**From the Principal’s desk**

We were having a clean out of the large storeroom in the office this week and uncovered some interesting artefacts dating back to 1948. One such gem was the School Inspectors Observation Book. The School Inspector visited the school on an annual basis and reported back to the school in writing about what was successful in the school and what needed to improve. I think you might find the following report very interesting. I am glad I was not the one being inspected! I am also appreciative of how far we’ve come in our understanding of what education means; although in some areas of the report I could hear myself saying “The more things change, the more they are the same”. (Alphonse Karr)

Oakdale Public School – Creating the future and remembering the past.

Maria Green - Principal

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**Dates to remember**

**Coming up in August**
* 22nd Book Week Exhibition in hall
* 23rd Wollondilly Library visit
* 28th Father’s Day Stall

**Coming up in September**
* 2nd/3rd Zone Athletics
* 4th Space Jump
* 10th Spelling Bee
* 11th Regional Athletics
* 11th Diana Ferrari Fundraiser Mac Square
* Sustainable Schools Expo
* Aussie of Month Assembly
* 13th Connected Classroom Stage 2 Reptiles
* 17th/18th School Performance
* 19th Last Day of Term
* School resumes for students

**Reminders:**
* School Fete date has changed to Sunday, 13th October. Please support the P&C by sending in toys, books, clothing etc. that are in good condition.

SAVE THE DATE
* Our school performance night will be on the 17th and 18th of September which is in the last week of this term.
* 11th September Diana Ferrari Fundraiser

**PLEASE NOTE:**
* NO PRIMARY ASSEMBLY THIS THURSDAY 22nd AUGUST
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO RECENTLY VISITED THE TREASURE CHEST. YOU HAVE ALL BEEN TRYING VERY HARD TO DO YOUR BEST IN CLASS.

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Chloe Jensen |

**Student of the Week:**
Noah Meredith

Enrolling now for Kindergarten

We would like to ask if you or anyone you know is considering enrolling in Kindergarten 2014 that you come to the office next week and fill in enrolment forms. If you would like to speak with me about any of the processes call and make an appointment. Thanks for the positive comments that are being made by parents to other community members; the word is spreading that this is a great school. If you know of anyone in our area that is considering enrolling in another school ask them to come for a visit before they make up their minds.

Advertising in our school newsletter

If you would like to advertise in our school newsletter the cost is **$25 per term** for part of a one page spread. Please see Mrs Bailey for more information.
Student Medical Forms

During Terms 3 and 4 we will be updating our medical records system to ensure we have the most up to date information on your child’s health. If you have a child with a medical condition you will receive a copy of the new forms and will need to fill them out and return them to us as soon as you can. The new forms will help us collect your child’s important medical information and the introduction of new systems will mean we’ll be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child. We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call the office.

As most parents would be aware a young boy died from an asthma attack last week in an after-hours centre at a public school. We are extremely concerned that some of students whom we have been told have asthma do not have a medical plan from a doctor or a puffer at school. **We urge all parents to visit their GP and have children checked and a plan can be done with the doctor. Please send the information to school so we can act on it in case of emergency.**

Fundraiser at Diana Ferrari Boutique at Macarthur Square Campbelltown

We are having a fundraiser at **Diana Ferrari in Macarthur Square** to raise money for Oakdale Public School to go toward learning programs. They will donate 20% of money spent on **Wednesday, 11th September**. The store will be open for Oakdale staff, parents and friends from **6.00pm-9.00pm to pay for purchases**. It would be a good idea to go into the store before this day and try on what you like, knowing exactly what size you are you can then pop into the shop on the 11th and pay for your items. Every $100 spent means we get $20. Spend up ladies!

School Crossing

New crossing flags have arrived at the school. I would like to thank Wollondilly Council for their quick response. Please stop when you see pedestrians on the crossing. Also be aware that the grassed area near the crossing is a council nature strip and should not be parked on. Council recommends we all use the car council car park across the road.

Regional Multicultural Public Speaking Finals

Aislinn D’Arcy has made it through to the next round in the Multicultural Public Speaking to be held on the 15th November. What a star!

Milo Cup Cricket

On Friday the 9th of October, 20 students attended the Cricket NSW T20 Milo Cup Blast at
Tahmoor Sports Ground. After weeks of intensive(ish) training both the boys and girls teams were champing at the bit and ready to play. Each team played 4 games with mixed results. Although both teams played very well, I was especially impressed with the Girls team as most of them had very little experience playing cricket. They helped out The Oaks, as they were short on players, performed well and smiled the whole day!
The Boys team: William Salzmann, Oscar Roche, Adrian Van Der Meer, James Burley, Blake Harris, Corey Burton, Thomas Ballard, Joshua Towner, Jackson Walker and Harrison Meredith.
The Girls team: Tiffany Brincat, Macie Carlile, Darcie Roche, Jami Roberts, Aislinn D’Arcy, Shaylee Robinson, Sarah Hooper, Alicia Campbell, Maddison Hartshorne and Amy Ciampa. All that attended behaved very well and should be congratulated on their sporting spirit and cheerful attitude.
Barry Luckman

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
The Zone Athletics Carnival is two weeks away. The 800m and field events are being held on Monday, 2nd September with the remaining track events being held the following day on Tuesday, 3rd September. Notes are due to be returned tomorrow. Further notes will be sent home shortly regarding transport arrangements.

PREMIER’S SPORTING CHALLENGE
The Premier’s Sporting Challenge has ended for another year. All students have been recording physical activity on a daily basis in an effort to encourage a healthier lifestyle. Each student completing the Challenge will receive a personalised certificate from the Premier of New South Wales.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS
As the winter sporting season is drawing to an end, I’m sure many of our students are achieving sporting successes on the sports field, track, water, floor or hall. Please send through any achievements for inclusion in the school newsletter to Dale.Barr@det.nsw.edu.au, Mr Barr

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