Oakey State School Bush Dance

The Oakey State School P&C Association is conducting a Bush Dance later this year. The evening should be a great opportunity for our school to have some fun as a community whilst our children learn vital social skills.

If you are interested in assisting with the planning for the Bush Dance there will be a meeting held this Friday. The details for the meeting are as follows:

**Date:** Friday 5th SEPTEMBER  
**Venue:** Staffroom  
**Time:** 2:30pm

Many hands make light work so please support this great community event.

**Prep enrolments for 2015**

We are now taking Prep enrolments for 2015. We are experiencing a very high demand for enrolments so I would encourage parents who are wishing to enrol students to commence the process as soon as possible to secure a place.

An Enrolment Confirmation form is available from the school office.

**From 2015 Year 7 will become the first year of high school in Queensland.**

Moving Year 7 is a significant reform that will benefit students at all Queensland schools. The Queensland Government consulted widely before introducing this change, which is supported by Queensland's state, Catholic and independent school sectors.

This move follows the successful introduction of a Prep year in 2007. In 2008 the entry age for Year 1 was raised by six months, bringing Queensland into line with other states.

Increasing the school starting age by 6 months means that by 2015 more than half the children in Year 7 will turn 13 and will be in their eighth year of school, which is the right time to start high school.

By moving Year 7 to high school our Year 7 students will be better positioned to take advantage of the opportunities presented by the new Australian Curriculum as it is rolled out over the coming years.

This means that all of our current Year 6 students, as well as our current Year 7 students, will commence high school next year.

Most high schools have now commenced taking enrolments for next year. I would strongly encourage parents to make contact with the high schools as soon as possible.

Have a great week, **Scott Pacey**—Principal

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**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/have left the school grounds no later than 3:15pm 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.

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Awards Album

Students of the Week

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

Prep—Year 3:
Diego—PA, Jayvee—PB, Silas—1A,
Aiden—1B, Kaua—2A, Abbie & Charley—2B, Bethany, Hayleigh, Brock & Joel—3A

Year 4—7:
Kahlen—4A, Ali—4B, Bradley, Lennox,
Talia, Jacob—4/5A, Steven—5B,
Sheridan—6B, Lara—6/7A, Max—7A,
Carson—T2

Student Word List / Reading

certificates awarded to:

Blue Words: Harrison
100 nights of reading: Sheridan

Congratulations to Ariel, Willow and Julia who participated and did well in the UNSW writing competition.

BREKKY CLUB

Chappy Sharon invites you to Brekky Club: Didn’t get around to having breakfast before school? Then come along to the SEP room on Wednesday’s & Friday’s between 8:30—8:45am for a piece of toast.

SUN SAFETY is IMPORTANT NO Hat—NO Play!

NO Caps allowed—Broad brimmed or Bucket hats only. Please label ALL your Childs’ possessions.
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.

WANTED
Please save plastic vitamin bottles for 1A class.

DATE CLAIMER
The following date has been set for our sporting event:
- Friday 5th December: Swimming Carnival.

OAKLEY BOYS RUGBY LEAGUE SUCCESS.
On the weekend, Blake Terell, Kaleb and Jayden represented Pittsworth District at the ‘Shane Webke Cup’ in Brisbane. They all played great and made it into the semi finals. Kaleb and Terell both scored 4 tries each, with the team coming third overall.

WHODUNIT?
CAPTAIN CURLY COBB AND THE CASE OF THE LOST TREASURE
Ahoy there mateys! Join us for some swashbuckling fun. Collect your treasure map and follow the clues to find Captain Curly’s treasure. AARRRRRGGHHH!

Time: 10am-4pm (just drop in)  Age: 5-12  Cost: $5 per child
Cobb & Co Museum, 27 Lindsay Street, Toowoomba  Ph: 07 4659 4900

cobbandco.qm.qld.gov.au

18 September - 6 October 2014
Oakey Uniting Church Women’s Fellowship

**Floral Luncheon**

**Date:** 16th September  
**Time:** 11:00 am  
**Where:** OUC Hall, John Street  
**Cost:** $15.00  
**Guest Speaker:** Merlyn Plant  
**Topic:** Farming family Competitions, light entertainment, stalls and lunch  
**Register your entries before:** 10:00am  
**Class 1:** 20 categories,  
**Class 2:** potted plant,  
**Class 3:** 3 categories. Also judges choice for best miniature scarecrow & best floral outfit.  
**For more info:** Robyn: 4691 2940 OR Carole: 4691 1890  
For catering numbers please RSVP to Robyn or Carole

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Oakey Grief Support Group:

**Road to Recovery helping one another heal.**

**Meetings held first Wednesday of the month at 2:00pm**  
At the **Oakey CWA Rooms**  
**For more info:** Phone 4691 4825 OR 0427 635 167  
Supported by Myall Youth & Community Network Centre. Inc.

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Quinalow State School

**Comedy Gala**

Join us for a night of fun, frivolity and cheeky humour as we host three of Australia’s premier comedians courtesy of The Comedy Empire...

**Saturday, 6 September, 2014**  
**Brymaroo Rodeo Grounds at 7pm**  
**Tickets $40 includes gourmet nibbles, live music and licensed bar until 1am. Group bookings of 10 per table. Pre-paid #ckets only.**  
**Book Now: It'll be a laugh a minute!**  
Admission restricted to adults 18+ only.  
Camping available.  
**Bookings/Info:** Nat Collins 4692 1314 or Belinda Wilson 4692 7796

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**SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE**

Toowoomba Clubhouse is opening an outreach to support those with depression and mental health issues; this will be held in the Oakey QCWA Rooms, Cherry St, Oakey.  
operating each Tuesday from this venue.

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Tuckshop operates every MONDAY & FRIDAY.  
All orders are to be handed into the tuckshop by 8:45am  
Orders are to be written on a brown paper bag—separate bags to be used for each meal break. Please include name, class and for which break on the bag.

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13th October, 3rd November, 1st December.  
All general business items need to be submitted to the Office prior to 3pm on the day of a meeting.

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**Proudly supported by NEW HOPE GROUP**

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**steps into Prep Playgroup**

**Monday, Wednesday & Friday**

Steps into prep playgroup is up and running.  
The program is run from Yumba, (Cnr Lorrimer & Campbell Streets)  
This program is for students who are enrolling in Prep at Oakey State School.  
Pre prep children come along with a parent to engage in fun activities, craft and learning.