Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already over half way through Term 2 – hasn’t time flown! It has been an exciting 2 weeks with our lower school attending Under 8s Day at Home Hill State School and a visit from SEAT who helped us to learn about looking after our spine.

The children have also started working with Mrs Laidlow to create their collages which will be entered into the Ayr Show during the June-July school holidays. Make sure you get along and check out our display and your child’s work in the pavilion.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child, please feel free to contact myself or Tracie at school.

**Trivia Night**

Don’t forget that our Trivia Night will be held on **Friday 7th June** at the school. The gates will open at 6:30pm and the evening will begin at 7pm. It will cost $40 to enter a team of 4 people, this includes supper. There are loads of great prizes on offer and we will also be having a mini-auction on the night. To nominate a team please call 0458 929 643 or email stchorses@hotmail.com. All family and friends are welcome – see the attached flier for more information.

**Show and Tell**

Beginning next week will be having daily show and tell. Show and tell will be held after second break and is a great opportunity for students to share stories about their life outside school. Show and tell is also an important learning activity which helps students to improve their skills in listening and speaking. To ensure that all students have a chance to share their stories, we will be using the roster below. For the remainder of Term 2, we will have ‘free’ show and tell, where students can choose their topic for sharing. After the holidays we will have some ‘free’ weeks and other weeks will have a theme. Some examples of show and tell items could be - a favourite toy, a photograph of an activity they have participated in or an interesting object. Please ensure that your child has something to share during show and tell.

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**Library Borrowing Days**

Library borrowing time will now be incorporated into our reading rotations. This will allow the children to spend half an hour at library each week. During this time, they will have some time for borrowing and will also be learning important library skills like how to find books on the shelves. Library borrowing days are:

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**Reporting and Parent –Teacher Interviews**

As the end of term approaches, we are now in the process of preparing report cards for the students. On your child's report card their overall achievement in each learning area studied over the reporting period is reported by ratings from Very High to Support Required in Prep - 2 and A-E in grades 3-7.

A Sound or C indicates that your child’s work typically demonstrates a sound level of knowledge and understanding of concepts, facts and procedures, and application of processes. This shows that they are achieving the desired descriptors for their age and grade level. A Very High or A indicates that your child is demonstrating a very high level of knowledge, skills and understanding and is able to apply them independently in a wide range of contexts. This shows that they are achieving significantly above the level required for their age and grade level.

Report cards will be sent home during Week 9. If you wish to discuss your child’s report card, we will be offering parent-teacher interviews on Thursday 13 June. A note will be sent home closer to the date if you wish to book a time to speak with Tracie and myself.
Reading Strategy of the Week
Each fortnight, we are going to feature a reading strategy in the newsletter. This week we are featuring ‘Eagle Eye’. The Eagle Eye strategy says – Look at the pictures for clues. When reading picture or short chapter books, there are often great clues for reading in the pictures. When reading with your child, don’t forget to remind them “Use your Eagle Eyes!”

Woolworths Earn and Learn
We are participating the Woolworths Earn and Learn program again this year. Last year we earned approximately 4000 points, allowing us to purchase new Legos for the children and some new equipment for the sports room. This year we are aiming to earn 7000 points – please start collecting stickers and sending them into school.

P&C Meeting Dates
A reminder that our next P&C Meeting will be held next Friday 7th June from 1:30-3pm in the school library. This meeting will be spent getting ready for the trivia night so all helpers are most welcome to attend.

Grounds person position
We currently have a position vacant at our school for a grounds care person. Duties will include mowing, whipper snipping, watering the grounds, removing weeds and some small maintenance jobs as they become necessary (eg. Garden care). The position is approximately 7 hours per fortnight. If you wish to apply for the position, please drop your resume into the school office or email it to the.principal@osborness.eq.edu.au Applications will close on Friday 7 June. Any enquiries, please contact the school on 4782 6254.

Awards
Congratulations to the following students who have received awards for their great work this fortnight:
Tim Nagle  Shaylah Rehbein  Lachlan Nagle  Kasharna Rehbein  Blaize Palmer
Craig Becke  Jahlique Gesah  Johnny Rehbein  Rylland Palmer  Dylan Matthews
Kimba Stott
Keep up the great work everyone!

Why is Sleep Important for Kids?
"Time to get ready for bed!” someone calls from the other room. Oh, no! You're really into the great book you're reading or that computer game that you're winning. “Why do I have to go to bed?” they ask. "Sleep is boring, and I'm not even tired!” – does that sound familiar? Getting to bed on time can be a challenge for most of us, but sleep is more important than you may think. Maybe you can think of a time when you didn't get enough sleep. That heavy, groggy feeling is awful and, when you feel that way, you're not at your best. This is exactly how kids feel when they don't get enough sleep.

The average kid has a busy day. There's school, taking care of your pets, running around with friends, going to sports practice or other activities, and doing your homework. Phew! It's tiring just writing it all down. By the end of the day, your body needs a break. Sleep allows your body to rest for the next day. Everything that's alive needs sleep to survive. Even your dog or cat curls up for naps. Animals sleep for the same reason you do — to give your body a tiny vacation.

Your Brain Needs Zzzzzs
Not only is sleep necessary for your body, it's important for your brain, too. Though no one is exactly sure what work the brain does when you're asleep, some scientists think that the brain sorts through and stores information, replaces chemicals, and solves problems while you snooze. Most kids between 5 and 12 get about 9.5 hours a night, but experts agree that most need 10 or 11 hours each night. Sleep is an individual thing and some kids need more than others.

One more reason to get enough sleep: If you don't, you may not grow as well. That's right, researchers believe too little sleep can affect growth and your immune system — which keeps your kids from getting sick. For information about the importance of sleep and other great health tips visit: http://kidshealth.org/

Yours in Education
Hayley Laidlow
Acting Principal
Wonderful Work from Osborne this week...

SEAT Visit
This week, we were lucky enough to have SEAT visit our school. SEAT is the Spinal Education Awareness Team. Mr Scott Stidston came and talked with the students about how to look after their spine and stay safe. He gave us great advice, like make sure to check the depth before diving into water and to make sure we wear our helmets when we ride a bike or four wheeler.

<<< Mr Stidston showing the children a life size model of the human spine.

Under 8s Day
Last Monday, our Prep-2 students attended Under 8s day at Home Hill State School. The students participated in lots of great activities including biscuit icing, sports activities and craft activities. A great time was had by all children who attended.

Maddison having fun at Under 8s Day>>>>

Indian Puppets and Dance
On Friday, we had a team of dancers and puppeters from India visit our school. The team, under the supervision of missionaries Mr and Mrs Bob and Janine Murray, gave us an insight into their culture through costumes, dance and a fantastic puppet show. The children also had the opportunity to learn about life in India and how different it is to their lives in Australia.

<<< The Indian dance and puppetry team meet the students of Osborne.