

# Oxley Park Public School

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Term 1 Week 9

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## From the Principal's Desk



### Unprecedented times

To our school community – Firstly I would like to acknowledge and thank all the teachers and staff for their commitment to supporting our school and our community. It has been a challenging few weeks and no more than this week. Our school is open, however learning is moving to an online platform that is consistent and fair for all children especially our children working from home.

Our school executive team worked tirelessly yesterday to ensure that all online learning was ready to go. We have set up an online platform on our school website – please access all online content via the school website. We also have work packs that are replicas of the online content available for pick up from the school. Times to pick up the packs have been posted on Facebook and Skoolbag app.

If you are not receiving skoolbag app updates or Facebook updates – please email the office to update your contact details – especially your email address so we can continue to send electronic communication.

Thank you to our amazing students, they are trying their best to stay apart, however given their ages and innocence it can be a challenge. We are doing our best to observe the social distancing procedures by encouraging children to be apart. We have been increasing the hygiene practices of the students, staff and visitors to our school. We have closed some classrooms and have spaced our classes across interconnecting classrooms to allow equal supervision of students. All classroom resources are being cleaned by our teachers and support staff and I thank you.

Could I please remind all parents/carers dropping their children to school do so by observing the social distancing requirements. Please do not mingle together – please enter the school to drop off and pick up children only and minimise any group gatherings.

Our canteen is not able to run and is therefore closed. We have capacity to make lunches so no child misses out on food, we are also supported by Christ Mission Charity who make lunches for children – but I would encourage you to ensure your children come to school with lunch and recess if you are sending them to school.

Currently we have around 8 staff who are unable to work from school so they are working from home and are available to communicate through CLASS DOJO. Over the coming weeks we will move all learning to google classroom. More information to come.

I would also like to thank you all for your patience, your thoughtfulness and your support as we navigate through this together.

Please see below the letter that was sent home yesterday to all families – we are encouraging all families to use the CLASS DOJO app to communicate with teachers

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, our Premier announced that where possible, parents should keep children home from school.

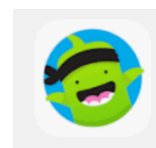
If you cannot keep your child at home as you work in an essential service, school will be open. Students will be doing the work at school that is being sent home. **Regular classroom teaching will not continue in these circumstances.**

In the coming days, we will be providing work packs for all students in every class to work from home. We will let you know as soon as these are available for you to pick up for your child.

These work packs will include:-

- a suggested timetable (we will update and distribute weekly for as long as required)
- hard copies of work students can do at home if you have no internet access
- access to the following to online learning resources via, Prodigy, Storyline online, Go Noodle, and access our daily facebook live reading and fitness sessions.
- both parent and student login information for Class DOJO and student DoE Portal access.

All teachers will be available between 8.30am and 3:30 pm to answer any questions you or your child have about the work, via CLASS DOJO – please download the app.



Throughout the coming weeks we will be posting a variety of videos via the Facebook page for children to watch, such as readings, spelling lessons, maths activities, fitness and art activities. These will be prepared by our teachers and include learning activities.

If you do not have access to CLASS DOJO, information will be available from the office. Please ensure that your email address and telephone numbers are current so we can maintain contact via the phone with your child/ren.

Please note:-

From today onwards the canteen will be closed. The school will have no access for children to order lunch/please ensure you send your child/ren to school with lunch and recess.

We thank you for your support at this very challenging time.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Kim Smith

*Working together in partnership for Quality Education*  
*Kim Smith Principal*



**From the Deputy's desk**  
***Kia Ora***

### **These are changing times!**

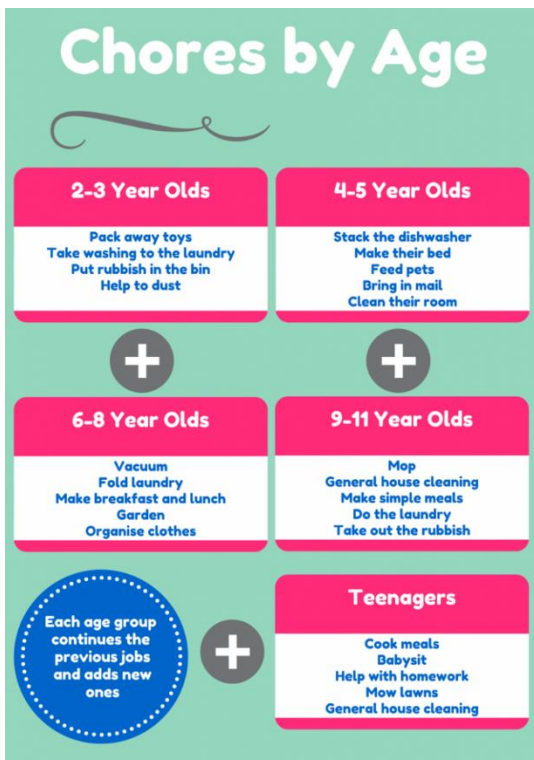
Amidst the chaos that has settled upon us, there is still much to be grateful for.

I for one, am grateful for our incredible staff who have worked tirelessly, effortlessly and without hesitation to provide online learning experiences for our children in such a short time frame. Their hard work and dedication cannot go unnoticed. Our teachers are turning up every day to ensure that during these trying times, our students are still receiving quality learning tasks.



**THANK YOU TEACHERS – WE APPRECIATE YOU**

### **How to support your children at home**



We understand that being at home with your children and home-schooling them, can sometimes create added stress and anxiety for parents. Here are a few tips to help you:

- Make children feel safe – turn off the news and limit social media access.
- Teach children self-care – can they make their bed, make their lunch, get up and make their own breakfast and clean up after themselves.
- Focus on BEING with your children. Read with them, play with them, laugh and explore with them.

Enjoy this time with them and make the most of making incredible memories.

*Please remember to stay safe during this time.*

*- Mrs Narouz*



## Office News

### Office Hours – 8.30am – 3.30pm

#### Student Asthma Record, Anaphylaxis/Allergy ASCIA Plans and Student Emergency Contact Details

If you have not yet returned to the school office your Student Asthma Record, Anaphylaxis/Allergy ASCIA Plans or Student Emergency Contact Details for 2020, please do so **as soon as possible**.

Thank you for your support.

**Karen Curcuruto**  
**School Administration Manager**



### Stage 3

This term, some Stage 3 students created artworks related to the theme 'Communities Together' for the upcoming Penrith CBD Festival.

Oxley Park students make us so proud in the encouragement and compassion they show towards others in need.

Ciara and Amber submitted this photo in the Local School's Photography Competition.

"We Care"

"Our hands join together to show that we care and that things can improve".



Congratulations to Nitish and Nikhil who are the first Stage 3 students to receive a PBL prize this term.





## Stage 3

### Peer Support!

Last week Stage 3 participated in their peer support training day, where they learnt lots of important skills on how to be an effective leader. Students learnt how to communicate clearly, work as a team, use initiative and decision making skills to prepare for when they get to lead a group. A highlight of the day was seeing the creativity and team work of our students when given the challenge to make an outfit purely out of newspaper. We don't doubt that our Stage 3 students are ready to lead by example, and be role models to all other students here at Oxley Park. Way to go Stage 3!







## Stage 2

### S2S Learning experiences

In history we have been learning about the Victoria Park. We know today, that it has gone through lots of changes over the years. The band club has changed colour over the years. It used to be white but now it is grey and looks better now not in the olden days it just looked plain but now there are so many things in there and it is so colourful. Amelia

In history we have been learning about Victoria Park in St Marys. There was a band stand but they demolished it to make a retender.

Anunda

In groups we looked at olden day photos and new photos of Victoria Park and compared the differences. We then presented our views to the class.

Areeb

Together with our class, we sequenced the years of improvement of Victoria Park beginning from 1800's to 2020.

Aiden

## S2/3W

Welcome to S2/3W. Our classroom is a busy place! In Science, we have been researching how important bees are to our ecosystem. We will be designing infographics to display our information. In English, we've been learning about describing characters so we're working on creating our own puppets for a puppet play.

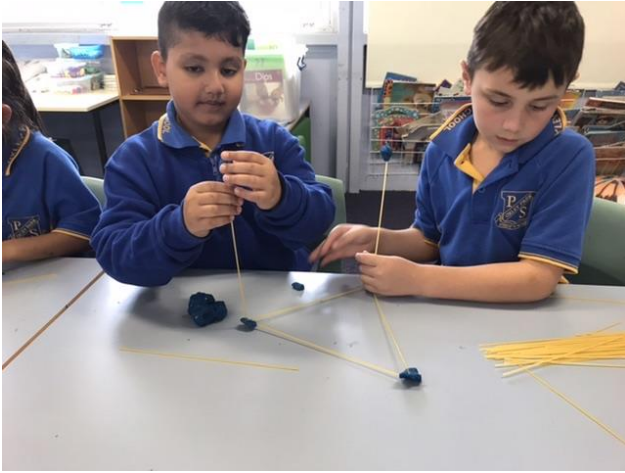
Last Monday, Year 5 completed leadership training for the whole school Peer Support program. It's the first year we get to be a group leader and we are looking forward to teaching the weekly lessons. We loved dressing Jack and Clarissa in jungle costumes made from newspaper and masking tape.

Last Wednesday, we celebrated Harmony Day by learning about Samoa and some of our students dressed up in cultural clothing or wore orange to celebrate multiculturalism.

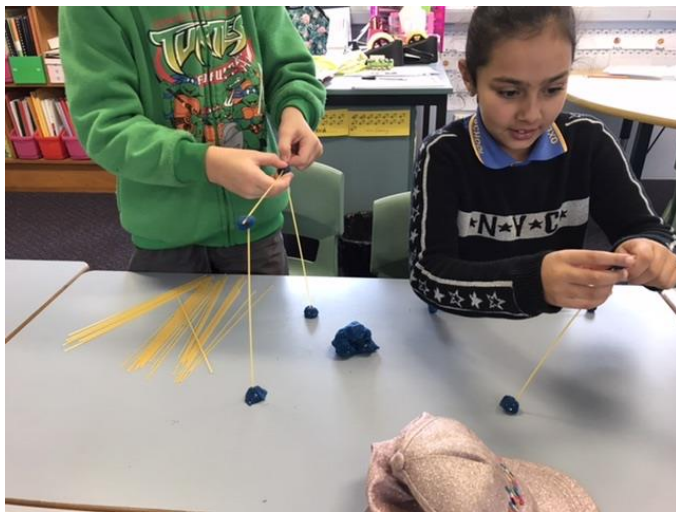




## Stage 1



**S1A have been having fun with science, making spaghetti towers**



## Kindergarten

**What's been happening in KE?**

We Celebrated Harmony Day 'Everyone Belongs'. KE enjoyed singing our Harmony Day song 'The more we get together' and we sang it several times during the day.





# Kindergarten



We went for a walk around the school to spot the living and non-living things for our science unit 'Taking care of living thing'. It was amazing to see how big the vegetables and fruit in the garden have grown since we started school.






Friday was Bullying NO Way Day! We are one big happy family!





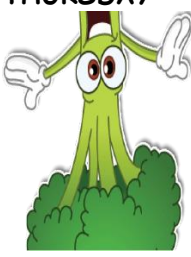
# OXLEY PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL - RIDE 2 SCHOOL DAY TALLY 2020

HOW DID YOU GET TO SCHOOL TODAY? Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

		 <small>shutterstock.com • 501461473</small>	BIKE/SCOOTER	WALK	 CATCH A BUS	DRIVE CAR
PRESCHOOL						
KE			2	2	0	6
KC			4	6	0	11
KP			0	7	2	9
KL			0	0	1	7
KS			2	3	0	10
S1C			1	4	0	13
S1A			4	6	1	14
S1D			0	8	0	10
S1H			5	6	0	9
S1W			3	7	3	9
S1B			2	5	0	10
S1K			3	11	0	9
S1R			2	3	0	14
S2R			2	4	7	13
S2T			0	6	3	14
S2S			4	5	0	14
S2G			2	8	0	12
S2L			3	5	0	15
S2M			2	8	0	14
S23W			5	7	0	3
S3A			7	6	1	8
S3R			7	5	0	11
S3J			7	9	0	11
S3C			7	5	0	13
S3M			2	4	1	5
TOTAL			76	140	19	264

# OXLEY PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL - VEGIE WEEK - CRUNCH AND SIP

## HOW MANY VEGIES DID YOU EAT?

CRUNCH AND SIP 	MONDAY 	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	10am Big Vegie Crunch THURSDAY 	FRIDAY
PRESCHOOL	14	12	10	13	12
KE	5	6	-	5	6
KC	3	2	9	7	-
KP		4	5	6	5
KL	4	4	10	4	5
KS	6	3	1	2	-
S1C	8	4	8	9	6
S1A	2	0	0	3	2
S1D	5	4	5	8	-
S1H	5	3	3	8	10
S1W	6	2	-	3	5
S1B	11	-	5	7	7
S1K	3	-	5	3	7
S1R	5	3	7	7	-
S2R	-	7	-	-	-
S2T	3	9	6	1	1
S2S	2	6	6	10	5
S2G	5	3	1	2	-
S2L	-	8	1	-	-
S2M	1	3	1	5	2
S23W	5	17	16	7	4
S3A	12	6	7	4	8
S3R	3	4	3	8	8
S3J	16	18	6	4	2
S3C	6	-	5	2	3
S3M	2	-	-	4	5
TOTAL	132	128	120	132	108





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## Amendment – Family Details

*Please complete this slip if there have been recent changes to student / family contact details and return to the school office as soon as possible*

Child's name/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Family Details:

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_  
Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Work # \_\_\_\_\_  
Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_  
Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Work # \_\_\_\_\_

### Address Details:

*Proof of residential address **must** be provided to confirm changes of address. Please ✓ tick one of the following forms of documentation and provide the original to be sighted.*

- ☐ Council Rates Notice
- ☐ Residential Lease
- ☐ Electricity Account

New Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contact:

*Please nominate which existing contact details are to be replaced* \_\_\_\_\_

New Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home # \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child/family \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_

New Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home # \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child/family \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Carer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Term One Calendar Oxley Park Public School 2020



Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 Jan/Feb	27th Public Holiday	28th Staff Development Day	29th Students 1-6 return  BEST START KINDERGARTEN	30th  BEST START KINDERGARTEN	31st  BEST START KINDERGARTEN
2 Feb	3rd Whole school assembly Kindergarten students begin	4th	5th	6th	7th 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course
3	10th Whole school assembly	11th	12th	13th	14th 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course  12.20 K-2 Assembly 2.00 3-6 Assembly
4	17th Whole school assembly P&C Meeting 9.30am	18th	19th <i>SCHOOL PHOTOS</i>  4.00 pm MEET THE TEACHER BBQ	20th	21st 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course
5 Feb/Mar	24th SRC BADGES PRESENTED Whole school assembly	25th Swimming Carnival 9.am -12pm	26th Healthy Harold life education Playgroup 9:15 - 11am	27th	28th 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course <b>DISTRICT SWIMMING</b>
6	2nd Healthy Harold life education Whole school assembly	3rd	4th Playgroup 9:15 - 11am	5th	6th 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course
7		10th	11th	12th	13th 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course 12.20 K-2 Assembly  Ride2school Day
8	16th  P&C meeting 7pm	17th	18th	19th	20th 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course
9	23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course
10 Mar/Apr	30th	31st	1st	2nd	3rd 9.30-11.30 Mission Australia Beauty course
11	6th	7th	8th		10th <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> public holiday