



The Oak Leaf

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct 29th – Nov 2nd	Grade 5/6 Camp to Phillip Island
November 5th	Student Free Day
November 6th	Melbourne Cup Day
December 6th	Carols Night
December 11th	Year 7 Transition Day
December 12th	Grade 6 Big Day Out
December 18th	Grade 6 Graduation

Principal's Column

LESSONS FROM THE LONGEST STUDY ON CHILDHOOD

For the last 70 years, scientists in Britain have been following thousands and thousands of children through their lives as part of an incredible scientific study. Altogether, more than 70 000 children have been involved in these studies across those five generations.

In one study, scientists looked at about 17 000 children who were born in 1970. They sifted all the mountains of data that they had collected to try to work out what allowed the children who'd had a difficult start in life to go on and do well at school nevertheless. In other words, which ones beat the odds.

The data showed that what mattered more than anything else was parents.

Having engaged, interested parents in those first few years of life was strongly linked to children going on to do well at school later on. In fact, quite small things that parents do are associated with good outcomes for children. Talking and listening to a child, responding to them warmly, teaching them their letters and numbers, taking them on trips and visits.

Reading to children every day seems to be really important, too. In one study, children whose parents were reading to them daily when they were five and then showing an interest in their education at the age



Uniform Award

This week's

Uniform Wearers of the Week Award
goes to

CHASE BYRNE 2D

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



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of 10, were significantly less likely to be in poverty at the age of 30 than those whose parents weren't doing those things.

There was one study I particularly liked. In this one, they looked at bedtime routines of about 10 000 children born at the turn of the millennium. Were the children going to bed at regular times, or did they go to bed at different times during the week?

The data showed that those children who were going to bed at different times were more likely to have behavioural problems, and then those that switched to having regular bedtimes often showed an improvement in behaviour, and that was really crucial, because it suggested it was the bedtime routines that were really helping things get better for those kids.

It seems that parents and what they do are really, really important, especially in the first few years of life.

Parents really matter.

Fete Thank You

The 2018 fete committee would like to thank all the families that braved the wet and saw some glimpses of sunshine at Saturdays fete!

We also thank all the volunteers that came out to make sure the day went ahead for our families and local community.

The fete committee first met a year ago to start planning our fete, many teachers and parents spent hours of their time trying to make our fete the best it could be and despite the weather we think they achieved what they set out to do..a fun day for our families and community and some more great memories for our kids of their time at Oak Park Primary.

Thank you to everyone that gave time, donations or just came along to support us, no ones time or efforts went unnoticed and everyone was very much appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE :

Election Day BBQ 24th November

Sustainability

SUSTAINABILITY "EXTENSION"

During Term 3 (and early Term 4) a number of grade 3 students have been involved in a project, turning old materials into musical instruments for the Performing Arts program. Using the principles of sustainability; Kyle, Mia, Lucy, Max, Noah, Ruby, Ola, Jacob, Gabe and Brandon have used reclaimed materials to create lagerphones for Melanie to use in her program. With the great assistance of Raph (resident maintenance expert), students have used



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hand drills, drill press, hammers, chisels and a band saw to help create their instruments. The materials included old broom handles, beer bottle caps, nails and electrical tape. The enjoyment and engagement level has been high, and the lagerphones have come out well. The students even took part in an impromptu performance of "We Will Rock You" to test out the lagerphones!

I would like to thank the students for their great efforts, all the parents of these students for allowing them to be involved and mostly Raph for his expertise and support.

John Hughes (Sustainability Co-ordinator)



CHICKENS

We have now added three more chickens to our flock, making 6 altogether. I would like to thank Maria Giordano and her family for providing the new chickens for our flock. They seem to be settling in nicely and are very young chickens, so hopefully will be with us for a long time. We look forward to them beginning to lay eggs in the coming months. Once again, a big thanks to the Giordano's and also the Fernando's for helping us replenish our flock!

SNAILS

Thanks to all the students that have brought in snails for the lizards recently – I am assured by Frank and Bob that the snails were delicious! If you have any more snails around the place that you would prefer aren't in your garden, our lizards would love to give them a place to live (at least until they become lunch), so please feel free to bring in some snails to feed our reptilian friends.





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We would like to thank the following AMAZING sponsors who have made our fete possible:

Active Moreland	Francis Winifred Cafe	Polka Deli Glenroy
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Don Smallgoods	Melbourne Guitar Academy	
EKC	Oak Park Family Chiropractic	
Elite Body Therapy	Officeworks Coburg	
Flexikitch	Pascoe Vale Hotel	
Flight Centre Melton	Peter Wallace Dance Industry	

**(Apologies if any name has been inadvertently left off this list. We are grateful to everyone who has helped us, big & small). The Oak Park Primary School Fete truly is a whole community effort!*

Please support these businesses who have so generously donated to our fete fundraiser.



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WOW AWARDS

Class	Name	Awarded for
FH	Leyla Vurgun	For always contributing and asking wonderful questions during classroom discussions. Your inquisitive mind is something to be proud of. Well done!
FP	Aiden Baker	for displaying respectful listening skills when interacting with friends and teachers. Well Done Aiden!
FS	Roniuda Demirel	For being a respectful role model in our class
1/2C	Rahael Henok	For displaying the school value of resilience and striving to improve your work
1M	Jivan Bolat	For working hard to improve your work and be the best learner you can be
1H	Evin Dissanayake	For showing a love of learning and being our grade 'Fact Master'
2D	Chase Byrne	For putting in extra special effort in all of his work this week.
2M	Lexie Wepener	For having a mature and responsible attitude to work and persevering even when you find it tricky
3P	Rosa	For showing that you are ready to learn every single Day and always working hard to improve
4A	Sam Green James Barwick	For being organised in class and reading regularly at home
5/6C	Dean Wray	
5/6G	Charlie Herrod	For working hard to approach maths with a growth mindset. You have made fantastic progress Charlie!
Japanese	Lucy Sapiano 3E	For showing great responsibility and helping other students in the class when they are unsure. Well done Lucy – keep it up!
P.E.	David Eshaya 5/6L	
Art	Ryan Reichardt 3/4B Michaela Jurist 5/6LD	



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Community News

Shoes with a Purpose.

With every pair of Student's Choice school shoes sold, you're helping State Schools' Relief to provide assistance to tens of thousands of Victorian students that need our help every year.

Our quality leather shoes can now be purchased online at www.ssr.net.au/shop and directly from 16 retail stores and outlets across Melbourne. All profits from the sales of these shoes are returned to the organisation to further benefit underprivileged students.

STUDENT'S CHOICE



\$45

\$65

\$65

\$65

Quality Leather School Shoes At Affordable Prices

STATE SCHOOLS' RELIEF
Confidence to connect

AKA Embroidery
10 Yarraville Street, Yarraville VIC 3037
Tel: (03) 9347 3365

Princes Group
15 Gloucester Street, Thomastown VIC 3034
Tel: (03) 9466 4250

Bekes Ballarat
22 Devonshire Street, Ballarat VIC 3350
Tel: (03) 5332 4320

Bekes Boronia
Shop 4, 216 Donat Rd, Boronia VIC 3155
Tel: (03) 9581 2408

Bekes Dandenong
162 Chisholm Rd, Dandenong VIC 3115
Tel: (03) 9536 2165

Bekes Forest Hill
252 Forest Hill Road, Forest Hill VIC 3131
Tel: (03) 9462 2211

Bekes Geelong
136 Lytton St, Geelong VIC 3220
Tel: (03) 5221 8545

Bekes Osborne
420 Alison St, Osborne VIC 3437
Tel: (03) 5428 1285

Bekes Hobart
Shop 7/151-152 Princes Hwy, Hallam VIC 3803
Tel: (03) 9522 3161

Bekes Mo
260 George Street, Mo VIC 3805
Tel: (03) 5176 2165

Bekes Pakenham
2799 Bell Hill Rd, Pakenham VIC 3810
Tel: (03) 5641 4088

Bekes Somerton
13/37 Esplanade Rd West, Somerton VIC 3912
Tel: (03) 9577 8277

Bekes Traralgon
16A Seymour St, Traralgon VIC 3844
Tel: (03) 5176 5077

Bekes Warragul
Shop 5-6 William Square, Warragul VIC 3820
Tel: (03) 5622 2990

Bekes Wodonga
94 High St, Wodonga VIC 3680
Tel: (03) 5656 9452

State Schools' Relief
1/8 Johnston Ct, Dandenong South VIC 3175
Tel: (03) 9519 6400

LITTLE BIG TALK
Previously 'Talking Matters'

Free Speech Pathology Drop-in Clinic for residents of Hume August—December 2018 - for children under school age

- Bring your child to the drop-in clinic to discuss questions or concerns about your child's communication skills.
- For children aged birth to school entry.
- Priority will be given to children who are not already on a waitlist to see a speech pathologist.
- No appointment or referral is required; however, you may be required to wait, or asked to attend another clinic date.
- A 20-30 minute timeslot will be allocated to you, and a Speech Pathologist will talk to you about ways to help your child's communication, and may refer you to another service.

When	Where_(Drop-In Clinic)	Time
Tuesday 16 October	Sunbury Heights Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Wednesday 21 November	Dallas Brooks Community Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Thursday 13 December	Craigieburn South Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm

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Variety SHINE intensive program

Ensuring all kids get the opportunity to keep up with their mates in the classroom.

The Variety SHINE Intensive Program is running again in the upcoming January school holidays.

The Variety SHINE Intensive Program is an intensive multi-disciplinary education program that ensures all kids get an opportunity to overcome language and learning problems and to keep up with their mates in the classroom.

Held in Port Melbourne under the directorship of Dr Carl Parsons, the program provides intensive opportunities for children with a range of learning disabilities, access to high-quality services at no cost to families. This life-changing week-long program provides intensive assessment, therapy and support for children aged 4 - 14 years.

To learn more about the Variety SHINE Intensive Program or to apply today [visit our website today](#).

Applications close on Wednesday 14 November 2018

[Learn More](#)

Because all kids deserve a fair go in life

Variety – the Children's Charity supports children who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs.

Our work allows children to gain mobility and freedom, to get out and about in the community, to communicate, achieve independence, increase self-esteem and where possible, integrate into mainstream school and activities.

FAWKNER FESTA

JOIN US AT THIS FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

**SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2018
11AM-3PM**

**CB SMITH RESERVE
79 JUKES ROAD, FAWKNER**

Music, dance, art, workshops, sports, stalls, delicious food and much more!

For more information phone 9240 1111 or visit moreland.vic.gov.au/fawkner-festa

FESTIVALS MORELAND



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KIDS CLASSES
Free Trial Lesson!

Smaller courts, lighter racquets and low-compression balls that don't bounce too high make tennis accessible for and easy for primary school-aged children. This means that kids are able to start rallying and having fun right from their first lesson!

Cost: \$9.00 a session

CARDIO TENNIS
Free Trial Lesson!

- High energy workout and burn 900 to 1500 calories
- Drill-based and rally-based activities
- Lose weight, get fit and have fun
- Participants wear heart monitors, exercise in pairs and use low-compression balls and a variety of equipment such as agility ladders

Cost: \$12.50 a session.

LOCATIONS: Kensington Banks TO Smithfield Rd • North Park TO Flemington Rd Gladstone Park TO 18 Emerson Rd • St Matthew TO 95 William Rd
1300 22 33 86 ACEFUNTENNISCHOOL.COM

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