St Thomas School and Preschool

Oliphant Science Awards

Dear Parents/Caregivers (Years R-6)

The Oliphant Science Awards are a fantastic opportunity for our students (R-6) to develop their interests in science through a competition with a range of categories to suit a wide variety of abilities and interests. The Oliphant Science Awards are open to all South Australian school children.

St Thomas has a proud history of entering the Oliphant Science Awards. Our school would like to provide the opportunity for our students to join the competition in 2023. A decision to register for the competition must be made **by 12th May 2023**. Other key dates are included below, along with links to Oliphant Science Awards information. Reminders will be issued via the SkoolBag App.

Categories include: Computer Applications, Games, Multimedia, Models and Inventions, Photography, Inquiry, Writing, Computer Programming, Posters and Robotics. Students can enter as many categories as they like.

Cost: $11:00 per entry

How to register

Step 1:   Visit the St Thomas Qkr App, register your participation and pay for each planned entry.

Step 2:   Download the official registration by clicking the link below. Fill in and return to the Front Office by 12th May 2023.

Registration Form: https://www.sasta.asn.au/files/2339_osa20projectregistrationform.pdf

Registration Forms will be reconciled with Qkr payments and the school will enter your details into the competition.

Parent Involvement and Support
Parents can guide children and provide support, but any help needs to be documented. Details about the conditions of entry can be found on the Oliphant Science Awards website (see link below or Google: Oliphant Science Awards.)

Parents are also asked to organise delivery and pick up of student entries. See the event information below for dates and details.

We look forward to sharing this journey with you!

Kind Regards,
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Visit Oliphant Science Awards Website outlining all details. http://www.oliphantscienceawards.com.au/

Competition categories
https://www.oliphantscienceawards.com.au/event_information/award_categories

Risk Assessments and Registration
https://www.oliphantscienceawards.com.au/participant_information/coordinator_information

Oliphant Science Awards Key Dates

Date	Event
Monday 29 May	Amendments due to be made online - all changes following this will not be processed and no new projects can be added
Wednesday 7 June	Secondary amendments submissions (through Google Form) close.
Friday 9 June to Friday 30 June	Multimedia, Science Writing & Scientific Inquiry entries and reports for Programming, Apps & Robotics MUST be submitted online.
Wednesday 6 July - Sunday 24 July	Round 1 judging (Multimedia, Science Writing and Scientific Inquiry)
Monday 24 July to Friday 28 July	Crystal Investigation and Models & Inventions reports / risk assessments MUST be submitted online. Supporting documents for Games may also be submitted.
Saturday 29 July	Programming, Apps & Robotics Judging Day. *By appointment only!*
Tuesday 1 August	Crystal Investigation, Games, Models & Inventions, Photography, & Poster entries to be delivered.
Wednesday 2 August	Round 2 judging (Crystal Investigation, Games, Models & Inventions, Photography and Posters)
Friday 4 August - Sunday 6 August	Open Day at Science Alive!
Monday 7 August	Project Collection
TBA	Presentation Ceremony *(invitation only)*