

## ORIENTATION NEWSLETTER

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**Wednesday 12th December, 2018**

**THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS WILL BE TUESDAY THE 30TH OF JANUARY , 2019**

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School photos will be taken on **Wednesday 13th February**. Information on the **ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM** will be sent out prior to photo day. Any student who is absent on this day can have their portrait/ID taken on a **catch up day on Tuesday 19th February**.

### SWIMMING SPORTS

The 2017 Oberon High School House Swimming Sports will be held on **Monday 11th February** at Kardinia Pool. We encourage all students to get practicing over the holidays so you can swim some laps. If you're not a swimmer, this is a whole school activity and any students who are not competing are encouraged to dress up in your House colours at this special whole school event to support your House representatives. Do your House proud!

### YEAR 7 MEET THE TEACHERS BBQ

A "Meet the Teachers" BBQ for students and parents will be held at school on Thursday 31st January from **5.30 pm - 7.00 pm**. Information will be distributed.

### YEAR 7 ACTIVITIES DAY

An activities day for Year 7 students and their Year 10 buddies will be held at Torquay on **Friday 1st February**. Information will be distributed to students early next year.

### YEAR 7 CAMP

A camp will be held for Year 7 students from **Wednesday 21st - Friday 23rd March, 2019** at Camp Wilken Anglesea. Information will be distributed to students early next year.

### ATHLETIC SPORTS

The 2018 Oberon High School House Athletic Sports will be held on **Thursday 7th March** at Landy Field. We encourage all students to participate and to dress up in your House colours at this special whole school event.

### COMMENCEMENT DATES 2018

- **Friday 25th January** - School Office Open
- **Monday 28th January** - Australia Day Public Holiday - School Closed
- **Tuesday 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 start school. All students now in attendance.

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It was great to have the 2019 Year 7 students join us as part of the transition program for two days on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. By all reports the students had a great time as they immersed themselves into the Oberon High School community, supported by the school transition team headed by Assistant Principal Mr Josh Baker, Middle Years Manager Ms Renae Barnett, significant teachers and their Year 9 Buddies. What has been particularly pleasing is the positive interactions that have occurred between students from the various Primary Schools. Our teachers spoke highly of the initial interactions that they had with the incoming group and are excited to be working with the cohort in 2019.

As Principal of Oberon High School, I look forward to getting to know all of the 2019 year 7 students and will watch with interest as they develop academically, socially and emotionally through their time at the school. I encourage parents to make contact with the school and the key contacts that are detailed below if there are issues that need to be discussed or addressed. As a school, I believe that we are very responsive to reasonable requests that will enhance the educational experience of students at the school.

Oberon High School has many strengths that has resulted in it being acknowledged as a high performing Secondary School. One of these is the many and varied opportunities that are offered to students throughout their time at the school. However, the experience that the students have encountered will be reflected in their willingness to take up and be involved in the opportunities offered. As is highlighted in the school mantra, I encourage all students to **'shape your future ... go one better'**.

There are a number of key contacts at the school if you have anything you wish to discuss:

**Mr Josh Baker** - Assistant Principal (Years 7-9)  
**Ms Renae Barnett** - Middle Years Manager  
**Ms Anna Shaw** - Year 7 Manager

The 2019 school year for Year 7's begins on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January** with staff returning to school on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January. The school office will be open for enquiries from Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and an enjoyable and safe summer break and look forward to seeing the students at school on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January.

**Tim McMahon**

### STUDENT FREE DAYS 2019

The following days have been approved by the Oberon High School - School Council as student free for 2018:



- **Tuesday 29th January** - Designated for all schools
- **Thursday 2nd May** - Staff Professional Development Day (**this date may change subject to availability of Guest Speakers**)
- **Friday 14th June** - Report Writing Day
- **Monday 12th August** - Staff Professional Development Day

Please mark these dates in your diary.

### YEAR 7 TRANSITION PROGRAM

As part of the Year 7 Transition Program, a two day Team Building and Initiative Program will take place from **Wednesday 20th March to Friday 22nd March** at Camp Wilken Anglesea. The cost of the Camp is approximately \$240 (To Be Confirmed). Also an activities day with their Year 10 buddies will be held at Torquay on **Friday 2nd February**. The cost for this is \$20.00. Also a Meet the Teachers BBQ will be held on **Thursday 1st February** at school.

This important program allows students to interact with their new school buddies, assisting in a smooth transition to secondary school life. The students will enjoy many activities designed to develop team skills, friendships and positive relationships between students and teachers.

Further information, consent and medical forms will be given to your child early next year.

## LANGUAGES NEWS



### LANGUAGES AT THE MELBOURNE ZOO YEAR 8

On Melbourne Cup Day all Year 8 students travelled to the Melbourne Zoo to further develop their German and Indonesian language skills. Despite the very wet weather all students enjoyed researching different animals, taking great photos and avoiding the huge puddles!

Many thanks to Mr Baker for driving the school bus, the language teachers Frau Ray, Bu Harbour and Anna and the aides Miss Jennings, Mrs Grossman and Mrs Gawne.

Work in class since returning from the excursion has shown that all students have improved both their knowledge of various animals and their language skills. They have been having fun with Zoo follow up activities.



Our current Year 7 German students recently enjoyed learning about Christmas traditions in German speaking countries.



### NIKOLAUS ACTIVITY – THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER GERMAN CLUB, NORLANE

Nikolaus celebration was held after school on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Highlights were traditional German craft activities and the arrival of Sankt Nikolaus and his helper Knecht Ruprecht!



Wooden decoration



### YEAR 10 GERMAN STUDENTS MAKE GINGERBREAD HOUSES

The Year 10 German class has been learning about some of the Christmas customs and traditions in German speaking countries. This includes making gingerbread houses. All students enjoyed this activity and hopefully the houses have made it home for their families to share!



### OBERON WINS ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN VIDEO COMPETITION

Congratulations to Max Brownbridge, Will Stiles, Kobey Furze and Isaac Burns of Year 9 on winning first prize in the AGTV "Werbespot" competition.

The boys' video was to encourage people to play handball. They have won a trophy, chocolates and iTunes vouchers for their fabulous entry.

The winning video can be viewed via the following link:

<https://youtu.be/JKrQ9FYIE7Q>



### LANGUAGES CORNER

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Here are the numbers from 1 to 10. These form the basis for larger numbers in each of the languages. Once you know the basics, learning the rest will be easy!

	Indonesian	German
1	satu	eins
2	dua	zwei
3	tiga	drei
4	empat	vier
5	lima	fünf
6	enam	sechs
7	tujuh	sieben
8	delapan	acht
9	sembilan	neun
10	sepuluh	zehn

## YEAR 7 IMMUNISATIONS 30TH APRIL, 2018

Immunisations will be held at School on **Tuesday 30th April, 2019.**

Consent forms have been distributed; could parents please return these to the office if you haven't already done so, even if your child does not require the immunisation.



### Year 7 Students:

- HPV (Human Papillomavirus)
- Boostrix - Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough (Pertussis) - One single injection

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).

## YEAR 7 STUDENTS IMPORTANT TERM 1 DATES

### Please mark in your diary

#### Week 1

Wednesday 30th January Year 7, 11 & 12 students start school  
Thursday 31st January Year 7 meet the teachers BBQ  
Friday 1st February Year 7 Beach Day with Year 10 buddies

#### Week 3

Monday 11th February School House Swimming Sports (Kardinia Pool)  
Wednesday 13th February School Photographs

#### Week 4

Tuesday 19th February School Photographs Catch Up

#### Week 6

Thursday 7th March School Athletic Sports - Landy Field

#### Week 7

Monday 11th March Labour Day Public Holiday -  
**School Closed**

#### Week 9

Wednesday 20th March  
Thursday 21st March Year 7 Camp (Camp Wilkin, Anglesea)  
Friday 22nd March

#### Week 10

Friday 5th April **LAST DAY OF TERM ONE - 2.30 finish**  
Friday 19th April Good Friday Public Holiday

### TERM 2

#### Week 1

Monday 22nd April Easter Public Holiday  
Tuesday 23rd April **TERM 2 COMMENCES**  
Tuesday 30th April Year 7 Immunisations  
Thursday 2nd May **STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY - STUDENT**

## STUDENT ABSENCES

A reminder to all parents of the importance of phoning in absences early on the day of your child's absence. For your convenience you can leave a message on our absence number 0439 326 767.

Our SMS system will send a message out each day after 12 pm to those parents whose child is absent from class without notification. Parents can text or phone the absence number on 0439326767 and state the date, student's full name and reason for absence.

### LATE PASSES

If your child arrives late to school they must first report to the Assistant Principal's Office with a note signed by a parent or guardian or they can state that a parent has phoned the school.

### EARLY LEAVE PASSES

If your child needs to leave school for an appointment during the day they must report to the General Office with a note signed by a parent or guardian. If no note is provided the office staff will check if a parent has phoned the school. For your convenience you can leave a message on our absence line 0439 326 767. Alternatively if you prefer you can phone the school number 52 434444 to advise that your child needs to leave school early. To assist Office staff please phone as early as possible to allow plenty of time to pass the message to your son or daughter.

## STUDENT MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

Could all parents talk with their students about any medical needs that they may have. Please note the following:

Students should always carry **Ventolin Puffers, Epi-Pens, Diabetic Requirements** with them on outings – often classes go to sporting or other activities out of the classroom or school. Sporting bags are locked in the change rooms during class time and are not always accessible. If your student has **newly diagnosed or changed medical conditions** it is vital that the school is notified of this information.

Any students with **Anaphalaxis** are required to have **epi-pens (current date)** as follows:

- One to be kept with the student's Action Plan at **the School Office at all times, to be labelled with student's name.** (Staff members will take this one when student is **out of school on an excursion, on camp or at sport**)
- Their own personal named pen to be kept **with the student** at all times.
- Any changes to their Action Plan must be provided to the school. If your student **no longer** has an **allergy** we require this information **in writing** from your Doctor.

If your student requires **antihistamines for hayfever or cramp medication** etc. they are able to carry one single dose of their medication with them or parents can send written instructions (name, dosage etc) and give the medication to Office staff who will lock it securely away in Sick Bay.

If students need to take regular medication during school hours, parents are asked to complete a student medication form and the medication can then be locked securely away in Sick Bay. Students then need to report to the office at the correct time where an office staff member will assist. Students are forbidden to offer any medication to another student. Please check that your students medications are **in date**, this is a vital requirement for **Epi-Pens. If you receive a letter from the school reminding you of this need to update, please respond as soon as possible to ensure the safety of your child.**

Please advise your son/daughter that **emergency supplies** of medications such as Ventolin and sanitary products are available in sickbay if they see Office Staff. During the warmer weather please remind your child to drink plenty of water during the day. Students are permitted to take water bottles into class.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS - SICK BAY

If your son or daughter becomes unwell at school they need to ask their teacher to give them a note and come straight to the Office to be signed into Sick Bay. If the student is too unwell to remain at school a staff member in the office will then telephone a parent.



**For safety reasons it is important for students not to telephone their parents themselves.**

Please remind your son or daughter that Sick Bay is a place for sick students to rest before being picked up by a parent or to rest for 15 minutes before returning to class. It is not a place for extended stays. It is vitally important for parents to provide up to date contact numbers and emergency numbers in case of illness or emergency.

Please remember that if your child is sick the best place for them to

## OBERON HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

The Oberon High School Parent Newsletter is produced fortnightly and is an important source of information for parents.

**If you would like to receive the newsletter via email and have not included your email address on your child's enrolment form please contact the General Office.**

A small number of printed copies are available in the Reception Foyer waiting area and is distributed via the school website [www.oberonhs.vic.edu.au](http://www.oberonhs.vic.edu.au)

# OBERON SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

A reminder to all students of the importance of

# Oberon

Your uniform is available at the  
**PSW STORE IN GEELONG**

From Thursday 11th OCTOBER 2018

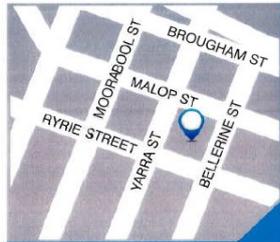
164 Malop Street  
Geelong VIC. 3220  
Phone: (03) 9768 0383

### REGULAR TRADING HOURS\*\*

Tues to Fri: 10:00am - 5:00pm  
Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm

### PEAK TRADING HOURS

20/11/2018-2/3/2019  
Mon to Fri: 9:00am - 5:00pm  
Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm



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### SUMMER UNIFORM



1101015 - Short Sleeve Shirt 1112048 - Short Sleeve Polo



1113040 - Flat Front Gab Short 1118016 - Summer Dress



1111927 - Tailored Short 1112051 - Bonded Jacket

### WINTER UNIFORM



1101025 - Long Sleeve Shirt 1112336 - Long Sleeve Polo



1104040 - Flat Front Adjustable Waist Pant 1111901 - Expandable Tailored Pant



1112050 - Pleated Skirt

### SPORTS UNIFORM



1110147 - Mesh Polo



1112049 - Unisex Microstretch Shorts with Contrast Piping



1112340 - Girls Microstretch Short with Contrast Piping 1112017 - Microfibre Trackpants

### ACCESSORIES



8301105 - Sprint Plus Backpack



1110191 - Baseball Cap



2513000 - Girls Tights 1110760 - Cushion Foot Sock - 3 Pack



2512000 - Turnover Knee H Socks - 3 Pack

**PSW**

## SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

School uniform is compulsory for all students in Years 7-12. Parents/Carers need to ensure students are wearing correct uniform. If students are to be out of uniform, they should be given a note explaining why this is necessary which is used to obtain a Uniform Pass from an Assistant Principal before 9:00am. Failure to carry a note may lead to a lunch time detention.

Correct school uniform should be worn to and from school, at school, and on school excursions. Students seen outside the school in school uniform should behave in a manner that enhances the school's reputation in the community. Uniforms worn incorrectly (e.g. without shoes), leaves as much of a bad impression as unseemly behaviour. We expect to have parent and student support in ensuring that our uniform is worn.

## STUDENT PRESENTATION

All students should be presented in a neat and tidy manner. School policy states that extreme hair styles or extensive jewellery are not acceptable at Oberon High School.

Jewellery should be kept to a minimum and should not be of a type that could cause injury. Earrings should be either sleepers or studs. One simple ring is allowed. Necklaces and chains should not be visible.

### Note:

If garments are worn under shirts, they must be white and have no motifs on them. If extra layers are worn they must be worn under the school jumper and must not be visible. No hooded jumpers. For security reasons, shoes should be fully fastened or laces tied

## SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Dark blue Oberon unisex track pants. Dark blue and green Oberon shorts. Students are expected to get changed just before Phys Ed classes. Sports uniforms cannot be worn to school.

## VCE STUDENTS IN YEAR 12

Year 12 students may wear the specific Year 12 jumper.

# Oberon High School

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## UNIFORMS

(FROM 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2018)

### MALE UNIFORM

SUMMER UNIFORM	
Short Sleeve Polo Shirt	\$36.95
Grey Shorts	\$44.00

WINTER UNIFORM	
Long Sleeve Polo Shirt	\$38.95
Grey Long Pants	\$51.00
Rugby Jumper	\$86.95
Soft Shell Jacket	\$83.95

SPORTS UNIFORM	
Short Sleeve Sports Shirt	\$38.95
Sports Shorts (Male fit)	\$32.00
Tracksuit Pants	\$51.95

### FEMALE UNIFORM

SUMMER UNIFORM	
Short Sleeve White Shirt (optional)	Price TBA
Short Sleeve Polo Shirt	\$36.95
Summer Dress	\$66.95
Blue Shorts (Female Fit)	\$44.95

WINTER UNIFORM	
Long Sleeve White Shirt (optional)	Price TBA
Long Sleeve Polo Shirt	\$39.95
Blue Long Pants (Female Fit)	\$55.00
Winter Kilt	\$75.95
Rugby Jumper	\$86.95
Soft Shell Jacket	\$83.95

SPORTS UNIFORM	
Short Sleeve Sports Shirt	\$38.95
Sports Shorts (Female Fit)	\$32.00
Tracksuit Pants	\$51.95

### ACCESSORIES

Black Socks (short) (3 pack)	\$14.95	Black Tights	\$15.95
White Socks (long) (3 pack)	\$14.95	Backpack	\$61.95
White Socks (short) (3 pack)	\$14.95	Baseball Caps (embroidered)	\$14.95
White Sport Socks (3 pack)	\$14.95		

Uniforms can be purchased instore from 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 or can be purchased online through PSW's website (see below)

Supplier:



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