

Week 8 beginning Monday 13 June 2022

Dear parents and carers

From the Principal

Countdown for Term 2

We hope you enjoy this June long weekend. Winter has definitely settled in.

We are now on the final three weeks of this term with end of term 1 July 2022 and Term 3 start date for students on Tuesday 19 July 2022.

Reports will be sent home on Thursday 30 June 2022. We will send a hardcopy home with your child and will also send a soft copy home via our CENTRAL APP. We understand that families may need extra copies or other email send outs so please make sure you contact the school 95805519. We do historically have families requiring extra reports but it is important to check and update as we do have new parents this year in our school.

During week beginning 27 June all our teachers meet together in Stages to collaboratively program and plan quality teaching and learning lessons for consistency of delivery, for next Term. It is also a critical time for checking in on assessment of achievements for our students to ensure we are meeting their needs.

We are incredibly proud of our school achievements this Semester in settling back from a very disrupted Term 1 of COVID into a very unsettling Term 2 of COVID and Influenza. We have managed to maintain teaching programs with minimal disruption this term by the graciousness of teachers taking on extra duties and students on a daily basis. Along with this teachers' have also initiated the opportunities for our students as advertised in our weekly Oatley Organiser. I am privileged to work with this team of teaching and non-teaching staff to ensure the school maintains a high quality of expectation and experiences for your child.

As School sport continues alongside PSSA this term the Oatley Organiser will publish a weekly result of this interschool competition.

Debating news

The school is participating in the Premier's Debating Competition in 2022. The first debate was held on Monday 16th June at Mortdale PS, the topic of debate was " Teachers should make top students help their struggling classmates". Oatley PS were the affirmative team and by presenting strong arguments and working together we were able to win the debate.

On Tuesday 7th June the second debate was held at our school and OPS were versing Peakhurst PS. The topic of this debate was " Year 5 and 6 should have the option to do class via ZOOM". This time OPS were on the negative team and we all needed to collaborate to form sound arguments and come up with many strong rebuttals. At the end of the debate OPS had stronger arguments and rebuttals so we were able to persuade the adjudicator and win the debate.

We look forward to the next challenging debate.

Report by Lauren & Lisa : Debating Team Members.

Chess @ Oatley P.S.

The Sydney Academy of Chess run chess lessons for students K-6 during Monday lunchtime in the Library at Oatley P.S.

Theoretical instruction as well as 'hands on' game practice form part of the lesson experience.

Benefits include improved concentration, learning new skills and making new friends. Free first trial lesson. Places available now.

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Regards

Debbie Hunter

Principal