

## MAY

**Mon 23rd** Geelong Cross Country  
**Thurs 26th** Public Speaking - Years 9 & 10  
**Friday 27th** Public Speaking - Years 7 & 8  
**Mon 30th** G7 & T7 Science Excursion to Earth Ed Ballarat  
L7 Enhancement - Compass Award Hike  
**Tues 31st** Year 11 Business Management Market Day

## JUNE

**Thurs 2nd** C7 & L7 Science Excursion to Earth Ed Ballarat  
**Mon 6th - Frid 10th** Year 11 Exams  
**Tues 7th** **REPORT WRITING DAY - STUDENT FREE DAY**  
**EXCEPT FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS SITTING THE GAT**  
**Thurs 9th** Western Metropolitan Cross Country  
Year 10 Keys Please Driver Education Program  
**Frid 10th** Year 10 Visit to the Gordon Period 4-6  
**Mon 13th** **QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY - SCHOOL**  
**CLOSED**  
**Tues 14th** Semester 2 Begins  
Year 7 Immunisations

**Thurs 16th - Sat 18th** School Production - Auditorium  
**Tues 21st** Year 10 Deakin Experience Day  
**Tues 21st - Wed 22nd** Year 12 VCAL Sleep Out in the Gym  
**Frid 24th** Last day of Term - **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.30 PM**

## JULY

**Mon 11th** Term 3 Begins  
**Thurs 14th** State Cross Country  
**Wed 20th** Public Speaking Evening in memory of Barbara Staff  
**Tues 26th** VCE/VCAL Parent Information Evening  
**Thurs 28th** Tertiary Information Session (TIS event)  
**Frid 29th** Year 11 Debutante Ball - Club Italia, Moolap

### STUDENT FREE DAYS 2016

The following day has been approved by the the Oberon High School - School Council as student free for 2016:

- **Tuesday 7th June** - Report Writing Day - except for Year 12 students sitting the GAT.

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### School Provision Committee

As was outlined in the last newsletter, the first Community Reference Group Committee Meeting was held at Oberon High School on Thursday 28th April. It has been confirmed that the next Committee Meeting around the Secondary School Provision for the south of Geelong will be held at the end of May. Following the conclusions of these meetings a report will be finalised by the Department of Education and Training with findings and options and submitted to the Minister of Education for consideration. Results will then be published and made available to the community. If you have any questions around this, I encourage you to contact me at the school to discuss.

### Geelong Football Club Visit

Oberon High School was pleased to welcome back two of its former students - Patrick Dangerfield and Cameron Delaney on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Patrick and Cameron visited to conduct a General Assembly where they spoke fondly of their time at Oberon. The boys then conducted a footy clinic with some of our Year 7 and 8 students.

### NAPLAN

Well done to all Year 7 & 9 students who completed their NAPLAN testing between Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

An individual student NAPLAN Report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern.

### Central Australia Camp

The 65 Year 8 & 9 students and 7 staff members that have been away on the Central Australia Camp arrive home this afternoon. The reports that I have received indicate that all involved have had a great time, with the students once again representing the school in a very positive manner. I look to hearing more of the wonderful experiences of all involved.

### House Cross Country

Well done to all students who participated in the House Cross Country at Eastern Park on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May. Congratulations to the students that have qualified to represent the school at the next round of the Cross Country. Thanks to Mr Chris Sly who organised this event.

### School photos

All students should now have received their school photos. If you didn't receive your photos please contact the General Office.

### Report Writing Day

Students will not be at school on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June** as staff have a designated Report Writing Day. Year 11 and 12 students who are completing a Unit 3-4 VCE subject are required at school to complete the General Achievement Test (GAT), which will be held in the school Gymnasium.

### Year 11 Exams week

All Year 11 students will undertake their First Semester exams in the week beginning Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June. A timetable for the exam period will be distributed to all students.

### School Production – Friday 17th June and Saturday 18th June

The School Production for 2016 is "Jungle Fantasy". Performances will be held on **Thursday 16th, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June** in the school Auditorium. I encourage all members of the school community to support the staff and students who have put the time and effort into making this Production a reality.

### Public Speaking Festival

The Oberon High School Public Speaking Festival continues next week with the Year 9 & 10 event running on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May** and Year 7 & 8 on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May**.

### School Uniform

A reminder to parents that all students are expected to wear the correct school uniform at **all times** including travelling to and from school. With the weather being a lot colder in the morning it is important that students have an appropriate Oberon High School top to wear to keep them warm. Tops can be purchased at Bellarine Uniforms. Your support with this is most appreciated.

### Sporting Success

Congratulations to two students who have found success with the Geelong Bay Cats Baseball Club. Year 8 student Will Brennan has been selected in the Geelong Baycats All Stars team competing at the 2016 Australian Junior League Championships in South Australia and Hayden Peoples of Year 7 has been selected in a representative team that will compete in the Australian Little League Baseball Championships.

Congratulations also to sisters Brigitte Brown of Year 7 and Jasmine Brown of Year 11, who placed 4th and 2nd respectively in their events at the Victorian Karate Championships held last weekend.

**Tim McMahon**

## SPORT

### Diving

As mentioned in the last issue we had two students who won their age group in the Western Metro Region diving. Pictured below are Rosie Tunn-McGrath and Max Houlston, Max with his medal and Rosie standing with Australian Olympic Champion Loudy Wiggins.



### Tennis

We also had recent success in tennis, with our senior girls winning the Geelong Region Competition and then coming runners up in the Western Metropolitan Region Competition.

Pictured below (L-R) are Mikaela Mullen, Zoe Duff, Amy Kuskunovic and Jazz Fisher. (Absent: Kasey Parish). Well done girls!



## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



Congratulations to Hayden Peoples of Year 7 who has been selected in a representative team that will compete in the 2016 Australian Little League Baseball Championships, to be held in Lismore New South Wales from 8th to 13th June. The Geelong Baycats Little League team recently competed in the Victorian State Titles and was successful in earning Victorian representation into the Australian Little League Championships.

Twenty Little League teams from around Australia will participate in this tournament which will see the winning team progress to represent Australia in the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pennsylvania in August, 2016. This is the first time a Geelong based Little League team has reached the Australian Championships.

Well done Hayden!

## PARENT PAYMENT CONTRIBUTIONS 2016

Recently all families will have received their Term 2 Statement of Fees. We'd like to thank those who have paid some or all of their fees. This means that to date we have received 48% of fees.

The Oberon High School Council approves an annual budget so we can provide the many varied curriculum programs that are offered to our students. The family contributions are a vital element to enable us to continue to offer the variety of activities, etc encompassed within these subject areas.

The School appreciates that families may sometimes experience financial difficulties in meeting requests for payments and contributions and offers a range of support options to assist Parents/Guardians. I encourage families who are in this situation to contact the Business Manager, Lea Gilliland on 5243 4444 to discuss the options available to you.

**Craig Wood-Burgess**  
Oberon High School Council President



## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



Congratulations to Will Brennan who has been selected in the Geelong Baycats All Stars baseball team who will now progress to the 2016 Australian Junior League Championships in South Australia from 22nd - 26th May.

Will's selection in this team of 14 players is a wonderful achievement.

Well done Will!

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO STUDENTS WHO CATCH THE MCHARRYS BARWON HEADS S7 OR THE JAN JUC AND TORQUAY S2 BUS TO SCHOOL

### MCHARRY'S BUSLINES



Parents please note the following changes to some morning bus times:

#### BARWON HEADS TO GROVEDALE COLLEGE AND OBERON HIGH SCHOOL - S7:

##### Departs:

- Bridge Road at Hitchcock Avenue 8.00 am
- Sheepwash Road first bus stop from Barwon Heads Road 8.03 am
- Warrally Armstrong Creek 8.18 am
- Grovedale College 8.34 am

**Arrives:** Oberon High School 8.50 am

The McHarrys S7 driver will hand out flyers to all students this week.

#### JAN JUC & TORQUAY TO GROVEDALE COLLEGE AND OBERON HIGH SCHOOL - S2

##### Departs:

- Great Ocean Road at Duffields Road outbound 8.05 am
- Strathmore Drive and Camrose Court 8.07 am
- Duffields Road and Great Ocean Road inbound 8.13 am
- Boston Road near Pearl Street corner 8.17 am
- Grovedale College 8.40 am

**Arrives:** Oberon High School 8.50 am

The times shown are the major time points of the trip. This bus services other stops in between unless otherwise stated.

A copy of the maps of the full route for the S2 bus are attached as a PDF file with the Newsletter email this week. Hard copies are available at the General Office upon request.

**Please note that the above changes will commence on Monday 23rd May.**

**BARWON DIVISION ATHLETICS**

On Thursday April 28, over 120 Oberon students trekked to Landy Field to contest the Barwon Division of the Geelong Athletics Championships.

With helpful encouragement from Mr Neal and Mr Dowling, our students performed well in their respective events. A pleasing aspect of the day was the preparedness of students to step up and fill in for others who were either injured or absent.

Our team managed a creditable third in the Grand Aggregate, with the Senior Girls' team performing the best, finishing in second place. It was also great to see that we had at least one winner in all six field events and every track event also – an impressive team effort.

There were 21 Oberon victories, with four students with multiple wins:

- Kade McKenzie - 13 years boys (High jump, Long jump, Triple jump & Javelin)
- Caleb Morrissy - 14 years boys (100m, 200m & 400m)
- Bridget Brown - 13 years girls (800m & 1500m)
- Andy Wylie - 17 years boys (Shot put & Discus)

Congratulations to all students who have qualified to represent Oberon at the Western Metropolitan Athletics Championships, which are being conducted in September at Moonee Valley Athletics Track (Aberfeldie). As well as the four students listed above, the following students have also qualified:

- |                       |   |                 |                     |   |              |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------|---------------------|---|--------------|
| Rose Bretherton       | - | (1500m & 3000m) | Jem Sears           | - | (High jump)  |
| Malaika Yenkeni       | - | (Discus)        | Locky Reekie        | - | (800m)       |
| Bailey Richmond-Craig | - | (100m)          | Carly Davies        | - | (1500m Walk) |
| Ebony Haberman        | - | (Discus)        | Chris McMahon       | - | (1500m Walk) |
| Kendra Schmid         | - | (High jump)     | Max Houliston       | - | (1500m Walk) |
| Kasey Parish          | - | (Javelin)       | Jasmine Brown       | - | (1500m)      |
| Rosie Tunn-McGrath    | - | (1500m)         | Emily Kinross-Smith | - | (1500m)      |

Thanks must go to Mr Neal and Mr Dowling for helping to manage the team; to Mr Filipovski and Ms Bubb for officiating and to Mr Baker for assisting with transporting students on the day.

**Chris Sly**



## OBERON HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

This year's House Cross Country saw 135 dedicated students and a number of extremely helpful (and also very dedicated) members of staff trek to Eastern Gardens for the final Inter-House Competition of the year.

Unlike the last three years, where Lipson House were victorious, Greeves House took out the title of best cross country house at Oberon. They also managed to win the participation trophy with a slender one student victory. We were very lucky with the weather, avoiding the rain, but the wind did make conditions rather tricky on some parts of the course.

Thanks to the many staff members who assisted to make the event successful.

The next cross country event is the Geelong Cross Country, which is being conducted at Eastern Gardens on Monday May 23.



**Chris Sly**

12-13 Years Girls		House	12-13 Years Boys		House		
1	Bridget	Brown	L	1	Harvey	Martin	G
2	Lucy	Bretherton	T	2	Max	Brownbridge	L
3	Zoe	McKinnon	T	3	Liam	D'Helin	G
<b>14 Years Girls</b>				<b>14 Years Boys</b>			
1	Caitlyn	Trethowan	L	1	Caleb	Morrissy	G
2	Alisa	Arnup	G	2	Jacob	Kratochvil	C
3	Maxi	Armistead	G	3	Mitchell	Hand	L
<b>15 Years Girls</b>				<b>15 Years Boys</b>			
1	Rose	Bretherton	C	1	Josh	Slattery	T
				2	Luke	Brown	G
				3	Rohan	Barnes	C
<b>16 Years Girls</b>				<b>16 Years Boys</b>			
1	Jasmine	Brown	L	1	Jacob	Sirgiannis	G
2	Zoe	Duff	L	2	Alex	Brownbridge	C
3	Amy	Kuskunovic	C	3	Matt	McGuane	T
<b>17-20 Years Girls</b>				<b>17-20 Years Boys</b>			
1	Teagan	Madden	G	1	Locky	Reekie	L
2	Emily	Kinross-Smith	T	2	Nicky	McMahon	L
3	Alex	Flisher	T	3	Anthony	Eyles	G

### 2016 Oberon High School House Cross Country Results:

#### GRAND AGGREGATE:

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>GREEVES</b>	-	<b>212 points</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>LIPSON</b>	-	<b>194 points</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>THOMSON</b>	-	<b>132 points</b>
4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CAMERON</b>	-	<b>116 points</b>

#### PARTICIPATION:

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>GREEVES</b>	-	<b>38 students</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>LIPSON</b>	-	<b>37 students</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>THOMSON</b>	-	<b>31 students</b>
4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CAMERON</b>	-	<b>27 students</b>

**TOTAL: 133 students**

#### BOYS:

<b>129</b>
<b>99</b>
<b>64</b>
<b>67</b>

#### GIRLS:

<b>83</b>
<b>95</b>
<b>68</b>
<b>49</b>

#### BOYS:

<b>22</b>
<b>21</b>
<b>19</b>
<b>14</b>

#### GIRLS:

<b>16</b>
<b>16</b>
<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>

**76**

**57**



## LANGUAGES NEWS

### LANGUAGE PERFECT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

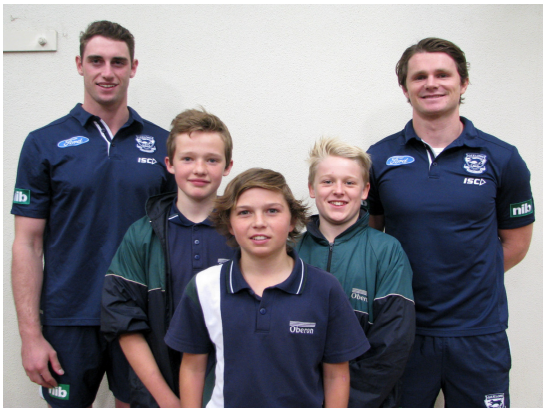
Most students learning German are busy competing in the 2016 World Championships. This is a vocabulary and grammar learning competition which runs for 10 days finishing at 5pm on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May. After 3 days we have some great results. Oberon is coming 85<sup>th</sup> overall in German (out of 708 schools), 63<sup>rd</sup> for German in Australia (out of 487 schools) and 25<sup>th</sup> for German in VIC (out of 144 schools).

#### Individual top results are:

Shaun Walford 1000, Alex Ivanov 721, Chloe Paton 639, Loreen Elgas 410, Kendra Schmid 374, Abbey Geddes 305.  
Go! Go! Go!

SEASONS	INDONESIAN	GERMAN	JAPANESE		
			Romaji	Hiragana	Kanji
Winter:	Musim dingin	der Winter	Fuyu	ふゆ	冬
Spring	Musim bunga/musim semi	der Frühling	Haru	はる	春
Summer:	Musim panas	der Sommer	Natsu	なつ	夏
Autumn:	Musim gugur	der Herbst	Aki	あき	秋
Rainy season:	Musim hujan		Tsuyu	つゆ	
Dry season:	Musim kemarau				

## WELCOME BACK PAT AND CAMERON



Excitement was stirred amongst students and staff alike when former Oberon students and Geelong Cats players Pat Dangerfield and Cameron Delaney returned to Oberon this week.

Many eager students and staff lined up for their photo opportunity with the Cats superstars.



### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



Congratulations to Brigitte Brown of Year 7 and Jasmine Brown of Year 11, for their achievement in the Victorian Karate Championships held last weekend.

Brigitte was placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the Lightweight 13 Year Girls event and Jasmine 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Middleweight 16 Year Girls event.

Well done Brigitte and Jasmine!

### HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR THE CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)? APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 3RD JUNE

A reminder to parents that if you hold a valid means-tested Concession Card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for the CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student misses out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their achievements.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

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

How to Apply:

Contact the School Office to obtain a CSEF Application Form or download from the CSEF website. Please return completed forms to the General Office with a photocopy of your Health Care or Concession Card (card can be photocopied at the office).

### YEAR 7 STUDENTS - IMPORTANT DATES TERM 2

Please mark in your diary

#### TERM 2

##### Week 8

Monday 30th May G7 & T7 Science Excursion to Earth Ed Ballarat  
L7 Enhancement - Compass Award Hike

Thursday 2nd June C7 & L7 Science Excursion to Earth Ed Ballarat

##### Week 9

Tuesday 7th June **STUDENT FREE DAY - REPORT WRITING DAY**

##### Week 10

Monday 13th June **QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**

Tuesday 14th June Year 7 Immunisations  
Thursday 16th June School Production - Auditorium  
Friday 17th June School Production - Auditorium  
Saturday 18th June School Production - Auditorium

##### Week 11

Friday 24th June End of Term 2 - School finishes at 2.30 pm

#### TERM 3

Monday 11th July Term 3 Commences

**Applications close  
3rd June 2016**





## Can Saver Plus assist you with high school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and text books
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Contact Amanda Vernon your local Saver Plus Worker:  
(03) 5278 8122  
or [avernon@bethany.org.au](mailto:avernon@bethany.org.au)

*Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered across Greater Geelong by Bethany.  
The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.*

### YEAR 10 SPECIAL VCE/VCAL PROGRAM

Over Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June, all Year 10 students will be involved in a special Pathways program.

Students will be introduced to Pathway Planning, VCE subjects, VET and SBAT options as well as attend a session at The Gordon East campus.

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, an all-day Deakin University experience will see Year 10 students visit both campuses and engage in workshops and tours. These days are very important as they give students the opportunity and time to explore their interests, strengths and aspirations.

A more detailed note will be sent home to parents next week.

### IMMUNISATIONS - YEAR 7 STUDENTS

Immunisations will be held at School on **Tuesday 14th June**.



Consent forms have been distributed and should have now been returned to school, even if your child does not require the immunisation. Please ask your child to collect a consent form from the office if you do not have one.

#### Year 7 Students:

- HPV (Human Papillomavirus) dose 2
- Chicken Pox (Varicella)

If parents have any questions regarding immunisations please call Barwon Health Immunisation on 42156962 or visit [immune@barwonhealth.org.au](mailto:immune@barwonhealth.org.au).

### DEBUTANTE DRESSES FOR SALE

Size 10 - \$150 each - O.N.O

Contact Jackie 0425 702768

### IS YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER INTERESTED IN TAKING A GAP

Lattitude Global Volunteering is hosting an Information Session at The Geelong College from 6:30-7:30 next Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> of May

The event is open to students, parents and Careers Advisers from around the area who are interested in learning more about the exciting international volunteer opportunities that Lattitude has to offer.

We have something for everyone and offer placements in 9 different countries with 7 different role options.

Find out more about our programs at [www.lattitude.org.au](http://www.lattitude.org.au)

We look forward to seeing you there next Thursday!

Jessie Pellizzer  
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Lattitude Global Volunteering Australia  
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## YMCA GEELONG SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2016

#### ALL SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN

- Camp Wyuna Fun Day Camps
- Silent Disco
- Movies
- Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre
- Inflatable World
- "The Park" Skate Park
- Karaoke
- Gymnastics
- Wheelchair Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Supatramp
- Cooking
- Badgemaking
- Arts, Crafts, Games, and more!

Full Program Details Available On Our Website

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!  
REGISTRATIONS CLOSE  
JUNE 10th 2016

Monday 27th June - Friday 8th July



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