



OVERPORT NEWS

From the Principal's Desk.

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Dates to remember: Term 3

August

- 22/8 Pyjama Day
- 27/8 Father's Day stall
- 28/8 Father's Day stall
- 30/8 Prep-Father's Day Breakfast

September

- 2/9– 6/9 Dental Van
- 6/9 District Athletics
- 18/9 Yr3-6 Production

Big Write Program Revamp—WOW!

We have implemented the Big Write program for a number of years now with improvements noted in student achievement in writing. Last year our Year 3, who were the first to go through the program from prep, demonstrated in their Naplan results that 61% were in the top two bands in writing. So we will continue to use this as a basis for our writing program; however, it is vital to revamp programs from time to time to ensure our students continue to be engaged. Our English Passion Team has sought feedback from teachers and students about how we can improve it and have made some adjustments. The year 2 team have been trialling this and found the students are passionate about the minor changes that give them more ownership over their choices in writing. The year 2 team have noted many positives with great enthusiasm being displayed by the students, including an increase in student voice. Our year 5 and 6 students have had the opportunity to develop a logo and rename the program -

Wonderful Overport Writing—WOW!



Book Week Celebrations.

Last Friday Our students all dressed up to celebrate what was a wonderful week delighting in books and book characters. There were many wonderful displays of our teachers as well as students enjoying the morning. Two of our year six boys dressed as Romeo and Juliet and paraded alone to the delight of all! Thank you to Miss Gleeson and Mrs Hill for organising the week and the book fair which raised \$3500.00 to purchase books for our beautiful library which is outstanding. Our library is a focus for our students to develop a love of reading as well as investigating inquiry topics and enjoying the various spaces that the library offers. Book character parade photos over leaf.



Thought of the week;

Each player must accept the cards life deals him.
But once they are in hand, he alone must decide how to play the cards in order to win the game.

Voltaire

...continued overleaf



Winter 5C, Degan 6B,
 Seth 6D, Annabel 2A,
 Mollie 1D, Chloe 1E,
 Holly 2A, Harry 2B,
 Rina 5D, Dorothy 1C,
 Noah 1D, Anora 3B,
 Alen 5A, Oliver 6C,
 Otis 2B, Zack 5D,
 Charlie 6D, Joshua
 2A, Yasmina 2D,
 Emma 1D, Bailey 4C,
 Simone 3B, Grace 1B,
 Maddie 4B, Seth 5D,
 Liam PB, Lyra PB,
 Deren 5C &
 Charlie 5/6A



Kind Regards, Julie Gleeson Principal.



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Assistant Principals Report

Child Safety at Overport Primary School.

Overport Primary School is committed to creating and providing a child safe environment through the implementation of various strategies, programs and policies.

The Child Safety Officer at Overport Primary School is Mrs Jill Wathen. Please call the school to make an appointment if you have any queries or concerns regarding the safety of our students. You can also call DHHS Child Protection (131 278 – 24 hour service) or if a child is at immediate risk please call 000.

If you are a parent helper or attend school events, you will need to sign our Child Safety Code of Conduct. A digital version is being arranged and will be emailed to all families soon.

Please take the time to look through our policies that can be accessed on the school website: Child Safety Code of Conduct, Statement of Commitment to Child Safety at Overport P.S, Child Safety Responding and Reporting Policy and Procedure, Child Safety Policy.

Parent Opinion Survey

Every year, parents are randomly selected to take part in a survey that asks a variety of questions regarding their child's education at Overport. If you received a survey email, please take the time to complete it by this Sunday 18th August. The information these surveys give us is vital in ensuring we are continually improving and listening to the community. This is a great opportunity to have your say. If you were not randomly selected, we are always happy to receive feedback via email, a phone call or by setting up a meeting.

Student Health Ambassadors

Last week, the Student Health Ambassadors attended a meeting with Kristen Young, a Health Promotion Practitioner at Peninsula Health who is driving the program. The students presented to Kristen an update on everything they have achieved and implemented so far this year. The students' presentation was absolutely outstanding, they spoke confidently and were able to articulate so many incredible aspects of their work and how it is having an impact on not only the school but also themselves as people. I am extremely proud of these leaders and the positive way they promote health to all of our students; Congratulations Jhett, Charlotte, Gerika, Charlie, Khodi and Lucas.

Thank you to Ms Bower who has been an amazing support for this program and these students. Because of this support and the efforts of the team, we are well on our way to becoming an accredited school in the area of Mental Health and Wellbeing, watch this space!

School Review

This year is a review year for our school. This process occurs every four years, where we review our Strategic Plan and create a new one. The students have been heavily involved in this process to help identify the areas that we are doing well and the areas where we could improve. Yesterday, some students were involved in a discussion with our review panel members, where they had the chance to share their thoughts about their learning at Overport. We also had a group of year 6 students who presented to the panel, showcasing how they had been involved in the review process. All of these students spoke exceptionally well, thank you and well done; Ben L, Ashlee S, Charlotte S, Jhett M, Bonnie K, Kate Z, John G, Alen C, Erynne W, Henry C, Amber H, Billie C, Sam B, Alphi J, Lila M and Zain B.

Signing off with huge amounts of pride,

Jill Wathen and Ricky Joyce
Assistant Principals



PJ Day

On the 22nd of August everybody can wear PJ's for a day at school so we can support Asthma Australia. Because 1 in 5 people have Asthma in Australia; so donate a gold coin and wear you're PJ's all day at school.

So get your PJ's on!



EXTEND UPDATE

Monday 12/8	Tuesday 13/8	Wednesday 14/8	Thursday 15/8	Friday 16/8
Making Felt Puppets	Pyjama foundation	INDONESIAN; Making Nasi Goreng	Pyjama Party!	Extend Olympics
Monday 19/8	Tuesday 20/8	Wednesday 21/8	Thursday 22/8	Friday 23/8
Tie Dyeing	The United Kingdom	UNITED KINGDOM: Making Scones & having a	Extend Olympics -Ninja Game & Trivia	Drama Chinese Whispers

The Extend Superstar is...

Hunter for always using his manners and showing kindness to everyone around him! Hunter is a shining star for all of us at Extend as he is always incredibly polite when asking for breakfast or help when he needs it.

What's New at Overport Extend?

Hello Again from Extend! It has been a great couple of weeks here with lots of new experiences. Over the past month we have been learning to cook and made some amazing Mexican enchiladas! (I might have loved it so much I now cook it at home!) We also got a little bit magical last week and played Quidditch (a game invented and made famous by Harry Potter!) We would love to take this time to invite all parents to join us for an Open Day on the 4th of September where we will be cooking vegetarian Dahl and learning some Indian dances and songs. It is an amazing opportunity to see all the cultural learning we've been doing and to show you all our amazing cooking skills!



Enrol and book now: extend.com.au