

OCTOBER

Wed 26th October - Frid 18th Nov Year 12 Exams

NOVEMBER

Thurs 3rd Indonesian & German Excursion to the Zoo T8 & G8

Wed 9th **LAST DAY OF CLASSES FOR YEAR 11**

Thurs 10th - Tues 15th Year 11 Exams
Thurs 10th Training Day for Great Victorian Bike Ride - Capital City Trail Year 11 Formal

Wed 16th Year 11 into 12 - 2017
Frid 18th - Tues 22nd Commencement Program

Mon 21st Year 12 Valedictory Dinner - The Pier

Wed 23rd Making Moves on Mental Health - Year 9 Presentation

Frid 25th **LAST DAY OF CLASSES FOR YEAR 10**

Sat 26th - Sun 4th December Great Victorian Bike Ride
Mon 28th - Mon 19th December Antipodeans Abroad Expedition
Mon 28th Year 10 English and Maths Exams
Tues 29th - Thurs 1st December Year 10 into 11 - 2017 Commencement Program

DECEMBER

Tues 6th - Wed 7th Year 6 Orientation
Frid 9th **LAST DAY OF CLASSES FOR YEARS 7, 8 & 9**

Mon 12th Year 12 Results
Mon 12th Awards Day - Costa Hall

Tues 13th Year 7-9 End of Year Activities - Details will be distributed to students.
Wed 14th - Thurs 16th Year 7-9 End of Year Activities - Details will be distributed to students.

Frid 16th School Picnic

Mon 19th Staff Professional Learning Program Program provided for those students in attendance.

Parent/Teacher interviews if required by appointment.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Year 12 Celebration Day and Assembly

On Tuesday 18th October the school held a whole school assembly in which we farewelled our 2016 Year 12's from their formal classes and wished them all of the best in their upcoming exams. It was great to see so many family and friends of the Year 12's attending the assembly and reflect and celebrate on their 13 years of schooling. The positiveness of the assembly was a fitting way for the students to farewell their official schooling at Oberon High School. It is always great to hear the students recount their memories of their Secondary Schooling, the friendships they have made, the opportunities that they have had and the excitement for what the future may hold. Thank you to Mr Steve Sutcliffe and Mrs Carol Champion who organised the final day celebration for the Year 12 students.

VCE Exams

Students across the state began their VCE exams on Wednesday 26th October, with the English exam and concluding exams on Wednesday 16th November. We wish all of our students undertaking VCE subjects all the best in their upcoming exam period. A reminder to parents and students that all Year 12 teachers will remain accessible to the students up until their VCE exam is completed, therefore I encourage students to use this resource if required.

School Relocation Information Evening

Thank you to the members of the school community that attended the information evening on Tuesday 25th October. A number of questions were raised from parents including the transportation of students to the new site when the school is relocated, the name of the school and whether there will be changes to the school uniform. All of these questions will be addressed as we move forward through the process, however the Minister for Education has always stated that he doesn't want students to be disadvantaged as a result of the relocation.

If community members were unable to attend the information evening and have questions, I encourage you to contact me at school. I also encourage you to read the provision review report which can be accessed through the following link:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/infrastructure/Pages/reviewsoutherngeelongarmstrong.aspx>

Melbourne Cup

A reminder that the Tuesday of Melbourne Cup is a normal school day. All classes will be operating as usual and all school buses will operate as normal.

Parent Opinion survey

The school has received our results for the 2016 parent opinion survey. The results are overall very pleasing and reflect the fact that parents that responded believe that their children are getting a very high quality of education at Oberon High School. The results in many of the responses placed us in the top 25% in the state. If you would like to discuss these results, feel free to contact me at school.

School Sport Victoria State Athletics

Congratulations to the students that qualified to compete at the State Athletic Finals on Monday 17th October. Special mention must be made to Kade McKenzie and Kasey Parish who both won medals a wonderful achievement. Well done to Max Houliston, Chris McMahon and Malaika Yenkeni who also qualified to compete in the State Finals.

Tim McMahon

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR BOOKS & UNIFORMS FOR 2017

Uniting Care Concern has access to limited funds to provide assistance for families who need extra support with the financial costs of books (including the cost of the *digital textbook subscription*) and uniforms for 2017. Families need to hold a current Centrelink Health Care Card or Pension Card to be eligible for support. As part of the process, **Uniting Care Concern** require an adult family member to attend an interview to help determine the needs and support the family require.

Unfortunately, the funds do not stretch to enable **Uniting Care Concern** to assist all families with a Centrelink benefit card, thus it is important to get in early. You are able to call **Uniting Care Concern** on **42 101100** as of **October 17th between 9.30 am – 12.00 pm** to make an interview time. Interviews will be conducted on Tuesday's and Friday's from **October 24th until the last week in November 2016**.

If you have any questions or queries regarding this process, please feel free to contact myself at Oberon High School on 52 434 444.

Sam Mackenzie
Student Wellbeing Manager

BELLARINE UNIFORMS
OFFICIAL UNIFORM SUPPLIER TO OBERON HIGH SCHOOL
162 MOORABOOL STREET GEELONG
Mon-Frid: 9 am till 1 pm
Email: bellarine@noone.com.au

YEAR 12 END OF SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS

Farewell and Good Luck Year 12 Class of 2016!



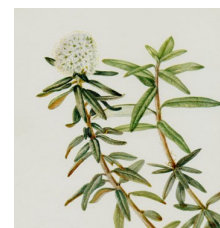
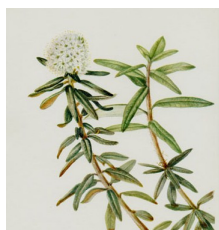
MEMORIAL GARDEN OPENING

On Tuesday 18th October, the Senior VCAL students conducted the official opening of the Memorial Garden in memory of Mrs Barbara Staff, their literacy teacher.

The students, parents, and friends heard heart felt messages from Jayden Palmer, Andy Wylie, Brendan Hannam, Simone Johnston and Taryn Iles thanking supporters for their contributions to the project. The English teachers who gathered to watch the opening, really appreciated the work of the VCAL students to complete a wonderful memorial in honour of their much loved colleague.

Barbara's daughter Erica sent the following message to the students which resonates with the significance of the VCAL program and the dedication and commitment of these students:

'The photos are great! What a transformation. The chair is beautiful, just the sort of sunny spot mum would have loved to read a good book.'



OBERON HIGH SCHOOL - SECONDHAND BOOK SALE

Sales are Cash Only

- **Tuesday 6th December Years 10, 11 & 12 (also limited sales for Year 7 - 9)**
- 11 am to 4.30 pm - Uniform Shop

Conditions of Sale : Correctly priced and labelled and NO Excessive Graffiti

An information sheet will be given to students with a list of books available to be bought and sold and a sheet of year level color coded labels to attach to books to be sold and information will be given to Year 9 students for Year 10 books available to **purchase only**. (This information will also be available on the Parent Portal). Please staple/attach to ALL items with the following information:

- Student Surname, First Name, Home Group, Address & Phone Number
Title of Book & Recommended Sale Price
- Please tick box if you wish proceeds to be allocated to your account
Parent/Guardian signature
- Please tick box if you wish proceeds to be allocated to your bank account

Students can bring their Books to the Uniform Shop every Wednesday and Friday between 1.00 pm - 1.30 pm up to Friday 27th November, 2015.

Parents of Years 7 - 9 students please note: There will now be limited sales of some novels and a German Work Book, and current Year 9 students may also purchase Year 10 books.

MONEY can be collected: At the Chaplain's Office on Thursday December 8th and Friday December 9th, 2016 - 9 am - 3.30 pm

- All other money can be collected from the Uniform Shop during Term 1, only when it is open. Times will be advertised in the School Newsletter and Student Bulletin during Term 1 2017.
- 20% commission is charged on all sales. Any money not collected by the end of Term 1, 2017 will be credited to your family account.
- End of Term 2 2017 will be the LAST opportunity to collect ANY unsold books. Books not collected will be considered a donation to the Chaplaincy Committee and boxed for disposal or sale at a later date.

WELCOME LUCA JERCHOW

A big welcome to Luca Jerchow, our new exchange student from Germany. She arrived at Oberon last Monday and will be with us until April next year.

SAGSE SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION EVENING

On October 14th at the Park Hyatt Melbourne, Year 12 student Andy Creswell received one of 12 prestigious scholarships to travel and study in Germany for 11 weeks after the VCE Exams. Andy was the only State School student to receive one of the awards. Congratulations to Andy, this is an amazing effort. On the night, Mr McMahon and Frau Ray attended. Here we met up with several of our past students who have received such a scholarship. In the photo are ex-students Amber Hansen, Stevie Nuss-Soeharto, Hannah Madden and Lachlan Douglass.



GERMAN SCHOOL FILM FESTIVAL

Last Thursday, Eight Year 10 students travelled with Frau Ray to ACMI in Melbourne to find out the results of the 2016 Film Competition. Oberon's Year 10 film was one of 10 films to be shortlisted in the Later Years Category. Whilst we didn't win a prize, it was exciting to see the students on the big screen and to appreciate the work which went into making the film.

The film can be viewed at <http://www.oberonhs.vic.edu.au> by clicking 'Media' under the 'Community' menu.



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

OBERON AWARDS DAY CEREMONY

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.**

Please note this ceremony will take place at 11.00 am on Tuesday 13th December at Costa Hall.

MCHARRYS BUSLINES - WAURN PONDS BUS SERVICES 2017

Parents please note that the Waurn Ponds school bus services 2017 information is now on the McHarrys website.

The services are:

W2 – Waurn Ponds to Geelong College (Senior and Junior Campuses), Sacred Heart, Clonard College and St Joseph's College (Westcourt Campus) – AM and PM service

N24 – Waurn Ponds to Christian College (Senior and Middle Campuses), Belmont High School and St Joseph's College (Aphrasia St) – AM and PM service

There are also public timetabled services from Waurn Ponds to Belmont High School (via route 42), and to Matthew Flinders (via route 42 and 41).

Customers searching by "Waurn Ponds", or by their school will find the new services show up in their search results.

GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Geelong Blood Donor Centre
237 Ryrie St

Now open extended hours:

Monday	7.30 am – 7.30 pm	Thursday	7.30 am – 7.30 pm
Tuesday	1.00 pm – 7.30 pm	Friday	7.30 am – 3.30 pm
Wednesday	7.30 am – 7.30 pm	Saturday	8.00 am – 3.30 pm

Call 13 14 95 or visit donateblood.com.au



WALKING HOME HOMELESSNESS

Saturday November 5th 2016

37KM QUEENSCLIFF – GEELONG
7AM pick up from Geelong train station with drop off at Queenscliff

20KM DRYSDALE – GEELONG
From Drysdale Train Station

11.5KM LEOPOLD – GEELONG

3.5KM SHOWGROUNDS – GEELONG

All walks end with a celebration at the Geelong Waterfront

REGISTER ONLINE

www.salvationarmy.org.au/walkinghome



**TRACK AND FIELD: SCHOOL SPORT VICTORIA
STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016**

The 2016 track and field schools competition wrapped up on Monday October 19 at the State Athletic Centre at Lakeside Stadium. After three qualifying events in the lead up to this level of competition, starting in March, five students qualified to represent Oberon. We had Chris McMahon and Max Houliston competing in the 16-20 Years Boys' 1500m Walk, Malaika Yenkeni in the 13 Years Girls' Discus, Kade McKenzie contesting the 13 Years' Triple Jump, High Jump and Javelin, and Kasey Parish in the 16 Years Girls' Javelin.

The weather managed to remain fine for the entire day, which helped athletes in most events, although as the wind increased throughout the day, conditions for some events became more challenging. Thankfully, the rain stayed away!

Kasey threw well enough to secure the silver medal, to repeat last year's effort. She was not happy with her three throws, which were below her personal best, however to medal three years in a row in this event is a very commendable effort. (Best throw: 35.32m)

Malaika performed very well at her first attempt at this level of competition in her Discus event. Throwing against some much bigger girls, she managed to throw a best effort of 23.38m. It was unfortunate that due to health and safety concerns, the discus competition was moved to outside the venue near the warm-up area, so Malaika did not get to experience throwing in front of the crowd within the stadium.

Chris and Max were very keen to show their walking skills but had to wait until 3.30 before they competed in their 1500m Walk event. Unfortunately, due to their inexperience within this very technical event, both boys were disqualified due to either contact or knee violations. They managed to cross the line in fourth and fifth positions. With further practice, they both should be able to improve their technique and will benefit from this experience.

Kade had a very busy day competing in three individual events. In his first event, jumping into a strong head-wind, Kade managed a best leap of 10.87m to catapult himself into the Bronze Medal position in the triple jump. Soon after, he was trying to battle the tricky wind conditions at the High Jump. Kade managed to clear 1.60m, which put him in equal third place, however he was relegated to fourth place on a count-back. In his third event, Kade threw the javelin 32.53m, which placed him fourth in the event.

Congratulations to all students for their fine efforts. I look forward to further success in the coming years in track and field competitions.

Results:

SILVER MEDALIST

Kasey Parish 16 years Javelin

BRONZE MEDALIST

Kade McKenzie 13 years Triple Jump

Congratulations to all students on their efforts in this year's track and field competitions.

Chris Sly



2016 Geelong All Schools Table Tennis Championships



Saturday November 19th 2016
Starting at 10 AM

Conducted by the Geelong Table Tennis Association Inc.
Stadium: 84 Church St, North Geelong

Entries close: Wednesday November 2nd 2016

Events for students and teachers!

Enquiries: Nicole Freeland
geelongtta@gmail.com or 0406 300 447

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Entry forms are available at the Oberon High School General Office.

BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL

VINTAGE FAIR

NOVEMBER 4th 2016
4 - 8PM

INCLUDES: FERRIS WHEEL, JUMPING CASTLES, SILENT AUCTION, STALLS, FOOD, DRINKS, CRAFT & much more!

DONT MISS OUT ON BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOLS FIRST EVER VINTAGE FAIR - IT WILL BE FUN FOR EVERYONE!

For more details contact: 5243 2972

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER - PLEASE NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

YEAR 12 Wednesday 26 th October – Friday 18 th November Monday 21 st November Monday 12 th December	Year 12 Exams Year 12 Valedictory Dinner – 6.30 pm - 11.30 pm - The Pier Year 12 Results
YEAR 11 Wednesday 9 th November Thursday 10 th November - Tuesday 15 th Wednesday 16 th November Thursday 17 th November Friday 18 th – Tuesday 22 nd November	Last day of Year 11 classes Year 11 Exams Year 11 Formal Year 11 Rest Day Year 11 into 12 VCE 2017 Commencement Program at Oberon (Program compulsory for all 2016 Year 11 students) Tuesday 22nd November is the last day at school for Year 11 students.
YEAR 10 Friday 25 th November Tuesday 29 th November – Thursday 1 st December	Last day of Year 10 classes Year 10 into 11 VCE 2017 Commencement Program at Oberon (Program compulsory for all 2016 Year 10 students). Thursday 1st December is the last day at school for Year 10 students.
YEAR 6, 7, 8 & 9 Tuesday 6 th December Wednesday 7 th December Friday 9 th December Monday 12 th , Wednesday 14 th , Thursday 15 th and Friday 16 th December	Year 7 2017 Orientation Program Year 7 2017 Orientation Program Last day of classes for Year 7, 8 & 9 students End of Year Activities for Years 7 - 9 - details will be distributed to students
ALL YEAR LEVELS Tuesday 13 th December Monday 19 th December Tuesday 20 th December	Oberon Awards Day - Costa Hall 11.00 a.m. All students are expected to attend Staff Professional Learning Program Program provided for those students in attendance END OF TERM
COMMENCEMENT DATES FOR EARLY 2017 Friday 27 th January Monday 30 th January Tuesday 31 st January Wednesday 1 st February Monday 13 th February Thursday 15 th February Thursday 23 rd February Thursday 16 th March	School Office open All staff return Students in Years 7, 11 & 12 commence school Students in Years 8, 9 & 10 commence school. All students now in attendance. Swimming Sports - Kardinia Pool School Photos School Photos Catch Up School Athletics - Landy Field