

From the Principal

Monday 7 September 2020 OATLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL CONTINUES RETURN TO FACE TO FACE with SOCIAL DISTANCING PROTOCOLS still in place for ADULTS and new changes from department and health authorities which began 17 August 2020. Parents should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable them to physically distance from one another and from staff.

Dear Parents

Our school photos are on this Monday 7 September, 2020. Remember that students Kindergarten to Year 6 are **wearing their School Summer uniform for the photos.** There will not be any sports or Year 6 T shirts allowed for this formal photo day. Students will be in class groups for photos and then individual photos will be taken of each child. Please check that you have made orders online. Sibling photos start at 8am - 9am in the library. Staff will be at entry gates at this time to safely ensure your children get to the Libary for their photo and the playground will be supervised as well for their safety. Parents are not allowed into the school grounds to accompany their children as we are still under COVID restricted access for adults. Although you have extra days for ordering the process can be expediated if orders are complete by the photo date.

We had so much fun on our virtual scattergories event last Thursday night which the Fathering Project ran. Some pretty tricky questions were asked but such fun in sharing answers together. Students also won prizes for their dads for Father's Day. To all our dads and grandads out there and significant uncles and carers have a fabulous Father's Day this weekend

Thank you to all the parents who have enrolled their child for 2021 Kindergarten. If parents have new neighbours please let them know that the school is enrolling now. Other than Year 6 could parents please contact the school if their child will not be returning to Oatley PS in 2021. The panel will be convening to assess out of area enrolments against the new enrolment policy. For parents who are out of area and already have siblings attending Oatley Public School your child will have guaranteed priority enrolment. You will receive your child's enrolment acceptance in the next couple of weeks.

The teachers are meeting together to try and provide opportunities to our students within the COVID guidelines to make up for the normal experiences which would be offered to them without this pandemic environment. Year 6 students are our priority for end of year events and Kindergarten 2021 parents having contacts with the school prior to their child starting. We are also grateful for our uniform shop in collaboratively working with us to design a way for new enrolling students to have access to purchasing uniforms.

Our P&C meetings are now via zoom and it is a great way to make contact as a community to share ideas and to consult in the school's future strategic planning. Next meeting this Wednesday 7am via zoom.

Please enjoy our latest disposition on our 4CTV this week. The students are thoroughly enjoying this learning journey. The 4CTV is the culmination of all our students K-6 being involved in the 4C learning processes throughout the weeks with their class teachers. This 4CTV showcases their abilities to reflect upon this learning to you as their parents. Students are excited about learning processes that develop agency for themselves and to be aware of the dispositions that are needed to be successful learners.

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