NEWSLETTER 22 – Week ending 31 July, 2015

IMPORTANT DATES

NEXT WEEK

JULY
- Friday 31st: Parent Surveys due in

AUGUST
- Monday 3rd
  (3rd – 7th): PUPIL FREE DAY
- Captains Leaders Camp
- (3rd – 7th)
- Tuesday 4th: Music
- Friday 7th: Sport afternoon
- Monday 10th: ART – Seniors
- Tuesday 11th: Bluearth & Music
- Network Day – Jeremy
- Wednesday 12th
- Thursday 13th:
  Years 3-6 SNOW TRIP
- Italian - Juniors
- Friday 14th: Sport afternoon
- Monday 17th
- Tuesday 18th: Library/Science
- Music
- Thursday 20th
- Friday 21st
- Saturday 22nd: Sam Miranda Fundraiser
- Sunday 23rd: Sam Miranda Fundraiser

PUPIL FREE DAYS / PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

- Monday 3rd August: PD Day – Student Free
- Monday 2nd Nov: Report Writing Day
- Tuesday 3rd Nov: Melbourne Cup Day

PUPIL FREE DAY - MONDAY

A reminder to parents that Monday (3rd August) is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be attending a Cluster Professional Development course on this day. OOSH will be available on this day for any families needing the service. It will run from 8 am to 6 pm.

RORI’S DANCE CLASSES

Rori McDonald one of our school captains will be running dance classes for any interested students.

Every Friday for Year Prep – 3 students and every Wednesday for Year 4-6 students. You can come along and join in from 1.15pm til 2.pm (during lunchtime). The dances will be performed at the end of term 3 for everyone to see!

Boys and girls are welcome so go along and learn how to dance with Rori!

Congratulations to Rori for organising such a great healthy activity for lunchtimes.

PIANO

Congratulations to Abby Pegler who recently sat for her grade 2 piano exam and achieved the excellent result of 84%. Well done Abby.

Anyone interested in their child starting piano, please call Heather on 5726 9384.

FOUNDATION TRANSITION DAYS

- Wednesday 2nd September – 9 am to 11.30 am
- Wednesday 7th October - 9 am to 11.30 am
- Wednesday 11th November - 9 am to 2 pm
- Tuesday 8th December - State Wide Transition Day – ALL DAY

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Happy, independent students = learning. As part of our AIP we set goals in the areas of Student Learning, Student Engagement and Wellbeing and Transitions.

At our first staff meeting this term we looked at the Student Engagement and Wellbeing section of the AIP to see how we are tracking with goals that we set earlier in the year. The table below outlines what we are currently implementing for our students at Oxley

HANDMADE CARDS

If you are interested in purchasing handmade cards for an upcoming birthday or special event there are some amazing ones for sale in our foyer. The very talented Andrea Tully is donating $2.00 for each card sold to Oxley PS.

Happy birthday to Libby Hales who celebrated her birthday. We hope you had a great day.
Primary School and areas that we are continually building on. At the meeting we looked at the following link; [http://www.ted.com/talks/adora_svitak](http://www.ted.com/talks/adora_svitak) and then read an article on praising for the right reasons. This lead to an open discussion about the article and what our current practises are at the school.

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<td>Strong / productive classroom activities.</td>
<td>Smiling mind being used after lunch in some classrooms.</td>
<td>Transition days start during term 3 for the new Foundation students.</td>
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<td>Setting achievable work challenges in the rooms.</td>
<td>Allowing for students to have a voice by running assemblies and events at the school.</td>
<td>Year 6 students have a number of transition days and interviews before going.</td>
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<td>High accountability and high expectations.</td>
<td>Rights and responsibilities chart in classrooms and when you walk through the front door.</td>
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<td>Praising students for the right reasons.</td>
<td>Celebrating academic achievement through ILP’s and NFA certificates at assemblies.</td>
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<td>Creating an environment where students are happy and safe.</td>
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<td>Earn and learn, raffle prizes, points, etc</td>
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<td>Allowing students to be involved and to speak about their ideas.</td>
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Student wellbeing is incredibly important to us at Oxley Primary and if you ever have any issues please call in to see us at the school.

Tips for helping your child at home when dealing with problems that they may encounter at school include:

1. Ask your child what was the best thing about their day. This takes the negative away instantly and draws them to the positive.
2. As a family write down 3 things each day that you are grateful for and discuss the positive things in your life rather than focusing on the negatives.
3. Managing stress in a healthy way. Everyone faces stress, and your kids will, too. Establish schedules and routines, and then stick to them. Consistency and predictability will help control the environment and ease stress levels for the whole family.
4. Building and maintaining self-confidence. Identify students’ strengths to boost their confidence. Find out why they excel in one subject, and then apply that reason to areas where they may be struggling. Everyone can learn anything as long as you have a positive mindset.
5. Being respectful.
   Be the example for your children. Modeling positive behavior shows them the proper way to treat and respect people.
   Interacting with friends and adults, online and in person. Set clear boundaries on whom they should and should not be contacting, especially through social media. Teach students to be responsible for their actions.

**Jeremy Campbell – Principal**

Oxley Primary School is committed to Nurturing confident, lifelong learners, in a friendly rural community.
SAM MIRANDA TOUR OF THE KING VALLEY
Car Parking Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who has returned their availability for our upcoming fundraiser. You have been added to our roster. As mentioned last week we will now draw names from a hat to fill our other slots. All monies raised will go towards your children’s learning and experience at OPS so please get involved, you might even have some FUN!

**If you are unable to help during the time you have been allocated please see Jeremy.** Details for the event are below:

Thanks to Marty Tobin and Sam Miranda for again giving Oxley PS the opportunity to do the car parking for their upcoming event. Saturday 22\(^{nd}\) and Sunday 23\(^{rd}\) August will see up to 800 cyclists compete in the Sam Miranda Tour of the King Valley over 3 days and they usually bring support staff and vehicles as well, which means lots of visitors and lots of cars! Last year we raised $1100 in what was a very easy fundraiser and this year the competitors have almost doubled. To achieve this goal we need you, our volunteers……. no experience necessary! We will supply you with a lovely hi-vis vest and instructions on where to stand and that is pretty much it.

**SATURDAY 22\(^{nd}\) AUGUST**
06:30 – 12:30 (arrival of majority of riders, teams, media, spectator’s vehicles)

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**SUNDAY 23\(^{rd}\) AUGUST**
08:00 – 14.00

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The Trivia Night is being held at Oxley Primary School.
OXLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

WINE TOUR

SATURDAY 29th AUGUST

$60 PER PERSON
Includes coach, morning tea, lunch and tastings.

RUTHERGLEN WINERIES
COME ALONG RELAX, SOCIALISE AND ENJOY AMAZING WINE & FOOD
RAFFLES WILL BE RUN ON THE DAY
COACH COLLECTIONS & DROP OFFS FROM
THE OXLEY PANTRY, OXLEY PS & WANGARATTA

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED CALL OXLEY PS (03) 5727 3312 or email oxley.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
2015 Term 3 Snack and Lunch Specials

SNACK: Homemade slice of banana bread $1.50
Or the Gluten Free option (please specify as different recipe used) $1.70

LUNCH: Shepherd's pie with yummy mashed potato on top! $4.00

SEASONAL SPECIALS:
- Pumpkin Soup with bread roll $3.00
- Tomato Soup with bread roll $2.50
- 3 Chicken Nuggets $1.50

NOTE re seasonal Specials and availability:
Sushi, Callippo’s, Tropical Fruit bowl are NOT available and are replaced by the seasonal specials listed above. They will return with the warmer weather! Also unfortunately at the moment GRAPES ARE UNAVAILABLE AS NOT IN SEASON. They have been removed from the online menu and if ordered via paper method will be refunded or replaced with another fruit item.

Orders can be placed online at: www.3rdlittleduck.com.au (payment can be via paypal, credit card, direct debit or cash) or placed into the lunch order box located at the front desk by 9am.

The Whorouly Preschool prides itself on its idyllic rural setting with newly renovated internal building. Strong community links, including the Whorouly Primary School, support the Preschool through events, fundraising and liaison.

We attract families from an extensive area including Myrtleford, Milawa, Gapsted, Carboor, Markwood and Bobinawarrah.

Our staff welcome you to our
OPEN DAY
To be held on Thursday August 13th Between 9.15 – 11.00am

We offer places for 4-5 year old enrolments (3 x five hour sessions), and have a combined 3-4 year old session, (1 x three hour session).

Come and see for yourself the Preschool environment including the well shaded outdoor play area, fairy garden, waterwise project, bike path and abundant resources for the children.
- Meet staff, children and parents.
- Join in our Bluearth session

We are currently the only Preschool who have joined the Bluearth program which is an organisation whose focus is to increase levels of physical activity for children in a positive, fun way. A session will be held during the morning of our Open Day.

Looking forward to seeing you
Staff and Committee
Whorouly and District Preschool
Ph 57271383