

The Osborne Observer

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope that you have all had a restful and relaxing break, it certainly disappeared very quickly. This term we have a number of public holidays and large number of events happening and our calendar is very full. The first 3 weeks of term are interrupted by the Easter Monday, ANZAC Day and Labour Day holidays. We also have NAPLAN testing occurring during Week 4 and we will be continuing our preparations for this testing over the coming weeks. Due to this busy schedule, I have decided that homework will not start until Week 4.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all of the importance of regular school attendance. SO far this year the children's attendance at school has been fabulous and I would love to see this continue throughout Term 2. It is critically important that children attend school every day as even small levels of absenteeism can have a vast impact on a child's learning. Even though one day may not seem a lot, having to catch up on lost learning makes future learning more difficult for students who are away from school. Children should only be absent from school for legitimate reasons such as illness. Please remember that if you child will be away from school you need to notify us either in person or via SMS or phone. If we do not hear from you and your child is away we will contact you by phone as we are obligated to verify student absences on the same day. REMEMBER – Every Day Counts!

Last term you would have received an information note about our proposed **Commonwealth Games Excursion**, if you have not already can I please ask that you complete and return the form to school as soon as possible. I would like to encourage all of you to seriously consider sending your child (and coming along yourself) to this fabulous excursion. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our children to experience a world class sporting event with their school friends. Although the cost of this excursion may seem high, with a combined joint effort, I believe that we will be able to raise a significant amount of money through our P&C to help reduce this cost to you. If you have any questions or concerns about this excursion, please let me know as I would love to share this wonderful experience with your children. **Tickets for the events go on sale on 24 April** and I will be making bookings then. As we will be making group bookings, **it will not be possible to purchase extra tickets after they have been booked.** You will need to **confirm the number of people from your family attending by 24 April** to ensure the correct number of tickets for events are purchased.

Hayley Laidlow
Principal



Save the Date

18-21 April – Hayley away (Graduation), Tracie Duthie replacing

25 April – ANZAC Day

27 April – BSS Cluster Day – Cross Country / Technology, Maidavale SS

1 May – Labour Day holiday

4 May – Kindy Buddy Reading (Year 3-4), STEM challenge afternoon

6 May – Clare Cricket Club Carnival BBQ

9-11 May – NAPLAN testing (Year 3&5)

25 May – Kindy Buddy Reading (Year 5&6), STEM challenge afternoon

31 May – Puberty Talk (Year 5-6 only)

15 June – Kindy Buddy Reading (Year 3&4), STEM challenge afternoon

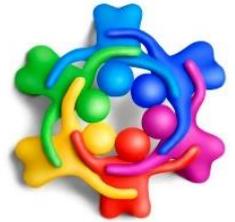
21 June – QLD Museum visit

22 June – BSS Cluster Day, NAIDOC, Jarvisfield SS

23 June – Last day of term

P&C News

Active P&C membership is vitally important to the success of our school so I would encourage you all to come along to our meetings and see how you can help. Our next P&C Meeting is on **Tuesday 16 May 2017 at 6:30pm in the staffroom**. All parents, carers and friends of the school are welcome and encouraged to attend.



As a school, we have made the decision to take our students to the Commonwealth Games at the Gold Coast in 2018. This will be a fantastic opportunity for our kids to participate in an international event and to visit some of the great tourist attractions the Gold Coast has to offer. In order to reduce the cost of this excursion to families, the P&C are undertaking a number of fundraising activities. Please support these activities. We will require a number of volunteers to help out with our fundraising efforts this term. Attached is volunteer help form, please complete and return to school ASAP. REMEMBER – Many hands make light work ☺

Mother's Day Raffle

Attached is a book of tickets for our fabulous Mother's Day raffle. There is a gorgeous basket of prizes for this raffle which includes items like a dinner voucher, yummy chocolates, a beautiful mug and other lovely things for Mum. The tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Tickets and money will need to be returned to school by Wednesday 10 May.



Fundraising Activities for 2017

TERM 2

Father's Day Sports Raffle – begin selling tickets ASAP (to be underway by Clare Cricket Carnival)

Rotary Community Raffle – the major prize is \$10 000, all proceeds from the tickets come directly back to our school P&C, ticket books will be sent home later in Term 2

April 27 – BSS Cluster Day Tuckshop, Maidavale SS

May 6 – Clare Cricket Club Carnival food stall (menu TBA), 9am onwards

May 13 – Cake stall, Coles Ayr

TERM 3

August 19 – Trivia Night

TERM 4

October 9 – Rumball orders

October 21-22 – Bunnings BBQ Double Weekend, Fairfield Waters

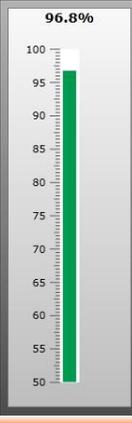
November 24 – Rumball orders in

November 30 – BSS Swimming Carnival Tuckshop

December 2 – Rumball Working Bee

December 4 – Rumball Orders out

Attendance Rate



Attendance

Our current attendance rate for this term is **96.8% (as at 23 March 2017)** – this has dropped slightly from last fortnight when it was sitting at 98.6%. Despite this, it is fabulous to see everyone attending so regularly, keep up the great work everyone! In 2017, we are aiming to keep our whole school attendance above 95% - remember Every Day at School Counts!

Class Reward Day

As most of you will be aware, this week our class finished filling their marble jar last term. Filling the jar takes around 6 months and as such deserves a fabulous reward! Unfortunately, due to TC Debbie, our reward day was cancelled last term, however the children will not be missing out! On Monday 24 April, we will be traveling to Townsville for a surprise reward for the students. As it is a surprise, I have not listed to the activities we will be participating in here, however, if you would like to know further details, please contact me at school or by mobile. As an example, at our last surprise reward day the students went to King Pin Bowling, had lunch at Fasta Pasta and then visited the Strand. Children will need to **be at school by 8:15am on Monday and we will return by 3pm** (children who normally catch the bus will be able to do this). Children will need to **wear their black school uniform and bring their school hat, water bottle, swimming togs, swimming shirt and a towel.**



ANZAC Day March



This ANZAC Day, Tuesday 25 April, we will once again participate in the local parade commemorating the soldiers who have fallen in combat and their compatriots who also served our country. All students of Osborne State School and their family members are welcome to join us in the march. Students will need to **wear their black school uniform, black school hat and closed shoes.** It is recommended that they bring a **water bottle.** Please **meet at the Home Hill Choral Society Hall (next door to the Memorial Hall) at 10:35am**, the parade will begin at 10:45am. We will march through the main street of Home Hill, turning at the Malpass Hotel and ending at the

ANZAC cenotaph located near the Home Hill RSL behind the Fire Brigade. The march will be followed by a commemoration and wreath laying ceremony. Parents will need to collect their children in person following the ceremony. I look forward to seeing all of our students participating in this important occasion. *Lest we forget.*

Burdekin Small Schools Cross Country and Cluster Day

On **Thursday 27 April**, we will be visiting **Maidavale State School** to participate in the cross country race and Burdekin Small Schools Cluster Day. The topic for the day will be 'Technology' and the students will be participating in a number of technology themed activities following the cross country in the morning. Attached is a **tuckshop order form which will need to be returned with money to school by this Friday 21 April.** If your child has not ordered tuckshop, they will need to bring their own lunch. All children will need to bring a water bottle and wear their black school uniform. Children will be travelling to and from Maidavale by bus and private transport (Miss Laidlow), please ensure that your children are **at school no later than 8:15am on this day, we will return to school by 3pm.** There is no cost for this excursion. Parents, family and friends are most welcome to join us Maidavale to watch the cross country and cheer on our runners. Below is a program for the morning:

Small Schools' Cross Country Program

The day will commence at 9.15am and conclude at approximately 12pm.

Program

9.15am	Welcome and marshalling of Prep – Year 3 students	
9.30am	Yr 3 boys race (8 year olds only as 9 year olds run a longer distance)	1 lap
9.35am	Yr 3 girls race (8 year olds only as 9 year olds run a longer distance)	1 lap
9.40am	Yr 2 boys	1 lap
9.45am	Yr 2 girls	1 lap
9.50am	Yr 1 boys	1 lap
9.55am	Yr 1 girls	1 lap
10.00am	Prep boys	1 lap
10.05am	Prep girls	1 lap
10.10am	Marshalling of 9-12 year old boy & girls	
10.20am	12 year old boys	3 laps
10.30am	12 year old girls	3 laps
10.40am	11 year old boys	3 laps
10.50am	11 year old girls	3 laps
11.00am	10 year old boys	2 laps
11.10am	10 year old girls	2 laps
11.20am	9 year old boys	2 laps
11.30am	9 Year old girls	2 laps
11.40am	Lunch	
11.50am	Presentations	
12.00pm	Play break	
12:30pm	Technology activity rotations	

Hi 5

This term we are continuing our use of the Hi 5 strategy at school to help increase children's coping strategies and resilience in the playground. Hi 5 is a strategy children can use when another student is annoying them or is not treating them respectfully. The Hi 5 steps are:

1. Ignore
2. Talk friendly
3. Walk away
4. Talk firmly – 'Stop it! I don't like it'
5. Tell a teacher

Please reinforce these strategies with your child at home.



What Sort of Start is Your Child Getting?

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per Year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?

That's when every minute counts the most!!

School Starts at 8:30am!!



Osborne State School
*Success through Commitment,
Community and Caring*

*At Osborne State School
Every Child Matters, Everyday*

Ask us about help with getting your children to school everyday!!!

Volunteer Assistance Form

Name: _____

I am able to assist with the following fundraising events:

Please circle events you can assist with and indicate times you will be available.

Date	Event / Venue / Time	Jobs	Times I will be available
April 27	BSS Cluster Day Tuckshop Maidavale SS, 9am – 1pm	Set-up Serving Packing lunch packs Clean and pack up	
May 6	Clare Cricket Club Carnival food stall, Clare Cricket Club 9am – late afternoon	Preparing and cooking food Serving Selling raffle tickets Clean and pack up	
May 13	Cake stall, Coles Ayr	Set-up Selling items Pack-up	

Signed: _____ Date: _____

BSS Cross Country Day

Tuckshop Order Form

Orders must be returned by Friday 21 April

Students' Name: _____

School: _____

ITEM	Price	Qty	Amount
Pie	\$3.50		
Pie with peas	\$3.50		
Pastie	\$3.50		
Pastie with peas	\$3.50		
Sausage roll	\$3.00		
Sausage roll with peas	\$3.00		
Pasta	\$4.00		
Popper - Apple/Orange (please circle)	\$1.50		
Bottle of water	\$2.00		
		TOTAL	