

# Orange Grove Primary School Newsletter

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## From the Principal

Welcome to Term 2, in a blink of an eye we are already more than half way through the term and have some great stories and news to share with you.

### Fathers Make a Difference

This week I had the joy of attending a breakfast promoting the crucial role that fathers play in a child's life. While we know that mothers are exceptional at mothering the emphasis and encouragement was on fathers to engage more with their children. The Fathering Project aims to improve child development outcomes by inspiring and equipping fathers and father figures to effectively engage with their kids. Research strongly suggests that fathers have a significant impact on the academic and social and emotional wellbeing of children – having lasting influences into their adult life. The Fathering Project states that research also shows that when schools have an emphasis on specifically engaging fathers and father-figures, they see a significant benefit for their students and their whole school community. As I outlined this morning at the assembly with so many dads present, watch this space as we endeavour to hold semester events promoting even greater participation for our Orange Grove Fathers as we partner in preparing your children, our students for a successful future!

### NAPLAN

This term has also seen Year 3 and 5 participate in the NAPLAN online testing. Our ICT and infrastructure held out well and progressed with minimal disruption. A small drop out nationally in Week 4 was dealt with quickly with flexibility and professionalism. Thank you to Mrs Heffernan and Mrs. Loder for the organisation and management of the NAPLAN testing, along with our wonderful teaching staff for their support.

See below for some interesting statistics on NAPLAN 2021:

### NAPLAN

- Over 1.2m students across 9,000 schools completed NAPLAN
- 870K students (approx. 70%) completed NAPLAN online, over 6,300 schools
- Preliminary online school results available in July
- NAPLAN 2021 summary (preliminary) information in August
- Individual student results due to parents in August/September
- National report - end of year

### School sickness procedures

I would like to remind parents/caregivers of the school protocols should a child fall ill during the day. During the class time, the class teacher will make an assessment and send the child to the school office. The school will then contact the parent/caregiver if required.

## From the School

### Parent Survey

As we continue to learn and grow as a school community, we are seeking feedback from families regarding our school. We ask that all families complete the following survey:

<https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/gAbufHzh>

The survey will be available from 9th June until the Term 2 school holidays.

Students in Year 5 & 6 will also be invited to complete a survey whilst at school.

### School EFT Details

We are now able to accept EFT payments for Voluntary Contributions or other payments for the school. The details are below:

**Account Name:** Orange Grove Primary School

**BSB:** 066040

**Account No.:** 19900524

Please ensure you use your child/ren's surname as reference so we can apply the payment to the correct student.

40 Boyle Lane

Orange Grove, WA 6109

P 9232 3400

[www.ogps.wa.edu.au](http://www.ogps.wa.edu.au)

# Important Dates

## 2022 Kindy & Pre-Primary

Applications for Kindergarten and Pre-Primary are now open until Friday 23rd July 2021. Please contact the office for an application form.

Attendance at Kindergarten is optional; however, it is recommended that all eligible children attend to develop foundational skills in literacy, numeracy and social interactions. As Orange Grove PS is a non-local intake school, attendance at Kindergarten does not guarantee a place in Pre-primary for the following year in 2023. We encourage all parents of current Kindergarten students to apply for Pre-Primary in 2022. All applications are assessed on distance to your home from school, if application numbers exceed vacancies.

## Voluntary Contributions

If families still haven't paid voluntary contributions for this year, please consider paying to assist the school to purchase student resources. We are a very small school and rely on contributions to supplement the Student Centred Funding we receive from the Education Department. Our voluntary contributions are the lowest in the area at \$45. These can be paid as cash at the front office or via EFT.

## JUNE

- 9 Life Education Van
- 10 P&C Meeting 6.00pm
- 18 Room 7 Assembly 8.45am
- 21 Room 3 Bickley Tree Planting Excursion

## JULY

- 2 Room 6 Assembly 8.45am  
Last day of Term 2
- 19 Staff Development Day  
NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL
- 20 First day back for Term 3

## From the School Nurse

### Screen time

Children and adolescents should not spend more than two hours a day on screen based activities. Excessive screen time often leads to poor health, poor fitness and overweight.

Activities like surfing the net, social networking, watching TV and playing screen games can be educational and fun, but all involve sitting still for long periods of time. Set family rules around screen time and encourage your child to try a range of active pastimes, especially during daylight hours.

For more information, go to <http://raisingchildren.net.au>

### Vision and eyes

Good vision is important for learning and quality of life. Watch for any of the following in your child:

- covering/closing one eye when reading
- holding books very close

- complaining of eyestrain or headache
- complaining of double vision or blurred vision with reading or board viewing
- complaining of words moving on a page
- losing place when reading, or skipping words and lines
- inattention or short attention span when reading, or
- rubbing the eyes.

Please note: Medicare covers the cost of an eye examination.

If you have a concern about your child's vision please contact a doctor, optometrist or your local Community Health Nurse on (6330 3123).

# Congratulations

Congratulations to the following students who recently received certificates



## Week 5

|                            |           |           |             |                            |                         |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Honour Certificates</b> | Ava P.    | Hudson P. | Jeremiah J. | <b>Values</b>              | <b>Snr:</b> Seth D.     | <b>Snr:</b> Jerry B.  |
|                            | Eve U.    | Ella Q.   | Jaxon R.    | <b>Aussie of the Month</b> | Jerry B.                |                       |
|                            | Xavier J. | Shanni L. | Trinity V.  | <b>Mathletes</b>           | <b>Jnr:</b> Jeremiah J. | <b>Snr:</b> Alison F. |
|                            | Tiana A.  | Kiara S.  | Aryan S.    |                            |                         |                       |



## Week 7

|                            |            |            |           |                  |                         |                       |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Honour Certificates</b> | Diana N.   | Prisha P.  | Ruby P.   | <b>Values</b>    | <b>Jnr:</b> Amelia B.   | <b>Snr:</b> Em-Jae M. |
|                            | Elvin T.   | Charlie C. | Tai B.    | <b>Mathletes</b> | <b>Jnr:</b> Jeremiah J. | <b>Snr:</b> Liam W.   |
|                            | Nikolai R. | Jaspar W.  | Alyssa R. |                  |                         |                       |
|                            | Jason L.   | Shane Q.   | Levi R.   |                  |                         |                       |



# Community News

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**CANNING DISTRICTS HOCKEY CLUB HOOKIN2HOCKEY**

**FERNDAL RESERVE**  
METCALFE ROAD, FERNDAL  
(OPPOSITE IGA LYNWOOD)

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS**  
4.30pm to 5.30pm

VACANCIES STILL AVAILABLE  
PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR 4

REGISTRATION ONLINE

COST \$60 and you have the option to purchase a Participation Pack for \$35 + postage and handling.

Would be great to see you all there.

Anyone interested in playing Hookin2Hockey for Canning Cougars this season should contact Sue Lang 0403 793 350 or email [secretery.Canning@hotmail.com](mailto:secretery.Canning@hotmail.com) for more information or how to register.

 **John Wollaston**  
ANGLICAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL

**Academic Scholarships 2022**


John Wollaston Anglican Community School Academic Scholarships are available for entry into Year 5, Year 7 and Year 10 in 2022.

Two scholarships per year level are available.  
The Academic Scholarship examination will take place on Saturday 19 June 2021.



Applications Close:  
Monday  
14 June 2021

For more information please contact Karen Ayres, Policy and Programs Coordinator or visit  
<http://www.jwacs.wa.edu.au/academicscholarships>

 **Save the Children**

**BOOK DEPOT SALE**

**When:**

Saturday 1st May,  
Saturday 5th June,  
Saturday 3rd July,  
Saturday 6th November,  
Saturday 4th December

**Where:**

Book Depot, unit 8a - 18 Milford St,  
East Vic Park (to the rear )  
Time: 9-4pm