

JUNE

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 - Youth Homelessness Awareness Project
Frid 24th Last day of Term - **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.30 PM**
Wed 20th Public Speaking Evening in memory of Barbara Staff
Tues 26th VCE/VCAL Parent Information Evening

JULY

Mon 11th Term 3 Begins
Thurs 14th State Cross Country
Frid 15th July Year 7 Poetry Performance
Thurs 28th Tertiary Information Session (TIS event)
Frid 29th Year 11 Debutante Ball - Club Italia, Moolap

AUGUST

Tues 16th **STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY - STUDENT FREE DAY**

STUDENT FREE DAYS 2016

The following days have 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.
- **Tuesday 16th August** - Staff Professional Development Day

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

General Assembly Reflection

On Tuesday 24th May we held one of our regular General Assemblies in which a number of different student groups were acknowledged for their participation or achievement in a variety of activities, together with students recounting their experiences through their involvement in extra-curricular activities. The presentations by students were around the German Exchange Trip, the Central Australia Camp, House and Interschool Cross Country, the Public Speaking Festival, the Great Victorian Bike Ride, the School Production and a presentation from GASP (the GASP project is working to provide respectful and safe environments which will assist in improving the health and wellbeing of same sex attracted and sex and gender diverse young people run through the City of Greater Geelong) which was instigated by some of our senior students. The presentations once again made me reflect on how schools can provide students with so many wonderful educational opportunities outside of the classroom environment. However these opportunities only occur when we have commitment from staff members to be involved and support the students with supervision and organisation. As a school community we need to acknowledge the work of our staff and the fact that many go above and beyond what is expected. I always encourage students to make sure that they acknowledge and thank the teachers that have supported them in these pursuits.

As we are all aware, parents who choose to send their children to State Schools, pay significantly lower school fees than those attending Independent or Catholic schools. As parents we may choose to send our students to State schools not only because we believe in the quality of the education and the social equality provided, but also because we can then afford to provide our children with the opportunity to be involved in the many and varied extra-curricular opportunities offered which may not be affordable should we have other additional financial burdens. The educational experiences that students get from these wonderful opportunities cannot be underestimated. This is acknowledged through the Victorian State Government and their support of families through the Camps, Sport, Excursion Fund (CSEF).

Secondary School Provision in South Geelong Committee Report

The second meeting of the Community Reference group met this week. The Education Department will use the recommendations from this meeting to finalise the report for the Minister of Education. We hope to know his decision by the end of July. We will communicate the outcome to you as soon as we have it. Whatever the outcome, we believe that it will provide us with certainty of a positive future for our school.

Public Speaking Festival

The Oberon High School Public Speaking Festival has now finished. It was great to see such large numbers of students from all year levels participating. The effort that the students have put into the planning of their talks and the confidence that they display in speaking in front of their peers is something that all of the students should be very proud of.

Thank you to Mr Adrian Stirling who has been instrumental in organising this wonderful learning opportunity for our students. The Public Speaking Festival was originally developed by our former colleague the late Mrs Barbara Staff; she would have been very proud of the uptake by the students and the effort and quality of their speeches.

Report Writing Day

Students will not be at school on **Tuesday 7th June**, as staff have a designated Report Writing Day. Students who are completing a Unit 3-4 VCE subject are required at school to complete the General Achievement Test (GAT). Families will receive a copy of their children's Report on the last day of Term; this will be posted electronically via the School Parent Portal (Student Management Tool) **after 5pm on Friday 24th June**.

It is important that all students with their parents reflect on the judgements of progress made and also comments made by their teachers highlighting areas of improvement. The teachers in their reporting of students will be outlining each child's progress in the subjects they have taught. In Years 7-10 the progress of each student will be benchmarked against Victorian Statewide Standards. You will be able to identify from the reports whether your son/daughter is performing at the expected level; above the expected level or below the expected level in comparison to students in the same year level. While a goal of the school is that the majority of students will be working at or above the expected levels, we do know that students have strengths and weaknesses from one subject to another. However, the goal of all students, teachers and parents is to see regular forward growth in each of the subject areas. This can be achieved by reflecting on the comments made by teachers around how students can continue to improve in their education not only next semester but also in future years. If you have queries about the reports, feel free to contact the school to discuss these.

Geelong Zone Cross Country/Western Region Cross Country

Well done to all of the students that represented the school at the Geelong District Cross Country on Monday 23rd May at Eastern Park. Good luck to all students that qualified to represent the school at the upcoming Western Region Cross Country on the 9th June.

School Production

The school production 'Jungle Fantasy' will be running from **Thursday 16th to Saturday 18th June**. I encourage all school community members to attend the production and support the students and staff that have been involved in its creation. Tickets can be purchased from the General Office.

Last Day of Term Arrangements

On Friday 24th June, the school will finish at 2.30pm. All buses have been alerted to this earlier dismissal time.

Tim McMahon

GEELONG CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sun, wind and rain – a typical Geelong autumn day for the running of the Geelong Cross Country Championships at Eastern Gardens on Monday May 23rd.

Our 13 Years Girls' and Boys' Teams finished 4th and 5th respectively, with the best placed runner being Harvey Martin who had a great battle to finish just behind the winner in second place. The girls had four runners inside the top 20, Bridget Brown (6th), Lucy Bretherton (13th), Zoe McKinnon (18th) and Lily Cockram (20th), with Chloe Paton very close behind in 21st. For their efforts, Harvey, Bridget, Lucy and Zoe have qualified for the Western Metropolitan Cross Country at Brimbank in June. Other runners in the 13 Years group included:

Boys: Max Brownbridge (25th), Fred Royal (29th), Caleb Sanders (55th).

In the 14 Years events, our Girls Team finished 5th, with Maxi Armistead (29th), Courtney Baker-Johnson (33rd), Hannah Maher (34th), Sasha Ives (35th) all running well. A special mention must go to Hannah and Sasha, who both ran up an age group to make up a team in this age group. Well done girls. The best of the 14 Years Boys' was Caleb Morrissy, whose training has been evident in helping him to finish a terrific 2nd place, while Jacob Kratochvil (21st), Lachie Bath (38th), Jeremy Maher (45th), Jono White (48th) and Chris McMahon (56th) all completed the 3km course to help the team finish in fifth position. Caleb's efforts ensured he made it through to compete at the next level of competition in June.

The 15 years Girls' team, consisting of Rose Bretherton (3rd), Summer Von Aderkas (38th), Eb Haberman (39th), Ellie Pickles (40th) and Kasey Hamill-Dean (41st) ran well to place sixth. In this event, thanks to Summer, Eb, Ellie and Kasey for helping to make a team finish possible by running up an age group. The 15 Years Boys' also managed a sixth place finish, with Josh Slattery running an excellent race to finish (11th) and Luke Brown (19th), Rohan Barnes (20th), Josh Fisher (39th) and Jacob Purcell-Chaffey (44th) rounding off the team effort. Rose and Josh have qualified as individual runners at the next round.

Unfortunately, we did not have four runners for the 16 Years girls' age group, therefore there was no team result. Jasmine Brown (4th), Amy Kuskunovic (11th) and Abbey Fedley (15th) all ran well enough to qualify for the Western Metropolitan event. In the 16 Years Boys' 5km event, Jacob Sirgiannis ran a terrific race to finish in 12th place, while Alex Brownbridge (22nd), Tom Banks (23rd) and Matt McGuane (27th) all finished strongly helping the team finish in fourth position. Jacob ran well enough to qualify for the next round in June.

We saved our best two performances for last, with both Senior teams (Girls and Boys) putting in a tremendous effort to win their respective team pennants. In the Girls' event, Teagan Madden ran an exceptional race to finish 2nd, as did Emily Kinross-Smith (3rd), Alex Flisher (4th), Kayla Wastell (15th), Tegan Hassett (16th) and Breanna Lugg (27th) also ran very well. Our boys were very well represented by Nicky McMahon and Lock Reekie, who finished second and third respectively, and was ably supported by Anthony Eyles (6th), Aran Barnes (9th) and an injured Oscar Park, who had to withdraw part way through the race. Both teams have qualified for the next level of competition in June.

Overall twenty-one students have qualified to run at the Western Metropolitan Cross Country Championships at Brimbank.

Unfortunately, we were unable to field teams in all events and therefore did not qualify for consideration for the Grand Aggregate competition.

Well done to all competitors and thanks to Mr Dowling for his efforts with the team on the day. I also wish to thank Mr Baker and Mr McMahon for taking students to Eastern Gardens during the day to enable them to run without missing too many classes.

Chris Sly

Individual Medal Winners:

Silver Medal:

Harvey Martin	13 years Boys
Caleb Morrissy	14 years Boys
Nicky McMahon	17-20 years Boys
Teagan Madden	17-20 years Girls

Bronze Medal:

Rose Bretherton	15 years Girls
Locky Reekie	17-20 years Boys
Emily Kinross-Smith	17-20 years Girls

Teams Results:

13 years Girls	- 4 th	13 years Boys	- 5 th	14 years Girls	- 5 th
14 years Boys	- 5 th	15 years Girls	- 6 th	15 years Boys	- 6 th
16 years Boys	- 4 th	17-20 years Girls	- 1 st	17-20 years Boys	- 1 st



GREAT VICTORIAN BIKE RIDE

If your son or daughter is interested in participating in the Great Victorian Bike Ride, there will be a Team Meeting on **Tuesday 14th of June** in Room 25 at lunch time. Your child can come along with their friends and find out more about this amazing experience, or they can talk to Mr. Hallam.



Emily Kinross-Smith - Year 11

STUDENT FREE DAYS

Tuesday 7th of June is Report Writing Day and is a student free day except for:

Year 12 students sitting the GAT

Monday 13th June is the Queens Birthday holiday
School will be closed

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS OF YEAR 11 & 12 STUDENTS

Please note that **only** students who are enrolled in one or more VCE Units 3 & 4 or VCE VET scored Units 3 & 4 sequence are required to sit the GAT on **Tuesday 7th June**.

STUDENT REPORTS IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PARENTS

Student Reports will be available electronically via the Parent Portal (Student Management Tool) at 5 pm on the last day of Term - Friday 24th June.

If you do not have your sign on details or if you need assistance to access the Parent Portal please contact the Office before the end of Term.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Zane Lake of Year 10 who has been selected to represent Australia in an international In-line Skating competition overseas.

Below is a flyer advertising a fundraising evening to be hosted by Rollerway Skate Centre in Newtown on Saturday 4th June.

Rollerway will be generously donating all of the entry fees for this evening to assist Zane and 2 other skaters to compete for Australia.

Well done Zane.

ONE LAST HARRAH!!!

Although I will be departing Australia on 7th June, to help Zane Lake, Luke Aparicio, and me compete overseas, a fund-raising skate night will be held on...

SATURDAY NIGHT (7:30-10:30) on 4th June, right here!

100% of the entry fees will be divided between the three of us, so...

PLEASE COME FOR A SKATE AND BRING ALL YOUR FRIENDS!



LANGUAGES NEWS

Results of the Language Perfect World Championships

Students in German classes have been very busy learning vocabulary and phrases for the World Championships. Final results have come through and Oberon HS has performed extremely well.

We were placed 55th overall globally in German (out of 868 schools), 44th for German in Australia (out of 599 schools) and 13th for German in Victoria (out of 169 schools).

Oberon achieved 1 Gold, 1 Silver, 8 Bronze and 15 Certificates.

The following individual prize winners must be congratulated:

Gold:	Shaun Walford	-	3068 pts
Silver:	Tristan Durden	-	2127 pts
Bronze:	Chloe Paton	-	1765 pts
	Loreen Elgas	-	1663 pts
	Ty Jones	-	1557 pts
	Abbey Geddes	-	1432 pts
	Jordyn Aitken	-	1274 pts
	Ebony Rundell	-	1123 pts
	Summer Von Aderkas-McFarlane	-	1103 pts
	Makayla Nelson	-	1009 pts

Certificates for more than 500 points:

• Georgina Scouller	Taylah Ibrahim
• Zoe Healy	Alex Ivanov
• Ryan Griffiths	Megan Schueler
• Kendra Schmid	Megan Palmer
• Xander Russell	Hannah Maher
• Jem Sears	Izzy Rusiniak-Welsh
• Elly Moor	Dylan Robertson
• Luke Johnson	

LANGUAGES CORNER

FAMILY	KELUARGA	die Familie	kazoku	かぞく
Mum	ibu	die Mutter	okaasan	おかあさん
Dad	bapak/ayah	der Vater	otousan	おとうさん
Older sister	kakak perempuan	die ältere Schwester	oneesan	おねえさん
Younger sister	adik perempuan	die jüngere Schwester	imouto(san)	いもうと (さん)
Older brother	kakak laki-laki	der ältere Bruder	oniisan	おにいさん
Younger brother	adik laki-laki	der jüngere Bruder	otouto(san)	おとと (さん)
Grandmother	nenek	die Großmutter/ Oma	obaasan	おばあさん
Grandfather	kakek	der Großvater/ Opa	ojiisan	おじいさん
Aunt	bibi/tante	die Tante	obasan	おばさん
Uncle	paman/om	der Onkel	ojisan	おじさん
Cousin	sepupu.	der Cousin/ die Kusine.	itoko	いとこ

JUNGLE FANTASY



School Auditorium
Oberon High School
7.30 p.m.

**OBERON HIGH SCHOOL
PRODUCTION 2016**

THURSDAY JUNE 16TH

FRIDAY JUNE 17TH

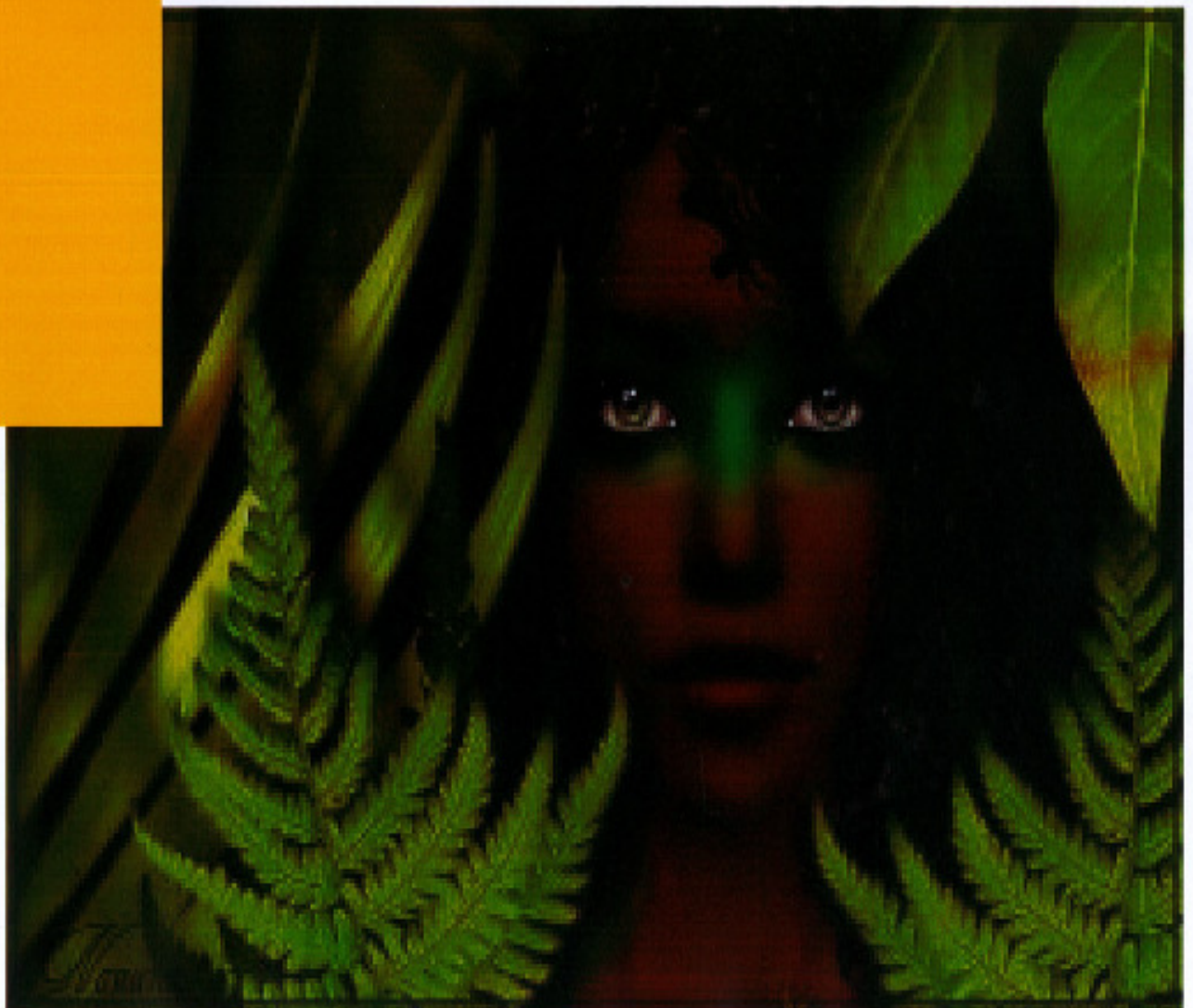
SATURDAY JUNE 18TH

Adult: \$12.00

Family: 2 Adults and 2 Ch. \$ 25.00

Student and Pensioner: \$7.00

Children: Age 5-12 \$3



YEAR 7 STUDENTS - IMPORTANT DATES TERM 2

Please mark in your diary

TERM 2

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 Last day of Term 2 - School finishes at 2.30 pm

TERM 3

Week 1

Monday 11th July Term 3 Commences
 Friday 15th July Year 7 Poetry Performance

Week 4

Monday 1st August Year 7 & 8 Book Talk Period 1 & 2

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.

CAREERS NEWS

Oberon High School now subscribes to mhscareers, a careers service which allows students and parents to be kept up to date with Careers News and Events.

To see the news and calendar on www.mhscareers.com please use:

- Login: Oberon
- Password: nm16

Newsletters are sent weekly. All Year 10, 11 & 12 students are sent this Newsletter each Friday to their school email address.

If parents would like to register to receive the Newsletters use the **CONTACT US** page on www.mhscareers.com or send an email to mhscareers@internode.on.net stating your name, email address, our school name, whether you are a student or parent and the State(s) that you are registering for.

-2016 Geelong Region School based Apprenticeship and Traineeship Information Expo-

Where?

C A Love Hall, Geelong High School, 385 Ryrie Street, East Geelong

When?

Tuesday August 2nd starting at 5.30pm

Who should attend?

Students who may be interested in undertaking a Sbat as part of their 2017 VCAL or VCE school study program. Students are advised to accompany their parents to this event. Students must be at least 15 years of age to be eligible for consideration.

What are Sbat's?And who is offering them?

Local employers and businesses will be offering over 250 Sbat's (a blend of senior school studies, part-time paid work and career pathways opportunities) with students completing training for nationally accredited certificate qualifications. Training will be undertaken by students attending formal training sessions, usually on Wednesday afternoons whilst also undertaking the equivalent of one day of paid work during a school week.

Students and parents have the opportunity to talk to these employers and businesses who will be offering a wide range of Sbat programs for the 2017 school year.

What sort of Industry specific Certificate Sbat opportunities will be available?

The full list for 2017 will be available for students and parents to consider prior to the event. For example, this year the following programs are now being undertaken in the current school year by students throughout Greater Geelong:

Aged Care	Education support
Childcare	Patisserie
Companion Animal Services	Allied Health Services
Community Activities Programs (Sport/Outdoor Recreation)	Library Services
Community Services Work	Media (Radio)
Conservation and Land Management	Health Services Assistance
Carpet Laying	Media (Digital Art and Animation)

For those students who are interested in the traditional trades such as bricklaying, carpentry, commercial cookery, hairdressing etc, there will be opportunity to talk to representatives from the Australian Apprenticeship Centres and local Group Training Companies to discuss potential opportunities in these fields.

What happens next?

On this night students interested in any particular Sbat on offer will be provided with an "Formal Application form" which they and their parents will need to take home. Once filled in, identifying their Sbat of interest, the student will then be required to immediately return this form to their school's Sbat teacher.

Please contact Mr. Lynch in the Careers Room if you have any questions.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS

When a student needs to leave school early for an appointment or because of illness parents are asked to report to the General Office/Sick Bay to collect them. If you know in advance that your child needs to leave school early, parents are also asked to provide a note which can then be shown to the classroom teacher to enable your child to leave class.

The above procedures will ensure the safety of your child.

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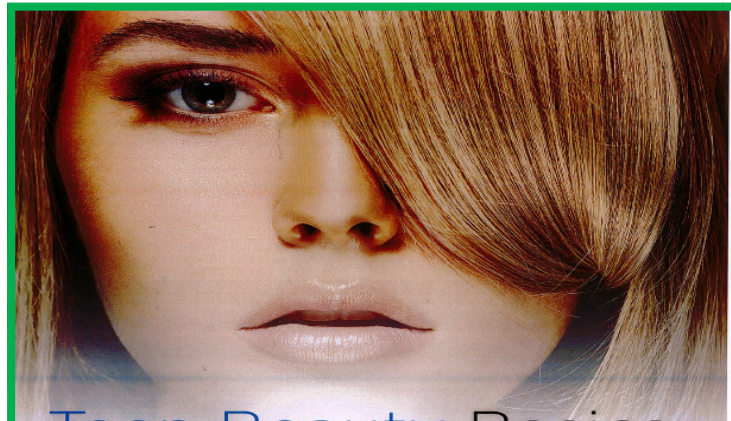
Teen Hairstyling & Care

Working in The Studio salon you will practise braids, buns, pony tails, long hair curls and more of the latest hairstyling fashions.

Date: Tuesday 28 June, 1.00pm - 4.00pm & Wednesday 29 June, 9.00am - 4.00pm
Duration: 1.5 classes
Fee: \$145
Book: The Student Hub 03 5225 0538

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Teen Beauty Basics

Learn how to care for your skin and to apply makeup to look your best. Includes techniques in eye makeup and skin camouflage. Finish your personal presentation with nail grooming and polish.

Date: Monday 27 June, 9.00am - 4.00pm & Tuesday 28 June, 9.00am - 12.00pm
Duration: 1.5 classes
Fee: \$145
Book: The Student Hub 03 5225 0538

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