



SCHOOL WANGGA

School

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Principals Message

This week we welcome **Ms Emma Roberts** who will be taking on an internal relief role to assist with coverage of teachers on leave. We have also said farewell to **Ms Susan Buzan** who will be taking on a teaching role overseas. It is also with excitement we share that Mrs Adele Marchment has a new arrival to her family with the name to be announced.

The Colour Run last week was lots of fun with many parent volunteers helping our P&C to coordinate and be part of the event. A big shout out to the P&C and parent volunteers for giving their time to run this event for our students. There were many tired and colourful kids at the end.

This week has been an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to talk about their achievement and progress. The **Parent -Teacher meetings** should help to understand your child's academic achievement. Changes to Reporting to Parents requirements, in particular the Learning Area comments for Mathematics and English we are encouraging parents to meet with their child's teacher.

We are looking forward to creating a special moment for our Kindy and Year 6 students with a **Graduation Ceremony** on the 27 November. We invite all our school community to share this celebration as we acknowledge this important milestone from 8.30 – 9.00am. *Lisa Campbell*

At Onslow School we acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of the lands and waters on which our students live and are educated. We acknowledge and understand that Elders, parents, families, and communities are the first educators of their children, and we recognise and value the cultures and strengths that our First Nations people bring to the classroom.

School Council

The School Council had their final meeting for 2024 this week. It is great to hear our community bringing their concerns to the Council members for discussion and response.

One question was related to the change in the Personal Items List (booklist) supplier. This decision was made due to changes in the previous suppliers overheads along with a greater flexibility. Once a family makes an order this will be delivered to their postal address thereby minimising handling and helping to get your child's stationery items to you before the start of the school year.

Please continue to talk with School Council members as they are important in representing our school community and have a voice to raise the concerns in this forum.

Connected Community

Onslow School P&C

Our P&C continue to support the school through different projects and providing opportunities for student activities. The Uniform Shop is a key part of supporting the school though the support of the P&C also extends to student activities such as the School Ball and the Colour Run which we are hoping to have as annual events. There is also the provision of fruit each week to support Crunch & Sip in all classrooms.

The P&C have been active this year with increased fundraising through cooking of breakfast at the Mack10K or selling goods at Bake Sales through Onslow Visitor Centre or quick raffle sales. The Containers for Change is another source of fundraising that is proving to be highly successful. Our P&C has been very visible in the community showing their support for the school.

As we look to the end of the term, we are hopeful that the lower oval basketball court will be revamped with collaboration between **NTC** for the preparation of the area, **Munros** for the install of the basketball hoop and **Hansons** for the donation of concrete.

For 2025 the P&C and school will be partnering with the installation of a new playground on the upper oval to generate an alternative play space for all students.

The Onslow School P&C, under the leadership of **Mrs Kylie Spencer**, continues to work alongside and with the school to help with a range of projects.



Supportive and Inclusive Learning Environment

Positive Behaviour Support (PBS)

Our PBS team are an important part of setting direction and sustaining processes. For 2024 the BS team, led by **Miss Anna Hayden**, have been key to the design of the revised Behaviour Matrix. The four behaviour expectations remain the same with some clear definitions of what this would look like –

<p>Be Your Best</p> 	<p>We always strive to do our best work</p> <p>We are responsible for our learning</p> <p>We are resilient when things are difficult</p>	<p>Be Caring</p> 	<p>We treat others the way that we want to be treated</p> <p>We accept everyone for who they are</p> <p>We care for the environment around us</p>
<p>Be Safe</p> 	<p>We make our school a safe place to be and to learn</p> <p>We are responsible for our own bodies and how we move</p> <p>We come to and leave school safely</p>	<p>Be Respectful</p> 	<p>We interact positively with others</p> <p>We let others learn</p>

The PBS team coordinates the PBS whole school rewards once the 5 000 Dojo points is reached. Dojo points are a way of recognising your child’s positive behaviour within the playground and in the class setting.

I would like to thank each of the PBS team members – **Ms Anna Hayden, Ms Danielle Pell, Ms Mercedes Ralph, Ms Sally Smee and Miss Chloe Hogan** for the contribution to processes and systems to build a supportive learning environment.

Excellence in Teaching and Leadership

Here are some messages from our Student Class Representatives about what has been happening in their classroom. Our Student Class Representatives bring student voice and something that is new to our school this year. They have been part of the conversation about the playground design and what they feel would be something that all students would like to see.

Year 6 In maths we learnt about discounts and GST.

Year 8 I learned that potassium (K) is volatile with air and water.

Room 4 In UFLI we have been learning about prefixes tri-, uni-, bi-

Room 5 We have been using technology to learn about South America and Africa

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Room 3 We have been learning about skip counting by 2, 5 and 10.

Switching to Connect for 2025

Connect is a secure online environment developed by the Department of Education for staff, students and parents in public schools. It will give our teachers a tool to deliver content to the students via an online classroom. This means your children will be able to share with you what they are learning about, submit to information relevant to your child's classes and learning such as assessments, teacher feedback and attendance data.



We will use Connect to keep you updated with important information. Notices for things like upcoming events, excursions, classroom activities, photos and stories can be sent to you via email or, if you prefer, via a push notification on your phone.

The Connect Now app can be downloaded from the Apple App Store or Google Play.

In the near future you will receive your login details via the email address we have on file for you. If you have recently changed your email address, please let us know at front office so we can update your details.

To find out more, check out the short video clip on Connect at

<https://vimeo.com/connectwa/welcome>



Pre-Primary Transition – Week 4

If you are planning to leave our School Community at the end of this year, please let Front Office know. This information helps to plan class structure and overall numbers that we could anticipate at the beginning of 2025.

Dates to Remember

Friday 22 November – Early Learning Program Kindy Orientation

Friday 22 November – Year 6 Graduation Lunch

Monday 25 November – 29 November – Year 7/8 Turtle Camp

Wednesday 27 November – Kindy/Year 6 Graduation Assembly

Friday 29 November – Kindy Orientation (TSH/SHN/LSC)

Monday 2 December – Swimming Lessons Commence

Wednesday 4 December – Year 6 Transition

Thursday 5 December – End of Year Concert



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