IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH
6th    Clean Up Australia Day (flyer attached)
9th    Foundation students start full time this Wednesday
11th   OLC PD DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY
14th   LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
15th   MARMUNGANG Athletics Sports Day
16th   Hot Cross Buns orders due in Incursion – Responsible Pet Ownership
21st   AGM School Council
22nd   MARMUNGANG Athletics Sports Day BACK UP DAY
23rd   Purple Day for Epilepsy
       First Aid Training - kids
24th   Last Day of Term 1 – students finish at 2.30 pm on this day

APRIL
11th   First Day of Term 2

Happy birthday to the following student/s that celebrated their birthdays this week: Josh Van der Heyden.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY
A reminder that Monday 14th March is the Labour Day public holiday. There is no school or OOSH on this day. Enjoy your long weekend!

OLC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY
A reminder that NEXT FRIDAY 11th March is a Pupil Free Day and there will be no school. If you need to organise out of hours school care OOSH will be open from 8am-6pm. Bookings can be made by phone Helen 0424808860 or by email Poidomani.helen.m@edumail.vic.gov.au
Early bookings appreciated so as to enable us to organize staff.

MARMUNGANG SPORTS IMPORTANT INFO
Our Marmungan Athletics Carnival is scheduled to be held at the Wangaratta Athletics Complex, Appin Street, on Tuesday 15th March from 8.45 am to 3.15 pm approx. We have a back-up date of Tuesday 22nd March.

At the moment, North East Victoria is experiencing a period of extreme and prolonged heat.

As the 2016 Athletics Coordinator, I will be monitoring the temperatures and should the forecast be for an extremely hot day on March 15th, the sports will be postponed.

The decision will be made in the best interest of our students and keeping them safe.

The Athletics Park in Wangaratta is very exposed, has limited shade and it would be unsafe to hold the sports if the temperature was too high.

I will let schools know in advance if the sports are going to be postponed.

An announcement will also be made on local ABC Radio (103.3 FM) and EDGE FM (102.1FM) on the morning of March 15th, just prior to the 7:30am news headlines, if the sports will not be going ahead.

Thank you for your understanding.
Interview with a Foundation student and a Year 6 student
This week we have Matthew Oliver and Alannah Baguley selected as the students to be interviewed.

What was something you were looking forward to this year Matthew when starting school? Coming to play in the sandpit.

What has been the best thing about school so far Matthew? Playing. I like the playing.

How are you feeling about being in year 6 Alannah? I feel excited about being in Year 6 and look forward to the year.

What is something that you really appreciate about Oxley Primary School? I like going on camps and doing lots of different activities.

Information Evening and Family BBQ
Thank you to all the families that were able to attend last night’s Information evening and Family BBQ.
A special thank you to Mrs Batey and Ms Tuccitto who presented our parents with some great handy tips to help their children become better readers. Thank you also to our Year 5 and 6 students that gave speeches and lead Maths games in the community hall.
Thank you to all the parents and friends that supplied the meat, cooked, cleaned, etc. for the night as well as a special mention to Pam Bertalli for making sure everything ran smoothly. If you missed the night and would like some information, there are flyers at the office foyer table.

Communication to parents and the community
It has been an incredibly busy start to the year with the year 5/6 camp, cluster day, Professional Development days just to name a few.
We would like to confirm that our new newsletter day will be FRIDAY so please look out for the skoolbag app, email or hard copy that will arrive around 3.30 pm on this day.
This year I am in class on Thursday and Friday every fortnight so there will be a short newsletter one week which will repeat a lot of important information as well as any new news arriving that Jaye will add in and a longer one will follow the next week with helpful hints and tips to support your child throughout their schooling experience.
Occasionally there will be important notices that come home that will require attention. These will be on yellow paper and will range from permission forms for camps and excursions to return slips for events.
If you would like any information to be put in our newsletter or have any questions, please see Jaye.

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

MARMUNGEN SPORTS 2016 DETAILS
To our new parents this is an amazing day full of fun, laughs and lots of sport! Students are required to wear their sports uniform (polo shirt, shorts, runners and hats) and will compete in a variety of athletics events throughout the day. Parents, family and friends are invited AND ENCOURAGED to come along and support this wonderful day (lots of blue and cheering would be great). A reminder that parents are required to get their children to the park before 8.45 am and
collect them on the day. The day will conclude at approximately 3.15 pm. The Carragarmungee PS is running the canteen on the day. A price list is on the following pages. GO OXLEY!!!!!!

PFA NEWS
Easter Raffle
Thank you to everyone that has donated eggs and bunnies and other goodies so far this week. For all our new families this is a very successful raffle we run every year at this time and each family is asked to donate Easter Eggs (or bunnies, etc.) as prizes to go into our hampers for our raffle. Tickets have been sent home and students are asked to sell them to family and friends for 50 cents a ticket. The raffle will be drawn on the last day of the term at the conclusion of the day. All donations can be left in the staffroom. Thank you.

Hot Cross Buns
Orders forms are due back to school no later than 16th March and buns can be collected on Wednesday 23rd March. If you are available on this morning to help bag orders please see Jaye or Jeremy. 6 packs are $4.50 with $1.50 from every pack sold going direct to the school.

UPCOMING Fundraising
Thank you to everyone who has come and seen me regarding these fundraisers. I am waiting to hear back from the Rally group but will keep you all posted. Before the end of term I will include a roster with times and number of volunteers needed. Information just in case you missed it last week:

*Clearing Sale at Parker’s and Dan Parker has suggested us to help raise funds for the school. This will be a stall with maybe a BBQ, sandwiches, slices, tea and coffee.
*Shepparton Car Variety Bash which is morning tea at the Oxley Hall for 100-150 people.
Both events will require homemade goods such as slices, biscuits, sandwiches so even if you are not available on the day a donation of baked/made goods will be just as important. If you can help please see Jaye. This is a great opportunity and will see the PFA being able to continue to support our camps and excursions as well as many other activities at OPS. So far this year the PFA have already subsidised the Year 5 & 6 camp saving parents $50 per student.

ASTHMA KIDS & FAMILIES
Looking for a way to help your child understand more about their asthma or about a friend with asthma? Asthma Kids is an online, interactive tool to help primary school aged children understand what it’s like to have asthma and what they can do to help. Watch one of the introductory videos then take Chester’s Asthma Trail. There are prizes to win too! www.asthmakids.org.au

3rd Little Duck EASTER SPECIAL:
In addition to our current specials for the last 4 weeks of term we will be having a Warm hot cross bun with butter $1.50 Available at recess only. Order online at www.3rdlittleduck.com.au
MARMUNGEN SPORTS DAY HELPERS NEEDED - Tuesday 15th March

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**MARMUNGAN SPORTS DAY CANTEEN**

- Sausage in bread-$2.00
- Ham and cheese sandwich-$3.00
- Ham and salad roll-$4.00
- Water-$1.50
- Prima-$1.50
- Homemade cookies/slice/muffin-$1.00
- Choc coconut balls x3-$1.00
- Zooper Dooper-$0.50

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING CARRARAGARMUNGEE P.S.
Body Confident Children & Teens
Information for Parents & Community Members

Every year, since its inclusion in 2006, body image has been one of the top three areas of personal concern for young people
(Mission Australia, Youth Survey)

Locally supported by

What: An interactive presentation focused on how to better support children and/or teen’s body confidence during puberty and adolescence.

Topics covered include:

- Background on body image and importance of prevention
- Brief overview of eating and body related issues and warning signs
- Key influences on body confidence
- Importance of role modeling positive body image and healthy behaviours
- Understanding ‘Fat Talk’ and handling ‘stuff’ they say
- Awareness around behaviours that increase or decrease body satisfaction
- Referral and support information
- Please note, this session does not cover dealing with fussy eaters

Date: Monday, 7th March, 7 – 8.30pm
Venue: Baarmutha Function Centre, Balacrlava Road, Beechworth
No cost involved but bookings essential

To book online: thebutterflyfoundation.org.au > Education > For Parents
More information: helen.bird@thebutterflyfoundation.org.au 02 8456 3908

Butterfly acknowledges the support of
When: Sunday March 6th. 9am-12pm.

Where: Oxley Memorial Park Playground.

What to bring: Drink bottle, hat and gloves.

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Arty bubbles - Wednesday 30th March at 10.30am.
Ready, set, BLOW! Using paint, soap and bubbles you can create your
own colourful masterpiece!! Parents be aware this session will be messy!!
Please wear appropriate clothing.

Wangaratta Reading Warriors - Monday 4th of April at 2.30pm
Our first ever junior book group comes to life with stories and bookish activities.
Talk about new books and create stories using Lego. Remember to
bring your library card to take some great books home. Ages 8-12 years old.

Get SLIMY - Wednesday 6th April at 10.30am.
Using items you can find at home, you can make your own fun goopy gak!
Pop in for some gooey fun. Parents be aware this session will be messy!!
Please wear appropriate clothing.

A-mazing fun - Friday 8th April at 2.30pm.
Using straws, cardboard and more you can create and escape
mazes in this fun filled activity.

Bookings are essential.

Help your little monkeys get creative this Autumn

21 Docker Street,
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