Awards

Student Of The Week
Prep - Riley Payne, Zara Allen
Year 1 - Tayla McKay, Tyler Smith
Year 2 - Deziel Warwick, Ethan Verrall
Year 3/4 - Bailey Dawe, Jorja Brown, Amity Warwick
Year 5/6 - Bronte Taggart, Patrick Curtis, Saxon Blair, Jack Richardson

Go For Gold
Prep - Nala Blair, Liam Hiscock
Year 1 - Jessie Smith, Hunter Barrett
Year 2 - Charlie Else, Dakota Quilkey
Year 3/4 - Natasha White, Maddie Hiscock, Bianca Payne, Makayla Richardson
Year 5/6 - Sophie Otto, Ella Raymond, Marney Blair, Kalani Shield

Golden Bin Award
Year 2

Banking
Alyssa Creighton, Hugh Taggart, Bronte Taggart, Jemima Taggart, Maeve Taggart

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End of Term Celebration

The End of Term Celebration day will be held on Friday 16th September at 11:45am. Students who have achieved 92% attendance rate, and have upheld the school rules and values will be invited to the End of Term Celebration in the last week of school. Students will be notified on Thursday 15th September with an invitation to attend the celebration. If students have not met the attendance rate or have been misbehaving on a regular basis they will not be invited. Those students deemed to not be attending will be continuing regular class work, as it is a normal school day.

Parents are to be reminded it is your responsibility to notify the school when your child or children are absent. If parents do not notify the school with an acceptable reason it will be recorded as unexplained. This would mean your child/ren may miss the End of Term Celebration Event. Reminder: it is a requirement by law that parents must inform the school with an acceptable reason why their child/ren are absent. We currently have 68 unexplained absences for Term 3. If you haven’t explained why your child has been absent, please send a note or contact the school.

Term 3

SCHOOL CALENDAR

August
22nd Book Week begins
25th Prep Induction

September
7th Gala Night
9th Rainbow Day
Playgroup
9th Progressive Dinner
12th-14th 3/4 Camp
## Gala Night Celebration

This term, our school will be hosting its first Gala Night Celebration. What is a Gala Night Celebration? A Gala Night Celebration is an evening for parents to walk through classrooms and view students work. It will give parents the opportunity to directly discuss their child’s work with them in a really relaxed atmosphere.

Help us celebrate your child’s success by attending our first Gala Night Celebration.

Below is an outline of the program:

- **Date**: Wednesday 7th September
- **Time**: 5:30 to 7:30
- **Venue**: Oakwood State School
  - **5:30 - 6:30pm**: Food available at the Tuckshop
  - **6:30 - 7:30pm**: Choir, Recorder Band, Instrumental Music, Class Presentations

## Cane2Coral

Thank you to all the students, staff and parents who competed in the Cane2Coral. Since its inception, the event over the years has raised more than $300,000. The proceeds have been donated to very worthy causes in our local community. It was fantastic to see that our school won the Primary School Division.

If you were too young during the hippie era, join the Love Bus for a night of music, food and laughter while dressed in your best hippie gear on Friday 9th September. All money raised by the Student Council is donated to back to the local community. Awesome work, OAKWOOD!

## Influenza and Flu Hygiene

State schools across a number of education districts have reported higher than normal levels of absenteeism due to illness for this time of year. The safety and well-being of staff and students is Education Queensland’s highest priority at all times and schools are reminded to be vigilant in implementing infection control practices that minimise the potential for disease transmission.

Queensland Health’s Chief Health Officer, Dr Jeannette Young, said flu numbers would most likely recede towards the end of August but until then the community needs to take all necessary precautions to stay well and prevent the spread of germs.

### Flu Hygiene

The flu virus can travel through the air when a person coughs or sneezes. It can then survive on surfaces for several hours remaining a source of infection for others. There are, however, simple things everyone can do to stop the flu spreading.

- **Measures to prevent the spread of the flu virus include:**
  - covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough;
  - washing your hands regularly and properly;
  - cleaning household, school and workplace surfaces;
  - not sharing personal items such as eating and drinking utensils and food; and avoiding close contact with other people and staying home when sick.

## Year 5/6 Camp

Just a reminder that all camp money needs to be paid by the end of October. The camp is at Lake Moogerah from Monday 21st November to Friday 25th November. A fun time is assured for all.

## Attendance Rates for Term 3

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### Absences by Reason Type

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We want all student behaviour and attendance to be ‘Simply the Best’.

## Car Parking

### Parking and Staff Car Park – Keeping our children safe is everyone’s responsibility

Parents are asked to park in the areas designated at the car park along Oakwood School Road, or on the Rosedale Road grassed area at the front of the school and not along grassed area on Oakwood School Road or staff car park. Parents are also reminded NOT to walk their child/ren through the staff car park at any time.

### Please keep our children safe at all times!

## Fun Run

Children had a great time at all the different obstacles during our Fun Run on Wednesday. A big thank you to all the parents who came along. Just a reminder that the sponsorship forms are due back along with the money on the 24th August. Student prizes will arrive shortly after.

## Chappy Chat

Hello. I hope everyone is enjoying term 3, it really has been such a great year so far.

Exciting News! My Husband and I are very excited to announce that we expecting our first baby in December this year. I thought I had better announce it as I have a growing tummy and you might be asking why ;) I am hoping to see out the year as baby is due very close to Christmas. I will definitely visit when school goes back with baby to introduce them to all my beautiful students.

### WIN A GENUINE PENNY SKATE BOARD

At the up and coming Gala night I will have a little information stand that you can come and ask me questions about chaplaincy and receive information. Additionally I will be selling $1 tickets to raffle off a Penny Skate Board. This money will help fund our chaplaincy service here at Oakwood.

Have a wonderful weekend. Chappy

## Progressive Dinner

If you were too young during the hippie era, join the Love Bus for a night of music, food and laughter while dressed in your best hippie gear on Friday 9th September. All money raised by the Student Council is used to subsidise buses and school camps, buy reading books and other consumables for students.

Tickets went on sale this week. After buying your ticket, you will be able to select a main meal from options provided.

## OSHC News

Exciting news...our SEPTEMBER VACATION CARE PLAN is ready!! Bookings are now being taken. Please book in ASAP to secure your spot especially for our exciting LASER SKIRMISH MORNING!! The cost is $23/per child (this includes all training by the WB Skirmish Team and all equipment for 3 hours of fun!!). Wide Bay Skirmish will be coming to us, so there’s no travel cost for us, and no cost for the hire of props because we will use the school buildings. So, this is a very reasonable price and an opportunity NOT TO BE MISSED!!

### PLEASE NOTE: PAYMENT FOR LASER SKIRMISH ($23/child) NEEDS TO BE MADE BEFORE THE END OF TERM, if your child wishes to attend. Payments can be made at OSHC from the 1st of September and will need to be finalised by the last day of term, the 16th September. Have fun! Sally.