

Dear Parents and Friends World Teachers' Day

Friday 25 October is World Teachers' Day in New South Wales. This is a day set aside every year to recognise the wonderful contribution that teachers make to so many



communities across Australia. It is also a day to recognise how fortunate we are to have teachers at Oakville Public School who consistently go 'above and beyond' for the students of our school, enabling all students to receive such a well-rounded education. I wish all Oakville Public School teachers a fantastic day on Friday!

#### 2025 Planning



We will commence our planning for 2025 soon and would greatly appreciate

receiving information regarding any special considerations relating to class placements for the 2025 school year, as staff will soon begin the lengthy process of forming classes. Many aspects of a student's placement are taken into consideration, to carefully place every student. The teachers possess information on each student's academic ability, reading levels, mathematics ability, NAPLAN results and emotional and social needs. Student friendship groups are taken into consideration as well. Possible friendship groups are one consideration in the placement, however, it is viewed in terms of 'learning buddies' not necessarily 'social buddies'. While having a pecial friend is important, I remind everyone that this is a class group for learning.

This is a very thorough process that involves considerable time, sensitivity and care. Every child is placed in reference to a bigger plan of how students, classes and teachers come together for optimal learning.

If you have any important information that you feel we need to take into consideration when placing your child/children for the 2025 school year, please inform me in writing by **Friday 25 October 2024**. This can be done by sending an email to <u>oakville-</u> <u>p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>. Unfortunately, emails received after **Friday 25 October 2024** will not be considered.

It is extremely difficult to change a child's class after the new school year has commenced. Whilst, all information will be taken into consideration, I cannot guarantee that all requests will be fulfilled.

Also, if your child is not returning to Oakville Public School in 2025, please send an email to <u>oakville-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> informing the office staff so we can do as much as possible to organise classes around anticipated enrolments.

#### Hawkesbury Public Speaking Semi-Finals

On Friday 25 October we will host the semi-finals of the Hawkesbury Public Speaking



competition. Good luck to Oscar M and Lily F who will represent Oakville Public School in the competition.





Gardens



We have some new sandstone garden edging being installed in the infants area of our school. OLD NORTHERN ROAD We are looking forward to the

completion of this project. A huge thank you the Dixon family who donated the to sandstone blocks. We certainly appreciate your generosity!



Summer Uniform Transition

From Monday 14 October, all students have transitioned to our Summer uniform. All students will be required to wear full Summer uniform to school, including all black shoes. Brightly coloured runners are not part of our school uniform. It is also important that sports uniform is only worn on sports days, unless communicated otherwise, due to a special day or special event. If you have any questions regarding our Summer Uniform options, please contact the school office.

### 2025 Kindergarten Transition

Information was sent home to all Oakville families late last term explaining 2025 Kindergarten procedures. If you have transition any questions regarding this information or require any assistance, please contact one of our friendly office staff on 4572 3142.

#### Term 4 Staff Development Days

The Department of Education announced an extra Staff Education Development for Term 4 2024. Thursday 19 December and Friday 20 December will be Staff Development Days. This means that the last day for students will be Wednesday 18 December 2024.

### Bush Fire Season

A note was sent home to all Oakville Public School families regarding the 2025 – 2026 bushfire season. Please ensure that you have read this information as Oakville Public School may be required to close at short notice. It is extremely important that all parents/carers know the procedures if this needs to occur.

#### The new Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) levels are:



#### Kindergarten Enrolments for 2025

We are taking Kindergarten welcome to 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.

> Sean Montgomery Principal

#### Lost Property



We have a considerable amount of school uniform items being placed into the lost property basket. Weekly, our office staff check the

lost property basket and return labelled items to the correct owner. Unfortunately, many of these items are not labelled with the child's name and cannot be returned to the correct owner. To assist office staff, please ensure that all of your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their full name. Also, please check your child's clothing to ensure that the labels do not contain another child's name. If you discover that your child has someone else's clothing, please return it to the school office so that it can be returned to the correct owner. Your assistance with this matter is greatly appreciated.

#### P&C

P&C MEETING WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 7:30PM STAFF ROOM





# Free child car seat safety check

Authorised Re	ur child is safe with a free inspection by a Transport for NSW estraint Fitter. You can have your child car seats and booster d for safety and correct fit.
Date:	Wednesday, 23 October 2024 from 9am - 1pm
Location:	Bligh Park Community Centre, 4 Sirius Road, Bligh Park
Contact:	To book in call Council's Road Safety Officer on (02) 4560 4278



childcarseats.com.au An initiative of your local council as part of the Local Government Road Safety Program







# Halloween Disco

DATE: Friday 1st November

## TIME:



Kindergarten to Year 2 - 5:00pm until 6:30 pm
Years 3 to 6 - 7:00pm until 8:30pm.

COST: \$6 - which includes entry, chips and a drink.

PLACE: School hall

Tickets can be purchased on School Bytes.

Wear a Halloween Costume!

