Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a brilliant holiday break and spent some quality time with your children. We look forward to a productive and exciting Term Four, as we share with you in some fun events. The first ever Talent Show will be a treat. Kinder Orientation will be fun. Grandparent’s Day will be fun. We will hold our Presentation Day at our school this year. There are also Semester Two Reports and farewells to our great Class of 2015 Year 6 people.

Due to road works being undertaken by Urban Growth, www.urbangrowthnsw.com.au there is some important information that we’d like to share with all families. I was advised that Urban Growth is undertaking road works over the next few weeks to the corner of South Circuit and Dick Johnson Drive. As a result of these works, which are out of our control, there will be some unavoidable changes.

**Bus Stop Relocation**
Due to work currently being undertaken on the roads surrounding Oran Park Public School, our Bus Stop has been relocated to the northern end of Holden Drive. (see map below) All students using public Bus-a-bout services will be picked up and dropped off on the school side of Holden Drive. This means that the students will have approximately 200 metres to walk to and from the Bus Stop. Staff will supervise and walk children in the morning and the afternoon. A staff member will be situated at the Bus Stop from 8:30am each morning. In the afternoon, staff will leave the school grounds, with bus students at 3:00pm, to ensure students reach the Bus Stop on time.

**Parking in the Northern end of Holden Drive**
As a result of these new bus stop areas, there will be limited parking in Holden Drive. The buses need to turn right onto this road and stop to pick the students up. If you park your car in this street, please be advised that buses and trucks have been redirected to use this road.

**Kiss and Drop**
The road past our Kiss and Drop zone is now blocked off. Cars will need to make a tight right turn into the school driveway to access Kiss and Drop. The waiting area is now very restricted on South Circuit and I urge you to consider other drivers and respectfully remind you that we are on show to our children and our local community and need to work together whilst we have this temporary situation. May I also point out that neither
myself, or any other staff members are responsible for this situation. We all need to bear with it and think positively of the new road and facilities that will soon be made available for our community to use after these works are completed.

If you have any questions or concerns about the above information, please don’t hesitate to contact the school or Urban Growth.

**New School Song**
I am very excited about tomorrow. Nicholas, a Year 11 student at Elizabeth Macarthur High School, has written our Oran Park Public School Song! He will introduce it to us all tomorrow and together as a whole school, we will learn this history making song. Stay tuned (pun intended) and all will be revealed soon at a future assembly.

**Years 3-6 Assembly time change - Fridays 2.15-3pm**
For the remainder of Term 4, our year 3-6 assemblies will move to Friday afternoons. This is to ensure all classes K-6 have sport on Friday mornings. With the weather being so hot we want to ensure that all students are out of the sun by 11am.

K-2 Assembly will remain the same. Friday, 9.20-10.00am. K-2 students will then have sport. 3-6 sport will be scheduled from 9.20-10.10am.

In week 5 we will have a whole school assembly from 9.20-10am. There will be no 3-6 assembly on that day.

**Term 4 Staffing**
Mr Mitchell will continue to teach 1/2M four days a week, Tuesday through to Friday. Mrs Walsh will teach the class each Monday.

Mrs MacDiarmid will continue to teach 4/5M four days a week, Tuesday through to Friday. Mrs Brightwell will teach the class each Monday.

Mr J is a new School Learning Support Officer (SLSO). He will work with Mr Betts and the students in 3/4B from Monday through to Thursday from Week 3 until the end of this term. Mr Browne will be taking leave on Mondays and Tuesdays from Week 3, for the remainder of the term.

I will be on leave from October 8 until October 16. Mrs Duffield will relieve as the Principal in my absence.

I have included information regarding our Administration Officers and School Executive:

**School Administration Staff**
Mrs Bradley – School Administration Manager
Mrs Nelson – School Administration Officer
Mrs Sheehan - School Administration Officer (Library)

**School Executive**
Mrs Shevlin – Principal
Mrs Cleary – Assistant Principal Stage Two
Mrs Duffield - Assistant Principal Stage One & Learning Support
Mrs Banfield – Acting Assistant Principal Early Stage One
Mrs Brightwell – Acting Assistant Principal Stage Three
Mrs Salter – Acting Assistant Principal Stage Three

Please make an appointment to see any of your child’s teachers, Assistant Principals or myself if you have any queries or concerns. Our teachers welcome your contribution to ensure the best possible
learning outcomes for your child.

We look forward to working with all students, families and staff this term, as we continue to build a strong, positive and rewarding culture for our school community. If we work together and ensure that we continue to openly communicate, our students are provided with a quality education a love of learning and happy school years!

Kind regards,
Donna Shevlin