

Term 4 Week 2 beginning 17 October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have successfully returned to school for this final term of the 2022 school year. As announced in last week's newsletter, the classes settled well into regular routines and with new staff.

Stage 3 Camp

Our Stage 3 staff are working towards the Stage 3 Canberra excursion from Wednesday to Friday this week. All PSSA teams have byes except one sport which has been notified. Therefore, no PSSA or training this week.

ASSET works

We have electricity cabling relocated this week, so the switch box is taken from the middle of the school playground and attached to a permanent building to alleviate a hazard for our students on the north side playground. Unfortunately, Class 2L will be impacted from the beginning of the week, and the class will be in a room in the G Block. This is also preparatory work for our north site synthetic playground field, which has been signed off, and we are now waiting for good weather to begin this project. Also, our seating has arrived, which is part of the Year 6 project, so we are excited to see that installed.

Tell Them From Me surveys are being completed in Years 4-6 this week.

The focus data supports:

Wellbeing: Wellbeing data (advocacy, belonging, expectation) to increase above the lower bound target of 92.88%

Attendance: Increase the percentage of students to be at 91.85%

CHECK-IN ASSESSMENTS

- Years 3-5 will be completed in the next two weeks.
- Year 6 was completed end of the last term.

OPS 2023 Staffing

Congratulations to Mrs Jacqueline Borg on gaining the permanent position of Senior Administration Manager for Oatley Public School. The staff at Oatley are very excited about this appointment. Staffing and enrolment for 2023 are now a school priority.

Kindergarten enrolments are increasing presently 61. Orientation days are on Thursday, the 20th & 27th of October 2022. Parents and Kindergarten students are invited. If a student from K-5 isn't returning next year, parents are required to inform the school.

CRITICAL DATE CHANGE FOR TERM 4 ENDING: Last day of Term 4 is Friday, 16 December 2022

As we are near the end of the year, I want to thank you for your ongoing support and notify you of a date change for the last day of Term 4 classes.

Students will now finish school on **Friday, 16 December 2022.**

This is due to an additional School Development Day announced for staff across NSW public schools.

School Development Days allow our staff to participate in professional learning that was put on hold due to COVID-19 staffing pressures and plan for 2023 to ensure we meet the needs of our students.

With this change, we ask that you arrange alternative care for your child **on Monday, 19 December.** Teachers will be in attendance on this date only.

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Calendar events are being actioned and updated on the website.

Lions Club TOY DRIVE

The school again supports other communities that have experienced and are still experiencing flood conditions. We are asking our students to donate one unwrapped toy to put under the Christmas tree in the Library. We are asking if the students can choose a toy appropriate to their age group to donate so that there is a variety of aged appropriate Christmas gifts.

The Lions Club will be picking up the gifts and personally transporting them up to the Lismore area to ensure the residents get them, and they will also take other donated supplies to this flood written area. We appreciate your support in this TOY DRIVE.

Regards
Debbie Hunter
Principal