

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 2017 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 December 1st, 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents and Friends of OPS;

ORIENTATION MORNING

On Tuesday 12th December our current students, Preps for 2018 and new students for Years 1 to 6 will have the opportunity to participate in our Orientation Morning. The purpose of this experience is to provide all students with the opportunity to mix with their new classmates, spend some time with their teacher for 2018 and familiarise themselves with the location of their 2018 classroom. Current students will begin their day in their 2017 class and then move to their 2018 class to participate in orientation activities between 9:20am and 1:30pm. They will return to their regular class following the lunch break. The 2018 Prep students will attend between 9:30am and 12:30pm. Our staff are looking forward to meeting their new classes!

3/4 HOOPTIME HEROES

Congratulations to our 3/4 Hooptime Team who represented Officer Primary School in the State Junior Future Stars competition on Thursday. They performed admirably, placing second out of 813 teams who have participated in the competition.

We are all very proud of you for your achievements. Thank you to Miss C and Braden for your support of the team and also to other members of our school community who attended to encourage the team throughout the long day of competition.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Have you seen the great range of prizes that are on offer to those who participate in the annual PFA Christmas Raffle. I am sure that many of our students have their eye on some of the prizes on display in the office. There are 16 prizes in total with each pack being put together with a theme. There are lots of goodies and a range of vouchers hidden amongst them for family fun. Additional ticket books are available at the office if you wish to increase your chance of winning. The raffle will be drawn at our Christmas Concert and I am sure there will be many happy winners. You have to be in it to win it!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT – TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER

Families are reminded that our Christmas Concert will be held on Tuesday 19th December. If the ground is dry we will have the stage set up on the oval and families will be able to picnic on the grass. If it is wet under foot we will set the stage up on the hard court area at the front of the school. Adults may like to bring a fold up chair for their comfort. Students will be gathered in their classes for the duration of the performance.

A vendor will be available on site selling coffee, cool drinks and icy poles. Please be mindful that alcoholic drinks and smoking are not allowed on school premises. We are looking forward to a great family celebration of the school year!

Term 4 ends on FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER at 1:30pm!
Lynne Brenner



SUBWAY LUNCHES



Our next subway lunch order day is Wednesday December 13th.
Please remember to have your orders in to the office by 9.00am.

LIBRARY

The library will be starting stocktake in the coming weeks please return books to school as soon as possible please.

Thanks
Mrs Ing

Book Club

The **Gift Function** enables you to tag **Book Club** orders on **LOOP** that are intended as a surprise gift. This feature can be used throughout the year, providing your **Book Club Organiser** has enabled the gift function for your school. **LOOP** orders tagged as a gift will be delivered to school and marked accordingly, for the **Book Club Organiser** to set aside at the school office for you to collect.

How to use the **Gift Function** on **Book Club LOOP**
scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Follow these **easy** steps!

1 LOG-IN

2 Select the **ORDER** tab

3 Select your **ISSUE**

4 Check the box **GIFT ORDER**

NOTE: ALL ITEMS ON THIS ORDER WILL BE MARKED AS A GIFT.

GIFT ORDER?



5 Enter the book number shown on the Catalogue

6 Select **NEXT** to finalise your order

PLEASE NOTE, THE ITEMS DO NOT COME GIFT WRAPPED.

For books that can be delivered directly to your child, please submit a separate order.

SCHOLASTIC



BOOK CLUB – Last minute ideas for Xmas 2017

Book Club is here. You can order online with LOOP or send money and order back to school.

Orders for Issue 8 are due 9am Thursday 7th December 2017

Mrs Ing and Wendy.



PE/SPORT NEWS



PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORT BLOG

Don't forget to have a look at our PE and sport blog - it can be accessed through the school website under the 'student' tab or you can find it at

<http://misschristo.global2.vic.edu.au/> .

RUNNING CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following students who received a milestone at Running Club-



5km - James P, Caedyn B, Charlotte J

15km - Jack Y

20km - Stuart B

BRAND NEW BASKETBALL UNIFORMS

In Term 3, our students had the opportunity to vote on a design for our new Basketball uniforms. These have been purchased for Hooptime days and Interschool Sport days as our previous uniforms were quite outdated. Thanks to Oscar G and Ella T for helping me present them at assembly on Monday. They look awesome!



HOOPTIME STATE FINAL

A great big CONGRATULATIONS to our Grade 3/4 Hooptime team (Kade W, Cam L, Alex M, Oscar G, Mackenzie R, Selma H and Ella T) who represented our school amazingly at the State Finals on Thursday.

We made it through to the Grand Final, not coming away with the win but so proud of our team of champions. This is an extraordinary result as we are ranked 2nd overall out of 813 teams from primary schools all over the state.

Thank you to Braden who coached and helped run training sessions in the weeks leading up to the day. We had a great cheer squad comprised of family and friends who cheered so loud all day- thank you for all your support.



Congratulations Students of the week



Prep LP

Prep RA James for an amazing effort in our hockey clinic and for giving it a go with enthusiasm.

P1JDZ Ali for continuing to set an exceptionally high standard in all your work and tackling every new challenge.

1/2LH Seline for amazing results in her spelling.

1/2 JD Christina for awesome narrative writing and descriptive language to tell a story.

2DM Maddie for an outstanding introduction to your narrative.

3/4 NP Brodie for displaying confidence and maturity to his work.

3/4 BC Joel for a well presented graph on your science experiment. Well done Joel!

4/5 AW Jaxson for his wonderful work on his family mind-map. Well done and keep up the good work!

5/6 YK

Congratulations Students of the week



Prep LP

Prep RA Jasmine for outstanding progress on her rocket words and even completing 2 colours in 1 week.

P1JDZ Jaxson for putting tremendous effort into your narrative writing, producing very creative pieces of work!

1/2LH Peyton for making great progress in her reading.

1/2 JD Brody for always working hard and never giving up! What a fabulous classmate!

2DM Jayden for great expression when reading. Well done.

3/4 NP Maeve for trying her hardest all the time.

3/4 BC Robert for working really hard on your mental maths. You have learnt new strategies to answer more questions!

4/5 AW Kyan for his outstanding attitude in class and persistence when doing challenging tasks.

5/6 YK Jack for demonstrating great persistence when completing his maths and awesome work on his scrapbook.

JUNIOR

Week Eight 27th Nov- 1st Dec



What's On



Literacy

In reading this week, the preps have been focusing on the difference between imaginative and informative texts, chunking, blending and rereading and identifying who, what, where and when. Grade Ones and Twos are working at inferring what the author means by studying the clues in the text. They also continued to improve fluency by learning how to scoop words into phrases.

This week, we have continued to publish narrative writing. We have learnt how to structure the components of a narrative. We are working on editing our own work by rereading to improve the spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Maths

The junior grades have completed looking at location. We have been consolidating how to read grid references and locate places. The grade ones and twos explored flip, slide and turn, clockwise or anti-clockwise. Preps have been learning the language of placement such as over, under and between, near, forwards and towards.



Daily Routines

Readers

Look for your child's reader in their book bags. These books are for home reading practice. Don't forget to record each night's reading in the students' reading diaries!

Vocab Books

Vocab books contain lists of words to be read by sight (Prep) or spell (Year One/Two). Please practice these with your child.

Diaries

Your child's diary is the main form of communication between school and home. Please initial on each day. Absences can be written in on the day as well.

Fruit time

Please send along a fresh piece of fruit at fruit time which is about 10.00 everyday. Cutting up the fruit may help for difficult fruit like apples and oranges.

Don't forget to buy a few raffle tickets for the chance to win one of our amazing hampers!



Reminders

Be Sun Smart!

Hats are compulsory in Term 4. Please ensure your child has a clearly named school hat to wear during outside times and sport sessions. We also recommend making sure your child has sunscreen in their bag that they can reapply during the day.

BREAKFAST CLUB – Tuesday and Thursdays
8.30 a.m. – 8.50 a.m. – Parents need to write their child's name into the booking folder which is located in the office

LIBRARY BOOKS

This week is the last week that students will be borrowing for home. Please have a hunt at home for school library books!

Senior News week 8

Hi Everyone,

What a fabulous week we have had. On Thursday 5/6 YK participated in the final event for Harmony Day. The students were asked to complete a ten minute presentation, the students chose to share their experience of State School Spectacular. Our two School Captains delivered a speech that they had written and prepared themselves, the whole class then performed one of the State School Spectacular dances. We would like to congratulate Oscar and Alex who were part of the amazing Hoop Time basketball team who represented our school at the State Finals, coming home as Runners Up. In CAFÉ this week we have been focusing on analysing texts where we have been learning how to break down the plot and discuss how the author builds interest. In VOICES we began writing reports for our scrap books, the students were able to select the topic and have worked on using formal language and correct tense. In Maths we finished our chance and data unit, next week we will be focusing on number and algebra. Please remember that we require all notes and money to be returned for our Science Works excursion ASAP.

Hope you have a fabulous weekend

Alex and Yolande

Hi everyone,

We are sooooo proud of our superstar basketballers – Kade, Selma, Cameron, Oscar, Mackenzie, Ella and Alex. Yesterday they represented our school at the Hoop Time State Finals with maturity and determination to make it all the way to the Grand Final. That's makes them one of the top 2 teams out of 800 schools Victoria wide! YOU GUYS ARE AMAZING! We wish we could have been there, but we were kept up to date by Miss C. throughout the day. Every time an update came through we were cheering and crossing our fingers for you. A very big thank you to Miss C. and Braden for all their hard work – YOU ARE AMAZING TOO!!! So glad those new uniforms arrived!

Yesterday we also attended our science excursion The Matter of Matter. It was fantastic! The kids had a ball doing hands on experiments with dry ice, candles, water and bi-carb soda to name a few. We learnt about solids, liquids and gases and how things change states.

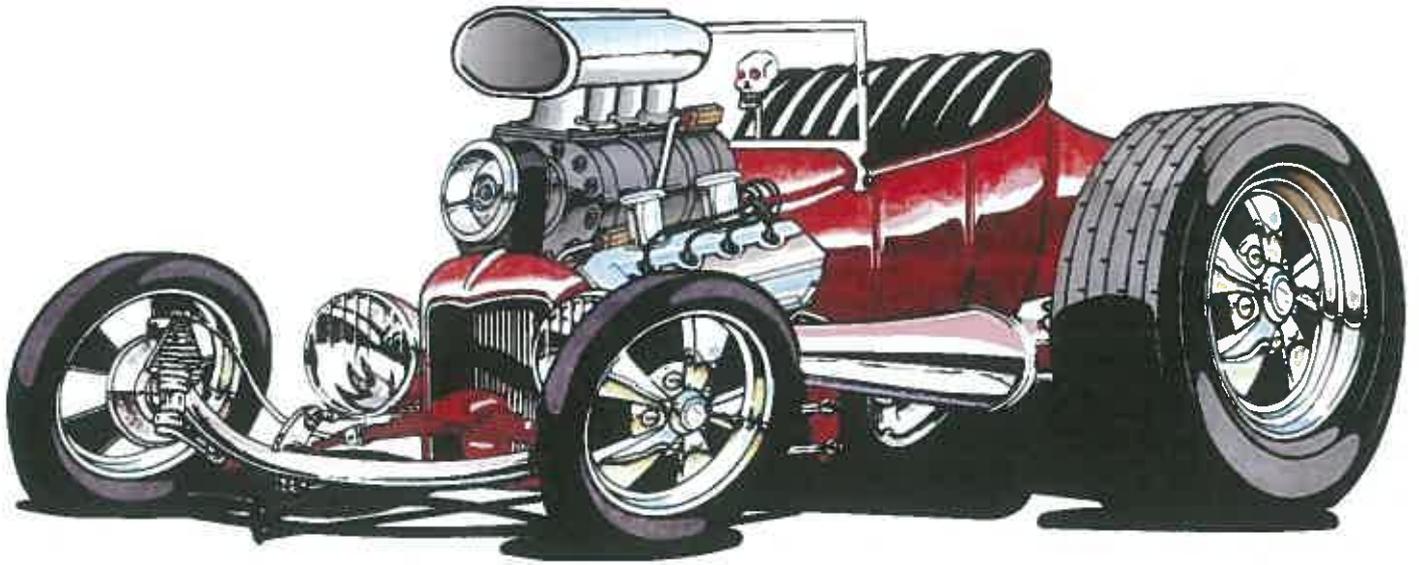
Next week in maths we will continue our final unit of the year on the 4 processes (+, x, -, ÷). In CAFÉ we will continue to read our Roald Dahl class novels and we will be continuing our work on accuracy and fluency. Homework is due on Thursday which is the last one of the year.

Have a great week.

Duanne, Laura & Nicole



Officer Primary School Car Show and Shine



**Saturday 17th March
2018**

Car Competitions, Live Bands,
Rockabilly Dancers,
and Special Guest!

For Car Entrant Applications and More Information please contact
Melissa Holden at melissa_wright77@hotmail.com or
Rebecca Carter at mbltraveler@hotmail.com

Parents and Friends News

PFA President's Report:

Our end of year/Christmas raffle will be happening again this year with up to 16 prizes up for grabs, if you have any 'new items' or food hamper items you would like to donate please see myself, Rebecca Carter or Leah Morrison.

The Raffle tickets went home this week and some of the **awesome hampers** are on display in the office. The hampers include a Christmas Day Survival Hamper, a Kids Outdoor Hamper, a Body Shop Hamper, A Lego Christmas Train and Puffing Billy Hamper a Mum's Hamper and a Dad's Hamper.

If you require more tickets there are plenty available, please send a note in your children's diaries or see Julie in the office. The raffle will be drawn at our Christmas Concert on Tuesday 19th December.

Our next special 'food day' is a morning tea and will be on Wednesday 6th December (next week!) If you available to help on the morning please see Rebecca Carter, Leah Morrison or Lisa Tucker.

Melissa Holden

What's Ahead in 2018!

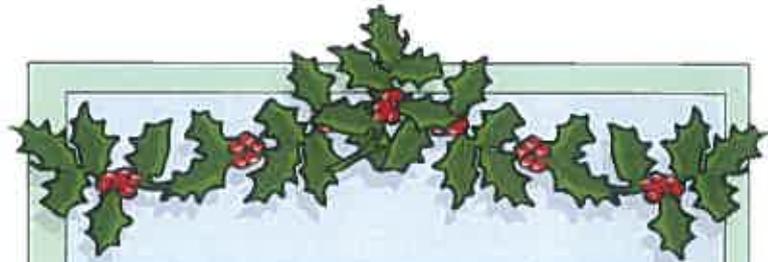
Officer Primary School's Car Show and Shine



Saturday 17th March
10am – 2pm

If you know of any Car Clubs, Live Entertainment or would just love to get involved please contact

Melissa at
melissa_wright77@hotmail.com



Our End of Year/Christmas Raffle is coming!

Up to 16 prizes for your
chance to win!

If you have any 'new' items or food hamper items you would like to donate please see Melissa Holden, Leah Morrison or Rebecca Carter.

Tickets are due back to school on
Friday 15th December.
One booklet of tickets has gone home with students and additional will be available at the office.

Drawn on Tuesday 19th December

What's coming up in Term 4:

Tuesday 5th December – PFA meeting in the Multipurpose room, all welcome!

Wednesday 6th December – Special Food Morning Tea – Jelly Cups

Friday 15th December – Raffle tickets are due back to school

Tuesday 19th December – Christmas Raffle drawn at Christmas Concert