



THE CENTRAL CHRONICLE

Events Calendar

2nd Dec - Yrs 5-6 Oaklands CWA Mongolia Presentations - 1.30pm - 3.00pm

5th Dec - Creative Catchment Kids Book Launch - 10am Oaklands Central School Hall

6th - 8th Dec - Secondary Excursion to Echuca

7th Dec - Primary School 70's Social
- K-2 5.00pm - 6.30pm
- 3-6 6.30pm - 8.30pm

8th Dec - Whole School Assembly 2.30pm

8th Dec - Year 6 Graduation Dinner

13th Dec - Presentation Night - 6.30pm start

16th Dec - Last Day of Term 4 2016 for students

2017

Monday 30th January
First Day Back for Students

Year 12 Farewell Dinner



Oaklands Central School are immensely proud of our Year 12 students and we would like to wish David and Clay all the best for the future.



SCHOOL NEWS

PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

At Oaklands Central School, our students shine their lights in a myriad of ways. Every week there are great examples of how students challenge themselves, learn wonderful new things, overcome obstacles and achieve in a variety of fields. It is something that we should all be proud of.

Oaklands Central School students certainly shone in the last week. On Friday I had great pleasure in attending two really significant events in the life of our school. The first, was an award ceremony held at the University of New South Wales, where Olive Russell was awarded an ICAS medal for English. ICAS is an International competition run by UNSW. Students can undertake assessment in a variety of fields including English, Mathematics, Science, Technology or Spelling. More than two million students from 20 countries participate in the assessments. Each year 500 medals are awarded to the highest achieving students in the assessment tasks, the students who shine

their academic lights. Basically 0.025% of students are awarded a medal. Olive was one of these students! Congratulations Olive.

Our teachers at Oaklands are working to bring the best out in our students. One statistic mentioned at the awards really stood out. Of the 500 medals given out, 150 went to student from New South Wales and the ACT. More than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the medals were achieved by students from our state. This clearly shows the quality of teaching and learning in NSW. Olive's achievements are a wonderful example of the teaching and learning that happens in Oaklands Central.

Students also shone at the Schools Spectacular in Sydney over the weekend. I was among many teachers and parents from Oaklands who attended the performance and supported our students as they sung in the choir. The students had a great week in Sydney and had many great educational experiences. Before the first performance their excitement and apprehension were palpable. However, all their hard work and dedication paid off and they did a fantastic job. The show was, well spectacular. The audience of more than 20,000 people, at the performance I attended, were entranced by

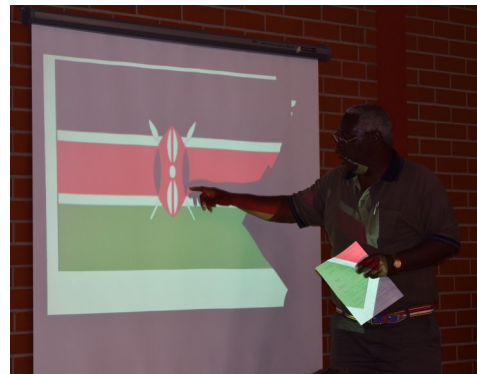
the talent of the many performers. All the performers are students from NSW public schools and included musicians, acrobats, gymnasts, dancers, singers, marching band members and circus performers. There were also many students acting as support crew. The talent and professionalism of the students and teachers involved was spell-binding. In fact I have heard many parents describing their feeling of awe at the acts that they saw over the weekend. I would strongly recommend that if you missed seeing the Spectacular live, check the TV guides and watch the show on Saturday night. And, if you get a chance, talk to Ms Bishop and the girls from our choir to get a picture of what a great weekend it was!

Are there any wolves in Kenya? This was one of many questions that four guests from Kenya were asked Monday afternoon as they visited Oaklands Central School. The cultural visit was organised by Intereach, an organisation who works to support community members and improve engagement within the community.

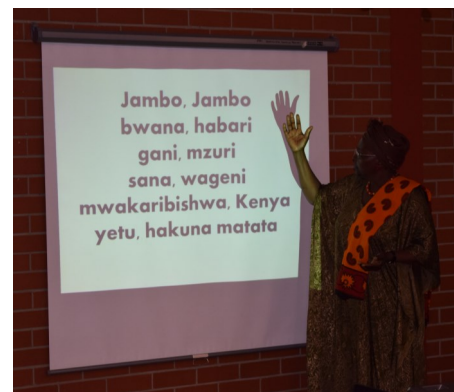


Students were introduced to "Uncle James, Aunt Eunice, Aunt Janet and Uncle Richard", visitors from Kenya, at a whole school assembly.

Students were taught about Kenya, its people and its environment. Students then took the opportunity to ask many thoughtful and insightful questions of our guests, who enjoyed the chance to share with our students. Afterward they commented on what engaged and bright students we have in the school.



Our students were also taught a welcome song from Kenya as part of the cultural experience for students.



I would like to thank Intereach in organising this valuable visit for our school.

"Learning on the job" is a phrase that literally describes what many of our secondary students are doing right now as they undertake work experience. This is an important part of their school lives as they explore possible careers and experience what life may be like after school, when they enter the world of work.

Students have chosen a wide variety of workplaces to work in and by all reports are enjoying this opportunity. Thank you to Ms Elith for all her efforts helping students find their work placements.

And remember, as Christmas approaches, there are still plenty of opportunities for everyone to let their light shine!

Peter Craft
Principal

HEAD TEACHER NEWS

School for the year is coming to an end rather quickly, we are now in Week 8. Can you believe how quickly the last fortnight has gone? Be ready for a number of events that will be on before the year comes to a close including the Whole School Assembly, SRC elections and the Creative Catchment Kids book launch.

Testing finished last week with the Year 7-10 students working hard for their final examinations. Students will be working through their progress this week as they gain feedback from their teachers.

Are you aware of the special flora we have around the school? The students in Years 5-8 participated in a walking excursion last Monday where they gained an insight into the Oaklands' Orchid.



Key highlights last Thursday were students sharing their 'Spoken Word Poetry' pieces with many of their grandparents and older residents in the local community. A big thank you to everyone that attended the special event.

Important skills have been learned by students in tennis and gymnastics over the last month. Tennis lessons concluded last week and Gymnastics will finish Wednesday 30th November.

Congratulations to Amy and Thomas Mottram who both received awards at the 'Proud and Deadly' award ceremony in Deniliquin last week. They are diligent students who always strive to achieve their best.

On Friday 18th November the final farewell to Year 12 students from 2016 at the Riverina Access Partnership (RAP) Farewell Dinner was held in Leeton. Students from all 6 schools attended and celebrated with teachers and family members.

Secondary students had a great time at their social last week. Thank you to students who helped set up for the night and also those that attended.



This week all students in Stage 5 will be out on Work Experience. Students are in varied workplaces and in a number of different locations. This week will be about discovering the true essence of the workplace.

Friday of Week 9, students will be electing new SRC representatives and School Captains for 2017. Please encourage and support your child in writing an appropriate speech if they would like to be considered for a leadership position next year.

On the Monday of the last week of term a specialised artist will be coming to work with students on a mural in the school. This funding has been provided through School to Work. Over the next couple of weeks students will be brainstorming ideas to come up with a theme for the mural which will take pride within our school grounds. Stay tuned.

Melinda Elith
Relieving Head Teacher

Student profiles for this fortnight...

Name- Britney Martin
Year- 8

Favourite subject and why?-
Agriculture because I get to work with animals and spend a lot of time outdoors.

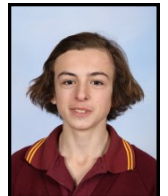
Learning tip- If you are unsure of something, give it your best.



Name- Aiden Milne
Year- 8

Favourite subject and why?- Wood work and metal work because you don't have to write a lot.

Learning tip- Have a go!



Name- Jake Richens
Year- 10

Favourite subject and why?- Photo Digital Media (PDM). Because it's easy and laid back.

Learning tip- Focus more.



Name- Liam Curran
Year- 9

Favourite subject and why?-
Agriculture because you learn about farming.

Learning tip- Pay attention.



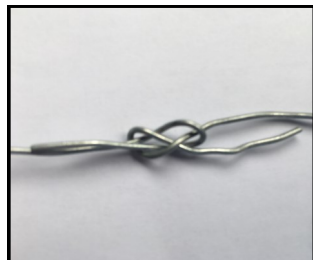
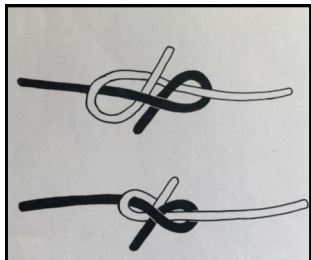
SECONDARY NEWS

Agricultural Excursion to Riverina Milk

On Thursday 17th November our Agricultural students journeyed to Riverina Milk - Freestall Dairy, Corowa. The visit was to emphasise the studies of dairy farming in our region. Surprisingly, Corowa is not a true dairy cattle region, however one of the biggest herds in the Riverina exists just outside of Corowa, towards Yarrawonga. The herd size is approximately

2100 Holstein x Friesian cows. This is a prime example of the diversification of Agricultural enterprises we have in our district.

Being invited to see the milking at 2pm was enjoyable and the students learnt a lot. Unfortunately, this left us with little time to fully appreciate the whole operation of the dairy. However, we were shown one of the lengthy sheds (about 100 metres in length) where the cows accommodated themselves with cool fans and sandpits for beds. Orange peel, cottonseed, and other meals were some ingredients supplied in their feed. The students then visited a calf shed and the herringbone dairy where milking was in operation. The students were astonished by the output of milk, between 70 to 80 thousand litres per day. A majority of this is turned into cheese in Albury and sold at the Hovell St address. Some cheese samples have been obtained.



Our Agricultural students tried their hand at wire joining for electric fencing. We tested the strength of the knots by holding up a 10 litre bucket of water, plus additional weights with a

further 10 kilograms. We tested a 'figure of eight' knot as shown.

A big thankyou to Sue, for organising our visit and to the Dairy supervisor, Neil, for his advice and time in showing us around the dairy. Also, to Mrs Jacki Robertson for helping with transportation.

In addition to the excursion, the students visited the Corowa lagoon, near the Ball Park Caravan Park. Here the students were shown a sacred tree where people, from the Wiradjuri tribe from the past, made a canoe.

Agriculture Students and Mr Longmire
Agriculture Teacher.

Industrial Technology - Metal

In Metal, we are making a 'pen man' to store a pen and it is also made for decoration. We are also making a storage tray to store anything that will fit the tray, we use it for napkins mostly. We made the pen man from galvanised iron, aluminium, pop rivet and we made the head from copper. The tools that we used to create the pen man were a drill, magna sander, tin snips and we mounted them on a plywood base using self tapper screws.



Our teacher Mr Richards asked us to make this creation, he has been helping us.

Thank you Mr Richards, we enjoyed making the tray and the pen man.

Written By Tom Mottram

Industrial Technology - Wood

Students are very proud of their clocks made in wood work creations.



Mark Richards
Industrial Technology

PRIMARY NEWS

Schools Spectacular

A very big congratulations to our students who represented our school last week in Sydney. They did us proud. The pinnacle of good manners and respect. It was an honour to be on stage performing with them.

If you want to see what all the fuss has been about for the last 11 months. Tune into Prime 7 on Saturday 3/12/16 at 7pm .

School Social 7/12/16

\$2.00 entry fee. Hope you have your funky 70's outfit all ready to groove in.

Years K - 2 Times: 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Years 3 - 6 Times: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Yr 6 Graduation Dinner - Thurs 8th December

A night not to be missed. Leaving 5pm from school.

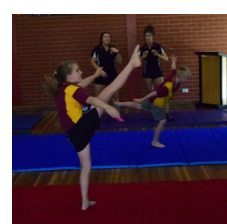
Robyn Bishop
Assistant Principal

SPORTS CLUB

Gymnastics Lessons

For the last two weeks students from Kindergarten to Year 10 have been participating in gymnastics lessons. Rhian and Emily from Fly-away Gymnastics have been teaching students a range of skills including: safe ways to perform a roll; forming different body positions; bunny hops over different sized objects; safe ways to land from a jump; how to safely perform a handstand and cartwheel; and using each other to balance in a pyramid.

All students have enjoyed the sessions and tried their hardest in developing new skills. Thank you to Rhian and Emily for providing these lessons.



Sports Club

Due the high level of interest of handball from students in both primary and secondary, we will be having handball competitions during sports club for the next 2 weeks.

Glen Bobbin
Primary Teacher

Schools Spectacular 2016

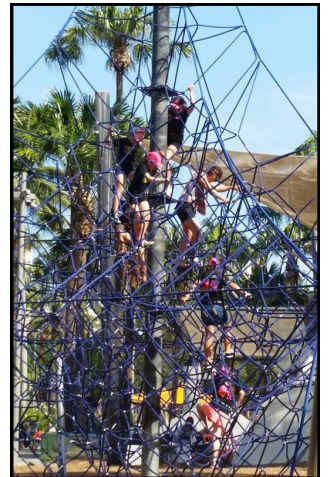
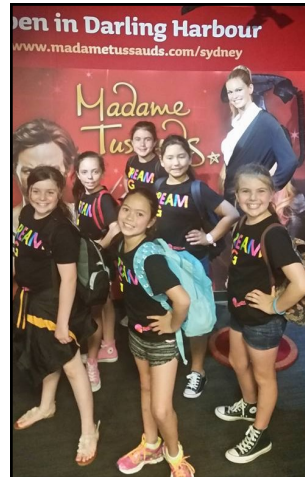
Last week Harper Wolter, Chelcee Doyle, Stephanie Munro, Stephanie Sutcliffe, Ashley Harahan and Amber Summons travelled to Sydney for the exciting Schools Spectacular. Miss Bishop and Miss Brain were the supervisors for this trip.

We stayed at the Sydney Olympic Park YMCA and performed in the Qudos Bank Arena. On Tuesday we had a excursion day into the city. We went on a ferry ride and while we were on it we saw some wild dolphins. First, we went to the Sydney Tower Eye next we went to the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Opera House and many other activities.

We had 2 rehearsals and performed in 4 shows. During the shows we used several props, including some giraffe ears.

Each show had approximately 20,000 people watching. We also attempted for a Guinness World Record for the "Biggest Amateur Variety Show" ... and were successful!

Thank you to Miss Bishop and Miss Brain who took us to Sydney and a thank you to Mr Craft, Mr Bobbin, Mr Knight and family and friends, for coming and watching the show. A big thank you to all parents and a huge thanks to the Oaklands Community for the generous donations, we couldn't have done it without you. You can watch the Schools Spectacular on this Saturday night the 3rd December, on Prime 7 at 7:00pm.





School Banking at OCS



Did you know that 22 Oaklands children are making saving
a life time practise?

When participating in school banking, not only will your child start saving, they also learn other life skills such as how to fill out deposit slips, counting money and responsibility. No deposit is too small, it's about depositing regularly. Set your children up for life, contact the school banking co-ordinators Tarin Moar or Tereasa Bennett to make a start.

School banking on Thursdays from 8.30 to 9.00am in the school library.

Thank you

OAKLANDS CENTRAL SCHOOL
ABSENCE NOTE

Name: _____

Class: _____ Teacher: _____

This student was absent from ____/____/____ to ____/____/____

Due to the following:

- ☐ Illness
- ☐ Injury
- ☐ Medical/Dental Appointment
- ☐ Family Commitments
- ☐ Other _____

Additional comments _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

OAKLANDS CENTRAL SCHOOL
P & C AGENDA ITEM

Name: _____

Item: _____

Agenda submissions MUST be received 7 days prior to the P&C Meeting to be included as an agenda item. Late submissions will held until the following P&C Meeting.

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DATE RECEIVED: ____/____/____



OAKLANDS CENTRAL SCHOOL
SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
AND
NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION

School Contributions for 2016:

Primary Student: **\$30.00**

Secondary Student: **\$30.00**

Maximum per Family:
\$50.00

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(This covers parents when working for the
P & C— e.g. working bees, catering etc.).

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\$33.00 (inc GST)

COMMUNITY NEWS



P & C NOTICE

The next P & C Meeting is

**Monday 20th February
@ 7.00pm**

**Please note the change of time*

P and C meet on the 3rd
Monday of each month in the
Staff Room

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Book Launch

'Our Community'

Monday 5th December

10am - Morning Tea

Oaklands Central School Hall

Parents and Community are invited to
the 2016 Creative Catchment Kids
Book Launch. Please come along to
support our students and see the
results of all their hard work.

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Size 10 = \$10 each

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Size 5 = \$20

Please contact the School
Office on 6035 4290

CWA News



Oaklands members met for the Annual General Meeting where all positions were filled. We are looking forward to welcoming new members anytime.

Full membership is \$41.00. Juniors only \$1.00.

International Day is fast approaching, see the accompanying notice.

Handicraft Get-togethers – also look for the notice re this new initiative we are trying.

Christmas Excursion – this year we will be visiting Rich Glen Olives. Date to be advised. If you would like to join us for this outing contact Heather Kerr 02 6033 1300.

**Next meeting Thurs 17th November, 1.00pm CWA Rooms Oaklands
Cnr Milthorpe & Coreen Streets**

Expressions of Interest Invited.

Oaklands CWA Handicraft “Get-togethers”



Are you interested in a fortnightly craft session with like-minded women (or men)?

We are planning to hold regular get-togethers.

What day would suit? What time?

Length of session? 2hrs – 3hrs?

Where? At the CWA rooms.

Register your interest with:

Mandy Howell 0427 632 966

Pixie King 0434 963 436



The Oakies Kitchen

- Lunch Menu -

Canteen will be held every Monday and Friday.

Write orders on a paper bag, clearly labelled with Child's name, food & drink items and cost. Ensure money is secured in the lunch bag. Change will be given.

Sandwiches/rolls- ham/chicken and salad	\$4.00
Toasted s/wiches - ham, cheese and tomato	\$3.50
Chicken and sweet chilli wrap	\$4.00
Homemade sausage roll	\$3.00
Fresh salad	\$3.00
Hawaiian pizza sub	\$4.50
Cheese Burger	\$4.00
Steamed dim sims with soy sauce	.80c ea
Chicken nuggets (6)	\$3.00
Muffin - different flavour each week	\$3.00
Fruit slice	\$2.00
Primas	\$1.00
Water	\$1.50



Carol Service

Come to a Carol Service
and give Christmas Tree

Sunday 11th December 6.30pm

Oaklands United Protestant Church

*Mulwala-Yarrowonga Ecumenical Choir
will be in attendance.*

Gifts & Donations accepted.
Ladies, a plate please.

Christmas Eve Service

Oaklands United Church 5.00 pm

Anglican Monthly Service

Sunday 4th December 9.00am



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for the Information of Members and Guests

THURSDAY NIGHT DRAW

\$7,400

(7:00pm to 9:00pm)

SUNDAY NIGHT MEMBERS DRAW

\$2,300



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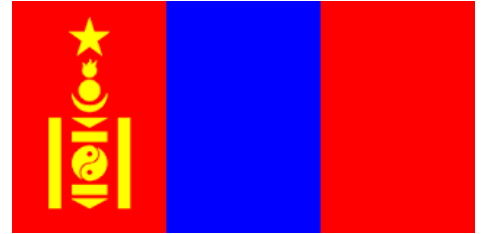
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CWA Oaklands Branch International Day

Mongolia



When: Friday 2nd December

Time: 1.30 pm – 3.00pm.

Where: CWA Rooms Milthorpe & Coreen Streets, Oaklands

Come along and see the Oaklands Central School children present their projects of study of Mongolia.

Gold coin donations will go towards Pennies for Friendship Projects supported by the Associated Country Women of the World.

All Welcome