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 2016 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 16th December, 2016

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents and Friends of OPS;

FINAL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Our final assembly for 2016 will be held on the last day of school for the year, as is the tradition at OPS. This assembly will commence at 9:00am and will be held in the multi-purpose room so that we can utilise our overhead projector and screen for the Year 6 presentation. At this assembly we will present a range of awards including the You Can Do It Awards, Aussie of the Month awards and the final result of the House Competition. We will also be announcing the School Captains for 2017. You are welcome to join us!

Please note that there will not be a whole school assembly on Monday morning.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
Thank you to all staff and family members who came out on Monday evening to support our students by attending the Christmas Concert. The students enjoyed the opportunity to perform for the audience and the turnout was indicative of the great family support for the children. Everyone was very excited to see the special visitor organised by Danielle Macreadie.

Congratulations must also be extended to the hardworking Parents and Friends group who organised the Christmas Raffle. It was great to see many of our families winning prizes on the night. The raffle was the culmination of a highly successful fundraising effort by the PFA with their fundraising total for 2016 being approximately $12,000. This is a phenomenal effort for a small school community and these funds will go towards the replacement of some of our aging playground equipment.

DEPARTING STAFF
On Tuesday we will be farewelling Kerryn Sweeney who has been teaching one of our Prep classes for Semester 2. Kerryn was employed to replace Luisa Prendergast for the duration of her family leave. As Luisa will be returning at the commencement of 2017, Kerryn is seeking a position at another school. I am sure you will join me in thanking Kerryn for the great work she has done with our Prep students and wish her all the best for the future.

SCHOOL REPORTS
Student reports have been distributed to the children today. As you will appreciate, a great deal of time and effort goes into preparing these reports and I would encourage families to sit down with their children to share and discuss the report. Please remember to celebrate the achievements of your child as your approval...
is very important to them. If you have any queries about the report I encourage you to make contact with the class teacher on Monday or Tuesday of next week.

As this is the last newsletter of 2016, I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and relaxing holiday break. Students return to school on Tuesday 31st January.

Please remember that students will be dismissed at 1:30pm on Tuesday!

Lynne Brenner
Principal

BREAKFAST CLUB
Thank You to all the students who have supported the Breakfast Club program this year.
Breakfast Club will start back on Tuesday 14th February.
It will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays
Remember parents need to book their child/ren into the book in the office.
There are only 20 places available each session.
Have a great Christmas
Mrs Ing and the helpers

PRIMARY SCHOOL WEAR
Just a reminder Primary school wear will be open on Monday and Tuesday next week for parents to organise their school uniforms for 2017.
Pop in to organise a lay by if you need.

They will reopen Tuesday 3rd January 2017.

FOR SALE
Officer Secondary College Uniform
I have a jumper, two white blouses, the Sport tracksuit pants and the soft shell sports jacket that I only want half price for.

My daughter is only a very small build

Contact Julie Smith mobile 0416 262 689
Parents & Friends News:
What a great night we had on Monday, and some lucky families took home amazing prizes in our Christmas Raffle. Congratulations to all the lucky winners, I’m sure they are very happy with their goodies. A special thank you to Melissa Holden for organising the raffle and her elves, Lisa, Rebecca, Elisa & Jude, the hampers looked fabulous. I would also like to thank all the families, businesses & teachers that donated items for the raffle, your support and the support of those families that purchased and sold tickets made it possible to raise over $2600. These funds will be put towards the replacement of playground equipment.

As another year draws to a close I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families that have supported or volunteered to help out with our activities this year, without this support we would not be able to run our events.

Finally to the hardworking P & F committee members, a big thank you for the fantastic job you all do.

On behalf of the committee members I would like to wish all families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Safe New Year.
Melissa Ball
PFA President.
Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets in our Christmas Raffle.

We could not have had so many wonderful gifts if it was not for some very generous companies who were able to contribute, or the dedication of the P&F. We would like to thank Melissa Holden, Elisa Mills, Beck Carter, Lisa Tucker, Mrs Ing and a huge thank you to Miss Andrew. A big thank you also goes out to the wonder prize the Teachers and staff donated.
We would like to say a massive thank you to the companies below. Without your support we would not be able to raise much needed funds for our school.

**Sidco**

**Bryant Builders**

**Lunar Drive In**

**Cardinia Life**

**Melissa Holden Photography**

**The Original Taco Bill**

**The Pan Cake Parlour**

**Avon**

Katie Lithgow Avon Rep

**Melbourne Star Observation Wheel**

**Phillip Island Nature Parks**

**Berwick Potteries Officer**

Neil Bateman – Instructor
OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

12th – 16th December 2016
This week in the OSHC Room we have been enjoying Christmas activities that ranged from Christmas colouring sheets, Christmas angels, Creating our own wrapping paper, Fake snow and mini polystyrene snowmen. We also had fun in the sun with Cricket, dodgeball, Football, 4 square, Soccer shoot outs and ball tiggy. Other activities included making Pokemon cards and 3d Pokemon characters, role playing ‘School’, Lego, built various structures with the building blocks and played with the pirate play set.
As this will be our last newsletter for the 2016 we are happy to say we have had a lovely year and want to wish all the OSHC Families and the school community a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy new year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2017!

This week’s Activities

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Parent Information

OSH program phone:
Coordinator: Ellen Fisher
Assistants: Amy Dunlop
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000
All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.