To assist new families enrolling into our school we are looking for donations of uniforms for our spare clothing pool.

SUN SAFETY is IMPORTANT
NO Hat—NO Play!
NO Caps allowed—Broad brimmed or Bucket hats only

Oakey Community Centre
Saturday 17th August
Movie starts 6:00pm

Below is a little history on Naidoc Day.

1920 – 1930
Before the 1920s, Aboriginal rights groups boycotted Australia Day (26 January) in protest against the status and treatment of Indigenous Australians. By the 1920s, they were increasingly aware that the broader Australian public were largely ignorant of the boycotts. If the movement were to make progress, it would need to be active.

Several organisations emerged to fill this role, particularly the Australian Aborigines Progressive Association (AAPA) in 1924 and the Australian Aborigines League (AAL) in 1932. Their efforts were largely overlooked, and due to police harassment, the AAPA abandoned their work in 1927.

In 1935, William Cooper, founder of the AAL, drafted a petition to send to King George V, asking for special Aboriginal electorates in Federal Parliament. The Australian Government believed that the petition fell outside its constitutional responsibilities.

1938
On Australia Day, 1938, protestors marched through the streets of Sydney, followed by a congress attended by over a thousand people. One of the first major civil rights gatherings in the world, it was known as the Day of Mourning.

Following the congress, a deputation led by William Cooper presented Prime Minister Joseph Lyons with a proposed national policy for Aboriginal people. This was again rejected because the Government did not hold constitutional powers in relation to Aboriginal people.

After the Day of Mourning, there was a growing feeling that it should be a regular event. In 1939 William Cooper wrote to the National Missionary Council of Australia to seek their assistance in supporting and promoting an annual event.

1940 – 1955
From 1940 until 1955, the Day of Mourning was held annually on the Sunday before Australia Day and was known as Aborigines Day. In 1955 Aborigines Day was shifted to the first Sunday in July after it was decided the day should become not simply a protest day but also a celebration of Aboriginal culture.

1956 – 1990
Major Aboriginal organisations, state and federal governments, and a number of church groups all supported the formation of the National Aborigines Day Observance Committee (NADOC). At the same time, the second Sunday in July became a day of remembrance for Aboriginal people and their heritage.

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In 1972, the Department of Aboriginal Affairs was formed, as a major outcome of the 1967 referendum.

In 1974, the NADOC committee was composed entirely of Aboriginal members for the first time. The following year, it was decided that the event should cover a week, from the first to second Sunday in July.

In 1984, NADOC asked that National Aborigines Day be made a national public holiday, to help celebrate and recognise the rich cultural history that makes Australia unique. While this has not happened, other groups have echoed the call.

1991 – Present

With a growing awareness of the distinct cultural histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, NADOC was expanded to recognise Torres Strait Islander people and culture. The committee then became known as the National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC). This new name has become the title for the whole week, not just the day. Each year, a theme is chosen to reflect the important issues and events for NAIDOC Week.

Enjoy your week. Dave Bessman

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**Green Words:**

- Montana

**Red Words:**

- Carlea, Damon

**Yellow Words:**

- Jazmyn, Chris

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**Year 7 Assessment Dates:**

- Monday 22 July - English Comprehension Test
- Monday 29 July - Best Buys Maths Test
- Thursday 28 August - English Imaginative Recount due
- Friday 23 August - Ancient China History test
- Friday 30 August - "Are You Game?" Thinking Skills due (7A only)
- Wednesday 18 September - Art folio due

**Year 7 Assessment Dates:**

**WANTED**

Please assist to help top up our spare clothing pool. We are especially in need of bottoms: Track pants, shorts, underpants. Those that have utilised the clothing pool, please wash and return clothes so that we can continue to offer this service. Thank you.

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**Chappy’s Chatters**

Every Parent wants their children to grow up to be responsible, contributing members of society. But before they head out on their own and make their mark on the world, our kids need to learn how to be responsible, contributing members of the family household. Household chores are training exercises for real life. Chores not only teach children important life skills that will prepare them for living on their own, and impart a pull-your-own-weight work ethic, but recent studies show that starting chores at an early age gives children an enormous leg-up in other areas of their life as well.

Unfortunately, very few children today are getting the training at home they need to become industrious, responsible adults. Studies show that children in the West spend little time helping around the house. While children a century or two ago were expected to do many things to keep the household running, especially if they lived on a farm, according to research, today’s 6-12 year-old child spends only about 24 minutes a day doing chores. This represents a 25% drop even since 1981. When kids do help around the house, it’s frequently done under duress; parents often have to plead, bribe, and threaten to get their children to do basic chores like taking out the trash or cleaning up after dinner. Parents, I believe we need to lead by example and show our children how to do chores and explain that they need these skills in life to be responsible members of society. Let’s raise the bar and explain that they need these skills in life to be.

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**The ABC’s of Parenting Program**

This 6 week course will meet one morning each week. During the course the following topics will be discussed:

- What a Parent Coach is and what that means for me as a parent.
- What are my rights & responsibilities as a parent?
- How do I get my kids to do what they are supposed to?
- How does the 123 Magic Program work?
- Emotion Coaching? What’s that?
- What are some ideas for getting my kids to start listening!
- How can we work with conflict, when to negotiate and when to fight the fight.

**Where:** 'Yumba’, at the Oakey State School

**Dates & times:** 9:15 — 11:30am, Saturday 27th July, 2013

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**GARAGE SALE**

Saturday 27th July, from 7:00am — 10 Tooth Street, Jondaryan. Baby gear, kids toys, swing sets, books, glassware, gift items, bric-a-brac & lots more; all in excellent condition. Many items never used.