

Oberon Primary Post Issue
4, 27th March, 2026

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

A WELCOME MESSAGE BY MR. MCCOOMBE,

Dear Families,

Congratulations to all of our students, families, and staff on the near completion of Term 1. What a busy, successful, and rewarding term it has been!

Final Assembly and Early Dismissal -

A reminder that our final assembly for Term 1 will commence at 9:00am on Thursday, April 2. Students will be dismissed at 2:30pm to begin a well-earned holiday break.

Swimming Program -

Our students have recently completed the school swimming program. It has been fantastic to see the confidence, skill development, and enthusiasm displayed by all students throughout the program. This is an important part of our curriculum, helping to build water safety awareness and lifelong skills.

Easter Raffle -

Our Easter Raffle is well underway, and we thank our community for their continued support and donations. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday at our final assembly, and we look forward to sharing in the excitement with our students.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 1:

MARCH

30th - Division AFLW 9s Competition

APRIL

2nd - Last Day of Term 1 (2:30pm FINISH)

2nd - Assembly (9:05am)

Term 2:

APRIL

22nd - District Cross Country

27th - Dental Van Week

May

1st - P-2 Responsible Pet Ownership

1st - Assembly (2:45pm)

7th/ 8th - Mother's & Special Person's Day Stall

8th - Mother's & Special Person's Day Breakfast



I acknowledge the Wadawurrung people as the traditional owners of the land. I pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging, and acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders as the first people of Australia.



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Staffing Update –

We would like to inform families of several staffing arrangements for Term 2. Mr Dawson will be on leave for the term, with Mr Thomas continuing to teach STEM.

Mr Grozdanovski will also be on leave for the term and will be replaced by Miss Wallace, who is very familiar with our school community.

Miss Fourie will be teaching Auslan for the duration of the term.

We are also pleased to welcome Lauren to our team as an Education Support (ES) staff member. Lauren has been, and will continue to be, a valued support for our students and their learning.

We are confident that all students will continue to be well supported during this time.

Lost Property –

As the term draws to a close, we have a large collection of lost property, including jumpers, hats, drink bottles, and other items. If your child is missing any belongings, please take the time to check before the end of term. Any unnamed items not collected will be donated to charity.

Public Relations Committee at Oberon –

The Oberon Public Relations Committee (PR) is a small committee comprising a couple of teachers, several school councillors, and interested parents who are committed to making positive changes and increasing awareness of our great school. In recent years, the PR Committee has been involved in the design and implementation of our new dark blue uniform polos and jackets, house-coloured hats, Oberon beanies, sports tops, GR8 Values certificates, and bollards.

The PR Committee also discusses enhancements to the school website and newsletter and provides suggestions to the Parent Club and school leadership team.

We are always looking for parents who are interested in taking part in PR. This year, we will have six meetings in total, held straight after school in Miss Jardine's room (Prep J, Room 4) from 3:20pm – no later than 4:00pm. Our first meeting will be held early in Term 2. If you are interested, please come and see Miss Jardine or send an enquiry to the school email. We would love to welcome a few more parents to our group.

2027 Enrolments –

The process for enrolling students for 2027 will begin next term. Key dates are as follows:

·Enrolment applications open the beginning of Term 2.

·By 31 July 2026: Enrolment applications from parents and carers are due.

·3 to 14 August 2026: Schools notify parents/carers of the outcome of enrolment applications.

·28 August 2026: Parents and carers who receive an enrolment offer should respond to the offer

·28 August 2026: Written appeals from parents and carers are to be lodged with schools.

·11 September 2026: Schools notify parents/carers in writing of the outcome of appeals.

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Please note that we continue to accept enrolments for students residing within our school zone after these dates. Further information is available on the Department of Education website. School tours will commence in at the beginning of Term 2. Contact the school if you know of anyone wishing to come in for a tour.

As we approach the end of Term 1, we would like to thank you for a wonderful start to the 2026 school year. We hope all families enjoy a relaxing and refreshing break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term 2.

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FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Please refrain from parking in the staff car park during school hours including drop off and pick up times
- Zooper Doopers will be on sale for 50cents when the weather is above 25!

GR8 VALUES

BALANCED!

The next week we are focusing on Balanced!



HARMONY DAY



PIC•COLLAGE

Everyone Belongs!



PREP

GRANDPARENT'S

DAY



Congratulations To Our Caring Gr8 Value Achievers!



5/6B- Lincoln McGuiness
5/6C- Heidi Talbot
5/6T- Molly Ahern

1/2S- Matilda Lupton
1/2R- Tayana Mugero

STEM - Felix McCutcheon
Auslan- Fred Paolini
Art - Seb Hassel
PE - Jasper Sheriff

3/4T- Maisarah Ahmah
3/4G- Olivia Crook
3/4A- Mackenzie Johnston

Prep J- Kate Johnson
Prep S- Eden Bebend

PRINCAL AWARD- Tayana Mugero

A decorative graphic at the top of the page featuring several spotlights pointing downwards, casting beams of light across the background.

Spotlight on...

Maggie Gilmore

What is your role at Oberon?

Education Support currently in the 5/6s.

What is your favourite subject?

Maths and PE were always my favourite subjects!

How do you enjoy spending your spare time?

I love spending time with my family or friends at a beach, on a walk or watching a movie.

What are you looking forward to this year?

I'm excited to get to know more of the students and families at Oberon!

If you could meet any celebrity or public figure, who would it be and why?

I would meet Stevie Nicks, I just think she's really cool and would be fascinating to talk to.





OBERON CROSS COUNTRY



PIC • COLLAGE

Well done to our 3-6s for their positive attitude and effort!

5/6 Poetry!

EARTH

I AM THE EARTH
 I am happy
 I wonder what will happen NEXT
 I hear the joy I hear the happy cheers
 I see it every day
 I want them to hear me but it's okay they can't
 I AM THE EARTH

I pretend to be happy now, but nothing's the same
 I feel depression in my heart and in my veins
 I touch nothing but darkness in the day and in the night
 I worry it will never change, never go back to normal
 I try to cry the tears that will help me see the green and the light and the love fill me again
 I AM THE EARTH

I understand nothing's perfect
 I say a little prayer
 I dream to see the light again
 I try I try I REANIM try
 I hope it changes ONE day
 I AM THE EARTH

By Lenni R

PIC•COLLAGE

I am the earth.
 I am the cause of existence for many.
 I wonder if we are ready.
 I hear the sound of hope.
 But I see my environment mope.
 I want just to cope.

I am the earth.
 I pretend that everything is fine.
 But I feel as if control is not mine.
 As I hover in the galaxy that shares mars.
 I worry that soon it will be a place of no stars.
 I cry for what it's worth.

I am the earth.
 I understand that it's hard.
 And as I say it's not hard.
 I dream that it's true.
 But for now I'll try for you.
 I hope we can save our turf.

I am the earth.

- Matilda J -
 5/6 T/U

PIC•COLLAGE

WORM

In the soil he would thrive. If cut in half he would survive.
 Waiting patiently for the exciting rain.
 Wishing that above wouldn't cause pain.
 Split in Twain he would recover. But the price would be adopting a brother.
 Digging in soil like a tiny mole. For a home he has a little hole.
 Always appearing in random places. There is no limit to how many spaces.
 Just praying to not become fish food. All the time he's in one mood.
 Slithering around, always pink. Split apart never to link.
 Swimming in dirt looking for nutrients. All the time there's many variants.
 Trying his best to avoid being eaten by a bird.
 If he's caught nothing will be heard.

By Finn Burton
 5/6T

PIC•COLLAGE

By Matilda wood

I AM THE EARTH

I AM as bright as a mighty light
 I WONDER if people really care staring up at nothing but air
 I HEAR animals stomping in my heart but not as loud as a shopping cart
 I SEE the people laughing about me not knowing there would be gone without me
 I WANT them to stop to see how far I got

I AM THE EARTH

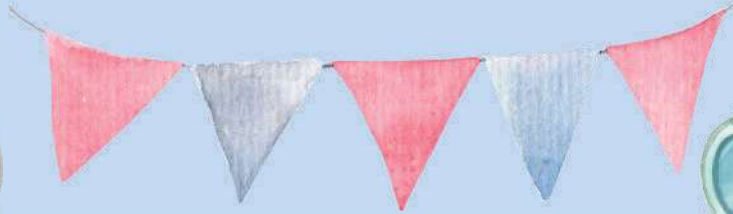
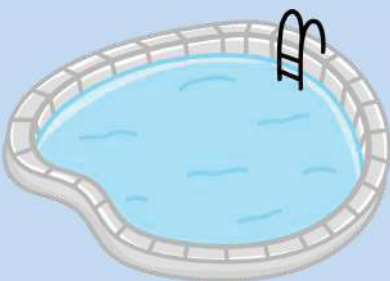
I PRETEND to lie there helpless and stuck but then again I choose there luck
 I FEEL like a block of cheese but with a touch of summers breeze
 I TOUCH the other planets as we work together knowing we'll be here forever
 I WORRY about myself not knowing how long I can stay but then again it's almost may
 I CRY looking down at everyone knowing that that don't know what they've done

I AM THE EARTH

I UNDERSTAND I am mighty strong but still wondering if I belong
 I SAY what I mean but I am still half green
 I DREAM that I won't steam to dust then turning into night time rust
 I TRY and I try but I Still don't like pie
 I HOPE to one day skip a rope
 I AM THE EARTH

PIC•COLLAGE





OPS Swimming!



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TheirCare
Where Kids love to be!

Oberon Primary School

Social, enjoyable & fun experiences for children

Develop creativity, life skills & confidence through play

Qualified, caring & engaged staff

Exciting & thoughtfully developed programs

Healthy & Yummy food provided each day

Bookings now open!

	Monday - Friday Hours of Operation	Fees before Child Care Subsidy*	Out-of-pocket fees after Child Care Subsidy**
Before School Care (BSC)	7:00 AM to 8:30 AM	\$35.00	\$5.30
After School Care (ASC)	3:15 PM to 6:00 PM	\$35.00	\$4.00
Full Day Care	7:00 AM to 6:00 PM	\$75.00	\$7.50

*Fees are inclusive of Child Care Subsidy (CCS) benefit for each hour maximum Child Care Subsidy

Cancellation Fees

(No Child Care Subsidy applied to Cancellation Fees)
BSC/ASC within 24 hours of session start time: **\$4.00**
Same-day cancellation fee is out-of-pocket session fee.

Late Booking Fees

(Child Care Subsidy is applied to Late Booking Fees)
BSC/ASC within 24 hours of session start time: **\$4.00**

Late Pick-up Fees

(Child Care Subsidy does not apply to Late Pick-up Fees)
\$1 per minute after service close time.

Service phone number
0401 101 534

Your service Coordinator will be available during session times.

To register visit theircare.com.au

Save up to 90% with child care subsidy



TheirCare support team is available between 6.30am - 9pm weekdays (Eastern Standard Time) on 1300 072 410 or info@theircare.com.au

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TUESDAY 7TH APRIL: **Connecting to Country through movement**
10am - 11am | 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

\$15
pp

WEDNESDAY 8TH APRIL: **Flower Crown** 11am - 2pm | ALL AGES
Sea Creature Bubble Art 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

\$15
pp

THURSDAY 9TH APRIL: **Sea Creature Bubble Art** 11am-2pm | ALL AGES
Flower crown 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

\$15
pp

FRIDAY 10TH APRIL: **Boomerang painting and throwing**
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | ALL AGES

\$20
pp

SATURDAY 11TH APRIL: **Weaving Demostration w/ Aunty Trina**
10am - 2pm | ALL AGES

FREE demonstration
Weaving kits available in the shop

MONDAY 13TH APRIL: **Smoking Ceremony** 9:30am | Rippleside park | ALL AGES
Cultural Q&A 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

FREE

TUESDAY 14TH APRIL: **Boomerang painting and throwing**
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | ALL AGES

\$20
pp

WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL: **Cultural Yarn & Fun**
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | AGES 10 AND UNDER

\$15
pp

THURSDAY 16TH APRIL: **Cultural Yarn**
10am - 11:30am | ALL AGES

FREE

FRIDAY 17TH APRIL: **Cultural Yarn & Fun**
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | AGES 10 AND UNDER

\$15
pp

All workshops are limited to 25 people per session

Wathaurong Booln Booln Cultural Centre - 410 Surfcoast Hwy, Charlemont 3217.

*For more information and bookings please email:
reception@wathaurongcc.org.au or PH: 03 4252 8777*



REGIONAL PARENTING PROGRAMS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



PARENTING SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Geelong & Barwon Southwest

Term 2, 2026



Free parenting programs for families with children, babies to teens aged (0–18 years)

Programs delivered by:

Geelong Regional Parenting Service, MELI, Catholic Care Victoria, and Drummond St Services

- ✓ In person and online options
- ✓ Evidence based, supportive programs
- ✓ Delivered by trusted local services
- ✓ Bookings are essential for all programs

NEW for 2026

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST NOW OPEN FOR JUNE

1-2-3 Emotion Coaching – Additional Needs

This is a gentle, supportive program for parents and carers of children who experience big or unpredictable emotions.

Designed for families supporting children who are neurodivergent, have a developmental delay or disability, or need extra help with emotional regulation.

Using a simple 1-2-3 approach, parents learn to notice and name emotions, support calming through connection and co-regulation, and guide behaviour once emotions settle.

Flexible, practical strategies.
No pressure, just support

Are you a new Grandparent? GRANDPARENTING PROGRAM

Being a grandparent is one of the most exciting times in our life. A lot of information and safety recommendations have changed since we had our own children.





In this program join other grandparents as we look at:

- understanding and managing child behaviour
- connecting in meaningful ways to strengthen relationships
- safety tips
- looking after ourselves within the context of grandparenting
- where to find reliable information regarding raising children

Expressions of Interest now open for April

Parent Education Events

Term 2, 2026

Program	Location / Venue	Days / Dates	Time	Bookings	
The Dad Workshop	Online Via Microsoft Teams	Thursdays 23 April - 28 May	7.00pm – 9.00pm	<p>Bookings</p>  <p>Regional Parenting Service In Support of the City of Greater Geelong Delivered by GEE LONG</p> <p>Regional Parenting Service</p> <p>www.geelongaustralia.com.au/parenting</p> <p>Ph: 5272 4741</p> 	
Tuning in to Kids	Online Via Microsoft Teams	Tuesdays 21 April – 26 May	7.00pm – 9.00pm		
1, 2, 3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Adaptation	Norlane ARC 1-15 Cox Road, Norlane VIC	Thursdays 4 June – 25 June	7.00pm – 9.00pm		
BUGK First 1000 Days	Online Via Zoom	Thursdays 28 May - 25 June	7.00pm – 8.30pm		
Bringing up Great Kids	Virginia Todd Hall 9 Clarence St, Geelong West VIC	Thursdays 23 April - 28 May	7.00pm – 9.00pm		
Circle of Security	Highton Child and Family Centre 74 Belle Vue Avenue, Highton	Wednesdays 22 April - 3 June	7.00pm – 9.00pm		
Grandparenting program	Grovedale Child and Family Centre 45 Heyers Road, Grovedale	Thursdays 16 April - 7 May	1.30pm – 3.00pm		
Our Kids – Parenting after Separation (Parenting Orders Program)	Family Relationship Centre Level 1 92-100 Brougham Street, Geelong	Thursdays 30 April – 4 June	11.00am – 1.00pm		
Online parenting programs	Drummond St Services offer a range of online programs, please see their website for further details.	Various dates	Various times		<p>Family Relationship Centre - Geelong www.catholiccarevic.org.au Ph: 5221 7055</p>   <p>Drummond Street Services ds.org.au/events/</p>



Auskick 2026

REGISTRATIONS
CLOSING SOON

Starting 9am, April 26th
McDonald Reserve, 77-79 Reynolds Road

playhq.com/afl/register/778c59

Scan the
QR code to
register



SEASON STARTS

30TH APRIL

JUNIOR INDOOR CRICKET

6A-SIDE TEAMS

60 Minute Games - Short and Sharp - Everyone Bats & Bowls - 18 Over Games - Refine Your Skills

JUNIOR LEAGUES U12'S U14'S U16'S

All Game Equipment Provided - Multiple Divisions To Cater For All Skill Levels - Hone In On Your Game In The Offseason

FRIDAY & THURSDAY NIGHTS

4:30PM ONWARDS - ON COURT ASSISTANCE BY LEVEL 1 COACHES AT ALL TIMES

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