Every Child Matters Every Day
At Officer Primary School we hold the following values – the four “R’s” for all members of the school community:
- RESPONSIBILITY
- RESPECT
- RESILIENCE
- RELATIONSHIPS
As a staff, we make a commitment in 2015 to make these core values part of our explicit teaching on a routine basis.
We invite parents as well to engage in teaching and living by these values.

Date: Friday 1st May, 2015

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents and Friends of OPS,

ANZAC DAY SERVICE
Thank you to families who braved the cold, wet weather to support our students by attending the ANZAC Day service at the Officer Recreation Reserve last Saturday morning. Our students did a great job of performing the National Anthem, accompanied by John Paterson on guitar. Our School Captains, Aaron and Clia proudly laid a wreath on behalf of the school community. Thank you to John Paterson and Julian DeZilva for preparing the students on a very short timeline. Thank you also to other staff members who gave their support by being present at the service.

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy)
Today all students in Years 3 and 5 will receive an information flyer explaining this national assessment program that will be administered to students at these year levels on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th May.
This testing program is conducted annually for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. All students are expected to participate in the tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.
Class teachers will conduct the tests with their students and have undertaken activities to familiarise students with test formats and the test conditions they will experience. Individual student NAPLAN reports will be forwarded to the school for distribution to families later in the year.
If parents have any concerns or queries about the testing program they are encouraged to contact their child’s class teacher.

EDUCATION WEEK ACTIVITIES
This year we plan to celebrate Education Week by conducting our annual book fair and a book character dress-up day to coincide with a morning tea for grandparents or special persons. Families are encouraged to commence planning costumes for this day so that all children can participate in the whole school parade. Further information and invitations will be sent home in coming weeks. Please note that the date for the Grandparents morning tea is now Wednesday 20th May.

PFA MOTHERS’ DAY STALL
Families are reminded that the PFA will run a Mothers’ Day Stall next Tuesday 5th May. Gifts range from 50 cents to $5.00 in value with students being allowed to purchase a maximum of two gifts. If the PFA have gifts remaining after all classes have completed their purchases they will set up a stall in the yard after school.
Please ensure that your child brings their money for the Mothers' Day stall in a clearly labelled envelope.

OFFICER PRIMARY SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE
Did you know that Officer Primary School has an official Facebook page? This page is a great way for families to keep in touch with current events at school and often features reminders for families of arrangements for up and coming events. Official administrators ensure that the site is monitored and comments are approved before they appear. If you are not yet a friend of Officer Primary School you may like to consider this as another means of accessing information.

Regards
Lynne Brenner
Principal

SUBWAY LUNCHES
Wednesday May 6th is the next Subway lunch day. Please have your orders in before the bell on Wednesday morning.
Envelopes are available from the office.

Students of the Week

OFFICER PRIMARY SCHOOL COOKBOOK
Cookbooks are still available to order, come into the office if you wish to purchase one.
Cost: $20.00. Any profit will go towards Grade 6 graduation and Big Day Out.
MOTHER’S DAY STALL NEXT TUESDAY

Each class will take turns to shop at the stall and students will initially have the opportunity to purchase up to 2 items, plus a card and gift bag. Once all the classes have visited the stall, students may then return to the stall to buy extra gifts. There’s something to suit every Mum, Nana, or someone special.

Gifts range from $2.00 to $5.00

The stall will be open at the end of the day for any siblings that wish to make a purchase
If your child would like to purchase a gift, they need to bring money on Tuesday 5th May.

“SURPRISE SURPRISE”

What a lovely surprise the mums from the Parents & Friends received at their meeting on Tuesday.

Sandra from Soothe Mobile Massage donated her time to give the mums a much needed back, shoulder, neck, arm & fingers massage, whilst they were planning activities for this term. It was so relaxing.

There was terrific feedback from the mums, if you would like to organise a treat for someone special see Sandra’s flyer.

We would like to thank Sandra and also Michael Ball, a School Council Member, for organising this fantastic treat.

After attending our meeting, Sandra is also donating some items towards our Mother’s Day Stall. Again a big thank you.