Mark Coure, State Member for Oatley, visited the school last Thursday afternoon. He spoke of the glowing reputation of the school in the local area citing a number of conversations he has had with families who have sent their children to our school or families that currently have children enrolled in our school. I showed him around the school identifying some areas causing concern including the toilets near the canteen and areas within the playground. He indicated he would look into addressing these concerns if it was at all possible.

### School Development Days

A reminder to all parents that the first day of Term 2 for all students will be **Wednesday 1st May**. Two School Development Days approved by the Department of Education and Communities will be held on **Monday 29th April** and **Tuesday 30th April**. The Tuesday School Development Day will focus on the new English Curriculum being implemented in all Australian Schools.

### Cross Country

Miss Lonergan has been busy organising the Cross Country to be held at Gannons Park next **Tuesday 9th April**. This activity applies to children in Years 2-6. In the event of inclement weather the Cross Country will be postponed and held early Term 2. All permission notes and money need to be returned to class teachers by **Monday 8th April**.

### ANZAC Day Assembly

The ANZAC Day Assembly will be run by the School Captains on **Thursday 11th April**. This is occurring before ANZAC Day because it falls during school vacation.
Breakfast with Harold

What a treat it was to have Healthy Harold visit the school this morning while the children were having their healthy breakfast. He certainly is keeping fit and healthy.

Pedestrian Safety

Unfortunately some of our children are not taking the message we are delivering to them seriously about pedestrian safety. A senior student of the school crossed at the pedestrian crossing this week against the pedestrian crossing lights. A parent informed me of their concern and have spoken with the child and the parents of the child. Please take the time to talk to your children about pedestrian safety particularly when walking to and from school.

Parents at Assemblies

Thank you to those parents who have considered and understood our request to move to the back of the assembly. Thank you also to those parents who set an excellent example for our children by not speaking during the morning assembly and who show pride in our National Anthem by singing it with the children and staff members on Mondays and Fridays.

Gold Award Assembly

The first Gold Award Assembly will be held on Monday April 8 at 2.00pm. The deadline for receiving Silver Awards has passed. Children will need to wait until the Term 2 Gold Assembly if they have not yet submitted their Silver Awards.

Winter Uniform Sale

Yeronga will hold a Winter Uniform Sale on Friday April 5 outside the library from 8.30-10.00 a.m. This is a perfect opportunity to purchase your child’s winter uniform needs. School hats will also be available during this time.

PSSA News

There were no games last week.
The draw for Round 6 on Friday (5/4/13):
- Boys Oz Tag v Narwee @ Peakhurst Park (Field 4)
- Girls Cricket v Oatley (Gannons Pitch 2)
- Mixed Newcombe Ball v Kingsgrove @ Beverly Hills
- Girls Basketball v Oatley West @ Oatley West

Attendance

Below are the attendance statistics for Week 9. In addition 58 students were late to school or left early.

Congratulations to 1LJ for their excellent attendance.

Danny Squires
Principal 4 April 2013

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SCHOOL AVERAGE 95%
Save the Date!

**Wednesday 29th May 2013**

*Family Evening Program*

Facilitated by

**Inter-relate**

Parents and their children are strongly encouraged to attend this valuable program.

**Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4)**
6.00pm
“Where did I come from?”

**Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6)**
7.15pm
“Preparing for Puberty”

The P&C are subsidising this event.

**COST**
Cost per family to attend
1st Session $20

Cost per family to attend
both sessions $25

An attendance/payment note will be going home with all Stage 2 and 3 children after the school holidays.

Places are limited, so get in early to avoid disappointment.

The P&C will again be selling the Fantastic *Sydney Entertainment Book* as one of our major fund-raising activities.

The Entertainment™ Book contains hundreds of dollars of savings - up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers from many of the best restaurants, arts, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel, 15% off ticket prices at Gold Coast Theme Parks and much more! *(including many local businesses in and around Beverly Hills).*

We are encouraging all families within our school community to purchase a book and enjoy the many savings the book has to offer. Friends and family may also buy a book from the school.

There will be a number of display books around the school for you to browse through, prior to purchase.

or alternatively go on line
to flick through a virtual copy.

The books will cost $65.00 each, however, if you use the book just 3-4 times, you have already got your money back in savings!

The books will be on sale at the end of April and are valid until June 2014!

Order forms will be sent home with each child.

Thanks in advance for supporting our wonderful school.