NEWSLETTER 2 – Week ending 6th February

IMPORTANT DATES
NEXT WEEK

Monday 9th  ART Seniors
Wednesday 11th NO PREPS  ART Juniors
Thursday 12th School Council 7.30pm

BIRTHDAYS
Happy birthday to the following students that celebrated their birthdays this week: Jada Ryan. We hope you have a great day

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Wine and Pizza Night
Tonight we will be holding a wine and pizza night to launch our first meeting of parents and friends. It starts at 7:00 pm. At this stage we have about 15 adults coming along. If you have a change of plans and can make it now, feel free to call in.

Newsletters
Thank you to all the families that returned the slips from last week notifying us that they would like to receive the newsletter either via the Oxley Primary School app / website, email or the tradition hard copy. There is no doubt that by reducing the amount of printed copies of the newsletter we will in turn reduce the amount of landfill and printing costs for the school.

Whole School Unit of Work
For the first 5 weeks of this term we are running an inquiry based unit on waste, titled Waste Not Want Not. This unit fits perfectly with the $10,000 energy grant that we received last year. Over the coming weeks the students will be completing some of the following activities;

Week 9th – 13th February
• Interviewing a grandparent about waste in their day and how they disposed of rubbish. (Not all classes will be completing this activity),
• Having a member from Bunnings come out to help create a planter box from a plastic bottle/milk carton, all students will need to bring in either a plastic container or milk carton,
• Graphing the amount of waste (by weight) in the students lunch boxes each day,

17th February
• Running a nude lunch day where students try to reduce the amount of wrappers in their lunch boxes,

Thursday 26th February
• Asked to save something from landfill and give it a second life project. An expo of these pieces will be on display on Thursday 26th February from 2:30 pm. There will also be plenty of other activities completed throughout the first 5 weeks that students will be completing with their classroom teachers.

Bush Dance – Welcome Back
Please put Saturday the 21st of March in your diaries for the Oxley Community Bush Dance which will be run by the Oxley Primary School. This event was a fantastic family event last year and we hope to build it into an entire community event each year. More information about this event will be sent out next week.
Thank You
There were a few people that I forgot to thank last week in the newsletter in regards to the huge amount of work carried out over the holiday break.
Mark Tully installed 2 new conditioners in the year 5 and 6 room, Franco Corsini looked after the electrical work around the school, Kelly McDonald and Rori McDonald cleaned up the vegetable patch, Helen Taylor and Abby Pegler helped set up the year 5 and 6 room, Cam Miller drilled holes in the new iPad cabinet, Kate Byvoet – Mullins, Jo Currie and Matt Fraser all helped with the working bee.
Jeremy Campbell – Principal
Oxley Primary School is committed to Nurturing confident, lifelong learners, in a friendly rural community.

PREP STUDENTS
Preps will be attending school Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday with Wednesdays off until after the long weekend. This means that they will start attending Wednesdays at school from the 11th March onwards.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
The next school council meeting will be held this Thursday 12th February, at 7.30pm. This meeting will be with the members from last year’s school council.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE
Welcome back to a new year of After School Care at Kid Bizz. Important information for parents: After School Care runs from 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm for parents/guardians that require care for their children after school hours.
If you require this service please notify the school prior to end of classes. Bookings are essential and are taken via the phone or in the school office. If you need to cancel your booking, please notify by 3.00 pm or fees will still apply. If a student is not collected by bus time 3.50pm, they will be brought into After School Care and fees will apply. Fees for 2014 are as follows: 1hr = $7.50 and 1-2.5hrs = $15.00. This will decrease according to your CCB.

$1500 GRANT
We have been successful in our Rural City of Wangaratta application and have received $1500 to spend on a project called Cooking for the Community. We will soon be purchasing a Pizza Oven, equipment and plants. We will be holding pizza nights throughout the year as well as the students from OPS and OOSH will cook on a regular basis.

PIANO
Piano Lessons at Oxley this year will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I will be commencing on Tuesday the 17th Feb. I am looking forward to catching up with my students again and starting the year with some lovely new music - including lots of duets which are always fun.
If your child would like to start learning the piano, please give me a ring on 57269384, or 0403 884 348. Thank you, Heather Miles

HELP - NUTS
We are heading in the right direction and appreciate everybody’s assistance in reaching our goal of making Oxley Primary NUT FREE or as nut free as we can get! Please continue to cut out any nut products that you send with your child to school – this includes peanut butter.

LUNCH ORDERS
Little Duck Catering 4 Kids
Mondays and Fridays
The food is nutritious, delicious and there are lots of homemade items to be enjoyed.
This is how it works:
- Orders can be placed online (www.3rdlittleduck.com.au) the night before or students can bring in money and their order in a brown paper bag or envelope on the day.
- There will be a box located on the small white table in the foyer where these orders can be dropped as students arrive at school.
- Orders will be collected on the morning of our allocated days (Mondays & Fridays)
The specials for this term are:
SNACK – Raspberry and Coconut Muffin
LUNCH – Ham & Cheese Toastie
Wangaratta Marathon and Fun Runs
22 February 2015

Have you entered you and your family?
Please consider doing so today.

Primary aged children can enter the 2km Primary Challenge either online or with other family members, or by filling out the ‘entry form’ below and return this with your payment to school before 22/2/2015.

By entering, your child will benefit from completing the challenge in a supportive, vibrant environment, but also increases our schools opportunity to win the $1000 prize money.

Entry is only $10 and includes a cool finishers medal, electronic bib-chip timing, a safe, well marshalled and accurate course, additional medals and prizes for those who can achieve a top three placing in each age category, entertainment and refreshments at the finish.

There are also a range of longer events from the marathon (42km) to the 5km walk or run as the whole family can participate.

Full details are www.wangarattamuseum.org.au or you can contact the office for more information.

Primary School Challenge
2015 Entry Form

First Name: ___________________________ Surname: ___________________________

Date of birth: _____ / _____ / ____ Age on 22/2/15: ______________

School: ___________________________ Gender: □ Boy □ Girl

I consent to my child taking part in the 2015 Wangaratta Fun Run 2km Primary School Challenges and agree to the Waiver and Rules*:

Name: ___________________________ phone: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________ Parent / Caregiver info: ____________ (Extra $5) Circle: Yes / No

Signature: ___________________________ Hume Bank

*Waiver available at www.wangarattamuseum.org.au or by phoning 0407 001 018 Max one parent / caregiver per child. Need a second form for another event.

This form can only be processed if sent to school with the named child and full payment by Friday 12th of February
Children’s Drawing
This class is for children who already enjoy drawing, it will teach them new techniques and 
the use of different mediums such as pencil, pastel
Dates: 5 x Thursdays  26th Feb – 26th March  Time: 4.00-5.00  Cost $50.00

Children’s Cooking
This course is for primary school aged children who have an interest in learning about 
cooking. They will learn basic techniques and recipes that they can go home and share
Dates: 4 x Thursdays 26th Feb – 19th March  Time: 4.00-5.00  Cost $40.00

Children’s Yoga
This is a great children’s yoga class, with the focus on FUN. 
Yoga helps teach breathing, stretching and relaxation.
Dates: 4 x Tuesdays  3rd – 24th March  Time: 4.15-5.00pm
Cost:$40.00

Children’s Literacy & numeracy
We are calling for expressions of interest in holding a children’s course on literacy &
numeracy. Please contact the office for more information

School Holiday Courses
Pangerang Community House offers Children’s School Holiday Courses.
This Term these will be run during the April School holidays, will include; Cooking, Art,
Sewing, Yoga, Beading and more…..
See flyers for more information

Please contact Pangerang Community House for more information
or to make a booking, phone (03) 5721 3813