



# The Oak Leaf

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## Calendar of Events

- June 5** World Environment Day  
3/4 Science Incursion
- June 6** Foundation excursion: 'Big Book About Water'
- June 10<sup>th</sup>** **Queen's Birthday Holiday**

## Uniform Award

This week's

**Uniform Wearer of the Week Award**

goes to

**Lily McCracken 1PA**



**Congratulations Lily for setting such a great example to the rest of the school!**

## Principal's Column

On Monday this week, Sally and I attended the Statewide Leadership Conference. We participated in two workshops, one of which was 'Visible Learning for Literacy'. The workshop raised a number of things for us to think about, but a really important one was. 'How do we increase the amount of reading that students do each day?'

This sounds fairly basic, but we know there are students who do not read at home so teachers will sometimes provide quiet reading time at school for them. The problem with this however, is that it diminishes the amount of instruction time.

Practise is important. Kids who do well at reading and kids who don't do well may get the same *instruction time* at school but may not get the same *practise time* at home.

How do we get kids to read more at home? Only four things work:

1. They need to have ACCESS to books.
2. They need to have CHOICE in the books they read.
3. They need to be able to DISCUSS the books they read with someone. Kids want to talk about what they read.
4. Teachers and parents should also promote the books that they love.



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The key is to raise the volume of reading so that the instruction sticks.

## Parent/Teacher/Student Meetings

Staff members are very busy at present writing the June Reports for each student in their classes. This is a very complex duty and teachers try very hard to write full, fair and comprehensive reports within the guidelines and constraints of the school's reporting program.

As a written report cannot convey all the necessary information it is crucially important that parents and students attend the Parent/Teacher/Student Meeting Day on Wednesday June 26<sup>th</sup> (alternative times can be negotiated if you can't make this day).

**This day is an 'alteration to school hours' day and students are marked present when they attend the Interview with their parents. Please note there will be no school for children on this day – except when they attend the Parent/Teacher/Student meeting.**

Reports will be available online from **Friday June 21<sup>st</sup>** to give parents the opportunity to read them prior to the meetings.

## MMMM..... Cookies



On **Thursday 6th June** there will be choc chip cookies on sale for \$1 to help raise money for the Leadbeater's Possum (which is nearly extinct). The money will go to Greenpeace, a sustainable foundation. We are aiming to make \$500. Please come along and grab a delicious cookie and help support our efforts to save the Leadbeater's Possum.

Jack (5/6 G)

## Division Cross Country

Oak Park students came back from their first cross-country competition cold and wet but they were all elated with their results. The photos on the following page shows it all!



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## Japanese News...

### Japanese Day is next Wednesday!

A reminder that **sushi orders are due before 4pm Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Please note that due the large order, any late orders will not be accepted.**

Here are some of the events happening on the day:

- Japanese dress theme. There is a prize for the best dressed in the junior school and the senior school.
- Anne Norman incursion – O-musubi kororin
- Sushi lunch
- lunch time activities

Karaoke with Melanie – Performing Arts room

Origami with Melissa – Japanese room

Photobooth with John – Media room

Japanese Series 'Little Charo' with Dave – Art room

Goldfish Game with Liam – near the Japanese room

Parents please come and join us for the Japanese Day dress up parade and the Foundation students will sing some songs at a special assembly at 9am.

*Melissa Ly*

*Japanese Language Teacher*



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## Community News



**YUKI JUDO CLUB**

### JUDO CLASSES FOR KIDS



**FIRST CLASS FREE**



Give your kids the opportunity to:

- ✓ Engage in a regular physical activity that is also **FUN!**
- ✓ Develop their motor and mental skills
- ✓ Develop their character and confidence
- ✓ Experience **Judo Core Values** like self-control, honesty, respect and friendship
- ✓ Be better prepared to face stressful situations, like bullying

As an Olympic Sport & Martial Art, Judo can provide this and much more to your kids!

📍 **Strathmore Heights Comm. Hall**  
1 Boeing Road, Strathmore Heights

**Kids aged 8-14: (\*)**

Mon & Wed 5pm to 6pm

**Kids aged 5-7: Receiving EOJ**

All classes are fun and fully planned with the right balance of games, warm up, drills and free practice!



Contact us on 0448 514 104,  
[info@yukijudo.com.au](mailto:info@yukijudo.com.au)  
or visit [www.yukijudo.com.au](http://www.yukijudo.com.au)

(\*) This class is also open for Blind & Vision Impaired kids. Visit the website for more information.



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**RECRUITING PLAYERS NOW**

Oak Park Basketball Club need of some players to fit into existing teams for the current Winter season.

Boys and Girls for U8's (Born 2012/2013/2014)  
& Boys for U10 (Born 2010/2011)

A fun and learning environment for all skill levels and abilities. (there is also limited spots in other teams up to U19's)

Please forward enquiries to the following:

For Girls call Bron : 0412130938 or  
Email: [opsgirlsreg@gmail.com](mailto:opsgirlsreg@gmail.com)

For Boys call Jo : 0412153615 or  
Email : [opsboysreg@gmail.com](mailto:opsboysreg@gmail.com)



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## WOW AWARDS

Class	Name	Awarded for
FH	Shriya Kollimarla	For always starting each day with a bright, beautiful smile! Thank you for contributing to making our classroom a happy one.
FM	Hugo Brown	For always giving one hundred and ten percent to everything he does! You are a role model for others. Well done Hugo!
FS		
1C	Mary Pereira	For being a respectful student and caring about others. Well done Mary!
1H	Ruby Yates	For an outstanding improvement in writing and getting ready for learning on the floor.
1PA	Lucy Taylor	For always showing kindness and courtesy towards friends and teachers.
2D	Gianluca DiChiara	For working hard in Numeracy. You have been practising and applying your Place Value knowledge.  Keep up the great work.
2M	Juliana Dellosa	For being a fantastic role model and showing the school value of resilience when completing your work.
3JW	Ruolan Wang	For being an independent learner and sharing her thinking with the class
3E	Ethan Branagan	For being responsible for his learning by focusing on his learning tasks.
4T	Linc Goodwin	For being an active learner and making some great connections between his prior knowledge and the new things we learnt on our science incursion. A budding scientist in the making!
4P		
5/6AD	Cooper Anderson	For taking responsibility for your behaviour and changing it.
5/6C		
5/6GC		
5/6GC	Samuel and Jude	For being resilient.



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<b>5/6P</b>		
<b>Japanese</b>	Cassidy Reither and Holly Kalimeris 56G	For showing great focus and responsibility on producing their weather report. I am looking forward to seeing the finished product! Well done!
	Alex Davis from 56P	For really improving his effort and application in class this term. Keep up the great work!
<b>Sports</b>		
<b>Sustainability</b>		
<b>Art</b>		
<b>Performing Arts</b>	Gracie Lowry	For always being focussed in class. Well done!

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