Principal's Message
Welcome back to the best school in NSW for 2015! I hope everyone has had a relaxing and restful holiday break and are ready for another great year. The first week of school was exciting and the students got straight into learning.
It was also wonderful to see so many new students coming to join us here at Oxley Vale, many of them started this Monday. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the new families to our school and wish all students, parents and teachers a happy, productive and rewarding term.

Luke Norman
Principal

Staff for 2015
I would like to welcome our new staff members for 2015, Mrs Tennille Lulham is joining us this term as our support teacher, Mrs Sue Ryan, Sue is our Instructional Leader and will be working with our Infants teachers on professional learning. Mrs Jennifer Johnston is joining us on Kindergarten/Yr1. We trust you will have a wonderful time here at OVPS. We also welcome Mrs Julie Kirk who was appointed to OVPS as an Assistant Principal at the very end of last year. Mrs Kirk is currently working in Regional Office as the head of Students Services. She will be joining us from Term 2. We are very much looking forward to working with all of our new staff and wish them a wonderful first year here at OVPS.

Principal: Mr Luke Norman
Assistant Principals: Mrs Sandra Murray (KM – Relieving for Mrs Kirk), Mrs Genienne Ellis (4/5E) and Mrs Kristy Morris (2/3M).

Teaching Staff:
| KD   | Miss Kimberly Dawson       | 2/3M Mrs Kristy Morris |
| KM   | Mrs Sandra Murray          | 3R  Mrs Helen Rowsell  |
| K/1J | Mrs Jennifer Johnston      | 4E  Miss Caitlin Eather|
| 1C   | Mrs Dianne Charlton        | 4/5E Mrs Genienne Ellis|
| 2M   | Miss Cheryl Marshall       | 5/6S Mr James Steele   |
| 2T   | Mrs Di Trasler             | 6L  Miss Miranda Langford |

Support Staff:
Admin Officer         Christine Davidson
Admin Manager         Leanne Grinter
SLSO                  Julie Hannagan

Upcoming Events

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Canteen News
Welcome to all our new and returning families.
Oxley Vale Lunch Centre is open every day for lunch and Wednesday, Thursday & Fridays for afternoon recess.
Orders may be placed at the counter in the mornings or you can write your own lunch bags out at home & drop them into the canteen before school starts. This is a great idea as it saves time waiting in line on busy mornings. Please ensure that your child’s name and class are clearly written on the bag and the correct money is enclosed in the bag.
The canteen also sells reusable lunch bags, hats and homework folders. Unfortunately banana milk is no longer available at the canteen.
Volunteers are always welcome at the canteen. If you would like to help out please call me on 0447 470 682. Help is mostly needed on Thursdays & Fridays from 9am till 12 but anytime you can spare is appreciated.
Caterina Walker
Canteen Supervisor

Library News
Welcome back everyone to another wonderful year at OVPS. I am very excited to be in the Library and have lots of interesting ideas and thoughts on how to make our Library the place to be. We begin lessons this week and I can’t wait to share so many wonderful books, stories and resources with everyone.

Please can I ask PARENTS to send your child to school with a waterproof LIBRARY BAG. Sadly, some of our books have been handled without care and need protecting. Unless your child has a LIBRARY BAG I won’t be letting them borrow. A plastic bag is not strong enough. I don’t want to be mean but books can be very expensive and it is important to treat them with respect.

Can I also ask that if you have any LIBRARY BOOKS still at home PLEASE RETURN them ASAP. They were meant to be returned at the end of last year. That way EVERYONE gets to enjoy all the books.

Please contact me if you feel you need to,
Kind Regards,
Gail Burke

Kindergarten 2015
Working at their best.
**ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS**

**Merit Awards**

**Infants**

KD:  
KM:

K/1J: Laila Ye, Levi Brown  
1C: Kate Gardiner, Ryan Blanch  
2T: Amarlia Curry, Lily Adams  
2M: Colby Jeffery, Miley Browning  
2/3M: Kaitlyn Hahn, Harry Pinchen  
2/3M: Zac Browning,

**Primary**

K-6P:

3R: Riley Newton, Chloe-Ann Kranenburg  
4E: Liam Klein, Lily Hardcastle  
4/5E: John Renton, Daniel Myhill  
5/6S: Chloe Dimer, Evan Kelly  
6L: Isabelle Bukovac, Josiah Kranenburg

**Book Work Ribbon**

Tamika Kelly  
Harper Barker  
Christopher Robins  
Aaliyah William-Sands  
Emily Rake  
Maddison Higgisson

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**This weeks assembly Friday 6th February**

**Infants Assembly 12pm and Primary Assembly 1pm.**

**Student Representative Council (SRC) will be inducted at 1pm.**

All parents and families welcome to join us for this special occasion.
The school has received many community notices in regards to sport and local activities within our area. Please come in and view the Parent Notice Board in the front office to see for more information in regards to the particular activity you may be interested in.

Term 1 2015 Art After School Program—Tamworth Regional Gallery
Tamworth Football Club Registration Day - Coming up form the 10th February
Tamworth Junior Cricket Program—Registrations 4th February
Northwest Tennis Academy - FREE Gala Day - Tamworth Tennis Club - 7th February
Junior Rugby League Football Registration Day - 21st February
PCYC After School Care Program - 67 665 009
Play Group - Starting next Tuesday 10th February
Centre Care - Couples and Relationship courses starting soon.
Learning Beyond the Classroom - Pathway to Resilience Trust