The Term That Was.
Easter Raffle - Drawn Tomorrow Wednesday
Thanks to all who have sold their tickets and donated prizes. Again thank you for your support and good luck.
Year 1 and 2 Teachers.

Lap–a–thon
Friday 11 April 2014
12.30-2pm
BBQ Lunch will be available - $2 sausage sizzle
Sponsor forms due back Wednesday 9 April

From the Principal,
Sport, sport and more sport seems the agenda for our primary students at the moment! We have different teams, representative players, selection trials and pool games occurring most days. I actually don’t think I remember such a congested sporting calendar however we have no control over these as they are parts of draws which have time frames associated and which have to be met. Many thanks to all of the staff and parents who have been supporting the children in these.

We have our annual Lap-a-thon on this Friday. School sport uniform is to be worn. This is always a fun day and we look forward to seeing the school community at this. Feel free to join in and demonstrate to your children that there is “life in those legs” yet! There will be a sausage sizzle operating as well as drinks for sale at lunch time.

A quick perusal of my diary for next term sees a Leadership Camp, Leadership Conference, Colonial Day, Dare to Lead Snapshot, NRMA Safety Day, sporting competitions, PSSA sport, Sydney meetings, Grandparents Day, X-Country as well as normal class. Schools are dynamic places, there is always something going on!

Look for the “blurb” on our new school app in this newsletter!

Many thanks to all who have supported the school in any of the many things we have undertaken this term. Obviously it is the students who benefit from this. A particular thankyou to the ladies, and gentleman, who have been organising and running the canteens for the various sports carnivals; Danielle and Greg French, Deanne Davis, Mandy Bourke and Mel Bass and to all of those who have turned up to assist in serving.

With the holidays commencing next week I hope everyone has a pleasant break and all students come back to term 2 refreshed and ready for a big term. I also hope the Easter bunny finds everyone! Craig Renneberg

Quote of the Day;
“Your mind needs exercise just as much as your body does, that’s why I think of jogging every day” Anonymous

Great News
Our school now has a mobile phone app. The app will give you the ability to instantly access newsletters without going to the website, send in a sick note while you stand outside the school because you forgot to write a paper note and receive reminders about school activities! To get started, download it to your smartphone by going to either the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Market and search for Orana Heights Public School. Once you have found it press install or download. We will be sharing other features with you over the coming weeks.

Library News
Congratulations to our first two students who have already completed their Premier’s Reading Challenge; Brianna Knox and Georgia Rhodes. This is outstanding as the Challenge does not end till August 30 2014.

There has been an excellent rate of borrowing books from the library this term. Many students have begun their Premier’s Reading Challenge with great enthusiasm. Well done students and parents supporting your children in this worthwhile reading event.

As we are undertaking a stocktake in the library there will be no borrowing this week and all books need to be returned to the library by Wednesday morning please.

Thank you, have a safe and happy Easter, Mrs Donna Thomas

Have a safe & wonderful holiday.

Upcoming Events
Safety Day (Whole School) - Wednesday 28 May 2014
Grandparents Day - Thursday 5 June 2014 - 12.30-2pm
The Colonial Show - (Stage 2) - Wednesday 21 May 2014
Notes will be sent home in Term 2 re these events.
### Term 1 - 2014 Planner

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### Congratulations to the following Award Winners

#### Oakey Dokey Achievers
- Eli Perkins
- Amie Thompson
- Emily Foran
- Khyam Toomey
- Piper Maslen
- Brianna Knox
- Asha Lake
- Stephanie Sepping
- Kobi Mules
- Deshaun Nicholls
- Talulla Yavuz
- Tully Pittock
- Tilly Smith
- Charlie Lawson
- Caleb Barker
- Haylie Cattell
- Lara Board
- Nioka-Rai Baker
- Tianne Wells
- Georgia Wirth
- Grace Monson
- Gabrielle Peterson
- Ashlea Adamson
- Jesse Milne
- Montanna McNair
- Nerida-Lee Hayne
- Tom McTernan
- Eloise Mules
- Courtney Russell x2
- Grace Monson
- Abby Haluk
- Tyler Miller
- Paris Marshall
- Cooper Tidyman
- Leaun Walford
- Pania Dunston
- Jessica Fuller
- Liam Cornwell
- Timia Beeton
- Tenayah Barker
- Keely Howard
- Charlotte Bass
- Emily Clarke
- Timarlee Lomonaco
- Ava Forrester
- Austyn Newton-Ley
- Preston Wallace
- Timia Beeton
- Lara Ledsham
- Chloe Ledsham
- Cooper Bourke
- Ella Dundas
- Amelia Sanders
- Lachlan Gay
- Tyler Milson
- Kassey Peterson-Moore
- Izak Bennett
- Ziena Wathen-Romans
- Jake Palenski
- Joseph Atwell

#### Honour Awards
- Grace Monson
- Douglas Willis
- Lachlan Donovan
- Cooper Bourke
- Lara Ledsham
- Bree Gavin x2
- Isaac Luckie x2
- Jennifer Tisdell
- Lucinda Holmes
- Chloe Richards
- Courtney Russell x2

#### Distinction Awards
- Lara Ledsham
**Mathletic Award Winners**

**Silver Award Winners** - Kyanna – Maree Cuskelly, Jayden McCarthy

**Bronze Award Winners** - Aaliyah Carroll, Layla Taleb, Julia Delos Reyes, Dhyey Vachhani, Austin Townsend, Jane Davis, Zachariah Starr, Sebastian Thwaite, Tyrese Newman, Jessica Ware, Mia Furney, Dane Charters.

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**P&C News**

**Next Monthly Meeting – Tuesday 6 May.** The next meeting of the P&C will be held at 7.00pm in the staff room at Orana Heights.

**Dubbo & District PSSA Canteens for 2014**

We are seeking people who would be willing to help on the day whether this be helping cook on the BBQ or serve. If you are in a position to help please contact Deanne Davis via e-mail on paul@ravos.net.au or by calling 0407 418 511. Other people on the organising committee at this stage are Melinda Bass, Danielle Miller, Mandy Bourke and Kim James.

The dates that we need to cover over in Term 2 are:-

- Thursday May 8th - Western Divisional Netball Trials
- Friday May 16th - Western Touch Football Trials

If you are able to assist on either of these days please let us know – we would really like to be in the position to organise a roster so that the load is shared as much as possible. We recognise that it is really important to watch your children play so there is no expectation that you need to be in the canteen when your child is playing.

We are also seeking donations for the following items that will be used over the year at the PSSA canteen – bottles of tomato and barbeque sauce, serviettes, plastic teaspoons, disposable cups for hot beverages, paper towel, hot chocolate drinking powder. If you are in a position to donate any of the items can you please drop it into Debbie at the school canteen.

A big quick thank you to everyone who has assisted us in the last three days – we have had a canteen on Friday, Monday and today at three different locations. This includes people who assisted with setup, cooking prior, ordering and packing up. A more detailed report will go in the P&C News section of the newsletter early next term.

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**Canteen – Meal Deals for April - $5**

- Mondays - Fish & Wedges + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)
- Tuesdays - Hot Dog + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)
- Wednesdays - Chicken Nuggets + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)
- Thursdays - Cheese & Bacon Pizza + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)

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**Friendship Agreement with the Royal Far West in Sydney**

This year, OHPS joined a Friendship Agreement with the Royal Far West in Sydney. This provides our school with access to specialist health services where we would otherwise be limited.

This term, students identified as needing extra Speech and Language support were assessed and programs were written in consultation with teachers. Therapy commenced Week 10 this Term. Students, along with parents, carers or other community volunteer supervisors, link up for half an hour every fortnight to participate in their online teleconference therapy session with their therapists in Sydney.

Students are enjoying the program and doing well. Therapy will resume Term 2 every second Tuesday and Wednesday.

A Royal Far West donation box is located in the front office and any contributions are much appreciated to support this free service for our students.

For further information about the Come 'N' See program, please contact Mrs Wells at school.

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**AFL Report**

Last Thursday 3 April 2014, the AFL team travelled to Parkes to participate in the final of the Tony Lockett Shield Knockout competition.

The boys played really well for a team that hadn’t played before and there were moments of brilliance as they started to piece together a few marks and handballs to get the ball to our end. The boys deserved a well-earned treat before heading back to Dubbo.

A huge thank you goes out to all the parents who travelled with us. A great day was had by all! Serena Prout