Happy First Day of School!
Friday 10 December 2017  
Welcome everyone to the 2017 School Year. It’s great to see all those returning, and especially to all the new students and families, a big welcome to Osborne Primary School.
Welcome also to two new members of staff. Miss Anne Scott is our new Year 3 Teacher, and Mrs Simone Marsh is sharing the Pre-Primary Class.
The year has started quite smoothly and several events are now already upon us. The Pre-Primary to Year 6 students start swimming lessons next week. Some Parent-Teacher meetings have already been held, with others to follow over the next couple of weeks. Please see the details of these below. Your child’s teacher will also advise you. Our first Assembly conducted by the Year 6’s was held this week, with our first Merit Certificate recipients pictured below.

New Bell Times
As advised in our final newsletter of 2016, we have altered our bell times. The change has taken place with no fuss. New times are:
8.40am  Start of Day
10.50am  Morning Recess
12.30pm  Lunch
3.00pm  End of Day  (Wednesday still 2.30pm Early Close)
This change has been made to give teachers and students more time in the mornings, when minds are fresh, to concentrate on English and Maths.
Please be here before the morning bell. 8.30 is a terrific time to arrive at school, giving your child time to be ready to start the day right on time at 8.40. Students arriving from 8.50am must collect a Late Note from the Administration office. Missing school means missing out! Regular attendance builds lots of other skills, not just learning. Schools help children to develop important social skills, such as friendship building, teamwork, communication skills and a healthy self-esteem. It also helps them to participate positively in regular school events that promote strong community spirit.

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The WELCOME SUNSET PICNIC will go ahead again this year. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. This is a great chance to meet new people, catch up with people you know, and for the kids to have fun. Bring your picnic blanket or your chairs, your dinner and refreshments. This year we are going to have a ‘world famous’ DJ playing your favourite songs instead of live music!

**Wednesday 1st March. 5.00pm to 7.00pm. On the School Oval.**

**tiqbiz**
tiqbiz is our school communications app. It is designed to keep parents informed. If you don’t already have tiqbiz on your phone, please download it from your app store to your phone or tablet. With tiqbiz you can notify us when your child is absent, and you will receive our instant messages, newsletter, notices and calendar events. To register, simply create your own login and password. Instruction sheets are available from the school office should you need help.
Be sure to select Osborne Primary School WA, as there are other schools of the same name in other states.

**Teacher-Parent Class Meetings**
Please make an effort to attend these meetings. You will find out lots about the school and about class routines your child will have this year. There will be information that is both important and interesting. See the blue box for your scheduled time.

**Coding and Robotics**
This year, Osborne students are excited to continue and develop their Coding and Robotics skills, which they began last year. We are well advanced in this because of the exposure our students had last year to the basic skills and concepts.

**What is Coding?**
Coding can be simply described as writing a set of instructions that a machine understands in order to complete a simple task.

**Why do Coding?**
Coding allows students to develop their critical, analytical and problem solving skills. It encourages students to take risks, think creatively and work collaboratively. All these skills will become highly sort after skills in the future.
In 2016 our students participated in the **Hour of Code**, learning the language of computer science and programming to complete fun challenges. We are looking forward to seeing what new activities we will do this year. All students enjoyed creating stories and animations using ‘Scratch’ and ‘Scratch jnr’ on both computers and ipads.
In 2017 we will continue to create animations and games with ‘Scratch’ and Scratch jnr’ as well as extending our skills using some new apps such as **Swift Playground** and **The Foos**. We will also begin programming using our new robots including Dash and Dot, Sphero, and the Edison and Bee Bot robots. Students will also experiment with the **Makey Makey** invention kits turning everyday objects into computer keyboards.
Our Teachers are looking forward to the partnership we have developed this year with Scitech, where they will be assisting us to create interesting activities and lessons using our robots.

**Assemblies**
Assemblies are generally held every fortnight (Wednesday at 8.45) and again generally alternate between Student Councillor Assemblies and Class Assemblies. Awards are presented at all assemblies and Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.
Due to Swimming Lessons, the next assembly will be Wednesday 8 March.

**Friday Lunches**
On line Canteen ordering will be available on Friday’s and will commence soon, you will be advised when this facility is available.

**Breakfast Club**
Breakfast Club will also commence soon on Friday’s, hopefully next week.

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KINDY CLASS REPORT
Welcome to our new group of Kindy Superstars! We have had a fantastic start to 2017 with most of the children settling into the classroom with ease. A large number of our Kindy kids attended the Pre-Kindy program in 2016 and the children seem to have really benefitted from this. The children are beginning the year by exploring the different activities and play areas that we have at Kindy as well as learning how to listen with their Whole Bodies! We have had a new Cycle Track installed at Kindy and we will be holding a Busy Bee for parents to help us add the finishing touches and make an even better outdoor space for our students. All parents are welcome to come along and lend a hand! We will advise you of the dates for this very soon.

PRE-PRIMARY REPORT
A warm welcome to the Pre-Primary students and their families for 2017…especially to those who are new to Osborne Primary School. The children have settled in extremely well and have spent the first week going over classroom and playground rules and routines. This week, we have started our Jolly Phonics program. Over the term, we will be looking at each letter sound, each letter has an action to accompany it. We will also be looking at the formation of each letter, blending sounds and looking for sounds in words. You will see our S and our A craft hanging in our room. In Mathematics, we will continue to build upon our number knowledge learned in Kindy and we will be working with numbers up to ten. During the term, the children will continue to develop their fine and gross motor skills. They will work towards mastering their ability to cut on a line continuously, cut out, around and along different mediums and textures, copy shapes, write numbers and letters and draw detailed drawings.

YEAR 1 CLASS REPORT
Welcome to all new Year One parents … we will have a fun time. The Year One students have settled in beautifully. They are adapting to new systems and new expectations. They have experienced so far; History, Reading, Spelling, Handwriting, Grammar, Writing, Speaking and Listening, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, Home Reading and Homework. We will begin Science after swimming lessons have finished.
Thank you to all the parents for learning the Home Reading and Homework Processes.
For swimming lessons please bring:-
♦ Rubber thongs to walk in
♦ Bathers
♦ Towel
♦ Goggles to swim
♦ Bag to put wet clothes in

YEAR 2 CLASS REPORT
Welcome back to all the Year Two’s, and a very special welcome to our new classmates, Aarav, Riley and Arjun.
Our class parent meeting will be held on Tuesday 14 February at 3.05pm. We encourage all parents to attend and hope to see as many as possible.
Our Library day is on Monday, Art is on Tuesday and Sport is on Thursday. The children have been given their News day and news telling will begin next week. Don’t forget that swimming starts next week and runs for two weeks.
We have begun to look at Australian currency in Mathematics, and in particular, identifying notes and coins. We will be exploring this concept over the next few weeks as well as revising skip counting in Two’s, Fives’s and Ten’s.
In Science, we have started learning about different types of materials and why they are used to create certain objects.

YEAR 3 CLASS REPORT
Welcome everyone to the new school year! Thank you to all the parents and students who have made Miss Scott feel very welcome at Osborne Primary School. A big welcome to our new classmate Tyson, who is new to Osborne PS this year. All the children have settled in and so we have started the year off extremely well. In Maths, we have been working on Place Value and in Science we have been investigating things that melt and how they change shape. We are also learning about Narratives and looking at Fairy Tales. The children are excited to find out why there is a big castle at the back of our room!

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YEARS 4 CLASS REPORT
The Year 4’s have settled in well this week and are slowly learning the new rules and routines for upper school. We have made some flash cards to keep at home to help with automatic recall of our three times tables. Over the next few weeks we will begin timed tests in class. This encourages the children to learn their tables well and try and beat their own score after two minutes. On Monday - Thursday evenings, there is spelling and reading homework and your child is to bring their homework folder to school every day. Our Library day is Monday—so could you please remind your child to return their books after the weekend until it becomes habit. We are all looking forward to beginning swimming lessons this Monday. Our class parent meeting will also be held on Monday 13 February at 3.05pm.
I encourage as many parents to come along as possible.

YEARS 5/6 CLASS REPORT
The year 5/6 students have had a great start to the year. They are already showing good organisational skills and getting homework completed. The students are producing some fantastic writing … and what great ideas they have!
The Student Council elections were held today. Well done to everyone who had a go – it is not easy speaking in front of a group. Results will be announced soon.
Our class parent meeting will be on Monday 13 February at 3.45pm. We hope to see you there.

CONSENT FORMS AND MONEY ENVELOPES
When returning consent forms and payments for excursions and activities, please note that consent forms should not be placed in the money envelopes. They are to be handed to the classroom teacher. Correct monies should be placed in the envelopes as unfortunately, we cannot give change. If you have enclosed more money than is required, this overpayment will be applied to your account for future billing items. Please place all payment envelopes in the black money box at the entrance to the administration office.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION – P&C
I would like to offer a very warm welcome to all families for 2017. I hope your holiday break was a restful one for you all.
As a member of our school community, you have a fantastic opportunity to make a real difference to your child’s educational experience by participating in fundraising for our wonderful school. This fundraising helps us provide activities and services which would otherwise not be possible.
The P&C plan to organise Sausage Sizzles, Free Dress days, Book Club, Entertainment Books and the School Canteen throughout the school year. These events rely on your support to be successful and I ask you as an Osborne Primary parent to consider offering some time during the year to get involved.
We need your help and would love to have you on board.
You are invited to stay for Morning Tea after school assembly on Wednesday 8 March, in the undercover area to find out when and how you can help.
If you have any questions, please come and find me around the school, ring me, or email me.
I am looking forward to meeting you.
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COMMUNITY NEWS
SCARBOROUGH SHARKS JUNIOR BASKETBALL CLUB have recently opened up registrations for the 2017 Winter Competition run at the Basketball Stadium at Perry Lakes, registrations will be open until the 21st of February. The club is community based and focused on fun and fitness for players from U/8 through to U/18, you can join by yourself or bring your own team! Further information is on the club website at http://www.scarboroughsharks.asn.au/registrations.php or you can contact the Clubs Communication Officer at scarboroughjbc@gmail.com*

NORTH BEACH RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB is holding its Junior Registration Day on Sunday 12 February from 12pm—3pm at Charles Riley Reserve North Beach. Or more information contact secretary@nblrfc.com.au

TUART HILL JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB Registrations for new players to the club will be on Sunday 12th February, between 10am to 12pm at our club room at Woodchester Reserve, Woodchester Road, Nollamara. You can also register on line at www.myfootballclub.com.au. Please contact Angie Belfiore on 0416 267567 for further information

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Have you ever seen a kid
Playing a game of basketball
While standing on a roof?

Have you ever seen a kid
Playing a game of basketball
Trying to do a handstand
While standing on a roof?

Have you ever seen a kid
Playing a game of basketball
Riding on a bike
While standing on a roof?

Have you ever seen a kid
Playing a game of basketball
Trying to play guitar
While standing on a roof?

Have you ever seen a kid
Playing a game of basketball
Riding on a bike
Exercising with a whale
While standing on a roof?

You haven’t? Me neither!

Roof Kid
(a cumulative song adapted from Peter Combe)

HELLO FROM THE MUSIC ROOM!
This week in music has been full of ukuleles, singing and rhythm games. Interested students in Year 4, 5 and 6 have been given a choir contract to sign and return. The School of Instrumental Music is offering guitar lessons to five selected Year 6 students. Well done to those who qualified. This is an excellent opportunity so grab it with two hands! The Year 2 students have taken a song by the well loved children’s song writer Peter Combe, and made it their own! Have a look at their efforts. Well done!

Dear Mr Combe,

We were listening to your song “Standing on A Bus” and we decided to write our own. We decided it should be about a kid. Not just any kid- Roof Kid! Everyone in the class came up with ideas. We voted on some of them and we made sure they fit into the RHYTHM of the song.
Your song was funny. What do you think of ours?
Do you like it? You should see the actions!

Love from The Year 2 class at Osborne Primary School.