



Orion State School Newsletter



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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Mar 15th – P & C
meeting, 3:15pm

Mar 16th – National Day
of Action Against
Bullying and Violence

Mar 28th – Principal's
Cluster meeting, Orion
State School

Mar 29th – District
Cross Country Trials,
Springsure

Mar 29th – Term 1
concludes

Apr 17th – Term 2
commences

May 2nd – P & C
Meeting

May 4th – Gindie Small
Schools Sports Carnival,
Gindie

May 28th – 31st –
Principals Conference,
Longreach

Jun 1st – Springsure
Show Holiday

Principal's Message

Once again we have had an exciting few weeks with our students participating in the Grip Leadership Conference at Emerald. This event hones the leadership and thinking skills of our year four, five and six students and all students assure me that they enjoyed the day and gained some interesting insights. Thank you kindly to Mrs. Cameron for lunch during the day, it was delicious!

After much discussion some of our children enjoyed the swimming carnival at Rolleston State School. Road closure due to rain falling in the Carnarvon Ranges created some challenges for parents regarding the viability of travelling on the day. However, those students who did attend had a successful and fun filled day. A huge thank you must go to Miss Webb at Rolleston for inviting us and to Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Tibbles, Mrs. Tincknell and Mrs. Bradley for assisting with swimming lessons this term.

Those who stayed at school enjoyed studying and sketching 'Sparkly the Snail' who was discovered in the garden that morning.

Although snake season is coming to a close, we have had a couple of snake sightings in the last couple of weeks. Due to changes in roster variations, we no longer have staff on duty at school until 8:30 am. If possible, could you please ensure that children do not arrive at school before this time?

This will be the final newsletter for term one. Please have an enjoyable break and we look forward to seeing everyone when school resumes on Tuesday 17th April.

Curriculum news

All students have been working exceptionally hard this term. Our Prep students have been working on the letters and sounds for *s, a, t, p, i, n, c, h* and *e*. They have been blending sounds, making word families, reading a range of level one readers and writing their name.

Well done Prep students!!

School happenings

Media Consent forms

There is hard copies of the Media Consent forms sent home this week. This form gives the school permission to print or publish particular items of your child's work including photographs of your child/ren. These forms need to be returned to the office promptly. If you wish not to grant the permissions outlined in the forms, can you please inform the

office. Without these consent forms we cannot publish any items including photographs of your child/ren in our publications.

Coles Sports for Schools

Don't forget we are collecting the Coles Sports for Schools vouchers! If you are registered as a Coles online shopper, you can nominate our school in your online account. These vouchers are then awarded to our Sports for Schools account rather than hard copy vouchers. Thank you to everyone that has already started to collect these vouchers.

National day Against Bullying and Violence

This Friday 16th March, we will be joining thousands of schools around Australia in celebrating the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. This is a proactive and positive day of action bringing schools and communities together to take a united stand against bullying and violence. As parents, guardians, teachers and community members, we can all get behind this day of recognition by discussing how we can stamp out bullying and violence.

School Dental Clinic

School dental forms went home in the past couple of weeks. Just a reminder that bookings need to be made with the school dental unit and not at the school.

Book Club

The school is now officially using The Loop, which is an online ordering and payment option for Scholastic Book Club. This means that you can order and pay for your child's book club from home. Your order will arrive as normal to the school for distribution. If you still prefer to send your book club order to school, paying by cash or cheque, this option is still available also.

Sports news

School swimming

With the cooler change in the weather, whole school swimming lessons are now finished. We will recommence swimming in Term 4.

Rolleston and Orion Swimming Carnival

On Friday 23rd February, some of our students participated in the Annual Rolleston and Orion Swimming Carnival in Rolleston! Even with only 7 swimmers attending, we gained 179 points for the team. Congratulations to Jamie for taking out the Senior Age Champion and Cheyenne for the Junior Age Champion!!! Well done to everyone that participated in the day!

District and Central Highlands sports

During the course of the year, you may see many of our Year 4 – 6 students completing at district trials in all different sports. First up, Jamie travelled to Moranbah last Friday to compete in the Springsure District team for CH rugby league trials. A big congratulations to Jamie on being selected to represent the CH Rugby League team in May up in Mackay!! From all accounts you played some outstanding footy! We wish

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Jamie all the very best in his upcoming games.

Jorja, Jessica and Jamie will all be travelling to Springsure on Thursday 29th March to compete in the district cross country trials. We hope the course stays dry for you all and wish you the best!

P & C News

We would like to welcome our new P & C Executive Committee into their positions for the 2018 school year:

President – Sophie Bradley

Vice President – Gemma Morgan

Secretary/Uniform Coordinator – Renee Cameron

Treasurer – Carmel Tibbles

Tuckshop Convenor – Tess Karl

The P & C are currently running their Easter Raffle!! Tickets have been sent out to the district however if you didn't receive any please contact Sophie and she can arrange some for you. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 29th March, right in time for the Easter weekend!

Tuckshop news

As we are nearing the end of Term 1, Tess is preparing the Term 2 tuckshop roster. If there is a particular week you could possibly assist with operating the tuckshop, please contact Tess to put your name down on the roster. Volunteers are an essential part of our school community and we thank you for all the help you give to us to ensure the children don't miss out.

Yours in teaching

Carolyn Mayne

GRIP Leadership





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