**SWIMMING TIME TRIALS**

Students turning 9 next year are invited to nominate for the West Zone swimming trials. Time trials will be held on Wednesday, 11th December at the Oakey swimming pool from 9:15am—1:00pm.

Students selected will have the opportunity to participate in the West Zone swimming trials to be held on Tuesday 4th February, 2014. Students not interested in participating in the time trials will be supervised at school by staff.

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**2014 MEET THE TEACHER**

On Friday 24 January, 2014, students and parents have the opportunity to drop into their classroom between 1:00—2:00pm.

During this time they can get a feel of their school books, meet the teacher and familiarise themselves with the classroom.

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**Friends of the Woolshed Old Time Dance**

At Jondaryan Woolshed in Flagstone Creek Hall

**Date:** 14th December 8:00pm—12 midnight

**Band:** Marks Music

**Cost:** Adults $10  Children (5-15) $5  under 5 FREE

Includes supper; lucky door; Monte Carlo; lucky spot; dancing; kid's games. No alcohol.

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**TOP SECRET**

Oakey Library School Holiday Activities

**Date:**
- Thursday 11 December 2:00—3:00pm
- Thursday 18 December 2:00—3:00pm
- Friday 19 December 9:30—10:30am
- Friday 19 December 1:00—2:00pm

**Activities:**
- Fishing in the Library
- Book Worms Reading Program
- Craft Making

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**Our Weekly Chat**

**Calendar of Events**

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**Newsletter Number 38 – 4th December 2013**

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK**

Final Newsletter

This will be our final newsletter for the 2013 school year. I would like to thank all of the school community for the welcome and support I have received this term. Oakey State School is a great school and I am very proud to be a part of the school.

I would like to thank our wonderful staff for their professional approach to their work. Their dedication to providing the best possible education for our students is greatly appreciated.

We have several staff that will transfer to other schools in 2014. I would like to thank the following staff for the contributions they have made to Oakey State School and I wish them well for the future:

- Karen Ward
- Beth Kunkel
- Lauren Staley
- Morgan McGahan
- Anita Grundy
- Stacey Craig
- Kylie Morrison
- Tiffany Blonski
- Rachel Dickson

Hopefully we will be welcoming some of the above teachers back to our school in 2014.

To the parents and students who are leaving us at the end of the school year we thank you for your contributions towards our school and we wish you well for the future.

I hope that all members of our school community enjoy celebrating the festive season with family and loved ones. Please be safe over the holiday period. We look forward to working with you in 2104.

We have some very important events coming up this week.

On Wednesday our year seven students will be attending an Orientation Day at Oakey State High School.

On Thursday we will be holding our 2013 Awards Ceremony. As a part of our ceremony we will be announcing:

- Class Awards
- Achievement Awards
- 2014 School Leaders

Parents, family and community members are most welcome to witness the achievements of our students.

Thursday evening we will be holding our Year Seven Graduation Night. I am looking forward to joining with our students and parents to celebrate this very important event for our school.

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Congratulations to the following students for the great job they have done at school during last week. Bravo and keep up the good work!

Prep—Year 3: Emily, Tamrka, Van, Lachlan, Chloe, Kassidy, Shantay, Hayleigh, Kaiddin, Madisyn, Tiannah, Emily (not in photo)

Year 4—Year 7: Byron, Aimee, Bianca, Elizabeth, Jack, James, Shuneka, Kaea, 7B class, Christian

Three Year 1A students read their persuasive text story book they had written and illustrated in class to everyone at parade.

Selected Students have been attending the Denise Kable centre in Toowoomba this term. Pictured are some of the wooden tool boxes our students made.

We wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

Snack Break

Toowoomba this centre in the Denise Kable had been attending Students have Selected —

As a result the tuckshop will continued on next page / —

CHICKEN NUGGETS not available

TUCKSHOP NOT OPEN TERM 1, 2014

TERM 1 - 2014

Student Free Day Thurs 23rd & Fri 24th January

Public Holiday Monday 27th January

School resumes Tuesday 28th January

Term 1 ends Friday 4th April

Holidays - 6th April—21st April

Public Holiday Monday 21st April

Homework Club

Last day for Homework Club will be Wednesday 4th December.

Richard Ashley (Head of Curriculum)

Library Books

Please return all school library book as soon as possible.