

# Orama News

## Orama Public School

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Term 1, Week 8 Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020



Our staff have expert content knowledge delivered through explicit and effective teaching strategies.

### NAPLAN

We are transitioning into the online version of the NAPLAN assessments in 2020. Students in years 3 and 5 will sit these assessments next term. The benefit of sitting the online assessments is that the assessments are tailored to the students' individual progress and it automatically adjusts for the student's needs. We have a window period of 9 days to have the assessments completed. We don't expect the assessments to take this long and when we have a timetable arranged we will let those parents know. Year 3 and 5 students are bringing an information guide home today. If you require additional information, please see me.

### Easter Raffle and Parade

We are gearing up for a brilliant Easter raffle and parade this year. Please start donating goods for the Easter Raffle and Raffle tickets will be distributed this week.

### Head Lice

Unfortunately these little critters are around again. Please ensure you keep your children's hair tied back and treat your child's hair regularly, even if they don't have lice or eggs. A neem, lavender and tea tree oil combination is a great deterrent.

### Book Fair

We have our wonderful book fair on again. Students will be welcome to browse and shop at particular times of the day but if you would like to do



the same we ask that this happens between the hours of 8.30 and 9am and 3 and 4pm.

### Student Conversations

We have been hearing some poor language choices and bossy type behaviour creeping into our wonderful space. We are reminding our students of the T.H.I.N.K strategy and an easy chat at home would be helpful. Maybe ask your child what 'drive your own car' means and see what their response is.



### Harmony Day

Harmony Day is on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March and we are going to mark the day with a mufti day. We have also been great at wearing our school uniform! Students are welcome to wear orange for the day (please not singlets and midriff tops) and we are going to sample some international snacks.

### COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Information

Our school is being vigilant in implementing the department's infection control procedures, including daily cleaning in accordance with normal protocols, the promotion of healthy hygiene habits and making hand sanitiser and hand wash available for all staff and students to use while at school.

The NSW Department of Education and NSW Health are working closely to ensure the health and safety of all students and staff is maintained. Schools will always make decisions with students safety as the highest priority. All staff, volunteers and students should remain at home if they are unwell. Those who become unwell will be sent home and asked to stay away until they are well. General advice from the NSW Government is regularly updated and is available on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) page at

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety/novel-coronavirus>

Parents are most welcome to contact me if concerned. I will remain communicative should the situation change.

Have a harmonious week,

*Katharine*

Katharine Sutherland, Principal

### Week 7, Term 1 Achievement Awards

**LS1 Creative Award:** Abbey for using creative ways to stay on track.

**LS1 Achievement Award:** Heidi for challenging herself even when it is tricky.

**LS2 Creative Award:** Mitchel for using creative solutions to find the area of a circle.

**LS2 Achievement Award:** Dylan for his high-quality recount about the State Library visit.

**Turtle ticket:** Angelo and Sky

**Lexia Award:** Sam



This fortnight's school value: CREATIVITY



### WHAT'S ON @ ORAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL TERM 1, 2020- WEEKLY CALENDAR

| Week 8  |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| 16 <sup>th</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup> March             | Book Fair                             |
| Tue 17 <sup>th</sup> March                            | Canteen- <b>Volunteer please</b>      |
| Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> and Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> March | Leadership Camp- Bonville             |
| Week 10   |                                       |
| Tue 31 <sup>st</sup> March                            | Canteen- <b>Belinda</b>               |
| Week 11   |                                       |
| Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> April                           | Easter Hat Parade<br>Last Day of term |



Building volcanoes, rock formations and landscapes. More great science in LS2.

