From the Principal,
Welcome back to Term 2, I hope everyone had an enjoyable break over the Easter period and that the bunny was kind to you. The weather was very pleasant and conducive to all sorts of activities and I must say it was great to spend some time out of doors, doing different things as against my usual more sedentary work style!

This morning the school executive met as part of our usual planning and management processes. One of the tasks we do at these meetings is co-ordinate and double check calendars both short and long term. And isn’t this term going to be a busy one. A good example of this is we had to re-schedule the Lapathon from last term and the only free time which looks suitable is the afternoon of Friday 16 May which is week three of this term. More will be sent out about this next week.

There have been a number of staff changes over the Easter break and we welcome Mrs Jo Woldring, Miss Emily Langron and Miss Kate Dutton to our school. We know they will enjoy their time with us. Parents of students who are in classes which have been impacted on by staffing changes will receive a letter about this which will be sent home today. Mrs Amy Amos is also back, replacing Mrs Thomas who is on Long Service Leave for three weeks.

Another area of planning we looked at this morning was the Year 5 & Year 6 excursions. Information about this will be sent home soon. Please be aware that all dates indicated in the planning for this will be adhered to.

Mrs Hall has been very busy organising our myriad of sporting activities. We have PSSA sport commencing this term which is always enjoyed by the students and we also have many rounds of different competitions. We also have the school X-Country and this will be held on Wednesday of next week. Organisation has to be very tight at this time of year as many summer and winter competitions overlap and fitting the different components in the calendar is sometimes like a jigsaw puzzle!

I look forward to another successful term and catching up with everyone. 

Craig Renneberg

Quote of the Week: How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night? Anonymous

Great News
Just a reminder—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.

National Assessment Program—Literacy & Numeracy - NAPLAN
NAPLAN tests will be conducted for Years 3 & 5 in Week 3 commencing Tuesday 13 May 2014.
Tuesday 13 May - Language Conventions, Writing
Wednesday 14 May - Reading
Thursday 15 May - Numeracy
Friday 16 May - Catch-up day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day. 

Gillian Hill

Orana Heights Public School - Medal Winners
Congratulations to Connor Clarke & Joshua Nissen who received their medals at our last assembly. This is the highest welfare award received at Orana Heights Public School.

Combined Schools ANZAC service.
Holly Darlington & Zac Newby attended the Schools ANZAC service at the Cenotaph.
### Congratulations to the following Award Winners

**Oakey Dokey Achievers**
- Cooper Schofield
- Bella Henry
- Vincent Kardell
- Anthony Froude
- Kareel South Hill
- Grace Willis
- Nikita Marshall
- Jaiden Pearce
- Kate Allen
- Shoniquah Pope
- Bailey Callaghan
- Joseph Flyger
- Grace Keller
- Shanaya Button
- Layla Docherty
- Hunter Lees
- Bayley Binks
- Shakita Nicholls
- Dhyey Vachhani
- Noah Milson
- Alex Bennett
- Allira Markcrow
- Ava Lane
- Xavier Gower
- Andie McTierman
- Georgia Rhodes
- Nikarri Baker
- Isaiah Newton-Ley
- Kane Toomey
- Hayden Marshall

**Honour Awards**
- Bella Henry
- Kate Allen
- Dillan Roberts
- Mitchell French x2
- Bailey Petrie x2
- Corey Binks
- Ashlea Adamson
- Charlotte Bass
- Hayden Marshall

**Distinction Awards**
- Kate Allen
- Mitchell French
- Lucinda Holmes
- Brianna Knox

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**Dare to Lead**

Dare to Lead is a Principal Network that has developed a process to give a variety of schools some possible future direction in the area of Aboriginal Education. Orana Heights Public School will be taking the opportunity to participate in the **Snapshot in Term 2, Week 5, 27th – 28th May 2014.**

The Snapshot will involve data collection from the school, interviews with students, teachers, parents/carers and community members. The process and interviews are conducted in a professional and confidential manner. If you are invited to be involved in this process your honest contribution will benefit the schools direction.

We look forward to the final results and developing Aboriginal Education at Orana Heights Public School.

*Thank you, Aboriginal Education Team*

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**Term 2 - 2014 Planner**

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**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.
**SPORT NEWS**

**Knockout Teams**

Girls Softball team will play in Orange on 21st May.
Boys Softball will be played next week.
Boys Cricket play this Thursday against Dubbo South. Good luck boys!

**Western Rugby Union Trials**

Congratulations Jacob French on your selection in the Dubbo District Rugby Union Team. Jacob played in Wellington at the Western Area Trials at the end of Term 1. Well done Jacob!

**Western Boys Soccer Team**

Congratulations Jesse Spang on your selection in the Western NSW Boys Soccer Team. The team will play in Camden in Week 5 this term.

**Term Two PSSA Sport**

Term 2 PSSA Sport begins on Friday 2nd May and continues through to Friday 20th June.
Buses depart school at 11.15am and return at approximately 1.15pm. The fare is $3.50 per week.
Children are to wear their sports uniform (navy & white long socks), hat, joggers and bring a drink bottle.
Parents are most welcome to come along as spectators on Fridays.
Permission notes have been handed out. Please return ASAP.

**School Cross Country**

Wednesday 7th May is our school Cross Country starting at 9.10am. Students are to wear joggers, a hat and bring a water bottle. **ALL students in years 3 to 6 participate and any yr 2 students turning 8 this year participate.**
9.10am - 12/13 yrs boys & girls, 11 yrs boys & girls
9.40am - 10 yrs boys & girls
10.10am - 8/9 yrs boys & girls

**ALL STUDENTS GET 1 HOUSE POINT FOR COMPETING.**

8/9 & 10 year olds will run 2 km. (2 laps of the oval) 11 & 12/12 year olds will run 3km. (3 laps of the oval)

**District Cross Country** - Wednesday 28th May in Wellington.

**Western Cross Country** - Wednesday 11th June in Wellington.

**Country Rugby League Visit** - On Friday 2nd May between 10-11am Country Rugby League players will visit Orana to chat with the PSSA junior & senior rugby league players and run a few skills lessons.

*Mrs Hall, Sports Co-ordinator*

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**Cough and Blow Program**

Stage 1 is looking for donations of hand sanitiser. We will be using this to clean our hands after we implement the cough and blow innovative each morning.

This innovative is important to help fight common colds, germs and keep our Eustachian tubes clear.

To learn more about Otitis Media please follow the link: [http://www.hearourheart.org/why-does-otitis-media-occur.html](http://www.hearourheart.org/why-does-otitis-media-occur.html)

If you are able to donate please send it in to your child’s teacher.

Many thanks, Stage 1 Teachers
**P&C News**

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

**Dubbo & District PSSA Canteens – Term 2 Dates**
The dates that we need to cover 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.

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.

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.

**Winter Menu** – is attached to the newsletter and will be effective as of next week

**Canteen – Meal Deals for May - $5**
- Mondays - Fish & Wedges or Salad + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)
- Tuesdays - Hot dog with sauce + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)
- Wednesdays - Chicken Nuggets & Wedges or Salad + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)
- Thursdays - Cheese & Bacon Pizza + Popper + Choice (water ice block, fruit or cookie)

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**Easter Raffle**
Thank you to everyone who supported our raffle either by donating items, purchasing tickets or helping put the raffles together. We had over 71 prizes.
- 1st Prize - Cathy Bye
- 2nd Prize - Linda Johnson
- 3rd Prize - Jane Davis
- 4th Prize - Matthew Nott
- 5th Prize - Tamaryn Wheeler
- 6th Prize - Charlotte Bass

There were lots of smaller Easter prizes handed out to children, but too many names to record in the Newsletter today.

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**Welcome back**

**to**

**Term Two**