



# OCEAN SHORES PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 5 – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November



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## OPERATION DOLPHIN:

I am Inspiring - I invite others to join in my games.

## IMPORTANT!

### School Planning

Last week members of the School's Self-Evaluation Team looked at our current plan and school data as part of the planning process for 2018-2020. The team identified several areas of focus for the school. I will share a summary of progress during tomorrow's parent forums in the library. I encourage all parents/carers to join us while children are attending the disco in the hall.

### Grow Your Own Lunchbox

Congratulations to our five students who represented OSPS at the Farmers Markets Grow Your Own Lunchbox Challenge last week. Thank you to Louise Carr, Rob Brough, Sigge McKinley and Ms Toop for facilitating our involvement in this most worthwhile project.

### Website

Our school website is constantly being updated. Check the Calendar for upcoming events and our News Feed for more information including Permission Notes. [www.oceanshore-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.oceanshore-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

**Martin Gill (Rel Principal)**

## ***"It's time we had 'THE TALK'"***

The Ocean Shores P&C would like to start a discussion around sex ed & healthy relationships.

Who teaches this to our kids? School? Parents? Internet? Cousin Johnny?

## **When and how should we start talking to kids about sex?**

Interrelate will be present to help answer questions.

WHEN: Wed 8 Nov      5-6:30pm (Stage 1 K-2)  
                                 6:30-8pm (Stage 2 & 3 3-6), during disco

WHERE: Ocean Shores Public School Library, Shara Blvd, Ocean Shores

Open to any interested parents and citizens of this or other schools

Babysitting & light refreshments available |

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Disco/Parent Forum K-2 5-6.30pm, 3-6 6.30-8pm  
**Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Kinder Orientation 11:30am – 1:30pm  
Year 4 Dorroughby Camp  
**Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Nov** –Year 4 Dorroughby Camp, Remembrance Day Assembly 10.50am, Mid-Term rewards session (all classes, Superstars Luncheon  
**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Intensive Swimming begins, Handball Competition begins

**Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Kinder Orientation 12:00 – 3pm  
Assembly KL (and 3/4W) 1.00pm  
**Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov** – Mullum HS Performance 9.30am in OSPS Hall (free)  
**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov** –Year 2 Intensive Swimming Program ends.

### *Save the Date*

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am** is our Presentation Day.

## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING:

### Lunch Box Challenge Success!

Last Friday, 5 students from our Garden Club participated in the School Lunch Box Challenge at the Mullumbimby Farmers Market. Using fresh produce from our school garden, Sierra, Indiana, Sophie, John and Lucilla busily prepared our tasty, healthy lunch of: corn and zucchini fritters, Asian salad, feta and tomato skewers and rhubarb muffins. Sierra, Sophie and Indiana presented an informative speech to the audience about our unique garden. Judges visited our display stand and were amazed at the variety of fresh produce from our garden and commented on how tasty our lunch box was.

Competition was fierce! Our school was awarded a prize to the value of \$250 for our innovative whole school garden program and our Garden Club. Thanks to the hard work and ongoing commitment from volunteer parent Sigge, and our staff Rob and Lou that enables our OSPS garden to flourish and be so successful. Our students that participate in this program are highly dedicated and must be congratulated for their efforts!

Miss Toop

Garden Coordinator

### Grandparent's Day

We thank all of those Grandparents and community members that came and visited our school last Thursday. The students really enjoyed showcasing their classrooms, having a sing-a-long and sharing a picnic lunch.

### Book Fair

Wow, thank you for supporting our school library by purchasing books at our 2017 Book Fair. An outstanding \$5000 in book sales, this will provide many quality books for our school library.

### Congratulations Akesa!

One of our very talented students Akesa Hamlin recently competed in The Lismore Eisteddfod of Music. Akesa did extremely well and placed first in all five categories that she entered!

First place in the Intermediate Woodwind Championship, 16 years and under.

First place in Solo Flute

First place in Contemporary Solo

First place in Jazz/Popular Solo

First place in Traditional or folk tune Solo

As a result of her outstanding effort she also received the Lismore Hi Fi Perpetual Trophy for Outstanding Woodwind Competitor, and Akesa's name will now be placed on a trophy that is located at the Lismore Library.

Akesa has passed her 5th Grade AMEB flute exam with a B Grade and is continuing onto 6th Grade level.

Not only is Akesa an outstanding student at Ocean Shores Public School, she is excelling in the performing arts outside of school also. Well done!



## STAFF MESSAGES:

### ES1 and Stage 1:

#### Kindergarten Orientation

Last week we welcomed our 2018 Kindergarten students to the first of three orientation sessions. Staff and students enjoyed their time and our Year 4/5 buddies were outstanding.

### Year 2 Intensive Swimming

Just a reminder for Year 2 that Intensive Swimming commences next Monday. This program runs for two weeks, children will need to bring their swimmers and towels.

### Stage 2:

Year 4 are ready for Dorroughby camp this week.

### Stage 3:

#### Reminder to Year 6 Parents

Last week, year 6 students were given a large yellow envelope to hand to their parents. Parents are asked to fill out the form inside the envelope (confidentially) and return the sealed envelope back to the school. This form is part of the Farewell pack students will receive on the 4<sup>th</sup> December at the Farewell.

Only a handful of these forms have been returned as yet. Prompt return of these will assist teachers enormously with organisation of the Farewell.

Kind regards

Mrs Ensor/Miss Christian

### Selective High School Applications

Selective High School Applications for 2019 are now open. Rural students have the opportunity to study at Aurora College – a virtual selective high school while living at home. To be eligible, Year 5 students sit the selective high schools test. See the following links for further information, or contact the school.

<http://www.aurora.nsw.edu.au/>

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Note: selective high school applications close on November 13th

### Kindergarten 2018 Transition

#### Orientation Program

**COMPLETED** Session 1- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9.30-11.30am

Session 2- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 11.30-1.30pm

Session 3- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 12.00-3.00pm (experience an assembly with KL performing)

**Talent Quest**- December 13<sup>th</sup> Week 10 (welcome to attend )

**Christmas Craft session at OSPS with Pre-schoolers**- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November Week 8



### Disco/Parent Forum

Please note that the school Disco and P&C Forum will be here at the school on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**.

K-2 Disco **5:00-6:30pm** and 3-6 Disco **6:30- 8:00pm**. Disco entry is **\$5 (Disney Theme)**.

Money raised will go to Kids in Need (KIN) charity and towards the Year 6's graduation cake.



While the Discos are in action in the hall, the P&C will be hosting a parent/carers forum in the **library**.

The topic: ***When should we start talking to children about sex education?***

A big thank you to Dr Zewlan Moor for facilitating the forum. All parents/carers are encouraged to join the discussion on this important (but sometimes avoided) topic.

**Children are not to join the forum but baby-sitting will be offered in the Year 6 classroom.**



*Mr Gill will also be briefly updating interested parents on the school plan and inviting feedback from families.*

### P&C – Mr Hauritz Farewell Dinner

Instead of the scheduled meeting on Monday of Week 7 we will be holding a dinner to farewell Chris Hauritz. This will be **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November at the Billinudgel Hotel** from 7.00pm. Please email the school or contact the school office if you are able to attend.

## Primary Sports Rotations – Lawn Bowls

Over the last month or so we have hosted your students in a bowls program and I congratulate your school and students for their behaviour. Our bowls members enjoyed helping the students learn to play and enjoy bowls.

Regards

Lee Roberts OSCC Bowls Management



## Would you like to offer your children the gift of a second language?

The **ABCD** - *Association for Brazilian Bilingual Children's Development* - offers Brazilian Portuguese language classes to children **from five years of age** in various locations in Sydney and now in the Northern Rivers Region.

The ABCD is a member of the NSW Federation of Community Language Schools and **accredited by the NSW Community Languages School Program** of the Department of Education and Training (DET) NSW.

ABCD is available to offer Portuguese language lessons at Ocean Shores Public School from term 1/ 2018. The classes would start after school hours and last for 1 hour and a half (\$185 per term). Our program is very dynamic mixing activities, musical instruments, singing and games. All in Portuguese!

If you are interested in enrolling your children in the Portuguese Language class, **please leave your child's details at the front office.**

For more information please access the website: [www.abcd.org.au](http://www.abcd.org.au)

Or contact Cristina Massia on 0406 374001.



## Canteen

Canteen will be operating again this Friday thanks to the efforts of our volunteers. Please contact Nadine (0432418130) if you are able to assist.

## Media Diets

"Studies show that media use steadily increases as kids get older, and there are risks to overexposure. [Changing your approach to screen management before the tween and teen years](#) will increase the chances that the stuff they're interacting with is (mostly) good for them. It also allows you to think more deeply about how, when, and why you want your family to be using technology, so it enhances and enriches your lives."

### 5 Tips for Parents of Young Kids - Tip No. 3

**Turn off the TV if no one is watching it.** A lot of parents of young kids keep the TV on for company. But so-called [background TV has been shown to get in the way of parents talking and interacting with their kids](#) -- which are key to helping kids learn language and communication. Background TV can also expose kids to age-inappropriate content. Seek out other forms of entertainment that you can listen to with your kid, such as music, kids' podcasts, and audiobooks.

<https://www.common sense media.org/blog/new-healthy-media-habits-for-young-kids>

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



## tCAF this Term – Education for all in Nepal

As proud supporters of Plan International Australia, we will be extending our support overseas as we reach out to disadvantaged primary school aged children in Nepal.

All Camp Australia services will receive resources and awareness raising activities so they can participate in our exclusive **Education for all in Nepal** campaign.

Throughout term 4, children in our services will be learning about Nepal and the devastating 2015 earthquake. As Camp Australia's Christmas collection, we will also be making handmade gifts for over 4,000 children in Nepal.

## Who are Plan International Australia?

Plan International Australia are an international aid agency and were one of the first agencies to provide emergency response in Nepal after the earthquake in 2015.



## Visit us in program to find out more

You are welcome to drop in anytime and see how we are helping to support the Education for all in Nepal campaign in our programs.

## Program Details

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit [www.campaustalia.com.au](http://www.campaustalia.com.au)

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.

From the Team at Camp Australia

visit [www.campaustalia.com.au](http://www.campaustalia.com.au)

*we make kids smile*

WEDNESDAY  
**29**  
NOVEMBER

TICKETS  
\$100.00  
INCLUDES  
TWO COURSE  
LUNCHEON

TWIN TOWNS  
RIVER ROOM  
12.00PM  
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## Lunch with Fitz

Former Wiradjuri guest, best selling author, nationally recognised journalist and current Chair of the Australian Republican Movement, Peter FitzSimons is coming to Twin Towns to be the guest speaker at this up close and personal event. Limited tickets. Don't miss out.  
[www.trybooking.com/320307](http://www.trybooking.com/320307)

ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO  
**KIDS IN NEED  
ASSOCIATION**  
Supporting children with disabilities and serious illness  
throughout the Gold Coast and Northern New South  
Wales. Established 1982.

Event co-ordinators: LY 0800 0000  
Contact: [ly08000000@kidsinneed.org.au](mailto:ly08000000@kidsinneed.org.au)

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