**Prep 'Readiness' afternoons**

2:30-3:00pm Monday in the library

at Oakey State School starting 29 October

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**Social skills**
- Listen to stories
- Share with others
- Participate in group activities
- Know their first and last names

**Numeracy skills**
- Count objects
- Locate numerals in the environment
- Recognise shapes and patterns

**Motor co-ordination & skills**
- Use scissors
- Hold a pencil correctly
- Open lunchboxes, lids, packets

**Literacy skills**
- Recognise their name
- Write their name
- Recognise letters and words around the environment
- Become familiar with letter sounds

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK**

"The whole art of teaching is only the art of awakening the natural curiosity of young minds for the purpose of satisfying it afterwards." - by Anatole France

"Better than a thousand days of diligent study is one day with a great teacher." - a Japanese proverb

"Teachers, I believe, are the most responsible and important members of society because their professional efforts affect the fate of the earth." - by Helen Caldicott

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops." - by Henry Brooks Adams

"The best teachers teach from the heart, not from the book." - by Author Unknown


"The dream begins with a teacher who believes in you, who tugs and pushes and leads you to the next plateau, sometimes poking you with a sharp stick called "truth." - by Dan Rather

"What the teacher is, is more important than what he teaches." - by Karl Menninger

"A teacher's purpose is not to create students in his own image, but to develop students who can create their own image." - by Author Unknown


"Teaching is leaving a vestige of one self in the development of another. And surely the student is a bank where you can deposit your most precious treasures." - by Eugene P. Berlin

"The true teacher defends his pupils against his own personal influence. He inspires self-distrust. He guides their eyes from himself to the spirit that quickens him. He will have no disciple." - by Amos Bronson Alcott

"Good teachers are costly, but bad teachers cost more." - by Bob Talbert

"Teaching is a lost art, but the regard for it is a lost tradition." - by Jacques Barzun

"A good teacher is like a candle; it consumes itself to light the way for others." - by Author Unknown

From the Principal's Desk

Dave Bosworth

SUN SAFETY is IMPORTANT NO Hat—NO Play!
Awards Album

Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following students for the great job they have done at school this past week. Bravo!

Pre—Year 3 Group:
Nathan, Madisyn, Jared, Brayden, Riley, Blake, Tahlia

Year 4—Year 7 Group:
Lochlan, Hannah, Blake, Tyler, Jake, Cale, Nathan, Ebony, Zakiyyah, James

LEARN TO SWIM

A 7 week Learn to Swim Program will commence at the Oakey Swimming Pool later this month. For more details and to express your interest, please contact the Oakey Pool on 4691 1038.

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Skateboarding Workshops

Skate Boarding Australia will be running Skate Boarding workshops at the Oakey Skate Park in Rotary Park, Campbell St, on Saturday 27 October from 3 pm to 5 pm. Open to all young people. More information is available from the Toowoomba Regional Council.

POSITION VACANT

A vacancy exists for a School Crossing Supervisor. The position will work at both schools (Oakey Primary & St Monica’s School) on a rotational basis. To express your interest in this position, please see the Oakey State School office staff.

Homework Club

Wednesday 24 October

After School Sport Years 4, 5, 6, 7

Attention ALL Parents and Guardians.

Please remember the tuckshop is in great need of volunteers to help keep the tuckshop running.

Without the help of volunteers, the tuckshop will be forced to close or cut back on the days it operates. Even 3–4 hours a day would be extremely helpful.

Please contact Jo on 0435 837 661 if you are able to help in any way.

Thank you.

The Tuckshop would appreciate your help with the following items to be donated:

Nutella, jam, tinned fruit salad, noodles, vegemite, cleaning products e.g. washing up liquid, large bin bags, corn, sauces, gravy.

Anything else that can be spared is welcome and greatly appreciated.

Calendar of Events

Wednesday 24 October

Homework Club

Wednesday 24 October

After School Sport Years 4, 5, 6, 7

Thursday 25 October

After School Sport Years 2 & 3

Friday 26 October

World Teachers’ Day

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