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 no later than 3:15 pm each day. No supervision for students is offered before or after school. Our staff are extremely busy in the mornings and afternoons with curriculum preparation, meetings and administrative tasks, and therefore are not available to supervise early arrivals or late departures. Thank you for your support and understanding; it is greatly appreciated.

SUN SAFETY is IMPORTANT NO Hat—NO Play!

Oakey State School Awards Day
Thursday 6th December, 2012 at the Multi-purpose hall.
All friends & family members are cordially invited.

Students from the T2 class have made regular visits to the Oakey CWA House during the year.
During their monthly visits, the students have read stories to the residents and played games.
On their last visit for the year the students presented the residents with Christmas Cards and Critters.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Cybersafety Tips for Parents (from the Australian Communications and Media Authority) Not all material you come across on the internet will be right for you or your family. The following are a series of tips for parents to deal with inappropriate internet content:

- Be aware of how your child uses the internet and explore it with them.
- Discuss the kinds of sites that are okay to explore and those that are not, and talk about what you both like and don’t like about them.
- Try to locate the computer in a shared or visible place in the home.
- Warn your child about the consequences of accessing inappropriate content.
- Consider using filters, labels and safe zones to help manage your child’s online access.
- Remind your child not to open spam email, or click on pop-ups, prize offers or unfamiliar hyperlinks in websites.
- Help your child use search engines to locate websites.
- Develop a list of favourites for younger children.
- Teach your child that there are ways they can deal with disturbing material – they should not respond if they are sent something inappropriate and they should immediately leave the site if they feel uncomfortable or worried. Younger children should tell a trusted adult.
- Reassure your child that access to the internet will not be denied if they report seeing inappropriate content.

Further information can be obtained from the Australian Communications and Media Authority Phone: 1800 880 176 or www.cybersmart.gov.au

Student Medication Alert!
When your child’s medication needs to be topped up or replaced at school an ADULT must bring the medication to the office.
It is a safety issue for the students in the school to be carrying medication in their school bags.

Contact/Emergency Information updates
Please update your personal details at the office i.e. phone, address, emergency details and change of living arrangements.
We cannot express enough the importance of this information being up to date.

Medication Information for Parents

In line with Education Queensland Policy and Queensland Health Guidelines, student medication provided to the school needs to be in the original current dispensed medication container. IT MUST HAVE THE PRESCRIBING DOCTOR’S NAME ON THE LABEL.
Queensland Health has advised that school staff who help students take their prescribed medication can only do so by following the directions on the label attached to the original current dispensed medicine container.
We also advise that when medication is being sent to school it MUST be delivered by a parent. The medication MUST NOT be sent with the children in their schoolbag.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN STAFF ADMINISTER ANY MEDICATION THAT IS NOT PRESCRIBED BY A DOCTOR.

From the Principal’s Desk.

Dave Bosworth
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 4 Group:
Caleb, Beanca, Briana, Jemma, 1A rep. Issabelle, Bailey, Ebony, Douglas

Year 5—Year 7 Group:
Anthony, Tennille, Dale, Liam, Abby, Sophie, Krishna, Jack, Joshua

Student Word List
Certificates awarded to
Blue Words: Mitchell
Yellow Words: Annika-May
Red Words: Alera, Lilly-Anna, Carlea, Hayley
Green Words: Kamarli, Ryan

Hayley receive an award on parade for showing outstanding leadership by assisting the Year 6 students with their leadership speeches.

Tuckshop & P&C News

Tuckshop:
Due to illness, Jo, our tuckshop convenor, will not be working over the next couple of weeks. Arrangements have been made to have several other people in to backfill her so that our students can continue to order from the tuckshop. Please support these people with your understanding and patience as they try to keep the tuckshop operational. If you are able to offer some assistance by helping out for a few hours on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, this would be greatly appreciated.

End of Year:
Please note that tuckshop will not be operating during the last week of school. With the end of year approaching, the tuckshop will be starting to run its stock down, so some items may not be available, but these will be substituted with a similar item.

RUGBY LEAGUE SIGN ON DAY

The Oakey Junior Rugby League are holding their first sign on day on Saturday 15th December. This will be held at the Oakey Football grounds at 2pm. Free BBQ supplied. For more info, contact Kathryn Wikaire on 0413 866 044 or email kathryn.wikaire@bigpond.com

Asthma Assist (1800 645 130)

Have you ever felt left in the dark about your asthma? Unsure about the medications you are taking or need further information about how to best manage your condition? Don’t worry, Asthma Foundation Queensland is here to help.

In 2010, Asthma Foundation Queensland launched Asthma Assist – a free asthma information and support service for Queenslanders living with asthma. Staffed by highly skilled Asthma Educators, Asthma Assist is designed to help people take control of their asthma by providing much needed patient education on medications, delivery devices, inhaler technique, asthma first aid, trigger factors and asthma management plans.

Give us a call today!
Asthma Assist operates from 9:00am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday.