Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again it has been a very busy fortnight with all of the students working hard in all of their subject areas. We have been fortunate this week to have Heidi and Alice from Farmacist visit our school to assist us in preparing our garden beds for planting. Both young ladies did a fabulous job working with the students and we are looking forward to inviting them back again to assist us in planting and growing our vegetables. We are incredibly thankful for the generosity of businesses and individuals in our community who tirelessly assist us in our school. I personally have been overwhelmed in the past few months with the offers from local businesses to donate goods and services to our little school. Connections with the wider community such as this are vital to keeping our school alive and growing. Thanks to all our community partners – we look forward to continuing to work with you into the future.

As we approach the midway point of Term 2, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you the ‘Every Day Counts’ at school. Currently our overall attendance rate for the school for Term 2 is 95.1% which is great, anything less than 95% attendance puts children at risk of underachievement. Research shows that students who have good attendance at school are more likely to achieve high results. If your child is going to be away from school for any reason, please ensure that you contact the school and let us know. We can be contacted via phone, email, SMS or Facebook message. If your child will be missing an extended period of school, please speak with us so that we can arrange work for them during their absence.

Hayley Laidlow
Principal
Save the Date
12 May – QSR Team Meeting, 3:15pm
16-20 May – School Camp, Paluma (Yr 3-6 only), Prep – 2 to attend Maidavale SS for the week
2 June – Band 5/6 Principals’ Meeting (Osborne), QSR Team Meeting, 3:15pm
3 June – School photos
7 June – P&C Meeting
8 June – Alesah Darlison, Author Workshop
9 June – Band 5/6 Forum, Hayley away, Tracie in charge
10 June – QASSP State Council – Hayley away, Tracie in charge
13-14 June – Peer Review training – Hayley away, Tracie in charge
16 June – QSR Verification Meeting, 9-11am
17 June – Fancy Dress Ball
23 June – Combined Small Schools Activity Day (previously JOKSS) – Osborne State School - Science

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. All parents, carers and friends of the school are welcome to attend. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7 June at 6:30pm in the staffroom.

NAPLAN
Congratulations to our Year 3 students who completed their NAPLAN testing this week. Both boys did a great job and tried their very hardest in this test.

Camp Week
As you are all aware, next week our Year 3-6 students, Miss Laidlow and Mrs Marchioni will be visiting Paluma Environmental Education Centre for their Science Camp. While we are at camp, Mrs Samwell and the Prep-2 students will be attending Maidavale State School. Below are the last minute reminders about procedures for next week:

Year 3-6 students
Monday – please be at school by 8:30am, see your Camp Bulletin for further reminders about camp.
Friday - we will return to school at approximately 2:30pm

Prep-2 students
Please ensure that your child has lunch and wears their school uniform each day. All bus drop off and picks ups will happen as normal.
Monday – taxi departs Osborne at 8:30am, returns to Osborne at 2:45pm
Tuesday - taxi departs Osborne at 8:30am, returns to Osborne at 2:45pm
Wednesday – Mrs Samwell will collect students from Osborne at 8:30am and travel to Home Hill State School for Under 8s morning (9-10:30am) – we will need 1-2 parents to help with supervision this morning, please advise Miss Laidlow or Mrs Samwell if you are able to help out. 10:30am – Mrs Samwell will transport students from Home Hill State School to Maidavale. Students will return with Mrs Samwell to Osborne at 2:45pm.
Thursday - taxi departs Osborne at 8:30am, returns to Osborne at 2:45pm
Friday - taxi departs Osborne at 8:30am, returns to Osborne at 2:45pm

New Arrivals!
Congratulations to Mrs Sartori and her family on the arrival of their twins! Paige Demi and Nate Jack arrived on Wednesday 11 May at 1:30pm. Both bubs and Mum are doing well. We can’t wait to meet them soon!
QSR – Quadrennial School Review
On Thursday afternoon we held our first QSR team meeting and during this meeting we interrogated our current school data and school plan to help us in setting our goals for the next 4 years. It was great to see the progress we have made over the past 4 years and to begin looking to our future here at Osborne. As part of this process, we have decided that we would like to freshen our school image by creating a new school logo. The new logo takes into account key elements of our old logo to honour our school’s heritage while adding some fresh new ideas. The P&C Committee have also come up with a suggested new school motto which has been added to the logo design. The old and new logo designs are below – if you have any feedback in regards to these designs, please let us know as we would love to hear your feedback. Once the new design is finalised, it will be officially adopted following the implementation of our new School Strategic Plan at the end of this term.

Eggs
Our chickens are very happy and are laying well. We are currently getting approximately 3 eggs per day. If you would like a dozen eggs, please let Miss Laidlow know. All we ask is that you make a small donation to our ‘feed fund’ and return your egg carton to school.

Playgroup
Playgroup is now up and running! A huge thank you to our Playgroup co-ordinator Belinda McConville for volunteering her time to help us out. It was great to see all of the families along at Playgroup today. We look forward to seeing our Playgroup grow in future so please encourage anyone you know who has pre-school aged children to come along. Playgroup runs each Friday from 8:30am – 10:00am during school term. (Playgroup will still be running next Friday 20 May)

Student Banking
Don’t forget, Student Banking day is Wednesday. Student Banking is a great way to teach kids about how to save money and it also benefits our school as we receive financial benefits for each student who has an account which is registered with our school banking account. If your child does not have a student account and you would like to open one, please let us know and we give you a copy of the required forms.

Ten Pin Bowling
Our Wednesday afternoon bowling trips are going very well and the students are having lots of fun learning how to bowl. Don’t forget, bowling costs $2 per child, per week, a total cost of $10 per child. This money can be paid weekly or as a lump sum to the office – thanks to those parents who have paid their money already. The low cost is thanks to the fact that our Adopt-a-Cop Snr Constable Greg Langford is personally subsidising the cost, along with school funding from our RREAP budget. Parents are welcome to come along and help with supervision if they would like to. Our last week of bowling will happen the week after camp – Mrs Samwell has very kindly volunteered to bring her bus along so that we can all travel together for our last bowling session!
Wonderful Work from Osborne this week...

In the last fortnight we have been very busy creating some beautiful gifts for our wonderful Mums, building our garden beds, learning about soil health with Heidi and Alice from Farmacist and honing our skills at bowling with Senior Constable Greg.
Does Your Child Have a Chance of Being Successful?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but........

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Osborne State School
For all students to have opportunities to obtain a quality education and develop life-long learning skills

Quality Behaviour ......
Quality Teaching & learning......
Quality Relationships......
Quality Outcomes

At Osborne State School
Every Child Matters, Everyday

Ask us about help with getting your children to school everyday!!!
Rotary Club of Ayr

2016 Norm Perry Memorial Duck Race

Sunday 22nd May at Plantation Creek

Ducks can be purchased for $50.00 with all proceeds to Rotary Club of Ayr local community projects. The owner/s will be given a Certificate of Ownership which clearly states the conditions of ownership and race details.

Activities start at 9.45am & the Duck Race “kicks off” at 11.10am

1st Prize $1000
2nd Prize $750  4th Prize $300
3rd Prize $500  5th Prize $200
10 x $50.00 Lucky draws – Money back
Best Dressed Duck $250

Certificates & Ducks will be handed over to the respective owners upon receipt of full payment of $50.00. Invoices & Receipts issued on request.

This year’s beneficiaries:
CORES and Ronald McDonald House

Don’t be a sitting duck – get a group together and purchase a duck!

9.45am Extra ducks on sale
10.00am Public viewing of dressed up ducks
10.15am 1-10 Lucky draws
10.35am Sack Race
10.45am Egg & spoon race
10.55am Registration closes & Judging of Best Dressed Duck
11.00am Presentation of cheques to Beneficiaries
11.10am Duck Race
11.25am Winners announced

To BUY a DUCK phone 0438 831206

or contact any member of the Rotary Club of Ayr