PIANO LESSONS
As the sports day will fall on a Tuesday Heather will teach the piano students on Thursday 17th March. Please remember your books.

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 FRIDAY 11th March is a Pupil Free Day and there will be no school.

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!!!!!!

MARMUNGEN SPORTS IMPORTANT INFO
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.

WORKING BEE
We are hoping to hold a working Bee on the last Sunday of the school holidays (10th April) from 9 am. We will concentrate on the Library and multipurpose room as well as the school grounds and kitchen. If you are available your help would be much appreciated. Jeremy will run a BBQ at 11:30 am if we have a number of volunteers.

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Interview with a Foundation student and a Year 6 student
This week we have Alexandra and Lily Mullins selected as the students to be interviewed.

What was something you were looking forward to this year Alexandra when starting school? Alexandra has enjoyed the wide open spaces of our playground and exploring all the areas.

What has been the best thing about school so far Alexandra? Alexandra has really enjoyed the maths lessons and working with numbers.

What is something you’re looking forward to during term 2 Lily? I’m looking forward to the Bike Hike from Beechworth to Bright because I like that we all go together and it’s nice to ride through the beautiful landscape.

What is something that you really appreciate about Oxley Primary School?
How we all care for the school and for each other.

Ovens Learning Community
Together we can achieve so much more and we are incredibly lucky to belong to such a great network of small schools in the form of the Ovens Learning Community. Already the students and staff have benefited so much from our involvement with this strong network of schools. To date we have;

- Successfully combined our year 5 and 6 camp so that our students had the opportunity to go away in a group of 97 students. We find that these camps greatly benefit our students when they come to transitioning to Secondary School, as they are able to form their own greater network of friendships,
- Completed our first cluster day at Whorouly Primary School where 400 students came together to watch a performance that was targeting bullying as well as competing in the cross country running event,
- Holding an overnight professional development session with our entire staff across the cluster.
- Combining our schools to run our athletics sports competition,

Next term the OLC cluster is planning a “Ride For Rural Minds’ on Friday 22nd of April. The philosophy of the day is to raise the awareness of mental health. It is also to promote the proactive approach our cluster of OLC schools are taking when it comes to teaching students about strategies to increase their wellbeing and to support them to be physically and mentally healthy young people.

Students in Year 3 to 6 will ride from Milawa Primary to Oxley Primary School. Students in Foundation to Year 2 will walk from the Oxley Township to Oxley Primary School. They will walk and ride along the bike track.

Once students arrive at Oxley PS, they will then have recess before participating in a
variety of workshops around health and wellbeing. For example: Bluearth, Smiling Minds, Healthy Eating, Yoga and Meditation, mindful colouring etc. This event is the first of its nature to take place across the state and I encourage you to join your child on the walk or ride to Oxley Primary School.

Pupil Free Day
As you are well aware this Friday is a Pupil Free day for the students as the staff will be working with other staff members across the cluster. I thought it would be of interest for you to know what we will be focussing on, so I have given a quick rundown on the presenters that we have running workshops on the Thursday evening as well as the Friday.

Thursday, 10th March
5:00 – 6:30 pm
Phil Brown will be presenting to staff on the Thursday night. Phil is the CEO of the Country Education Program.
The Country Education Partnership (CEP) has been working in the area of rural and remote education for over three decades. Initially established in Victoria during 1977 as part of the Commonwealth Schools Commission Country Area Program, CEP has maintained a strong commitment to building the capacity of all rural and remote learning providers and their communities by supporting collaboration and the formation of local determined partnerships. Importantly the clustering model (Area committees in the early years) developed by CEP more than three decades ago, remains as a model of best practice for rural and remote education communities, through the encouragement of group planning and collaborative initiatives.

Friday, 11th May
8:00 – 11:00 am
Muffy Hand will be continuing on with the great work from the session on the Thursday night. Muffy is a development consultant who specialises in enhancing the effectiveness of leaders and their teams; and in building purposeful, motivating cultures.

Muffy works predominantly in the education sector; and with a number of long standing corporate clients and networks.

In the education context, Muffy consults in Australia and overseas at both system and school levels. She is recognised for her significant contributions to system and school improvement by supporting leaders in education.

11:30 – 3:45 pm
Rob and Chrys Jones will be running workshops on reading. Rob and Chrys have worked as a teacher in Victorian schools before becoming a consultant focusing on literacy and leadership in education, working alongside Kaey Cobbin. They both worked in the USA providing professional development at school, district and regional level mainly in New York City. Since returning to Australia, Rob and Chrys have consulted in the Western Metropolitan Region running professional learning programs for teachers and providing consultancy support in schools.

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

PFA NEWS
Easter Raffle
Thank you to everyone that has donated eggs and bunnies and other goodies so far this week. 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.

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 15\textsuperscript{th} 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

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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

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