



From Julie's desk.

Overport Newsflash

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Last Day of the School Year

As we approach the end of the school year, I would like to take this moment to wish our families a Christmas filled with joy and peace and a safe and restful holiday period. We have been fortunate to have had the pleasure once again of looking after your children throughout another year. We are very thankful that we have such a wonderful partnership with you as we guide and teach the children together. I'd like to take the opportunity to thank our wonderful staff who have supported the students through this year. I would also like to thank you, our parents and carers, for your continued support. As I have said before, it really does take a village to raise a child and we are all in this great village together. Thank you all so much. I never cease to be amazed as I watch the children grow and mature. I enjoy sharing a laugh with them, hearing their giggles and the comment, "Oh, Mrs Gleeson, you're being silly!" I truly appreciate all the drawings and cards and the beautiful smiles they give. As your principal of Overport, I continue to be grateful for the privilege of being amongst them. I see all their wonderful possibilities and I know we are putting our future into capable hands. Especially as we look into the eyes and hearts of our gorgeous year six students, who will finish their primary school years tomorrow. Last week we held an assembly where our current year six leaders handed over the baton to our new year 6 leaders for 2024. We are excited for our new young leaders for 2024 who have learnt from this year's 6s and will follow in their sound footsteps.

Year 6 Graduation

Last week we wished our year 6 students farewell at their graduation ceremony. I am so very proud of each and everyone of them. I would like to wish them all a successful future, as they move to their next learning journey at secondary school. We will certainly miss them and their cheeky smiles and precious stories. I hope that they will pop back from time to time for a visit; Overport will always be their home!

Funds Raised by Parent and Friends Club—What an Amazing Year !

This year our wonderful Parents and Friends Club have delivered a huge number of exciting and fun-filled activities for our students to engage in and doing so have raised a substantial amount. The Fair raised \$9230.00 in addition to all the other activities, a further \$15,119.00 making a total \$24,349.00. What an achievement.

Christmas Concert— Tomorrow at 9.00 am 20th December.

Tomorrow morning we will have our final time together for 2023 at the Christmas Concert at the Rebound wall area. Each year level will perform one song, our students are encouraged to dress in Christmas clothing for the day. We warmly welcome our parents and their families to join us.

Curriculum Contributions

Just a reminder that you may have seen that payment is due on Compass for Curriculum Contributions. It is posted under Course Confirmations for 2024. Payment can be made through Compass so that your child's book pack is ready for the very fast approaching, start of Term 1 2024!

'Last Day of School —20/12/2022 at 1.30 pm.

***Have a truly wonderful holiday, keep safe and enjoy the festive season
with your friends and family.***

Best wishes, Julie Gleeson.



2024 Start dates and Student free curriculum days. 2024.

Teachers return on 29th January in 2024 and our students first day next year is 30th January. We will have a number of student free Curriculum Days in 2024. So for your planning, please note these will be held on 8th March, 26th April and 4th November. Extend will offer OHSC should you require this.

BE THANKFUL!

Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire

If you did, what would there be to look forward to?

Be thankful when you don't know something

For it gives you the opportunity to learn

Be thankful for the difficult times

During those times you grow

Be thankful for your limitations

Because they give you opportunity for improvement

Be thankful for each new challenge

Because it will build strength and character

Be thankful for your mistakes

They will teach you valuable lessons

Be thankful when you're tired and weary

Because it means you're made a difference

It is easy to be thankful for the good things

*A life of rich fulfilment comes to those who are also thankful for
the setbacks*

GRATITUDE can turn a negative into a positive

*Find a way to be thankful for your troubles and they become your
blessings.*

Author unknown.

*May Christmas bring you peace and many opportunities to be
thankful!*