Dear Friends & Families of Oaklands Central School,

A short time ago, I was informed that Mr Andrew Glazebrook, our Head Teacher – Secondary, was successful in gaining a transfer to Warners Bay High School. On behalf of Oaklands Central School and our community, I would like to extend the warmest of thanks for the many years of dedication and hard work that he has afforded our children. We wish him all the best for the future and can appreciate that his new appointment will allow him to return home to friends and family. Well done, Mr Glazebrook, you’ll be sadly missed.

As for our future, the NSW Department of Education & Communities has indicated that we will be given the opportunity to advertise a replacement position. This is a very favourable opportunity for our school as it gives us the chance to pick someone from a field of likely applicants, rather than see the position filled from a supply pool.

The process is conducted through very strict guidelines/policy known as Merit Selection or Selection Panel Procedures for School Teachers 2012. The panel is convened by myself, and is comprised of an executive representative from another area school, a teaching officer that has been elected by their peers and a member from our school P&C.

There are a number of parents that have received merit selection training, however, as the process is quickly speeding ahead, our P&C executive have voted to ask Mrs Amy Doyle represent our parent community.

Presently, we will be holding our first selection panel meeting on Tuesday of next week. This, in turn, will lead to the development of an advertised application which would close in the middle half of next term. On this basis, we will be able to announce our new Head Teacher in week 7 or 8 of term 4. We’ll keep you posted.

Warm Regards,

Matthew Jacobson
Principal

COMING EVENTS:
6th September - ‘Emily Eyefinger’ Show, Albury
7th September - Federal Election, Polling at Oaklands Central School Hall from 8am
10th September - Wagga Eisteddfod (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)
11th September - SCHOOL PHOTOS
12th September - Parent/Teacher Interviews
19th September - School Concert 7pm at Oaklands Town Hall
20th September - Last day of Term 3
7th October - ‘Labour Day’ Public Holiday
8th October - Students commence Term 4
11th October - Rand Super 8’s Cricket
15th to 18th October - Primary Ballarat Excursion
21st to 24th October - Girls PSSA Cricket, Bomaderry
4th to 7th November - Boys PSSA Cricket, Bathurst

Mikaela Watson & Bonnie Bateman at “Hyde Park” representing our school in Sydney for the Student Leadership Program.
Another busy two weeks for Primary.

**Book Week and Library**

Week 6 was ‘Book Week’ and Library lessons took on a bright focus with competitions for all classes in crafty creations depicting “Read Around the Universe”. Congratulations to the winners Amy Mottram, Logan Kerr, Jennifer Sandral and Stephanie Sutcliffe who each won a book for their efforts. On Friday Mrs Bruce had a fruit fun day, providing the students with a fruity morning tea. What fun. Thank you Mrs Bruce.

**Speech Therapy**

Speech therapy continued and Stephanie Whyte is very pleased with the efforts of her students.

**Best Start Program Training**

The staff undertook training on Tuesday after school in the latest technology attached to the Best Start Program. This program began for just Kindergarten, to track their progress over a year and is now set to track the progress of all the students to Year 6 and then 10 in literature and number. It will be running alongside the data from NAPLAN and other testing to work with the plan of teaching from where a student is ‘at’ and moving them forward from there.

**Leadership Day**

On Wednesday 21st August, I took Mikaela Watson and Bonnie Bateman to Sydney for a School Captains’ Leadership Day. We flew to Sydney on Wednesday afternoon and after settling in to the Hyde Park Motel, headed off to the Sydney Tower for tea. The girls had a great meal and loved the view we got from the revolving restaurant. It was a delight to take these two young ladies out to tea. On Thursday we were up early and dressed in our school best. This was the first time we have used our school blazers and ties and the girls were great models for this. They looked wonderful. As we walked through Hyde Park we passed many blazered-up students and the girls felt very good about how they looked. We wandered down past the Sunrise building and watched through the window. Then Sam Armytage came out and we were invited to be part of a group that was filmed with her. The girls were very excited and texted home to alert their families.

We were early to Parliament House so we had hot chocolates at a café opposite and watched the world go by. We entered Parliament House through security and after a quick look around, were addressed by MPs from the Riverina and North Coast districts. There were 200 captains there from the Riverina and North Coast, 100 schools. It was lovely to see 200 bright leaders together in one room. It gives you heart for the future when you see the intelligence and integrity of these young people.

Mikaela and Bonnie had photos with MP Greg Aplin and sat in on a small session of both ‘Houses’. One was debating egg labelling and the other laws for school and workplace bullying. Then the students participated in a sandwich lunch and question time. We then walked to Government House which is situated in the Botanical Gardens. What a beautiful building. I got a crick neck examining the ceilings. We had a short tour and a roam in the grounds where we were taken by an amazing tree, possibly a couple of centuries old.

Back we went into Government House Ballroom where we sat and waited until the Governor arrived. The Governor, Marie Bashir, spoke to the Captains about her background and about the democratic way. She was so interesting to listen to. What a tiny woman! Smaller than me and about as slim as my finger! When we left the room we luckily rounded the corner to find the Governor’s car and had a photo with it. Home after that and back to reality. I was very proud of our leaders and our school on this day. Our girls did us proud! They wore their uniform with pride and conducted themselves in a manner that befitted their school, their parents, their community and themselves. Well done Mikaela and Bonnie!

**Concert Practice**

In week 7 concert practice began in full swing. K/1, 2/3, 4/5/6 and Secondary are each preparing a short play for the concert and are putting in time to learn their scripts so that next week we can begin to stage and act them out. It is a busy time for everyone, balancing the academics with the drama.

**Tom Hawkins Fun Day**

Year 3/4 had their Tom Hawkins Football Fun Day on the Wednesday and almost all the students from 3/4 attended. Eighteen keen kids turned up to contest for the day. We had 4 games. We won 3 and lost 1. Everyone played so well. The girls were a little shy at first and a bit tentative but by game 3 they were right into it. The boys were stars all day, marking, kicking and sharing the ball; great team play and encouragement. Thanks so much to Andrew Richardson for organising these great annual fun days. They are such a highlight for our students. Thanks also to the parents who transported the students. Without your help we could never have taken 18 kids and some would have had to miss out. I was delighted with the behaviour and lively spirit of team Oaklands. Well done guys and gals!

**Riverina Athletics Results**

On Friday Crystal Bateman, Xavier Buntin, Jesse Moloney, Aaron Sandral, George Sandral, Gabrielle Sutcliffe and the relay teams: Junior - Jake Sartore, Jacob Habermann, Aaron and Charlie Sandral and Senior - Logan Kerr, Gabrielle, George, Xavier and Archie Boydell went to Albury to compete in the Riverina Athletics Carnival. To get so many students from a primary component of 55 students to such an elite carnival is a
source of great pride to me. They all did so well!

Crystal Bateman: 7th in 100m  
Xavier Buntin: 5th in High Jump; 14th in Shot Put  
Jesse Moloney: 24th in 100m  
Aaron Sandral: 28th in 100m; 28th 200m; 13th Long Jump; 5th in High Jump  
George Sandral: 9th in Long Jump  
Gabrielle Sutcliffe: 25th 100m; 22nd 200m; 17th Long Jump; 1st in High Jump; 14th in Shot Put  
Junior Relay: Jake, Jacob, Aaron, Jesse 20th  
Nigel Bagley Relay: Gabrielle, George, Logan, Xavier 6th

WOW Gabrielle 1st in Riverina High Jump! Well done! You won a place in the Riverina Athletics team. This makes two Riverina teams for Gabrielle this year. She got into the final selections for tennis; the Eastern Riverina team for netball and into the Riverina teams for Athletics and Girls cricket. What great achievements for you Gabrielle. Well done!

And look at the number of our students who got in the first 10 places in the Riverina! 6 spots from OCS. Isn’t that great! Well done team Oaklands!

Emily Eyefinger Performance
This Friday, all Primary students are off to Albury to see the live production of Duncan Ball’s novel ‘Emily Eyefinger’. It is good to have live theatre appear again in Albury. Duncan Ball is a popular author and our children love his books. He will be signing books on Thursday. We will miss that but I’m sure we will have a good day. Well done Grace Gardiner and Stephanie Sutcliffe for winning the colouring competition for Emily Eyefinger. They won free tickets for their families to go to the show and we are delighted to have their mums travelling with us to Albury. Their artwork will be hanging in the lobby of the theatre for all to see.

Wagga Eisteddfod
The following Tuesday 3/4/5/6 are off to defend their title at the Wagga Eisteddfod. I know you all wish them luck in this great experience. We will have a report on it in the next newsletter.

Margot Gorman

K/1 Update
We have had a very busy term to date. This term we moved from Jolly Phonics to Spelling and students’ have been enjoying learning Spelling words and having a weekly test. In Mathematics, we have been looking at Time, Mass, Volume and Data. Students completed a variety of survey’s to collect data. Students are continually exposed to numbers and have been learning their ‘Friends of Ten’. Students have also been working on Addition and Subtraction. During Music this term we have been focusing on Dance. It was wonderful to see so many parents, carers, grandparents, aunts and uncles at the school for Open Day. For the remainder of Term 3, we will be extremely busy working on the School Concert.

Felicity Keenan
Term 3 has been going very well, with students now enthusiastically preparing for the end of term performance. We are very fortunate to have such keen students and the talent of Mr Atkins to create such a clever play for the students to perform in.

Mr Sariman has returned for two and a half weeks to finish his prac teaching placement. Completing a K-12 Teaching qualification at Charles Sturt University with a major study of History, Mr Sariman has been learning a lot and brought his enthusiasm to many different subjects.

Next week is SAS Recognition Week. Both in the office and around the school, the SAS (School Administrative and Support) staff do a tremendous job of ensuring things run smoothly. While every SAS staff member could easily have a page written about them, I’d particularly like to recognise the great help that Mrs Chisholm has been, identifying and processing new books, as well as repairing older books in the library in her role of library assistant. She also completes many other tasks in the school office and out - I still remember the full size roman shields we used in History that she helped make out of cardboard!

On Friday the 23rd of September, we commenced the first of our Sports Plus activities. While secondary sport is usually all the students together, we’re trialing the idea of enabling small groups to go off to access other facilities where transport/costs/numbers might normally make it hard for us to use. Travelling to Wagga, eleven students were able to have a great afternoon at Airborne Gymnastics, completing a great array of activities with their specialist facilities.

It is anticipated another trip or two to other venues will take place during semester 2.

Mr Atkins organised a students versus staff soccer game last Thursday which had everyone racing around and trying to score. It was a tough start with students scoring first, but then the teachers team scored the next four goals to win 4-2.

Year 12 finished their Trial HSC exams a week ago and Year 11 have their Yearly exams starting on Thursday the 5th.

Tax time is here! Time to apply for a Tax File Number that is, a program the ATO runs through schools to help students receive their TFN so they are ready to work straight away. Each year we usually have three or four students apply and then receive their TFN through the school.

Year 10 students have gone through two rounds of subject selections and soon the subjects running over the Riverina Access Partnership in 2014 will be finalised. It is such a great opportunity for our students to access a full array of subjects where they will be well supported. Students planning to complete TAFE courses in 2014 such as Automotive, Retail or Hair and Beauty will need to submit their EOI forms by the end of the term.

Andrew Glazebrook
Head Teacher Secondary Studies
LOTE
During the first six weeks of the term, classes of Languages other than English (LOTE) and Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) as well as Work Studies (a year 11 & 12 subject) have been taken by Mr Robey acting as a relief teacher.

The topic for LOTE was French with an emphasis on regional cooking and sport. The students developed a research assignment with a presentation on popular sports played in France. The Tour de France was coming to the final stages as the term began so the students were able to get involved in the excitement that Le Tour generates both in France and internationally. The students were able gain insight into the Le Tour through their research and the personal experiences of Mr Robey who has recently been to France as a spectator of the 2008 Tour.

Students were also able to study Rugby (Union) and were surprised that France is ranked in the top five nations and beat the Wallabies late last year. Petanque is a popular game in France and is an easy family game to play in the backyard and most open areas. Poor weather prevented the students playing this game but with the onset of spring this will be done. Of course motor racing (Le Mans GP) and Tennis (the French Open) are also popular sports in France and were also researched.

France is famous for it’s food and cooking techniques. As well as trying their hand at French cooking students learnt some of the language of French cooking. Students developed cooking skills and prepared both savoury and dessert courses.

PDHPE
PDHPE students studied topics associated with health and drugs (both legal and illegal). One of the activities involved the analysis of anti-smoking advertisements. The analysis involved identifying the target audience, the message the ad was trying to present and the effectiveness of the ad (in their opinion).

Work Studies
The topics in Work Studies involved discrimination in the workplace and the regulations relating to equal opportunity at work. Discrimination can relate to age (both old and young), gender, race and religion.

Paul Robey
The Billabong Crows U14s Football team played in the first Elimination final on Saturday, 31st August 2013 at Walbundrie in the Hume Football League. The Crows ended up 6th on the ladder after the home and away season and they played Lockhart, who ended up 3rd on the ladder. The Crows started off very competitively and were keeping Lockhart scoring chances very low. In the 4th quarter Lockhart pulled away by kicking 5 goals. Well done to all our players, coaches, officials on such a great effort!!! All together a great year from a team small in statue but big in heart.

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AGM
Friday 20th September @ 7.30pm
At Oaklands Club
All members and new members welcome to attend.

- Election of Office Bearers - Early nominations welcome
- Financial Review
- Overview of 2012/2013 activities
- Preview of 2013/2014 activities
- Constitution Changes
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 _______________________

Additional comments _____________________________

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Signed: _____________________________________
Date: _________

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Primary Student:- $30.00
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Maximum per Family $50.00

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Sporting Bodies and Committees: $33.00 (inc GST)

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OAKLANDS CENTRAL SCHOOL
P & C AGENDA ITEM

Name:____________________________________________________
Item:____________________________________________________
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Agenda submissions MUST be received 14 days prior to the P&C Meeting to be included as an agenda item. Late submissions will held until the following P&C Meeting.

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SUNDAY NIGHT DRAW
Sunday 8th September, 2013
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