



The Oakenden Buzz



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Next Fortnight		Forward Dates	
Mon: Guitar Lessons	Wed: Student Banking	10 Jun	Bookclub Due
01 Jun Mky/Whitsunday Chess - Mercy Coll.		12 Jun	Student Disco
02 Jun Sandy Creek 1/2 day Sports Carn.		15 Jun	ICAS - Writing
02 Jun P&C Meeting		16 Jun	ICAS - Spelling
03 Jun ICAS - Science		22 Jun	Report Cards
03 Jun Bunnings Visit		22 Jun	The 26 Storey Treehouse Perform
04 Jun Sandy Creek Full Day Sports Carn.		23 Jun	Mackay Show Public Holiday
05 Jun Playgroup / Tuckshop			
08 Jun Queens B'day Public Holiday			
09 Jun Mobile Library			

Raising the Bar

Working together to ensure that everyday in every classroom every student is learning and achieving.



Every Day Counts at Oakenden

2014 Attendance
96.63%

Target > 95%

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Hi Team

Thank you for being a part of another successful fortnight at the mighty Oakenden State School. Over the next fortnight, our students will be exceptionally busy both inside and outside of the classroom. During this time, I would like to ask that we remain supportive to our students and each other. With a lot of extracurricular activities occurring I want to ensure that our communication lines remain open and consistent. If we continue to maintain our great communication then the next fortnight will be a success.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Everyone is aware of how vitally important it is for students to be at school every day and on time, to help them have every chance in making the most of their education. Students are at school only 13.9% of the year and every percent counts. Understandably so, research tells us that there is a clear link between student attendance and academic success. With consideration to our target of 97% attendance, students can only afford to have 1.5 days off per term. While we understand that students will be sick from time to time, I ask parents to really work at the ideal concept that every child is at school every day (health permitting). This is merely a reminder of one of our keys focus' for this year and a commendation for our school for tracking towards our goal. With your support we will be successful.

NAPLAN

It has come and gone very quickly, now the wait begins. We are looking forward to seeing the results from the test late term three. I personally would like to once again congratulate all our students for their hard work and dedication leading up to, and on the days of the test. A special thank you also to Mrs Brady who worked tirelessly to ensure students were test fit and ready. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

OZ TAG

Last Friday, our students were fortunate to have a visit from Oz Tag representatives and learn Oz Tag skills and have some fun. They will return on again this Friday, 29th May.



UNDER 8'S DAY AT SWAYNEVILLE SS

Thank you to Swayneville State School for inviting our P - 2 students to an exciting morning full of activities and games. All students enjoyed themselves and came back to Oakenden with huge smiles on their faces. The day was to celebrate what is great about being under 8.



iPADS

iPads went home on Monday and I was excited to finally get them into the students hands. The process has been long and I appreciate your patience, however as I have mentioned previously we are looking for sustainability. I will continue to personally give students key information around caring for an iPad at home as ultimately it will be their responsibility. To further develop my skills and expertise with iPads I am planning to visit Coomera Springs Sate School on the 1st of June and spend the day between two classrooms. One of these classrooms uses iPads exclusively for teaching and learning, while the other uses iPads as a support tool for learning.

From this visit I hope to gain:

1. An insight to the possibilities iPads bring to teaching and learning.
2. Information surrounding the perceived advantages and disadvantages of using iPads in the classroom
3. Innovative concepts provided by iPads
4. The knowledge to return to Oakenden State School and in-service my staff on what is 'best practice' regarding the use of iPads
5. Form a support base for further collaborations

TUCKSHOP / PLAYGROUP

Our next Playgroup will be Friday 5th June. We welcome all families and friends with little children aged from 0 - 5 years to come along for a fun filled morning of planned activities including playdough, painting, craft, and much more. Playgroup begins at 9.00am and concludes at 11.00am.

The next tuckshop will be on Friday 5th June with Mrs Geisler for second break only, and will consist of the following:

Pizza	\$2.50
Flavoured Milk	\$1.00
Ice Creams	\$1.00



BOOKCLUB

Bookclub order forms have been attached to today's newsletter. Please ensure that if you wish to order from this issue to return your order form and money to the office by Wednesday 10th June, so the orders can be back before school holidays.

SANDY CREEK ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Sandy Creek Annual Athletics Carnival will be held next Tuesday 2nd June and Thursday 4th June 2015. This carnival combines Oakenden, Homebush, Chelona and Dundula State Schools who form the Sandy Creek sports cluster. It is an event that allows us to enjoy each other's collective company and engage in some healthy competition. It also serves as selection trials for our 10 – 12 year olds who will be competing for a spot on the Sandy Creek team to compete at the Sarina District Carnival.

Tuesday will be a half day event for 10 to 12 year old students competing in various field events and Thursday will be an all day event for the whole school. Tuckshop will be running on both days. Please refer to menus below for what will be available. Further information will be sent home as we receive it.

Sandy Creek Athletics Day
2nd June 2015 (half day)

Menu	Drinks
Hotdog \$2.50	Softdrink \$2.00
Pie \$3.00	Water \$2.00
Sausage Roll \$2.50	Milk Popper \$1.50
	Juice Popper \$1.00

Zooper Dooper \$0.50
A selection of home baking will be available on the day, from \$0.50.
Tea/Coffee free



Sandy Creek Athletics Day
4th June 2015 (full day)

Menu	Drinks
Hotdog \$2.50	Softdrink \$2.00
Pie \$3.00	Water \$2.00
Sausage Roll \$2.50	Milk Popper \$1.50
Spaghetti \$2.50	Juice Popper \$1.00
Beef & Gravy Roll \$3.00	
Meat & Salad Wrap \$2.50	
Pea & Ham Soup \$2.00	

Zooper Dooper \$0.50
A selection of home baking will be available on the day, from \$0.50.
Tea/Coffee free



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Last Fortnight's Achievers



Student Of The Week

is awarded to
Darby Geisler
For

**Demonstrating an
Enthusiasm for Learning**



Total Grit Award

is awarded to
Amity Bugeja
For

**Grit is the ability to accept challenges
and persist mentally and physically to
achieve goals & success.**



Bookwork Award

is awarded to
Seana Christensen
For

**Exceptional bookwork and
dedication to Oakenden SS's
Bookwork Policy.**



**SIGHT
WORD
ACHIEVERS**



**THIS SCHOOL IS
PROTECTED BY**



LOOK LISTEN REPORT

13 17 88

or phone your local police



Queensland
Government

SCHOOL CAPTAIN'S REPORT

On Thursday 21st of May all students at Oakenden State School participated in our annual Homebush-Oakenden Sports Day. There were three teams competing for the trophy which were Bridgman, Kemmis and Oakenden.

Sprints were the first event of the day followed by the field events which included long jump, high jump, shot put, discus and 200 metres. Overall we placed 2nd with Bridgman blitzing the competition.

We also participated in relays and ball games. We tried our hardest to win the ball games trophy but ended up second with Bridgman winning (again). Mr Evans & Mrs Hine showed us what they had when their magnificent runs led us to victory in the relays. Go Mr Evans and Mrs Hine!

We are all proud of the effort we made and are proud of our outcome. Thank you Homebush State School for a great day at your school.



STUDENT WORK



One Wish Left

I was with my family and I was asleep. SWISHHHHH! "What was that?" I shouted. I Never heard it before. SWISHHHHH! There is it again. I walked and a fluffy white cloud was right in front of me. I reached out and touched it and then suddenly I saw this man. He was an old and wrinkly man. I made a wish and then he said "You have one more wish." "I wish I could go to another world. Wait that's not what I wanted!" And there I was alone, in the dark. I couldn't touch anything.. BOOOOM! "What was that, I want out!" I thought I better start running or I could be in trouble. Suddenly I heard screaming and then...

By Qwayla Hine

SHOOT THE LOOK WORKSHOP



This is your opportunity to try in a fully styled professional photo shoot.

Just bring your camera, your Makeup packet and a flash if you have one.

Take away the secrets of finding models, arranging hair, make-up and posing the set.

POSING • LIGHTING • CAMERA TECHNIQUES
2 MODELS, 4 LOOKS

Bombshell Boudoir!
Classic Hollywood Style

Times: 11 (Inglwood) Drive, Ardrossan, Monday
Date: Sunday 21st June - 10am - 12.30pm (+3.30hr)

Special Offer!
Book EARLY & SAVE \$88.00. Book by 15/6/15.
Standard price \$117.00 (incl. venue).

Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity.
Book now!
Members are limited!

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PHOTOSHOP FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS BEGINNERS

Ignite Your Images & Excite Your Audience!

- *Especially for Beginners
- *Especially for Photographers
- *No prior knowledge required
- *Step by Step Take Home Instructions

PHOTOSHOP FOR BEGINNERS
Weekend Intensive
from 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th June 2015

Save \$69.00
Register and confirm payment by
June 15th to take advantage of the
Early Bird Discount - Pay only \$497.00
(Regular price \$567.00)

Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity.
Book now!
Members are limited!

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TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2015 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Finland will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaustr@scce.com.au or call us toll free on **1800 500 501**, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

Proposed School Holiday Program – PCYC Alligator Creek

<p>SCIENCE DAY! We will all become scientists today, and do some really cool experiments!</p>	<p>Ten Pin Bowling followed by picnic at Mackay Botanical Gardens \$15</p>	 <p>CRAZY DAY Crazy Hair Lolly shop day</p>	<p>WHEELS DAY Bring your scooter or bike today! Please remember your safety helmet!</p>	<p>Cooking day! What can we create that will be yummy for our tummy? \$5.00</p>
Monday 6/7/15	Tuesday 7/7/15	Wednesday 8/7/15	Thursday 9/7/15	Friday 10/7/15
<p>Craft day! Choose from Build-A-Bear, Paint-A-Plate/Mug, Soap making or ?????? \$15 (Optional, must be booked)</p>	<p>Sports Day! Run, jump and throw!! Let's get physical!!!!</p>	<p>Wildlife Carers Enjoy a visit from wildlife animals and learn all about their needs when caring for them. \$2.50</p>	<p>Pizza Shop and Naidoc Excursion \$15 (compulsory)</p>	 <p>Bring a plate of party food to share, and get ready to party! We will have a jumping castle, disco, balloons, cake and party games!</p>

Care is \$50 per child per day less CCB & CCR
Please Contact Michelle on 0409 495 230 or email alligatorcreeksac@pcyc.org.au for more information

PCYC Alligator Creek SAC

Expression of interest
– Winter Vacation Care -
Monday 29th June 2015 – Friday 10th July 2015

Places required (eg 1, 2, 3)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1					
Week 2					

Parent name- _____
Contact number- _____

Please note – this is NOT a booking form.

A booking form will need to be completed, and payment received to secure booking