From the Principal

I hope everyone had a great break over Easter. We were very lucky with the weather, I know my wife had some “quality time” in her garden! I hope those who attended the big fishing competition out at Burrendong Dam had a good time and were lucky enough to be drawn out for one of the myriad of prizes they had.

As indicated in last week’s newsletter we recently interviewed for two Assistant Principal positions at the school. I am happy to announce that Mrs Susan Mestrom and Ms Gaylene Barker were the successful applicants for these positions. These two ladies were able to demonstrate to the panel their experiences, understandings and ability to fulfil what is becoming an increasingly complex position, that of a middle manager in a school as complex as ours. We look forward to welcoming the ladies to the school when they take up their positions on day one of next term.

The school will be holding its ANZAC day service on Wednesday 10th April at 10.30am due to ANZAC day falling during the holidays. Any parents or community members who would like to attend are most welcome.

Don’t forget the first TWO days back next term have been designated as School Development Days by the state government. The extra day has been specifically focussed on school planning for the introduction of the new Australian National Curriculum in English. We are working on this for part of each of these two days as well as undertaking mandatory training requirements and school management needs. Staff are in for a busy two days!

Mrs Hall who is working in our school as a Learning and Support teacher (LAST) will be off to Sydney next week for training in becoming a tutor. A lot of the training that LASTs have to do is online and part of the online training revolves around tutors. By undertaking this training Mrs Hall will be able to support our staff, and those from other schools, undertake this training which can only be of benefit to our students.

I notice on the school calendar:

- Catch up photos for those children who missed their school photos will occur this Thursday morning only;
- The local AECG meeting is to be held this Thursday at the Senior Campus; and
- Day light saving ends on this coming weekend.

Craig Renneberg

“A room without books is like a body without a soul” – Marcus Tullius Cicero

Year 2 Excursion

Year 2 are going on an excursion to the Shoyoen Japanese Gardens on Thursday 4 April. We will be leaving the school at approximately 9.15am and returning at 11.15am. A note was sent home last week - please don’t forget to bring your school hat, water bottle, piece of fruit and a healthy recess snack all packed in a plastic bag with your child’s name on it. Remember to wear sunscreen. Year Two Teachers.

Easter Raffle - Thank you for your support

Thank you to all the families who donated to the Easter raffle and purchased tickets - we made a profit of $1000.00. We had 61 prizes and the first 10 winners were: 1st - Jenna Squires, 2nd - Billy Gavin, 3rd - Jayden Lawrence, 4th - Cooper Simpson, 5th - Tom Condon, 6th - Kayla Knox, 7th - Robyn Newton, 8th - Danita Hay, 9th - Paris Sidoti, 10th - Jennifer Tisdell. Fifty one other smaller prizes were won by students, parents and friends. K-2 Staff.

5L News

Wanted: parent, grandparent and family helpers for fluency reading with students. If you have a spare 15 minutes during the day we would appreciate you listening to students read and record reading times. Please send in a note to Mrs Lockyer with your available times. Your help is greatly appreciated. Lauren Lockyer

School Dance

When: Wednesday 10 April
Where: Orana Heights Public School Auditorium
Time: K-2 4.30 - 6pm  Y3-Y6 6.15 - 7.45pm
Theme: Rock n Roll
Cost: $3 (includes a drink, packet of chips and lots of Dancing) - funds raised goes towards the Hearing Bus Fund.

Claim the date - Grandparents Day - Wednesday 5 June 2013

Oakey Dokey says...

When we use the toilets: 
Respect is allowing others privacy.
Responsibility is using toilets during break times.
Safety is washing hands.
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### P&C NEWS

**Next Monthly Meeting – TONIGHT**
The next meeting of the P&C will be held tonight at 7.00pm in the staff room. The results and recommendations from the recent survey will not be tabled until the May meeting due to the time it is taking to collate and summarise the responses. Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the survey. All welcome to attend.

**Uniform Shop - WE WILL NOT BE OPENING DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.** If you require winter uniforms, please call in to see us for the remainder of the term. As usual, a completed order form can be left at the front office. The order will be filled and delivered to your child’s class. We accept payment by cash or cheque only – sorry, no EFTPOS facilities available for the P&C.

**Canteen Donation Drive – Term 1** - A Donation Box will be set up at the canteen to drop your donations in. Once again, thank you very much for your support.

### Congratulations!

**App of the week: My Spelling Test**
Students use their own spelling words to make their own fun interactive spelling tests.

**Oakey Dokey Award Winners**


**Distinction** - Paul Perese

**Oakey Dokey Award Winners**

- Cloe Taylor
- Kim Derrick
- Rhys Pola
- Sarah Boon
- Ethan Hyde
- Justin Grubb
- Blake Brindley
- Emily Ford
- Nerida Hayne
- Jacob Beetson
- Abby Duce
- Brianna Knox
- Cooper Davison
- Alexis Higgins
- Chelsea Pearce
- Isaac Luckie x2
- Kevin Derrick
- Hailey Johnson
- Hunter Ross
- Jonas Frost
- Chase Cubby
- Shanaya Keller
- Barry Peachey
- Jye Minett
- Christopher Gilbert
- Ethan Pearson-Toll
- Samuel Bass
- Taneka Todhunter
- Hailey May Ley-Andrews
**Sport News**

**Term Two PSSA Sport**
Term two PSSA Sport begins on Friday 3rd May and continues through to Friday 21st June. Buses depart school at 11.15am and return at approximately 1pm. The fare is $3.50 per week or $28 for the term. Children are to wear their sports uniform (sports shirts, sports shorts and sport socks are available through the school uniform shop), hat, joggers and bring a drink bottle. Parents are most welcome to come along as spectators on Fridays. Students have selected their sports and permission notes have gone home. Please return these notes to team coaches ASAP. Parents are to purchase the compulsory equipment for their children.

**Dubbo District Rugby League Team**
Aiden Lake, Kenny Bell, Sam Bass, Rhys French and Jackson Pearson-Miller will play in the Dubbo District Opens Rugby League Team and Harold Fuller, Dane Charters and Jamal Wells will play in the Dubbo District 11 yrs Rugby League Team this Thursday 1st April. They will be vying for a position in the Western Area Rugby League Teams. Good luck boys!

**Knockout Netball**
The Orana Heights Knockout Netball team defeated Condobolin Public School last Thursday 11 goals to 9. It was great to see a few classes out supporting the girls. Thank you to the parents who sent in a plate for morning tea for the girls to share. The girls will play again on Thursday 23rd May in Dubbo. Thank you Mrs McIntosh and Mrs Comerford for training the girls and Mr Wetton for timing and scoring.

Well done girls!

**Dubbo District Boys Soccer Team**
Congratulations Jesse Spang and Josh Tomas on your selection in the Dubbo District Boys Soccer Team. The boys will play this Friday where they will vie for a spot in the Western Area Boys Soccer Team. All the best boys!

**Dubbo District Rugby Union team**
Rhys French, Kenny Bell and Brandon Dennis were successful in gaining a spot in the Dubbo District Rugby Union Team after the trials last Wednesday at Apex Oval. The boys will play in week 2, term 2. Well done boys!

**Dubbo District Girls Soccer Team**
Congratulations Sarah Boon, Ashleigh Mitchell, Kaiesha Clarke-Russo and Zoe-Anne Walker on selection in the Dubbo District Girls Soccer Team. The girls will play this Friday where they will vie for a spot in the Western Area Girls Soccer Team. Good luck girls!

**Dubbo District Boys and Girls Touch Team**
Amara Adamson, Kaiesha Clarke-Russo, Hailey-May Ley-Andrews and Taneka Todhunter will be trying out for a spot in the Dubbo District Girls Touch Team and Sam Bass, Aiden Lake, Rhys French, Kenny Bell and Jackson Pearson-Miller will be trying out for a spot in the Dubbo District Boys Touch Team this Thursday. Good luck boys & girls.       

Mrs Hall

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**Copy of sport venues and costs for PSSA Sport for Term 2**

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