**Grove Gazette**
Ocean Grove Primary School e-Newsletter

**“Learning for Living” since 1891**
Together we support each other to be passionate learners, growing to be our best for a positive future in our community

Principal: Darryl Diment
Assistant Principal: Gavin Nelson
Business Manager: Judy Webb

**Wednesday, 24th April, 2019**

**School Calendar**

**Thursday, 25th April**
ANZAC Day Public Holiday — **No School**

**Friday, 26th April** is a normal school day

**Monday, 6th May**
Curriculum Day — **This is a student free day**

**Tuesday, 7th May**
Year 6 Puberty Education, Parent Information, 5-6pm

**Wednesday, 8th May**
School Photographs, Years 4 to 6, and family photographs
Parents and Friends’ Club Meeting, 2.30pm, Staffroom

**Thursday, 9th May**
School Photographs, Foundation to Year 3

**Friday, 10th May**
Mothers’ Day Stall at OGPS

**Monday, 13th May**
First Session, Year 6 Puberty Education sessions

**Tuesday, 14th to Friday, 24th May**
NAPLAN Testing for students in Years 3 and 5

**Friday, 17th May**
Open Day for Education Week and Foundation Enrolment Week

**Monday, 20th to Friday, 24th May**
Education Week and Foundation Enrolment Week

**Tuesday, 21st May**
School Council Meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom

**Wednesday, 22nd to Friday, 24th May**
Year 4 Camp to Cave Hill Creek

**Wednesday, 29th May**
“Connecting With Your Kids” **Family Workshop** on Resilience and Gratitude 7pm, SLC Building, **this is a FREE event, all families welcome**

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**From Mr Diment**

Dear School Community

**Parent Community Engagement:** Teacher communication

I hope everyone had a fantastic Easter break and holiday period and enjoyed some time together with family and friends. It is great to be back and I know all of our staff are looking forward to a great term. I would like to wish Nikita Stanley (and Jarrod) all the best for their impending new arrival. There is definitely something in the water at OGPS!

**Student Cognitive Engagement:** Effective Teaching

**National Assessment Program — Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)**

This year **NAPLAN** will be conducted between the 14-24th May this term. All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. Students may be eligible for support or exemption from completing NAPLAN tests. If you believe this is the case for your child, please contact his or her classroom teacher by Friday, 3rd May, 2019. Additionally, if you believe there is a valid reason for your child not to participate in NAPLAN testing, you will be required to sign a formal Student Withdrawal form, which is available from the office. This form must be completed by a parent or guardian by Friday, 3rd May, 2019.

**School Ethos and Environment:** Physical Environment

Later in the term work will commence on a section of a new school fence along Draper Street. The remaining contingency money from our building project will fund this portion of work. We will continue to lobby local and Federal politicians to provide the necessary funding assistance to support the final construction of the fence.

Over the school holidays edging around the mulched area near the administration building was installed. Very shortly this area will be planted out with native plants. Also the back section of the administration building was repaired and painted. The scaffolding will be removed this week.

**Parent Community Engagement:** School Support

On **ANZAC Day**, our school will once again be participating in the wreath-laying ceremony at the Ocean Grove Cenotaph to mark the landing of Australian and New Zealand forces at Gallipoli during the First World War. The day now commemorates the sacrifice our country has made in all wars.

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Parent Community Engagement: School Support / Continued ... ...

The March commences at 9.45am with the wreath-laying taking place at 10.05am. We would love as many students as possible to come along dressed in school uniform to honour the sacrifices made. We are assembling in The Terrace near Coles from 9.30am. Today, Wednesday, 24th April we will be holding our own service at school commencing at 2.40pm for students. Earlier today our school captains participated in the annual Geelong Schools’ ANZAC service at Johnstone Park in Geelong. They are representing OGPS at this service to lay a wreath on behalf of the school community.

Parent Community Engagement: Parent participation and involvement

At the end of last term, the students enjoyed a fantastic sausage sizzle with over 700 sausages cooked and served up. Thank you to Mr Nelson for helping me on the BBQ and to our wonderful parents / carers who helped to distribute them to our classrooms. The day ran so smoothly because of their help. It is our intention to have a day each term to provide the students with the opportunity to have a ‘special’ lunch of some description.

Student Development: Student agency and voice

We value student agency and voice as a means of improving student engagement, wellbeing and quality instruction. The 2019 Attitudes to School Survey is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training (DET) to assist schools in gaining an understanding of students’ perceptions and experience of school. Our school will use the survey results to plan programs and activities to improve your child’s schooling experience. Students from Years 4 to 6 will participate in the survey. This year the Attitudes to School survey will begin on Monday, 29th April. The survey only takes 20 minutes to complete and occurs during class time. The survey results will be reported back to the school before the end of term 2 and communicated to parents through annual reporting and in the Grove Gazette.

School Ethos and Environment: School improvement

The school review commences this term consisting of a validation day, two field work days (including classroom visits) and a panel day consisting of challenge partners, staff, community members and DET Regional representatives. The process is something we really look forward to as it provides the strategic direction for the next four years.

School Calendar — continued

Friday, 7th June
Curriculum Day — This is a student free day

Monday, 10th June
Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday — No School

Monday, 17th to Friday, 21st June
Year 3 Swimming Program at Geelong College Pool

Tuesday, 18th June
School Council Meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom

Friday, 28th June
Casual Dress Day, Gold Coin Donation for the Smith Family

Last Day of Term 2 — 2.30pm finish

Monday, 15th July
First Day of Term 3

Monday, 29th July to Friday, 2nd August
Year 6 Camp to Howqua

Thursday, 8th August
Senior School Sports, Years 3 to 6, at Landy Field

Tuesday, 20th August
School Council Meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom

Thursday, 5th to Friday, 6th September
Year 3 Camp to Anglesea

Monday, 9th to Friday, 13th September
Years 4 and 5 Swimming Program

Tuesday, 17th September
School Council Meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom

Friday, 20th September
Last Day of Term 3 — 2.30pm finish

Monday, 7th October
First Day of Term 4

Tuesday, 8th October
Junior School Concert

Wednesday, 9th October
Senior School Concert

Wednesday, 16th October
Year 2 Sleepover at OGPS

Tuesday, 22nd October
School Council Meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom

Wednesday, 23rd October
Geelong Cup Day Public Holiday — No School

Thursday, 24th October
Instrumental Music Concert

Tuesday, 19th November
School Council Meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom

Monday, 25th to Friday, 29th November
Year 6 Surfing Program

Friday, 6th December
Years 3 to 6 House Swimming Sports at Kardinia Pool

Darryl Diment
Principal
Assembly this week,  
Friday, 26th April  
for students in Foundation to Year 2

No 7C awards this week  
We look forward to next week’s 7C awards  
for students in Years 3 and 4

Reminder
Friday, this week, 26th April  is a normal school day

Upcoming Curriculum Days
Monday, 6th May  Curriculum Day, student free day
Friday, 7th June  Curriculum Day, student free day

OGPS email address:  
ocean.grove.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
We welcome and appreciate your feedback, therefore please feel free to contact us at this email address.

Our current student enrolment is 650

Mr Diment’s  
Interesting Word of the Week

yealing  [ yee-lin ]
noun
a person of the same age as oneself

Quote
Oh ye, my dear-remember’d yealings / Were ye but here to share my wounded feelings!
- - - Robert Burns, “The Brigs of Ayr” Poems, Chiefly in the Scottish Dialect, 1787

Origin
Yealing “a contemporary, a coeval” is a word of uncertain etymology, used by only three Scottish poets: Allan Ramsay (1686–1758), Robert Burns (1759–1796), and Robert Couper (1750–1818). Yealing entered English in the 18th century.
Years 5 and 6 Girls Football

Last term, on Wednesday, 3rd April 19 of our Year 5 and 6 girls headed to Belmont Common to try their hand at football. The girls played 6 games across the day, winning 3 and drawing one. It was fantastic to see the girls continuing to learn the art of football over the 6 games, with everyone playing in all different positions. They represented Ocean Grove with pride and demonstrated great respect towards their opposition.

Well done girls! 

Year 2 Narrative Story Share Time
Notes that have gone home recently, or going home this week

Please contact the office if you have misplaced a permission slip

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OGPS Parents and Friends' Club

President                  Nicola Hyde
Treasurer                  Jenny Boda
Vice President             Emily Smith
Secretary                  Rachel Lee

Parent Representatives
Foundation                 Brooke Bubner
Grade 1                    Elise Crea
Grade 2                    Rachel Swindells
Grade 3                    Louise Larsen
Grade 4                    Allison McCallum
Grade 5                    Natalie Richards
Grade 6                    Jill Harris

Most year levels have a Facebook group but they can also be contacted through the Parents Club
email: ogpsparentsclub@gmail.com

New members are welcome! Membership is $1 - please place in the box at the office with your name and your email address. We will keep you up to date with meetings, minutes and opportunities to help out around the school.

The next meeting of the Parents and Friends’ Club is on
Wednesday, 8th May, at 2.30pm, in the staffroom at school

Everyone welcome

Mother’s Day Stall at OGPS — Friday, 10th May

On Friday, 10th May the OGPS Parents’ Club will be holding its Mother’s Day Stall. This is a lovely opportunity for your children to buy Mum a gift for Mother’s Day. Children are asked to bring a maximum of $5 on Friday, 10th May to purchase a special gift for Mum.
Coordinator Update

Dear Families,

Camp Australia in its partnership with Ocean Grove PS is pleased to introduce Sundari McNaughton as the new After School Care Coordinator.

Sundari is very motivated and passionate about working with children and will continue to be supported by myself and the entire Camp Australia Team during the transition to her new role commencing the 23rd of April 2019.

We have a lot to look forward to in the program with a new Coordinator, new activities and new smiles!

For further information regarding the program or to discuss any specific requirements, please contact Sundari on 0424 472 967.

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For all other inquiries contact our Customer Care on 1300 105 343. The team are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (except National Public Holidays).

Yours sincerely,

Jessica Linguey
Regional Manager
Camp Australia

Before School Care program
Times: 6.45am to 8.15am each school day

After School Care program
Times: 3.20pm to 6.00pm each school day

Register and book now
Manage your before and after school care bookings at www.campaustralia.com.au or call the Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343.

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Term Dates for 2019

**Term 2**  Tuesday, 23rd April to Friday, 28th June
**Term 3**  Monday, 15th July to Friday, 20th September
**Term 4**  Monday, 7th October to Friday, 20th December

Curriculum Days for 2019

**Term 2**  Monday, 6th May  **Curriculum Day, student free day**
Friday, 7th June  **Curriculum Day, student free day**
School Council 2019–2020

President  Chris Hicks
Vice President  Simone Shanahan
Staff Representatives  Darryl Diment, Gavin Nelson, Ryan Baltetsch, Cathy Buchanan-Hagen, Josh Dunne, Judy Webb
Parent Representatives  Belle Donald, Lisa Dickson, Simone Shanahan, Nathan Hill, Trent Lucas, Chris Hicks, Susanne Haxby, Victoria Byrne, Fiona Dempster and Miriam Leahy
Student Leadership Representatives  Layla Derrick and Lenny Allen (School Captains), Edie Scott and Koby Millar-Burton (School Vice Captains)

School Council Meetings  are held twice per term, usually on third Tuesday of the month as per Newsletter calendar.
School Council Dates  Usually on Tuesdays at 6.30pm in the Staffroom
Meeting Dates  21st May, 18th June, 20th August, 17th September, 22nd October, 19th November, 3rd December

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is located at 7 Marine Parade, Ocean Grove

The shop is open Monday to Friday
9.00am to 5.00pm

Copies of our uniform order / price list are available from the office at school.

Orders can also be placed at the school office and can be delivered to student’s classrooms.

If preferred, order forms can be emailed to hello@lookingsmart.com.au

Phone orders and payments are welcome, call 5256 3788 or 0422 802 500

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Parenting Children who worry too much: parents of children aged 2-12 years, find out more about anxiety, strategies to help your child worry less. Seminar on Weds 1 May, Herne Hill PS Hamlynn Heights, $10 pp, book at www.ds.org.au

Music, Spoken Word, Arts, Stories: Sacred Edge, Spirituality in Diversity, 3-5 May, 2019, for more info and to book tickets, visit www.unitingqueenscliff.org.au

Healthy Heroes Family Night — FREE EVENT
Tuesday 30 April, 4.30-6.00pm in Captains room, GMHBA Stadium, fun, educational and engaging experience where, together with your child, you will learn how you can lead a healthy lifestyle, just like the Geelong Cats, register your interest at bit.ly/hhfamilynight