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Term 1 Week 2 2016

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WHAT'S ON!!

Term 1 2016

- Return Information/Tennis Notes **this Thurs 4 Feb**
- Tennis this Friday 5 Feb
- Spring into School:** Next Tues 9 Feb
- OSSA Swimming Carnival: Next** Wed 10 Feb
- Photos CWD: Kinder & Yr. 6 Thurs 11 Feb
- Orange City Running Festival: Sun 28 Feb

Welcome back for 2016

Welcome to the start of another school year, especially to students and families that are new to Spring Terrace.

This year we will continue to run and improve on many of the programs from 2015, including gardening, cooking and music lessons. We have again received funding for Sporting Schools and will be starting tennis lessons this Friday. We will also be running swimming lessons in terms 3 and 4 and hope to add in gymnastics in terms 2 and 3.

Along with student well being we will continue to provide quality education for all students as our primary goal.

To ensure that we are providing each student with the support in the areas that will benefit them the most, we will be holding a meeting later this term where the teachers will explain what and how they teach and why. We hope that all parents can attend so that we can work together to achieve the best possible outcomes for students.

We would also like to hold a planning meeting with each student's parents so that we can discuss their strengths, areas for improvement and set some goals for each student that staff, students and parents can work together on.

Sporting Schools-Tennis Lessons

Tennis lessons for all students will start this Friday with local coach Alison Seib. Kindergarten lessons will begin at 9:15am followed by years 1 and 2 at 9:45am and years 3 to 6 from 10:15 until 11:15am. The majority of the cost of these lessons is funded by the sporting schools program to cover the remaining cost, we ask that students pay \$10 per term.

Tennis lessons will be each Friday for the remainder of term 1 and the beginning of term 2. We hope to start gymnastics in the middle of term 2 and continue these until we start swimming in the middle of term 3. Please find your permission note attached and return by this Thursday.

Best Start- Kindergarten Screening

At the start of each year all public school Kindergarten students complete the Best Start Assessment to give teachers, parents and the Department of Education information on their reading and mathematics skills. This gives teachers useful information about what students already know so that they can plan effectively to best suit their needs. Parents also receive a report containing the information gathered. This assessment is completed in a non threatening way by the class teacher.

Mrs Barrett will be starting our Best Start Assessments tomorrow, Wednesday 3rd February.

Parents do have the right to exclude their child from this process. If you have concerns or questions or don't wish you child to be involved in Best Start please speak to Mr Scott or Mrs Barrett.

OSSA Swimming Carnival 2016

The Orange Small Schools Swimming Carnival will be held next Wednesday 10th February. Students from 8 to 12 who can swim 50m in at least one stroke have already nominated for this carnival.

This year 8 students have nominated, this is the most students we have had nominate in a number of years.

The carnival is held at the Orange Aquatic Centre. Students need to arrive by **8.30am** and be picked up by about **2pm**.

Mr Scott will be attending the carnival and will have a role in assisting in the running of the carnival so students will be expected to be on their best behaviour. There will be OSSA teachers on duty as well. The canteen will be open but it would be wise for students to bring recess, lunch & drinks. (No pre ordered lunch this year)

Central Western Daily Photos – Kinder & Yr 6 only

Next Thursday the Central Western Daily will be at the school around 9.30am to take photographs of our kindergarten and year 6 students. Students need to attend school in their full summer uniform.

Permissions and Information Updates for 2016

We are required to update our information on a regular basis, this is important as we need our information current especially contact numbers and medical conditions for students.

Please fill out the doubled sided form and return it to school by this Thursday 4th February.



Canteen: Volunteer needed please for the first week back 5.2.16



Please note: The Kindergarten students that have just begun don't need to do this again, unless something has changed since you put your enrolment package into the office.

Spring into School 2016

Spring into School began today for our preschool and play group children. While we do have a number of students enrolled, we do have a number of places left. If you know of anyone who might be interested in bringing their preschoolers along, please pick up a flyer from the office.

Burrendong Excursion Photos

Primary students are welcome to bring in a thumb drive or other digital media so that they can copy the photos that were taken over the three days. Students can borrow a thumb drive from school to the photos home and copy onto a computer.

P & C NEWS:

**The volunteer roster for the Canteen has been placed on the board in the school foyer.
Please put your name down if you can help out of a Friday with supplying morning tea for canteen sales**

Thank you P&C Committee

COMMUNITY NEWS

Ex-Services Hockey Club – Sign on day

Venue: Orange Ex-Services Bloomfield Country Club

Date: Fri 12 Feb 2016

Time: 5-7pm

For more information ring Sharyn on 0419 425 047

Also our school noticeboard in the foyer

Orange Regional Conservatorium

Please ring 6361 7974 if you are interested in enrolling in 2016.



Orange City Running Festival – The school will be involved again this year. Please keep the date: Sunday 28th February in mind to come and be involved with the fun of the Festival!!!!