From the Principal's desk:

Enjoy the school holidays; you and your children have worked hard this year and deserve to relax and spend quality family time together.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE STAFF OF OAKDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

What's Coming up in December?
* 9th Year 6 Farewell 6.00pm-9.00pm
* 11th Movie/Picnic day out K-6
* 14th Year 6 Day Out
* 14th Reports sent home
* 15th Talent Quest
* 16th last day of school
* 27th Staff return
* 28th Yrs 1-6 return
* 1st Feb Kindergarten commences

Dates to remember

TREASURE CHEST

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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**Year 6 Farewell 2015**  
*Wednesday, 9th December*

*Year 6 arrive 5.45pm photos*  
*Year 5 arrive at 6.00pm*  
*Seated by 6.15pm*  
*Welcome to Year 6 Farewell by Mrs Green*  
*Main meal served*  
*Captains “Looking Back”*  
*Cutting of the cake*  
*Dessert and DVD of Our Years at Oakdale*  
*Take the dance floor*  
*Mrs Karliotis and Mrs Mineeff to give out gifts and speak about 6KM when parents arrive at 8.30pm*  
*Dancing – parents join in with the children for 2 dances*  
*Finish 9.00pm*  
*Staff Clean up*  
**Dress Code**: Smart casual with sensible shoes for dancing
On Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th November, Years 3 and 4 went on a very exciting camp to Luna Park and Taronga Zoo. After a thrilling bus ride through Sydney, we arrived at the happy face of Luna Park. We had hours of fun, thrills, laughter and good times with friends. The students certainly showed how brave they are by going on those rides – the “Hair Raiser” is called that for a very good reason!

Next, we headed to Taronga Zoo for our Zoosnooz adventure. The zoo after dark is a magical place, no crowds of people and the sounds of lions roaring. After we settled into our accommodation, we learnt about reptiles, the care of other animals and how the zoo operates. The walk around the zoo at night was fascinating. On Tuesday, we spent the whole day experiencing the delightful animals housed at the zoo. Highlights included: the amazing bird show, the reptile house, the hilarious seal show, elephant washing, the giraffes and the incredible chimpanzees with their adorable babies.

The camp was a huge success and a wonderful educational experience for the students. 4F had been studying the history and geography of both places and I was very pleased that they could relate what they had learnt to their experiences. Also, due to the spectacular location of Luna Park and Taronga, all of the students got to see and learn about some of the other
icons of Sydney: that is, the Opera House, Sydney Harbour Bridge and Sydney Harbour.

I would like to thank 3C and 4F for their beautiful, responsible behaviour, enthusiasm for leaning and sense of fun. I would also like to thank my colleagues, Mrs Coppola, Mr Barr and Mrs Hill. Also, thank you to Mrs Green and her sister, Kerrie, for coming to Luna Park.

This is how we all felt when we got back from camp!

Ms Fuller
We had an awesome time on camp!
LIFE IN 6KM DURING 2015

6KM have challenged and inspired us this year. Each and every student has offered something unique to the class making it an eclectic group of individuals who have shared fundamental experiences in their primary school years. We have had high expectations, behaviourally, academically and socially of 6KM and they have strived to meet them every step of the way. After a year as leaders of our school, fulfilling important roles along the way, we have a group of children who have matured beyond our expectations, taken on challenges with eagerness, learnt from their mistakes and found enjoyment in their peer group. We are both very proud of the hard work all of them have put in to this year. Below are highlights that the students have written.

LITERACY
Throughout the year we have completed many novel studies covering topics such as Ancient Rome, Global Connections, Human Rights, Natural Disasters and Comedy. Students have engaged in many research tasks incorporated in these themes.

CAMP
Years 5 & 6 went to Vision Valley on Monday the 25th October until Wednesday, 28th October. The types of activities and highlights were the flying fox, raft building, waterslide, wacky Olympics, sports, pool, abseiling, bush cooking, volley ball, Pictionary, shoe throwing, lip sync battles, watch me whip, trivia quiz, we watched a movie and played fruit salad games.
Brooke & Tori R

OUR TIME AT OPS
Our time at Oakdale Public School has been a never-ending roller coaster until now here’s where we get off this Angry, Sad, Joyful, Exciting VERY Emotional
ride ready for the next one... We, 6KM, have had so many great surprising years starting with Kindy and leading up to Year 6.

Kindergarten,

6KM we’re the babies of the school weird right? Thought so... 6KM had Mrs Jansen, we learnt to read, write, share, interact, be active and more... we formed lifelong friendships and memories to carry with us throughout our years leading to Year 6. Mrs Jansen used to wet us with a hose on a hot day; girls were allowed to play with her hair, clean her desk, and sit in the naughty chair. We had our first school performance which was The Very Hungry Caterpillar. At the end of Kindy we were ready for Year 1, we thought...

Year 1,

Half of 6KM we were in Mr Barr’s class and half we were in Mr Kellaway’s class. Here’s what happened, in Mr Barr’s class we were in portable classrooms. It was also 6KM’s first ever Wollondilly performance for Miki, Jesse, Chelsea, Caitlan, Ebonnie, Ana, Brooke, Zoe and a few others from our class.

Year 2,

Our class was split again... Mrs Mason (Miss Patterson) or Mrs Jansen we had another school performance Mrs Jansen’s class did Beach Towel Bop and Mrs Mason’s class did Under The Sea. Mrs Mason had to leave so we had Miss M.

Year 3,

6KM were re-joined and had Mr Barr. Throughout the year Mr Barr kept singing random songs at random times acting like he was on the Voice or Australia’s Got Talent but none of us turned around and everyone buzzed the X (lol) a lot of inside jokes with Mr Barr.

Year 4,

Was a great year with Mr Luckman (Mr luckyman) we had a performance which was Dancing In The Street. We had to wear 80’s clothes. We also had camp; we went to The Blue Mountains and The Jenolan Caves. We stayed there for 2 days not knowing that our parents were panicking about bushfires.

Year 5,

We had Ms Fuller for our teacher and there was the Wollondilly Music performance there were lots of students that participated in the event, overall a great year. We loved the art we did.

Year 6,

Year 6 was honestly the greatest year ever! Of course we’ve had our ups and downs but so many great events including Games Day, School Day Out and upcoming Year 6 Farewell. We had Mrs Karliotis and Mrs Mineeff who are the best teachers in the world.

By Miki & Tori D
HARMONY DAY
It was on Friday the 20th of March 2015, Term 1. Around 10am parents and students went into the hall and watched the thrilling Tropical Island Hula Dancers and Campbelltown Performing Arts High School students sing for us. Someone from Campbelltown Performing Arts High School sang and played the guitar. Then the tropical island hula dancers came on and did a massive performance, at the end the teachers joined in. Classes got photos with the hula dancers and held some of their props. Everyone coloured in a sheet of paper and folded it into a plane shape and put a string on it and went outside to fly it.
Brianna & Chelsea

SPORT
This year some of Year 6 went to Zone for Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country, and some went to state.
The Gala Days are fun like NRL, Soccer, Netball, Golf, Touch Football, AFL, etc.
Year 6 students represented the school in a number of sports and should all be proud of their efforts.
Bilal, Jakob & Josh

INCENTIVES
At the end of Term 1 we were allowed to make sundaes as part of our class incentive program. We gave Mrs Karliotis a shopping list including items such as lollies, cookies, choc chips, chocolates, toppings, etc. We mixed it up then we ate them, some students became violently ill after eating too much chocolate, lollies and ice-cream. But over all they were pretty nice until we were sick.

By Hayden & Emmitt
Auction Points are points given to students in Year 6 that are good and well behaved in class time. The Auction Points are used to get the money that is called Karlineeff dollars that use to get stuff from the class auction.

There was a wide variety of things you could get and most of it was stationary; there also was some fashion things, some sports things such as tennis balls and a wide variety of stickers in the first auction. It was a lot of fun. Some of the Auctions got as high as 25 Karlineeff dollars and as low as 2 Karlineeff dollars.

Lydia & Kalani

TECHNOLOGY
This year we got 6 new notebooks and 3 tablets. They have been very helpful. We have done a lot of research on them such as: earthquakes, floods, volcanoes, Safety, Health and many more. We also had a tech group in the Library.

ARTWORK
We had tons of art this year like: snowman pictures, elves and self-portraits. We had teachers teach us different types of art such as: painting, origami and drawing.

Hannah & Thomas
GREASE
It all started 15th and 16th of September, we were getting into our costumes taking photos and getting our makeup done for our big grease performance. We had been practising our dance for weeks. Seven of our class mates made up the dance. It was a pretty amazing dance Brooke choreographed Grease Lightning, Brianna and Charlene choreographed Hand Jive, Ana choreographed You're The One That I Want, Tori choreographed We Come Together and Miki helped break the dance down to help us understand better.
On the day of the dance walking to the back doors, waiting on stage for the curtains to open, listening to the crowd talking was so intense. Suddenly the curtains opened and we saw the crowd. The music started and we all started dancing, it was fun when you got used to the crowd. That night we preformed again, same thing, makeup photos and costumes. We had so more fun at the night because we had our IPods and IPads. The next night we got makeup, hair, costumes and photos. It was even more fun that night and we danced our hearts out because it was our last primary school performance. We tried our hardest; we waited for the curtains to open and the music to start. At the end of the night the parents came and took us home. Ours was the best performance of all and I think you will all agree!
Caitlan, Jesse & Chelsea

GAMES DAY
On the 27th November Year 6 held Games Day fundraising to cover the cost of the Farewell and present to the school. We had many activities such as sponge throwing, knock 'em' down, hoop toss, soccer kicks, handball, face painting, haunted house, fixed equipment etc. With the Games Day and raffle we raised over $3000 dollars.
When Yr 6 wrote to all the sponsors they sent prizes for the games day winners. They also sent big prizes to be used for the raffle, including Horseland bags, KTM pack, Stussy packs, book packs, Suburu packs, ABCRA packs etc.
Yr 6 put a lot of effort into writing to all of these sponsors and setting up and packing up all the equipment but had a great time!!
The money raised has bought a Laptop charging trolley which holds 40 laptops and is charged through one power outlet and additional speakers for the hall so that performers can hear the music not to mention covering the cost of our Farewell.
By Zoe Palmer, Emma Belter and Charlene McKinlay

YEAR 7 ORIENTATION
The majority of Year 6 went to Camden High School for their Year 7 Orientation but some are going to schools like: Campbelltown Performing Arts High, Elderslie High, Magdalene Catholic High, Berkley Vale Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College, Kanahooka High, and Leumeah High. We met lots of people and there was lots of talking at the start but eventually it finished. Different schools did different activities like Maths, Geography, PE, and Agriculture. It was fun.
By Ana & Ebonnie
Soccer Fun For Girls & Boys Aged 2 to 12!
TERM 1 PROGRAM – 8 WEEKS

**Mite-E Soccer (2-3yrs)**
- A great introduction to soccer
- Children work with their parents to learn new soccer skills
- Lots of fun games in a non-competitive environment
- 35 minute classes
- $100 for 8 weeks

**Pint Size Soccer (4-5yrs)**
- Children enjoy their first steps in soccer
- They'll be introduced to dribbling, passing and more
- Children get to play lots of fun, skill based games
- Grasshoppers yet
- 50 minute classes
- $120 for 8 weeks

**Intro to Micro (5-6yrs)**
- The ultimate challenge for many soccer players
- It provides the skills of the Grasshoppers Big Game and develops their skills in passing, dribbling, shooting and more
- Intro – 60 mins $130 for 8 weeks
- Micro – 75 mins $140 for 8 weeks

**Micro Plus (8-12yrs)**
- This program focuses on skill development and teamwork
- Preparation for club soccer
- Children will enjoy all the fun and skills of the Big Game
- 75 minute classes
- $140 for 8 weeks

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