



# The Grapevine



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**Term 4 Week 3**

*At Orchard Hills Public School we are SAFE, RESPECTFUL, LEARNERS.* **2 November 2018**

## Coming Events

<b>Tuesday 6 November</b>	Kindy Orientation P&C Meeting 7:30pm
<b>Wednesday 7 November</b>	T-Ball whole school
<b>Friday 9 November</b>	Assembly 5/6S hosting P&C Colour Run
<b>Monday 12 November</b>	Stage 3 Great Aussie Bush Camp
<b>Tuesday 13 November</b>	Kindy Orientation
<b>Wednesday 14 November</b>	Kingswood High School Transition for Year 6 Stage 3 Camp returns
<b>Thursday 15 November</b>	Stage 2 Outdoor Ad- venture Camp returns Friday 16 November
<b>Tuesday is Banking Day ****</b>	Student Banking <i>Bank every week for 10 weeks and earn our school \$5 per student!</i>

## Principal's Message

### Grandparents Day

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who attended our Grandparents and Friends Day last Friday. This day is one of our favourites on the calendar and I know that the children loved sharing the day with you. Thank you to Mrs Hawes for organising the day, 3/4H for hosting, our dancers and choir for performing, the SRC for a lovely cake stall and the P & C for providing refreshments.



### Colour Run

As you know, our fabulous P & C have been busy organising a Colour Run for next Friday. Thank you to everyone who has been busily collecting sponsors in order to make this an outstanding success. All money raised by the P & C goes directly towards the betterment of our facilities and learning resources for our students. These fundraising events are certainly highly valued by all of our community and we thank the P & C for all of their organisation.



*Principal's Award*

Presented to

*Levi  
KN*

Principal: Frances Campbell  
Assistant Principal: Sean Holmes  
Administrative Manager: Caroline Kidman



**Education**

### Car Park Meeting

Following continued concerns about the capacity of the Church Car Park to meet the growing demands of our community, a meeting is currently being organised by the Health and Safety Directorate, and in conjunction with Penrith Council and our Director Educational Leadership for Penrith, to try and determine a way forward. I will continue to keep you updated on



any developments. Thank you to everyone for your patience and consideration in being safe when picking up and dropping off our students.

### Public Speaking

Congratulations to Harper, Sebastian, Lillian and Jet, who represented our school at the Penrith Valley Public Speaking Competition this week. I am told that this year's competition was of a particularly high standard, and we are proud of our students for participating so admirably.

### Kindy Orientation

We are now half way through our Kindergarten Orientation sessions, and it has been fabulous to welcome our new students to the school. Thank you to Mrs Namdar and Mrs James for their organisation of these sessions and Miss Kidman for the parent liaising in preparing next year's intake for school, as well as all the 'behind the scenes' organisation involved.

### Foyer

You will have noticed a new display panel and Honour Board in our office foyer. These were funded via the 2017 Year 6 gift to the school and a very generous parent donation to the school at the end of last year. Thank you, once again to everyone for your contributions to our school.

### Attendance and Late Arrivals - Reminder

It is very important that all children are at school ready for class by 9am. If even one child arrives to class after the bell, this disrupts the teaching instruction and the whole class focus for the lesson.

We are required by law to record all partial absences, whether it is late arrival or early leaving and this is monitored closely by the school and the Department's *Home, School, Liaison, Officer*. Please be on time.


If your child is away, a note is also required to explain the absence. A note should be written and delivered to the teacher upon return to school. The Schoolbag app, or a phone call to the office is also acceptable.

**EVERY MINUTE COUNTS ...**  
Lost minutes mean lost learning!

When your child misses just ...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12, that is ...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning time each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
1/2 an hour a day	½ a day of learning each week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1½ years of learning
1 hour a day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year	Over 2½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

School starts at 9.00 AM  
**DON'T BE LATE!**



Good time keeping means making sure that your child is at school and ready to learn BEFORE the school bell rings!

### Church Car Park - Reminder

Please remember the following when picking up or dropping off your child to school.

1. Students should not walk through the car park unsupervised. Please park your car and walk into the school or wait on the grassed area outside the hall.

2. Reverse park to curb only

3. Drive slowly

**4. Do not park on the grassed area outside the hall. This creates visibility issues.**

5. As a courtesy, cars exiting the car park should allow for cars entering the carpark by waiting at the top of the driveway. This limits a traffic build up to Kingswood Rd.

6. No student should be picked up from the staff car park gate. Pick up and drop off is from the Church Car Park only.

*Fran Campbell*

Principal

## P & C News

The Colour Run is fast approaching on Friday 9th November and promises to be a fun and rewarding day for all. A reminder note is going home on Monday with tips and tricks to make this day enjoyable for all. Thank you for supporting this FUN DAY raising money for our classroom resources.



The very popular P&C "End of Year" raffle is coming up soon too. We already have some great prizes, tickets to Western Plains Zoo, Luna Park, movie tickets and Penrith White Water Rafting. Donations toward our raffle are very much appreciated. Christmas gifts, decorations, soaps, chocolates, biscuits, lollies, tinsel, jewellery, perfumes, toys, games and whatever you can generously donate. The raffle donation basket is located in the office foyer. Keep an eye out for the raffle tickets which have been sent home today. More tickets are available in the office.

Our newly renovated canteen is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who keep the canteen running. The hot weather is here and this means lots of iceblocks are sold. If you would like to help in the canteen please contact the office or the canteen manager, Donna.

**The next P&C meeting is Tuesday 6 November at 7:30pm in the staffroom, everyone is welcome.**

Thank you for your continued support and time.  
Jenny Camenzuli

# Congratulations to our Class Award Winners

Term 4 Week 2

<b>KJ</b>	Ally	Xavier F
<b>KN</b>	Emily	Ranisha
<b>1L</b>	Sheldon	Aadhya
<b>2/3H</b>	Ella	Simi
<b>3/4H</b>	Shayma	Gerard
<b>5/6S</b>	Andi	April

## Silver Awards



Bridie	April
Edward	Izzak
Keely	Ranisha

## Bronze Awards



Zye	Maddison B
Molly	Dhani
Oliver	Mikki
Laylah	Valentina
Andrea	



## AWARD WINNERS

Samantha 5/6S  
Ally KJ





## Fitness Group

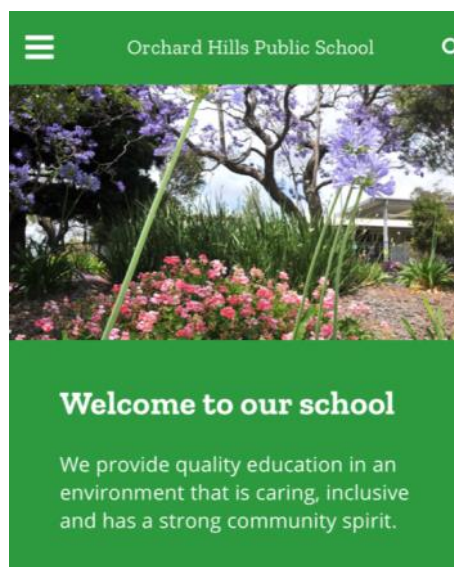
Today, Orchard Hills students participated in the 'Beep Test' for morning fitness. It was incredible to see the students push themselves to run one more length when they were ready to give up and it was great to hear them encouraging each other and cheering their peers on! Well done.

Mrs Lockley



## Our School Website

<https://orchardhil-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



The last Guess Who was Zara!

### Who am I?

I love eating	Rice and Lamb
My favourite colour is	Red and Black
I am..	8 years old



Orchard Hills Public School on Facebook, to celebrate our student's achievements.



## Public Speaking

On Tuesday 30th October Harper, Sebastian, Lilli and Jet represented Orchard Hills Public School in the Penrith Valley Public Speaking Competition. The students demonstrated excellent skills in public speaking, delivering speeches on a topic of their own choosing. The high quality of speakers from students in the Penrith Valley area was impressive and although our students did not progress to the next level of competition our students took away some valuable tips for next year. Congratulations, we are so proud of your efforts.

Mrs Duck



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