



From the Bridge

Congratulations to all who took part in our 2017 Parent Interview process. We had a great turn out with 85% of our parents attending the parent night. Feedback has been very positive. I would like to thank staff for their efforts in ensuring that the sessions were meaningful for parents. If there are any unanswered questions or further information you would like to follow up on please contact your child's teacher or contact Mr Smith or myself at the bridge.

A big thank you to the Commanders for helping us achieve a record number of returns for the National School Survey. We had 136 responses.

Our focus on eliminating those low level disruptive behaviours during lessons continues. We still need your support as parents to reinforce our message of "listening to your teacher, following your teachers instructions and doing your best at all times" to be an ORPS STAR. To this end I hope that the Class Dojo information available to parents helps in providing a talking point about positive behaviours and what is happening in cadets and cabins. So far my analysis of Class Dojo data tells me that it seems to be working with most classes demonstrating very positive behavioural trends in the first 5 weeks of 2017.

I have been sneaking a look at classes participating in Edu- Dance and have been amazed at how quickly our junior crew catch onto the new dance moves! I am looking forward to the Edu-Dance concert at 2:15pm on Friday March 31st. I also had the pleasure of watching Drum Corp 2017 in action last week and wow have they started with a bang! It was fantastic to see such a strong turnout for Drum Corp and to once again see Mr Cobb at the helm.

Staff have already had a very busy professional learning schedule this term, they have participated in a maths session with Dr Paul Swan, SEN planning session focused on developing individual plans for students and a SURFS catch up presented by Miss King focused on making the most of the SURFS program.

It was fantastic to see so many families involved with the Pirates film night last week. There was a real buzz about the oval as everyone settled down to spend some family time watching a movie in a great outdoor setting. Our thanks again go to the Pirates for their support.

Our school calendar is very full as always, so I encourage all crew to keep an eye on the calendar so you don't miss any of the great action happening aboard the ship.

.Peter Blackwell
Commanding Officer

Communication to Community:

The School Board continues to support the preparation of the 2017-19 Business Plan and Budget to ensure targeted allocation of resources, that are increasingly scarce as school enrolment numbers (and student-centred funding) continue to drift down.

The Board has endorsed investment in a new school website with improved functionality which is progressing well.

P&C — AGM

ORPS P&C will hold their AGM on Wednesday 15 March, 7pm in the staffroom. For more information please read the P&C page in this Tannoy. All welcome to attend.



Attendance

We want to make sure all children get the best education possible which is why attending school every day is so important.

Western Australian law stipulates that all school-aged children must go to and attend school every day.

Like every school in WA, Ocean Reef Primary School is required to keep accurate attendance records for all its students. This includes taking attendance in the morning and afternoon for students in Kindergarten to Year 6.

When a student's attendance falls below 90%, the school is required to investigate the matter and develop a plan (in consultation with the family) to address and restore regular attendance.

Developing the habit of going to school every day is vital so children do not miss out on important ideas and skills they need for future learning.

Did you know:

- missing half a day of school each week equates to one month of missed learning each year
- the attendance habits set by children when they first start school continue throughout their school life
- if children miss half a day of school each week between Pre-primary and Year 10, they would miss almost one full year of learning
- learning is cumulative – if children miss a day, it is harder for them to catch up.

You can help by arriving and collecting your children on time; making sure they get nutritious meals and enough sleep; and making appointments with doctors, dentists and specialists, and making holiday plans during school holidays and not during the school term.

If one of your children is unwell and unable to go to school, let the school know straight away by telephone or by replying to the SMS message. If

they miss a day it is important you talk with their teacher to find out how you can help them catch up. If your child cannot attend school because of their mental or physical health contact your school to see what options are available for your child.

If you arrive late at school you should take your child to the Bridge first.

Congratulations

Well done to Chase and Jet in year 2 who were recently selected to play in the Under 9's State Tee Ball team representing the Wanneroo Joondalup Tee Ball club.. Over the recent long weekend they competed in a 3 day competition at Langley Park against Tee Ball clubs from all over WA. They finished 3rd in their division. Well Done boys!

Kindy 2018

We are now accepting applications for Kindy placement in 2018. If you or someone you know has a child that is due to start Kindy in 2018 that resides in the catchment area, please come to the administration to collect an application form.

Road Safety

We have been advised that the school crossing on Venturi Drive has been approved for the next 5 years. This means 5 more years of having a safe place for our Junior crew to cross the road before and after school. Parents can you please remind your children to use this crossing each day.

Book Swap

Before and after school next week. Please see the full page brochure with all the information on page 5 of this Tannoy..



P&C NOTICES

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COMING UP:

P&C Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 15th March 2017, 7pm in the Staff Room

PERSONAL OPPORTUNITY

Our AGM is coming up next week. All the P&C positions get released on the day, but most will be taken up by the same members.

HOWEVER, we are looking for a new treasurer! This could be the opportunity for you. Trying to change to an accounting program, we hope for your input and offer professional training for a few hours of work a week in this position. Our retiring treasurer is happy to help with the transition. Please consider joining our team.

There are some other less involved positions available too. If you would like any information, don't hesitate to contact us on the below email.

CLASSROOM CASH – The Weekend West & The Sunday Times

Please look out for the Classroom Cash coupons in these two newspapers on 18-19 March, 25-26 March and 1-2 April 2017. We have the opportunity to win \$5000 for our school, by sending in as many coupons as possible. Any slips collected can be dropped off in the pigeon hole at the bridge.

We will also be receiving extra newspapers on the Mondays after, if you are able to help cut out some, please let us know.

Don't forget, the P&C ROOM has MOVED!

We have relocated from Cabin 10 to Cabin 2 (between OROOSH and Cabin 1). Though still waiting for new furniture, we are open as usual on Friday mornings for

SCHOOL BANKING – from 8.15 to 9.00am. School Banking is a great way for children to learn about money and develop good savings habits. All deposited money earns tokens which can be redeemed for exciting rewards. It is a great fundraising activity, with our school receiving 5% of each individual deposit made.

LOST PROPERTY & SECOND HAND SHOP – Each Friday the ladies at the Lost Property Shop sort tirelessly through lost items to help get them back to their rightful owners. Please label everything, to help make their job easier. Anything not named will be posted on the Facebook Page to claim.

They also run a second hand uniform shop which is always looking for stock of uniforms that you no longer require. Sales are then put back into the school for purchasing items needed. They are open Friday 8.30-9.00am.

If you have any questions or would like to contact the P & C, please email us at:

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Facebook: Ocean Reef Primary School P&C

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HAIR ACCESSORIES - We have a selection of clips and hair ties in school colours for sale on Friday mornings from 8.30am to 9am. The selection is on display in the window of Cabin 10 every day for you to have a look. They are \$8 each, or 2 for \$14 or 3 for \$20. The non-slip headbands are \$12 each or 2 for \$20.

CUPPA & CHAT - Enjoy a coffee for a gold coin donation while you wait for school banking, or if you just feel like a chat with some other parents.

PREVIOUS EVENTS:

New Parents Afternoon Tea – 20th February 2017

Thank you for attending our New Parents Afternoon Tea. It was a great opportunity for new parents / guardians to meet some members of the school community. The next new families event will be held in term 3.

ORPS PIRATES

Thanks to everyone that came along and enjoyed the **FAMILY FUN NIGHT** on **Friday 3rd March 2017**. The kids looked like they had a fantastic time. There were some amazing painted faces and lots of exhausted kids after the bouncy castle and the pirate games. We hope you enjoyed attending the evening as much as we did organising it.

A special thanks to all the pirates that helped out in the lead up and especially on the night, entertaining kids, making popcorn, selling raffle tickets and glow products and various other jobs. You know who you are and we couldn't do it without you!

The only other event we have planned this term is a pizza lunch. Keep an eye out for an announcement in a few weeks.

DOIN' IT FOR THE KIDS!!

AARRRRRGGGGGHHHHHHHHHHH!





Ocean Reef Book Swap!

Have you got any books lying around that are in good condition and you no longer want?

We are offering students the chance to bring in any novels they no longer read and swap it with a book from another student!

We will collect the books in week 7 along with recording the students name and how many books they have brought in. In week 9, those students who have brought in books will then get a token on the day, to swap for other books that have been brought in.

Dates to remember!

Week 7- bring in books that you have read and no longer want **BEFORE SCHOOL** in the **CHARTROOM!**

Monday - Year 5's and 6's

Tuesday- Year 3's and 4's

Wednesday- Year 2's

Thursday- Year 1's

Friday - Kindy and Pre Primary



Week 9- Commanders will hand out tokens to those who have brought in books. Come **BEFORE SCHOOL** in the **CHARTROOM** to choose new books!

Monday - Year 5's and 6's

Wednesday- Year 3's and 4's

Thursday- Year 1's and 2's

Friday - Kindy and Pre Primary



Maximum of 5 books per child and please make sure that each book is in good condition.

Due to this being the first book swap that we have done, we may encounter some issues so please bare with us!

If you have any questions, please see Miss King in Cabin 12.



OCEAN REEF PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 1 2017

WEEK	MONDAY	TUE SDAY	WEDNE SDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	JAN 30 School Development Day	JAN 31 School Development Day	FEB 1 Students Return	FEB 2	FEB 3 Edu Dance
2	FEB 6	FEB 7	FEB 8 Kindy Day	FEB 9 Edu Dance	FEB 10 Edu Dance
3	FEB 13	FEB 14	FEB 15 P&C Meeting 7pm	FEB 16 Tannoy Edu Dance	FEB 17 Edu Dance Bookclub closes
4	FEB 20 New Parents Afternoon Tea 1:45pm	FEB 21	FEB 22 Kindy Day Reading Party Year 1-6	FEB 23 Edu Dance	FEB 24 Edu Dance
5	FEB 27 Commander / Lieutenant Photos (pm)	FEB 28	MAR 1 EARLY CLOSE 12PM Parent interview afternoon / evening	MAR 2 Edu Dance MUSTER CB 6	MAR 3 Pirates Fun Night Edu Dance
6	MAR 6 Labour Day	MAR 7	MAR 8 Kindy Day Board Meeting	MAR 9 Tannoy Edu Dance	MAR 10 Edu Dance
7	MAR 13	MAR 14 State Schools Tennis Championships	MAR 15 P&C Meeting 7pm - AGM	MAR 16 Edu Dance MUSTER CB 13	MAR 17 Edu Dance Bullying - No Way Day Young Leaders Day Bookclub closes
8	MAR 20 Awesome Kids Morning Tea	MAR 21 Harmony Day	MAR 22 Kindy Day	MAR 23 Edu Dance	MAR 24 Edu Dance
9	MAR 27	MAR 28	MAR 29	MAR 30 Tannoy Edu Dance MUSTER CB 16	MAR 31 Edu Dance CONCERT 2:15pm
10	APR 3	APR 4	APR 5 Board Meeting Kindy Day P&C Lunch Day	APR 6 Parliament House excursion Year 5/6	APR 7 ANZAC Muster

The siren is sounded each day at: 8.44am

10.40am & 11.00am – Recess
12.40pm & 1.20pm – Lunch
3.00pm - Close

WEDNESDAY SCHOOL EARLY FINISH 2:30

2017 Term Dates

Term 1 Wednesday 1 Feb – Friday 7 April
Term 2 Monday 24 Apr – Friday 30 June
Term 3 Monday 17 July – Friday 22 Sept
Term 4 Monday 9 Oct – Thurs 14 Dec

Please check term calendars for student development days.

Term 1 2017 commences on Wednesday 1 February.