



TUESDAY 26TH MARCH, TERM 1 WEEK 9

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## From the Principal

Welcome to week 9!

### Baby News

Congratulations to Mrs Karissa Turner, her husband Brandon and children Jay and Sadie, on the arrival of their newest addition, Max. We wish them all a lifetime of love and happiness and we can't wait to meet him!



### Easter Hat and Cross Country

We are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful hat creations students have put together for our annual Easter Hat Parade **tomorrow – Wednesday 27th March**. Our fantastic P and C are providing a free sausage sizzle lunch to families from 11am, with the cross country starting at 11:40am. Students are invited to wear their house colours.

- **Jenolan - Purple**
- **Hampton - Yellow**
- **Vulcan - Green**
- **Gurnang - Blue**

### Sentral Parent App

Please connect to our Sentral Parent App. You will need a family key to connect. These have been sent home via a printed letter and email over the past couple of weeks. Details regarding the stage 3 Canberra excursion have been posted on the app, and this is now a payment option. If you are having difficulty connecting to the Sentral app or paying online for the Stage 3 Canberra excursion, please contact the front office. Our newsletter is also available on the app.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Wednesday 27th March**  
Cross Country & Easter Hat Parade
- **Thursday 28th March**  
Grip Leadership Day
- **Friday 29th March**  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**  
Good Friday
- **Monday 1st April**  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**  
Easter Monday
- **Wednesday 3rd April**  
Walk & Talk tour  
Kinder 2025

**Term 1 Week 8**

- Kindergarten 94.89%
- Year 1 94.70%
- Year 2 91.85%
- Year 3 91.66%
- Year 4 93.86%
- Year 5 92.27%
- Year 6 91.27%

Wow! 4 weeks in a row all classes above 90%! Congratulations to everyone, I am so impressed. We even have some classes edging towards that magic 95% mark. Keep up the great work.

**School Photos**

Yesterday was a busy day with our annual school photos. Thank you to all the parents for ensuring their children were in full school uniform. We look forward to seeing the photos.

**Harmony Day**

On Friday we celebrated ‘Harmony Day’ with students and staff dressing in orange or cultural clothing. Students engaged in activities about cultural understanding and acceptance throughout the day. ‘Everyone Belongs’ was the theme for 2024, which is a wonderful reflection of ‘Everyone belongs at OPS’. Remember if you haven’t sent in your family photo for family tree in the hall please do so. Staff and students created a beautiful mosaic which will be displayed in our school.

Have a wonderful week!

**Danni-Lee Thompson - Relieving Principal**

# Snow Note, 2024

All bus students should have received at snow note for 2024.

- If your child normally catches the bus and you would like your child to **remain at school** in the event of a snowfall while at school and Oberon Council starts closing roads, you need to return this note to office.
- If we **DO NOT** receive a note back, your child will be put on the bus and sent home.
- When a snow event occurs during school hours, there will be **NO PHONE CALLS** made on the day to families. 1 text message will be sent out saying “Buses are leaving”
- **This decision needs to be made prior to the event of a snowfall as our time can be very limited when bus are to leave early.**

If you have any questions about our snow note, please contact the office.

**Administration Staff**

- **Friday 12th April**  
Last day of Term
- **Monday 29th April**  
Staff Dev Day
- **Tuesday 30th April**  
Students return, Term 2
- **Wednesday 1st May**  
Incursion  
Longneck Lagoon
- **Thursday 2nd May**  
Incursion  
Longneck Lagoon
- **Monday 6th May**  
Whalebone, Malachi  
Students in Years 3,4,5 and 6 are attending
- **Wednesday 8th May**  
Football Gala Day
- **Thursday 16th May**  
Athletics Carnival
- **28th, 29th, 30th May**  
CWA Public Speaking
- **4th, 5th, 6th, 7th June**  
Stage 3 Canberra Excursion



# Merit Awards

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Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving a Merit Award at our next assembly on **Friday 12th April at 9.15am.**

- Marley McDermott
- Ashley Esterhuizen
- Marylou Mobberely
- Patience Kerr
- Frankie Evans
- Stevie-Lyn Patten
- Sarah O'Malveney
- Troy Nelson
- Hayden Christie-Johnston
- Finn Whittaker
- Milla Rowlandson
- Eliki Ralele
- Sophie Stapleton
- Peyton Barker
- Michael Frail
- Kally Sperelakis
- Tahlita Francis
- Ruby King
- Hoani Wall

# Principal Awards

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Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving a Principal Award at our next assembly on **Friday 12th April at 9.15am.**

- Mason Christie-Johnston
- Lehxi Barker
- Levi Richards





# Easter Hat Parade & Cross Country

We're egg-cited to invite you  
to our annual  
**Easter Hat Parade 9:30am - school hall**  
**Cross Country Race 11:40 - bottom field**  
Wednesday 27th March

Join our P&C for a free sausage sizzle on the bottom field from  
11:00am  
gluten free friendly



## P&C News

We held our AGM on Monday 18th March it was lovely to see some new faces and returning ones. Our new 2024 Executive committee was elected and I would like to introduce them to you:

- **President** - Belinda Humphries
- **Vice President** - Megan Morrow
- **Treasurer** - Paige Williams
- **Secretary** - Desiree Rigelsford

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome your new P&C Exec and P&C members I look forward to seeing what 2024 brings. I would like to also send a massive thank you to all the teaching staff, parents, students and members of the community for all your support throughout 2023. It has been a pleasure.

### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

To all the students that donated an Easter egg towards our Easter Raffle we have a massive 47 prizes up for grabs. Your ongoing support is amazing.

**So REMEMBER if you have not returned your Easter raffle tickets please do so by tomorrow morning so you don't miss out on going in the draw.**

So this will be my last post. It has been a pleasure being your P&C President for 2023 however I am leaving knowing that I am handing the reins over to the more than capable Belinda Humphries.

**Vicki McKinnon**



# OPSIE Star Students

Here are our Star Students for this week. These students have displayed excellent behaviour, been respectful and responsible learners and have been in the right place at the right time. Congratulations!



**Clarice Cole**  
**Early Stage 1**

Clarice is showing great enthusiasm towards her learning and her confidence to participate in class discussions is growing each week. She is a kind and courteous student.



**Susanna Mavros**  
**Stage 1**

Susie is a delightful student known for her kindness and sense of responsibility. She displays lovely manners and is a respectful member of 1/2B.



**Braxton Anlezark**  
**Stage 2**

Brax is enthusiastic when participating in class discussions. He keeps on task in the classroom while treating his peers with kindness and respect.



**Ashley Esterhuizen**  
**Stage 3**

Ashley is a positive student who consistently works to the best of her ability. She demonstrates kindness to her peers and is a respectful and responsible class member. Keep up the great work Ashley!



# OPS Spotlight

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Discover the stars among us with the OPS Spotlight! Each week, we will showcase the incredible talents, passions, and achievements of students and staff at OPS.



## EMILY GIBBONS

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Say hello to Emily, a curious Year 2 student who is in 1/2B. She adores school for the chance to learn maths and play with her friends. Emily has been learning about living things, like sunflowers. Planting seeds has been the highlight of her learning this term. Emily enjoys playing with her sisters and their puppy. She hopes to visit Port Macquarie one day to explore the beautiful beaches. Emily admires her entire family for their bravery. If she could have one superpower, she'd choose to fly, saving her legs from all the walking while exploring the world! With her curiosity and adventurous spirit, Emily is sure to exceed in whatever she does.

### Here's what the teachers had to say...

"Emily is a happy and cheerful student who always spreads kindness to others. She gives her best effort in every task and is a wonderful role model." - **Mrs. Ballas**



## ALEXIS CASE

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Meet Alexis, a shining star in Year 3, with Mrs. Sheppard. She loves working hard in class and having a blast with her friends during breaks. Recently, Alexis achieved her goal of reading and writing numbers up to 3-4 digits. When she's not at school, you'll find Alexis spending time with her family or having fun on her devices. She enjoys the beach and loves swimming in the ocean. Alexis's brothers are her heroes, and if she could pick a superpower, it would be teleportation to explore the world in a flash. With her enthusiasm and adventurous spirit, Alexis is set to make a splash wherever she goes!

### Here's what the teachers had to say...

"Alexis is a kind and caring student who is always willing to lend a hand to others. She never gives up and is a wonderful citizen." - **Mrs. Sheppard**



OPSIE EATS PRESENTS

*Wednesdays Meal Deal.....*

**"FREE SAUSAGE SANDWICH"  
PROVIDED BY THE P&C!**



**spriggy  
has a new  
cut off  
time of  
9.30am!  
starting  
Monday  
25th  
March.**

The P&C are  
hosting a FREE  
sausage sizzle  
on the bottom  
field for  
students and  
families at 11am!

The canteen will  
be closed during  
this time but will  
open at 1.30pm  
for over the  
counter sales.

Please check spriggy  
daily as new and  
exciting items are being  
added each day!  
New menu coming Term  
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**Oberon Public School**

# **WALK & TALK TOUR** for Kindergarten **2025**

Is your child starting school in 2025?  
Come on a 'walk and talk' tour and  
discover our wonderful school.

**Wednesday 3rd April - 9.30am**

Parents and children welcome

**TOUR & TALK  
MORNING TEA**

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