Dear Parents

Grandparents Day
As a follow up to our personal history units this term we are looking forward to hosting a “Grandparent’s Afternoon” on Monday 28th July, early next term. Students will prepare yummy treats for grandparents and/or any other significant “older” person in their lives. More details to follow closer to the date. Thanks to Miss White for organising this event.

Cross Country
Well done to our OSSA Cross Country representatives who competed at Molong last Friday – Hannah Bennett, Anna Macpherson, Tom Scott, Jono Rasmussen and Joseph Kocanda. Both Anna Macpherson and Tom Scott will represent the Orange District team to compete in Wellington. Georgia Cornish has also been invited to compete in Wellington, as she broke her arm last week and was unable to compete in Molong. As a previous State competitor, we are sure she will give them a run for their money!

CWA Public Speaking
Congratulations to William Wright, Georgia Cornish, Caprice Tesoriero and Anna Macpherson on their public speaking performances yesterday in Bathurst. They all performed beautifully!

School Spec
I had the pleasure of attending the Orange Regional Conservatorium last night to watch students from Nashdale and other schools showcase what they have been learning at the conservatorium. I was so very proud and impressed with the broad program of instruction! What talented children and teachers!

School Sign
Thank you to Clair Whelan (Gretel’s Mum) who has taken on the very important job of changing the message on the school sign. I know that many of you are enjoying the positive and informative messages and intriguing riddles.

Premiers Debating Challenge
The Nashdale team of Bella Satler, Ariana Swann, Isabella Wythes and Anna Macpherson will take on Bathurst Public in the first round of debates on Friday 30th May. They learnt some tips and tricks at a debating workshop yesterday in Bathurst. Thank you to Ms Cain for leading the charge and preparing our students so well.

Boys Soccer
Well done OSSA Boys team – Joseph Kocanda, Braiden Dixon, Alex Sinclair, John Toberty and Charlie Strudwick (shadow reserve). The boys played Calare PS last week and won in nail biting circumstances. The scores were level after full and extra time and came down to corners. It was great to see Mr Hooper there to cheer on the team! The boys will now play in the Bathurst/Orange divisional day at the end of the term. Thanks to Mr Dixon for his wonderful coaching.
**Jamie Oliver Food Revolution Day**

Students at Nashdale participated in Jamie Oliver’s Food revolution Day. Even our Transition class were in on the act with yummy pumpkin cupcakes with mandarin icing. Other students made and sampled Rainbow Salad wraps. So yummy and healthy!

**Girls Soccer**

Congratulations to Ariana Swann and Bella Sattler who competed in the OSSA Girls soccer team last week. Unfortunately they lost to Canowindra after a hard fought match.

**Lost property**

Just a reminder to check all of your children’s clothing to ensure that names are clearly visible. Sometimes names come off in the wash or can be preloved with names of children who are no longer at Nashdale.

**Visitors to the school**

We love having visitors to our school and appreciate the contribution you make in our classrooms. Just a reminder that all visitors to the school are required to sign in at the front office before going to the classrooms. Thanks for your assistance in this matter.

**School Banking**

School banking dates for Term Two – Tuesday June 3rd, 17th June

**2015 Kindergarten and Transition enrolments**

Applications for 2015 Kindergarten class and Transition program at Nashdale will be sent home shortly.

All current Transition students will receive an application for Kindergarten and we also have a number of other children seeking enrolment next year.

If you know of any child hoping to come to Nashdale for either Kindergarten or Transition next year could you please encourage them to ensure they are on our list, as it will only be those registered who will receive an application.

Please remember that the Transition program is only for those students who plan to attend school in the following year (as per DEC policy guidelines).

Please ensure all siblings of current students have their names on our Transition and Kinder lists. We currently have lists operating until 2018.

**Nationally consistent collection of data on school students with disability – 2014**

Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability.

We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability. Better data will help the Government plan for students with disability.

The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

Information about the NSW Government’s privacy policies can be found here: [http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/)

Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website:

Learning time

It is always a pleasure to visit classrooms to see happy children engaged in their learning. Here are some snaps from middle primary during their maths investigation time. They were learning about mass.

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NASHDALE P&C UPDATE

The six new iPad’s that the P&C raised money for have arrived! The children can’t wait to start using them as soon as they have been configured! P&C meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month in the staffroom.

OUR NEXT MEETING IS ON THURSDAY 5TH JUNE AT 7PM.

Every family from Transition through to Year 6 is encouraged to attend. We look forward to seeing many new faces there!

Jane Mcmillan – Secretary

SRC Fund Raiser – Friday 6th June

Wear Your Sporting Teams Colours Day

All students from transition to Year 6, bring along a gold coin and support your favourite team.

All proceeds to Stewart House (which is NSW Public Schools number 1 charity supporting disadvantaged children from across the state.)