Position Vacant – Tuckshop Convenor

The Oakey State School P&C is calling for applications for a Tuckshop Convenor for 2015.

The position is offered for 2 days per week (Monday & Friday). Applicants who have previous experience or appropriate qualifications are encouraged to apply. An application package containing the Convenor’s duties and other information is available from the school office.

An 8 week probationary period will apply. Please forward you completed application and CV or Resume to the Oakey State School P&C, c/- PO Box 340, Oakey 4401 or deliver to the school office.

Applications close 3:00pm, Friday February 20.

Reading at home

While your child will be engaged in a variety of reading activities at school, it is also important to encourage your child to read outside the classroom.

Here are some ideas that may help you support your child's reading development:

• Talk with your child about the things they like to read - picture books, books about dinosaurs, ‘how-to-make’ instructions, catalogues, signs, computer games
• Ask your child to retell their favourite stories
• Read with your child each day if you can - before bed, first thing in the morning, whenever it is convenient for the family
• Ask questions while reading to your child to check they understand what they are reading such as Why do you think that happened? What do you think will happen next? and Why do you think the author included that part in the story?
• Give your child time when they get stuck on a word - take it slowly - encourage your child to read on to get the overall meaning or tell them the word
• Let your child see you reading
• Read and write with your child in their first language
• Collect books and display reading materials in your home such as books, newspapers, magazines
• Point out printed words found at home and in your child's local environment including long, short, funny or interesting words
• Share with your child a range of electronic materials such as websites, email, text messages, computer games
• Share with your child a range of visual texts such as photos, illustrations, cartoons, comics
• Make books or other reading materials with your child about topics of interest or shared experiences - a holiday photo album, a book about insects, signs for their bedroom
• Create a special place for your child to read, write or draw
• Make a message board or space at home and encourage your child to read and leave messages for other family members
• Create word walls in places where your child spends a lot of time such as their bedroom
• Carry a book or magazine with you when you are out - waiting at the doctor, waiting for the bus.

Calendar of Events

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Weekly Behaviour Focus
This week our behaviour focus is “Be Safe” – Using the school toilets safely and correctly.
Our staff will be talking with students about the following points:

- Ask permission before you leave the room and wear your “Out of Class Pass.”
- Use the correct toilet block for your year level.
- Straight there and back.
- Flush the toilets and leave them in a clean state.
- Wash your hands and turn the taps off.
- Our toilets are not a play area.

Have a great week, Scott Pacey Principal

ARE YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE?
Please remember to keep the school informed of any changes regarding addresses, telephone numbers, emergency contact numbers and student medical details.

SUN SAFETY is IMPORTANT NO Hat—NO Play!
NO Caps allowed—Broad brimmed or Bucket hats only.
Please label ALL your Childs’ possessions.

Awards Album
Students of the Week
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:
1A—Sienna, 1B—Makennah, 2A—Ashton,
2B—Millie-Rose, 3A—Jade, 3B—Auben

Year 4—6:
4A—Debbie, 4B—Isla, 4/5A—Jayden, 5/6A—Emelia, 6B—Edward, T1—Alex & Carson
WANTED
To assist new families enrolling into our school we are looking for donations of uniforms for our spare clothing pool.

BREKKY CLUB
Chappy Sharon invites you to Brekky Club: Didn’t get around to having breakfast before school? Then come along to the TUCKSHOP Tuesdays & Wednesdays between 8:30—8:45am for a piece of toast and Milo.

WATER BOTTLES
As we are now in the warmer months of the year, it is recommended that students drink plenty of water. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school.

Book Sale
Venue
Toowoomba City Library meeting room, 618 Ruthven St
Date
Friday 13 February 2015 From 9.30am – 3pm
Saturday 14 February 2015 From 9.30am – 2pm

SCHOOL PHOTOS
The date set for school photos is Thursday 12th March.

To assist you with budgeting we’ve listed the prices for items available.

Gift Pack A $38
Gift Pack B $34
Photo Pack C $29
Class Group D $23

Other items available: Magnet—$7, Key ring—$7, Mouse pad—$16, Mug—$16, Library bag—$12.

Order envelopes will be sent home at the end of February

ICY CUPS
The Year 6 Students will be selling icy cup on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, till the end of term 1. The cost is 50 cents each. Money raised from the sale of icy cups will go towards the Canberra Trip.

THANK YOU
Thanks to the year 6 parents who have contributed donations for this fund raiser.

SWIMMING
Congratulations to our four swimming representatives, Jayden Watherston, Darcy Watherston, Kodi Federoff and Cruz Williamson. The boys had a great time at the Pittsworth carnival last Friday night and represented our school with their efforts at being safe, being respectful and being learners. We are all extremely proud of them and their efforts. Jayden, Darcy and Cruz made qualifying times and have now been selected to compete at the next carnival representing the Inner Downs Zone. Well done boys.

A reminder that students from years 4, 5, 6 and T1 will participate in swimming lessons this term. We ask that the $30.00 cost for the 8 lessons be paid to the school office ASAP.

TUCKSHOP OPEN
MONDAY & FRIDAY

LEGO

2 BIG BANDS - 1 HUGE SHOW
THE CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL KINGS OF COUNTRY ROCK TOUR NON STOP HITS

CREEDENCE
Proud Mary Bad Moon Rising Have You Ever Seen The Rain
Bad Moon Rising Me & My Chattanooga Chicken
Have You Ever Seen The Rain Tuesday Sand

EAGLES
Hotel California Life in Emotion
One Of These Nights
New Kid In Town
Life In The Fast Lane
Heartache Tonight
The Long Run
Witchy Woman
**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/leave 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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**MARKET DAY**

Oakey Community Church (Augbiny Road) is holding a market on their grounds, on **Saturday 28th February**. All vendors welcome; the site fees go towards the Solomon Johnson Orphanage fund.

Site fees are: $10 single / $15 double. Vendors setup to 05:30am, start 07:00am—12 noon. **Come along! next to the High School.**

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**Seeking English Tutors**

Oakey has a significant population of Brazilians, most working at the Abattoir. Their first language is Portuguese, and many struggle to learn English. TAFE Toowoomba is seeking people of good will in Oakey to be home tutors in English. If you are interested in connecting with other members of the community in this way, contact David Totenhofer at the Council office, Ph: 0418 876 131; email david.totenhofer@toowoombaRC.qld.gov.au. More detail will be available on contact.

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**Community Playgroup**

A Community Playgroup is being held at ‘Yumba’ each **Tuesday: 9:00—11:00 am**

All ages are welcome

Entry by Gold Coin donation.

For more information call 0457 915 137

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**Lunch Boxes**

It is essential your child’s lunch is sent to school in a lunch box as we have a system that requires all lunches to be kept in lunch tubs. The tubs are taken to the eating areas at each break. **Please ensure the lunch box is named.** Thank you for your support.

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**QSchools app is new and improved**

New features of the Department’s QSchools mobile app have been released, including an exciting push notification feature which offers a direct communication channel from your school.

To be able to receive important messages instantly to your mobile device (push notifications):

- If you already have the app, please ensure it is up-to-date, as out-dated versions will not receive notifications.
- Make sure you have favoured your school.
- You are now ready to receive important school messages direct to your mobile device.

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**NEW SMOKING RULES**

From **1 January 2015**, smoking is banned at all Queensland public and private hospitals and health facilities, and for 5 metres beyond their boundaries. These no-smoking laws apply at all times, and to all staff and patient residential areas on healthcare facility land, and include the use of all smoking products, including regular cigarettes and devices commonly known as electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes).