FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Students, Parents and Community,

Welcome back to term 2, I hope you enjoyed your Easter break. This term there are a number of dates to remember.

**P & C Meeting** – Monday 23rd April, 6.30pm, School administration block

**ANZAC Day School Parade** – Tuesday 24th April 9.30 a.m.

**ANZAC Day Town Parade** – Students to meet at the railway station at 9.15am on Wednesday 25th April

**NAPLAN TEST** – Years 3, 5 and 7

As we have a number of school excursions and trips coming up in the near future, I thought I would include a copy of the school’s “Refund Guidelines”:

**Refund Guidelines for Excursions and Camps**

At Oakey State School, we are committed to providing a safe and supportive learning environment for students, staff and volunteers. This commitment includes the health and safety of staff and students when conducting curriculum activities in the school or in other locations.

School excursions and camps enhance a student’s learning by providing opportunities for the student to participate in activities, both curriculum-related and recreational, outside the normal school routine. All planned school excursions are approved by the Principal and endorsed by the Parents and Citizens Association.

State schools are able to charge a fee for:

- An educational service including materials and consumables not defined as instruction, administration and facilities for the education of the student;
- An education service purchased from a provider other than the school where the provider charges the school; and
- A specialised educational program. A school fee is directed to the purpose for which it is charged.

School fees for excursions and camps are calculated on a cost recovery only basis, according to the number of students who have indicated their attendance.

Participation of students in an excursion or camp is indicated through payment of the excursion or camp fee and provision of a permission form completed by the parent/carer. As the school budget cannot meet any shortfalls in funding for an excursion or camp due to the subsequent non-participation of a student who had previously indicated attendance of the activity, fees already paid for an excursion or school camp may be refunded in full or in part or not at all, having regard to the associated expenses incurred and the circumstances of the non-participation.

If a parent/carer wishes to apply for a refund due to their child’s non-participation in an excursion or camp activity, they may do so by completing a Request for Refund form available from the school office. Where possible, the request should include the receipt relating to the payment for which a refund is being sought.

It is preferred that refunds be made as a credit against the student’s account at the school, and used for any cost in the future.

Department of Education and Training policy references:

- Education (General Provisions) Act 2006
- SCM-PR-002: School Excursions
- FNM-PR-019: State Education Fees

Dave Bosworth
REWARD SESSION ACTIVITIES

On Wednesday 28th March students who had not had a RTR or had not been sent to the PRC were given a session of time either at the pool, for Years 2 to 7, or watching a movie for the Preps and Year 1’s. This was a resounding success and we would like to see ALL students take part in next term’s activity, whatever it may be!!!!

TOP SECRET.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

We will be participating as a school in the ANZAC Day Service held in Oakey next Wednesday 25th April beginning at the railway station carpark. If you wish your child to be part of this, please make sure that he/she wears his/her school uniform and is at the railway station by 9:40a.m. The march moves along the main street to the War Memorial outside the Cultural Centre where a service is held. This usually finishes at approximately 11:00a.m.

Environmental Club

The Environmental Club members have been very busy throughout Term 1 watering, weeding, picking up rubbish and crushing cans as can be seen from the photographs. It has been great to see them out daily helping to keep the school looking great. They have also been growing vegetables again and we have some produce ready to pick and eat. Well done to all those involved, YOU ARE DOING A WONDERFUL JOB.

YOU CAN DO IT—GETTING ALONG

This fortnight in our classrooms, teachers and students will be working on cooperative learning. They will be modelling and promoting getting along behaviours such as:
1. being helpful when working in a group
2. listening and not interrupting in class when someone else is talking
3. talking rather than fighting when someone acts unfairly
4. following important classroom and school rules
5. helping someone else with their work
6. treating teachers and classmates with respect
7. cleaning up school grounds
8. volunteering in the community

When home and school work together, positive results happen for our students. Your support at home in modelling and instilling ‘getting along’ is also important in the holistic development of our great kids.

Tuckshop News

Welcome back to term 2. We are working from our Winter Menu now. If you haven’t received it please collect one from the tuckshop. WEDNESDAYS ONLY we have Eight Boys Pizza. It is a pre-boxed fresh and hot for $6.00. PLEASE NOTE, no other hot food will be available on Wednesdays. Drinks, chips and ice blocks are still available.

Donations this week: Heather Bradford - 2 minute noodles chicken and beef. Tania Watherston - Rice. Shellie Kennewell - Tinned tomatoes.

Thankyou Lee-Anne.

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DATEs To REMEMBER IN APRIL

• Mon 23rd P @ C Meeting 6.30p.m
• Tues 24th Anzac Day School Parade 9.30 a.m
• Wed 25th Anzac Day Town Parade
• Wed 25th Anzac Day Public Holiday

NEWSLETTER

Please be aware that our school newsletter is uploaded to our school website each week. If you have any concerns regarding privacy/photo issues, please contact the school office. If you would like your newsletter emailed to you please also contact the school office. Ph 46920333.

NEWSLETTER

Boys and Girls Club

Years 1 to 7
Girls Club - Wednesday 2nd Break
Boys Club - Friday 2nd Break
Come to Yumba after eating and permission from your duty teacher SEE YOU AT YUMBA

A Reminder

If you need to pick up your students before the end of the school day PLEASE SIGN OUT at the office before going home.

Nathan
My box construction is a robot.
I used lots of boxes. Its head is a plate with eyes and a nose.
It even has eyes on its back and on the top of its head.
It has guns on its body and it can blast off into space.

Auben
My box construction is a rocket. I have a book about a rocket race. I glued everything together. There is a fire at the bottom. It is blasting off into space like in my book.

Shravs
My box construction is Rapunzel. I used some boxes and some wool for her hair. Then I painted and decorated it.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Oakey Community Bus:
Between Oakey and Toowoomba on a Tuesday and a Friday a bus service will be operating. At this point the service is free. Enquiries can be made at Aussie Helpers on 0488220567. A full timetable is available on the Oakey Community Website: www.oakey.qld.au

Oakey Soccer Club:
Looking for new players boys and girls aged 5-16yrs. Come to Soccer club Wednesdays 4p.m. training and sign on at the Oakey Soccer Club. Contact numbers Paul 0427622837 or Tina 0418745221.

Newsletter

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Class Room Antics

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