NEWSLETTER 10 – Week ending 17th April, 2015

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL
Monday 20th ART Seniors
Tuesday 21st Transition Letters go home with Year 6 students
Wednesday 22nd ART Juniors
Thursday 23rd School Council 7.30pm
Friday 24th PLAYGROUP 2016/17 Preps
Saturday 25th ANZAC DAY 2.30pm

MAY
Thursday 21st Cluster Day - Whorouly
Parent Info Night – Resilience held at Wang HS for all parents

PUPIL FREE DAYS / PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
Friday 5th June Report Writing Day
Monday 8th June Queens Birthday
Monday 3rd August Cluster PD - Pupil Free
Monday 2nd Nov Report Writing Day
Tuesday 3rd Nov Melbourne Cup Day

This week and during the holidays to Sidney Costello, Jaye Miller, Kade Jackson, Lily Mullins, Ava Byrne & Ella White. We hope everyone had a great birthday.

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Welcome back to everyone for term 2 which as always will be a fantastic term for all our students with plenty of fun activities already planned.

ANZAC Day
25 April 2015, ANZAC Day, marks 100 years since the Gallipoli landings and is our nation’s annual commemorative day for acknowledging and remembering those who served not only in WWI, but in conflicts and operations throughout the last century.

As this year marks the century of the landing there will be an ANZAC Day service in Oxley with a focus on men and their families that served from the former Oxley Shire listed on the Memorial. The residence society has invited Oxley Primary School to participate. We had a strong response from our parent families which means we will be learning 1 song for the day as well as our captains being involved in special duties throughout the afternoon. Please put this date in your diaries. A proposed timetable is below.

Saturday 25th April 2015
2.30pm Assemble at Oxley Memorial
3.00pm Welcome & intro
Song by Oxley Primary School – ‘Can You Hear Australia’s Hero’s Marching’
Reading by the school captains – ‘Flanders Field and the Response’
Address
ANZAC Requiem – Jeremy Campbell
The Ode
Bugle
Flag Rising by the school captains
Wreath Laying by the school captains
Piper
AUST Anthem
At the conclusion of the event there will be an afternoon lunch at the Oxley Hall.

**Playgroup and Enrolments**

Due to the amazing success in preparing our future students for transitioning to school we will again be holding Playgroup sessions for 2016 and 2017 preps during terms 2, 3 and 4. Our term 2 dates are: Friday 24th April, Friday 22nd May and Friday 12th June – 2.45 pm to 3.30 pm. These sessions will be run by Rebecca Davern our wonderful integration aide at the school so please bring along our future students for the afternoon.

**Tips to help your child at home with school**

It has been great to see how all the students have settled into the 2015 school year and the confidence our new preps have after one term of school as well as the four new students to the school.

Some things you can do to help your child with their journey at school includes:

- Ensuring they have a healthy breakfast – this is important for energy to get through the day.
- Aiming to get out of the house on time in a calm, relaxed manner to set up a positive tone for their day. To help you achieve this, try giving your child some simple tasks like putting the cereal or fruit for breakfast on the table or collecting their hat and drink bottle and putting them into their school bag. Don’t worry if they are slow or make mistakes with these tasks at first. They will get the hang of it, and it’ll be one less thing you'll have to do.
- When talking about school to your child always pose the questions in a positive light. What was the best thing about school today, what was the funniest thing that happen, etc. In saying this though, Lenny has already found the shortest possible answer to these questions. Everything!
- Develop a bedtime routine so your child can wind down at the end of the day and get a good night's sleep.
- Try not to put too many expectations on yourself or your child; if they are happy and enjoying school, that’s a real achievement.
- Share your child’s reader with them each night and encourage them to use pictures to help read the text.

You know your child best. If you have any questions about how your child is going at school, contact your child’s teacher so you can talk things through together.

**CLC Leaders**

Yesterday we had 5 bright and enthusiastic CLC leaders (Ben Adams, Freya Clarke, Zeke Currie, Beth Renner and Colette Suter) from Wangaratta High School come to join our school, for the next 8 weeks as part of a community project. They will be assisting in the classrooms as well as helping our own School Captains run clubs on a Wednesday at recess and lunch time. There is a real buzz around the school about the clubs starting next week and I will make sure we include some photos in next week’s newsletter.

**Jeremy Campbell – Principal**

Oxley Primary School is committed to Nurturing confident, lifelong learners, in a friendly rural community.

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**PARENT OPINION SURVEY 2015**

Thank you to everyone who has returned these surveys. We are hoping to get 100% back. These are confidential can be dropped in the black mailbox in the foyer. If you need a new one please come and see us at the office. Thank you.
You're Invited to attend the Oxley ANZAC Day Service 2015
2:30pm for 3:00pm Start Saturday 25th April 2015 at Oxley Shire War Memorial

Local primary school students will participate throughout the service. Address by Jim Cosens of Wangaratta RSL. Bugler Graeme Beale. Piper Bruce Mauger. Poppies provided. Refreshments to follow at the Oxley Shire Hall. Oxley residents please bring a plate of slice or cake. Full details available at www.oxley.vic.au

Are your relatives listed on the Oxley Memorial?
If you are, or know of any descendants of a World War I Serviceman or Servicewoman from the former Oxley Shire whose name is etched on the Oxley Memorial, the organising committee would love to hear from you. We would like to know whether you could come, and whether you have any photos, memorabilia, or stories which you could bring on the day or share with us via correspondence.

Please contact either Neil Brock 542773644 or Lindsay Cummins 0455273606
If you wish to view the list of 310 WWI names on the Oxley Memorial please visit www.oxley.vic.au

ANZAC Service
Traditionally only Remembrance Day services have been conducted at the Oxley Shire War Memorial since 1922.

This year a "one-off" commemorative service will be staged to mark 100 years since the World War I landing in Gallipoli in 1915.

Following the service afternoon tea will be served at the nearby Oxley Shire Hall. This was the venue for many of the "farewells" to local young men leaving for World War I battlefields.

Historical memorabilia will be displayed at the Hall.
Wangaratta District Evening
Country Women’s Association Branch
proudly presents

High Tea
at Lindenwarrah

Saturday 16th May
2:30- 4:30 pm

$70 pp including drinks on arrival
R.S.V.P. by May 10th

Come and enjoy a gourmet High Tea
celebrating the women in our lives
at the region’s most prestigious venue

All profits raised will be donated to the Upper
Murray Integrated Domestic Violence Unit

Phone Helen 0424 808860 or Hannah 0414 993304
for tickets

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LINDENWARRAH
AT MILAWA
Attention Grades 5 & 6 students

Want to play footy?

The Wangaratta & District Junior Football League
Under 12 competition is for kids in Grades 5 & 6.

If you are keen to play and haven’t been allocated to a club - let us know!

Contact Jeremy Wilson at AFL North East Border
03 5722 1993

More details: www.aflneb.com.au