The School by the Park –
Great Kids, Great Teachers, Great School!

Our School Values: FAIRNESS / RESPECT / EXCELLENCE / INTEGRITY / RESPONSIBILITY / COOPERATION / CARE / PARTICIPATION

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Fri 4th March – Kindy & Year 1 Winter Uniform Pre-Order forms due

**REL. PRINCIPAL CHAPPELL’S CORNER**

**BANKS CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION**

A the end of last year an number of students from Oatley West Public School entered the Banks Christmas Card Competition. The runners up received their certificates today at morning assembly. Congratulations to these students.

**DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL TEAM**

The St George District Carnival was held on Thursday 25 February and what a hot day it was. Congratulations to all the students who participated. They were a credit to our school and strove to do their best. The regional team will be competing at Homebush Olympic Park on 15 March.

**PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Save the date. Students in years 1-6 parent teacher interviews will be held between 29 and 31 March. More information will be coming home closer to the dates. Kindergarten will have theirs in Term 2.

**HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS**

We are in the process of completing applications for high school placements. Could all year 6 parents make sure we have your current address if you have moved at some point during your child’s schooling.
STATE REPRESENTATIVES
Mitchell and Zain both attended the Oz tag state cup recently. Mitchell also participated in the Touch state cup and was a runner up for both events.

REPAIRS
There have been a number of water leaks and burst pipes that have required repairing. The children have been encouraged to report any leaks immediately. Demountable 1 has been repaired and cleaned. We are now waiting for furniture that was ordered on October last year...

NEW BLINDS AND COMPUTERS
The 4 demountables had new blinds installed down one side of each room last week. This has made a considerable difference in the ability of the children to be able to see the Interactive Whiteboards more effectively. We have also installed 21 new computers that are now able to be accessed by the students.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
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Lessons in Life from Dr. Seuss
1. Today you are You, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is Youer than You.
2. Why fit in when you were born to stand out?
3. You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose.
4. Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind.
5. Today I shall behave, as if this is the day I will be remembered.

Have a great week
Neralie Chappell

3 - 6 SPORTS VOLUNTEERS
If you have 1 hour to spare each Friday morning from 9:30 – 10:30 or 10:30 – 11:30 and enjoy sport, we would love some help with our 3 – 6 school sports program.

The sports being covered this semester are Rugby League, Cricket, Newcombe Ball and Soccer. You don’t have to be an expert, we just need an extra pair of hands with drills and games. A working with Children check is essential.

If you are interested, please see Miss Cross.
Uniform Shop

Acting Manager – Sia Coelho

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The Uniform Shop is open every Thursday from 9-10am near the COLA outside the C Block.

**Kindy & Year 1 Parents:** Please ensure your order for winter uniform has been placed in the Uniform Shop box (No. 8) at the School Office **by this Friday 4th March.** Samples of the winter uniform will be on display at the Uniform Shop this Thursday 3rd March.

**NB:** Winter Uniform is not worn until the day after Mother’s Day in May and is not readily available for “over the counter” sales.

**Year 2 – Year 6 Parents:** Please consider pre-ordering winter uniform for your children. With limited space for stock and the large number of students at the school, it is a very difficult task trying to gauge how much uniform will be required to outfit your children. You can assist us by pre-ordering your winter uniform to ensure we have sufficient stock. Also, please ensure you limit your order to Winter Uniform only as these orders will be charged and delivered only once stock is available. Ideally, orders should be placed as soon as possible. All other non-winter uniform should be ordered separately.

**NB:** All uniform requirements are outlined in the School Website.

**Thank You** – Many thanks to last week’s parent volunteers: Peggy Chandler, Belinda Lien, and Rowena Shek, who gave up their time to assist at the Uniform Shop.

**Parent Volunteers:** Uniform Shop is run by volunteers. If you have an hour to spare weekly, fortnightly, monthly or even just once or twice a Term, your help will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Sia Coelho at scoelho@iinet.net.au

**Uniform Orders:** If you are unable to get to the Uniform Shop on Thursday or do not wish to wait in a sometimes very long line, an order form can be completed and dropped in to the school office. Please note the **preferred payment method for orders is by Credit Card or Cheque** as we cannot be held accountable for lost cash/orders. All orders will be delivered to your child’s classroom on Thursday when the shop is open.