

Our vision is to provide opportunities that challenge all students to achieve their personal best.

WELCOME BACK TO 2019

I am pleased to welcome everyone back for another school year at Orange Grove Primary School. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families, especially to our Kindergarten children and their parents and caregivers and hope that your journey at this school will be a very happy one. I hope that everyone had a safe and refreshing break ready for another special year of schooling at Orange Grove Primary School.

ASSEMBLY

There will be a special welcome back to school assembly on Friday 8 February when the new student leadership team will be announced.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING AT SCHOOL – BE RESPONSIBLE

Please take great care when driving through the school and car park. Observe parking restrictions and speed limits for the safety of our children which is paramount. The rules are as follows:

- speed limit is 8kph
- reverse park in the car park
- NO PARKING around the Kiss and Drive and that includes against the tree. Drivers must remain in the car.
- Walk around the car park not through it

Please take note of all traffic signs at school. Under the School Education Act, Regulation 88 states that “a person must comply with a sign, notice or marking or with a direction while on school premises with a penalty of \$200 to \$1000 for non-compliance”. I would hate to have to enforce these penalties so please take care and follow the rules. Thank you.

SMOKING/DRINKING AND DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Smoking and/or drinking alcohol is prohibited on all Public School grounds which includes the car park. Please refrain from smoking or drinking alcohol on the school grounds.

Dogs, no matter how friendly, are not allowed on school grounds as there may be children who are frightened of or allergic to dogs and also it is very busy at drop off and pick up times and very crowded for dogs to be around.

SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL 8:15 – 8:30AM

Unfortunately, due to the lack of staff availability, it is not possible to provide supervision of students prior to 8:15am. Parents will need to organise their own supervision with day care if they need to drop off students before 8:15am. Students arriving at school between 8:15am and 8:30am will be supervised in the

SCHOOL CAR PARK SAFETY RULES

- **If you have young children please ensure that you keep hold of them when walking to your cars for their own safety and please do not leave young children unattended in the car in the car park.**

CAR PARK

- Drive slowly it's an 8km an hour zone
- Reverse parking only.
- Don't walk through car park, walk around the outside.

KISS & DRIVE

- Drop Off and Pick up ONLY

BOYLE LANE SCHOOL ZONE

- All of Boyle Lane is now a school zone. From 7:30am to 9:00am and from 2:30pm to 4:00pm on school days you must obey the 40km/hour speed limit.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri 8 Feb	Assembly 8:45am
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library. All students who arrive at school between these times need to go directly to the library as classrooms will not be open till 8:30am while teachers are preparing for the day. Students arriving between these times that are being supervised by their parents need to stay with their parents until 8:30am.

Students waiting to be picked up between 3:05pm and 3:20pm and between 2:30 and 2:45 on Thursdays will be supervised under the trees near the Kiss & Drive. Please advise the office if you are going to be later than these times on the rare occasion that this might happen. If it's going to be a regular event, please organise day care or make other arrangements to have your child/ren to be picked up on time.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS

The school newsletter will be published regularly from next week and every fortnight thereafter. It will also be available in an electronic format on the school website. If you wish to have the newsletter emailed to you, please contact the office and provide your email address to the office staff.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniforms are compulsory for all public schools and as an Independent Public School it is important that we project a good public image and be united in our presentation. All uniforms must display the correct logo for our school and follow the school dress code.

The school dress code states that the uniform is:

- Polo red shirt with blue collar displaying the school logo
- Navy blue pleated skirt or skort, shorts or trousers
- Black closed in shoes/flat semi closed sandals or black sneakers
- White ankle socks
- Navy school hat (wide brimmed or bucket)

The faction shirts may be worn for PE lessons on Wednesdays or sport on Fridays and at faction carnivals but not for school excursions, special school events or school photos.

A detailed School Dress Code Policy is available on the school website www.ogps.wa.edu.au

STUDENT UPDATE FORMS

Student Update Forms were sent home on Monday. Thank you to the parents who have already returned these forms.

It is important that we have up to date addresses and phone numbers in case we need to contact you. It is particularly important that we have your current email address so that we can send out student reports and your login for Connect (an integrated online environment developed by the Department of Education for staff, students and parents).

The additional information such as Parent Background data is used by the Department of Education to calculate funding. Having accurate information about as many parents as possible may help us to secure additional funding for our students so please check these details as well.

Once you have reviewed our records for your child, please **sign the form and return it to the front office, even if no changes have been made.**

Should you have concerns or issues with your children at school please don't hesitate to contact the class teacher, the Deputy Principal or me before you post anything on social media. It is better to have issues clarified and cleared up first and remember that for most of you, Orange Grove Primary School is your school of choice and we hope that your children will have a very positive learning journey here. Our vision is about creating a positive environment and providing opportunities for all children to achieve their best.



SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos are being taken **Wednesday 6 March**. Order forms are being given to the students today (Wednesday 6 February). Please return these order forms with full payment to the school office by Thursday 28 February.

STAFF AT ORANGE GROVE 2019

I wish to welcome back all our staff who have returned this year and to our new staff who are starting their journey at Orange Grove, I wish them all the very best.

The classes and staff at Orange Grove Primary School for this year are as follows:

Class	Teacher	Education Assistant/s
Kindergarten	Mrs Mawer	Mrs Kelly
Kindergarten/Pre-Primary	Miss Beaumont	Mrs Burette (Mon-Thurs) and Mrs Faranda (Fri)
Year 1/2	Ms Hartley	Mrs Smith (Tues and Wed mornings)
Year 2/3	Ms Rayner	Mrs Smith (Tues and Wed mornings) and Mrs Faranda
Year 3/4	Ms Bawden	Mrs Faranda
Year 5/6	Ms Anderton and Mrs Reed	Mrs Honeysett

Specialist Teachers

Music	Mr Bathols		
Visual Art	Mr Bathols	Administration	
Drumming and Drama	Mr Bathols	Principal	Mrs Ghent
Phys Ed	Mr Suriani	Deputy Principal	Mrs Heffernan
Italian	Mrs Chilà		
Guitar	Mr Graham		

Support Staff

Business Manager	Mrs McHugh
School Officer	Ms Bifield
Chaplain	To be appointed (Thur-Fri)
Library	Mrs Smith (Tues and Wed afternoons)
School Psychologist	Ms Squeo (Tues fortnightly commencing week 2)
School Gardeners	Mr Burrows and Mr Panizza
Cleaner	Ms Houston

Free Parenting Seminars

You are invited to attend the Triple P Seminar Series. You will learn practical, positive and effective ways to deal with common behavioural problems and ways to help your child achieve their best at school and in the future.

Parents are encouraged to attend all 3 seminars:

1. Children's behaviour - the tough part of parenting
2. Raising Confident Children
3. Raising Emotionally Resilient Children



The next FREE 3 week series is held:

When: Starting Tuesday, 5 March 2019

Where: Armadale Arena, Multipurpose room

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Clare Pargeter and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on 6330 3123.

A Healthy Lunchbox

Healthy lunches and snacks are important for keeping active kids alert and focused and providing them with the nutrition they need every day.

A healthy lunch box should include:

- Fruit – at least one serve of fresh seasonal fruit. If you don't have fresh fruit, canned (in natural juice) is a good substitute. Dried fruit is high in sugar and should be avoided
- Vegetables – vegetable sticks, salads or a mix of raw (with dip) or grilled vegetables
- Dairy – one serve of milk, yoghurt or cheese supports optimal growth and development in children. If your child can't tolerate dairy provide a suitable alternative.
- Protein – lean meat or poultry, fish, eggs, tofu, legumes/beans, or nuts and seeds.
- Grain foods – wholegrain and high fibre varieties are best.
- Water – the best drink to keep children hydrated.

Remember, children who help plan and prepare their own lunch are more likely to eat it. Your child might like to try out this fun, 'Interactive Lunchbox' website: www.goforyourlife.vic.gov.au/hav/articles.nsf/html/index.html

Ms Clare Pargeter - School Nurse

Come and Try Kayaking for 8 years and over ***Presented by Champion Lakes Boating Club***

Venue: Champion Lakes Regatta Centre

Henley Drive, Champion Lakes

Dates: Saturday 23 February 2019

Time: 4.30-5.30pm

Cost: \$10

Pre requisite: Must be able to swim 50 metres

All gear provided (boat, paddle pfd)

Bookings Essential PRIOR TO 20 February 2019

Email: kayaking@clbc.org.au

Mob: 0401 311 817