Oberon HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Absence Hotline - 0439 326 767

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SEPTEMBER

Mon 25th - 6th Oct	**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

OCTOBER

Mon 9th	**TERM 4 BEGINS**
Tues 10th - Wed 11th	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Excursion - Sailing School
Thurs 12th	Year 12 English Practice Exam 9 am - 12.15 pm Year 12 German Oral Exam Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences 12 midday - 7.30 pm
Wed 18th	Year 7 2018 - Parent Information Night - 6 pm Auditorium
Frid 20th	Year 7 Mission Possible Day Year 12 Indonesian Oral Exam
Mon 23rd	**LAST DAY YEAR 12 CLASSES** SSV Athletics
Tues 24th	**YEAR 12 FINAL ASSEMBLY - 11 am - 12.30 Gymnasium**
Wed 25th	**GEELONG CUP DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**
Mon 30th	Year 11 VCAL Amazing Race around Geelong
Mon 30th - Frid 3rd November	Year 9 Rubicon Camp
Tues 31st	Skateboarding Program for selected Year 7 & 8 students.

NOVEMBER

Wed 1st - Frid 24th	**Year 12 Exams**
Tues 7th	Year 8 Indonesian - Zoo Excursion
Wed 8th	Year 10 Physical Science Excursion to Ecolinc **LAST DAY OF YEAR 11 REGULAR CLASSES**
Thurs 9th - Tues 14th	**Year 11 Exams**
Frid 10th	Year 7 & 8 LEAP Roadshow in Auditorium
Tues 14th	Skateboarding Program for selected Year 7 & 8 students
Wed 15th	Year 9 Mental Health Presentation Year 11 Formal - 7 pm - 11 pm
Thurs 16th	Year 7 Immunisations - Gardasil
Frid 17th - Tues 21st November	Year 12 2018 Commencement Program (**Program compulsory for all 2017 Year 11 students**)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Interim Reports

All Students/Parents should have been able to access the Interim Reports on the School Portal from Thursday 21st September. Parents and students have the opportunity to discuss their academic progress at Sudent/Parent/ Teacher Conferences which are being held on **Thursday 12th October from 12 Midday - 7.30pm.** There are no classes on this day, however students are expected to attend the conferences with their parents. Bookings for the conferences can be made via the School Portal. If parents are unable to make the interviews but still would like to speak to the teachers, I encourage you to ring the school to make an appointment for early Term 4.

Intentions for 2018

If students are not returning to Oberon High School in 2018, can families contact the school and speak with one of the Assistant Principals in regards to this.

School for student leadership 2018

We have been informed that the school has been allocated six places for Year 9 students 2018 to attend the DET School for Student Leadership. Our students have been allocated Term 4. As part of this placement, three boys and three girls will be involved in an international expedition of six weeks in China, based at Utahloy International School as part of the Victorian Young Leaders to China Program. We expect there will be significant interest from our current Year 8 students to be allocated a place. Consequently we will hold an information session, outlining the trip and selection process during Term 4.

School Council Contact

If parents are not a member of School Council but wish to discuss or raise an issue with a parent representative, the best way to do this is via the DET email address of our School Council President, Craig Wood-Burgess. His email address is wood-burgess.craig.c@edumail.vic.gov.au
Craig will monitor this email for any parent correspondence and will contact you to further discuss any queries.

Uniform Addition 2018

At our September School Council Meeting, we have approved the addition of a navy puffer jacket to our school uniform for the 2018 school year. This addition has come about due to many complaints from students about being cold in the current uniform, during the depths of winter. The puffer is an optional addition and these will be able to be purchased directly from the school rather than the uniform supplier. It is anticipated that the puffer jackets will cost students/families between $65-$70. We will provide families with more information about this in Term 4.

Indonesian Trip

Welcome back to Mrs Nicola Maher and the six students that have been away for the last two weeks in Yogyakarta.

It is great to hear that the group are back in Geelong and have had a wonderful trip experiencing the Indonesian culture and warmer climate associated with this region.

Kokoda Trip

Year 11 student Sally Marshall is currently away walking the Kokoda Track with students from other Geelong schools and community representatives. Sally was chosen for this trip as part of the Geelong Kokoda Youth Program. We look forward to hearing of Sally's experience upon her return.

Random Acts of Kindness

As part of the student and staff wellbeing program at the school, members of the school community have been acknowledging random acts of kindness. This program was organised by Assistant Principal Bronwyn Knight and has run from Monday 11th September until Thursday 21st September.

Year 12 Celebration Day

A reminder to Parents/Guardians of our Year 12 students that the Year 12 Celebration Day and Final Assembly will be held on **Tuesday 24th October.** The Assembly will begin at approximately 10.40am and parents are encouraged to join us for some lunch afterwards. I encourage you to put this date into your calendar.

As this is the last Newsletter for the Term, I wish everyone a safe Term break and look forward to seeing all students returning in Term Four.

Tim McMahon

OBERON AWARDS DAY

All students and parents are invited to attend this special occasion which we regard as one of the most important events on the School's Calendar. This ceremony celebrates the achievements of students with awards for Outstanding Academic Achievement and Outstanding Effort or for Citizenship/School Service throughout the year. Top students in Year 12 subjects, all students who achieve over 90% in the VCE score (ATAR) and our Year 12 Dux are also presented.

Students will be notified if they are to receive an award at the ceremony and, clearly, there is an expectation they will attend. **All students attending and those receiving awards must be wearing correct school uniform. Awardees will not be presented on stage with their award if they are not in correct school uniform.**

Students will be transported from Oberon to the Awards Ceremony by bus on the day. Please note this ceremony will take place at **11.00 am on Tuesday 19th December at Costa Hall.**

POST CARD FROM INDONESIA

Today the students along with Bu Maher return from their study tour of Yogyakarta Indonesia. The students had some exciting and memorable experiences whilst there including visiting candi Borobudur, the Sultan's Palace, bargaining on the main street – Jalan Malioboro, visiting an orphanage and visiting an Indonesian school.

Thank you to Bu Maher for her organisation of the tour. We look forward to hearing the many stories from the students when they return to school next Term.

LANGUAGES NEWS

GERMAN EXCHANGE STUDENTS VISIT

On Monday evening (September 25) the German exchange students from our Sister Schools near Marburg in Germany will arrive in Victoria. Our students are looking forward, with excitement, to seeing their exchange partners again. Four girls will be at Oberon HS for the next four weeks, they will have two weeks holidays with their host families and then spend two weeks at school.

Welcome to: Lea Schreiner, Alica Drews, Miriam Kashuba, Nelly Habelt.
Their host sisters are: Chelsea Joel, Madeline King, Celeste Schmid and Zoe Healy

LANGUAGE PERFECT VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

Oberon students learning German competed recently in this competition. We had some outstanding results:

- 2nd overall in German (out of 127 schools)
- 1st for German in the 101-250 students category (out of 22 schools
- 29th overall in VIC (out of 227 schools)

Individual students' results were amazing. Well done to all who competed! Our top students were:

- GOLD: - Joshua Palmer, 3.680 points
- BRONZE
  - Elly Moor (1,399 pts)
  - Abbey Geddes (1,348)
  - Hannah Maher (1,234)
  - Ava O'Callaghan (1,030)
  - Loreen Elgas (1,025)
- CREDIT in excess of 500 points:
  - Jessica Missen
  - Summer Von Aderkas McFarlane
  - Jordyn Aitken
  - Talitha-Hope Brown
  - Emily West
  - Liam Delaney
  - Paris Turner
  - Daniel Lilley
  - Luke Colbert
  - Kai Bowie
  - Aldin Francis
  - Jemma Sears

LANGUAGES CORNER

Clothes	**Pakaian**	**die Kleidung**	**ふく**	**huku**
jumper	baju	der Pullover	セーター	seetaa
shirt	kemeja	das Hemd	シャツ	shatsu
blouse	kebaya	die Bluse	ブラウス	burausu
t-shirt	baju kaus	das T-Shirt	Tシャツ	tishatsu
hat	topi	der Hut	ぼうし	booshi
skirt	rok	der Rock	スカート	sukaato
dress	gaun	das Kleid	ドレス	doresu
jeans	jin	die Jeans	ジーパン	jiipan
trousers	celana panjang	die Hose	ズボン	zubon
shorts	celana pendek	die Shorts	はんズボン	hanzubonn
jacket	jas	die Jacke	うわぎ	jaketto
shoes	sepatu	die Schuhe	くつ	kutsu
socks	kaus kaki	die Socken	くつした	kutsushita
glasses	kacamata	die Brille	めがね	megane

RUN GEELONG 2017

Oberon High School is entering a School Team for **Run Geelong 2017**. All students are welcome and encouraged to join our **Oberon High Run Geelong Team** to help raise money for Barwon Health's Paediatric Rehabilitation Services, with 100% of every Run Geelong registration going directly to this cause.

Last year we had 48 members in the Oberon High Run Geelong Team and in 2017 we are hoping to get that figure to over 100. Not only are we encouraging students to enter, but we would really love families to be part of our **Oberon High Run Geelong Team** and enjoy this fantastic event on **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19th at EASTERN PARK.** (Start times for morning events will be available soon)

Supervised **Student training sessions** for RUN GEELONG will be every Friday at 1.00pm from the staff carpark: starting next week – **Friday 1st September**. Sign up outside Mr Baker's office and bring your runners and sports gear.

There are a number of options for entry on the day including; a 6km Family Walk, 6km Run or a 12 km Run. Registration: Students - $20, Adults - $45 and Families - $90 can be paid online. Your registration cost entitles you to a Race pack, which includes your unique race bib, timing chip and Run Geelong t-shirt.

To enter the **Oberon High Run Geelong Team 2017**

1. Log onto www.runaustralia.com.au
2. Location – **Geelong**
3. Press **Register**
4. Select your Registration Type: **School - Select**
5. Join a Group : type in **Oberon High**
6. Password: **oberon**
7. Select the race you wish to enter
8. Pay online

Please contact Carole Fisher or Josh Baker if you have any questions.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO ENJOYING
THIS FANTASTIC EVENT WITH YOU!!

Sam Mackenzie & Carole Fisher

PARENT /TEACHER/ STUDENT CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences will be held on:

- **Thursday 12th October - 12 Midday - 7.30 pm**

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences can be booked from 5 pm Thursday 21st September through the "Parent Interviews" tab seen on the left hand side of the Parent Portal. From there, select the teacher and choose from one of the available time slots. Please note each time slot only goes for 10 minutes. If you have any issues with logging on please contact the Office staff for help.

Term 3 Reports

In addition to Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences being booked via the Portal, parents will receive Term 3 Reports via the Parent Portal. These will be accessible from 5 pm on Thursday 21st September. Again if you have any issues with logging on please contact the Office staff before the end of Term for assistance.

Joshua Baker
Assistant Principal

IMMUNISATIONS

YEAR 7 IMMUNISATIONS

All Year 7 Students

Immunisations for Year 7 students will be held at School on **Friday 16th November.**

Consent forms should already have been returned.

Year 7 Students:

- HPV (Human Papillomavirus)

If parents have any questions about immunisations please contact Barwon Health Immunisation on 42 156 963.

FOLLOW UP IMMUNISATION SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 10, 11 & 12

During the next school holidays, two follow up immunisation sessions for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 who missed the Meningococcal W immunisation at school, will be held at Barwon Health Immunisation Centre, 1-17 Reynolds Road, Belmont.

- **Thursday September 28th**
- **Tuesday 3rd October**

Please phone Barwon Health Immunisation on 42 156 963 to arrange.

WESTERN METROPOLITAN TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eighteen students travelled to Aberfeldie Park to represent Oberon at the Western Metropolitan Track and Field Championships on the last Thursday of Term 3. On a windy day, which made conditions quite tricky, we came home with a fifteen medal haul – quite an impressive effort by the group.

Kade McKenzie was the most successful Oberon athlete on the day, winning the Gold Medal in the Boys 14 Years High Jump, Silver in the Triple Jump and Bronze in the Long Jump. Megan Dickson won two medals including a Silver Medal in the Girls 13 Years 1500m and a Bronze Medal in the 3000m event. Three other athletes won multiple medals. Caleb Morrissey won Silver Medals in the Boys 15 years 200m and 400m; Kasey Parish, winning a Silver in the Girls 17 years Javelin and a Bronze in the Long Jump; and Malaika Yenkeni, who won Bronze Medals in the 13 Years' Girls Shot Put and Discus events.

Students who won one medal include: Neeve Bakker-Graham (silver – 12 -15 Years 1500m Walk); Hayden Peoples (Silver – 13 Years Shot Put); Jem Sears (Silver – 14 Years Discus); Ethan Powell (Bronze – 13 Years Discus);

Congratulations also to Connie Royal (100m), Zoe McKinnon (High Jump), Gabi Phillips (100m), Rose Bretherton (1500m), Ebony Haberman (Discus), Bonnie Hodge (Discus), Bridget Brown (1500m), Caleb Morrissy (100m), Josh Fisher (Shot Put) and Leo Burgess (800m & 1500m) for fantastic efforts in their respective events.

We have three athletes who have qualified for the State Championships to be conducted at the State Athletics Centre at Albert Park on Monday October 23rd. Good luck to Kade McKenzie (High Jump), Neeve Bakker-Graham (1500m Walk) and Megan Dickson (1500m).

Thank-you to Mr O'Brien for his organisational assistance and for very capably driving the bus and dealing with Jem Sears being sick and losing her phone on the way back to Oberon.

Results:

First:

Kade McKenzie	14 years	High Jump

Second:

Neeve Bakker-Graham	12-15 years	1500m Walk
Megan Dickson	13 years	1500m
Kade McKenzie	14 years	Triple Jump
Caleb Morrissy	15 years	200m
Caleb Morrissy	15 years	400m
Kasey Parish	17 years	Javelin
Hayden Peoples	13 years	Shot Put
Jem Sears	14 years	Discus

Third:

Megan Dickson	Open	3000m
Kade McKenzie	14 years	Long Jump
Kasey Parish	17 years	Long Jump
Ethan Powell	13 years	Discus
Malaika Yenkeni	13 years	Discus
Malaika Yenkeni	13 years	Shot Put

Chris Sly

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER - PLEASE NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

YEAR 12	
Thurs 12th October	Year 12 English Practice Exam - 9 am - 12.15 pm
Monday 23rd October	Last day of Year 12 classes
Tuesday 24th October	Year 12 Celebration Day and Final Assembly
Wednesday 1st November – Friday 24th November	Year 12 Exams - Students will be given their individual timetables
Monday 27th November	Year 12 Valedictory Dinner – 6.30 pm - 11.30 pm - The Pier
Friday 15th December	Year 12 Results
YEAR 11	
Wednesday 8th November	Last day of Year 11 classes
Thursday 9th November - Tuesday 14th November	Year 11 Exams
Wednesday 15th November	Year 11 Formal
Friday 17th – Tuesday 21st November	Year 11 into 12 VCE 2018 Commencement Program at Oberon (**Program compulsory for all 2017 Year 11 students**) **Tuesday 21st November is the last day at school for Year 11 students.**
YEAR 10	
Monday 4th December	Last day of Year 10 classes
Tuesday 5th December	Year 10 Maths and English Exams
Wednesday 6th December – Friday 8th December	Year 10 into 11 VCE 2018 Commencement Program at Oberon **(Program compulsory for all 2017 Year 10 students). Friday 8th December is the last day at school for Year 10 students.**
YEAR 6, 7, 8 & 9	
Wednesday 18th October	Year 7, 2018 - Parent Information Night – 6 pm School Auditorium
Tuesday 12th December	Year 7 2018 Orientation Program Morning Tea for Year 7 Parents/Guardians
Wednesday 13th December	Year 7 2018 Orientation Program Last day of classes for Year 7, 8 & 9 students
Thursday 14th, Friday 15th and Monday 18th December	End of Year Activities for Years 7 - 9 - details will be distributed to students
ALL YEAR LEVELS	
Wednesday 25th October	**GEELONG CUP DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**
Tuesday 12th December	Oberon High School Second Hand Book Sale - 11 am - 4.30 pm Uniform Shop - **Please note there will be only one sale for all Year levels this year.**
Tuesday 19th December	Oberon Awards Day - Costa Hall 11.00 a.m. **All students are expected to attend**
Wednesday 20th December	School Picnic
Thursday 21st December	Staff Professional Learning Program Parent/Teacher Interviews **as required by appointment**
Friday 22nd December	Program provided for those students in attendance **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL TERM**
COMMENCEMENT DATES FOR EARLY 2018	
Thursday 25th January	School Office Open
Friday 26th January	Australia Day – School Closed
Monday 29th January	Teachers return to school School Office Open
Tuesday 30th January	Students in Years 7, 11 & 12 commence school
Wednesday 31st January	Students in Years 8, 9 & 10 commence school. All students now in attendance.
Thursday 1st February	Year 7 meet the teachers BBQ
Friday 2nd February	Year 7 beach day with Year 10 buddies
Monday 12th February	School Swimming Sports
Wednesday 14th February	School Photos
Friday 16th February	School Photos catch up
Thursday 8th March	School Athletic Sports – Landy Field
Monday 12th March	Labour Day Public Holiday - School Closed
Wednesday 21st March - Friday 23rd March	Year 7 Camp - Anglesea

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Oberon High School will be closed for the Public Holiday on Geelong Cup Day
Wednesday 25th October
Please mark this date in your diary.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE PAYMENT DEADLINE

A notice to parents who would like an Oberon High School Magazine for 2017 that the deadline for payment ($20.00) is **Friday 20th October, 2017**

STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

FREE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION

Hear from our very experienced, National Director, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and ask questions.

Wednesday, 27th September at 5.30pm

Register now

Visit www.studentexchange.org.nz
or call 0800 440 079 for more information

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Friday, 6th October

10-3pm

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world festival of magic

FREE Magic & Comedy Show for Local Disadvantaged & Underprivileged Kids!

THE WORLD FESTIVAL OF MAGIC is a world-class Live Theatre Magic & Comedy Production - from large scale illusions to intimate close up magic.
Kids will revel in its youthful style of physical & prop comedy, & be enthralled with cutting edge illusions & dramatic presentations of classic magic of ages past.

WHERE & WHEN!

GEELONG ARENA (Main Auditorium)
110 Victoria Street, North Geelong, VIC
THURSDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2017
12.30pm
(Show duration approx. 90 minutes - Includes 20 minute Interval)

This Free event is organised as a special day out to help lift the spirits and bring well needed joy, laughter and amazement to local disadvantaged children, & those with special needs.
We hope it provides a wonderful day out for children & families who may be having to deal, on a daily basis, with illness, physical disability, emotional trauma or severe socio-economic hardship.

The show is suitable for audiences of all ages. The venue supports & accommodates wheelchair access & seating. Please see our FAQs on the World Festival of Magic website for more information.
http://www.worldfestivalofmagic.com.au/faqs.html

This Show has been generously sponsored by the Business Communities of the City of Greater Geelong and its surrounding areas.

For all enquiries please contact MEREDITH NEWMAN.
Please send TICKET ORDERS via EMAIL or FAX
Phone: 1800 727 857 **Fax**: 1800 823 287
Email: hamlynhlions@sponsorship.net.au

Geelong Flyers Development Program 2018 Playing Opportunities

Geelong Netball Club Cougars

REGISTRATION

Information will be forwarded to all BFL, GDFL and GFL clubs in September.
Alternately you can email:
gnc.flyers@gmail.com
for a registration form.

DATES
Sun 29 October 2017
Sun 5 November 2017
Sun 12 November 207

VENUE

YMCA
25 Riversdale Terrace
Newtown

GEELONG FLYERS

Netball Victoria — Victorian Netball League

94.7 FM the pulse

diverse radio & television

20/09/2017

MEDIA RELEASE

Free entry for all students to 94.7thePulse Short Film Festival

We invite your students to make a 1-3 min film for the opportunity to win cash prizes and film packages, and have their film screened at the Pako Festa launch.

THEME: Reflections of Culture.

What is cultural identity? What does cultural identity mean? If culture includes your native language, customs, beliefs and community, then my culture is...?

Check out the festival and enter online here http://thepulsefilmfestival.com/

FREE ENTRY when you use the discount code 947PFF17

It doesn't matter whether you are filming on a smartphone, tablet, DSLR or video camera; we encourage anyone interested to enter and show us their talent and creativity.

We will be holding **FREE FILM MAKING WORKSHOPS** for those interested in entering the Film Festival. Workshops are in the school holidays at The Pulse radio station 68-70 Little Ryrie Street Geelong.

- Wed 27th September / Fri 29th September / Wed 4th October / Fri 6th October

Places are limited so to secure a spot go to http://thepulsefilmfestival.com/workshop-bookings/

Awards

1. Youth Award under age 18 – Geelong Connected Communities Award
2. Emerging Film Maker Award – Pivitonian Award
3. My First Ever Film Making Experience
4. Best Script – Geelong Regional Library Corporation Award

All of the Top 20 Films will be screened at the event throughout the day.

Entries close 15th of December 2017

For more information contact Simon Finch
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