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OVERPORT NEWS

From the Principal's Desk.

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Dates to remember:

TERM THREE

JULY

Frid 16th

Yr 5/6 Girls Aussie Rules day

Mon 19th

Division T-Ball

Tues 20th

Division Netball

Wed 21st

Yr5 Scienceworks
Excursion

Thurs 22nd

Division Football

Frid 23rd

Division Soccer

Mon 26th-Wed 28th

Yr5 & 6 Body Education
Incursion

Mon 26th—Thurs 29th

Parent Teacher Interviews

Frid 30th

Yr 4– 6 District Athletic
Trials

Welcome back to another exciting term.

We hope that our students and their families were able to take the time to rest and catchup with friends and family and enjoyed the mid-year break. This term we have lots of exciting activities happening starting with our year 5s who are off to Scienceworks next week., and the following week a group of Fire Fighters are visiting the Preps. In week 3 we are holding our Parent/Teacher interviews to chat about your child's report which will be out next week. There is opportunity for either a google meet remotely or a face-to face meeting on the Wednesday. If you have not yet booked in please make sure you take advantage of the opportunity. All in all, a busy start!

Our New "Prep Club" Area, Tree work and New Blue Pathways.

Over the holidays we had quite a bit of work done around the school. Our trees were audited during term 2 and work was undertaken to ensure that our community and students are safe from any trees. Our old orange pathway which had become slippery was replaced by a beautiful bright blue path. Next to this, seating and barriers were built by our maintenance personnel, Mr Davies and Mr Hearn to delineate a special area for the preps to play when they prefer not to be in the large grounds. A group of year 4 students had taken on the role of supporting them throughout the last two terms and have named this "Prep Club." They are developing a roster of 30 students that are keen to help and support.



School Uniform.

Our school uniform is something that our students wear with pride and helps them to feel connected and part of the school student body. All colours must be either navy blue or light blue. Please note that hair that touches the shoulders must be tied up. Also extreme hair styles and colours are not part of school uniform. While we understand this may have taken place during the school holidays for fun, I request that parents address this as soon as possible. I have asked our teachers to send home notices to families where the students are not in correct uniform.

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To all students celebrating their birthdays this week and next week

Eddie PD, James 5B, Chelsea PA, Bailey 1A, Michelle PA, Owen 6D, Arabella 1C, Adrian 5A, Noah 1B, Isabel 1B, Emora 2D, Millie 3C, Neha 4D, Isla 6A, Katerina 1B, Emma 1C, Hudson 3B, Harrison PC, Vivienne 2C, Grace 2C, Asher 4D & Neveh 5C



Every child is gifted but each opens their gifts at different times.

Anon.

Principals Report (cont)

Our Beautiful Lone Pine.

Our Lone Pine has now been planted and a surround with ANZAC colourings has been built by Mr Russel Davies and painted by Mr David Gleeson. We are very proud to be recognised by legacy for the excellent ANZAC ceremonies that our students run. Three Lone Pine pinecones were brought back by a soldier from Gallipoli and gifted to his mother who planted the seeds. This was where it first originated and the significance is certainly not lost on us. A plaque on the small fencing shows that it is genuine. Please take the time to stop and spend a moment thinking of what this means.



Let's Chat Oral Language Program

This term the Let's Chat Oral Language Program for pre-schoolers will be held at Delcombe park pre-school for interested parents. Mrs Kate Chandler will present the program. There will be four sessions each Thursday commencing tonight. [Session 1](#): Understanding Early Literacy skills; [Session 2](#): Learning new words; [Session 3](#): Building understanding; and [Session 4](#): Building print knowledge and sound awareness. Places are limited, so if you are interested in attending these free valuable sessions, please contact the pre-school for information to book in. Their number is 9783 2015.

Final Two Curriculum Days This Year.

As we had to cancel our proposed Curriculum Day due to the lockdown last term, we have rescheduled for Friday, 13th August. Our focus will be on our Writing program and its assessment. Our last Curriculum Day for the year will be held in term 4 on Friday, 8th October where we will undertake Professional Development in ICT and Mathematics. Extend will offer on-site care should you require it. Please contact them to book in via their website.

Kind Regards,

Julie Gleeson Principal.

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Term 3 Assemblies

Week 2	Monday, 19 July at 2.50pm	P-2 assembly in the school hall	School Captains
Week 3	Monday, 26 July at 2.50pm	3-6 assembly in the school hall	Wickes
Week 4	Monday, 2 August 2.50pm	P-2 assembly in the school hall	McPhail
Week 5	Monday, 9 August at 2.50pm	3-6 assembly in the school hall	Strickland
Week 6	Monday, 16 August at 2.50pm	P-2 assembly in the school hall	Souter
Week 7	Monday, 23 August at 2.50pm	3-6 assembly in the school hall	Wickes
Week 8	Monday, 30 August at 2.50pm	P-2 assembly in the school hall	McPhail
Week 9	Monday, 6 September at 2.50pm	3-6 assembly in the school hall	Strickland
Week 10	Monday, 13 September at 2.50pm	Whole School assembly on Basketball Crt	School Captains

School Uniform Policy.

Students wear school uniform to create a strong sense of belonging to the Overport Primary School student community. Within the policy there is a mention of our uniform, the wearing of jewellery, the requirement around hair and hats. The policy was developed after consultation with the school community at School Council sub-committee of Education, now 'Parent Voices', and the Student Representative Council. It was reviewed in February 2019. The Dress Code was designed with the view to providing choice for the students through different clothing options allowing for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, minimising competition and caters for the financial constraints of families. It is timely that we review this again and we plan to engage our student leaders and student voice leaders to have input into the policy as well as at a Parent Voice forum. We welcome your input.