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**Principals Column**

I love watching the Olympic Games. I love the team sports – Nation vs Nation and the battles between the best in the world. I cheered as loudly as anyone the other day when Mack Horton won gold – even though I was watching TV by myself at the time. And it was a replay. I am constantly amazed by the wonderful dedication, the sacrifices and sheer hard work put in by our athletes in the single minded pursuit of their dreams.

But I think I am often most impressed by those athletes who don’t win. There were only 5 seconds that separated first from third after riding for over 6 hours in the 250 km road race. And what about that cyclist who after 6 hours of hard riding in tough conditions, finished 5th – about 10 metres behind the winner? What guts to keep striving! And the 36 year old Judo competitor who lost both the gold medal playoff and the bronze medal playoff to much younger opponents. She finished empty handed but she had a real go and no one could have asked for more than the effort she gave.

The Olympic motto is: ‘Citius, Altius, Fortius’, which means ‘Faster, Higher, Stronger’. The sense of the motto means that being first or winning medals is not necessarily the most important thing, but that trying and doing your best is a victory in itself.

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**Uniform Award**

This week’s Uniform Wearer of the Week Award goes to

ALANA ROOLKER 1/2T

Congratulations Alana for setting such a terrific example to the rest of the school

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The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not winning but taking part; the essential thing in life is not conquering but fighting well.

Pierre de Coubertin (French educator, primarily responsible for the revival of the modern Olympics)
This might be something to consider when thinking about the ways we can encourage our students and acknowledge their achievements. Several parents emailed me during the week, responding to my invitation for feedback on the WOW Awards, (thank you!) and wrote about concepts of ‘intrinsic rewards’ as well as acknowledgements for our students like awards and certificates.

The consensus from parents so far seems to be that the WOW Awards are highly valued, but require a bit of a ‘refocus’. Please feel free to email me your thoughts on this at:

nolan.william.b@edumail.vic.gov.au

Book Club
Book Club meeting 12th Sept

Truly Madly Guilty  by Liane Moriarty.
All Welcome

2016 Fete
Don’t Forget: Every Thursday from 2.30pm to 3.30pm in the staffroom, helpers are most welcome to assist with some ‘little’ jobs for this year’s fete. ALL WELCOME.

If you would like to volunteer but cannot make it on a Thursday, there is a form at the office that you may complete to offer yourself as a volunteer

School Labels
Don’t forget, you can still order labels by using the CODE #1962 or put the school name into the fundraising box at the checkout, families will give the school a 25% commission. Most of our lost property, drink bottles & lunchboxes are not labelled, therefore they cannot be returned to their rightful owner.

Please label all belongings

Lost Keys
The following keys have been handed into the Office.

Please see Fran or Annette

Family Movie Night
Keep the Date free:  2nd Sept @ 7pm
‘Family Movie Night’. More details to follow

Making Fairy Bread
Amazing! Yesterday we made delicious fairy bread. The first thing we had to do was get the ingredients. The second thing we had to do was make the fairy bread and the last thing we had to was eat it. It was delicious!!! The whole class loved it!  **By Hugo Wright
WOW! I could not believe my eyes, we were making fairy bread, it looked so yummy, all of the class loved it. We had 100’s and 1000’s an bread and butter. First we made the best fairy bread ever. Next when we made the fairy bread we got to eat it! Finally the fairy bread was in my belly, I felt full and happy.
**By Kobi Maynard

Yesterday 3JW made fairy bread, 3JW was so excited to make fairy bread. Our teacher Meagan got the materials ready. Next we got a plate and put it on the table. We got the bread and placed it on the plate. We got some butter and carefully spread it. Then we got the sprinkles and spread it out and dabbed the buttered bread in the sprinkles. Finally we enjoyed it!! **By Helin Erdal

**Book Club News**

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS

Thank you to those families who placed an order from Issue 5 of the Scholastic Book Club. The orders have been delivered to the students. If you have not received your order please see me immediately.

Thank you to the Reither family for purchasing a book and donating it to the Library.

The school has received a commission of $305 which will enable new resources to be purchased.

Well done!

2017 Foundation Transition Parent Information night:
Wednesday 17th August @ 6pm

Oak Park Primary School will be running Transition sessions for students starting their Foundation year in 2017. Enrolment forms for 2017 students should have been lodged with the office by now. If you have a child starting school next year, or you know of anyone who has, we would ask that enrolment forms be submitted as soon as possible.

Thank you

Walking School Bus

There has been some interest in the school community in regards to starting a second route for the Walking School Bus along New Road, Oak Park. I am trying to establish the viability of this option and I would appreciate any expressions of interest. Please contact me if you live along, or in the vicinity of New Road, and you would like to have your child walk to school safely with other children.

Mary Petts: 0438 538 27
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**FETE SPONSORS 2016**

**Saturday 8th October 10am-4pm**

All of the businesses below have sponsored our fete; please support their businesses in return by using their services.

### PLATINUM SPONSORS

- Lifestyle Portraits: Studio 3 661 Victoria St Abbotsford, Ph: 94285877, [images@lifestyleportraits.com.au](mailto:images@lifestyleportraits.com.au)
- Barry Plant Real Estate: 1/828 Pascoe Vale Road Glenroy, Ph: 9300 2344, [glenroysales@barryplant.com.au](mailto:glenroysales@barryplant.com.au)
- Lizzie Blandthorn: 416A Bell Street Pascoe Vale, Ph: 9354 9935, [Lizzie.blandthorn@parliament.vic.gov.au](mailto:Lizzie.blandthorn@parliament.vic.gov.au)

### GOLD SPONSORS

- Church Resources, Ph: 02 9478 1414, [www.cr.org.au](http://www.cr.org.au)

### SILVER SPONSORS


### BRONZE SPONSORS

- Costco Wholesale Docklands, Inflatable World Tullamarine, Bob Jane T-Mart, Clip N Climb, AGS Prints, Essendon Keilor Gymnastics

All enquiries regarding sponsorship can direct to Casilda on 0458 340 130
Community News

Calling All Budding Netball Players
Penola Saints Netball Club is looking for girls or boys interested in joining for the up and coming Spring Season commencing on 27th August 2016
Development Squad (Training only) – Ages 6-7
Net Set Go Team – Ages 8-10
U11s – Age 11 and under prior to 31st Dec 2016
U13's - Age 13 and under prior to 31st Dec 2016
Training Wed nights – Oak Park Primary School / Penola Junior Campus

Game Day - Saturdays at Parkville State Netball Centre. For further information please contact:
Paula Brownett – 0423433072 / Wendy Cecchini – 0425 785 451

Plants for Sale
Beautiful Helleborus Plants for sale. Ready to Plant now, ideal under trees.
3 sizes: $2 $3 $5
Please phone Joan 9306 7288
Welcome to the second edition of the OPPS Fete Newsletter.
The Oak Park Primary School fete operates on community spirit.
Thank you so far to those of you who have kindly signed up to either help out on the day, or those who have come along to a “little jobs for the fete” assistance session. You would have seen by now how enthusiastic, friendly and BUSY the 2016 Fete Committee is!

What can YOU do this week to help:

- Sign up to volunteer on the day. Forms are at the Office. We have had less than ten volunteers sign up so far (and need at least 60)!
- Assist with sourcing potential sponsors/donations
- Last call for “Big Wheel” donations. Please return to your child’s classroom this week
- Come along this Thursday afternoon from 2:30-3:30 to the staff room for a “little jobs for the fete” working bee

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer Co-ordinator – Lisa Kalimeris
Email: lisakalimeris@ymail.com or text 0431 857 071

Do you have a couple of hours free on fete day? Please help us and volunteer to lend a hand and be involved in your child/children’s school. You will enjoy the experience and meet lots of new people from our Community.

A volunteer form has been sent home with your child, so please help us by completing and returning to your child’s classroom teacher. We need in excess of 60 volunteers throughout the day, in order to make for a smoothly run day. We will also have a Volunteers stand set up where Assembly congregates, so please stop for five minutes and sign up.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle Co-ordinators – Melanie Ainsworth / Caroline Jory
Email: mainsworth78@bigpond.com or carolinejory@hotmail.com

Selling raffle tickets is a great way to raise money for the Fete. This is especially so where Uncle Jake or Grandma Franny wouldn’t come to the fete but would love to support their darling nephew/ niece/ grandchild/ granddaughter’s school. Remember there is a prize available to the family who sells the most raffle tickets! If you would like additional ticket books please contact Melanie or Caroline. All money and tickets need to be returned by 3rd October.

ART STALL

David has commenced making some amazing artworks with Students, which will be on sale on the day. We are all looking forward to seeing what incredible work the OPPS Students can create to sell!

SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship Co-ordinator: Cas Cannon
Email: tccannon@optusnet.com.au or phone 0458 340 130

Sponsorship (along with Volunteers) is pivotal to the success of our Fete. Any business, big or small, can contribute money or goods. We offer Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze (Olympics theme!) advertising for our Sponsors so enquire with Cas today.

RIDES

Rides Co-ordinator: Sharon Mulder / Melanie Ainsworth / Caroline Jory
Email: mainsworth78@bigpond.com or carolinejory@hotmail.com

Ride wristbands will be on sale on the tiger turf in the second last week before school holidays. Here’s one for the little ones (restricted wristbands), what goes round & round, round & round, round & round, like a Mad Hatter’s whimsical sentence???? It’s the Cup and Saucer Ride, of course!

Prices:
$20 earlybird restricted rides wristband ($25 on fete day)
$30 earlybird unrestricted rides wristband ($35 on fete day)
*only in completely unforeseen events will rides change from what has already been booked

COLOURING COMPETITION

Competition Co-ordinator – Carolyn Drenen / Kelly Richardson
Email: kellyricho78@gmail.com phone 0414 532 045 or contact Carolyn on 9365 8000

The colouring competition sheets will be given out in the coming week, entries are to be completed at home and will be due back 12th September.

- Prep-Grade 4 will be given a colouring sheet to complete
- Grades 5 & 6 will need to “free draw”on a template which will be provided.

One prize per Grade level - $10 showbag
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WOW AWARDS

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