



2026 Welcome Newsletter & Key Information

Welcome to the 2026 school year. This newsletter is designed to give you key information about the start of year to ensure students and families have a smooth transition back to school.

Key Dates

- Curriculum Day (pupil free day)-** 27th January
 - Years 1-6 Start-** 28th January 9.00am
 - Foundation Start-** 2nd February- staggered times
 - Curriculum Day (pupil free day) -** 6th February
 - Foundation & Kinder Welcome BBQ-** 10th February 5.00pm
 - Getting to Know You Interviews-** 16-19th Feb (**late night-** 17th February 3.50-7.00pm)
 - School Photos-** 25th March (Main Day)
 - Welcome Dance-** 24th March 5.00pm
- **A comprehensive list of events for the year will be released soon.**

School Timetable

- 8.50-9.00am-** First bell
- Classrooms open, students prepare for class
- 9.00-9.50am-** Learning Starts- Session 1
- 9.50-10.40am-** Session 2
- 10.40-11.30am-** Session 3
- 11.30-11.40am-** LUNCH eating in classroom
- 11.40-12.20pm-** LUNCH Break
- 12.20-1.10pm-** Session 4
- 1.10-2.00pm-** Session 5
- 2.00-2.10pm-** SNACK eating in class
- 2.10-2.40pm-** Outside break
- 2.40-3.30pm-** Session 6

Communication



- Our main source of communication is through COMPASS.
- You can report absences, give permission and pay for excursions, contact teachers and receive notifications about school events and information via this platform.
- Please see the attached 'Communication between home and school for Parents' which details the communication channels for parents.
- Teachers have a range of meetings, yard duty and other commitments as part of their work during the day, as well as their own family commitments after work. Please note that on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, teachers are required to attend a staff workshop and cannot meet with parents after school on this day.
- Teachers will endeavour to reply back to communications in their normal work hours 8.30- 4.30pm from Monday to Friday although it may take more than 24 hours to respond depending on their teaching hours. Please contact the office for any daily messages that need to be relayed to your child.

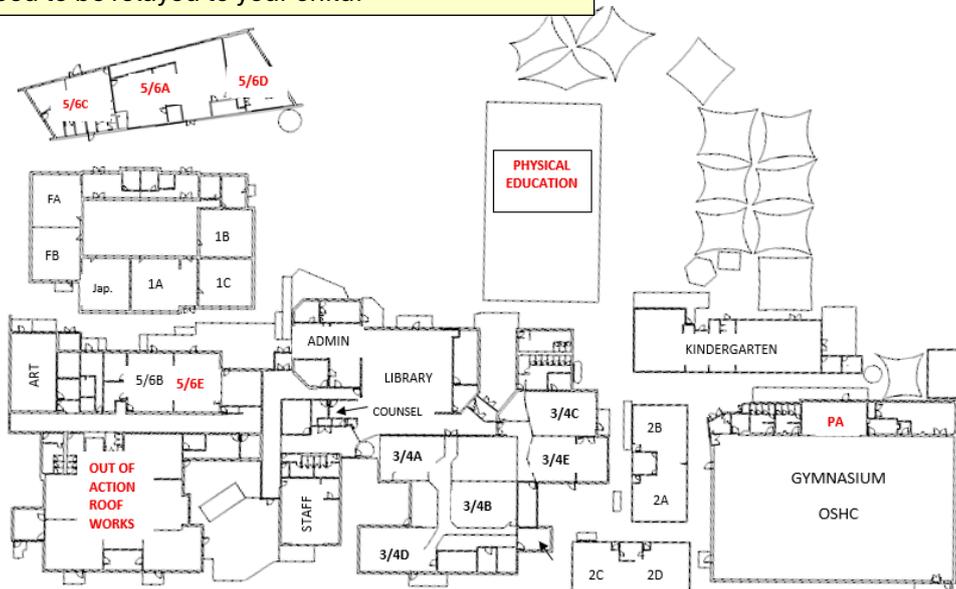
Roof Works

The roof works are continuing to progress well. Please see the map below of the location of classes for the start of the year. The changes are in **red**

- Performing Arts will be in the gymnasium
- Physical Education will work on the basketball courts under the shed
- STEM will be in classrooms
- The library will not be available until the 20th February

****We will keep you informed as the project progresses**

- FA- Marissa
- FB- Sarah
- 1A- Thi Thi
- 1B- Tracy
- 1C- Karen
- 2A- Lucy F & Cassie
- 2B- Brooke
- 2C- Cat
- 2D- Victoria
- 3/4A- Shelly
- 3/4B- Nikola
- 3/4C- Cathy
- 3/4D- Pamela
- 3/4E- Josh
- 5/6A- Saira
- 5/6B- Michael
- 5/6C- Erin & Elenor
- 5/6D- Kayla
- 5/6E- Louise
- EAL- Natasha
- Japanese- Elani
- STEM- Sam
- Physical Education- Blair
- Visual Art- Kelly & Deb
- Performing Arts- Lucy



Supervision Before and After School & playground protocols

Our supervision arrangements before and after school are summarised below:

Before school:

School grounds are supervised at 8.45-9.05am at the

- Main front playground and Logie Street Entrance (GATE 1)
- Warrawee Oval rear entry gate (silver gate near gym GATE 8)

At 8:50am a bell will ring to signal that teachers are ready to supervise students entering classrooms, enabling students to get ready for the day with learning starting at 9.00am. **If students are at school before this time and are not supervised by families, they will be asked to stay in the school office.**

After school:

School grounds are supervised at 3.30-3.45pm at the

- Main front playground and Logie Street Entrance (GATE 1)
- Warrawee Oval rear entry gate (silver gate near gym GATE 8)

Students on school grounds outside these times will **not** be supervised (unless they are attending a before or after school care program or supervised extracurricular activity). Parents/carers must ensure that students do not attend school outside of these supervised times unless they are attending before or after school care, or a pre-arranged supervised activity. **If students are on the grounds after this time they will need to stay in the office.**

Out of Hours School Care

Families are encouraged to contact the OSHC coordinator James Marron via email at oshc@oakleighps.vic.edu.au or on **9568 2983 or 0412 168 560** or refer to <https://www.oakleighps.vic.edu.au/out-of-school-hours-care> for more information about the before and after school care facilities available to our school community.

Scooters and Bikes

Students can ride scooters and bikes to school. They must walk their bike or scooter when in the school grounds. There is a rack near the basketball court to store bikes and scooters.

Ball Games on the Basketball Courts- before and after school

Students are not to play any ball sports on the basketball court before school including basketball, soccer or football as both school and kindergarten families are dropping off students during this time and the risk of hitting someone with a ball is high. Students can play on the oval before and after school if they are supervised by their parents.

Dogs

Dogs are not allowed onto the school grounds. Please use Warrawee Park to walk your dogs.

Mobile Devices Policy

The school understands that a number of students own a mobile phone or a smart watch (with SIM capability). Our school follows the Department of Education Policy, where students are not allowed to access their mobile during school hours or their smart watch. All students must hand in their mobile phone, tablet or smart watch of a morning to their classroom teacher to be stored away. Devices will be given back at the end of the day. This policy can be found on our school website.

<https://www.oakleighps.vic.edu.au/policies-1>

Homework

Student homework will start in February. The homework requirements will be communicated to you via COMPASS and asks you to acknowledge that you have read and understood this.



Student Stationery

Please ensure you bring all your child's stationery items to school on the first day so that they can start the year with their supplies.

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