From the Principal’s desk

I had a wonderful holiday but am refreshed and ready to get back into it. After five minutes of returning to school the holiday seemed a distant memory. My thanks go to Mrs Karliotis and the Executive team for the wonderful job they did in my absence. It is reassuring to know we have such capable staff in the school.

Staff will be writing reports this term and need reliable data in the form of class assessments to grade students. It would be appreciated if students could attend school each day unless sick.

Once again I extend an open invitation to parents to come up and see me if they are concerned about their child’s progress academically, socially, emotionally or behaviourally. Working together often brings about a better result for your child.

A survey will go out in the next newsletter about a couple of areas of impending change that I would like your feedback on. Your responses help determine the direction we go in.

Maria Green
**Before 9am**

Students should not be at school before 9am unless prior arrangements have been made with the office. When students do arrive they need to remain seated outside of 6W and 5F until the duty teacher collects them.

**Playground**

To ensure the safety of younger children could we please ask that all pre-schoolers remain with their parents of a morning and not enter into the playground with the students. Due to insurance no one is to use the fixed equipment at any time unless directly supervised by a teacher.

**At 3:30pm**

Could all parents please leave the playground promptly after the collection of children unless meeting with a teacher. If you are running late for any reason students must report to bus lines.

**Bikes & Scooters**

All students must wear helmets when riding their bikes and scooters to and from school.

**Change of Arrangements For Staff Development Days**

The staff of Oakdale Public School has made arrangements to come to school on Saturday 21st June 2014 to continue working on the implementation of the English Syllabus K-10. As we are committed to the delivery of well-planned and programmed lessons to all of our students, staff will be working on how to take the content from the new English Syllabus and turn it into engaging units of work for the classroom.

The last day of school for students would be Wednesday, 17th December 2014 with no staff here on the Thursday and Friday. This is the same as the arrangements made in 2012 and 2013. If you have any queries about these arrangements please contact the school on 46596251 and speak to Mrs Green.

**Stewart House Clothing Appeal**

Accompanied with the last Newsletter you would have received a clothing bag. If you are able to donate any unwanted clothing could you please ensure they are returned to the hall by Thursday 22nd May.

**Leaf Blower**

The school needs a leaf blower preferably with a back pack. If anyone in the community can assist we would appreciate it. Our General Assistant is using his own at the moment and it is not suitable for the large area we need to clean.
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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**Infants Big Blues**

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Paige Fraser X2
Jake Graham
Hayley Austin
Angus Richardson
Charlie Hooper

**Student of the Week:**
**Hayley Austin**

Term 2 Week 4
Charlie Hooper
Hayley Austin
Matthew Prout
Jed Palmer X2
Samuel Walker X3
Alex Tait-Palummo
Brody Hartshorne X2
Alyvia Bond X2

**Student of the Week:**
**Aedan Hannigan**

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Bindi Woods
Ella-May Dern

**Student of the Week:**
**Torin Rowland**

Term 2 Week 4
Esther Brown
Oliver Micallef X4
David Milne X2
Lily Hooper, Zahli Hoare
Georgia Griffin
Bindi Woods, Ashley Barnes X2
Chris Xegas X2
Isabel Nash X3
Chris Fordham X2
Torin Rowland X3
Reagan Austin
Kuljas Kapoor X2
Emma Palmer, Joel Harvey

**Student of the Week:**
**Reagan Austin**

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Ike Sanderson X3
Bowyn Scott
Jeremy Sanderson X3
Josh Graham X2
Suvi Lehtonen
Savannah Dancuo X2
Joshua Ryan

**Student of the Week:**
**Suvi Lehtonen**

Term 2 Week 4
Tyrone Brincat
Breeanna Austin
Savannah Dancuo
Taj Hickson
Zac Crawford
Blake Takiari

**Student of the Week:**
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**Star Student:**
- **3B:** William Milne
- **4L:** Emma Barrass
- **5F:** Hannah Stoddart
- **6W:** Sarah Hooper
Peer Support Update

Peer Support has been successfully run by Year 5 and 6 Co-leaders and leaders for the last 4 weeks. The students are working through an eight week unit on “Resilience”. The Peer Support Program provides a fun and engaging environment for young people. It promotes wellbeing, encourages positive relationships, connectedness and a sense of responsibility. Below are some photographs taken during a Peer Support session that show how the students interact with each other and the fun that they have each week!
**Winter School Uniform**

Winter school uniform for girls can be the green track pants, zip jacket or green school jumper and yellow t-shirt with black shoes. Girls can also wear the checked tunic, green tights and school shirt. Boys have the same choice of track suit. We do not want to see bike shorts, coloured track pants or jumpers worn to school.

**More Chocolate Boxes to sell**

We still have 26 boxes of chocolates to sell. We would greatly appreciate any parents taking an extra box so the money can go back into the school account. Please come to the office if you can help.

**Focus on 1C**

This term in 1C we have had a great time during Maths learning about fractions. We have had the opportunity to halve and quarter many different shapes including circles, squares, rectangles and even triangles. We then completed some problem solving activities involving fractions and cut oranges into quarters to find out the solutions to the problems. Once completed 1C were able digest the oranges while they were digesting their new knowledge.

Our Accelerated Literacy text this term is "Willy and Hugh" by Anthony Browne. We are enjoying using this text as a basis for our literacy activities and are making a class copy of the book using student’s illustrations.
We read the book "The Potato People" by Pamela Allen as part of The Premiers Reading Challenge and loved it soooooo much we decided to make our own Potato People and see if ours grow horns, like the ones in the book. They were all different and seemed to take on a life of their own. After school some were even spotted having some fun on the play equipment and sandpit.

This term we are participating in a soccer program for sport with year 2. A soccer coach comes to help Mrs Hooper and I run the program each week and students receive some fruit at the end of the session to promote healthy snacking options which has been a focus in class during our lessons on Nutrition.

A great start to the year for the awesome 1C

Mrs Coppola

MOTHER’S DAY STALL

Thanks to Breeanna, Jake and Hayley Austin, Angus Dwan, Thomas and Malcolm Dalton, Savannah Dancuo and Melissa Austin for helping set up the Stall. Also a big thank you to Karen Foster, Sharryn McGrory, Anita Young and Fiona Williams for selling the gifts from the stall. We raised $643.30 for our school!

We are very pleased with this result and hope the Father’s Day stall is just as successful.

Thank you
Kalika Austin
P & C President
Before the Book Fair!

**K-2 Colouring-In Competition:** Win a $10 voucher to spend at the Book Fair! There will be 1 winner per K-2 class and entries are due in by THIS FRIDAY. It must be in pencil and entirely the student’s work. Winners will be announced at next Monday morning’s assembly.

**3-6 Hieroglyphics Competition:** Decorate an A4 piece of paper with your name in Hieroglyphics to win a $10 voucher to spend at the Book Fair! There will be 1 winner per 3-6 class and entries are due in by THIS FRIDAY. It must be in pencil, crayon or texta and entirely the student’s work. Winners will be announced at next Monday morning’s assembly.

On the day!

**Grandparent’s Devonshire Tea:** Grandparents can enjoy a quiet cuppa with some scones at 10:30am while browsing the Book Fair before their grandchildren arrive to take them on a tour of the school. Feel free to stay and eat lunch with your grandchildren! Invitations will be sent home in the next few weeks.

**Lucky Door Prizes:** Everyone who buys a book has a chance to win a prize! Prizes will be handed out at the Monday morning assembly.

If more than $3000 worth of books, posters and stationery are sold at the Book Fair, one very (un)lucky teacher will be transformed into a toilet paper mummy!
OAKDALE SPORTING NEWS

RAZORBACK ZONE CROSS COUNTRY
The Razorback Zone Cross Country Carnival is being held this Friday with up to 32 students representing our school in the different age divisions. The event is being held at Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Park (near Camden Showground). Please ensure all permission notes are handed in by tomorrow so that transportation can be organised. The forecast is for the sunny conditions to continue so please ensure school hats, sunscreen and plenty of water is taken on the day along with lunch and recess. Full school sports uniform must be worn. A reminder that medals will be presented to school cross country winners at the school’s end-of-term assembly.

NRL GALA DAY
27 enthusiastic boys will be competing in the Razorback All Schools Rugby League Gala Day run by the NRL this Thursday at Kirkham Oval, Elderslie. The boys have been training hard and are eagerly looking forward to the day. The school will have 17 boys in the junior team and 10 boys (we will borrow some Bargo players) in the senior team. The boys will play three games each. The Oaks Junior Rugby League Football Club, through Sam Burley has kindly lent us 2 sets of jerseys and water bottles for the day. A huge thank you goes to Mr Ballard for his coaching expertise in the past week. His knowledge and communication with the senior boys has been much appreciated by players and staff. All spectators are welcome on the day. If you can help out with the management or coaching of the teams on Thursday, please see Mr Barr.

NETBALL, SOCCER AND AFL GALA DAYS
Some 70 students will be competing at the Soccer, Netball and AFL Gala Day on Friday 30th May. Notes have been sent home and need to be returned as soon as possible. All players should wear their full school sports uniform and have any jewellery removed before playing. Soccer players are reminded that shin pads are compulsory. Please advise Mrs Hooper, Mr Luckman or Mr Barr if you are not attending the Gala Day as soon as possible.

PREMIER’S SPORTING CHALLENGE
The Premier’s Sporting Challenge is being held again this year with students encouraged to be active during and after school hours. The challenge will start shortly with further information to be sent out soon. The PSC provides valuable funding for the school in promoting physical activity.

Mr Barr