

The VINE



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Oxley Christian College

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From the Principal

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the second term for 2017. I hope everyone had an enjoyable and refreshing break, and that families are well prepared for the next eleven eventful weeks of school. No doubt our time together will seem to go quickly once again. I especially welcome the students and teachers new to Oxley this term, and trust you will find our College both supportive and engaging. We look forward to the shared experiences of schooling. By way of information, Mr Daniel Rogers is replacing Mr Gavin Fox who is taking leave during this term. We wish both of them well.

Having just celebrated Easter, we are mindful of what Christians believe to be the most significant event in history and how the life of Christ continues to impact the world. Indeed, the Christian worldview has as much to offer future generations as it has the past, if only we would hear its message of hope and reconciliation above the noise of modernity. The Christian foundations of Oxley remain its reason for existing. Not only is it a community immersed in Christian tradition, but it seeks to take delight in the Christian perspectives of learning and wisdom offered through the various disciplines and programs. The Christian explanation or storyline provides us with a practical interpretive framework for life, and trustworthy foundation for knowledge. It is such an

exciting project to explore God's world together and to reflect on our part in the bigger scheme of things.

As we approach the commemoration of ANZAC Day we are conscious of the sacrifice so many people have made to protect the democratic freedoms we enjoy in Australia and in other Western countries. Our freedom is often under threat from those who promote more totalitarian forms of government or from regional powers with an agenda of wider influence. We should not underestimate the vulnerability of our freedom and alliances to confrontation and harm. Senior students of Oxley have again organized an ANZAC dawn service at the College next Monday, 24 April. There are further details in this edition of The Vine, but my purpose here is to warmly invite members of the College community to attend. A light breakfast will follow the service of remembrance and our prayers for peace over a troubled world.

On Saturday 6 May, Oxley will hold this year's Open Day. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to be involved either through your attendance and encouragement of students, or by inviting friends and family to see the College firsthand. Hospitality and generosity are two hallmarks of the Christian life, and we always have this optimistic hope, that Oxley will be known in the community for these characteristics. Please feel welcome!

Douglas Peck



Year 9 Students at the Melbourne War Memorial during their time at City Cite.



OPEN DAY IS COMING!

SATURDAY 6 MAY
11.00AM TILL 3.30PM

"I am the vine; you are the branches". John 15:5a

Devotion

Lay Your Life Down for a Friend?

The classic story of Damon and Pythias, said to have taken place in the Sicilian city-state of Syracuse in the 4th Century BC, tells of these two men who had been close friends since childhood. Pythias, spoke out against the tyranny of the ruler, Dionysius, and was subsequently arrested and condemned to death. As a last request he asked if he might be allowed to go back home to say goodbye to his wife and children and to put his household in order before his execution.

Dionysius was not willing to risk Pythias' fleeing, until Damon stepped forward and offered to pledge his own life and be imprisoned until Pythias returned. The condition that Dionysius imposed was that Damon must be willing to die in his place if Pythias did not return by the date of execution. Damon willingly agreed and Pythias gratefully left. As days and days went by, and the deadline approached, and there was no sign of Pythias, Dionysius visited the prison to see if Damon was sorry he had made such a bargain: *"You were a fool to rely on your friend's promise. Did you really think he would sacrifice his life for you?"* Yet, Damon remained confident of his friend's loyalty, explaining that perhaps the winds had kept him from sailing or he had met with some accident on the road.

On the day of execution, Pythias still had not returned, and Dionysius smugly greeted Damon, who was bound and ready to die. *"What do you think of your friend now?"* asked the ruler. Damon simply replied, *"He is my friend. I trust that he has good reasons not to be here, and I am ready to die in his place."* Just as he finished speaking, Pythias suddenly appeared, staggering, beaten and bruised, and nearly speechless from exhaustion. *"Thank heaven I'm not too late! You are safe, Damon, praise the gods,"* he gasped. Pythias then explained how his ship was wrecked in a storm and how he was then attacked by bandits on the road. *"But I refused to give up hope,"* he declared. *"At last I've made it back in time. I am ready to receive my sentence of death."*

Dionysius was utterly astonished. He was so emotionally overwhelmed by this demonstration of friendship, in both directions, that he revoked the sentence and let both go free, asking only that he could be taught how to be such a friend.

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friend. Powerful words. These were Jesus' own words to His disciples, recorded in John 15:13 at the last supper, just before He was to be betrayed, falsely accused and sentenced to death by crucifixion. Jesus knew He was soon to die but more importantly He knew that He must die. He knew that He needed to sacrifice His own life, in place of ours, to pay the price of sin and forever bring an end to shame, guilt and condemnation.

Jesus' strongest challenge to His followers was to *love each other as I have loved you.* They didn't truly know the extent of this love at this moment. It wouldn't be until they witnessed Jesus crucified, in such an horrific and shameful way, but willing to do so, not just for His family, or even His closest friends, but for all humanity, even those who would still ultimately reject Him. It was then that they got a glimpse of what the greatest demonstration of love is.

This year Easter and ANZAC day fall within a week of each other. Two incredibly symbolic events on our calendar of what friendship, love and sacrifice look like. Countless stories fill our history books of young soldiers, willing to die for the person next to them in battle. The strength of mateship and the Australian spirit, is legendary. Most of us would willingly give up our lives for a family member, only the best amongst us might do it for a close friend, but few I am certain would do it for a stranger. Yet, such was and such is the love of Christ for each of us.

I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ. Eph 3:16-18

Pastor Matt
Chaplain



THE SPIRIT
LIVES
2014 - 2018

ANZAC 2017

Monday 24 April
6.30am in the Teardrop carpark
Pancake breakfast (gold coin donation)
All students, teachers, families and friends welcome

ANZAC Service speaker wanted!

It is traditional at an ANZAC ceremony for a veteran to give the keynote address. At last year's service, we were blessed to hear from our school's founder, Pastor Hal Oxley. If you, or someone you know, is a veteran of any war or conflict and may be interested in sharing at our ANZAC service, please get in touch with Mr White through the school office. We would love to hear from a veteran at our ANZAC service next term!

Senior School

Wow! The end of term was jam packed with exciting events as people also prepared for Easter and the first term holidays.

Students in Year 7 ventured up to Mt Evelyn for a 3 day camp where they were able to cement existing friendships and establish new bonds as they enjoyed a range of events. Several students encountered God first hand in a quiet space under the stars as they contemplated a distant part of His amazing creation. It is always a delight when young people experience the closeness of their Heavenly Father.

Meanwhile, Year 8 students waited anxiously upon each weather report to find out if camp would depart on time, be delayed or even be cancelled. The weather report at 2.30pm on the eve of departure revealed severe storms, with the potential for lightning and up to 35mm of rain and so safety won out and the camp was postponed for 24 hours. Wilsons Promontory was a great place to be for the 3 days spent there rock climbing, canoeing and doing the Big Walk. Food was enjoyable and plentiful, beds were warm and tents were dry, friendships abounded and students were able to participate in all of the activities planned, managing to cram an incredible amount into their time away.

City Cite also unfolded over the last 3 weeks of term, culminating in the Parent Presentation Evening. The night started very late with a train delayed significantly due to a tree down, parking was a nightmare for some, and a football match attracting a large crowd was being played several hundred metres away. But nothing could dampen the enthusiasm of the evening as the students showcased what they had learned investigating a significant social issue, relating to Homelessness, Drugs and Alcohol, Graffiti or Street Art and others.



City Cite Parent Presentation

The Year 9s were rightfully proud of their achievements, not only in terms of their high quality visual displays of findings but also in preparing themselves for the responsibilities of later life. Daily travel to and from the city, navigation around the world's most livable city and working in project teams towards a long term objective are essential life skills. Congratulations to you all!

I am sure that all students in all year levels were looking forward to school holidays as a chance to relax, change routines and spend some time with family and friends when not sleeping in. After a thought provoking student led Easter Chapel, I pray that Easter was a time of great celebration and a chance to reflect as a nation upon the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, through whom we can enjoy life to the fullest.

Greg Barker
Deputy Principal - Head of Senior School

Junior School

Welcome to Term 2! Students and staff have returned to school with enthusiasm and anticipation, ready to learn and take on new challenges. Term 2 also heralds our move to winter uniform. A reminder that during the first week of Term 2, students may continue wearing their summer uniform if weather permits. Please check the student uniform standards on page 12 of the Student Diary.

Students and teachers are eager to share their learning on Saturday 6 May at our annual Open Day. We look forward to celebrating the rich and varied learning experiences we offer at Oxley and invite you to set aside this date in your diaries. It is an expectation that all students attend and our Junior School students will be participating in activities in their classrooms. For Open Day, full winter uniform is required. Please ensure that all uniform items are clean and in good condition.

School photos will be taken on Wednesday 3 May. More information about the ordering process will be forthcoming closer to the date.

On Tuesday 9 May, students in Years 3 and 5 will commence the NAPLAN tests in Literacy and Numeracy over a three day period. These national assessments provide a snapshot of learning and are one example of information that teachers access to support students. Our staff collect a wide range of data related to student achievement on a continual basis. From observational notes and samples of student work to more formal assessments, these all work together to provide information that helps us to design teaching and learning programs that meet the needs of all students.

Prep to Year 6 students have commenced training for our annual Cross Country event, to be held on Tuesday 16 May. All parents are welcome to attend to encourage the students as they run. The Community Action Leadership Group will run a sausage sizzle on the day and order forms will be sent home in due course. The Running Club, held every Thursday after school, provides the ideal training ground for students in Years 3 – 6. Please see Mr Ashmore for more information.

Term 2 promises to be wonderfully productive, filled with hope and joy.

"The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing." Zephaniah 3:17

Sharee Gaiser
Head of Junior School

What Did You Do at School Today?

Prep

Term 1 was a very busy and exciting term for all of us. We learnt so many new things and made lots of new friends. During the last week of term, we learnt all about Easter and what Jesus did for us when he died on the cross. We made a story book to take home so we could tell our families and friends what we had learnt. On the last day of term we had an Easter egg hunt with our buddy classes.

Our buddies hid eggs and we had so much fun trying to find them. We then counted them out and shared them. We have loved meeting our buddies and can't wait for more exciting times with them this term.



Prep W and 4KB having their Buddy Easter Egg Hunt

We are looking forward to Term 2, where we will go to our first Cross Country, and attend Open Day and ANZAC Day.

Year 1

We have enjoyed more experiments with sight and sounds. We discovered that we definitely need light to see, and that seeing with only one eye makes it more difficult to judge how far away an object is (that is why God gave us two eyes!) We demonstrated how sound travels from an instrument to our ears by moving our arms as a soundwave.

In English we have created our very own *Don't Let the Pigeon...* stories that reflect our amazing persuasive writing skills. In Maths we can solve worded subtraction problems and in Bible we celebrated what Jesus achieved through His death and resurrection. Looking forward to a wonderful Term 2... we might come across some bugs and creepy crawlies!



Alissa's experiment compares seeing with one eye compared to two



Imogen and Ezekiel experiment with seeing an object without light



Year 1 students show what a sound wave looks like

Year 2

What an exciting fortnight it has been in Year 2! On the last Thursday of term we had our Open Strings Lesson. We have been working so hard, not only learning how to play our instruments but also learning how to take care of them. It was great to have our family and friends watching just how much we have learnt. Watching our guests practise their bow hold on a straw was great. We have enjoyed learning about the true meaning of Easter. We are all so grateful for Jesus dying on the cross so that we can live in God's love. Through our actions we are learning to spread God's love to others. God bless you all!

Year 3

We had a fabulous time on our excursion to the city, where we visited the Shrine and Cook's Cottage. At the Shrine our guides taught us why we have a Shrine, to remember those who died in the war. We heard stories of the men and women who fought for Australia and learnt about the significance of poppies. Did you know that purple poppies are used to remember animals who helped in the War? Inside The Shrine we participated in a short service and saw where the light shines through the roof at 11.00am each day. We also saw the eternal flame.



Year 3 visit Cook's Cottage

At Cook's Cottage we discovered that there was no bathroom inside the house! There was also nowhere to plug in a computer! We dressed models with clothes from that historical era and learnt about the conditions Captain Cook lived in during his voyages. Fitzroy Gardens was a lovely place to explore, and even has pathways in the shape of the British Union Jack. We had a wonderful day of fun and learning in the city.

Year 4

What an incredible Hands on Science incursion we had! We were thinking a lot like scientists and developing our reasoning skills. We began by using observation skills to sort and classify rocks. Then we were able to use different materials to develop ideas about how rocks and landscapes can change. For example, we used sand, chalk and wind to investigate erosion and water and crystals, along with vinegar and egg shell, to develop an understanding of weathering. We can't wait to combine all our thinking in our Science reports! We look forward to sharing them with you on Open Day.

Year 5

What an amazing term it was! New students, new teachers, new classes, new routines, a Swimming Carnival, an Athletics Day and of course our epic camp to Sovereign Hill, along with the *everything else* in each new day.

We have enjoyed learning how to write narratives and writing letters to Sir/Ma'am. We have continued to learn how to undertake thorough research and create paragraphs in our own words based on our knowledge and understanding. In IT, we have learnt what it means

and looks like to be a safe and sensible Digital Citizen, and have grown in our skills in using different programs and software. We have enjoyed the challenge of open-ended tasks, times table challenges and explaining our thinking to our peers in Mathematics. Our understanding of Australian History has grown throughout the term. We have learnt so many new, interesting, intriguing and insightful facts, and our curiosity has been taken to new heights in hands on, shared, independent and group experiences. We have been engaged in *story time* as we have listened and read stories from the Bible, and have discovered the many miracles that Jesus performed through healing, and in nature. We have all enjoyed discussing, engaging and learning from, and with, one another, and look forward to all of the new learning experiences and opportunities ahead in Term 2.

Year 6

Fresh from our trip from Canberra, we have been working towards finishing our unit on government and federation. We've participated in parliament role plays, learnt what a Bill is and discovered how our country went from 6 colonies to one federated nation. Seeing so much of this firsthand in Canberra really brought our studies to life and we can't wait to continue learning more!

Enrolments

2018

Parents who are intending to enrol children (who are not already enrolled at Oxley Christian College) for 2018 are strongly encouraged to do so now. Please obtain a Business Statement and Enrolment Application Form from the Office and return the completed Enrolment Application Form with required attachments to our Registrar, Mrs Caroline Lewis, as soon as possible, as we have limited vacancies in some year levels.

2019

We are also accepting enrolment applications for 2019 and beyond (particularly Prep and Year 7) and again, we encourage you to submit your completed Enrolment Application Form as soon as possible.

Caroline Lewis
Registrar & Enrolments Policy Manager

Canteen

The Canteen will be open for recess only on **Friday 5 May**. No lunch orders. This enables the canteen staff to begin Open Day preparation. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Sue Dickson
Canteen Manager

Year 6 Canberra Camp

On the first morning, we had a very early wake-up for our bus trip. We arrived at Canberra at 5.00pm and our first destination was Mt Ainslie where we saw a beautiful view of Canberra, before heading to our accommodation.

On the Tuesday, after a nice sleep, we all woke up to go to the Royal Australian Mint to see where Australia's and New Zealand's coins are made. After seeing many interesting historic coins, we all jumped on the bus to go to our next destination, Parliament House to see the House of Representatives and the Senate. We also had a private tour of the Speaker's Suite, where we met Tony Smith MP, Federal Member for Casey. He left the House of Representatives chamber especially to meet us and give us a quick tour.

Next, we went back in time to Old Parliament House, where we met the first Australian Governor General, **Thomas Waterman (6S)** and the first female Governor General, **Brooke Waldrom (6R)**.

We then put our helmets on and started riding around Lake Burley Griffin, where we saw an unfortunate sight of a woman falling into the lake after trying to catch a goose (fail). Otherwise, the ride around the lake was peaceful and scenic.

After a cancelled trip to the minigolf course due to rain, we hightailed it down to the ancient National Dinosaur Museum, where we learned that a velociraptor is the size of a large turkey.

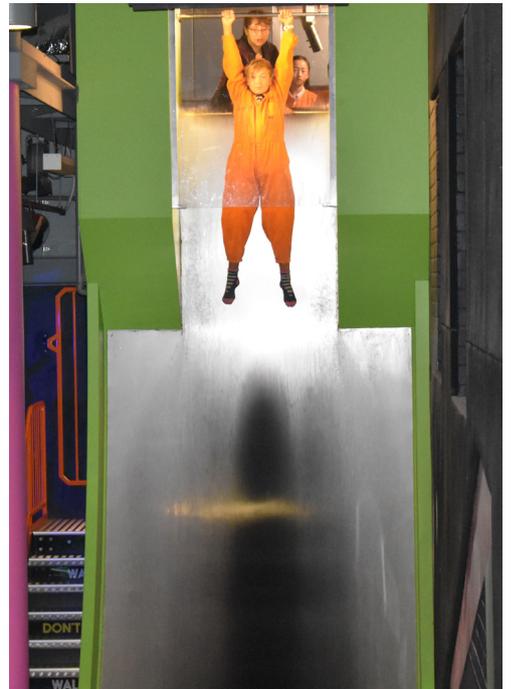
On Wednesday after a tour down Embassy Lane, viewing many of the international embassies in Canberra, we headed off to Questacon, the big brother of Science Works. Many students braved the giant drop-slide and enjoyed hands on experiences, such as making a cloud.

At the Australian War Memorial, **Brooke Waldrom (6R)** and **Jack Driessen (6R)** laid a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, where we had one minute's silence. At the end of the Last Post, there was a big rumble of thunder which gave every one goose bumps. After this we went to the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) where we had a tour of most of the facilities, led by an Australian athlete.

On our journey home, we stopped at Glenrowan, the site of Ned Kelly's last stand, where we visited the site of his capture. We had many tales to tell our families when we got home.

By **Mitchell Eisele (6S)**, **Owen Renneboogh (6S)** and **Renee Yu (6S)**

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.





Year 7 Camp

Year 7 Camp was amazing! We did so many fun activities like the High Ropes Course, Leap of Faith, Giant Swing, eco Warriors and a bike education pump track. Some students even learned to ride a bike for the first time! All the Year 7s had a great time and a lot of them challenged themselves to try new things. We also had a great time doing the night activities which were: a devotion under the stars and *Oxley's Got Talent*. Congratulations to Isabella Wildish and Miranda Lantry for winning and well done to everyone else. We want to say a special thanks to all the teachers who came along on the Camp and helped organise it.

Jack Powell (7.14) and Scarlett Ward (7.14)

Student photographers: Paul Stebbins (7.14), Kayla Woods (7.15) and Lizzie Daly (7.17)





Year 8 Camp

The Year 8 Camp was again highly successful despite the predicted stormy weather. Activities included hiking, abseiling, boogie boarding and inflatable water craft team activities. The students enthusiastically threw themselves into the activities and enjoyed the challenges set before them. It was a great camp!

Ric Gaschk
Year Level Coordinator



Administration

Student Sign In/Out Kiosk

You may have noticed at Student Reception that we now have a new system enabling students to sign in and out using a touch screen iPad.



Emma becomes familiar with the new sign in/out system at Student Reception

We hope you enjoy the convenience of this new system.

Lost Property

Lost Property will be on display outside the Resource centre for the first two weeks of Term 2. We have been inundated with lost sports uniform, shoes and other school items. If your child has lost any school items, please check the lost property tables between Monday 24 April – Thursday 4 May. A friendly reminder to please ensure all school items are named.

Entertainment Books

This year we are raising funds for Robotics Kits for Junior and Senior Schools. Order your NEW 2017 | 2018 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership now. You'll receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help our fundraising at the same time. To order your Book or Digital Membership securely online visit: <http://www.entbook.com.au/188693c3>

Mel Brydon
Office Manager

Music Department

We had a great start to 2017 in the Music Department and we hope that everyone has enjoyed their school holidays.

In the last week of Term 1 our Year 2 Strings students had an open Parent Information Session with their families and friends. Parents were given information about what home practice to expect and how to care for the instruments. During Term 1 students have been learning how to play their string instrument, how to hold their instrument and bow, and how to care for their instrument. In the last

week the students were able to take their instrument home for the first time and were very excited to do so.



Year 2 Strings

We get a bit busier in Term 2. Our first performance is Open Day on 6 May. This is a big performance day for our music ensemble students, many of whom have multiple performances throughout the day. Notices have been sent home, detailing the schedule for each ensemble on the day.

Our Vocal Ensemble will perform at the annual Thanksgiving Breakfast on Saturday 27 May. This is a community event during which people from the local community are given an opportunity to be thanked for the tireless work they do for others around them. It is always an honour for our Oxley ensembles to be invited to perform at this event.

Our VCE students have their first concert on Thursday 22 June. Twelve students will be performing at this concert on instruments such as piano, guitar, trumpet, drum kit, and voice. It should be a great concert and all in our Oxley community are welcome to attend.

The Junior Ensemble Evening will be held on Wednesday 28 June, the last week of Term 2. This evening will include students in our two junior choirs, string ensembles, and our Vivace percussion ensemble. Once again, all in our Oxley community are most welcome to attend. This year, Schoolpix will be taking photos of our ensembles on the night.

Our Music Camp will be held very early in Term 3 (27 July – 29 July) and will include students from Sinfonia, Concert Band, Senior Choir, and Vocal Ensemble. Information about the camp will be sent to students in these ensembles during Term 2.

Private instrumental students will have received their timetables during the school holidays. Please remember to advise Mrs Peacock directly if you are going to be absent from your music lesson for any reason. Lessons missed without any prior advice will be billed as a charged lesson. The phone number to call is 9727 9675.

Angela Peacock
Performing Arts & Events Administrator

Sport

Senior Sport Report

Senior Boys EISM Hockey Season Review

The Boys' Hockey team had a fantastic season, not only through game results but also the team spirit we created through mateship and good sportsmanship. We won three and drew one out of the six games we played, including our largest win of 9 goals to 0 over Oakleigh where everyone contributed, with nine different scorers from the players from Years 10, 11 and 12 in the game. Our defence was definitely a strong point in our season, never allowing the opposition to score more than 3 goals, this was significantly achieved by great goal keeping by **Matthew Smith (12.8)**.



Senior Boys Hockey Team

Every player had a role to play in the team, and did so with the best attitude and always prioritising team mates over themselves. This made it very difficult when voting for the Most Valuable Player (MVP) and Best Team Player (BTP). However, as voted by the team the MVP was **Liam Ting (11.16)** who played up forward and scored many goals as well as quite a few assists over the season, whilst **Jack Anderson (12.10)** was voted BTP with his consistent selfless attitude, working tirelessly to get the forwards free so the team could score.

Team Members

Year 12: Brenton Ashley-Cooper (C), Jack Anderson, Sam Fung, Callum Heads, Nathan McDonald, Seth Runje, Matthew Smith

Year 11: Jack Carvosso, Lucas de Groot, Richard Friswell, Lachie Morris, Liam Ting

Year 10: Daniel Ducommun, Ben Fisher, William Spratt, Joshua Winter

It was a really terrific season with such a great group of boys, who were well managed by super coach Miss Latham.

Brenton Ashley-Cooper (Captain)

Careers

Work Experience

A reminder to Year 10 students and parents that the Work Experience Arrangement forms need to be returned to the school with all sections completed except the Principal's signature. If a replacement form is needed they can be collected from Student Reception in the Administration building. Thank you to those students who have already submitted the forms.

Carol Oswald
Careers Coordinator

Resource Centre



The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open for 2017 and many students have once again registered for this special event. We encourage all students in Junior School to be involved. This is not an 'extra' reading program, but a way to help students stay motivated and interested in reading, by committing to read regularly. Students in Years Prep - 2 need to read or share 30 books, and students in Years 3 - 6 need to read 15 books, over the 6 month duration of the Challenge. Two thirds of the books need to be from the PRC lists provided on the website, with the remaining one third being student's own choice books. Our Resource Centre has plenty of PRC books for students to borrow during Library class or in their own time. We look forward to another successful year of reading! Please contact the Resource Centre if you need assistance with registration, books or logging reading. Further details can also be found at <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc>

Ruth Hogg
Resource Centre Manager

Charity Knitting

Greetings fellow knitters. It has reached that time of year when the weather is getting colder and winter woollies are needed. We will continue to knit for KOGO (Knit One Give One), who have said they are in desperate need for baby cardigans or jumpers. Squares, beanies, scarves and wrist warmers are also welcomed. Any knitted items handed in before 1 May will be placed on the Charity knitting display on Open Day. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Dru Law
Senior School Teacher

School Photo Day is coming

Schoolpix will be here on Wednesday 3 May

Photo day tips

Dress

Clean and tidy as per school uniform guidelines

Hair

Clean, neat and tidy. Junior girls with hair which is shoulder length or longer, must tie it back completely. Senior girls with hair which is shoulder length or longer, must tie or pin the front 1/3 back from the face. Fringes should not fall below the eyebrows. Hair ties, combs, pins, scrunchies, and ribbons may be worn by girls, but must be navy blue, white or Oxley red. Ribbons may be purchased from the School Uniform Shop. Boys hair must be trimmed so that it is kept off the eyebrows, face, ears and shirt collar and should not be cut closer than level 3. Boys must have a clean shaven face.

Online orders

Order forms will be sent home shortly. To pre-order online, take your personal order and id numbers found on your order form and go to www.schoolpix.com.au Orders can be placed online up to 2 working days after photography. You do not need to return the order form if you order online.

Remember

all orders placed online before midnight on photography day will receive a free 20cm x 25cm black and white portrait print.

Manual orders

Complete your order form and return with payment to school on photography day.

Sibling orders

For a special photo of your children together order online by Tuesday 2 May. Alternatively collect a sibling order form from the office or download it from the schoolpix website and return it on photography day. Only siblings who place an order will be photographed.



OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 6 MAY - 11.00AM TILL 3.30PM

You are warmly invited to Oxley Christian College Open Day. Students and staff from our Junior and Senior Schools will be delighted to show you around our beautiful campus.



Tennis Lessons at Oxley

Marshall Tennis Coaching is a professional, fully qualified tennis coaching business. Our program consists of a pathway to suit all ages and standards utilising the most current Tennis Australia methods and research for sustained enjoyment and improvement in the game of tennis in a fun, passionate and committed environment.

- FREE TRIAL LESSON
- Lessons for all ages and abilities

We are currently running our program on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, however, due to high demand we will be opening up new time slots on Monday 3.45 - 4.15pm and 4.15 - 5.00pm.

For more information or to enrol please call Andrew on 0402 290 454 or email: marshalltenniscoaching@gmail.com

Notice Board

2017 Calendar

UNIFORM SHOP

Gate 7, 15-49 Old Melbourne Rd
Ph: 9036 7359

Tuesdays & Thursdays (term time)
8.15 - 9.00am & 1.00 - 4.30pm

Uniform regulations and price list are available at the Office or online at:
<http://www.bobstewart.com.au>

CLASSIFIEDS

The Oxley Classifieds are a convenient way to buy and sell items (directly related to the education of your child) such as textbooks, uniform and musical instruments.

To advertise or purchase second-hand items:

<http://online.oxley.vic.edu.au/index.php>

username: parent
password: oxley

OXLEY KIDS

Early Learning Centre
Open 6.30am - 6.30pm
9727 9200

OXLEY ONLINE

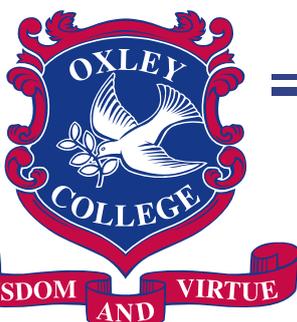
The Vine is also available online via our website:
www.oxley.vic.edu.au

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

To see the latest in tertiary information including Open Days, visit:

<http://www.oxley.vic.edu.au/category/careers>

April	Thursday	20	Senior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00-9.00pm Senior School)
	Friday	21	Year 7 immunisation
	Monday	24	ANZAC Dawn Service (6.30am Teardrop Carpark)
	Tuesday	25	ANZAC Day Holiday
	Wednesday	26	Senior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00-9.00pm Senior School building)
	Saturday	29	Ensemble Workshop (8.30am - 4.30pm BPAC)
May	Wednesday	3	School Photos
	Thursday	4	EISM Years 7-12 Division 2 Athletics
	Friday	5	Open Day Preparation (1.00pm dismissal)
	Saturday	6	Open Day (11.00am to 3.30pm)
	Tuesday	9	Junior School Mother's Day Stall
	Tuesday	9	NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 Writing & Language Conventions
	Wednesday	10	NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 Reading
	Thursday	11	NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 Numeracy
	Wed-Fri	10-12	Year 4 Camp
	Sunday	14	Mother's Day
	Monday	15	EISM Years 7-12 Athletics Championships
	Tuesday	16	Junior School Cross Country
	Wednesday	17	School at Work (9.30am BPAC)
	Mon-Fri	22-26	Library & Information Week
	Wednesday	24	National Reading Day
	Saturday	27	National Thanksgiving Day Mayoral Breakfast
	Tuesday	30	Junior & Senior Schools ICAS Science
Jun	Mon-Fri	5-9	Year 7-11 Exams
	Monday	12	Queen's Birthday Holiday
	Wednesday	14	Junior School ICAS Spelling GAT
	Thursday	15	Junior School ICAS Writing
	Friday	16	Report Writing Day (student free)
	Wednesday	21	School at Work (9.30am BPAC)
	Thursday	22	VCE Unit 1 & 3 Concert (7.00pm BPAC)
	Mon-Fri	26-30	Year 10 Work Experience
	Wednesday	28	Junior School Ensemble Evening (7.00pm BPAC)
	Friday	30	Last Day Term 2
Jul	Monday	24	First Day Term 3
	Thu-Sat	27-29	Music Camp (1.00pm, Oasis Mt Evelyn)
Aug	Tuesday	1	Junior School ICAS English Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00-8.30pm Senior School Building)
	Wednesday	2	Year 10 into 11 Information Evening
	Wed-Fri	2-4	Book Fair
	Thursday	3	Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00-6.00pm Senior School Building)



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