Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

**Pilbara Schools Most Improved Attendance Award**

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate everyone for working really hard on their attendance. Onslow Primary School was recognised for the Most Improved Attendance in Term 2, 2015 throughout the Pilbara. Schoolwide, we managed a 4.3% improvement from Term 1. Thank you to students, parents, caregivers and the RSAS Team for their assistance.

**Wirrpanda Foundation Visit**

For the seventh year, the Wirrpanda Foundation visited Onslow Primary School in the first week of Term 3. The students worked with many well known personalities including David Wirrpanda and Troy Cook, and had an absolutely great time! We had netball, athletics, football, boxing, jewellery making and art — the students even had to work together to make an egg safe from cracking when dropped from a height! Rick the Rock also visited us. Please enjoy the photos inside!

**Variety Bash**

This coming weekend the people from Variety Bash (NSW) will be in town. They have kindly donated sports equipment to Onslow Primary School to support the Fundamental Movement Skills in Kindy and PrePrimary as well as the Certificate II in Sport and Recreation for our high school students. This year they are arriving late on Friday 14th, so you might see them on the Friday night.

**Athletics Carnival & Championship Points**

A reminder that the Athletics Carnival will be held on 21st August, 2015. We are looking forward to a great day of competition on the Thalanyji Oval. To be eligible to win championship points in events, students **must meet required attendance targets** for the term. Students who do not meet the attendance criteria can still participate in events, however they will only receive points for their teams and will not be eligible for selection in the Tri-schools team.

**Book Character Parade**

In Week 7 Onslow Primary School will be celebrating National Literacy and Numeracy Week. On Tuesday, 1st of September, we look forward to seeing a fabulous Book Character Parade!

**School Council Meeting**

A reminder that the next School Council Meeting will be held in Week 5 on Wednesday 19th of August at 2.30pm

Jackie Barry
Principal
Onslow PS
Athletics Carnivals

Jumps – Will be held at the lower school oval on Friday the 14th August
Track and Field – Will be held at Thalanyji Oval on Friday the 21st August
Tri-Schools – Will be held in Roebourne on Friday the 4th September

for selected students only.

Attendance: To be eligible to win championship points in events, students must meet required attendance targets for the term. Students who do not meet the attendance criteria can still participate in events, however they will only receive points for their teams and will not be eligible for selection in the Tri-schools team.

NEW FLAGS:

Here’s a sneak peek at the new tear-drop flags that we will have in time for the school carnival!

Children born between 1st July 2011—31 June 2012 are ready to start Kindergarten at Onslow Primary School in 2016. In Term 4, we will be running a Kindy Transition Program one day a week to assist your child (and you!) for the transition.

Please come into the School Admin Office to pick up the enrolment forms. Further details about the Transition program will be provided later in the year. We look forward to seeing all the bright and happy new faces for 2016!
Reminder: Parking outside of the admin office, off Simpson Street, is for visitors and admin staff only and it is appropriately signed as such. Parking across the road in the vacant land is strongly discouraged due to traffic concerns.

Please also do not use the STAFF ONLY parking with its entrance off Clarke Place, beside the School Canteen.

Parents and carers are reminded that parking is only available in McRae Place, behind the Secondary/Home Ec rooms.

Rotary Residential College Inc.
Providing Quality Accommodation for Country High School Students

Many parents from Country Western Australia are looking for schools and accommodation for their children wanting (or needing) to come to the Perth metropolitan area for schooling. There are options!

The Rotary Residential College is a Boarding Option for Country Students wanting to attend High Schools in Perth. Although the College can accommodate students going to most government metropolitan schools, priority is given to students who enrol in specialist courses—they now also accommodate Year 7 students at the college.

Log on to www.rotaryresidentialcollege.com.au to view more information including available amenities, fees and contact information.
On our first day of Term 3 (Tuesday 21st July) we had the pleasure of sharing our morning gardening lesson with the Kindergarten students. Our surprise visitor was celebrity gardener Sabrina Hahn—ABC Gardening Guru. We loved showing her around and Sabrina said our school garden was one of the biggest in the state. Sabrina gave us lots of handy hints about the food that was growing in the garden.

Did You Know…….?  
Broccoli – If you wait for the seed pod from the flower stem to turn brown you can regrow a new plant. You can also eat the leaves off the Broccoli plant. Great in Stirfries!!!

“I believe with all of my heart that when people connect with their gardens, they develop a deeper love for nature and life.” – Sabrina Hahn

Pre-Primary Happy Snaps......

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Swans Active Education Update

**JET Kids (K-PP)**

JET Kids participants are getting ready for the Onslow Primary School Sports Carnival. The JET Kids program develops Fundamental Movement Skills through play and exploration. Fundamental movement skills are the foundation patterns to more complex skills used in play, games, sports and dance.

**JET: Upper Primary Years 4-6**

Our JET students have been very busy over the past few weeks. In their current project – “Better Your Best” – our young JETS have been performing a variety of activities to develop their ability to work as a team and an understanding of their individual learning styles.

Over the coming weeks students will apply this knowledge as they develop their chosen skill, beating their best!

We look forward to seeing the students progress.

**Shooting Goals: High School**

The Shooting Goals crew at Onslow High School have really been stretched from their comfort zone the past few weeks. Taylor Brett and Kassim Allen completed the 4km Chevron City to Surf Race in Karratha, giving up their weekend to face a new challenge!

This week students learnt about the important of pre and post event nutrition to enhance individual performance. On Wednesday, the Shooting Goals class cooked a healthy Spaghetti Bolognese which is a great pre-event meal for running or endurance events.

**Youth Sports**

Youth Sports has returned for Term 3. This term we are making the most of the cooler weather, running our programs outdoors! See the timetable below for more information on this term's sports and locations.

Due to the change of location Youth Sports will now run from 2:20pm - 3:20pm.

For more information, please contact:
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V Swans Active Education Regional Manager Ashburton 0415865 319sarawright@swandistrictfc.com
Each year Onslow Primary School holds a Book Character Parade, amongst other awesome activities, to celebrate National Literacy and Numeracy Week. We look forward to seeing some amazing costumes—there are book prizes for best dressed in each class! Please look out in the coming weeks for more information soon with the event details.

Where’s My Jimbu?
Assembly performance by PP/1 — Wednesday 5th August 2015

Early one morning the yurra came up into the sky. The jankurna woke early and looked around.

“Where’s my jimbu? I’ve lost my jimbu.”
He went looking for his jimbu.
He met a gurramanthu sitting on the marnda.
Have you seen my jimbu?
No, I haven’t seen your jimbu.
Oh no! Where is my jimbu?
He met a warlu in the warrabah.
He met a badjarri hopping along.
He met a gawi swimming in the bawa.
He met a flock of birds.
Have you seen my jimbu?
Yes we saw your jimbu over in the warrabah.
Oh! Here’s my jimbu?
Crackkkkk…….
Oh no! my jimbu’s cracking.
The yurra goes down and all the animals go to sleep for the night.

THE END
Wirrpanda visits ~ here are some happy snaps!