From the Principal’s Desk,

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4. It is hard to believe that our Pre-schooler and Kindergarten students who started early February are now almost finished this first step in their education and likewise our Year 6 students are about to graduate and head off to High School next year.

This term is a busy one with many special events planned. To stay informed please make sure you read the newsletter, check the website and parent noticeboard or download the school app.

Some of the major events include the Kindergarten Orientation Days on Friday 31st October and Friday 7th November. If you have friends, relatives or neighbours looking to enrol please ask them to come to the office to complete an enrolment application. At this stage we have limited vacancies in other classes so parents looking to enrol in Years 1 – 6 next year should contact us as soon as possible.

Our Presentation Day will be held on Monday 8th December and all parents are welcome to attend. At this assembly class and special awards are presented to our students from Kindergarten to year 6 and our School Captains, Vice Captains and Prefects are inducted.

Our End of Year Concert will be held on Wednesday 10th December in the evening. This is a great event with every child in the school given the opportunity to perform.

The Year 6 Farewell will be held on Tuesday 16th December. This is a special occasion for our Year 6 students to celebrate the end of their primary school education.

Our Preschool orientation dates will be advised as soon as we finalise enrolments. Any parents wishing to enrol their child in the preschool need to come to the office and complete an application form. These places do fill quickly so please pass this information to friends and family.

A huge thanks to those parents who have ensured their children have started the term with punctual attendance. This is so important for every child in the school as it minimises disruption for the whole class in the prime learning time each morning.

Regards,

Delphine Annett
Principal
Oxley Park School Newsletter

8th October, 2014

Calendar Term 4

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Notes sent home this fortnight:
School Swimming Scheme
Active After School – Stage 1 and Stage 2
Pete the Sheep – Kindergarten, Years 3 & 4

Have you returned?
School Swimming Scheme note

Eftpos Facilities Available
We now have Eftpos facilities available at Oxley Park Public School.

Kindergarten 2015
If you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2015 we are now accepting Kindergarten enrolments.
Please come to the office to pick up an enrolment form for your child.

Curriculum Corner
Pete the Sheep
On Thursday, 30th October, students in Kindergarten, Year 3 and Year 4 will be travelling to Parramatta Riverside Theatre to see the children's musical presentation of 'Pete the Sheep', a new production based on the well-known Australian picture book. Travel to and from the venue will be by bus from school, leaving at 11.00 am and returning to school before 3.00 pm. The total cost will be $25.00.
This is a terrific opportunity for the children to experience live theatre. I'm sure it will be a wonderful show.

Oxley Park Public School APP
To download our FREE app go to the app store and search oxley park

When prompted the user name is community

The password is oxleypkps

In the set up process you will be asked to select the year/s your students are in. If you select all you will receive messages which are not relevant and this may become a nuisance, it is suggested you only select the relevant year/s for your children.

You will also be asked to allow push notifications. You need to allow this so we can send messages from time to time. For example, if an excursion is going to be late returning to school we can send a notification and give you a more accurate expected time for arrival. If an event is cancelled or changed we can send a message immediately as well as sending reminders for significant events.

You will be able to browse the calendar, download newsletters and view photos. More information will be accessible on our website which can be accessed from the hyperlink on the home page of the app.
Show and Tell

K/1F have been busy planning and composing imaginative, informative and persuasive texts on familiar topics during Writing. Here are some of their pieces:

On a hot, sunny Spring morning at the giant red and black school Mrs Frade and Bianca were playing. But Bianca broke Mrs Frade’s toy and Mrs Frade was crying. So Bianca fixed Mrs Frade’s toy and Mrs Frade was happy.

By Ella

The Horse

The horse is in the animal group.
The horse is brown and white.
The horse is large.
A horse runs on its legs.
The horse eats hay and grass.
The horse has two ears.

By Lilly

Dogs are better than cats.
Dogs are fun, playful and they can do tricks.
Dogs are better than cats because they are fun. They play lots of games and do amazing tricks. Dogs are cuter than cats. Dogs can swim in my pool. Dogs can sit with you all day.

By Madisen

4/5K Show, Don’t Tell: Descriptive Writing

He was walking to lines with his head down, his mouth in a half moon shape facing down the tears coming out of his eyes. (sad)

John jumped in fright and felt like he wanted to run away but he just curled into a ball because the monster was so creepy. (scared)

By Zadid

The boy turned yellow. He cried in silence and heard him snuffle back all the way to lines. (sad)

Caroline jumped in silence and turned green but she ran away just in time. (scared)
He walked off quickly with his pink underwear and rubbing the lipstick off his cheek from which his mum gave a kiss to him. (embarrassed)

He was flying with his chest and arms straight and with his cape in the air flying backwards. (proud)

She showed her sharp teeth, face red, blowing her hair out of the way and pushing people to the side until she got to him. (angry)

By Joel

Jake ran away in tears. His tears were all over the floor. He started kicking the chair. (sad)

Michele jumped in fright. She called for help. She screamed loudly. (scared)

Ryley’s face turned red. He started to run away. He didn’t talk all lunch. (embarrassed)

Favor had a big smile. He told everyone about it. Next soccer the ladies cheered him on. (proud)

Liam yelled across the room. His face turned bright red. He held fists up. (angry)

By Erin

5/M Persuasive writing

Dear Great loving mum,

I your son, Thomas asks you to get the family a new car.

My first reason why we should get a new car is how old the car is. Sure it’s in not bad condition but do you want to be the mum with the old escape or a new Ford Territory or maybe a Ford GT. Imagine all the school mums watching you pick us up in your new car and you will be the env of your uni friends.

Secondly it keeps needing fixing. One week tyres are flat. Next week brakes are broken. Next thing you know a wheel is missing. On the other hand you will never be late when you get a new car. You will always make it to work, no more silly mishaps.

Your loving son,

Thomas
P&C News
Next meeting will be on Monday 27th October, 2014.

Canteen News
Mums Pink Breakfast
The P & C will be holding a **Big Pink Breakfast** for breast cancer, on Wednesday 15th October 2014. You can come along to the school and have breakfast with your child/children. Breakfast will run from 8.00am to 8.45am. There will be cereal, strawberry milk and pancakes available on the day. All we are asking for is a gold coin donation, with all money raised going to the Breast Cancer Foundation. We hope to see you all there on the day and thank you for your support. If you can't make it to the breakfast, but would like to donate to this wonderful cause you can send in your gold coin donation to the Office marked P & C Breast Cancer Donation. We will also have pink ribbons for sale at a cost of $2.00 each from the 13th October 2014. If you wish to purchase one of these please do so from the canteen.

Family Portrait Day
Please note that the family portrait date has changed from 25th October 2014 to **Saturday 8th November 2014**. We are sorry for any inconvenience that this may have caused but it was out of our control. If you are one of the families that put your name down, we now can give you times for you to have this done. All you need to do is send back the slip below along with your non-refundable $15.00 deposit and a time card will be sent home with your child and an SMS will be sent with this time to your phone. Thank you for your support. All money raised will be going to the school to buy sporting equipment for the children to play with at lunch time.

Please note that if you didn't put your name down for this day and would like to have your family portrait done there are spots still available. All you need to do is send the slip below back with your money to the school and your name will be added to the list.

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**Please send back in an envelope marked P & C Family Portrait**

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I have enclosed my non-refundable deposit of $15 dollar and I wish for my time to be sent to my child.

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For your convenience when your child is absent from school please complete the note below and return to your child’s teacher

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