Welcome

The P&C would like to welcome all new families who have recently become part of The Oaks Public School.

A warm welcome also to our new Principal Mrs Crouch, whom many of you would have met around the school.

We have an exciting year ahead of us with our regular fundraising activities as well as our School Fete which will go ahead in Term 4 on 18th October. You may have already seen the notice in our school newsletter. More details follow....

Easter Raffle

Thank you to everyone who has donated eggs/gifts for our Easter Raffle, your support is greatly appreciated. Be sure to keep selling your raffle tickets. Tickets and money must be returned by Thursday morning of the Easter Hat Parade, 10th April. The winners will be drawn following the parade.

Family Fun Night

Due to unkind weather it was necessary for us to cancel the Family Fun Night. We apologise to families, however we felt that people would prefer not to be out on a wet evening. We are considering whether to run an alternative event later in the year and will keep you informed.

The Oaks Public School Fete 2014.

Date: 18th October 2014

Time: 9.30am—2pm

A committee has been formed and a number of meetings have been held to commence preparations and organisation for a successful school fete. The Fete will raise funds to help with the funding of playground resources, educational electronic equipment and improvements to our school library.

It will be a fantastic community event with many stalls, rides for children of all ages, entertainment, chocolate wheel, food, drinks and plenty of activities.

Please mark the date in your calendar and extend an invitation to your families. We have a Facebook page so please join so you can keep up to date with fete events and activities.

We have started approaching local businesses to sponsor our Fete. If you know of anyone who would like to support us, or if your own your own business and would like to sponsor the Fete, please see the attached letter with contact information, outlining sponsorship options and advertising available.

If you have any ideas for stalls or would like to host your own stall, please email the school on the following email address putting FETE 2014 in the subject line:

theoaks-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Canteen Update

I would like to extend a BIG thank you to all of our parents & volunteers for the support and faith placed in me to coordinate the Canteen and its activities whilst I settled into the role this past term. In the next term and going forward, we do require more volunteers to fill in the gaps that at times we have, and to help out during the special events we hold. If you are free to help out, please contact me on asbryant@bigpond.com. Have a safe and wonderful break. Sian

Mother's Day Stall

TERM 2 — Thursday 8th May

Our Mother’s Day stall will run next term. All gifts have been purchased and wrapped ready for students to do their Mother’s Day shopping. Gifts will be $5 each.
School Banking

We have over 50 students who regularly bank through school banking every week. There are many more students with active bank accounts through school banking, so if you want to start saving again, just drop your yellow bank book into the box in the office on a Monday. School Banking is a great way to earn pocket money by doing jobs for your parents and saving some money to spend at the school fete in term 4. There are some fantastic rewards available this year and some of last years are also still available. Rewards for Term 1—scented pencils and hand ball. Term 2— key ring and pencil case. Items still available from last year include Blue wallet, knuckles game, head phones, Pat, Spen or Pru moneybox.

Thanks to the fantastic efforts of our students we have raised $210.00 in Term1 for our school through School Banking commissions. Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

To open a Youth Saver account for your child, forms can be picked up from the ladies in the office. Or if you are an existing CBA account holder, you can open a Youth Saver account using NetBank.

HAPPY SAVING

School Cookbook

A school cookbook is available at the office for $10 if you are interested. These were prepared a couple of years ago and we still have some available for sale.

The Oaks Pharmacy Loyalty Program

Don’t forget about the fantastic reward program that The Oaks Pharmacy has in place for our school. Every family last year received a red VIP Pharmacy card to use when making purchases from the Pharmacy. A percentage of all over the counter (non prescription sales) will go toward our school as cash. If you are a new family to our school, please see the ladies in the office for a card. If you forget your card, don’t worry just let the person serving you at the Pharmacy know that you want your sale to go toward The Oaks Public School reward program. Any family member or relative can have their purchase go toward the school reward program.

This is a fantastic way to raise funds for our school and at the same time you are supporting a local business.

Our first payment from the Pharmacy was $60—so keep spending local and we can get our funds to GROW.

RIDES ARMBANDS

Pre-paid armbands will be available for $25 for unlimited rides at this years fete. These will go on sale later in the year. Only pre-sold armbands benefit our school. If you purchase an armband on the day of the Fete, the funds go to the rides company. REMEMBER KIDS to start saving for your armband—do some jobs for mum and dad to earn some pocket money. Details about what rides will be available and the suitable age group will be provided in the coming months prior to armbands going on sale.