Dear Parents and Carers,

What a great start to Term Three we have had! The children have been involved in lots of fun activities and we have had lots of visitors to our school.

Education Week
Many parents have commented on our annual Education Week Open Day and the great entertainment provided in the school hall for our celebration of Education Week. The lessons you participated in and the showcase of entertainment were well received. The children absolutely loved parents and families visiting, celebrating in the 100 Days of Learning activities and joining them for lunch. It was great to see families and friends picnicking in the school grounds and enjoying time with their children.

2567 Showcase
Oh what a night!! Unbelievable! I am one very proud principal. Our students and teachers have put in a lot of work and time again this year, as always, and have produced another entertaining performance. It is a wonderful experience as a parent to enjoy watching your child perform.

Staffing
As you may be aware Ms Kim Odefey has been appointed as our new Assistant Principal. She will take up this position in Term 1, 2016. Currently, Mrs Brightwell and Mrs Salter are sharing the Assistant Principal role and will supervise our Stage Three classes for the remainder of 2015.

Mr Mitchell (1/2M) is currently filling an unfilled teacher vacancy. The position has been advertised through the top transfer interview process. Interviews will be held next week and the successful candidate will be permanently appointed in Term 1, 2016. Mr Mitchell will teach 1/2M until the end of the year.

Camp Australia Vacation Care
I met with a representative from Camp Australia this week. Due to insufficient student numbers they had to discontinue Vacation Care at the school. I have asked them to consider at a minimum offering care for the last two days of the school year, next term. The last day of the school year for all students K-6, is Wednesday 16 December 2015. I have asked if care can be provided on Thursday 17 December and Friday 18...
December 2015. This is dependent on enrolments. Could you please advise our school office by Friday 28 August if you require care on these two days? Thank you for your support.

**Made Fresh Canteen**

I have met with the local area manager of Made Fresh, the company who operate our canteen. I advised her that often our students are not getting the correct order due to lack of stock. The manager apologised and informed me that they will be increasing their stock orders to ensure that supplies are not running out. Hopefully this will rectify the situation.

**Kindergarten Enrolment for 2016**

If you have a preschooler at home who is eligible to begin school in 2016 please contact the office. If you know of any friends, family or neighbours who have little ones itching to get to school, please advise them that they need to contact the school soon. I look forward to meeting with them, showing them the school and assisting with their transition to our school. Enrolments for all Kindergarten students who live in our area are being taken now.

Have a great week and I hope to see you all at our Athletics Carnival!

*Donna Shevlin*

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**Defence School Transition Aide (DSTA)**

A Defence School Transition Aide is required at Oran Park Public School. This position is required from 7 September 2015 until 30 June 2016. The successful applicant will work 9.5 hours per week during the school term.

The position aims to support students of Defence Force families to integrate into the wider community with the main focus being the children’s social and emotional wellbeing. The role addresses issues such as the impact of mobility on the students’ education, transitions in and out of school and parental absences. A ‘Working with Children’ check will be required.

To obtain a duty statement and the required Selection Criteria contact the school on 024632 4651 or email oranpark-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications need to be emailed to the school and close at 4.00pm on Friday, 21 August 2015.
Premier's Reading Challenge
Congratulations to those students that registered and have been busy reading books for the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Just a reminder, that the PRC closes for students on 21st August, 2015 at 11:59pm and you need to have finished reading your books and completed your online log before 11:59pm, to be eligible for a certificate.

If you need any help, please see either myself or Mrs Sheehan in the Library.

Happy reading!
Mrs Cleary

Woolworths Earn and Learn
We have had 3,600 stickers already donated to the school. Keep collecting the stickers and help us reach our target of 10,000!

Have you got our Skoolbag App?
Many of our families have downloaded the Skoolbag App. Make sure that after you have downloaded the app that you select the notifications that you wish to receive. Follow the instructions below. This way to won’t miss out on any information from the school!

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How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install!"
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install!"
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

Android Users
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.
Camp Australia
Environmental Week!
This week at Camp Australia we learnt about the environment and how to can try and become more sustainable at Camp Australia. During the week we made recycle boxes so we can recycle all the paper and cardboard we use! Also we even had a gardener come to the service and teach the children how to grow plants and what we need to do to ensure they grow! We had a great week this week and we learnt a lot about the environment!

We welcome all the parents at Oran Park Public School to come and have a look at Camp Australia or even just to say “Hello”.

The Camp Australia Team.
EVERY DAY COUNTS...
A day here or there doesn't seem much, but...

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Give your child every chance to succeed...
Registration 2015/2016

Dates: 6, 13, 20 August
Time: 5.30 - 8 pm
Where: Narellan Town Centre
Season Start: 4th September

Further Information
www.camdenathletics.org.au