



Newsletter 7th February 2018 Week 3 Term 1

"Inspiring learning for a better world."

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## Year 1 love to read!



Open a book  
And you will find  
People and places of every kind;  
Open a book  
And you can be  
Anything that you want to be;  
Open a book  
And you can share  
Wondrous worlds you find in there;  
Open a book  
And I will too  
You read to me  
And I'll read to you.



Open A Book,  
By Jane Baskwill



# Principal's Page

## Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to Week 3. Although the Rodeo, at which the P&F were to operate the chip van, was postponed due to the weather, the rain has been a blessing. I trust our farmers welcomed the downpour over the weekend.

Our Year 6 class has a fantastic day at Emu Gully on Friday despite the bad weather. I heard there were some great examples of team work and helping one another out and gauging by some photos I saw the activities in the mud were well received.

The P&F meeting was held last Wednesday evening and the following parents were elected to positions of responsibility:

### **Executive:**

President – Mrs Tanya Weber

Vice President – Mrs Margot Black

Secretary – Mrs Rachel Wardell

Treasurer – Mrs Thelma Bain

### **Committee:**

Mr Matt Edwards, Mr Michael Mathewson, Mrs Katie Owens & Mr Scott Johnston

### **Convenors:**

Tuck-shop Convenors: Mrs Kym Owens and Mrs Linda Leerentveld

Clothing Pool Convenor: Ms Chloe McIntosh

Should you like any item to be raised at a meeting you could contact one of the executive or committee members or drop a note into the school office.

The outgoing Secretary Mrs Michelle Prendergast and Treasurer Mrs Katie Owens were thanked for their hard work during their time in office.

I was very pleased with the attendance at the meeting, I hope the number swells even more for the March meeting.

The Meet the Staff/Parent Information/BBQ and Disco will be held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February commencing at 6:15pm. Please make this night a priority and place the date in your calendar now. Whilst the parents meet with staff for the first 40 minutes, the students will be supervised in another area of the school.

On Monday and Tuesday, Mrs Cavanagh, Mrs Hore and I attended leadership training days. The Leadership Team aims to work cooperatively to guide the direction of the school, support staff and to make decisions which aim to bring about the best outcomes for students. I will provide more information about the function of the Leadership Team in coming weeks in an effort to enhance communication about the school to parents.

Good luck to our students attending both the Catholic Schools' and Inner Downs Swimming Carnivals this week. I look forward to hearing of the personal successes from those attending. Good luck! Do your best!

Yours

**Mr Roland Poulton**

**Principal**

APRE Term 1 Week 3 2018

This Sunday - 11<sup>th</sup> February – representatives from all schools have been invited to join in the 2018 Diocesan Caritas Project Compassion Launch during **9am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, Toowoomba**. At the end of Mass, student representatives will be commissioned by Bishop McGuckin. All families are warmly invited to attend both Mass and Morning Tea in the Parish Centre afterwards.

We ask that St Monica's students in attendance wear their formal school uniform and meet the staff at the James Street entrance of the Cathedral by 8:45am so that we can sit together as a school community. I would love to have a strong contingent of proud St Monica's students with us at the launch.

This Thursday I travel to Sacred Heart School in Toowoomba with four of our year 6 students to attend the **Caritas Just Leadership Day**. The students will join with other year 6 students from across the Diocese to engage in Social Justice learning activities. These students will then assist me to lead our Project Compassion appeal here at St Monica's.

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday – the first day of Lent. This marks the 40 days of preparation for Easter. Traditionally this has been a time of prayer and reflection. The Liturgical colours change from the green of Ordinary Time to purple. The St Monica's community will be attending Mass at the church at 9am on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of February and we invite all our families to attend with us.

God Bless

Lisa Cavanagh



## Community Information Night

Oakey Goes Blue, Family Fun Day Fundraiser – proceeds going to the Dolly's Dream Foundation in remembrance of Amy 'Dolly' Everett. A 14 year old girl from the Northern Territory who was a victim of bullying, which resulted in her ending her life. In order to meet this goal, we are asking for support from our local businesses & individuals.

Oakey Goes Blue is holding an information night for the local residents and businesses about the Family Fun Day Fundraiser, being held on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The information night will provide a rundown of the ideas & activities planned for the event, as well as give all those wanting to help, a chance to indicate where & how they can support throughout the event.

Community Information Night

Date: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Venue: Oakey State School Hall, Lorrimer St, Oakey

Time: 5.30pm – 7.00pm (at latest)

If you have any questions in regards to the event or information night, please contact 0431 235 522 or [oakeygoesblue@hotmail.com](mailto:oakeygoesblue@hotmail.com)

Regards,

Oakey Goes Blue

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# Teacher Talk

## Prep

Hello from the Prep Room!

I have had a wonderful time in Prep this week. I have been impressed with how well the class have settled into their routine.

This week we have been looking at sounds of l and s, we have been sequencing.

Well done Prep's and thank you for making me feel welcome.

**Mrs Gina Lawrie for Mrs Rebecca Thomas**

## Year One

This week students are using one to one counting with a focus on accuracy. They continue to practise and refine direction and spelling when writing numbers to 10. Our writing focus is on capital letters and endings for simple sentences. We are practising detective skills with using picture clues to help read words and identify character emotions. Focus will continue on the LEARN behaviours and class rules. Homework begins this week.

**Mrs Chris Conneely**

## Year Two

Welcome to Week Three. We have been working to sequence events in time order in writing by listening to a recount. Our lightning writers are improving each day as we practise writing both upper and lower case letters of the alphabet within two minutes. Stamina Writing is proving popular with students. A stimulus picture is displayed and together we brainstorm what might be taking place. Students then write. We do not edit or check punctuation until time is up and we use our magic editing pens to revise our work. In maths we have been exploring trading ones for tens and tens for hundreds. We have explored writing three digit numbers and are continuing to develop our skip counting ability. On Monday we listened to 'Rose Meets Mt Wintergarten' by Bob Graham. We explored what it means to show kindness to others as we investigate saying sorry and asking for forgiveness in our religion unit.

Yours in Christ

**Mrs Rowena Staude**

## Year Three

In Maths this week we have been working on addition and subtraction word problems. We are concentrating on rereading questions and checking our answers to make sure we have successfully answered the question. In English we are focusing on recognising punctuation in texts, reading with expression and continuing to improve on our persuasive writing skills. We will continue to work on our school LEARN behaviours and class expectations.

**Miss Ayden-Skye Wolff**

# Teacher Talk

## Year Four

In Science we are investigating what is 'Beneath Our Feet', we will be looking at and comparing rock and soil samples, as well as exploring different landscapes. In Religion we are looking at the books of the Bible, and in particular the creation stories found in the book of Genesis. We are discovering the similarities and differences between these two stories.

Don't forget homework needs to be brought to school every day and to fill in your child's reading log which is located in the front of their homework book. Our library borrowing is every Thursday, please ensure library bags come to school each week.

God Bless and have a great week.

**Mrs Cheryl Anderson**

## Year Five

In Maths this term, we have learnt about multiples and factors, rounding and estimating, and chance and probability, where the students participated in chance experiments and games. This week we have also looked at multiplication strategies. In English, we are continuing to read our class novel, Wonder and have begun looking at the characteristics of the main character. In Health, we investigated teamwork and identified particular behaviours that constitute teamwork and how this impacts our daily lives.

**Mrs Kaylene Bruggemann**

## Year Six

A very excited group of students travelled to Emu Gully last Friday in less than ideal weather conditions. From all reports a wonderful time was had by all and many valuable lessons were learned. Favourite activities included the Mud Run, the Tunnels, Tarp Volleyball, The Slip and Slide and leaping from the High Board into the dam. Many thanks to Mrs Bruggemann and Mrs Tyrie for accompanying the children on what was certainly an educational day.

Thank you to all parents who have been listening to their child's 10 minutes of oral reading each night. Over the course of a year your efforts in this area will help your child's reading ability improve dramatically. READ TO SUCCEED is a great motto to use to encourage this important routine.

Regards,

**Mr Michael West**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **February 2018**

Thur Feb 8th	Catholic Schools Swimming Carnival
Fri Feb 9th	Inner Downs Swimming Carnival
Tue Feb 13th	Swimming Lessons
Wed Feb 14th	Ash Wednesday
Thur Feb 15th	Swimming Lessons
Fri Feb 16th	Welcome Disco
Mon Feb 19th	Year 6 class Liturgy
Thur Jan 22nd	Leaders Induction Mass

### **March 2018**

Wed Mar 8th	School Photos
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## **Tuckshop Helpers**

**Monday 12th February  
2018**

**Kym Owens  
Linda Leerentveld**

**Thank you ladies for  
volunteering your time!**

## ***Weekend Masses***

### **St Monica's Parish**

1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – 8.00am

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – 8.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

### **Our Lady of the Annunciation, Peranga**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – 10.00am

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – 10.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

**Oakey: Saturday 6pm**

**Peranga: Sunday 10am**

## **Oakey Community Playgroup**

St Monica's Primary School

75 Lorrimer St Oakey

**Every Thursday 9-11am**

**(Except School Holidays)**

**President: Tricia Brownsey 0408 675 945**

## **SUPERLearners Term 1 Week 2**

<b>Prep</b>	<b>Eva</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Teliah</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Jaylen</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Liam</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Eva</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Alexander</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Jennifer</b>



## **Important Notices**

### **Illegal Parking**

**It has been brought to our attention that parents/caregivers are parking illegally in Lorrimer St.**

**Where there are NO line markings on the road, the road rules state that you must parallel park.**

**Police have indicated that if this is not adhered to they will be issuing a \$50 fine.**

**Police have indicated that they will also be issuing fines for parents who do not use the School Crossing, within the 20 metre zone.**

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### **Tuckshop Helpers**

Helpers are needed for the tuckshop, please consider volunteering your time to help out.

If everyone does one day a term it makes life easier for everyone.

Tuckshop is held every Monday, volunteers are required from 9am-2pm.

Please come and see the ladies in the office for more details.

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### **School Uniforms**

Pre Loved school uniforms are available through St Monica's P&F Association.  
All clothing is in good condition and available in sizes 4—16.

Please contact Chloe McIntosh on 0457 915 137 to arrange a suitable time.

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### **Redgum Book Club:**

Red Gum Book Club Booklets have gone home today. Orders and payment are to be made online at [www.redgumbookclub.com.au](http://www.redgumbookclub.com.au) by Monday 26th February.

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**Don't forget to download the Skoolbag App for all the updated school information.**



# Welcome

Meet the Teacher and Information  
Night

## Friday

16th February 2018

6.15pm - 8.30pm

Come along and meet your children's  
teachers for 2018

6.15pm Parent information session  
while students are supervised, followed  
by BBQ and disco.

Entry

\$5.00 per Family

Burgers, sausages and drinks available for purchase and a  
bar will be operating.



**Oakey Soccer Club**  
**SIGN ON**

**WHEN:** Feb 3 9am - 1pm  
**WHERE:** IGA CARPARK

**WHEN:** Feb 18th 9am - 1pm  
**WHERE:** Oakey Soccer Clubhouse  
Federal St, Oakey

**Or Contact**  
**Ray Cooper 0431 316 098**

**Get Started Vouchers Approved**

*All Ages Welcome 4-Seniors*

*All skill levels will play*



## Craft Club Helpers.

This year we are keen to continue with Craft Club activities held in our lunch time period. We are looking for any parents, grandparents, anyone who has the time to help the students to learn a new skill or to create something. If you have time to share between 1 and 2pm on a Thursday or Friday and would like to participate, please complete the form below and return to the office in the next week.

No particular crafting experience (or skill) is required, although a sense of enthusiasm and a sense of humour is handy, and you may find you have a new fan club by helping to put a smile on a few little faces. If you have further questions, please speak to our office staff or contact Kathleen Young.

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Craft Club Helpers.

I am able to assist with the Craft Club Program between 1 and 2pm on a Thursday and Friday.

My preferred day :                      Thursday                      Friday

My skills include \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_



## "BEARS CHALLENGE" 6 – A – SIDE AFTERNOON

**WHERE:** Oakey RL Grounds  
**WHEN:** WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2018  
**TIME:** 4pm to 6pm



St Monica's, Oakey SS, Kingsthorpe SS and Gowrie SS will come together to participate in an afternoon of fun, exciting rugby league. The afternoon aims to bring the students from the four schools together for an active afternoon of 6- a-side tackle for both boys & girls.

Prior to the 6-A-Side afternoon, NRL Development staff will conduct a 2-week program in each school to prepare the students.

- Students who attend the 6-A-Side afternoon will receive a free football



*Schools can nominate teams for the afternoon in the following divisions:*

- Boys Year 5/6 - tackle
- Boys Years 4/5 - tackle
- Girls Years 4/5/6 - tackle

NRL Game Development officers will referee all games and provide a FAO.

Oakey JRL Club will be in attendance on the day to support and promote their club and conduct a free B.B.Q.

Lennie Currie – 0436 662 047 - lcurrie@nrl.com.au

**PLAYNRL.COM**





**The Southwest Qld Emus  
9's Indigenous Rugby League Challenge**

**Saturday 24 March 2018**

**Brothers Rugby League Grounds**

**175 Hursley Rd, Toowoomba QLD 4350**

**Kick off 8.00am Saturday**

**Round Robin Format**

**Boys U12, 14, 16 (Years 2002 to 2007)**

**Girls U14, 16, 18 (Years 2000 to 2005)**

**Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander & Non Indigenous Teams Welcomed**

**(14 Players Per Team must have 5 Identified Indigenous Players)**

**Limited to 6 teams per age group**

**\$100 per Team Nomination**

**Team Nominations Close Friday 2nd March 2018**

**All players must be registered with the QRL. Identified Indigenous players must be endorsed by the Southwest Qld Emus Committee of being a descendant from the region or currently playing in the Central Division Competitions (Toowoomba, Roma, Border and Western Leagues)**

**Contact Southwest Qld Emus via email [southwestqldemus@gmail.com](mailto:southwestqldemus@gmail.com) to receive your information Pack.**



# St Monica's School Oakey



## Tuckshop Menu 2018

### Important Information: TUCKSHOP OPEN MONDAYS

*(If Public Holiday on Monday then the Tuckshop will operate on the Tuesday)*

- Please supply separate brown paper bags for each Tuckshop order - 1 bag for Morning Tea and 1 bag for Lunch for each student
- Please ensure each order has the Student's name, class, order and total written on the brown paper bag.
- Please place the tuckshop money securely in a sealed envelope inside the brown paper bag.

**Prep to Year 4: Must place Morning Tea and Lunch Orders**

**Year 5 to Year 6: Purchase Morning Tea directly from the Tuckshop**

**Year 5 to Year 6: MUST Place order for Lunch with the Tuckshop before school commences on Tuckshop Day**

### Morning Tea

Mini Party Pies	\$1.50
Mini Party Sausage Rolls	\$1.50
Mini Pizza Muffin	\$1.50
Cup Cakes	\$1.50
Chocolate Iced Donuts	\$3.00

### Lunch

Chicken Nugget	\$0.50
Potato Gems (10 per bag)	\$1.00
Hash Brown	\$1.00
Garlic Bread	\$1.50
Mini Party Pie	\$1.50
Mini Sausage Roll	\$1.50
Crumbed Chicken Tender (Plain)	\$1.50
Crumbed Chicken Tender (Sweet Chilli)	\$1.50
Chicken Munchies (10 per bag)	\$2.20
Sausage Roll	\$2.00
Ham & Pineapple Pizza	\$2.50
Meat Lovers Pizza	\$2.50
Hot Dog Plain or with sauce	\$2.50
Tomato/BBQ (cheese optional)	\$2.50
Beef Pie	\$3.00
Chicken Burger	\$3.20
Toasted Sandwich Ham & Cheese (tomato optional)	\$3.00
Toasted Sandwich Chicken & Cheese (tomato optional)	\$3.00
Lasagne	\$3.50
Chicken Tender Wrap (lavish bread)	\$3.50
Plain/Sweet Chilli with lettuce & Mayo	\$3.50
Chicken and Salad Wrap/Bowl	\$3.50

### Drinks

Water	\$1.50
Small Juice 200mls - Orange/Mango	\$1.70
- Orange, Passionfruit	
Flavoured Milk (Chocolate/Strawberry)	\$2.20
Glee (Sparkling Fruit Drink)	\$2.00

### Ice Blocks

Mini Sonny Boy	\$1.00
Mini Calipo	\$1.00
Paddle Pop (Milk Flavoured)	\$1.50
Shaky Shake (Chocolate Cup)	\$2.00
Cyclone	\$2.00

*Thank you for supporting St Monica's  
School Tuckshop.  
All profits go towards much needed  
resources for our students.*

# Emu Gully 2018



Mrs Chris Buckley  
B.A. (creative)



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### Instrumental Music Lessons

Group lessons are given each week for half an hour @ \$19.50 per lesson. Each term an account is emailed to parents which must be paid by the due date to ensure continuation of lessons. Students must be in year 4 or above to learn woodwind instruments or year 2 or above for piano. A one term trial is available for younger students, at the end of which a decision will be made between teacher and parent on continuation of lessons.

Students Name: ..... Year: .....

Parents Name/s: ..... Date: ...../...../.....

Address: .....

.....postcode: .....

Accounts will be sent to your Email address at the beginning of each term.

Email: .....

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Phone: ..... Mobile: .....

Choose an instrument:

Saxophone

Clarinet

Flute

Piano

Has the student played this instrument previously?

Yes

No