**MISSING**

Leticia is missing her iPod that she had at school to assist with the school concert. It is blue in colour. If you have any information please see Leticia or Mr Shaw.

**BUS TRAVELLERS - Last day of term arrangements - IMPORTANT**

I received the following email from the bus coordinator this week:

*The last day of school Friday 18th December, 2016 is when only the state Primary Schools are operating. Buses will operate 1.30 pm so please remember the early pick up time. There will be only 4 buses running.*

Boorhaman
Warby Range/Glenrowan
Cullens St. James
Bungeet

If you have any queries please feel free to contact Fay at the High School.

**SCHOOL CONCERT**

The school Christmas Concert will be held next Thursday 17th December and will start at 7.00pm. The staff, students and parents have been busy choreographing their dances and I’m sure you will really enjoy the night. Please feel free to invite grandparents, aunties and uncles on the night.

Please remember to bring a long a chair for the night as well as supper to share with the wider community. You may also be asked to join the stage at the end to dance with your child/ren, so wear your dancing shoes!

Outfits/Costumes for the groups are as follows:

*Foundation & Year 1*  
Casual neat clothes

*Year 2 & 3*  
White t-shirt and shorts

*Year 3 & 4*  
Please speak with your child they have the info!

*Year 5 & 6*  
Mr Shaw has it under control!

**LUNCH ORDERS – 3rd LITTLE DUCK**

Please note that there will be NO 3rd Little Duck orders on the last day of school – Friday 18th December. Sorry for any inconvenience.

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**NEWSLETTER 39 – Week end 11th Dec, 2015**

**FAMILY:**

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**Mobile:** 0429 889 289

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**Bank Acc:** Oxley Primary School  
BSB: 063-531  Act: 10089185

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

**DECEMBER**

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**JANUARY**

| Thursday 28th | First Day of School 2016 |

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**Happy Birthday**

Happy birthday this week to Angus Costello and Will Butts. We hope you had a great day!
THERMOMIX & BARREL RAFFLE
Please see details following. There are tickets available from the office. Only selling 500 tickets so amazing odds to be a WINNER! Please support this wonderful raffle our final fundraiser for 2015. Monies raise will go directly to subsidizing camps and excursions in 2015/2016.

YEAR 5 & 6 ANNUAL SLEEPOVER
The year 5 and 6 sleepover will be held tonight on 10th December. The tents are all set up and the giggles have already started!

PRINCIPALS REPORT
Reports
Reports will be going home on Monday and after reading through them all I am incredibly proud of the progress of all the students and the effort the teachers have put into their reports.
The teachers have all been very busy at the coal face with assessment and reporting over the last month. This is a crucial time in every school year to ensure we analyse and be very explicit with our use of data (both informal and formal) to make judgements based on facts. We are accountable to the system we work in to provide our students with an AusVels standard and as a school we work tirelessly to make sure this is accurate.
What we also do is strive to ensure we acknowledge the growth in students at this time of the year and this is where we find our greatest joy as educators in seeing the breadth of steps our students take with their learning.
Our approach to reporting is best summed up by an article by Patrick Griffin an educational researcher working at Melbourne University:

There are no year level expectations in a series of achievement standards. No one is at, on, above or below expectations. Every student is simply at a level of development defined by what learning is developmentally appropriate. This approach enables differentiated and targeted teaching to occur.

It is imperative we know our students points of achievements or better known as dots! What is more important however is we as educators and parents understand that learning is forever and we all learn at different rates and what Griffin describes as developmentally appropriate.

Yes end of year reports will define each child’s development point, but when we return refreshed after the summer break teachers will be planning their next piece of work for every child in this school that is differentiated and targeted to ensure every child gets an education that is developmentally appropriate for them.

Changes with Reports
You will notice a slight difference in format. We have gone away from the traditional A – E format as it wasn’t a true indication of where each of the students actually were, with students who were operating at the level receiving a C. We felt that this was an inappropriate marking system as students mindsets where being affected because they
were only receiving a C however still operating at the appropriate level.

When reading your reports please refer to the below scale to interpret them with the yellow section being the expected level of achievement for your child.

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**Legend:**
- ○ Your child’s achievement 12 months ago
- ○ Your child’s progress this semester
- ○ The expected level of achievement

**Comments**
Please take the time to read through the comments and also share these comments with your child as the teachers have put many hours into their reports to inform you in the best possible way of your child’s progress, as well as focus areas for your child during the second semester.

Personally I would like to thank all the teachers for the time and effort that they have put into their reports.

**Graduation Dinner**
This year the graduation for our year 6 students will be held on Monday 14th December, 6:30 pm onwards. Adults (15 years and over) are $19, Children $10. Graduating students are being paid for by the parents and friends association.

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

Jaye has sent off the cheque and we are hoping that prizes will arrive before the end of the school year!

**LIBRARY BOOKS**
If you have any library books at home, please return them to Mr Lalwer no later than next week. He will be stocktaking before the end of the year.

**VISION PORTRAITS**
Thank you to everyone who supported this event. We raised $195.00. Again thank you Kate for all your hard work in organising this fundraiser.

**SCHOOL FEES 2016**
Parent contributions for 2016 will be $200 per child. This money will go towards stationary ($85) as well as cluster days, arts performances, subsidizing of other extra curriculum activities ($70) and ICT ($45). Please note that this is a compulsory payment.

In the first few weeks of term 1, 2016 Jaye will give an estimate as to what expenses there will be throughout the year. A payment plan can then be set up. Many parents have taken up this offer and found it much easier to pay smaller amounts on a regular basis than try and find hundreds for camps, etc. and pay as one large amount.

**LOST PROPERTY**
There is a lot of lost property in the green bins in the foyer. If you are missing any clothing please come in and go through the bins to see if anything is yours.

Any items left after last day of term will be donated to our second hand uniform shop or the Salvos. Thank you.
MAJOR RAFFLE

1ST PRIZE  THERMOMIX T5

The world’s smallest, smartest kitchen! Includes home delivery demonstration
Valued at $2089

2ND PRIZE  10 LITRE JOHN GEHRIG FILLED FORTIFIED BARREL

Valued at $395

3RD PRIZE  KING RIVER CAFÉ VOUCHER

Valued at $100

TICKETS ONLY $10 EACH

Limit of 500 tickets to be sold

For tickets contact Oxley Primary School on 5727 3312, email oxley.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN ON THURSDAY 17TH DECEMBER
At the Oxley Primary End of year concert

5 tickets = 1 in 100 chance of winning!

Winners will be notified by phone and will also be listed on the Oxley Primary School newsletter.
Delivery of Thermomix may take between 2-8 weeks.
KIDZ BIZZ (OOSH) CHRISTMAS WEEK

Service Open
Monday 21st 8am-6pm
Tuesday 22nd 8am-6pm
Wednesday 23rd 8am-6pm
Thursday 24th 8am-3.30pm EARLY CLOSE XMAS EVE

Xmas Activities - Arts/Crafts, Activity sheets, Cooking, Games, Movies
General Activities- Indoor/Outdoor Games, Arts/Crafts, Board/Card Games

Bookings: poidomani.helen.m@edumail.vic.gov.au
Helen 0424 808 860  Bec  0435 936 686

Holiday program for January 2016 holidays will be emailed by 10th Dec 2015
Please note that the Vacation Care program will resume on Monday 11th January.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS
And Vouchers to be won!!

Christmas Specials Start Monday Nov 30:
3 Christmas shortbread biscuits $1.50
Cherry Ripe Slice $1.50
Cheese and Bacon Mini Pizza $3.50

5 x $20 vouchers to be won - orders must be online and will be drawn the last week of school. (Mon 14th)

Try our new seasonal berry and yoghurt bowl available to order for either recess or lunch $2.50.
Our lunch special of the chicken schnitzel burger or a sweet chili chicken wrap are also still available as is the raspberry muffin!!

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.

Don't Forget Healthy Rice paper rolls!!
Chicken Teriyaki Roll GF $2.50
Vegetable (Avocado)Roll GF $2.50
Trash & Treasure
AT
WHITFIELD HALL
ON
Sunday, 13th December 2015
FROM
9am - 1pm

Tea, coffee, nibbles available for a GOLD COIN

Stall Cost = $5.00
(Set up from 8am)
Stall holders must provide their own tables and chairs.

For stall bookings or information call
Pam 0407 853 043 or Ange 5729 8344

DONATIONS of items for the "Hall-stall" can be collected by Contacting Ange - all proceeds from this stall are For our Hall upkeep and maintenance.
ORIENTATION WEEK
SALE
20% OFF
SCHOOLWEAR
• Excludes knitwear

Monday December 7 – Saturday December 12

School Packages are also available.
Package $200 – then we add 20% to this – Package value $240. You can then purchase uniforms whenever you choose with your $240 credit note – there is no expiry date on these.

▪ Please note, Sale prices are not available on lay-by or account sales.