The Lights shines onto our special group of Canberra Traveller

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Oakey–Toowoomba Bus Service: A bus service will be operating between Oakey and Toowoomba and will run on Tuesday and Friday. At this point the service is free. Enquiries can be made at Aussie Helpers on 048820567. A full timetable is available on the Oakey Community
Website: www.oakey.qld.au

Firewood for Sale: $120 split & Delivered, $100 block & delivered, $200 ute and trailer. 7x5 ute. Ph 0421 089 819.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents and Students,

(written 13/07/2012 from Canberra)

I am writing this week’s newsletter piece as we sit and wait for our plane to leave Canberra and head back to Toowoomba. As I reflect on a week full of adventure, I want to congratulate our students on the behaviour and enthusiasm they have displayed. It has been a week where many saw snow for the first time and survived the adventure of tobogganing without many bruises. It is a great pleasure watching young children see snow for the first time or feel the experience of flying.

From the War memorial to Parliament House, our students have learnt and seen a lot. Their mateship and friendship has been fantastic and they have experienced a great many sights for the first time. As we sit here I see a lot of tired faces and I am sure sleep will be well received tonight.

These trips are an integral part of the experiences that we believe are essential to a child’s education. We have experienced a lot together and the friendships formed will be lasting. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to take your child away.

A special thanks to Mrs Johnson, Mrs MacGillivray and Mr Roberts, a job well done.

Dave Bosworth  Principal

Australian Government assistance for National Capital excursion.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist you (the parent) in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $60 per eligible student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebase (PACER) programme toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

P.O.Box 140, 21 Campbell St Oakey Q. 4401 Ph 07 4692 0303  F 07 4692 0310 E: theprincipal@oakeys.qld.edu.au  W: www.oakeys.qld.edu.au
Thank You Trish
Our new tuckshop menu will be out in a few weeks. We are continuing on the existing menu for the mome Wednesday or Thursday. If you are available to hel Tuckshop is still looking for volunteers to assist.

DATES TO REMEMBER:
- 21-23 August
- 24 July
- 23 July
- 22 July
- 21 July
- 20 July
- 19 July

Sickness is spreading
At the moment there have been quite a few cases of illness and flu at the school. It is advised that if your child is showing symptoms it is best to keep them home to avoid spreading the virus.
If you are keeping your child/ren at home due to illness or for any other reason, please let the school know.
The best remedy for recovery from illness is plenty of rest and fluids (water).
Good hygiene like washing hands regularly and using clean tissues also helps prevent further spread bugs.

Red Words certificate awarded to: Katie, Michael.
Blue Words certificate awarded to: David

Tuckshop News
Tuckshop is still looking for volunteers to assist on Wednesday or Thursday. If you are available to help on these days, please phone Trish on 0413 589 409.
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Donations:
- Kristie Mitchell—Tinned tomatoes
- Shelle Kennewell—Tinned pea/corn
- Tanis Walkerston—Tomato soup

Thank You Trish

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A book by Nell Arnold, titled “Three Warriors Within Marcus Pedro’s Story”, is a must-read for young people, parents and teachers. It will touch those in search of courage, self-discovery and a better future.

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Here’s an extract to wet your appetite:

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Turn negative energy, thought, actions and words into a positive framework.
Assess the positive.
Root out and destroy persistent negative thoughts.

School Arrival and Departure
In the interest of supervision and safety, children are not to arrive at school before 8:30 am and should be collected from the school grounds no later than 3:15pm each day. No supervision of students is offered before or after school. Our staff is extremely busy in the mornings and afternoons with curriculum preparation, meetings and administration tasks, and therefore are not available to supervise early arrivals or late departures. Thank you for your support and understanding; it is greatly appreciated.

Parents and Teachers who purchased from Bookclub and paid online.
Did you pay online and fill in a receipt number on your order form? If so, I really need to hear from you. Please contact the school office and let the staff know. I will then contact you with instructions for retrieving your receipt number for us so we can complete our last Bookclub payment. Thank you for your help in this matter.

John Harycki, Teacher Librarian.

Kid’s Club
Want something to do after school on Thursday afternoon? Children aged from 7—12 years are invited to an afternoon of fun, games, singing and stories. If you would like your child to enjoy a fun filled afternoon, then bring them along to the Oak-Ey Uniting Church Hall, John Street, Oakey.

Sessions from 3:30pm to 5:00pm
Interested or you’d like more information, then please phone:
Rev. Date Dix on 4691 1880

After School Program—Term 3
Our caring, qualified staff pick up from both schools. We have a new, wonderful program for Term 3!

Including:
- Mondays: Racquetball Clinic
- Tuesdays: Arts N Crafts
- Wednesdays: Prime Ministers
- Thursdays: Olympic Challenge
- Fridays: Bring a Friend

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