The 25th—29th August the school celebrated Literacy and Numeracy week.

On Thursday, Students and Teachers came dressed as their favourite characters: -
- The Bad Tempered Ladybird, Mermaids, Fin the Human, Clifford the BIG Red Dog, the Big BAD Wolf, Fairies, Harry Potter, Little Red Riding Hoods, the Incredible Hulk and Superman.

Characters from books, movies, cartoons, TV shows, super heroes and fairy tales paraded before the judges. The most creative characters from each class was selected:

UP2 - Royden Elliott
Kindy - Delayla Dowton
Secondary - Taylor Brett

EC1 - Claire Lockie
EC2 - Jasmin Lockie

Pre-Primary - Anaya Clarke
UP1 - Jasmine Walters

Witch aka Mrs Harris
Fat Albert aka Ms Drummond

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Special award to Ms Drummond for the most creative teacher.

Week 8: - West Australian Symphony Orchestra 10/09, Kindy assembly 11/09, Interschool 12/09.

Week 9: - Wirrpanda Foundation will be here for 3 days with an array of sports, art, leadership skills and much more.

Week 10: - will be quiet but I am sure that everyone will be getting excited for the School Holidays.

NAPLAN Reports

NAPLAN reports will be sent home starting on Monday for years 3, 5, 7 and 9. If parents have any concerns they can request a meeting to discuss the report with the teacher.

School Photos

Parents who wish to order school photo’s but did not return the form on the day with the student, can still order directly through Fotoworks on 9244 8211.

Faction Flag Design Competition

The school is retiring the old Faction Flags and is holding a competition for a new logo design for the 3 flags. Students can design their logos at home and drop them in at the front office, no bigger than A4. Competition closes 19th September. Winning logos will be printed on the flags for many years to come.

Jackie Barry
Principal
Onslow School
Every Day Matters

Attendance
Apart from the legal requirement to attend, it is vital that children attend every day for the sake of their future successes, academically and emotionally, as well as in regards to employment choices. It is very important that parents help children to develop good attendance career from the very beginning by ensuring that they attend kindergarten or school whenever possible.

School Ball
The School Ball will be held on the 3rd December. Students who do not meet the attendance requirements of 80% or their individual attendance target if they are on a plan will not receive an invite to the Ball. They will not be allowed entry to the venue even, in the accompaniment of a parent.

Attendance camp (years 4-7)
School camp will be held week 4 of Term 4, students who do not meet the attendance requirements of 80% or their individual attendance target if they are on a plan will not receive an invitation to the camp and will be expected to attend school.

Being half an hour late to school each day from Year 1 to Year 10 is approximately equivalent to missing one year of schooling.

A student who is absent 1 day a fortnight will, by Year 9, have missed 1 year of schooling.

Unauthorised absences have a greater negative impact on student achievement than authorised absences.

In Week 5, students mixed into groups and all participated in some hands on science activities. It was a little bit messy and everyone realised that science is in everything we do. UP1, UP2 and High School had a quiz which tested everyone (including the teachers!)
**KINDY 2015**

Onslow Primary School are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2015.

Children born between 1st July 2010—30th June 2011 are eligible to commence Kindergarten in 2015.

Please see the office staff for Enrolment Forms. Birth certificates and Immunisation records will be required at the time of enrolment.

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**Poem in Your Pocket**

Students from all classes wrote and shared poems to celebrate Literacy Week.

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**Literacy and Numeracy Week**

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**Athletics Carnivals**

Last week Onslow hosted the annual Tri-Schools Athletics Carnival with Pannawonica and Roebourne, the day was a huge success. All students who participated conducted themselves extremely well and the team work exhibited was exemplary. Onslow were once again victorious with 430 points, followed by Pannawonica on 368 points and Roebourne on 294.

Onslow also took out many of the Individual awards including:

- Junior Champion Boy – Kyle Jewell
- Junior Champion Girl – Marlina Grainger
- Intermediate Champion Boy – Syrell Hayes

We would like to sincerely thank all of the volunteers and sponsors from the day including:

- St Johns Ambulance Service (Quentin),
- Munro Contractors,
- Onslow PS P&C
- VSwans
- Shire of Ashburton.

From our Tri-Schools Carnival we have selected a combined team to represent the school next Friday the 12th September in the Karratha Interschool Carnival to be held at Millars Well. All of these students have been notified and consent forms have been sent home. We are greatly looking forward to teaming up with Pannawonica and giving the Karratha schools a run for their money.

We will see you all there.

Joel Yates
Physical Education Specialist
EC2 enjoyed a day out in the playground experimenting with the forces of *push* and *pull*. To grasp the concept of the force *pushing* on an object, students were required to push down on a basketball in a tub filled with water. Everyone took turns at doing this and it turned into a very loud, fun activity. Another experiment undertaken was holding a weighted object in and out of water to feel the force of gravity *pulling* when the object was suspended out of water and the force of water *pushing* when the object was lowered into water. Again, a lot of discussion … but mainly screeching and laughing.

**Words we know …**

- Float
- Area
- Sink
- Gravity
- Push
- Pull
- Slow
- Fast
- Up
- Down
- Movement
- Force
- Fall

**Force of water pushing on a basketball immersed in a tub of water. Almost looks like the water is chasing the ball from the tub.**

**Hunter in action.**

**Jasmin, working out why her plasticine boat might or might not**

**Amanda, watching a shop bought plastic boat sink … along with her own plasticine boat.**

**Te’a in battle with a ball and water!**