DATES TO REMEMBER!!!

DEC:
Mon 16th  Yr6 Graduation Presentation
           Ceremony 7pm-8pm
           Reports go home
Thurs 19th Last Day Term 4
           EARLY FINISH 2:30pm
Fri 20th  Curriculum Day- No students

FEBRUARY 2014
Wed. 12th  OPS Swimming Trials at Noble Park –
           School Pix photos
Wed. 19th  –
MARCH 2014
Mon 3rd   Edwin Flack Division Swimming
Wed 12th  Casey North Division Swimming
Thurs 27th Southern Metro Swimming

CURRICULUM DAY 2013
Our school will be conducting a Curriculum Day on Friday 20th December. On the day no students will be required at school.

School concludes for all students on Thursday, 19th December at 2.30pm

TERM DATES FOR 2014
Term 1 – Wednesday 29th January – 4th April
Term 2 – Tuesday 22nd April - 27th June
Term 3 – Monday 14th July – 19th September
Term 4 – Monday 6th Oct. - 19th December

Student End of Year Reports
Student reports will be forwarded home with each student next Monday (16th) afternoon. Parents should expect to receive their child’s report in a white envelope.

Meet the Teacher – Thursday 19th

Students will meet their 2014 teacher next Thursday, 19th December at 11.15am.

Students will be split into their new classes and will spend about 30 minutes with their new teacher and classmates.
(Teachers who are not currently working at our school may not be present on the day).

LAST NEWSLETTER FOR 2013:
As this is the last newsletter for the year, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Keep safe over the holidays!!

REPORTING VANDALISM
Members of the school community are encouraged to report suspicious activity or vandalism to the DEECD’s Emergency Management office on 9589-6266 or the Narre Warren Police on 9705-3111.

Canteen
Please note: Canteen trading has now closed for the year.

WILSONS PROM HIKE
Well done to the 12 students who braved the elements last Wed-Fri at Wilsons Promontory. A big thank you to John Armao, Deanne Morgan, Matt Kenny and Geraldine Gamble for their time and effort, not only on the camp, but leading up to it also.

www.oatlandsps.vic.edu.au (click the Newsletter tab).
PARKING:
No parents should be entering the staff car park to drop off or collect their children from school. Moving cars and excited children are a recipe for disaster.
Also, please obey the ‘NO PARKING’ signs in the streets around the school. We have had a number of complaints from neighbours and City of Casey personnel have been issuing parking infringement notices.

PARKING IN THE MILK BAR
Parents are asked not to park in the Milk Bar car park when collecting their children from school. By parking in this area it prohibits car spaces for patrons who are wishing to use the Milk Bar.

TAKE HOME READING
The Take Home Books have been collected by the classroom teachers for an inventory. We encourage students to keep reading – newspapers, library books, books from home, recipes, etc. especially during the holidays.

Please return any take home readers, library books and maths share packs to the school asap. Currently we have 100 missing books.

SCHOOL LEVIES 2014
School Council has set the student levy for 2014 at $150 per student for the year. This levy will include all books and requisites, 24/7 access to Mathletics and a copy of the 2014 school magazine.
Overdue 2013 levies can be now paid at reception, by cash, credit card, cheque, over the telephone or by BPAY.

EFTPOS – Minimum of $15.00 for transactions

School Banking
Student School banking has now closed for 2013 and will resume in 2014.

School Fete:
Thank you to everyone who helped make the School Fete so successful, especially Rosemary, the hardworking team from the PFA, staff members, parents and students who assisted with the stalls, money, setup and pack up. It is a huge commitment and would not be a success without these volunteers.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
Pre-loved uniforms are available from the office for a donation of $2 per item.

LOST PROPERTY
Lost Property is ‘overflowing’ at present. Please have a look if you have lost anything.
After looking, please leave articles in a neat state – preferably with everything back in the containers with lids on. Thank-you.

Medications
Please note: A Department of Education form states ‘wherever possible medication should be scheduled outside of school hours eg: medication required 3 times per day is generally not required during a school day: it can be taken before and after school and before bed’. So it is preferred that students do not bring medications to school.

MOBILE PHONES
Students who bring mobile phones to school should ensure the phone remains in their bag throughout the day. Students who take the phone from their bag at recess time or lunchtime (for any reason) will have the phone confiscated and parents will then need to collect the phone from the office.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK
All parents need a current Working With Children Check to help in the classroom and to participate on excursions. The application guide and form are available from the post office.

School Pix Photos for 2014
Photographers from School Pix will be at Oatlands on Wednesday 19th Feb to take individual, class and family photographs. More information to follow.
**HOLIDAY CLUB**

Come and join all the fun with your friends these holidays!

We have a range of club based days where we have exciting activities every day, incursions and excursions.

We are OPEN from the 6th January until school commences.

It is a great way to play with your friends and make new friends, while having a whole lot of fun.

We are open 6.45am-6.30pm EVERYDAY

Child care benefit and rebate still apply for holidays!!

Book now at [www.campaustralia.com](http://www.campaustralia.com) under holiday club finder

Any questions- Come visit us in the BASC building or call us 0452 247 965 during before and after care hours or call our Head office on 1300 105 343

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**Fit-Nessa’s Personal Training**

Various Locations

Call Vanessa
0410 936 032

**Kids Fitness**

Wednesdays 3:45 – 4:30pm
Ages: 5-10 years
In the gym
$5.00 per session

**Boot Camp**

Sat. mornings 8.00- 9.00am
Meet at the steps of the gym

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**Oatlanders Netball Club Inc.**

**OATLANDERS NETBALL CLUB** are currently taking registrations for 2014

Forms are available at the office. All age groups welcome.

Any queries please contact:
Shona Batch 9768 9950

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**Reflections Academy of Dance**

2/220 Sladen Street
Canbourne 3977
P: 03 5995 5012
www.reflectionsacademyofdance.com.au

-- Administrative Hours --
Mon - Fri 9am-9pm
Sat 9am-1pm

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**CALL NOW 5995 5012**
CHOOSE YOUR FUN THESE HOLIDAYS

Come for a day, everyday or anything in-between

CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 2

Is that rain? No! It's just Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2! We're off to the movies for the second installment of this hilarious kids' movie. Can Flynn and the gang save the day once again? Then it's back to the service for more fun games and activities.

KINGS & QUEENS

Create a castle fit for a Queen or King, dance like a royal and merry sing, for today is filled with noble cheer as we have regal fun never fees!

CREATURES OF THE DEEP BLUE SEA

Dive to the bottom of nature's biggest mystery! Find out what life under water really like by discovering some of the creatures that make the deep blue sea so magical.

STEP INTO SPACE

We're going solar... solar system has us! With your moon boots and have a blast as we stem about the world beyond our atmosphere. What planet do you want to visit?

PIRATES — TREASURE ISLAND

Aye, me hearty! Beltin down the hatches, hoist the sails, search for buried treasure across the high seas. Join us this shore leave, we we walk, talk and act like pirates. But never fear, me Buccaneer, we won't make ye walk the plank!

and many more exciting activities.

Come and have fun with us these school holidays. Pick any location to suit you and your family – there's no need to re-register for an account.

To find locations near you and to book visit us at www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs

SAVE 50% or more with the Child Care Benefit and Rebate.
BreastScreen Victoria’s Mobile Screening Service is coming to Pakenham

Appointments from 12 November to 31 January (closed from 16 December to 6 January)

You’ll find us outside the Pakenham Library Cnr John & Henry Sts

To book call 13 20 50 or visit breastscreen.org.au

A regular breast screen could save your life.
BreastScreen Victoria’s Mobile Screening Service is: quick • free • for women over 40 • high quality digital screening No doctor’s referral required.

For more information about our visit please contact Carolyn McNamara, Health Promotion Officer cmcnamara@breastscreen.org.au

BreastScreen Victoria
Caring about Women
Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA):
The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided by the Victorian Government to lower-income families to help with education-related costs.

If you have a child under 16, and you hold a valid Health Care Card, Pension Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible to receive the EMA. The allowance is paid in two instalments, one in March and one in August.

The payment is intended to assist with education-related costs such as; uniforms, excursions, textbooks, and stationery. You can elect to have your EMA paid in one of the following ways:

- Paid by direct deposit (Electronic Funds Transfer) into your own nominated bank account; or
- Paid to the school to be held as credit which you can use towards education expenses; or
- Paid by cheque which will be posted to the school for collection.

In 2014, the annual EMA amount per student is:

- $200 for prep students
- $150 for students in years 1 – 6.
- $300 for year 7 students
- $250 for students in year 8 – until age 16*.

* A pro-rata amount is payable for students turning 16 in 2014.

How to Apply: Contact the school office to obtain an EMA application form.

Closing Date: You need to obtain an EMA application form from the school office and return by 28 February 2014.

Oatlands Primary School

**School Holiday Program**
~ January 2014 ~

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

**SUMMER FUN**

**@yourlibrary**

**BOOK ONLINE**

**www.tinyurl.com/colchols or phone the library**

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**NARRE WARREN LIBRARY**

Overland Drive, Fountain Gate

Ph: 9704 7456

Midnight: 110 D4

**Strawberry Storytime**

Tuesday 14/1

Listen to some stories about the BEST summer fruit and make a craft to take home.

2.00-2.30pm Ages: 3-6

**Incredible iPod Cross**

Wednesday 15/1

Use your own iPod or iPod Nano to create your own music or something else.

3.30-4.00pm Ages: 7+

**Making Mummies for Teens**

Thursday 16/1

Learn how to create a mummy with local artist, Nicky Reymond. Watch Nicky create mummies in action or bring your laptop with photo shop to join in and create a mummy of your own.

9.00-10.00am Ages: 12+

**Carp Productions presents: Dinosaur Fossil**

Join Sam and Jim the friendly T Rex as they bring prehistoric poems, out out stories and try the Trassic Twist, it's dinosaur fun.

2.00-2.45pm Ages: 9+

**PAEHHAM LIBRARY**

Can, John & Henry Streets

Ph: 5941 5036

Midnight: 217 E8

**Pirates of the Candy-Beech**

Monday 13/1

Join Captain Jack Spaniel in the ‘potated’ pantomime featuring comedy, songs and magic.

11.00-11.45am Ages: 4-6

**Holiday Times! Time**

Tuesday 14/1

some rhymes and stories for the tiny tots.

11.15-11.45am Ages: 0-5

**Peppl Pianos**

Wednesday 15/1

Learn how to play a Delta Drum and see how it will fly.

2.15-3.00pm Ages: 7+

**Fancy Dress Day**

16/1

Come dressed as a pirate, a cowboy, a fairy - whatever you fancy! Listen to stories and rhymes and make a pop up card to take home.

2.00-2.30pm Ages: 3-6

**Mermaid Magic**

Friday 17/1

Swim into the library for fairy stories and rhymes.

Create your own mermaid tail.

11.15am-12 noon Ages: 9-4

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**FPA Tournament**

Tuesday 21/1

Come and test your skills on our new 2013 and older consoles.

3.30-4.00pm Ages: 10-

**CARDBOARD MOBILE Library**

Li-Pakenham Library

Ph: 5941 2041

**The Magic Man**

Wednesday 16/1

Groove along with the Magic Man, Paul Macmanus and his fun filled magic experience.

2.00-3.00pm Ages: 4+

**DECEPTION FIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE**

at 3 O'Hall Rd.

**Under the Sea**

Friday 17/1

Dive deep under the sea to explore the deep with stories and rhymes. Make your own deep sea creature.

3.00-3.30pm Ages: 5-6