

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

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone to a very different term 2 than we are used to. These are challenging times with the disruption of COVID-19 but schools have adapted well to the demands of this disruption, particularly in Western Australia.

Orange Grove Primary School has adapted to COVID-19 in the following ways to keep children and staff safe:

- Car Park—the main car park is a Kiss and Drive only for year 1 to 6 students from 8.15am for drop off and 3.05pm for pick up.
- Normal Kiss and Drive—only for kindergarten and pre-primary students and their older siblings only.
- Walking/Riding—students walking or riding to school need to come up the path alongside the neighbouring brick fence from Boyle Lane and walking their bikes and scooters on this path.
- Cleaning—Two cleaners are employed at the school every day to continually keep all high impact areas disinfected. All classrooms, toilets and playgrounds in use are disinfected before and after use at least four times a day. Equipment used by students are disinfected after every use.
- Drinking Water— For the health & safety of the children, all drink fountains at the school have been turned off to avoid touching of the fountains when children are drinking. Therefore, all children must bring their own water bottles to school to drink out of. The water in their bottles are replenished through the school kitchen.
- Parents—parents and the public are still denied access to the main school area behind the gates. If there is a need for a parent to deliver an item to their child, pick up and deliver work packages for their child etc. please ring the office on 9459 3601 first to arrange this.
- Student Absences—if any children who are attending school or learning from home are sick please advise the school via the connect app, email or by telephone.

It was really lovely to see the children come back when school opened last Wednesday and an increasing number of children are coming back to school each day. Hopefully parents who are still keeping their children home, will feel confident enough to send them back to school soon lessening the time their children's' education is being interrupted. Being at school is always the best option for learning.

SCHOOL REPORTS

School reports will still be issued at the end of first semester as the first student reports for the year. It will be a little different this year with no grades assessed but there will be comment feedback on your child's learning outcomes for the semester.

EASTER HAT PARADE

As Easter fell in the school holidays, the traditional Easter hat parade for those children who attended school at the time, was held on Thursday of week 9, term 1. It was great to see the children and staff join in the fun by wearing decorated hats to finish the term. It was a very small number of children that was involved but it was good to have a bit of fun during a challenging time.

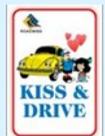
SCHOOL CAR PARK SAFETY RULES

CAR PARK KISS & DRIVE:

- Drop off and pick up ONLY
- No Parking—only for drop off from 8.15am and pick up at 3.05pm for years 1-6 students who don't have kindergarten or pre-primary siblings

NORMAL KISS & DRIVE:

- Drop Off and Pick up ONLY of Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students and their siblings from 8.30am in the morning and 3.00pm in the afternoon.





ANZAC COMMEMORATION

As ANZAC Day fell within the school holidays, we commemorated with a short ceremony in the Heritage Garden on Friday 1st May. This was a very moving ceremony with all the students who attended school on that day. The students were given sprigs of rosemary from the school garden which they placed around the flagpole. It was wonderful to see the children pay their respects to all the defence forces past and present who keep Australia safe. Our children behaved impeccably and really are amazing.



2021 KINDERGARTEN AND PRE-PRIMARY

Applications are open for 2021 Kindergarten and Pre-Primary. If anyone has a child starting Kindergarten or Pre-Primary in 2021, please contact the office for an application. Applications will close at the end of the first week in third term. As a non-local intake school anyone living out of the Orange Grove area may apply, but acceptance for enrolment is based on the

distance from home to school if applications exceed vacancies. Acceptance into Kindergarten also does not guarantee a place in Pre-primary the following year as the same distance form home rule applies for enrolment.

Thank you to all parents for complying with all the new requirements and changes to help us keep the children at school safe. Wishing you all the very best and keep smiling and keep safe.

Lesley Ghent - Principal

P&C NEWS

P&C Mother's Day Raffle

The raffle will be drawn on Friday 8th May 2020. All forms and money (exact change please) can be sent to school with students by Friday morning. Alternatively, drop off or online transfer can be arranged with Zoe Bailey (via text on 0422 143 318 or through the parents Facebook page—Orange Grove PS Parents).

All funds raised will benefit all the students at our school.

Ticket price: \$2 each or 3 for \$5

One grand prize—winner gets a hamper filled with vouchers, wine, pamper items and more!

Winner will need to arrange pick up/delivery with Zoe (must be collected by an adult).

