

OAKVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Friends

Kindergarten Transition

A warm welcome to our 2025 Kindergarten parents and students. It was fantastic to meet many parents at the information session today, Tuesday 5 November. We warmly welcome you to the Oakville Public School community and look forward to working with you in the future. Thank you to Miss Hollings for coordinating the transition sessions and to all involved in making our first Kindergarten transition session such a great success. A special mention to our student buddies who did a wonderful job working with their Kindergarten buddy.



Remembrance Day

A short commemoration will be held on Monday 11 November to signify Remembrance Day. During the commemoration, the significance of Remembrance Day will be explained to students and the importance of understanding the impact that conflict has had on so many lives across the world. One minute of silence will also be adhered to.



Our school leaders will also represent Oakville Public School at a commemoration service on Monday 11 November at McQuade Park in Windsor.



Dates for the Diary

Wed 6 November	P&C Meeting 7.30pm
Wed 6– Fri 8 November	Stage 2 Camp
Mon 11 November	Year 2 Swim School commences
Tue 12 November	Kindergarten Transition Day 2
Tue 19 November	Kindergarten Transition Day 3
Thu 21 November	E51 Bike Day

School Disco



Thank you to the students who attended the school disco on Friday evening. It was pleasing to see so many students in attendance and a fantastic time was had by all. Thank you to the Stage 3 teachers who did a wonderful job organising a great disco. Thank you also to the teachers who stayed back to assist with the disco. Special mention to our student counsellors who worked extremely hard on the night to ensure that all ran smoothly. Well done to all involved!



Stage 2 Stanwell Tops Camp



Stage 2 students will depart for Stanwell Tops on Wednesday 6 November and return to school on Friday 8 November. We hope they have a wonderful time on camp and create many fond memories during the three days. Thank you to Mr Schubert for his fantastic job organising the camp.

2025 Councillor Speeches



Good luck to all of our Year 5 students who presented a speech during the 2025 School Councillor elections. Congratulations to all students as all speeches were of a very high standard. The candidates will be informed of the voting outcome as soon as possible.



Planning for 2025



We have commenced our planning for 2025 and would greatly appreciate receiving information regarding any child who is not returning to Oakville Public School in 2025. If your child is not returning to Oakville Public School in 2025, please let the office staff know so we can do as much as possible to organise classes around anticipated enrolments.

Presentation Day



Our K-2 and 3-6 presentation day assemblies will take place on Tuesday 10 December. The 3-6 assembly will commence at 9.30am and the K-2 assembly will commence at 11.30am.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2025



We are taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2025. If you have a child who will be enrolling in Kindergarten for 2025, please assist us by completing an enrolment form. Forms are available from the office. Please bring your child's birth certificate/passport, immunisation documents and proof of address with you. Your assistance in this matter helps with planning for 2025. If you are aware of a family in the area who has a child who will be enrolling in Kindergarten for 2025, please ask them to contact the school office.

2025 Staff Development Days



Last week, the Department of Education announced changes to our 2025 Staff Development Days. These changes are outlined below. Please note the change of starting days, especially students returning for Term 1.

Term 1 – Friday 31 January to Wednesday 5 February (Year 1 – 6 students return Thursday 6 February.)

Term 2 – Monday 28 April and Tuesday 29 April (Students return Wednesday 30 April.)

Term 3 – Monday 21 July (Students return Tuesday 22 July.)

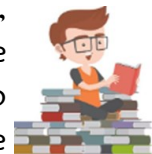
Term 4 – Monday 13 October (Students return Tuesday 14 October.)

Sean Montgomery

Principal

Library News

In the Library, we have been making space on the shelves for some new and exciting books. In week 6 during library lessons, students in years 3-6 will have the opportunity to choose a book to take home. Books will have the barcode blacked out, and will be theirs to keep.



Mrs Streat & Mrs Bryce, Librarians

Student Awards ~ Years K-2 Term 4, Week 3



<i>Lake T</i>	<i>Archi C</i>
<i>Chelsea B</i>	<i>Brody C</i>
<i>Harini P</i>	<i>Jacob M</i>
<i>Katherine H</i>	

Principal's Award

<i>Brazil</i>	Aizah Q
<i>Madagascar</i>	Raavi T
<i>Borneo</i>	Roy B
<i>Puerto Rico</i>	Avi M
<i>Singapore</i>	Rafael M
<i>Thailand</i>	Emily T
<i>Japan</i>	Samuel P
<i>Kiribati</i>	Julian M
<i>Mexico</i>	Waris S
<i>France</i>	Addison W
<i>Romania</i>	Maya M

Merit Awards: Leo W, Mack D, Emmanuel G, Talia L, Olivia G, Guruvansh C, Maddison B, Neo L, Tara M, Elias H, Kai M, Aiden G, Lani N, Brooklyn T, Saanvi G, James B, Rhiannon R, Conras B, Ananya T, Joshua F, Aiden R, Saksham M, Aarav P, Henry B, Jimmy M, Saanvi K, Spencer M, Aryan G, Stella S, Imogen D, Flynn F



Parent/carer resource

NSW Department of Education

Applying for my child to attend an opportunity class or selective high school

Why selective education?

Grouping high potential and gifted students together and using special teaching methods supports their:

- academic development
- emotional wellbeing
- friendships and social life.

Students tell us that they enjoy learning more when their classmates have similar abilities and interests.

Is it right for my child?

Here are some signs that your child may benefit from selective education.



learns quickly and easily



goal-driven



asks complex questions



good memory



curious and creative



deeply explores passions

Keep in mind, some children's high potential may be hidden. Being in an opportunity class or selective high school could help.



education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc

How can I support my child through the application process?



Talk to your child about the **benefits** and **challenges** of selective education and address their questions and concerns.



Ask your **child's teacher** (or other staff who know them well) whether they think selective education will suit your child.



Apply for any required **reasonable adjustments** for disability or medical conditions.



Encourage your child to use the department's **free resources** to prepare for the test.



Remind your child they only need to do a **small amount** of **preparation** for the placement test, and **don't** need coaching.



Support your child to continue **co-curricular activities**, see friends, eat healthily and sleep well in the lead-up to the test.

The **Equity Placement Model** reserves up to **20% of places** in opportunity classes and selective high schools for high potential and gifted:

- students from low socio-educational advantage backgrounds
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students
- students from rural and remote locations
- students with disability

Learn more: edu.nsw.link/equity

Resources in other languages:
edu.nsw.link/shsoc_languages



Financial support

edu.nsw.link/pubedu

The **Public Education Foundation scholarships** offer financial support to help young people at NSW public schools to access opportunities and reach their potential.

Please note there are no fees to apply and sit for the placement test, and there are no extra fees to enrol in a selective high school or opportunity class.

Get ready to apply

Learn more at our [website](https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc):



Telephone interpreter service

If you need interpreter assistance to speak with your child's class teacher please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. Tell the operator the phone number you want to call and the operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with the conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

[education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc](https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc)

Your new OSHC provider, Camp Australia!

We are truly excited to be partnering with Oakville Public School to provide your Outside School Hours Care service from 13/1/2025

REGISTRATIONS and BOOKINGS ARE NOT OPEN YET

Please keep an eye on emails for further information, including parent sessions, when you can book in and start date.



Registration is free

To attend any Camp Australia program, you first need to register your child and book. We recommend families to register so that if you ever need us, we have all the information and documentation we need to best care for your child.

All of our programs are eligible for you to claim the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) on. If you're eligible, you could be saving money on your OSHC with Camp Australia. To find out if you are eligible, simply log into MyGov and complete your Child Care Subsidy Assessment.

If you have any further questions, you can call our friendly Customer Care on 1300 105 343. The team are available 5am - 9pm, 7 days a week (except National Public Holidays).

Make your bookings with ease. Download the Parent Portal app today.

Search for **Camp Australia Parent Portal** on the App Store or Google Play, download the app and register free with us now.



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Tailored Out of School Hours experiences your children will love



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To register, visit campaustalia.com.au