Principal’s Reflection

As the term draws to a close there are a number of formal acknowledgements I would like to make.

On Thursday the College completed the final stage of the BOSTES Registration and Accreditation process. This involved four Inspectors reviewing how consistently our procedures and practice are when compared to our Policies.

The Lead Inspector in summary of the day has indicated that while the process is a pass/fail, Oakhill has exceptionally strong structures and a vibrant and reflective approach to teaching and learning. This was evident in the quality of programing and observed in student work samples. I would like to commend the work of the College staff in preparing so professionally for this process.

Over the last two weeks we have been actively engaging with members of the College community collecting data to inform the development of a needs analysis brief for future capital works. Once complete the brief will be taken to the College Board. It will provide information on the types of capital improvements that are deemed important developments and will support the Colleges Learning Framework and the goals of the Graduate document. The Board will then make recommendations to the Trustees and the Brother Visitor.

The parent body is invited to participate in a final data gathering process. From the collected data received to date, we have framed a set of questions that will allow families to provide some insight into perceived needs and priorities. The survey can be accessed from 5pm this afternoon until Wednesday 29th June. Parent Survey

As a community we wish all those traveling to World Youth Day as pilgrims or leaders a safe and spiritual journey. Please know you go with our blessings and prayers.

For those in the community that are not following The Voice on Channel 9, I would like to acknowledge Miss Georgia Wiggins. As a Year 11 student, she has progressed to the third week of live performances. Georgia is a tremendously talented young woman and as a community we can show our support by voting for her. Vote to save Georgia Wiggins CALL 1902 558 051 and Press ‘14’ for Georgia.

Finally, I wish all of the students, staff and families a restful, reflective break as winter descends.

Term resumes on Tuesday 19th of July.

Mr Jonathan Byrne
Acting Principal

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

24 JUNE
Term 2 Ends

18 JULY
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
(Student Free Day)

19 JULY
Term 3 Commences

20 JULY
Trial HSC Drama

21 JULY
Year 11, 2017 New Students’ Information Evening

22 JULY
• Mock HSC Drama Exam
• CSDA Debating Semi-Finals
• All Schools Cross Country Championships

23 JULY
ISA Rugby, Football, Hockey, Netball, Tennis

26 JULY
Science Fair

27 JULY
P & F Meeting

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— David Mamet
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Events & Information

OAKHILL COLLEGE SCIENCE FAIR

Tuesday 26 July
4.00pm to 6.00pm
Benildus Hall

DISPLAYS FROM
Serata (Science Toys)
Robocup (soccer and dance robots)
Solar Car racing (racing track)
DNA extraction
Telescopes on the lawn
3D printing

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<td>Skype Q&amp;A with Dr Karl Kruszelnicki</td>
<td>In the CSC foyer we will have a Skype Q&amp;A session. Students will have the opportunity to submit their questions before the night. <a href="mailto:swoodward@oakhill.nw.edu.au">email your question to swoodward@oakhill.nw.edu.au</a> - (questions will be selected from here)</td>
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Skype Q & A Session with Dr Karl at 6.00pm
To make a booking click on this [link](http://www.oakhill.nsw.edu.au) or visit our website [www.oakhill.nsw.edu.au](http://www.oakhill.nsw.edu.au) and click on the Trybooking tab.
Interested in flying over an active volcano?
Want to see where they develop NASA rockets?
How about experiencing the Le Brea tar pits?

The Oakhill College Science Department is organising a USA Science tour to do all of these things and more during a 13 days scientific trip to the West coast of USA and Hawaii.

The USA Science tour is open to all students currently in Years 8-11. This would be a fantastic academic opportunity for the Senior students and any student wanting to study Science in the senior years.

There is currently a party of 24 students with 4 staff attending the tour, but there are only a limited number of places available.

The USA Science tour will depart on the 8th December 2016 and return on the 21st December 2016.

If you are interested in your son or daughter attending, please email Mr Jeremy Powell jpowell@oakhill.nsw.edu.au WITHOUT DELAY.

The library is open in the last week of the holidays from 10am to 2pm. Year 12 are encouraged to come in and work on HSC Trials preparation. Years 7-11 are welcome to come and relax and a borrow some holiday reading. The library staff are always available to recommend a great read.

Going away these holidays? Oakhill College Wheelers eBooks is an extensive collection of great titles. These can be read on a laptop or phone. Ask your son and daughter to show you how to access these.

Have you checked out the new library webpage? Here you will find access to resources such as Subject guides, eBooks, Encyclopedia Britannica, Clickview videos and our Digital library. Students have been making good use of the Academic Writing page with resources on how to be a better writer and the Wordpower page. This is a great help for writing an Extended Response.

Year 12 On Target Study evenings.
The library aims to provide a supportive learning environment to our students. The library will be open until 7.30pm for the two weeks before the HSC trials. Teachers have kindly made themselves available to support students. Click here to view the teacher roster on the library webpage.

Please check out our Home Page for the “Payments” portal for school fees – a convenient option to pay your Term 3 School Fees Account:

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Wednesday July 27
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SPORTS

Term 2 shuts down and we look back at an active and successful first half of the winter season. All of our sports have made a positive impact and some are excelling at the top of their competition table. We break now until week 1 next term when we get back into the ISA but some of our representative players are still very busy. Our rugby players that made the ISA played in the cyclonic conditions last Saturday afternoon while our soccer teams got better conditions earlier this week.

- Good luck to our rugby players against CAS on Friday
- Well done to Hugo Wiggins and William Salinas on their efforts this week representing the NSWCIS soccer
- Grace Gibbeson was part of the Championship winning NSWCIS soccer team on Monday and Tuesday. Grace was a big part of CIS winning the Championships for the first time. A great effort from the CIS team and it’s nice to have an Oakhill influence.

ATHLETICS

The Oakhill Athletics Carnival was held a few weeks ago even though Sydney was host to rain, storms and wind that caused all sorts of issues. By the time Wednesday came around, the Oakhill cohort were in full LaSallian spirit for the Oakhill athletics carnival. The war cries were scarily competitive and they were choreographed so well that the Drama department is contemplating using our next carnival as their musical.

While Miguel House did all they could to keep the trophy (even Mr. McMurrich holding it hostage in his office) it was Turon that were consistently excellent throughout the day to take the 2016 title. Well done to House Dean Mr. Richards and to House captains Cameron James and Kaity Noble.

HOUSE POINTS

1ST PLACE... - TURON – 2472
2ND PLACE... - MIGUEL – 2320
3RD PLACE... - MUTIEN – 2312
4TH PLACE... - LA SALLE – 2217
5TH PLACE... - SOLOMON – 2190
6TH PLACE... - BENILDUS – 2067

ATHLETICS AGE CHAMPIONS 2016

U12 – Gabriel Lockley
U13 – Hayden Orley

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to our CIS soccer players Grace Gibbeson, Hugo Wiggins and Will Salinas on their efforts early this week.

Cameron Edwards continues to make his mark in AFL and was selected in the NSW All Schools AFL U15 team. Well done Cameron.

Our U14 Rugby boys are struggling a bit in the ISA competition but some of the boys were involved in the undefeated U14 Eastwood side that took out the State championships over the long weekend. Well done to Adrian Brown, Brock Wells, Ben Windebank, Sam Withford.

The ISA netball trials were held this term and it is no surprise that Oakhill were a big part of the representative team. Well done to the girls that were selected into the ISA team for 2016 – Kaitlyn Noble, Sure Van Niekerk, Cassandra Chivers, Deni Ross and Georgia Elliott.

PERFORMANCE OF THE WEEK – DANIEL HANCOCK

It’s a beautiful thing at Oakhill how humble some of our top athletes are. The performance of the week this week is more than that. It is very much a performance of any moment of time in this young athletes sporting quest and hopefully the start of a long career. Daniel Hancock competed at the National Gymnastics Championships and excelled. He is no stranger to doing well at this standard but only very good athletes are this consistent.

In Melbourne he had the following results for 2016 National Junior Men Titles:

- Individual Trampoline
- Double mini trampoline
- Team NSW trampoline
- Team NSW double mini trampoline

At the closing ceremony of the National Championships, Daniel was awarded the Australian Trampoline gymnastics junior male athlete of the year for 2015.

Well done Daniel! We will continue to support you and look forward to the next stage.
Events & Information

SPORTS CONTINUED

OAKHILL SPORT COMING UP

NSW Rugby trials – U18 at Knox on Friday 24th June. U16 Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th June at Knox.

Saturday 16th July – Rugby 1st XV (and 16A, 14A, 13A) v St Aloysius. Soccer 1st XI Boys (and all A teams v St Aloysius). All Rugby and Soccer away – check website.

Tuesday 19th July – students back at school.

Friday 22nd July – College Assembly. Athletics Age Champions and 1st XV Rugby jersey presentation.


YEAR 7 LWOB BBQ FUNDRAISER

Year 7 held a fundraising BBQ for Lasallians Without Borders yesterday with much generosity and success. It was led by our Year Ten Leaders who then ran activities for the boys on our ovals to mark the end of Term. Many thanks to the Ferreira, Chandra and Abdoo families who donated to the BBQ in the way of bread and drinks and thank you to Mr Burke and Mr O’Donnell who organised the events.

VA ARTIST OF THE MONTH

This term Year 8 have been studying Figurative Art, using both real life and imagined superheroes as inspiration. After participating in a workshop with internationally acclaimed artist Johnny Romeo, students designed their own superhero themed artwork, using Romeo’s own artworks as inspiration.

This month Jacob Sahyoun has received the Artist of the Month award for his outstanding interpretation of Johnny Romeo’s work. Jacob’s skilful use of materials has created an intuitively designed artwork that shows his strengths in visual arts.

Congratulations Jacob on your outstanding work, your hard work and effort has paid off.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
MONDAY, 18 JULY

THIS IS A STUDENT FREE DAY

STUDENTS RETURN FOR TERM 3 ON 19 JULY

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Dates and Canteen

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**ASSESSMENT HANDBOOKS**

Did you know you can find ALL current Assessment Handbooks for your child in your Parent Portal?

You can also see the Assessment PowerPoints used by Ms Garofano presented to each of the year groups.

In addition, your child’s Diary contains essential information about procedures concerning Assessments.

**REMINDER**

**THE COLLEGE UNIFORM SHOP IS OPEN**

**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, 8.00AM—11.30AM.**