



Olympic Avenue Kindergarten

December 2009 Newsletter

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Hi everyone,

I am sure you are feeling like me at present, wondering where the year has gone and how did Christmas come around so fast?

We had a very successful AGM on the 25th November and all committee positions have been filled for 2010. Thankyou once again to the outgoing 2009 Committee. Your efforts in supporting the Kindergarten this year have been tremendous. OAK is very lucky to have had a group of interested and energetic parents that have generously given a significant amount of time to support the smooth operation of the kinder and oversee many activities and improvements that all contribute to a wonderful environment for our children. It is great to see that some of the current Committee will remain on the committee for 2010.

Congratulations to Jane Kippax who will be the OAK President next year. Next year will be Jane's fourth consecutive year with the Kinder and she was on the Committee this year.

Thank you also to our wonderful teachers and assistants for all your hard work. The care you show and dedication you have to providing the best possible kinder experience for our children is very much appreciated. The Kinder wouldn't operate anywhere near as well as it does if it wasn't for our Administration Assistant, Esther. We would be lost without her!

Good luck to all the children who are going off to school next year and good-bye to the families leaving the OAK community this year. During these last busy weeks of kinder, I hope you enjoy the children's concerts and farewell barbeques.

Wishing you all a very happy festive season and a great 2010. It has been a privilege to serve as President again this year and thank you for your support. While I am very sad to be leaving the Kinder, it feels good to know I am leaving it in such capable hands.

Anne-Maree Nunan
President





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Yellow and Orange Group Report

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your wonderful contribution to our program this year. Anne-Maree (President), Committee members and our Office Manager, Esther, have worked very hard with administration tasks, the planning of exterior renovations and the purchase of new equipment for the children.

Families have helped with rostered duties, working bees, parent visits, designing and landscaping the front garden and a variety of extra tasks. A big 'thank you' to Tina for all the work she has done as my assistant and also to Maureen, Connie and Sandra for being our Support Workers this year. Stephanie and Margaret our four year old group teaching staff, complete the team and we all work well together.

Olympic Avenue Kindergarten has such a special community feel about it. The warmth and friendship between families is lovely to observe. We have had a delightful year and I have enjoyed teaching your children through a program that encourages learning through PLAY.

We are now looking forward to our end of year celebrations and the children have been busy learning songs and making gifts in readiness for our concerts. Please remember you may bring your child to Kinder at the usual time on our Concert day and return for the concert later or you may prefer to bring your child with you at the concert time. Our Concert day will be the last day of the Kindergarten year.

Please remember to fill out the Party food list in the foyer and ensure that your contribution does not contain nuts or eggs due to possible allergic reactions.

**YELLOW GROUP CONCERT AND PARTY
MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER AT 10.00AM**

**ORANGE GROUP CONCERT AND PARTY
WEDNESDAY 16TH DECEMBER AT 2.00PM**

We are looking forward to sharing our Concert Day with you!

Regards,
Ronnie and Tina.





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Red and Blue Group Report

Dear Parents,

The end of a busy and productive year will soon be upon us.

The children have enjoyed all that we offered them and have matured and become their own person over the year.

Please remember our final session on Thursday 17 December. Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us for our "Concert". Red Group are to be here at 9.00am and Blue Group at 1.00pm. We will have a party after the concert and we ask that you please remember to volunteer "party" food and bring it with you on the day.

Margaret and I together with Ronnie and Tina will be here for the morning on Friday 18 December if you need to see us for any reason.

We have enjoyed getting to know all of you and wish your children every success at School. We look forward to welcoming some of you back in 2010.

Margaret joins me in wishing you and your families a safe, relaxing and festive holiday season.

Thank you,
Stephanie Jacobson.





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The OAK Social Section

The year is slowly drawing to a close and we have had a great time providing social events throughout the year for our kinder families. From "Parties in the park", to Mother's and Father's Day events to our major fundraiser "A night at the races" along with many others, we hope you have been involved and enjoyed these events.

Not only have we been social but also managed to raise \$6,000 along the way which is an outstanding effort to all of our kinder families and local businesses and we thank you whole heartedly for your support to make this happen. You will see the benefit to the kinder with the development of the front garden taking place with new garden beds and paths being worked on currently, making the kinder a nicer place for our children.

But we are not finished yet! We have our **Farewell BBQ's** which are a great way to get together to reminisce about the past year. This year we will have a roving entertainer and a face painter to add to the atmosphere.

4 year Old BBQ - When : Wednesday 9th Dec at 5-7pm.

3 year Old BBQ - When : Thursday 10th Dec at 5-7pm.

What will be provided? Sausages in bread and veggie burgers, plus icy poles. Cowboy McCoy the roving entertainer will be there doing balloon tricks and our face painter will brighten up any child's face.

What do you need to bring? Picnic rug, drinks of choice and plastic cups

Come along, we'd love to see you there and the whole family is welcome.

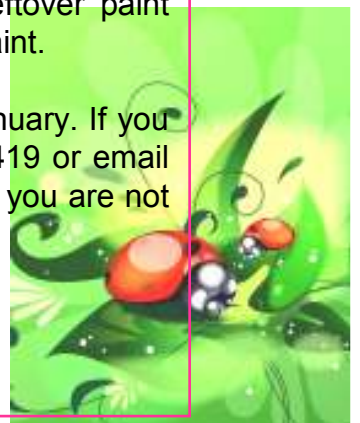
ART PROJECTS

Thank-you everyone who has participated in the community mural. The response has been amazing and it is fantastic to see the individuality and creative flair put into the work. Please make sure you bring back the shapes ASAP. All leftover paint needs to be returned to the kinder as some families are still waiting on paint.

I will be painting the green wall and putting up the mural in mid - late January. If you would like to help or contribute in any way please call me on 0400403419 or email me on meganhall@lycos.com. Don't forget to visit the mural next year if you are not returning.

Once again a big thank-you to everyone who has participated.

Megan Hall (Josh's mum from Red Group)





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Kinder Gear For Sale

Legionnaire hats (red or blue)\$ 8.00
Kinder bags\$10.00
Iron on transfers (black or white) ... \$2.00
Trolley coins (see designs below) ...\$3.00



By popular demand Trolley Coins are now permanently available!!

To purchase any of the Kinder Gear items use the order envelopes provided in the Kinder foyer. Please allow three days for your order to be processed, it will then be available from the OAK office for pick up – please ask Stephanie or Ronnie.

Got room in your bin?

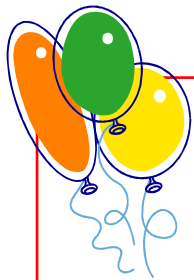
Can anyone please offer us space in their paper recycle bin to dispose of part of the egg carton cubby?

If so, please let Stephanie know.

Born to drive ...

Would you like to have one of the old steering wheels from the Kinder play area? We have 2 new ones now and would love for the old ones to find a good home.

Please speak to one of the teachers.



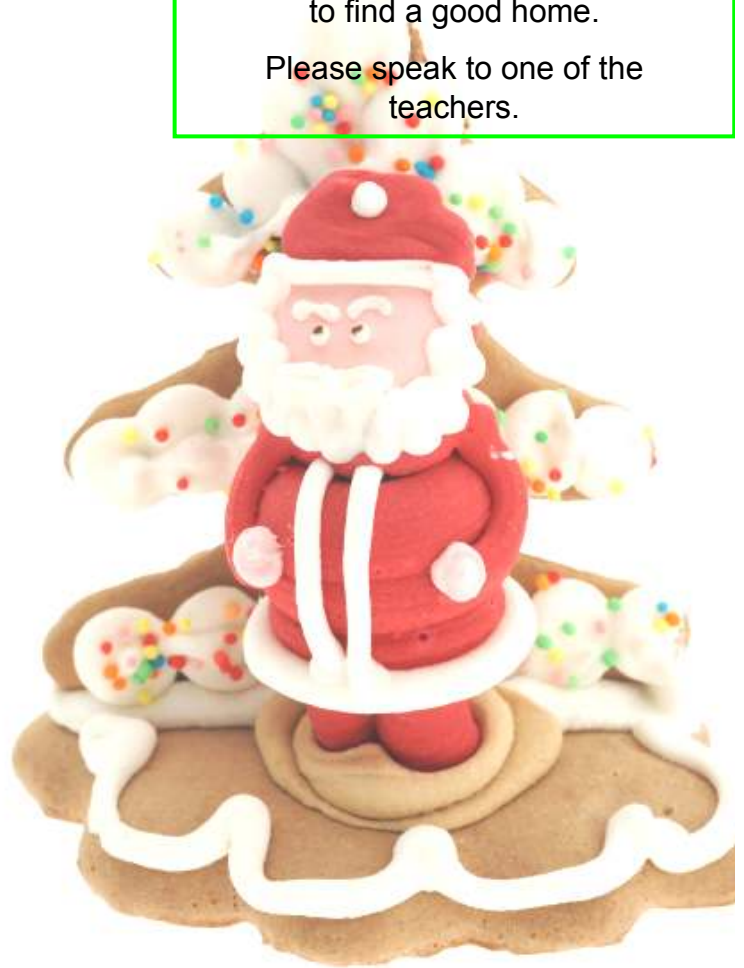
Hire the Kinder for your Child's Party

HIRE FEE JUST \$60.

- Full use of the outside play area including sand pit
- Full use of the kitchen and amenities

Download the booking form at
www.olympicavenuekinder.com.au

Please note: the Kinder is not hired out during School Holidays or on Working Bee weekends.



Parent Library

Reminder: Please return the parent library books ASAP.



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2010 Committee

Thank you to everyone for a successful AGM and congratulations to the following 2010 Committee of Management:

PRESIDENT

Jane Kippax

VICE PRESIDENT

Christian Anderson
Angela Reader

TREASURER

Susie Pitara

SECRETARY

Tania Purton

**SOCIAL CORDINATOR
SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Annie Thomas
Orange – Janeese Hewston
Yellow – Casie Samantzis
Blue – Ken Hurley
Red – Mimi Clarke

**MAINTENANCE &
W/BEE COORDINATOR**

Stan Samantzis

COMMUNICATIONS

Melanie Knox

SUPPLIES

Jen Lee

GARDEN

Megan Hall

