Dear Parents,

Attached to this note is the list of Student Resources and School Program Fees for the coming year 2017. All items that are listed are for use by your child for the year and are based on grade group needs. This is a one off annual payment for these listed programs and resources. We are trying to ensure minimal costs are incurred by parents by bringing in specialists into school programs and incursions limiting costs which are high due to bus costs. Grades are keeping excursions to one per Semester (twice a year) and incursions one per term.

**EXTRA PROGRAMS/EVENTS OCCURRING THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

During the year individual class, grade or stage excursion/incursion & PSSA notes will be forwarded to parents by the class teachers. These require permission notes and payment according to the specific excursion. Please be aware of the closing date to these events and the no refund policy now in place.

**LITERACY/NUMERACY**

To support in the delivery of Mathematics and Literacy programs as the students have ongoing resources made for them by their class teachers for in class workbooks and homework.

**ANNUAL SCHOOL FEE 2017**

Our Annual School Fee is $50.00 per student. This has been kept at this rate since 2007. This is capped at $150.00 for three or more students. These fees help provide the rich environment of educational programs, extra-curricular activities and school facilities our students experience at Oatley. Paying your school fees will be a direct investment in your children’s future. Please note that the $50.00 Annual School Fee is voluntary.

**ICT LEVY 2017**

The ICT levy of $50.00 is to support the school’s annual ongoing maintenance, managing our weekly trouble shooting problems in ICT, upgrading technical programs, and new software, website licences for Semester Report, Student Attendance, Parent Interview schedules, Oatley Public School website and School Stream APP. This levy is critical for Oatley Public School management of ICT. We provide a support program for teachers in IT professional development, accessing video conferencing programs for all K-6 students and maintain software installation. Supporting us in this IT initiative would be greatly appreciated.

**MUSIC PROGRAM K-2 STUDENTS ONLY 2017**

Due to the success of the 2015 Stage 1 recorder program, OPS will be rolling out a specialist classroom music program in 2017 for all of K-2. Research shows that “Music education uniquely contributes to the emotional, physical, social and cognitive growth of all students” (Pascoe et al., 2005). In light of this our K – 2 students will be participating in weekly classroom music lessons with specialist music teacher, Mr Kane Wheatley.

Student across all of K-2 will be learning about musical concepts; duration, pitch, dynamics, tone colour and structure. Music education in NSW falls into three main content descriptors; Performing, Organising Sound and Listening.

Kindergarten students will be engaged in a series of lessons of singing, moving and playing activities that allow them to demonstrate an awareness of musical concepts, create their own simple musical compositions.

**GOT GAME K-6.**

A fantastic Physical Education program delivering skills to our students in the Gymnastics, athletics, dance & rhythmics areas. This program runs for 20 weeks during the school year each class having a one hour per week session with trained Physical Education specialists. This has been running at Oatley Public School for four years now.
SCHOOL MAGAZINE 3-6 STUDENTS ONLY 2017.
These monthly magazines are a fantastic resource for students in developing their Literacy skills. The magazines include varieties of different stories and activities for the students. They are age appropriate and teachers work with these magazines in class reading groups and then the magazine can be kept by the student.

BUG CLUB K- 4 STUDENTS ONLY.
This is an online reading resource that teachers support Literacy in the classroom. The resource complements the literature in the classroom.

LIFE EDUCATION K-6 Please complete separate attached permission note and send it along with payment envelope.
A positive program initiative to support Healthly Lifestyle and Wellbeing especially in the care for oneself and the dangers that we need to be aware of as we grow. Each grade has a specific focus appropriate for their age group.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2017, 3-6 STUDENTS ONLY or Year 2 students who can confidently swim 50 meters in under a minute and are turning 8 years old this year may compete. Please complete separate attached permission note especially denoting the skill section of your child so they can compete or participate in their correct swim component of the program and send it along with payment envelope. Mrs Hewitt has Year 2 notes for students who wish to compete.

YEAR 5 & 6 CAMP GREAT AUSSIE BUSHCAMP deposit for Term 2. Please complete separate attached permission note and send it along with payment envelope.

YEAR 6 SCHOOL COMMEMORATIVE SHIRT.
We have tried to keep our costs down and provide quality educational programs so we appreciate your support and we are looking forward to having a great year.

Literature, Mathematics, Science, Library, History, Geography, PE & Creative arts resources and classbook resources are purchased by the school's global budget.

Debbie Hunter
Principal
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Kindergarten List of Resources and Programs for 2017

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ALL FEES DUE BY 16 FEBRUARY. PLEASE INCLUDE PAYMENT/PERMISSION ENVELOPE WITH PAYMENT