

### 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 2018 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 August 31st, 2018**

## *FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK*

*Dear Parents and Friends of OPS;*

### **ENROLMENTS FOR 2019**

Thank you to those families who have returned the forms requesting confirmation of enrolment for 2019. At this time of the year we commence our planning for the next year and reliable enrolment figures are essential to this process. If you have not yet returned your form please do so as soon as possible. If you cannot locate the form please contact our office to acquire a new one.

We are also finalising our Prep enrolments for 2019. If you have a child eligible to commence school next year and have not yet submitted an enrolment form please contact Julie to secure enrolment paperwork.

### **PARENT OPINION SURVEY**

Earlier this month a random sample of families received an emailed request to participate in the annual Parent Opinion Survey to provide feedback about our school. The survey closing date has been extended to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September so if you have received an invitation to participate and have not yet completed the survey you still have a chance to do so. If you have already completed the survey we thank you for taking the time and will look forward to receiving your responses.

### **FATHERS' DAY STALL**

A big thankyou to our PFA team for organising the Fathers' Day Stall this week. The complimentary paper gift bags were a great hit with students who enjoyed decorating the bags prior to shopping for their gifts. A great deal of time and effort goes into sourcing suitable gifts at a budget price and packaging and presenting gifts for sale. It is all about giving students the opportunity to shop for the special dads or grandads in their life. The pleasure they get from this experience is very gratifying to those who have done the hard work! I hope those receiving the gifts will get much joy from the choices the children have made.

**FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST**

We had a wonderful turnout this morning for the Fathers' Day Breakfast. The staff did a great job of cooking eggs and bacon for the rolls and both dads and students really enjoyed sharing breakfast together in our new garden area. Thank you to all those who attended. Staff are already planning for next year!

*To all the dads in our community, have a great Fathers' Day!*

*Lynne Brenner*

**BOOK CLUB 2018**  
**ISSUE 6**  
**Term 3**

Book Club is here. You can order online with LOOP or send money and order back to school.  
**Orders for Issue 6 are due in at 9am Friday 7th September 2018**  
Mrs Ing and Wendy.

Introducing

 **SCHOLASTIC**

**Book Clubs LOOP**  
for Parents

**LOOP** is the Scholastic Book Clubs  
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.  
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Clubs by credit card visit:  
**[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)**



## SUBWAY LUNCH

The next subway lunch will be Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September.  
Remember to have your order into the office by 9.00am, with the correct  
money in the envelope.



Diabetes Victoria will be here on Monday to pick up our donations and weigh them. Thank  
you to the families that cleaned out your cupboards to help us raise some money and  
hopefully get our fridges.

I will keep you posted with the amount we raised.

**WE HAVE ANOTHER WEEK!!!!!!**  
**GET INTO YOUR WARDROBES THIS WEEKEND 😊**

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# Maths Rangers



## Congratulations

### Yellow Band

Samantha

Oscar

Thomas

### Green Band

Ali

Ayron

# Congratulations



## Students of the week

**Prep JT Tyler:** Trying really hard to use lowercase letters within words.

**Prep JDZ Parker:** Having the confidence to respond to 'one more, one less' questions correctly when using numbers to 20.

**1/2LH Tylah:** An amazing attitude to all her learning and achieving wonderful results.

**1/2 JD Koby:** Being an amazing member of 1/2 JD and putting in 100% in his learning.

**1/2DM Ali:** Excellent handwriting and always showing a positive attitude towards everything.

**3/4 NP Chase:** Showing maturity and responsibility at camp and giving everything 100%.

**Summer:** Writing a well thought out and interesting senses poem and octopoem.

**3/4 BC Jayden:** Working really hard on his mental maths and his great effort to complete tasks

**Shona:** Great effort with her reading and staying focused when completing tasks independently

**5/6 AW Aliyah:** Her amazing at work supporting Daffodil Day and the effort she has put into her yearbook.

**Jacinta:** Trying new things on camp and being a sensational rock climber! Good work.

**5/6 YK Ella:** Working hard to ensure all her work was completed and well presented in her Yearbook! Well done.

**Blayden:** Demonstrating his spider monkey skills while rock climbing on camp and for encouraging those around him.

# JUNIOR

Term Three, Week Seven 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> August



## Prep Update!

In reading this week, we practised being able to ask questions before, during and after we read a text. We explored syllables and learnt how to find them by clapping or putting your hand under your chin and feeling how many times our jaw opens when we say a word. We investigated what it sounds like to read at a just right rate and we continued looking at adjectives and how to locate them in our books.

We continued exploring report writing in writing this week. We continued to develop our Sea Creature reports with our writing focus being on creating short descriptions using appropriate language, using interesting vocabulary to interest the reader and understanding that capital letters are used for names.

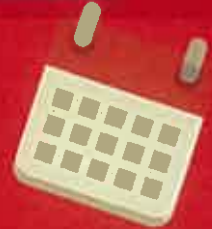
In maths, we consolidated our place value knowledge. We revisited making groups of ten to help our understanding before expanding on this to break down numbers into tens and ones e.g. 35 = 30 tens and 5 ones.

## 1/2 News!



Our SPACE theme has begun in preparation for our excursion to Scienceworks. We are going to be talking about the names of the planets in our solar system. Weather patterns are also one of our explorations. We want to know how the seasons change and what makes the weather behave the way it does. We are reading stories about space and writing poems as well. We had a go at writing an acrostic poem where we use the first letter of every word in a sentence about the topic. For our maths topic on money, we have been working on counting a collection of coins by using fives and tens counting sequences.

## Timetables



**Prep LP**  
ICT – Tuesday  
ART – Tuesday  
Signing – Tuesday  
PE – Wednesday

**Prep JDZ**  
ART – Monday  
PE – Tuesday  
ICT – Tuesday  
Signing – Tuesday

**1/2 LH**  
ICT – Monday  
ART – Monday  
PE – Wednesday  
Signing – Thursday

**1/2 JD**  
PE – Monday  
ICT – Monday  
ART – Tuesday  
Signing – Thursday

**1/2 DM**  
PE – Monday  
ICT – Monday  
ART – Tuesday  
Signing – Tuesday

Junior Sport - FRIDAYS



## Daily Routines

### Readers

Look for your child's reader in their book bag. 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.

## Reminders

**PREP EXCURSION** – TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER – Our Preps will be heading to Myuna Farm on Tuesday!

**SUBWAY LUNCHES** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Order forms can be collected from the office. Orders must be placed in the class baskets in the office by 9am on Wednesday morning!

**EXCURSION FORMS** – Forms and money for the 1/2 excursion to Scienceworks are due back as soon as possible!

# SENIOR

news

## GRADE 3/4

Hi everyone,  
This week in maths we continued our unit on money and we learnt about how to show money amounts in different ways. We wrote cinquains and studied visualising when reading. We did the non-word spelling test again and learnt about global warming and climate change. We wished those who went to District Athletics luck and they made us proud with their determination and behaviour. Please don't forget that diaries and reading diaries need to be at school every day. We would also like to wish all the dads a very happy Father's Day!

You can access our blog at;  
<http://mrsbeck.global2.vic.edu.au/>

Have a fantastic weekend  
Laura, Emily, Nicole, Wendy, Carol & Shannon

## GRADE 5/6

### Senior News

This week many of the senior students participated in District Athletics and performed very well! We have been excited to celebrate Father's Day with our early morning breakfast on Friday and attending the Father's Day stall. In Maths this week we have started our new unit on Location and Transformation. For English, we have started exploring texts around charity organisations and foundations in preparation for our Unit Inquiry topic involving the creation of a school fundraiser.

Hope everyone has a lovely weekend,  
Alex and Yolande

## WHAT'S ON

13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> September – State School Spectacular Rehearsal  
15<sup>th</sup> September – State School Spectacular  
18<sup>th</sup> September – Hot Dog and Footy Colours Day  
21<sup>st</sup> September – End of Term 3 (2.30pm dismissal)

**Digital  
Technology  
@ OPS**

**What's happening in  
ICT this term?**



**CODING**

**SEQUENCING DATA AND DIGITAL SOLUTIONS**

**PREP**

### **Introduction to coding**

This term students in prep have been exposed to different forms of coding. They have used: Code - a - pillars, Blue Bots, computer programs, unplugged coding activities and applications to introduce them to the world of coding. They completed rotations in order to work in small groups spending longer periods of time exploring robots and programs.

**YEARS 1 & 2**

### **Coding/Robot Rotations**

Students were able to complete Robotic rotations using different forms of code: Code - a - pillars, Blue Bots, computer programs, unplugged coding activities, iPads and the Edison Robots.

They worked in small groups and directed different robots to complete certain tasks: following a sequence of steps, instructing human robots, predicting the movement of the robot and creating their own steps for other robots to follow.





## YEARS 3 & 4

### Saving Superman

Throughout this term students in Years 3 and 4 have been working in collaborative groups to Save Superman. Students are required to use trial and error and their growing problem solving skills to Save Superman from a tall tower.

**Task 1:** Create a rescue device using recycled material that can be powered by a Sphero Ball.

**Task 2:** Using the SpheroEdu App program your device so that it can avoid obstacles, collect and return superman safely home.



## YEARS 5 & 6

### Bridge Construction

Throughout this term students in Years 5 and 6 selected their own groups in order to successfully design and create a bridge that the Sphero can successfully cross using the smallest amount of code. They needed to work in collaborative groups (of their own choosing) to complete the tasks listed below.

**Task 1:** Create a bridge using recycled material that can be crossed by a Sphero Ball.

**Task 2:** Using the SpheroEdu App program your device so that it can avoid obstacles, cross your bridge safely and glide safely to the other side of the course.



# Officer Primary School



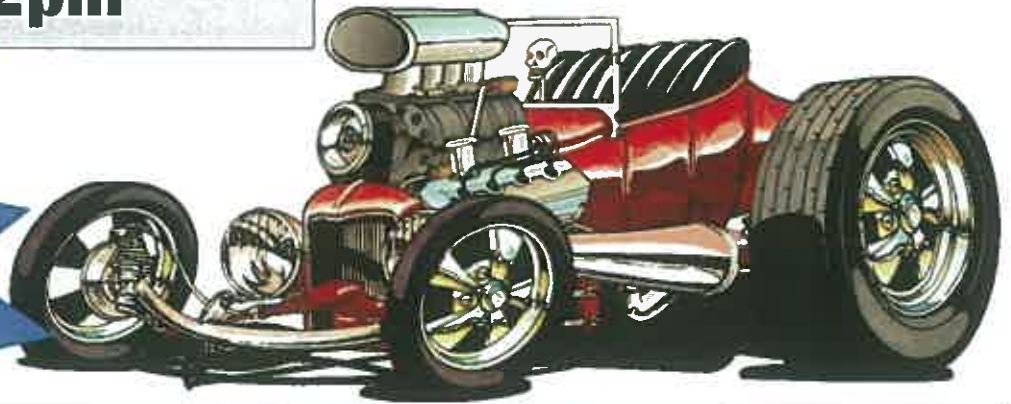
## Motor Show



**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November  
2018  
10am - 2pm**

**Officer Primary School  
13-23 Tivendale Road,  
Officer**

**\$10 Vehicle  
Entrant Fee**



**Gold Coin  
Donation for  
Public Entry**

The Officer Primary School Motor Show is open to all vehicles, any year, make or model.  
All Car/Bike/Boat entrants automatically entered into Competitions including Principal's Choice, Student's Choice, Best Old School plus more. Trophies for Winners announced at 1pm by a panel of judges.

Kids Zone Tickets \$15 on the day at the Entry Gate

**Trophies for Entrants, Live Band - Fast 59,  
"Best Dressed" Prizes for Rockabilly Guys, Gals & Children,  
Rockabilly Dancers and Rockabilly DJ,  
Hot Food and Drinks, Student's Art Show, Raffle  
Kids Zone Activities including Jumping Castle,  
Face Painting, Petting Zoo plus more!**

For More Information please contact  
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Stall Holder/Business Vehicles Entry between 7.30am - 8.30am  
Competition Entrant Vehicles Entry between 8.30am - 9.30am  
Vehicles are to be stationary during Motor Show except on arrival and departure to/from Show, with the help of Motor Show Volunteers.

# Parents and Friends News

## PFA President's Report:

Our Chocolate and Lolly Drive is now **OVERDUE!** Please return all money and unsold chocolates and lollies to the office asap. Thank you to all that took part in this fundraiser, your help and support has been amazing!

Hot Dog Food Day forms have been handed out, please ensure you fill them out correctly and bring them back to school by 9am Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. **NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

Soon we will be putting out a call for volunteers for our Motor Show, Bunnings BBQ, State Election BBQ and Colour Explosion. If you would like to volunteer at any or all of these please come have a chat with me.

If you would like to help with any of our activities you must have your working with children's checks, these can be done online or at the post office. They are free and is a very easy process.

We have lots of Awesome activities planned for Term 3 and 4! Watch this space for more news!  
Melissa Holden

Thank you to our Amazing volunteers that helped out on the Father's Day Stall, it wouldn't have been possible without you.

Great job to Sarah K, Rebecca, Kylie, Karen, Joanne B, Natalie, Ourania, Tanya, Angela and Leonie



**Happy Father's Day to all the Dad's, Step Dad's, Grandpa's and Special Persons.**



Chocolate and Lolly Drive Money is now overdue! We only have a few payments outstanding so please help us out and Please return money and unsold chocolates and lollies back to school asap!

## What's coming up in Term 3 and 4:

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Hot Dog Food Day**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November – OPS Motor Show**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Bunnings BBQ (Pakenham)**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November – State Election BBQ**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Colour Explosion**