



# THE CENTRAL CHRONICLE

## Events Calender

### School Events

**Wednesday 17th February**

- Parent and Teacher Meet and Greet evening

**Friday 19th February**

- First Breakfast Club for 2016
- Secondary Zone Swimming (The Rock)

**Wednesday 24th February**

- TAFE day

**Thursday 25th February**

- RYDA - Yr. 11

**Wednesday 2nd March**

- Whole School Assembly (9.15am)

### Community Events

**Oaklands Truck Show**

**Saturday 19 - Sunday 20 March**

## OCS SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2016!





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Wednesday, 17th February 2016

## SCHOOL NEWS

### PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are now well and truly into school for 2016. Last Thursday saw the running of our second Twilight Swimming Carnival. It was a truly fun evening. There was so much to admire on the evening, from the effort that students went to with their war cries, to the swimming, the great organisation, the lovely community feel and much, much more. Congratulations to all the students who shone their light by participating in the carnival. It was wonderful to see so many students competing in the swimming events, trying their best, even if they are not the fastest swimmers in the school. Equally impressive were the older students who assisted by swimming with our younger primary swimmers in their races. They showed a true sense of leadership, caring and community, things we very much value, by taking on that role. I would like to thank everyone, parents, students and staff, who participated and worked so hard to make the evening the success it was. Congratulations to the parents in winning the final relay of the night. And finally congratulations to Innes house for winning the house competition, what a great effort!

Wednesday night will see the school host its Meet and Greet Evening. This is an important event for our school community. The informal evening is an opportunity for every parent to meet with our teachers and get to know each other in a relaxed atmosphere. The school will provide food for anyone that joins us. The evening starts at 4:00pm and will be finished by 6:30pm, although it is a "drop in" evening. Everyone is free to arrive at any time after

4:00 and stay with us until the end of the evening. By making the evening flexible we hope that every parent will have the opportunity to be part of our Meet and Greet.

Thank you for the great effort with school uniform. Students are turning up to school looking great in their uniforms and showing great pride in their school. If a student is out of uniform for any reason it is important that they bring a note to roll call explaining why they are out of uniform. It is also extremely important that every student attends school every day that they possibly can. Recent research shows that being away from school for 2 weeks in a year can reduce a child's performance in NAPLAN by one band. That means that students who miss 1 day a month from school will be affecting their outcomes in literacy and numeracy. So school attendance is vitally important. If your child is sick or is unavoidably away from school, please make sure that they bring a note explaining their absence on their first day back at school. It is a Department of Education requirement that all absences be adequately explained within seven days, or the absence is recorded as "unjustified". If your child is sick and will be away for an extended period you can ring the school to let us know. This will ensure that the rolls are kept correct and up to date.

Most of the construction work and painting is now finished at Oaklands Central School. We are now in the process of fixing our lawns and restoring our beautiful gardens so that our school is a place that our community can continue to be proud of. We are also completing the upgrades to the front office area. As part of this upgrade we are creating a display of school memorabilia as a way of celebrating the part the school has played in our community over more than 130 years. If you have old photographs, reports or other items from the

school, and would be willing to loan them to the school so that they can be put on secure display in the foyer, please contact the school. We would love to hear from you.

The next two weeks are a very busy time for me. Unfortunately I will be out of the school from Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> until Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February, at a series of meetings and training events. These events include Principal training sessions, induction training and other mandatory meetings. By participating in these events I will be keeping up to date with issues currently affecting our school and continuing to build my skills in school leadership. Mr John Clayton will be available to assist with any urgent matters while I am away. Please do not hesitate to contact the school during this time.

Peter Craft  
Principal

## HEAD TEACHER NEWS

I'd like to congratulate all the secondary students that attended the Swimming Carnival on Thursday. It was wonderful the way you involved yourself with support of your House group. The way students assisted the younger swimmers to complete their events, showed care and patience both wonderful virtues for individuals to have.

I'd like to wish students all the best as they now move on to represent Oaklands at the Zone Swimming Carnival. Aim for your personal best and enjoy the experience meeting new people in your age group.

We had a successful RAP Induction Camp where Year 11 students met their teachers and class members for their HSC at Yanco Agriculture Centre last week. Students worked over the two days learning the HSC processes and expectations of the RAP staff for students to achieve their personal best result, as well as Board of Studies rules and regulations that must be complied with across the state. Students were given the Preliminary Assessment Booklet and need to return the attached receipt sheet to school once signed by student and parent.

Senior students have also started their TAFE courses with students travelling to Albury for Automotive, Construction and Computer Graphic and Design courses.

Senior students will attend RYDA driver safety training in Leeton on the 25th of February

On Monday the School will have a visit from Charles Sturt University to plan the Future Moves Program dates for 2016. This program helps students plan for their future learning pathways once they have left school.

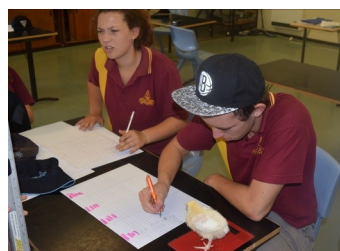
We are also having a visit by Council representatives to plan Youth Week activities on Thursday at 1pm. I encourage students to involve themselves in the planning workshop.

The Transition Camp for Year 7 and 8 students is planned for the 3rd and 4th of March. Mrs Marshall has planned a wonderful two day experience for the group. I'm looking forward to camping out with the students down by the banks of the Murray River.

The preparations for the Easter Show entries are going well with students working with the meat chooks and layers. The meat chooks are growing rapidly with each chook adding up to 30 grams a day to their weight. The school was very successful last year in this show winning the layer section against schools from across the state.

Students will undertake a practical field study during a Senior Science excursion to Collingullie on Tuesday the 1st of March. The first whole School Assembly will be on the 2nd of March at 9:15 am in the Performance Hall.

John Clayton (Head Teacher)



## PRIMARY NEWS

### Twilight Swimming Carnival

What a great time was had by all at the recent Twilight Swimming Carnival. It was a pleasure watching children encourage each other (even if they were on the opposing side). It was lovely to see the personal development of so many children as they ducked under the water, dove for the first time, completed a personal best and swam the full length of the pool on their own.



### Primary Assemblies

Our first Primary assembly for the term will be held on Friday 11th March at 2pm. Because of the timing of Good Friday, our Primary Assemblies for this term only will not be held fortnightly. Our second Primary Assembly for the term will be held on Friday 1st April.

### Parent Meet and Greet

We hope to see you all at the Meet and Greet evening tonight, Wednesday 17th March 4 - 6:30 pm. Primary teachers will be there for a chat and for you to touch base with about how your child has settled into the year.

### Kinder - Year 1 - Year 2

We are collecting egg cartons for a special creative arts project we will be working on later in the term. If you have some spares can you please send them in.

### Class Structures

Great news for Primary! While we did not reach our 'official' third classroom teacher, we are fortunate enough to announce that the School can independently fund a third classroom teacher position this year. We are currently in the process of advertising this position and as soon as possible we will split into our 3 classes; being a Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 class; a Years 3/4 class; and a Years 5/6 class. We will keep you in the loop as information comes to hand. It has been lovely catching up with everyone again. I am sure it is going to be a fabulous year as we already have lots of exciting ventures which we are beginning to explore. Hope to see you at the 'Meet and Greet'.

Robyn Bishop (Assistant Principal)

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Thank you*  
Oaklands P&C

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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**

## Now payable to the School Office

***Remember*** these contributions  
benefit *YOUR* children and  
*YOUR* community.

### **NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION:**

Paper copy **\$13.00** (incl. GST)  
(email free)

### **P & C SUBSCRIPTION:** **\$5.00**

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

### **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING FEES:**

**Whole Year:** \$49.50 (inc GST)

**Single Ad: Half Column** \$3.30 (inc GST)

**Full Column** \$6.60 (inc GST)

**Sporting Bodies and Committees:**  
\$33.00 (inc GST)

## COMMUNITY NEWS



### P & C NOTICE

The next P & C Meeting is

**Monday 21st March @ 8.00pm**

*\*Please note the change of time  
for daylight savings*

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

## OAKLANDS FIRE BRIGADE

Fire Brigade Membership for 2016 is \$2.00  
and can be paid to Jimmy Beale or Peter  
Dalitz. This then covers the cost of the half  
day training course.

**No other fees apply.**



## GUEST PASSES AVAILABLE NOW

Oaklands Community Health & Fitness Centre Inc.

Got family or friends staying with you over the Christmas period?

To make going to the gym easy, we now have booklets of 5 guest  
passes available for members to pre-purchase. Simply ensure your  
guest has signed the waiver and place the pass in the gym letter  
box.



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ADULT

—  
\$10 PER WEEK  
STUDENT/PENSIONER

—  
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NOW

#### CONTACT

Tarin Moar  
0427 847 208

CWA Oaklands Branch



### Afternoon Teal to fight Ovarian Cancer

**When:** Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2016

**Where:** CWA rooms, Milthorpe Street

**Time:** 2.30 pm

**Guest Speaker**

#### **Facts about ovarian cancer**

#Each day in Australia, four women are  
diagnosed with ovarian cancer and  
three will die from the disease.

#The signs and symptoms commonly  
include: abdominal or pelvic pain, in-  
creased abdominal size or persistent  
abdominal bloating, the need to urinate  
often or urgently, or feeling full after eat-  
ing a small amount.

#In Australia, the five year survival rate  
for women diagnosed with ovarian can-  
cer is 43%, compared to the 89% for  
breast cancer.

#Having a family history of breast or  
ovarian cancer may mean you are more  
at risk of developing ovarian cancer.  
Women with a BRCA1 mutation have an  
increased risk of 40-59% and women  
with the BRCA2 mutation a 16-18% in-  
creased risk.

#### **February Meeting:**

Early start 12.00pm, Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Feb.

All Welcome.

Heather Kerr Secretary: 0447 335 201



Dear Calling all women/girls

Join us as we hold an Afternoon Teal to raise funds  
for Ovarian Cancer Australia and awareness of the  
signs and symptoms of the disease.

Host CWA Oaklands branch members

Date Thurs 18th February Time 2.30 pm

Venue CWA rooms Cnr Milthorpe/Coreen Streets Oaklands

RSVP By Just come along

There will be guest speakers.



Principal Partner



[ovariancancer.net.au/afternoontea](http://ovariancancer.net.au/afternoontea)  
#AfternoonTeal



Parent Line NSW offers free professional support for NSW parents. Professional counsellors take calls 7 days a week from parents of High School-age children. For the cost of a local call from a landline, parents can ask questions about aspects of behaviour, relationships, substance use and educational concerns until 9pm every night.

Parent Line NSW is a state funded program managed by CatholicCare Sydney. In the last financial year the program provided counselling, support, referrals and information to more than 7,000 people who were involved in raising a child.

Parent Line Counsellors are professional, degree-educated specialists in complex family matters and we help parents with a wide range of issues including school refusal, bullying, mental health concerns, alcohol and other drugs, technology and a breakdown in relationship between parent and child. We also provide information, useful internet resources and referrals to local services.

Our service opening hours are 9am to 9pm weekdays and 4pm to 9pm on weekends. Callers can leave a message outside of these hours and they will receive a call back during the next operating period. We also provide Online Counselling three times a week.

Parenting Counsellors can be accessed on 1300 1300 52





## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - CUBA

Guest Speaker:

Danielle  
Hanlon



All welcome  
Supper  
afterwards  
ladies a plate  
please

Jesus said to them  
"Receive children. Receive me."

FRIDAY 4TH MARCH 2016

TIME: 7 pm  
PLACE: St Columbas Catholic  
Everyone Welcome Church Oaklands

## Breakfast Club

- Breakfast Club will commence this Friday (19th Feb)!
- Supplies to assist with running costs are being accepted and are greatly appreciated.
- We are looking for donations of:
  - ⇒ Strawberry Jam
  - ⇒ Honey
  - ⇒ Vegemite
  - ⇒ Breakfast Juice (only)
  - ⇒ Low sugar cereal
  - ⇒ Raisin Loaf
  - White toast bread
- Monetary donations are also appreciated.
- Thank you for your kind donations in the past.
- Any donations can be left at the School Office.

## Oaklands Memorial Hall

### AGM

To be held: **Tuesday 22nd March 2016 7:00PM** @ the  
Oaklands Memorial Hall

#### Agenda:

- Election for office bearers
- Financial report
- Fee breakdown and annual hire structure
- Building status report
- Maintenance schedule

Following the AGM will be a general meeting for those who wish to join the Memorial hall committee and also those who would like to help out with the Annual Riverina Harvest Ball 2016.

Anyone in the community can come along and be part of this great committee.

We hope to see lots of new faces in 2016!

### MIRROR MIRROR Project

Many of our local youth were involved in the 'Mirror Mirror on the screen' project last year. The initiative had the youth plan and compile a video of life in the Urana Shire. A copy of the video is available for purchase from Roof Top Media (approx. \$ 25). Can you please contact the school if you are interested in purchasing a copy? We are looking at putting in a bulk order.



# Stepping Stones Triple P



## Triple P stepping stones - parenting course begins Tuesday-23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2016

As part of the Stepping Stones Triple P Project, **The Berrigan Shire Council Early childhood Intervention Service ( ECIS )** invite you to register your interest for the **FREE : primary care group Triple P Stepping stones**

The next step

- Contact the Early childhood Intervention Service
- Register your name and contact details

**Where: The Finley Library meeting room, 223-229 Murray Street Finley 2713**  
Sessions will be held in the morning and a night session will be available if there are interested families.

**Dates : Tuesday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> times 10am - 12md (optional for 7-9pm)**

**March 1<sup>st</sup>**

**March 8<sup>th</sup>**

**March 15<sup>th</sup>**

**I look forward to your attendance**

- **All sessions will start on time and finish on time**
- **Feel free to contact me to register your interest in attending**

ECIS Manager - Margaret Graham

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# International Women's Day 2016

Berrigan Shire Library Service  
invite you to  
International Women's Day Lunch

Guest author  
**Karen Viggers**  
author of *The Stranding*  
*The Lightkeepers Wife*  
and *The Grass Castle*

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**12.00pm**  
At the Berrigan Sportsground  
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## Karen Viggers

Berrigan Shire Library Service have much pleasure introducing best-selling author,

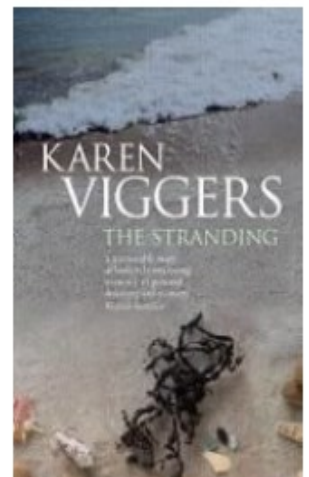
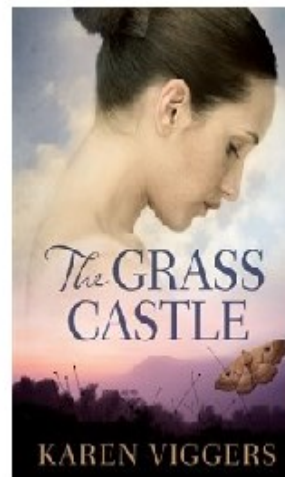
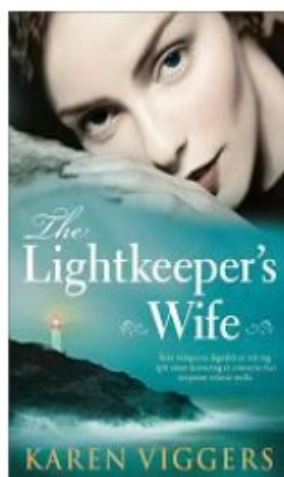
### Karen Viggers

as our International Women's Day guest speaker for 2016.

Karen was born in Melbourne and grew up in the Dandenong Ranges riding horses and writing stories. Now living in Canberra with her husband and children, Karen works part-time as a vet, also providing veterinary support for biologists studying native animals and loves to write most days. Karen's books have been widely reviewed and are highly regarded. Karen's stories weave a heart-warming fictional story

through true environmental issues. Her love of the Australian  
fauna, flora and landscape reflect throughout the pages whilst the engaging plot twists  
reveal more surprises as each page is turned.

*Highly recommended Australian author by Newcastle Herald, Yours Magazine, Books and  
Publishing, Inside my Worlds (Blog), Marion Halligan, (Author) Goodreads Magazine, Canberra Times, The Age, Sun-Herald.*



# WANTED

## -RACERS-

Oaklands Truck Show will be holding the Inaugural  
Rocker Cover Races 2016!

Ask the oldies if there is a rocker cover hanging around  
you can pimp up into a decked out racing machine.

We have a couple to race on the day, and for those  
who don't have any the Oaklands Mens Shed has a  
few more to be pimped up... if you have covers and  
need help making them let me know and we will see  
what we can do to help.

You can register in the kids' tent on Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>  
March and the first race will be at 10.30am.  
(The course will be set up Saturday if any contestants  
want a practice go)

**There will be prizes so do your best!!**

Contact Mel 0402823141

**OAKLANDS TRUCK  
SHOW & MARKET DAY**



**CAR BOOT SALE**

**SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**



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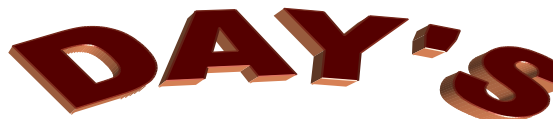


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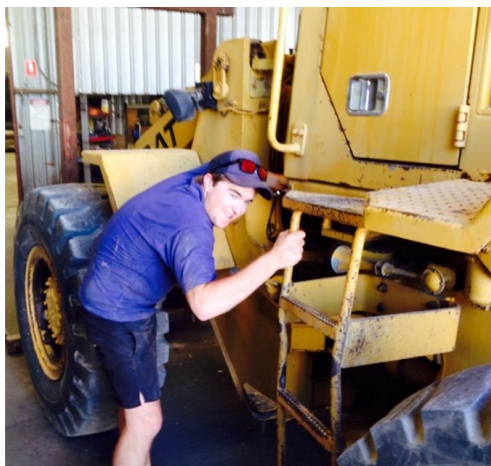
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## SUNDAY NIGHT MEMBERS DRAW

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