nourish the Peer Support program at OPPS for 2020. We wish to thank our Stage 3 students for teaching the Peer Support program. We would also like to thank our parents and carers for engaging in these important discussions with their children throughout the term.

## The Peer Support Team





# We are an Eco-School!



## ENVIRONMENT NEWS - We are a member of Eco-School

### **Kreative Koala**

This is very exciting news! Oxley Park Public School was lucky to be selected from hundreds of schools to participate in “Kreative Koalas”. This is a sustainability project that is both project and research based. The winning students will be meeting teachers on Wednesday to research their sustainability goals and on Friday morning will begin decorating the Koala.

### **Nude Food**

Thank you to all the families who are participating in Nude Food. We encourage all families to consider using a reusable lunch box and minimise plastic bags and cling wrap. If you are interested to know how to pack a nude food lunch box, please see the flyers on the next page.

### **Litter Legends Grant**

The Environment Team won a grant in May for \$500.00 to put towards recycling initiatives for 2020. Stage two have been collecting the plastic bottles, poppa juice and milk containers from classrooms each week and measuring it. Since April we have collected 29 kgs of waste that would have gone to landfill and from the collection stations received \$202.

### **Eco Schools – Award**

Congratulations to the students, staff and community of Oxley Park Public School we have been awarded a Bronze Award by Eco Schools Australia. Eco Schools is a global initiative that encourages sustainability and environment projects with schools around the world.

## HOW TO PACK A NUDE FOOD LUNCH

The Nude Food Warriors have created a step-by-step guide to make packing a Nude Food Lunch easy as 1, 2, 3!



**STEP 1**  
Choose the main lunch item, it may be something from the list below or a Nude Food creation of your own

- Sandwich/ Roll
- Wrap/Pita
- Frittata/Quiche
- Pasta/Pasta Salad
- Salad
- Sushi/Rice Paper Rolls
- Noodles
- Stir Fry
- Egg Muffins

**STEP 2**  
Select your fruit

- Apple
- Orange
- Banana
- Grapes
- Watermelon
- Berries
- Fruit Salad
- Pear
- Mandarin
- Kiwi Fruit

**STEP 3**  
Pick a nutritious Nude Food snack

- Yoghurt
- Vegetable Sticks and dip
- Cheese and crackers
- Popcorn (natural)
- Rice Crackers
- Vege chips (homemade)
- Pretzels

**STEP 4**  
Don't Forget Hydration!

Fill your favourite reusable drink bottle with filtered or tap water! Remember to refill throughout the day to make sure you stay hydrated!

Stuck on what to pack your Nude Food Lunch in? Turn over for some great storage ideas!

Join the Nude Food MOVEMENT

Nutrition Australia

Keep Australia Beautiful

## WHAT TO PACK MY NUDE FOOD LUNCH IN

Now you have your Nude Food Lunch planned you need to find something to pack it in.

**STEP 1**  
Will you be using an all in one lunchbox, or packing items separately?

Please see all in one lunchbox options below or if you're packing items separately skip to Step 2

**STEP 2**  
Products to store your lunch!

Check out our Coolskins/Light Lunch Bags to effortlessly insulate your lunch!

**STEP 3**  
Products to keep your fruit in shape and fresh

Don't have a Rubbish Free Lunchbox? Don't despair! You can use smaller products in steps 2-4 to pack your lunch.

\*An insulated lunch box or bag is a great way to keep all your lunch items together

**STEP 4**  
Buy your favorite Nude Food Snacks in bulk and send them to school using these handy containers


**SUCCESS!** You have packed a healthy, rubbish free lunch that will not only save you money but help save the planet!

\* You can find Nude Food Movers products at major supermarkets and retailers all around the world! Go to [www.nudefoodmovers.com.au](http://www.nudefoodmovers.com.au)

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## Casual Work

1 X Casual position- Penrith Government Area (0000772U)

### Help protect our vibrant school communities

**Become a Casual School Crossing Supervisor!**

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Shifts fall between the school zones hours 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm, with a minimum of one, one hour shift as and when required Monday to Friday during the school term.

**Does this sound like you?**

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
- ✓ Good communication skills
- ✓ Community spirit
- ✓ Positive energy

If it does, visit or go to [iworkfor.nsw.gov.au](http://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au) to apply today and quote 0000772U

Applications close 11.59pm Sunday, 11 August 2019



## REGISTRATION

Summer Season 2019/2020

We are now taking registrations for our Summer Season!

Register ONLINE via our website

[www.glenmoreparkbasketball.com.au](http://www.glenmoreparkbasketball.com.au)

**Membership Fees \$65 in total which includes:**

\$25 - Club Membership for the season

\$10 - Team Nomination (per team)

\$30 - 3 weeks of game fees (per team)



Registrations close 16<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

If you have any queries relating to registering, please contact [glenmoreparkbasketball@hotmail.com](mailto:glenmoreparkbasketball@hotmail.com)

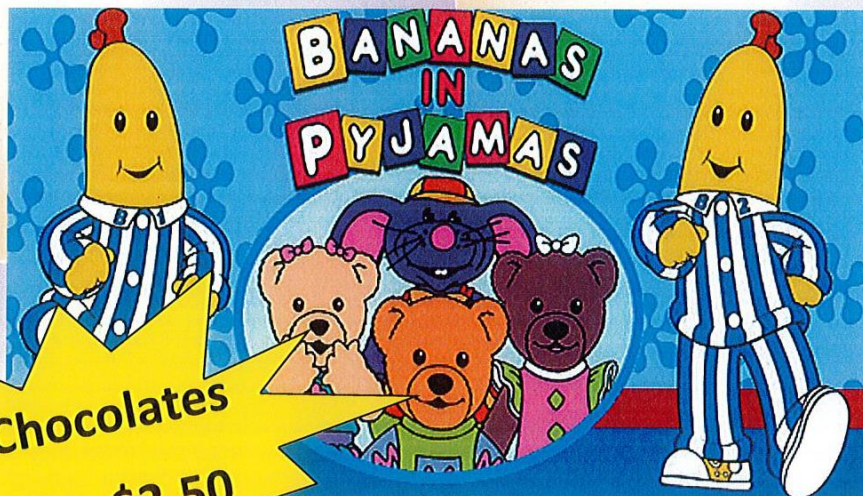




# Pyjama Day

It's on again!! The SRC are having a pyjama day fundraiser on **Friday, 16th August**.

We are raising money for the 1step1life organisation, which provides education to communities in need in rural Cambodia.



Hot Chocolates  
for sale \$2.50

So leave your comfy bedclothes on,  
come along to school and make a  
**gold coin donation** to a good cause.

# Term Three Calendar Oxley Park Public School 2019



Term 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 July	22 Staff Development Day	23 Whole school assembly CYBG draw	24 SHOWCASE CHOIR rehearsal Year 6 parents farewell meeting	25	26 Colour Run Funds Last Day
2 July/Aug	29 Super star assembly Festival of Instrumental Music evening	30 Stage 2 Excursion Botanical Gardens	31	1	2 Last Day to Order your Colour Run fundraising Prize
3	5 Education Week School Spelling Bee 9:30am P&C Meeting	6 11.00am Westfield Mt Druitt education week concert	7 Open Classrooms – Science Fair	8 Athletics Carnival	9 Public Education Concert
4	12 Parent Teacher Interviews Science Week	13	14 Back up Athletics Carnival Date	15 Oz Tag Gala Day	16 SRC Mufti Day
5	19 Parent Teacher Interviews  ParKitects excursion Book Week	20 Kindergarten 2020 Orientation 9.00 am 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	21 BOOK PARADE 9.30am	22	23
6 Aug/Sep	26	27 Pre School 2020 Orientation 6.30 pm	28 P&C Fathers Day Stall Year 5 Taster lessons Chifley College Dunheved	29	30 Fathers Day Big Blokes Breakfast
7	2 SHOWCASE Rehearsals SHOWCASE EVENING PERFORMANCE	3 SHOWCASE EVENING PERFORMANCE	4 District Athletics	5	6
8	9 7:00pm P&C Meeting	10	11 Rugby League Gala Day	12	13
9	16 Basketball Gala Day TBC	17	18	19	20
10	23	24	25 Year 6 Pedlars Day	26	27 Last Day Term 3