



The Newsletter of
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From the Principal

Dear Friends,

As the term draws to a close we are so very mindful of all we have to be grateful for. Our community has enjoyed the musical productions of both Junior and Senior Schools, the College International week, various major sports events, the Year 9 Camp and tonight's Year 11 Dinner. This is just a taste of College co-curricular life and some of the reasons why students enjoy the Oxley experience. We are grateful for God's protection over us in the day to day conduct of school life, and for the support of families in all that happens here and off site.

We are grateful for our staff in all they undertake on behalf of the College community and we are especially thankful for the special contributions of those who have given a large part of their life to Oxley as they step down from their roles. I refer to Tom Messer who has recently resigned as the College Development Officer to take up work in the city, and to Kristi Reeves as she will stand down as Year 7 Coordinator at the end of the year. Kristi is a remarkable, unwaveringly supportive and compassionate leader of students who has over many years effectively and lovingly transitioned students into Senior School. Similarly, we have been so blessed for a long time by Melissa Brydon as our Office Manager. Melissa has been on leave this last term and has decided not to return to Oxley as she works through her long-term wellbeing and God's new season for her. She will be missed by everyone who has had opportunity to get to know her. At the end of this term, Alex Taylor will also leave us. Alex has been involved in property management

and maintenance for LMC and Oxley over a long period of time, and we are deeply grateful for his *can do* approach in his time with us.

Congratulations Junior School! What a wonderful production you gave us in *The Mender*. Congratulations to the whole production team of some 30 staff and the volunteers in special areas; but particularly Sharee Gaiser as Producer, Rebecca Hill as Musical Director and Sharon Sutton as Director of Drama. No doubt you will follow the storyline and pictures in this edition of *The Vine*, of the One who reaches out to mend the brokenness of human life. *The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.* (Psalm 34:18)

Thank you to families who participated in the annual College survey. Again, we appreciate the feedback and take seriously the comments we have received. Of course, we cannot act on all the suggestions received, but they do give us a feel for the bigger issues to be addressed. We had a high number of responses this year and an increasingly positive response to all the survey statements.

We take this opportunity to commend the term break as a time of refreshment and enjoyment of the creation under God's grace. We trust our Year 12 students will use the break well in preparation for their last 12 school days of the year.

With every blessing,
Douglas Peck



Full cast of the mender

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

Devotions

Integrity

According to a survey conducted by James Kouzes and Barry Posner, surveying thousands of people and performing more than 400 written case studies, the characteristic people most desire in a person of influence is integrity.

Integrity is defined as the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles. Synonyms include honesty, uprightness, honour, good character, virtue, decency, fairness and trustworthiness.

Integrity should be important to us and it is important to God.

We read in Proverbs 28:6 (NLT) *Better to be poor and honest than to be dishonest and rich.* David says to God in 1 Chronicles 29:17, *I know, my God, that You test the heart and are pleased with integrity.*

In March this year, bowler Cameron Bancroft, Vice Captain David Warner and Australian Cricket Captain Steve Smith, were banned from international cricket for 12 months after Bancroft was caught on video tampering with the ball. He attempted to use sandpaper to gain an unfair advantage against South Africa. Darren Lehmann the coach stood down from his role soon after.

It rocked cricket, it shook Australia. It was humorous in a way, as we often see politicians lie and people turn a blind eye, yet cheat ... in cricket? You will feel the almighty wrath of every radio commentator and every backyard BBQ conversation across the nation! Unfortunately Smith's career, his memory as one of the greatest cricketers to play the game, and his captaincy are now forever tarnished.

That is the thing about trust. You can spend your entire life building trust, yet it only takes one moment, one wrong decision to see it completely eroded and your character questioned. Can trust be rebuilt, forgiveness offered? Of course. But it takes time to restore and obviously, Smith had to face the consequences. He lost contracts worth millions of dollars and had to stand down as captain.

Kenneth Boa says that "Biblical integrity is not just doing the right thing; it's a matter of having the right heart and allowing the person you are on the inside to match the person you are on the outside."

Samuel was a biblical leader who exemplified great integrity. He asked the people to search his life and look for any time he had stolen, lied or had dishonest

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Kenneth Boa

dealings. They replied, that they could find none. Honesty and personal integrity was in and through every area of his life. These two characteristics directed how he regarded his possessions, his business dealings and his treatment of those who were weaker than himself (Samuel 12:1-4).

Integrity stems from the Latin word *integer* which means whole and complete. Integrity requires this inner sense of *wholeness* and consistency of character. Consistency is the evidence of a life built upon integrity. It means being the same you, no matter the situation, who is present, or what your mood is.

Integrity is what causes a witness to tell the truth on the witness stand when no one else will know. It is what keeps employees from cheating on overtime hours or expense accounts. It is what causes a golfer to take the shot from the rough, rather than giving the ball a sneaky kick back on to the fairway.

Being a person of integrity requires moral courage. A person of integrity will ask important questions and avoid 'groupthink'. They will ask – *Is this right? Is this true? Will this hurt others? Will this be of benefit for the greater good, not just the here and now or just what is best for me?*

A person of integrity knows the right thing, says the right thing and does the right thing no matter the circumstance. As Christians we are empowered and assisted by the Holy Spirit to help make this sometimes difficult task, possible!

Pastor Matt
Chaplain

Senior School

Spring is in the air. The temperature is increasing although it will probably oscillate for another month or two, wattle is in full bloom showering the land in a sea of yellow, magpies and plovers are practising their diving, third term holidays are tantalizingly close and interest in football has already dwindled for some.

Adventure Camp is the final Senior School camp and coincides with the beginning of spring. To celebrate their year, the Year 9 students packed up their backpacks and tranguias bright and early, and set off for Charnwood in Central Victoria. The intrepid explorers prepared to participate in a week of activities designed to stretch every student.

For some students it may have been their first exposure to living like a turtle and carrying their home upon their back. For others, the central highlight may have been kayaking upon the beautiful Lake Nillahcootie with friends, or overcoming the healthy concern over heights, as they abseiled down a rock face. While for others, exploration on a mountain bike and riding into the unknown may have been a treasured memory. It may even be the simple placing of one foot in front of another on a long walk into the unknown before setting up tent and settling in for the night.

I am sure that all the Year 9 students will look back in years to come not only at the obstacles overcome with their friends, but more importantly at the values that they displayed. Reliance and dependence upon others. Perseverance in the face of adversity. Friendship with people they may not normally spend time with.

Tenacity in solving problems of a tangible nature. Self-sufficiency, responsibility and independence knowing that they carried the food for the following days and that there were no shops close at hand. Teamwork in solving practical problems such as navigation while orienteering. Tolerance and respect as the elements threatened and each person responded in their own way but still remained an essential part of the team.

Year 9 Camp is a wonderful reminder of the paths that we are able to tread due to the footprints worn into the earth by those who have travelled before us. Part of the vision for the College has been to ensure that all students have the opportunity to encounter city, sea and bush and to interact with each to start to form an impression of the scale and diversity of God's world. Words cannot do it justice and photographs cannot capture either the size nor the beauty which is evident in every unique leaf, rock or animal.

And exploring His creation is just one of the many ways in which we may draw closer to He who created all that is around us, all that ever was and all that ever will be. And the same God, so awesome and ingenious as to create everything around us, still cares deeply for each and every one of us, His most valued creations, and wants a deeply personal relationship with us.

David wrestles often with this amazing truth as we see in Psalm 8:3-4, *When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place, what is mankind that You are mindful of them, human beings that You care for them?*

Greg Barker
Deputy Principal – Head of Senior School

Year 9 Challenge Camp



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Junior School

Lights, camera, action! Students took to the stage in a colourful and engaging showcase of talent and creativity, as we celebrated *The Mender*, written by Brian and Fenna Hogg. The students relished in the playful and transforming message of this show, identifying the parallels between the Mender's restoration of much loved toys and God's restoration of hearts. An event such as this is truly a team effort and we thank our staff, who have willingly sacrificed time and energy to ensure this show was a success. Gratitude is also extended to the myriad of parent volunteers, who assisted with costumes and the painting of sets. We all thoroughly enjoyed the performances! We have included a large spread of photos on pages 7-9 and 15.

Recently, NAPLAN results were distributed to all students in Years 3 and 5. Whilst these results represent your child's performance in a *one-off* test, teachers use many forms of data, collected over time, to inform their teaching and learning. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have questions or wish to discuss the report further.

Our annual Year 3-6 Basketball Competition will be held on the last day of Term, Friday 21 September. The students have been training with their Senior coaches and are keen to take to the court and compete in what promises to be an exciting event. Parents are invited to join us in the Stadium to support the players from 9.40am to 2.00pm. Please remember to sign in at Visitor Reception upon arrival.

As students return from a well-earned break in Term 4, they may wear summer or winter uniform during the one week transition period. Please ensure girls summer dresses are at the correct length, with the hem to the bottom of the knee. It would be appreciated if parents can also make use of the holiday break to check hair length, earrings worn by girls and socks. Please refer to pages 12-13 of the 2018 Student Diary for details of our Student Uniform Standards.

Junior School Volunteer Briefing Session

If you would like to be a volunteer in your child's class in Term 4, it is a requirement that you attend a Parent Volunteer Information session. One of the **mandatory** requirements of the College Child Safe Policy is for all volunteers to attend an information session and complete the documentation provided. Please note, if you attended a briefing in 2017 or 2018, your documentation remains current and you do not need to attend this information session.

The date for the Term 4 Parent Volunteer Information session is Wednesday 19 September at 8.00am. Please RSVP to Faye Anderson in the Office.

We pray that our staff, students and their families have a safe and relaxing holiday. We look forward to welcoming all students back to school for Term 4 on Monday 8 October.

"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



Danielle and Sawm enjoying the activity

It has been busy in Prep! We enjoyed celebrating International Week by dressing up in costumes from other countries. We paraded our costumes with other year levels on the stage at LMC. So many countries were represented. To celebrate Father's Day, we prepared a special surprise for our dads. We are sure all the dads or grandfathers enjoyed our hard work with a poster we created about them. We are thankful to God for our dads and grandpas! In Maths we are improving our number formations. We created numbers using plasticine, play doh and chalk. We had fun rehearsing for the school musical and hope you enjoyed our performance.

Year 1

In Mathematics we hunted for 3D shapes in our environment and described their features. We challenged each other to guess our *3D Shape: Who Am I?* using clues that we had written. In ICU we drew and annotated our own maps of different environments, including a park and a farm. We used our learning to label the natural and man-made features. We enjoyed some great class discussions about how these places are cared for and managed by people, and how we can have a positive impact on our environment.

Year 2

We have been learning how to persuade others of our point of view. Playing the game *But Why?* helped us to think about our arguments and make sure we shared relevant information. Being able to persuade others of your point of view is an important life skill and we are certainly getting very good at it! In ICU we have been working on our inquiry into natural resources. It is so much fun researching our own question and deciding

how to present our findings. We have been practising for the Junior School Musical and cannot wait to perform for our families and friends.

Year 3

We enjoyed serving the Junior School by running the Father's Day stall. We priced gifts, set up the stall, served our customers and gave correct change. It was a fabulous real life experience! The exciting news is we will be spending the profit on items for Operation Christmas Child. Next week, we are going on an excursion to Chirnside Park Shopping Center to buy items to fill eight *Samaritan's Purse* shoeboxes to send to Cambodia. Also, we congratulate Donny Lian (3AB), who recently competed in the World Speed Skating Championships in Taiwan. He came 3rd, 4th and 6th in the under 10 section he competed in and should be very proud of these impressive results.

students are investigating the kind of materials that will decompose in moist soil. It will be interesting to see which is the worthiest rotter! In Writing, we are revising and editing our explanations on a how or why question we have always wondered about.



Jem, Caleb and Zak proud of their DT



Happy shoppers at the Father's Day stall

Year 4

Last week, students investigated Volume and Capacity. One of the learning activities involved constructing the initials *DT* in 3D using 30 unit cubes. It proved quite a challenge with some students resorting to using *longs* – which we thought was rather innovative. In Science,

Year 5

We have enjoyed our reading of, and journal response to, C. S. Lewis' novel, *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. We are focusing on the parallels between Aslan and Jesus as well as other themes that arise within the text. We look forward to watching the movie before the end of term. We will be exploring how multimodal features are used by movie directors and producers to create a climax and trigger emotions through deliberate camera shots and angles, lighting, music and visual imagery.

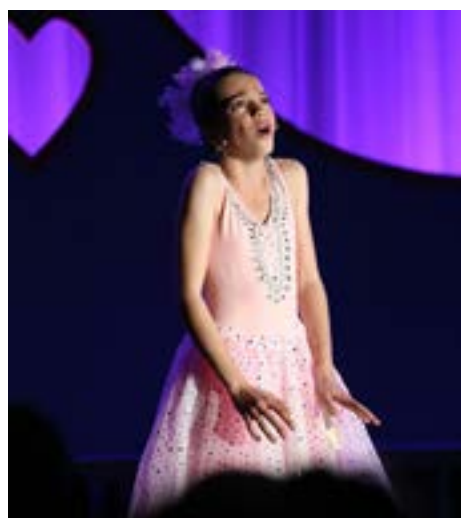
Year 6

We have been learning to effectively summarise what we read in order to communicate the big idea to an audience. Using a Gathering Grid, we analysed a variety of non-fiction sources, learning to document key words and facts to use in an Information Report. We have experimented using inventive headings and figurative language to make our facts come alive! Our texts will be published and we will share our exciting discoveries!

Highlights from *The Mender*



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Chooks4Charity

Earlier this year, Oxley were selected to participate in a pilot program, Learning for a Sustainable Future (LSF). This program is facilitated by the Eastern Alliance for Sustainable Learning (EASL). EASL's goal is to promote lifelong learning and action that improves the health, wellbeing and environmental sustainability of local communities.

Stella Lantry (5R), Chloe Daly (5R), Ava Van Haaster (5A), Spike Sutton (6K) and Angelica De Silva Thanapathy (6W) were selected to represent Oxley Christian College in the LSF Student Leadership Program. Each of these students demonstrates leadership, passion and enthusiasm in caring for God's creation. After attending a one-day conference, the students were asked to design a sustainability themed project using a *design thinking* approach. Our team of students was keen to introduce a poultry program into the school. They each worked determinedly to accomplish this outcome. They named the program *Chooks4Charity* because they wanted to give the money raised from funds received for the eggs, to the *OrangUtan Project* and *The Friends of the Helmeted Honeyeaters*, two charities supported by the work of the Junior School Enviro Team activities. This project would:

- raise money to support the *Helmeted Honeyeaters* and the *OrangUtan Project*
- allow our students to experience the joys of caring for pets
- improve the edible gardens at the Enviro Barn with the chook manure
- enable Oxley Christian College students to mix with Oxley Kids children as the chickens are located here
- give the hens fresh table scraps collected from the Oxley Kids kitchen and Oxley Christian College Enviro Barn alfresco area
- provide eggs for use in cooking sessions at the Enviro Barn.



Fraser and William with two of our new hens

As a team, they prepared a drama to launch the program to the Junior School community at Chapel. They designed posters and helped to write a proposal and risk assessment. They prepared a budget and researched the friendliest and gentlest breed of hens to purchase. They excitedly met together with Mrs Gaschk to discuss the progress of the project and to determine the next steps of action.

We now have four very friendly and gentle hens who are safely housed in a fox-proof home at Oxley Kids. It has brought enormous joy working in alliance with Oxley Kids staff and children. Our hens are regularly laying eggs now that the weather is warmer and the hours of daylight are lengthening. Students love visiting the hens with Mrs Gaschk during their Sustainability lessons and it's even more wonderful when the Oxley Kids children are in their playground. We have already gathered eggs to sell at our Market Garden stall each Tuesday at 3.30pm at the yellow square. They sell like hot cakes. Our mascot, *Super Chook* visits the stall. You can't miss her, she is a Year 5-sized happy hen.



The Enviro team with our new hens

We are very grateful for the determination, encouragement and diligence of our five students!

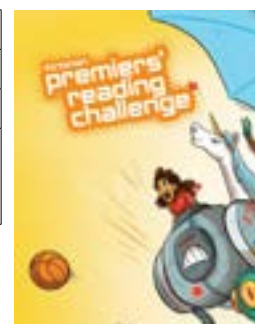
Ann Gaschk
Enviro Teacher

Resource Centre

Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Premiers' Reading Challenge has concluded with a record number of students completing the Challenge (111) and the highest ever number of books read (5,831) in the 14 years that Oxley students have participated. We sincerely thank all the parents who diligently encouraged and entered their child's reading records each week. Beyond the high level of involvement, we trust that this program encourages our students to develop a lifelong love of reading. Our final reading champions are:

Prep	Year 1
Edwin Wang	Scarlett Tander
Year 2	Year 3
Vincent Busuttill Grace Negron Carroll	Charlotte Sutton
Year 6	
Atlanta Schaeche Lani McGregor	



Music

Planning for lessons, rehearsals and performances for Term 4 are now well underway. Private instrumental students will receive their Term 4 timetables next week. Please note the dates of individual and ensemble performances in the table below.

Upcoming Performances

Date	Event / Performance	Ensembles / Students Involved
21 Sept	Recording	Melodia
11 Oct	VCE Concert	VCE Unit 4 Students
15 Oct	Soiree Evening	Private Instrumental Students
17 Oct	School At Work	Senior Choir
17 Oct	Soiree Evening	Private Instrumental Students
18 Oct	Soiree Evening	Private Instrumental Students
19 Oct	Visual Arts Festival	Camerata, Melodia
26 Oct	SCSM String Exams	Selected String Students
27 Oct	SCSM String Exams	Selected String Students
1 Nov	Year 7 Instrumental Concert	Year 7 Students, Sinfonia & Band
8 Nov	School At Work	Sinfonia
8 Nov	VCE Unit 2 Concert	VCE Unit 2 Students
8 Nov	Grandparents Chapel	Allegretto*
15 Nov	Yr 2 Strings Concerts	Yr 2 Students, Andante
23 Nov & onwards	Presentation Evening Rehearsals	Camerata, Melodia, Band, Sinfonia, Senior Choir
28 Nov	Prep Nativity	Junior Choirs
4 Dec	Junior School Final Assembly	Malaguena, Junior Choirs & Vivace
4 Dec	Parent Helper Afternoon Tea	Allegro

Ensembles

Our string ensembles Allargando and Allegretto, have now been divided into three ensembles known as Malaguena, Cabaletta and Serenata. Students who were part of Allargando and Allegretto will be informed which ensemble they are in very soon.

Our Senior Choir has commenced with immense enthusiasm with over 65 students joining the ensemble. The choir has two performance opportunities coming up with School at Work on 17 October and Presentation Evening on 5 December.

Once committed to an ensemble, students are expected to attend every rehearsal. Consistent attendance ensures the ensemble can work together toward preparing performance items. Inconsistent attendance of one or

more students makes it difficult for the ensemble to progress to a performance standard. This is unfair to the majority of ensemble students who attend consistently. We understand on some occasions a student may be unwell and unable to attend a rehearsal. When this occurs, parents are asked to call the Performing Arts and Events Administrator on 9727 9675 to let us know their child will not be attending the rehearsal. In some instances VCE students may be able to make special arrangements with their ensemble teacher about which rehearsals they need to attend. (VCE students must make these arrangements with their ensemble teacher, and must not assume their own arrangements without the teachers consent.)

It is imperative that all students attend the last rehearsal before a performance. It is during this rehearsal that students receive final instructions on what they are playing, and when and where to meet and unpack instruments. The ensemble teacher is unable to brief individual students on these details immediately before a performance.

Private Instrumental Lessons

Parents are reminded that private music lessons are scheduled weekly. If a lesson is missed for any reason, including absences from school, it is counted as a paid lesson.

Private instrumental students are reminded to ensure their lesson times are written into their School Diary and their Lesson Diary. Both diaries should also be brought to every lesson. Senior students are also able to check lessons on SEQTA. This is very important as the Music Department is no longer able to call classes to find Senior students for their lessons. Lessons missed are charged as paid lessons.

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

Angela Peacock
Performing Arts & Events Administrator

Junior Sport

District Athletics

On Wednesday 29 August, students in Years 3-6 were selected to compete at the Mooroolbark District Athletics Competition. Students achieved some incredible results in both track and field, many of whom progressed to the Yarra Division Athletics. Oxley Christian College was particularly successful in the 4x100m Circular Relays, with every team finishing in first or second place. Congratulations to every student for their phenomenal effort in the lead up to, and at the Mooroolbark District Athletics!

9/10 Year Olds	11 Year Olds	12/13 Year Olds
Ava Van Haaster 1st – High Jump, Circular Relay 2nd – 100m	Ava White 2nd – Circular Relay	Aimee Whiting-Le Cras 1st – 1500m 2nd – 100m, Circular Relay
Alannah Moulton 1st – Circular Relay 2nd – 1500m	Jaimie Mann 2nd – Discus, Circular Relay	Melina Pignataro 1st – Long Jump 2nd – Circular Relay
Paige Gillam 1st – 200m, Circular Relay 2nd – 800m	Enya Song 2nd – Circular Relay	Zara Jansz 2nd – Circular Relay
Hayley Graham 1st – Circular Relay 2nd – Triple Jump	Gabriella Swyny 2nd – Circular Relay	Lani McGregor 1st – High Jump 2nd – Circular Relay
Tayla Eleveld 1st – Long Jump	Hannah Waite 2nd – Shot Put	Caitlyn Burnside 1st – Triple Jump
Subomi Dalley 2nd – 100m, High Jump, Circular Relay	Lillianna Filleul 1st – 800m, 1500m	Jessica Graham 2nd – 1500m
Ezra Simpson 2nd – Circular Relay	Eric An 1st – Circular Relay	Nathan Tillotson 1st – 100m, 200m, Circular Relay
Archer Hogan 1st – Discus 2nd – Shot Put, Circular Relay	Freddie Fryer 1st – Hurdles, Circular Relay	Une Geisler 1st – Long Jump, Circular Relay 2nd – 800m
Anthony Tartaglia 1st – 200m 2nd – 800m, Circular Relay	Aston Smith 1st – Circular Relay	Ryan Jarrott 1st – 800m, Triple Jump, Circular Relay
Jonathan Woodcock 1st – 1500m	Gabe Sharkey 1st – Discus	James Davidson 1st – Circular Relay
Jordan Thorpe 1st – Triple Jump		Max Broadley-Thomson 1st – High Jump
		Keishi Sasuga 1st – 1500m

National Swimming Championships

In Term 3, **Une Geisler (6K)** competed at the School Sports Australia National Swimming Championship in Tasmania. Having progressed through the State Swimming Championships, Une was selected as a member of the Victorian Squad. Representing both Oxley Christian College and Victoria, Une achieved some outstanding results, particularly as he was one of only two 11 year olds in the 12 year old section. Une earned a place on the Victorian 50m Freestyle Relay team, where he won his first National Medal (silver) from School Sports Australia.

Une was also recently awarded the best 11 year old swimmer at the Nunawading Swimming Club.



Une with awards from Nunawading Swimming Club for best 11 year old

We are incredibly proud of Une's efforts and ability, and look forward to celebrating his success in the future.

Joshua Gaschk
Junior School PE Teacher

Senior Sport

Winter Season for EISM Sport finishes with great results

It was the basketball teams and netball teams that stood out this year during our EISM Winter Season with two basketball teams winning the Premiership and one Netball team crowned Premiers.

It was a great atmosphere in the Oxley Stadium on Wednesday 29 August when our Senior Boys and Girls basketball teams took on Knox in the Grand Finals. Our Senior Boys team was crowned Premiers for 2018 winning their game 39 – 26. The girls were Runners Up for this season losing to Knox 30 – 42. It was terrific to see both the teams putting in such a great effort. The Senior Netball B girls were also Runners Up in their Grand Final.

The next day Thursday 30 August, our Year 8/9 Girls basketball team played an away Grand Final at Eltham. Despite the odds playing in front of a crowd supporting the opposition, the girls came out on top to be the Premiers for 2018. The 8/9 Boys basketball team also had an away game for the Grand Finals and achieved Runners Up for 2018. The Year 8/9 Girls Netball B team won their Grand Final to become Premiers for 2018.

Congratulations to all our students from Years 7 to 12 who represented Oxley in EISM Sport during the Winter Season. Thanks for the way in which you represented our school with exemplary behaviour. It was great to see our basketball teams and our Netball B teams performing so well throughout the season and competing in the Grand Finals. Congratulations to the winning coaches, Mr Shawn Martin (Year 8/9 Girls Basketball), Mr Ric Gaschk (Senior Boys Basketball) and Miss Melinda de Haan (Year 8/9 Girls Netball).

Congratulations to all the students who were nominated for Most Valuable and Best Team Players for your contribution during the EISM Winter Season. Following is a list of all the students who will receive a medal for MVP and BTP.

Senior Sport

Team	MVP	BTP
Girls Netball A	Brittany Cubitt	Sarah Jones
Boys Football	Srayash Chitrakar	Nathan Arena
Girls Hockey	Angel Aing	Taylah Thomas
Girls Basketball	Miranda Gartner	Sally Johnston-Bailey
Girls Table Tennis	Sylvia Penman	Eleanor Newell
Boys Table Tennis	Sheldon Lin	Caleb Sang
Boys Soccer	Dylan Maxwell	Rocco Pignataro
Boys Basketball	Hamish McDonald	Liam Jarrott
Girls Netball B	Brittany Gaiser	Elise Sibley



Senior Boys Basketball Team crowned Premiers for the Winter season



Year 8/9 Girls Basketball Team are Premiers!



Senior Girls Netball B Team won the Premiership!



Senior Girls Basketball Team win Runners-up!

Year 8/9 Sport

Team	MVP	BTP
Girls Netball A	Grace Napoleone	Indigo Lee
Boys Football	Xavier Leslie	Angus Hubbard
Girls Hockey	Ella Walker	Audrey Oastler
Girls Basketball	Ella Whiting-Le Cras	Saskia Hupertz
Girls Table Tennis	Sophie Broadley-Thomson	Lana Frid
Boys Table Tennis	Adib Ahmad	Jack Powell
Boys Soccer	Jaiden Baptiste	Daniel Townley
Boys Basketball	Francis Lian	Mitch Rippingale
Girls Netball B	Scarlett Ward	Charlotte McGregor

Year 7 Sport

Team	MVP	BTP
Boys Volleyball	Daniel He	Mitchell Eisele
Boys Football	Jack Driessen	Caleb Waite
Girls Hockey	Eloise Jefferies	Emma Mole
Mixed Table Tennis	Riley Haycraft	Max Peacock
Girls Netball	Alicia Barker	Leila Rivet

Frederik Kotze
Head of Sport

Girls Hockey

Over the course of the winter EISM season, I had the privilege of coaching the Senior Girls Hockey team. Having played at a high club level, I had no prior experience of coaching a team. However, the girls were very welcoming and patient. It was a pleasure to have helped improve the team's performances throughout the season, finishing in a respectable third place, competing against teams with experienced hockey players compared to none in our team. Their progress is something which, as a coach, is so great to see and I truly ended the season with a great sense of pride in the girls. Most importantly, I commend the girls for working hard and above all, being such a joy to coach. They all made the experience such a rewarding one, and I'm sure I'll be back to coach again!

I'd also like to thank and congratulate **Angel Aing (12.10)** for her role as Captain and Most Valuable Player. She led the team not only through voice but by example. Congratulations to **Taylah Thomas (10.2)** for being the Best Team Player over the two terms. She worked really hard and her improvement and performances, as well as commitment to the team, often went unnoticed. Finally, I'd also like to thank the rest of the girls on the team: **Jess Cornish, Joanne Guan, Chanse Mathers, Katie Parker, Victoria Phillips, Kim Sambrooks, Chloe Sansom, Claudia Schulz, Ashley Woodroofe, Jess Dziadosz, Casey Thurrowgood and Zoe Sibley.** Once again, it was an amazing season for the girls and I couldn't be more proud!

Liam Ting
Student coach (Year 12)



Our School Captain, Liam Ting, co-coached the Senior Girls Hockey Team for the 2018 Winter Season

Canteen

The canteen is currently unable to obtain stock of Mrs Macs Gluten Free Beef and Veggies Rolls. We are endeavouring to continue stocking this item but it is currently proving difficult to obtain. We still have stock of Mrs Macs Gluten Free Ricotta and Veggie Roll.

Sue Dickson
Canteen Manager

Uniform

Senior School Boys Shorts

A reminder, for those boys who were provided with the temporary shorts style (see Short #1 below – no belt loops and made from a different grey material), you may now contact the Uniform Shop to arrange collection of the standard shorts (see Short #2 below) which are back in stock. Note: There is no additional cost – simply exchange the temporary shorts for the standard shorts. Please ensure the temporary shorts are freshly laundered.

Note: All Senior School boys wearing shorts must wear the Oxley standard shorts, the temporary shorts are no longer permitted to be worn.



Short #1 – Temporary



Short #2 – Standard

Andrew Holland
Business Manager

Welcome to New Staff

Joseph Scuruchi

My name is Joseph Scuruchi and I am excited about joining Oxley as a Learning Support Assistant. I am also currently in my third year of university studying Education and Science. I feel very blessed to be given this opportunity to aid students with their learning and I am sure that my time at Oxley will provide valuable experience as I train to become a teacher.



Enrolments

2019

Parents who are intending to enrol children (who are not already enrolled at Oxley Christian College) for 2019 are strongly recommended 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.

2020

We are also accepting enrolments for 2020 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 school 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



If you are considering Oxley Kids for kindergarten or long day care for your child, please do not hesitate to contact us as we have very limited vacancies for 2019 and are now taking bookings for 2020 and beyond. Phone 9727 9200 to find out how we can help your child begin their Oxley journey!

Kim Sopar
Oxley Kids Director

Save the date

The 2018 Visual Arts Festival featuring select art and design works from Years 7-12, Friday 19 October at 5.00pm, in the Visual Arts Department Building

A promotional poster for the Pro Touch Tennis Academy. At the top, it says "pro touch tennis ACADEMY" with a tennis ball icon and the tagline "gain the advantage". Below this, it says "Oxley Christian College Tennis Courts" and "Enrol Today!". A list of benefits includes: FREE Trial Lesson, FREE Tennis Racquet upon enrolment!, ANZ Tennis Hot Shots, Lessons for ALL Ages, Private Lessons, and Group Lessons. Contact information is provided: info@ptta.com.au, 0402 290 454, and www.ptta.com.au. A note says "We walk the kids from the yellow square to the tennis courts!". At the bottom, it says "Lessons available ALL YEAR!". There is a small photo of two children playing tennis.

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Notice Board

2018 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

The uniform shop will be open during
the school holidays on Friday 5
October from 10.00am - 4.00pm

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

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSURE

The Office will be closed for the
first week of the school holidays:

Monday 24 September to
Friday 28 September.

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](http://online.oxley.vic.edu.au/classifieds.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

Sept	Monday	17	Year 5 Science Incursion
	Tuesday	18	Year 3 Excursion
	Wednesday	19	Prep Science Incursion Senior School Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00 - 9.00pm Senior School Building)
	Thursday	20	Step Into Prep transition program
	Friday	21	Year 3 - 6 Basketball Competition Last Day of Term 3
Oct	Monday	8	First Day of Term 4 VCE Performance & Language exams start
	Tuesday	9	Year 9 into 10 Parent Information Evening (7.30pm BPAC)
	Wednesday	10	Prep Excursion
	Thursday	11	VCE Music Concert (7.00pm BPAC)
	Friday	12	Year 12 Valedictory Dinner
	Monday	15	Soiree Evening (6.00pm and 8.00pm BPAC)
	Wednesday	17	School at Work (9.30am BPAC) Year 1 Excursion Soiree Evening (6.00pm and 8.00pm BPAC)
	Thursday	18	Step Into Prep transition program Year 3 Late Night Incursion (1.30pm to 7.30pm The Barn) Soiree Evening (6.00pm and 8.00pm BPAC)
	Friday	19	Prep - Year 2 Athletics Visual Arts Festival
	Monday	22	Year 12 Final Assembly
	Tuesday	23	Year 12 Final Day VCE Languages Exam
	Wednesday	24	VCE Auslan Exam
	Friday	26	Year 2 Sleepover
	Mon - Fri	29 Oct - 2 Nov	Prep-Year 2 Swimming Lessons
	Wednesday	31 Oct	Year 10 Job Search Day VCE Exams commence
Nov	Thursday	1	Year 7 Instrumental Concert
	Monday	5	Student Free Day
	Tuesday	6	Melbourne Cup Day
	Wednesday	7	Prep 2019 Information Evening
	Thursday	8	School at Work (9.30am BPAC)
	Friday	9	Year 10 Formal Dinner



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