From the Principal’s Desk

*Being Respectful* is the first of our three rules at Oxley Park. There are many ways we can show that we are respectful. We can take the time to listen to others and work out our problems in the classroom or on the playground; we can make sure that we help to look after other people's things if we borrow them; we can make sure that we show respect and listen when teachers, parents or friends are talking.

This week we are being asked to show respect to our school and environment (and our hard-working cleaners) by cleaning up after ourselves. The cleaners have enough to do keeping our classrooms clean without picking up after others. This Friday, Miss Thornley has organised our school to be involved in Clean-Up Australia Day. Classes will be able to put on their gloves and clean up our playgrounds and gardens. Of course, the easiest way to show this respect is to not drop rubbish in the first place. There are plenty of bins – please use them!

Being on the P & C is a way to voice your opinion about school directions, as well as suggest new ways that parents can help. I’m sure there are lots of great ideas out there and we’d love to have more people involved. We’re having an informal get together in the school hall on Tuesday 15th March at 2.30pm (just before pick-up time) to discuss the P & C and its role in the school. If you want to join and become a voting member before our first formal meeting later in 2016, a $1 membership fee will be required. Afternoon tea will be provided. Come along and find out how you can help!

I have included a photo of our award winners for the Holiday Reading Program operated in Kindergarten over the summer holidays. The Christmas break is a long 6 weeks and it’s important for our newest readers to practise their reading skills. Thanks to Mrs Tanevski for organising this for the summer break – keep your eye out for more programs in the coming holidays.

Finally, thanks to Mrs Oxley for taking our school leaders (captains, vice-captains and prefects) along to the Leadership Conference held at Homebush on Monday. This was a great opportunity for the children to hear some inspirational speakers talk about the challenges they have and the importance of perseverance. Mrs Oxley was especially impressed with how our students behaved, both on the train journey there and back, and at the conference itself. It's great to know that those leading the school are setting a great example at *Being Respectful*.

Regards,

Mark van den Dolder

Acting Principal
Calendar Term 1

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Notes sent home this fortnight:
- Stage 3 Great Aussie Camp note
- Scripture classes 2016
- Life Education note and money

Have you returned?
- Camp note and money
- Scripture note
- Life Education note and money

SRC News

Congratulations to the following Student Representatives for 2016.

1K – Jack, Olivia
1S – Braydon, Kyra
1/2H – Benjamin, Rachel
2C – Liam, Jazzmine
2R – Naveed, Brayana
2T – Mustafa, Teliah
3S – Xavier, Makayla
3G - Fletcher, Liliana
1/2H – Benjamin, Rachel
1S – Braydon, Kyra
2C – Liam, Jazzmine
2R – Naveed, Brayana
2T – Mustafa, Teliah
3S – Xavier, Makayla
3G - Fletcher, Liliana
4D – Ryan, Paige
4H – Reece, Rylee
5/6C – Zoe, Tyler
5/6H – Joseph, Kassidy
5/6J – Dea’a, Hanna
5/6L – Mhac, Breeana
3/4M – Marvin, Aiyana
4D – Ryan, Paige
5/6C – Zoe, Tyler
5/6H – Joseph, Kassidy
5/6J – Dea’a, Hanna
5/6L – Mhac, Breeana

SRC badges will be handed out during the K-2 and 3-6 assemblies this Friday, 4th March. If your child is at the District Carnival, they will receive their badge in the Friday assembly if they return to school or during the Tuesday morning assembly.

School Pick-ups

Just a note to remind all parents that school finishes at 3pm, so arrangements need to be made to pick up the children by then. There seems to be an increasing number of children waiting at the front of the school in the afternoon after 3pm. Teachers are responsible for children waiting on school grounds but often have other school commitments, and it’s not the job of the office staff to notice whether children are behaving on the seats outside. We understand that occasionally there can be transport problems however we’ll need to contact families where this becomes a persistent problem.

Pre-School Changes

We have had to make some necessary staffing changes across our school this year. Ms Rositano moves across to a support role in the upper grades, while we welcome Mrs Lorraine Jones onto the staff as our new preschool teacher. Mrs Jones comes to the role with 16 years experience in the preschool years. Thanks must go to Ms Rositano for helping to set up our preschool classes, and to Mrs Lott and Mrs Wallace for their hard work during this transition period for us.
Kindergarten Parent Information Session – Understanding Best Start Reports
All Kindergarten parents are invited along to a seminar to gain information about how to interpret your child’s ‘Best Start’ Report from the Best Start Literacy and Numeracy Assessments conducted at the beginning of your child’s schooling journey. Prior to the reports being sent home at the end of Week 8, an information session to help ‘unpack’ and understand these reports will be delivered. It is also a great opportunity to ask questions and seek ideas to further support your child’s learning at home. Toddlers welcome.

When: Wednesday 16th March, Week 8
Time: 2:15 – 2:55
Where: Library

Hope you can come along!
Kindergarten Teachers

P & C News
The P & C are selling raffle tickets on behalf of the Cancer Council. The tickets are $2.00 each.
First prize is a car valued at $26,000
Second prize is $5,000 Coles Myers gift card
Third prize are ten $500 Coles Myers gift cards.
The tickets are available at the canteen. If you would like to help us sell these tickets by taking some to work or selling them to your family and friends it would be appreciated.

Some of our lovely ladies from the canteen
A different kind of garden gnome in the veggie patch! Thanks Lee-Lee for picking the tomatoes

EAL/D Parent Meeting (English as an Additional Language or Dialect)
Last year we had a successful sharing of international recipes amongst our parents. We made Lebanese and Indonesian food. This term we will be making Chinese and Filipino food with Mrs Hong and Mrs Dolores. The school will be supplying all the ingredients and our lovely mums will lead the cooking lesson. Come along and join in the fun. Toddlers are welcome! It’s a chance to socialise and find out about the school in a relaxed atmosphere. If you would like to supply a recipe from your own background, we would look forward to sharing it with the group next time. Any enquiries see Mrs Konarew or the front office.

Where: Hall kitchen
When: Friday, 18th March, 2016
Time: 9-11am
What: Filipino and Chinese cooking
Harmony Day
Harmony Day is on Tuesday 8th March in Area 1. Assembly starts at 10:30am. ALL WELCOME! The Art and International table will be in the Hall.

Clean Up Australia Day

In celebration of the 25th Anniversary of Clean Up Australia Day, Oxley Park Public School have registered as a Clean Up Site. In order to make a difference to the local environment, each class will be getting involved and cleaning up the school. Disposable gloves and garbage bags will be provided for each child.

Kind regards,
Miss Thornley
MISSING

Police are seeking assistance from anyone who may have seen Katherine BYREN on the morning of 19 February 2016.

Katherine dropped her children off at school around 8:50am.

If you saw Katherine or spoke to her please contact St Marys Police on 96777554 or 96777558.

Anything may assist in finding Katherine safe and well.
ERSKINE PARK HIGH SCHOOL
- YEAR 7 2017 -

Erskine Park High School is the outstanding choice of school for every parent in our area of Western Sydney. We offer every student the opportunity to excel and to achieve their personal best through outstanding teaching and learning practices in a safe, happy and purposeful environment where full school uniform is the clear expectation. Erskine Park High School is a modern, vibrant comprehensive 7-12 high school with rich relationships with the primary schools of our learning community.

Our school enjoys a highly supportive and involved parent group and community. Our ethos is one of collaboration, teamwork and consultation. We provide an ordered and inspiring atmosphere where strengthening student well being and enhancing academic, cultural and sporting student outcomes is our motivation. Innovative and strategic programmes to engage our students and enhance their spirit and involvement are at the forefront of our daily work.

Serving the Erskine Park Learning Community, the school motto of ‘Pride in Achievement’ sets us apart as a school of high expectations, energetic achievement and excellent results. Erskine Park High School boasts an enthusiastic, committed staff whose outstanding qualifications, experiences and achievements deliver a quality classroom product each day.

COME ALONG TO OUR YEAR 7 2017 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
THURSDAY 10TH MARCH AT 7.00PM
IN THE SCHOOL HALL
A SCHOOL TOUR WILL OCCUR ON THE EVENING AT 6.00PM.
MEET AT THE SCHOOL HALL

Ms Lenka Lewis
Principal
Ph: 9634 3636
Web: www.erskinepark-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Chifley College Dunheved Campus
Learn Discover Inspire

Year 7 2017
Information Evening
Tuesday 8th March 2016

Chifley College Dunheved Campus offers the academic, cultural, physical and spiritual development of students in the context of family, friends and community.

Teaching programs are aimed at growing young people as responsible and productive learners, citizens and leaders. The success of our progressive Literacy and Numeracy programs is evident by a Director General Achievement Award in 2010 and an Excellence in Education Award for Outstanding Achievement—Stage 4 Enrichment Program in 2011. Building on this excellent work, in 2016 the school established an Enrichment Class for Stage 4.

Our students engage with learning in an innovative and supportive environment with interactive whiteboard technology in air-conditioned classrooms, state of the art technology rooms, multimedia conferencing facilities, modern technology based two-storey library, expansive grounds and extensive sporting facilities. Our highly accomplished and experienced teachers are committed to ongoing rigorous professional learning and development each year. Teachers know our students well and encourage initiative, personal responsibility and self-regulated learning.

We are particularly proud of our partnerships with parents, local businesses, employment agencies and tertiary institutions. We offer unique programs that give students access to university mentoring programs, employment and TAFE courses. Students receive the advantage of increased vocational skills and hands-on learning experiences. Students attending Dunheved then have the choice of attending the Senior Campus, which is a modern, purpose built campus, situated next to Mt Druitt TAFE, or, Bicentennial High School.

Staff will be available on the evening to speak about the school, subjects and specialty programs we offer. The evening will also include a tour of the school’s outstanding facilities. We look forward to seeing you.

Location:
Chifley College Dunheved Campus
120 Maple Road North St Marys
School Library

Time:
Session 1: 4.30 – 5.00pm
Session 2: 5.00 – 5.30pm

Light refreshments will be served in each session.

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www.dunheved.h.schools.nsw.edu.au
The CoolKids and Adolescent Health Program:
Helping distressed children & adolescents suffering from somatic health complaints (including recurring headaches, stomach-aches etc).

About 40% of children and adolescents may experience functional somatic health complaints, which are medically benign (that is, they have no identified organic cause). The most common somatic-health complaints experienced by children and adolescents include recurring abdominal pain, gastro-intestinal symptoms, recurring headaches, chest pains, dizziness and nausea. Research has shown that these children are prone to have increased rates of school absenteeism, and this may also have an impact on their learning, peer relations and overall quality of life. Studies have also indicated that up to 80% of children and adolescents struggling to cope with these recurring functional somatic health complaints may also be experiencing anxiety and/or depressive problems.

Our new, CoolKids and Adolescent Health Program is designed to specifically help children learn how to concurrently cope and manage their somatic symptoms as well as learn stress management skills. This program is specifically designed for children aged 7 to 17 years who are experiencing recurring somatic health complaints for at least 3 months (and which a GP or medical specialist has confirmed that the symptoms are medically benign). The program is individually based and involves 10 x 1 hour weekly therapy sessions held either in-person at the Centre for Emotional Health (CEH) Clinic at Macquarie University or via Skype or telephone. Interested families will be invited to attend a screening assessment to determine eligibility.

**Organisation**: Centre for Emotional Health, Macquarie University.

**Researchers**: Associate Professor Maria Kangas, Prof Ron Rapee, & Prof Mike Jones.

**Who is eligible?** Children and adolescents aged 7-17 years who are experiencing recurring somatic health complaints for a minimum of 3-months.

**Contact**: For more information, please contact Assoc. Professor Kangas and her team (email: CoolKidsHealth@mq.edu.au or maria.kangas@mq.edu.au) or telephone (02) 9850 8599 or (02) 9850 4082.

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OXLEY PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN PRICE LIST 2015.
TERM 1 2016
. Canteen is Open Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 1.45pm
. Orders can be made over the counter in the morning or through the classroom lunch bags.
. Please make sure each bag is clearly marked with your child’s Name and Class.
. A separate bag is needed for Recess orders.
. Please note that only a few hot items are available to order for recess.
. Please mark the bag if you are ordering a sandwich, roll or a salad box.
. All items on the canteen price list are considered healthy according to the
  NSW Canteen Association Guidelines.
  ( H ) Halal and ( V ) Vegetarian

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