



The Newsletter of
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From the Principal

Dear Friends,

With the conclusion of our school term, the year is moving forward rapidly. I commend our students and staff for their work over the last ten weeks. Of course, many will be continuing with projects and practice for events in the next term and we appreciate the commitment by all involved. We hope the Year 10 cohort are thoroughly enjoying their time in *work experience* and that VCE students are engaging with the requirements for their final units of study.

At the various performance recitals over the last two weeks, the wonderful gifts and the hard work of our students were on display. I congratulate students on their achievements and giftedness in music. A special note of appreciation goes to the students involved in the Year 6 *Night of the Notables* and the Year 9 *Mock Elections* last Tuesday. Thank you also to the families represented at the recent *Cybersafety Evening*, as this is an important issue in schools. The evening was a valuable and informative occasion. Thank you to all families for your support, interest and assistance in making this a vibrant and effective semester.

Looking forward, our anticipation is building toward the annual music camp and later, a wonderful musical

production by our Middle School students. It will showcase the talents of many students and staff.

We are delighted to announce that, from next year, the College will have three Prep streams. Around 70 students are enrolled in the 2020 classes. The 2021 Prep year is also receiving strong interest and well on the way to the same number of enrolments. This bodes well for a triple stream Junior School in the near future. All this with our planning for new Junior School buildings in progress.

Each year we receive valuable feedback from our families by way of a parent survey. Some of the information we receive underpins changes we make while the opportunity to make open-ended comments provides for families to be heard. This year the survey will be open until 5.00pm, Monday 29 July. It is an anonymous survey and the link follows here, but will also be sent directly to families. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OxleySurvey2019>

We trust all students will appreciate their end of semester reports and have a safe and refreshing break.

Douglas Peck



2019 Middle Years Production

TICKETS SELLING FAST!

Thursday 8 and Friday 9 August

Tickets on sale from **Thursday 27 June at 4.00pm**
for more information visit www.oxley.vic.edu.au

Chaplain's Corner

Self Control

I don't know about you, but I struggle in this area. I'm certain I am not alone. Self control is a virtue, listed as one of the fruits of the Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-23 *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance (patience), kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.*

To be honest, I'm glad it is last in the list! I like to think that as it's listed last, perhaps it's the last thing I need to check off in developing my character? Or maybe it's last because it's the hardest to achieve? However, maybe it's last because it is most important? Or perhaps the other fruits point to and actually lead us toward self control? Worth consideration.

I wonder, when it comes to self control, if you can identify yourself struggling with any of the following? *Cheezels!*? Or *Netflix*? Maybe *YouTube*? It could be fast food, video game addiction, or how late you stay up? Maybe you are a workaholic? It might be in the area of anger, jealousy, pride, laziness, hatred, offense, or unforgiveness. There are so many areas of our lives where self control is vitally important to see us flourish and sustainably succeed, in our work, in our recreation and in our relationships with God and others. I'm here to say you are not alone if you struggle with self control and I'm also here to say it is worth the fight!

Personally, I have moments and areas where I feel I am strong and other times when I feel like I'm a disaster. If I'm stressed or overtired, I can over eat. I often procrastinate, putting things off instead of getting them done now. At times I can lose my cool with my kids and speak harshly in a tone I'm not proud of, and I have to apologise later.

Proverbs 25:28 *says, ... like a city whose walls are broken down is a man who lacks self-control.*

I aspire to be better and, with God's help, I know I can. I recognise that people who have a strong character have the ability to hold themselves accountable for their actions and to resist temptation. It's time to build up the walls again. If I notice a crack, a weakness, I can draw upon God's help to address it. Slowly, carefully, sustainably and with accountability.

The truth is, we all face temptations and times of weakness. Jesus faced temptation and showed us what self control really looks like, when He spent 40 days in the desert. During this time, Satan tempted Him. He offered Him big promises, if He would just pledge His allegiance to him. Money, fame, glory, land, kingdoms, but Jesus quoted scripture after scripture to call out Satan and his lies. He recognised the lies, resisted the enemy and saw him flee.

1 Corinthians 10:13 *No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.*

David gave into temptation and almost lost it all, his kingdom, his reputation and his mental health, but God restored him. Peter, when he denied he knew Christ, showed weakness, yet God restored him.

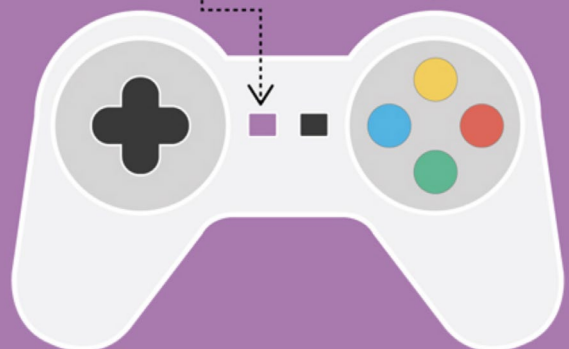
When Jesus taught His disciples how they should pray, He included the line *"lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one"*. He sees it important enough to tell them to pray that God will help deliver them from temptation. This means that the strength to resist temptation can be increased if we ask God to help us. We can't do it alone. And if we fall, if we fail, God is there to lift our heads, restore us to our former position and say, *'Go again, Matt! Try again. You got this.'* God is faithful and He will help us through.

So if you are struggling with self control, try the following:

- Identify your behaviour and it's root cause.
- Recognise your behaviour reveals an underlying heart issue.
- Ask God to work in you and help you to deal with the heart.
- Be accountable. There's strength in numbers. Ask others to help you and walk alongside you.
- Don't give up. Keep rebuilding the walls!

Matt Daly
Chaplain

God can give you the
POWER
to control yourself.



Senior School

Last week the Senior Ensemble Evening took place and nine different ensembles performed for the audience. The wide range of instruments included voice, violins, cellos, double bass, triangle, drums, cymbals, tambourine, saxophones, trombones, keyboard, flute, clarinet and even a gong. Arrangements comprised highly technical pieces, a salute to Marvin Hamlisch with both the *Entertainer* and *Memories*, and emotional renditions of both *Who You Say I Am* and *Fields of Gold*. The four saxophones of *Sforzando* and the vocalists in *Melodia*, the voices in *Colla Voce* and the strings of *Camerata* and *Allegro* were marvellous. A very energetic performance of *Jersey Bounce* was followed by *Easy* from the *Jazz Ensemble*, with Liam Wilson-Gardner (11.13), Chloe Sansom (12.8), Sylvia Penman (12.9) and Ben Fisher (12.10) obviously enjoying themselves. The Senior Choir began the evening and the Concert Band closed in superb style with a large array of instruments combining to deliver *Bohemian Rhapsody*.



The Jazz Ensemble, accompanied by Mr Chan, performing on Open Day

Overall, the Ensemble Evening was amazing with the various ensembles showcasing their musical talents and entertaining the crowd with their impressive mastery of their chosen pieces. An enormous **thank you and well done** to all students and staff involved!

Earlier in the week we had approximately 120 parents attend the Cybersafety presentation in the BPAC. David Stevens and Michael McCoy from the Australian Federal Police offered their advice on the many dangers of cyberspace and ways to help young people and adults more safely navigate technology. David elaborated on the importance of communication as central to protecting young people, and how providing rules, support and advice protects our children from falling victim to predatory behaviour, from inadvertently breaking the law, and from avoiding many of the other pitfalls which have arisen, such as gaming addictions. His experiential anecdotes and wealth of wisdom were delivered in a friendly and down to earth manner. All who attended went home much more aware than they were at the commencement of the evening.

David went on to talk about mobile phones and other powerful technologies. Typically, parents foot the bills for devices, therefore should expect to be *allowed* access to inspect them, even when children may claim that

"nobody's else's parents do that". Some of the stories regarding issues that young people are not equipped to handle provided another good reason to endeavour to persevere with open communication, especially on the tough topics. Thank you to all who attended to make this event worthwhile. A printed copy of the information is available at www.thinkuknow.org.au. or via Oxley Reception.

We trust you are able to find ways to stay warm at this time of year. We acknowledge that all VCE studies have a reasonable amount of holiday homework to complete, as well as focussed study in the specific areas that need additional work. We pray all our students will be able to find time to enjoy catching up with friends or find other ways to safely celebrate the life they have and to rest in God's love.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Philippians 4:8

Greg Barker
Deputy Principal – Head of Senior School

Junior School

We offer hearty applause to all students and staff for yet another fantastic term of learning. Students have grown in many ways – physically, emotionally, academically and spiritually. It has been lovely to observe students using a growth mindset as they approach challenges and use encouraging words when speaking to others and themselves! Positive self-talk, aligned with the truth of God, is so important. Thank you to our students for giving of their personal best and reaching personal goals across all areas of the curriculum. We extend appreciation to all parents for your amazing support this term.

Students will be issued with their end-of-semester reports on Friday 28 June. Celebrating growth is important, leading to opportunities to set realistic goals for future learning. Staff, including our specialist teachers, look forward to meeting with parents early in Term 3 to discuss Semester 1 reports and ways to collaboratively support student learning both at school and at home. Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 30 July (4.00pm - 8.30pm) and Thursday 1 August (4.00pm - 6.00pm). Please see the letter accompanying your child's report for details on how to book interviews via the Parent Portal on the Oxley Christian College website.

The Junior Music Ensemble Evening, saw students involved in our *Cherub* and *Seraphim* Choirs, and ensembles, performing for family and friends. This special event was enjoyed by all! We appreciate the work of our Performing Arts teacher, Mrs Rebecca Hill and the Private Instrumental Music instructors, who work tirelessly to prepare our students for occasions such as this.

In Term 3, we look forward to the return of Mrs Kirby-Beach, and thank Mrs Emma Ashmore for ably taking charge of 6K in Term 2. We wish to advise parents that

Mrs Sharon Sutton will be taking long service leave next term. Mrs Emma Ashmore will be covering Art and other roles in Mrs Sutton's absence. We will hold Mrs Sutton in our prayers during Term 3.

Please take time over the term break to conduct a thorough check of your child's school uniform, hair, the length of winter skirt hems (must be 5-10cm below the knee when standing upright), and any uniform items in need of repair. Refer to the guidelines for hair and uniform on pages 12-13 of the Student Diary. Staff undertake regular checks and parents will be advised in writing of anything requiring immediate attention.

We pray that all students, families and staff will enjoy a delightful time of rest and relaxation during the upcoming break. We look forward to returning for the commencement of Term 3 on Monday 22 July.

Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light. Matthew 11: 28-30

Sharee Gaiser
Head of Junior School

What Did You Do at School Today?

Prep

We can't believe we are halfway through the Prep year. It has been an exciting time of learning about so many different things. We can now infer meaning when we read, finding the author's message from all parts of the text. We can write persuasive texts and information reports, and are now working on writing letters that face the right way. We can't wait to see what next term brings!

Year 1

We have been revising some of the topics we have studied so far. For example, in Maths we revisited Position and Direction. We had a great time setting out our plates, cups, and cutlery, and drawing and describing the objects using positional language. We are looking forward to a holiday break and hope everyone feels refreshed and ready for Term 3!



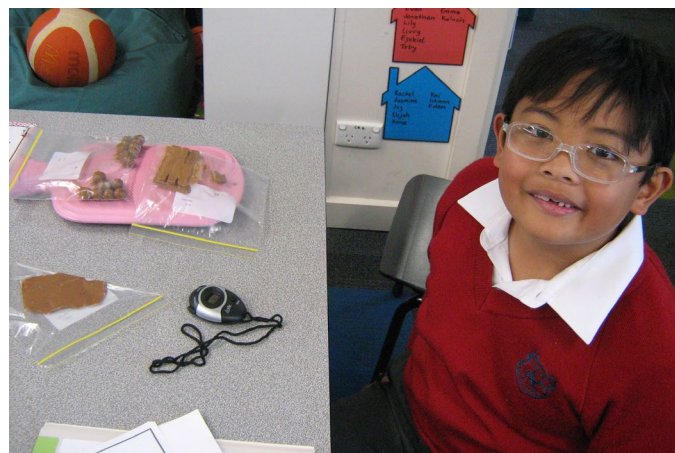
Izzy, Alice, Olivia, Aryan, Sawm, and Ethan with their dinner settings.

Year 2

We have been working hard. In Maths, we have been learning all about fractions and made wonderful fraction pizzas where we divided pizzas in halves, quarters and eighths. We placed yummy fraction toppings on each slice. It has been making us quite hungry! In Writing, we put the finishing touches on our wonderful Information Reports. We are excited to show the class our work. Some of our interesting themes include: 4WD Vehicles, Horses, Chocolate, Cheetahs, Cats, Rollerskating and Maths. We have worked very hard this term and deserve a wonderful break; we look forward to time with our family and friends.

Year 3

We have been getting excited about the Science Expo, an opportunity to show off our wonderful learning about heating and melting. Each student designed and conducted an experiment to test the impact of heat. We had to predict, make observations and explain our results. We loved presenting our findings and having visitors ask questions about our investigations! Science is great fun!



Emma and Micah conducting their experiments

Year 4

In Math this week, we challenged ourselves to find the rules in number patterns. We worked in teams to discover and continue patterns that helped us solve problems. We learnt it is okay to change your mind and try again as mistakes help us to better understand the problem. It was interesting to hear the different explanations given as our classmates shared the thinking that lead them to an answer.

Year 5

We were so excited to showcase our learning at the Space and Light Expo. The creativity and amazing facts on display delighted many and were a credit to the hard-working students. We are also publishing our information reports, demonstrating that we are experts in many areas, ranging from favourite sports to favourite animals. With all this incredible research, we are sure to enjoy our well deserved winter break.

Year 6

This week has been jam-packed full of amazing and fun things, with a personal highlight being the Year 9 *Mock Election*. Both classes voted for the Greens because their speech was very illuminating. We also enjoyed *Night of the Notables*, especially seeing each other's fantastic work and costumes. We thought this was a night that was very notable! We can't wait to see what amazing things we do next term!

By Michael B and Ollo S

Poems by Term 2 Literacy Horizons students

The Lighthouse

by Lillianna Filleul (6W)

Standing tall on rocky
shores
Painted black and white
Like a prisoner there
Standing abandoned in
jailhouse clothes
Yet no finer place to be
View of the seven seas
And crisp salty air.

Navigating ships to safety
In the darkness
The lighthouse shines the
brilliant white light
Almost failing in the thick
air
Between black cloud
Black ocean
Giving illumination to
waves
Sculptured by the wind,
dancing, powerful.

The stairs spiral upwards
Damp from moisture laden
air
Pouring through naked
windows
Each footfall letting out a
metallic clang
Echoing all over the
building
While wind whipped
throughout
In a harrowing scream.

Memories

by Hannah Steer (6K)

Listening at the door,
Peeking through the crack.
Tears and dirty tissues,
A letter unfolded on the
bed.

Gathered together on the
couch,
Parent's tear-stained face.
News blurted out,
Shocked faces.

Room emptier by the
minute,
Locked away,
Hearts empty.

At school,
Voices unclear.
Echoing through my head,
Running away.

Driving to a deserted
house,
Memories flooding back.
His laugh,
Filling my head.

Bed unmade,
Untidy house,
Memories.

Looking through,
Drawers of clothes.
An unlocked safe.

Opening,
Holding your breath.
A picture and button.

A picture of that loved one.
Tears sliding down,
Tucking it in your pocket.

Slowly leaving,
His house locked up forever.
Turning away.

Rubbing the button,
Feeling the picture,
Breathing out,
Smiling.

The Beach

by Paul Shen (6K)

I amble along the long
lonely beach,
The sunset shines, it glares.
Cracked shells spike
my feet.

The air doesn't smell salty,
But it smells of burning.
Another intact shell,
foreboding.

But then I remember the
lonely beach I walk,
Everyone has gone.
An empty metal case casts
a shadow,
Its long barrel crumbled.
Over the rocks shattered in
water,

Another metal beast lays.
Its wings loom over the
water,
I reach to touch the cold
cracked glass.
I peer inside where a
control stick lays,
As the sun collapses.
I look over the rocks,
A graveyard settles.
A field of alluring red,
Poppies cover the
darkening light.

Rumble Rumble

by Tirion Roberts (5M)

Playing in the garden,
Swinging on the swings,
A swirling rumble fills the
air,
Before I know it,
I'm feeling scared.
Hugs, kisses, nothing helps,
The sinking feeling down
below.

Whooshing grows louder,
Rumble, rumble.
Sinking feelings,
Rumble, rumble.
Tearing down the frames,
Of many a building.
Rumble, rumble.
EVACUATE!

Finally, gone in the
distance,
A wasteland of sorry regret.
Once safe, no longer the
place,
With a swing and a garden.



Year 6 Night of the Notables

On Tuesday 25 June, Year 6 hosted *Night of the Notables*. For the duration of Term 2, they have studied the life of a person who has immigrated to Australia and has made a significant contribution to society. Students considered the hardships that their chosen immigrant encountered and explained how they overcame challenges during their transition into a new country. During the evening, students took on the role of their

notable in costume, answering questions from the immigrant's perspective. Visitors were impressed not only by the exceptional standard of work, but how the students had developed a detailed understanding of what it is like to immigrate from one place to another. Year 6 is to be congratulated for their phenomenal effort. They should be very proud of how they have grown in their inquiry skills this term.



Hannah as May Gibbs, Keira as Nancy Wake and Shiloh as Dame Joan Hammond



Ava as Dr Victor Chang



Caitlyn as Catherine Helen Spence



Year 6



Gabe as Lawrence Hargrave



Jett as Jason Johannisen



Ava as Bathsheba Ghost and Radha as Caroline Chisholm

Sport

Yarra Division and Eastern Metropolitan Region Cross Country

Over the last month, selected Year 3-6 students have competed in Cross Country events through School Sports Victoria. Oxley was represented by 24 students from Year 3-6 at the Yarra Division Cross Country competition, seven of whom successfully progressed to the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Cross Country.

Below are the results from the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Cross Country:

Name	Placing
San Lian Buansing	56th
Lillianna Filleul	57th
Donny Lian	12th
Alannah Moulton	39th
James Ray	63rd
Anthony Tartaglia	58th
Jonathan Woodcock	66th

Donny Lian is congratulated for finishing in the top 12 and will now race at the State Cross Country Championships. An incredible achievement!

Congratulations to all students who were involved in these competitions. We're cheering for Donny at the State Championships!

Joshua Gaschk
Junior School PE Teacher

Round up of Year 7's Term 1 EISM Team Sport

Year 7s finished their first term of EISM team sport with great results. The Boys Hockey and Boys Tennis teams both finished in the top 2 while the Girls Basketball finished overall in 4th position. The students were acknowledged for their efforts during a special Sport Assembly on Monday 24 June when medals were presented by the coaches to the Most Valuable and Best Team Players. Congratulations to the following students who received medals:

Team	MVP	BTP
Girls Soccer	Steph Tracey	Sharntai Niemann
Girls Basketball	Aimee Whiting-Le Cras	Daniella Hupertz
Boys Tennis	Simon Wang	Keishi Sasuga
Boys Hockey	Josh Thomas	Ryan Jarrott

Year 7s have commenced trials for Term 3 EISM Sport and all students currently have the opportunity to try out for Girls Netball, Girls Hockey, Boys Football, Boys Volleyball and Mixed Table Tennis. In order for as many students to have the opportunity to be a team member, more students are selected than needed.



Proud medal recipients (Back: Aimee, Daniella, Sharntai and Steph. Front: Simon, Keishi, Ryan and Josh).

All Year 7 to 12 students who performed well during the recent House Cross Country were also acknowledged during Assembly. Students who finished in the top 13 in each age group are encouraged to join Running Group after school on Thursday afternoons to prepare themselves for the EISM Cross Country that will take place on Wednesday 11 September at Ruffey Lake Park in Doncaster East.

The Year 8/9 and Senior EISM Winter competition continue after the July holidays as normal with grand finals taking place at the end of August.

I wish all students a good break, and remember to keep fit!

Frederik Kotzé
Head of Sport

Music

Term 2 was filled with many wonderful performances

Our first Soirée Evening was held on Thursday 13 June, showcasing 45 great performances over two concerts. Our Soirée Evenings are an important part of skill development for our Private Instrumental students. Soirées give students the opportunity to learn stage and performance etiquette, how to be a polite audience member and they provide an opportunity to learn how to perform through performance nerves. As a musician, these are all very important skills to learn.

The very next day we had a number of students sit their string examinations with St Cecilia School of Music. The following students are to be congratulated on passing their examinations.

Emily Sopar	SCSM Violin Preliminary Grade
Weylen Truong	SCSM Violin Preliminary Grade
Rachel Jansen	SCSM Viola Preliminary Grade
Emily Duckworth	SCSM Violin Grade One
Elisha Bakhtiar	SCSM Violin Grade One
Cooper Gratton	SCSM Violin Grade One

Jasmin Liu	SCSM Violin Grade One
Elijah Daly	SCSM Cello Grade One
Chloe Brookes	SCSM Viola Grade Two
Allan Phillips	SCSM Cello Grade Two
Kyla Sharkey	SCSM Violin Grade Three
Mikayla Scharp	SCSM Violin Grade Three
Daniel Balla	SCSM Violin Grade Three
Radha Robertson	SCSM Violin Grade Three
Alannah Moulton	SCSM Cello Grade Three
Keishi Sasuga	SCSM Violin Grade Five
Ioan Bugheau	SCSM Violin Concert Certificate Grade Five
James Kim	SCSM Violin Concert Certificate Grade Five
Emily Spratt	SCSM Violin Concert Certificate Grade Six
Ruby Peacock	SCSM Viola Concert Certificate Grade Six

The following students have also sat and passed their Theory of Music examinations with AMEB

Alannah Moulton	AMEB Theory of Music Grade One
Enya Song	AMEB Theory of Music Grade One
Atlanta Schaeche	AMEB Theory of Music Grade Two
Emily Spratt	AMEB Theory of Music Grade Three

Our Junior Ensemble Evening held on Wednesday 26 June, displayed the wonderful talents of our Junior students as they performed in their ensembles.



Vivace performing at Junior Ensemble Evening



Soirée Evening saxophone performance by Alex

Our Senior Ensemble Evening was held on Thursday 20 June. We had over 120 students performing in nine

ensembles. It was wonderful to hear the great variety in our vocal ensembles, *Senior Choir*, *Melodia* and *Colla Voce*; our three Senior string ensembles, *Sinfonia*, *Camerata* and *Allegro*; in our Concert Band; our saxophone ensemble, *Sforzando*, and in our new Jazz Ensemble. Our guests were all amazed at the quality of the students' performances. Well done to all involved!

Term 3 starts off with a lot of activity, with Music Camp being held from Thursday 25 July to Saturday 27 July. Below are dates to be aware of for Term 3.

Thursday 25 – Saturday 27 July	Senior Music Camp
Monday 29 July	Senior Music Assembly
Monday 29 July	Junior Ensemble Photo Day
Wednesday 7 August	<i>High School Musical JR</i> Dress Rehearsal
Thursday 8 August	<i>High School Musical JR</i> Performance
Friday 9 August	<i>High School Musical JR</i> Performance
Thursday 29 August	Soiree Evening (No. 2)
Wednesday 11 September	<i>The Lion King JR</i> Junior School Production
Thursday 12 September	<i>The Lion King JR</i> Junior School Production

Private instrumental students should have now received their timetables for Term 3. Just a reminder that our policy states that if a student misses their private instrumental lesson for any reason, other than a school based event, the lesson will be counted as a paid lesson and will not be rescheduled.

If you have any queries about private instrumental lessons or ensemble rehearsals, please call the Music Department on 9727 9675.

Angela Peacock
Performing Arts & Events Administrator

Resource Centre

Book Fair

Come to our Book Fair featuring books and gifts from *Scholastic* to find something new and exciting to read.

Where: The Resource Centre

When: 7 August - 9 August 2019

Parent viewing: 8.10am - 4.15pm

Student viewing: During class time

Payment: Payment at purchase
Cash or credit card accepted

Ruth Hogg
Resource Centre Manager

Baking for Boxes

Year 10.2 recently held an event to raise money for the *Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal*. Students put in a fantastic effort by organising every detail of the event, from advertising, baking and selling. It was a wonderful success with students raising a total of \$634.80!!



Congratulations

Congratulations to **James Love** (9.19) who represented Oxley in the 2019 Victorian Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships on Friday 14 June at You Yangs Regional Park. James came 3rd in the Junior Boys which placed Oxley in the 7th position overall.

Victoria Orienteering is conducted on behalf of School Sport Victoria. The competition consists of four classes – Senior (16 and above) and Junior (12-15) boys and girls.

Due to this excellent result, James has been selected on the 2019 Orienteering Victoria Schools Team which will compete in Wagga Wagga during the September holidays.



James also recently came first in the U/15 Boys during the Oxley House Cross Country Carnival.

Year 9 Mock Elections

We congratulate class 9.20 (The Nationals), and leaders **Lucinda Armstrong** and **Jason Blebea**, for being the 2019 Mock Election winners! It was a well-run campaign by all parties, and one of the most pleasing aspects of the 2019 Oxley Mock Election was how involved and dedicated individual students were.

"During the Mock Election program I learnt so much about the political system and how the parties work. I came into it not knowing much at all, so it has been really great." **Maddie Durik** (9.22 Labor Party)

Like any Federal Election, our Mock Election was dominated by some key issues: Sustainable energies vs fossil fuels; Asylum seekers and border protection; Live animal exports and Underage drug and alcohol abuse prevention. It was highly engaging listening to the Party Leaders and the Spokespeople passionately debate their policies and field tough questions from their constituents.

"I really enjoyed question time and getting to argue points of view with people from other parties." **Samuel Pedrosa Kok** (9.19 Liberals Party)

When it came to the crunch on election day, every student did their Party proud in the way that they presented policies to teachers to try to win their vote. When the polls were closed and the ballots had been counted, the result was extremely close, and second and third preferences played a major role in the outcome. *The Vine* spoke to **Lucinda Armstrong** and **Jason Blebea**, Leaders of the Nationals, in the moments after their election victory and this is what they had to say in reflection; "We are very proud of our Home Group, we worked really well together as a team to achieve our goal".

On behalf of all the students and staff who enjoyed Oxley's 2019 Mock Elections, we would like to recognise and thank the Head of Humanities Faculty, Mr Stephen White, for his leadership and organisation of this great program.

Tim Eddy
Year 9 Coordinator



Isabella of the Liberals speaking to Mrs Liney



Chloe, Jasmine, Brayden and Mrs Theunissen enjoying the Greens Party room



Josiah delivering his Sustainable Energies speech



Leaders of the victorious Nationals, Jason and Lucinda



Labor's Lizzie canvassing Frau Sparrow's vote

CSEF – Closes this Friday

Don't miss out on your payment from the Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

The Victorian Government has established the CSEF to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. These costs are included in the levies that are billed to your school account.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card, (eg. Centrelink Health Care Card, Veterans Affairs Gold Card, or Pensioner Concession Card), or you are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

For more information about CSEF, and to download the CSEF application form, visit <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>.

Note: Application forms are also available at the Reception Desk at the College's Administration Office. Application forms will only be accepted up to 28 June 2019.

Please note that the College is required to sight and copy any relevant concession cards that you may hold to support eligibility for the CSEF. Please bring your concession card with you when you deliver your application to the College Administration Office.

Upon approval by the Victorian Government, the allowance will be paid to the College, which will then be applied to your school account.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Mrs Dawn Pryor, Accounts Receivable Officer, or Mr Andrew Holland, Business Manager, on 9727 9900.

Andrew Holland
Business Manager

Enrolments

2020

Parents intending to enrol children (who are not already enrolled at Oxley Christian College) for 2020 are strongly advised to do so now as we have limited vacancies in some year levels. Please obtain an Enrolment Application Form, Fee Schedule and Business Statement from the Administration Office.

2021

We are also accepting enrolments for 2021 and beyond (particularly Prep and Year 7) and again, we encourage you to submit your completed Enrolment Application Form as soon as possible.

Notice to Withdraw

Parents are reminded of their obligation to give the College one full term's notice, in writing to the Principal, if their children are not continuing at Oxley Christian College. The lack of one term's notice will result in the payment of one term's Tuition Fees.

It is also a legal requirement for you to inform us of the school to which your child's enrolment is transferring.

Caroline Lewis
Registrar



With only very limited spaces available for 2020, Oxley Kids is now taking enrolments for 2021 and beyond. Contact us today if you are looking for Kindergarten or Long Day Care for your child, or know a friend who would love to become part of our Oxley community. Phone us on 9727 9200 or email office@oxleykids.vic.edu.au for more information.

We wish everyone a restful holiday, full of opportunities to enjoy time with your families.

Kim Sopar
Oxley Kids Director



Entertainment Books

Help raise funds for our Student Clubs!

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Notice Board

2019 Calendar

UNIFORM SHOP

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

Holiday Trading Hours
Friday 19 July 10.00am - 3.00pm

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/classifieds.php>
username: parent
password: oxley

OXLEY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The College may, from time-to-time, review and update various policies and procedures. Online / digital copies of College policies and procedures can be found on the Oxley website (under 'Publications'), or on the Parent Portal (under the 'Docs' tab) which is accessible from the College website

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

June	Friday	28	Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Excursion Last Day Term 2 (3 week break for students)
July	Wednesday	17	Year 10 Bee Brain Challenge Finals
	Thursday	18	Year 3-6 State Cross Country
	Monday	22	Term 3 Start
	Tuesday	23	Year 10 into Year 11 Afternoon
	Wednesday	24	Year 10 into Year 11 Evening (7.30pm, BPAC)
	Thursday	25	Junior School Leadership Chapel
	Thu-Sat	25-27	Music Camp
	Monday	29	Junior School Miscellaneous and Music Photos
	Tuesday	30	Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00pm - 6.00pm)
Aug	Wednesday	31	VTAC Information Evening
	Thursday	1	Year 12 Drama Excursion Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00pm - 6.00pm)
	Tuesday	6	Year 2 Hands on Science Incursion
	Wed-Fri	7-9	Book Fair
	Wednesday	7	<i>High School Musical JR</i> Rehearsal
	Thur-Fri	8-9	<i>High School Musical JR</i> Performances
	Wednesday	14	School at Work (9.50am - 11.30am, BPAC)
	Sat-Fri	17-23	Book Week
	Monday	19	Year 11 Legal Excursion
	Friday	23	Fathers' Day Stall Year 11 Dinner
	Mon-Fri	26-30	International Week
	Wednesday	28	Year 3-6 District Athletics
	Thursday	29	Soiree Evening (6.00pm & 8.00pm, BPAC)
	Friday	30	Year 8 One Day Wonder
Sep	Sunday	1	Father's Day
	Mon-Fri	2-6	Year 9 Camp
	Wednesday	4	Year 12 Seminar
	Thursday	5	ICAS Science
	Tuesday	10	ICAS Writing Senior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00pm - 9.00pm)
	Wed-Thu	11-12	<i>The Lion King JR</i> Performances
	Thursday	12	ICAS Spelling
	Monday	16	School at Work (9.50am - 11.30am, BPAC)
	Tuesday	17	ICAS English



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