Dear parents and friends of the school,

I’d like to take this opportunity to invite all of you to our next P&C meeting. This event will take place on Monday the 8th of April. As a friendly reminder, we will be holding a general meeting, followed immediately by a special meeting to decide on school uniforms.

In terms of following processes appropriately, can I kindly draw everyone’s attention to a few important protocols? It is vital that anyone interested in becoming a member has paid their $5 fee at the front office of the school, during business hours, before the next meeting takes place. This will give you voting rights and, technically, a direct say in the decision making that will take place.

It is also extremely important that community members are aware that the P&C meeting is the most appropriate arena for discussion and decision making to occur. We welcome everyone’s input and strongly encourage everyone to attend!

Warm Regards,

Matt Jacobson
Principal

As we wind up a busy term, Primary look back and appreciate all the varied sporting opportunities that they have participated in this term.

**Swimming**

Swimming went from learning; to District; to Riverina Carnivals. Congratulations to the swimmers who swam in Albury. The relay team came first in their heat but did not qualify in the first three for Sydney. The individual swimmers did so well gaining places, very credible for this level.

**Football/Netball Trials**

We hosted the Football/Netball trials again this year and it was a wonderful day. It was lovely to see so many visitors to our school. Everyone commented on the amazing set up we have here. It is good to see our school promoted outside of our community.

Well done to the netball team who won all their matches. That was a great team effort. Some of the girls were not regular netball players and they did a great job on the day to keep their team in front. Four of the girls got into the District team; Gabrielle, Brooklyn, Bethany and Crystal. Congratulations to these girls and good luck to you all in the Riverina Trials. Well done too to Renee, who came close and will possibly shine next year.

George, Logan and Xavier made it into the District team with Archie as an almost. These 3 boys played on Thursday in the District team and represented the school so well in both ability and sportsmanship. Our team only won one game but were very competitive in all their games. George Sandral and Cameron Wilson (Corowa) made it into the Western Riverina team and
will play in Jerilderie to try out for the Riverina team. We wish them both luck.

**Jerri-Berri-Oaks Cricket**
This year for the first time we have joined with Jerilderie and Berrigan to be part of the Jerri-Berri-Oaks team. This team can compete in state knockout carnivals as a combined schools team. We have started the year on a high. We played in the state cricket knockouts and won the first round against Tocumwal on Friday, 22nd March. Now we go on to play the next round against Deni South on Tuesday, 9th April. Good luck to Logan, George, Archie and Xavier in this endeavor.

**Cricket Australia**
This term we have had Cricket Australia involved in four sessions of cricket coaching. We are up to session three. All the kids are thoroughly enjoying this coaching. Thank you to David Nichols for giving up his time for our students.

**Peer Support**
Peer Support has been running this term and the Year 6 students need congratulations on the wonderful way they have been leading this program. Mrs Swann is the team leader and she is very proud of her Year 6 leaders.

**Sport Selections**
Special mention needs to go to Gabrielle who made it as far as Griffith in the tennis selection; to George Sandral who is having a field day and is in the Riverina Cricket and Tennis teams.

**Best Start**
Best Start parent feedback will be coming out on Friday for all students K-2. Parents who wish to, are welcome to confer with teachers if they need more feedback. Kindergarten parents will be given the opportunity to have parent/teacher interviews with Miss Keenan next week. A roster will be sent out. You may make time changes through the office.

**Years 3-6 Tick and Flick reports**
Years 3-6 will have a Tick and Flick report next week. Parents may follow these up with an interview if they wish. If a teacher has a concern, the teacher may request an interview. These reports and the Best Start information are all ways of keeping you informed about your children’s progress. Partnership between parents and teachers are the ideal way for your children to reach their educational potential.

**Merit Assembly**
Merit Assembly will be earlier this term to fit in with Sussan Ley’s schedule. The assembly will be in the 4/5/6 room and will be run by the Primary Captains. Parents are most welcome. The Drama camp will continue in 2/3 room; Secondary English room and the School Hall.

**National Partnership Funding**
We are now a three teacher school and will continue as a three teacher school for the rest of the year. This will give us some room to move more flexibly with our National Partnership Funding. One initiative has been to bring music teaching to Oaklands. So far this looks promising with Mrs Ann Sloane coming next term to teach private piano and guitar lessons. National Partnership will support its set up, equipment and the initial costs of bringing an expert to Oaklands. It is hoped that the program will eventually be self-sufficient.

Well done to all the students for their hard work this term. Progress across the school has been so pleasing. Keep up the good work.

Margot Gorman

**K/1 News**
This term in Kindergarten and Year 1 we have been learning about Bears.

We have learnt about the Three Bears, Winnie the Pooh Bear, Polar Bears and Grizzly Bears. Bears like to eat honey and fish.

We have also been doing lots of work on Easter. We made Easter baskets and Easter Bunny filled them with chocolates. We made Easter Bunny faces too.

All the K/1 class are zooming along with their reading and counting skills.

**Primary Easter Ice-creams**
On Wednesday in our Peer-Support groups we made Easter Bunny faces out of ice-cream and lollies. First we had to collect our ingredients and place 5 marshmallows into the bottom of the ice-cream cone. Then we placed a big scoop of ice-cream on top of the marshmallows and decorated the Easter bunny’s face with smarties for the eyes, bananas for the ears, jelly beans for the nose and licorice for the whiskers. They were yummy.
We had to eat them quickly because the ice-cream started to melt.

Thank you to Mrs Gorman for organizing this. It was lots of fun.

Ms Felicity Keenan
K/1 Teacher

**Rising Generations Leadership**

Last Tuesday Year 5 and 6 went to Finley High School to learn more about leadership.

We learned leadership skills such as getting along, working as a group, persistence and much more. We played a lot of games involving working together with people we had never met. The people who helped us learn all of these leadership skills were Rosie and Blair from Rising Generations.

At the end of the day Year 5 and 6 came back knowing a lot more things about leadership and had an exciting and interesting day thanks to Rosie and Blair from Rising Generations.

Xavier Buntin and Logan Kerr

**Footy Trials**

On Wednesday 20th March, Year 4/5/6 boys had football trials at the Oaklands Football Ground. They needed to play their best to get selected in the Balldale PSSA team. Corowa, Corowa South, Mulwala, Savernake, Oaklands and Urana were the participating schools.

On the day everyone played their best but only 22 could get into the team. Xavier, Logan and George made it to the next level.

On the 29th March Logan, Xavier and George went to Barooga for the Riverina selection trials. They played four games with 2 quarters in each game. Unfortunately, Luke Backhouse from Corowa South dislocated his index finger. They had a longest kick competition and everyone got a footy bag with goodies in it.

In the end only Cameron Wilson and George Sandral made it to the next level. It was a great day.

Xavier Buntin and Logan Kerr

**Netball Trials**

At the netball trials at Oaklands Central School on Wednesday the 20th of March all the girls in Years 5 and 6 from Urana and Oaklands formed a netball team. All day the girls played netball and won every game they played. Bethany, Brooklyn, Gabrielle, Renee, Victoria, Amy, Samantha and Crystal all played in different positions and worked as a team.

After they all played five games, Ms Outram called out the possible and probables and Brooklyn, Bethany, Gabrielle, and Crystal made it in to the Balldale District Netball Team which will go to Albury on 6th of May to try out for the Riverina PSSA team.

Bethany and Brooklyn Moloney

**Easter Egg Hunt**

On Wednesday 27th March Year 6 and Ms Outram named all of the chocolate eggs for the Primary and Infants Easter Egg Hunt. We hid all of the eggs and told all the kids the rules for the hunt. We hid the eggs in the front garden.

Next time we need to remember to never hide the eggs on the ground because 5 eggs got stood on by little kids. Everyone enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt especially Year 6 because when the other Year 6 kids hid the eggs it was so hard to find them. The day was fun for all the primary and infants.

Crystal Bateman and Amy Mottram

**Head Teacher’s Tout**

The Secondary Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt was a great success again this year, even though there was a bit of rain throughout activities.
The visit on Wednesday by Amy, the Police School Liaison Officer gave students an opportunity to learn more about CyberSafety, in particular Facebook, as well as to find out about the duties police engage in.

I attended the Vocational Education and Training meeting in Narrandera on Wednesday, keeping current with delivery requirements with a focus on the Certificate II in Business.

This Thursday and Friday I’ll be attending a Careers Advisor’s conference in Albury-Wodonga. Agenda items include Defence Force Recruiting, the UAC admissions process, employment demand and ways of preparing students for the future.

Mr Longmire took several students to the RAP sporting trials last week, with some of our boys making the 15 and Under AFL team which Mr Longmire will coach for the seven RAP schools.

Mrs Gorman, Mr Jacobson, Mr Atkins and I had a good day in Wagga on Monday the 18th at the 21st Century Fluency conference. We’re looking at ways of developing skills that students will need to be well prepared for a future that is changing at a rapid rate.

Wednesday the 3rd is our first Year 7 & 8 BBQ, on at the school at 6pm. The staff are looking forward to meeting the parents and improved communication between home and school continues to be a focus for the secondary department this year. We hope that you are able to join us.

Andrew Glazebrook
Head Teacher Secondary Studies

COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

6th April - Billabong Crows vs Culcairn at Oaklands
6th April - Lisa Wilson (Pink tribute & Karaoke Entertainer) at the Oaklands RSL Bowling Club
8pm. Bistro opened from 6pm.
11th April - Official Opening of the Oaklands Orchid Sculpture & Community Garden 10:30am
13th April - Billabong Crows vs RW Tigers at Rand
20th April - Billabong Crows vs Walla at Urana
25th April - ANZAC Day March and refreshments at the RSL Bowling Club
27th April - Billabong Crows vs CDHBU at Coreen
4th May - Billabong Crows vs Magpies at Oaklands
11th May—Billabong Crows BYE
7th June - Elvis & Marilyn Monroe Tribute Show

COMMUNITY NEWS
1,2,3 Magic & Emotion Coaching

The foundation of this course is how we respond to our children's behavior when they don't behave as we would like them to.

It focuses on curbing unwanted behavior by counting, encouraging children to start the behavior you want and helping them become better managers of their emotions. Recommended age group 5 -12 year old.

This is a FREE program

Wednesday 27th March 2013
3rd April 2013
10th April 2013

9am – 11am

Oaklands Central School,
Coleen Street, Oaklands

Child care available contact the school
(02) 6035492

All very welcome

Register your interest:
Sharon Soule
Family Links worker
Phone: 03 5990 6200
Mobile: 0429 000 295

Please note the change of date

Oaklands RSL Bowling Club

Events Calendar

Saturday 6th April: After 1st game of footy Lisa Wilson (Pink tribute & Karaoke Entertainer) will be performing from 8pm. Bistro open from 6pm

Thursday 25th April: Anzac Day March and refreshments

Friday 7th June: Elvis & Marilyn Monroe Tribute Show.

Bistro open from 6pm

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Every Thursday Night: Riverina Club Draw and Bistro open

Every Sunday Night: Oaklands Members Draw

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Anyone interested in receiving these sacraments is encouraged to contact Parish Priest, Fr. Darren Howie on 02 6920 5446 or alternatively Leanne Sandral on 02 6035 6251.
OAKLANDS CENTRAL SCHOOL
ABSENCE NOTE

Name: _______________________________________
Class: _____  Teacher: ____________________________

This student was absent from ___/___/___ to ___/___/___

Due to the following:

☐ Illness
☐ Injury
☐ Medical/Dental Appointment
☐ Family Commitments
☐ Other - give reason _______________________

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Additional comments _____________________________

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Signed: _____________________________________

Date: _________

OAKLANDS CENTRAL SCHOOL
SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
AND
NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION

School Contributions for 2013 are as follows:

Primary Student: - $30.00
Secondary Student: - $30.00

Maximum per Family $50.00

and are now payable to the School Office

Remember these contributions benefit YOUR children and YOUR community.

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION:

$13.00 (inc GST)

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$5.00

(This covers parents when working for the P & C, ie working bees, catering).

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For The Information of Members and Guests

THURSDAY NIGHT DRAW
(7:00pm to 9:00pm)
4th April, 2013
$27,600.00

SUNDAY NIGHT DRAW
7th April, 2013
$300.00

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AUGUST 2013  ANDREW DAY FAMILY
Graham Smith Family
Bill Buntin Family
Damien Doyle Family
Bruce Owen Family
Steven Wolter Family

Please Note: The Highlighted names at the top of your group are your leaders for the month. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME DURING THE MONTH YOU HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ORGANISE A SWAP.

Please Inform Your Group Leader if you make a swap, Thankyou. Volunteers are required to cook the BBQ on Thursday nights ONLY. Meat, Bread and onions supplied, onions to be prepared by those rostered on.

Jobs required when preparing ground & courts for Game Day: (supplies in cupboard in home team change rooms)
Team leaders to let Jeanette know when supplies are running short please.

Netball - Game Day:
1. Netball courts and surrounds need to be clear of debris, netball posts in place when necessary.
3. Rubbish bins accessible.

Football - Game Day:
1. Ground mowed, holes filled, sprinkler’s covered, rough surfaces removed etc. Goal post protection pads in place and ground marked for game day.
2. Time Keepers room open (early am) and clean for game day, windows to be cleaned when necessary.
3. Fires lit and have plenty of wood available.
4. Clean toilets both female and male and replenish soap, toilet paper, paper towel etc when required.
5. Change rooms to be cleaned each week, replace soap etc.
6. Umpires room to be cleaned and soap in shower.
7. Bar shed clean and tidy at all times.
8. Cement area in front of Bar and Canteen to be clean and tidy, cobwebs etc removed from around the walls, clear rubbish away from area between Bar and Canteen.
9. Rubbish bins and wheelie bins to be distributed around the ground. Must be a wheelie bin at Canteen and Bar doors on game day please. Pick up rubbish around ground if necessary, especially in front of Bar and Canteen area along the seats.
10. Gate House swept out and clean, weed and remove rubbish from around the front gate to make it look as presentable as possible.

Football Netball - Training Nights:

NOTE: Co-ordinators - please have a person with a current RSA working the Bar on Training Nights.
1. Fires lit and have plenty of wood available.
2. Fill water bottles for football training.
3. Thursday nights only - Cook BBQ and serve. Clean up after BBQ has finished, wash utensils etc., tidy bar area before leaving.
4. Replenish drink fridge if necessary.
5. Clean up around fires and place rubbish in bins prior to leaving ground please.

This Roster is to Help Share the work load so the same people are not doing it each week. Don’t let it be you and yours who lets’ the team down.
BILLABONG CROWS TRAINING NIGHTS, HOME GAMES, AWAY GAMES & BYES ROSTER FOR 2013.

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Training Nights - Tuesday and Thursday until further notice

If there are to be further Training Sessions due to any teams being involved in the Finals, there will be another Roster letting you all know where and when training will be held. Let’s hope we have to do another Roster for 2013.

The Committee of the Billabong Crows thanks you and your families for volunteering your time to help out on these Rosters. It is always good to see a large number of people working together for the common cause.