Principal’s Reflection

“Do you fear putting yourself entirely in the hands of Providence?” (Letter 14 – To Brother Gabriel Drolin in Rome: from Paris, October 1704)

Our Year 12 student leaders and their cohort are currently immersed in Trial exams. With the exam block half over it is a chance for them to reflect on not just their effort but their leadership of learning in the school.

Year 8 and Year 10 have had subject selection opportunities as they take some leadership of their learning in the coming years. Our winter sports teams also have their leaders; our firsts teams and their leaders, captains and coaches.

Every moment in the life of the school should offer us an opportunity to reflect on our values to learn and to lead. This is true for staff and students alike. The key to successful leadership, ultimately, is influence and example, and not relying on mere authority. This is demonstrated through the care and support of our staff and the desire amongst our students to serve others through leadership in their school.

Schools need leadership, particularly the sort of leadership provided by students, for they have the capacity to influence student values, attitudes and behaviour with an effectiveness of which Principals and staff can only dream; this provided by our students.

At Oakhill there is a clear desire amongst our students to serve others through leadership of their school. Our Year 11 students are currently engaged in the process of selecting College leaders for 2017. We have spoken with them about the nature of leadership in our school and how it reflects a generosity of spirit and sense of service in action designed to improve our community.

I left the Year 11 students with a quote from President John Quincy Adams “if your actions inspire others to dream more, do more, learn more and become more, you are a leader”.

Mr Jonathan Byrne
Acting Principal
Events & Information

RIVERSIDE OAKS GOLF CLUB  
FRIDAY 12TH AUGUST 2016  
18 HOLES, TEAM AMBROSE FORMAT  
REGISTRATION—8.00AM  
TEE OFF—9.00AM  
TEAMS OF 3 OR 4 PLAYERS  
EQUIPMENT HIRE AVAILABLE  
LOTS OF GREAT PRIZES

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION  
CLICK HERE

NOTE

Mission Action Day 2016 will be held in Week 7 on 
WEDNESDAY  
31st of August  
not Friday as indicated on sponsor cards.

LA SALLIANS WITHOUT BORDERS  
BINGO NIGHT

3rd SEPTEMBER

$12 PER PERSON—TABLES OF 10

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SUPERHEROS UNITE FOR MISSION ACTION DAY

31ST AUGUST 2016

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VISUAL ARTS NEWS

JULY ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Year 11 Visual Arts students were required to create a 3D Media Study focusing on earth and environmental art. They created site specific artworks after researching and investigating artists who also work in this field. After experimentation, students went about creating their own artwork installations. These were evident in and around the school yard at the end of Term 2. The students photographed their artworks to show process and completion. An engaging unit with many stand out artworks, they are to be commended on their creativity. To be awarded Artist of the Month students needed to demonstrate a high level of commitment and passion for this subject.

Through careful consideration when engaging with site, application of recycled materials, concept resolution, showing engagement and commitment to his work, Luis Delfin of Year 11 has been awarded Artist of the Month for July. Congratulations on this fine achievement.

“My installation addresses the issue of pollution in a confronting manner. By redesigning the wheelie bins and representing them as dead fish, the act of putting rubbish in them symbolises how polluting the environment harms the animals’ existence in our world, particularly the marine life. Overall, I enjoyed this unit of work as it allowed me to address my concerns regarding pollution, and hopefully it has promoted awareness of this environmental issue within the Oakhill community.”

Luis Delfin

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

I would like to thank the College community for the generous donations collected for the Annual St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal. This year we had a record number of items donated to support the homeless around Sydney.

Thirty large packing boxes were collected in two weeks with several hundred items of warmth. These were delivered to the Matthew Talbot Hostel in Woolloomooloo and the Carolyn Chisholm Centre at Mount Druitt. Thank you to Year 10 student Joseph Pizzitola and our dedicated Year 11 Lasallian Youth Leaders for their organisation.

Mr Chris Goodman - Coordinator of Solidarity

SCHOOL FEES

School Fees were due on 22nd July.

Payments can be made via the front office, by the Payments portal on the top right-hand corner of the Oakhill homepage, or via the following link.

MENTAL HEALTH FORUM

Last Tuesday Alana Webb, a current Year 11 student, organised two guest speakers, Senior Constable Michael McDonnell from the NSW Police Force performing the role of Vulnerable Community Support Officer and Jeffrey Lee the Community Development Officer for Headspace Castle Hill, to address the Year 11 cohort on the topic of Mental Health. Ms Melanie Morton, Alana’s mentor, also attended.

Alana was chosen last year to be involved in the program ‘Max Potential’ which is supported by Castle Hill RSL. The program runs over twenty-two weeks and offers personal leadership development to young people. Part of the program encourages students to focus on their local community and ways that they can work to improve it. Alana was given the opportunity to create and complete a community service project and she chose to address Mental Health.

The aim of Alana’s project was to raise awareness about the extent of the issue and to encourage people to talk about it. Alana is to be congratulated on her initiative. She organised both guest speakers, invitations to prominent members of the local community and Year 11 students.

Congratulations Alana!

If you need someone to talk to or would just like more information, contact headsplace
https://headspace.org.au/

All Fathers, Grandfathers and other significant male Carers are warmly invited to the annual

Father’s Day Liturgy

To be held in the Chapel of St John Baptist de La Salle at 6.30pm on FRIDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2016.

Please join us for this celebration of Fatherhood

A sausage sizzle will be provided after the Liturgy, so please enjoy the hospitality of the P & F by staying after the service for a bite to eat and to catch up with some of the other Dads.

We are looking for Fathers and Students who would be happy to have a small role in our liturgy. Names of volunteers would be gratefully received by Peter Grace at peter.grace@cecnsw.catholic.edu.au

To book for this significant event on our Calendar, follow the link
www.trybooking.com/MNCU
OR
www.trybooking.com/219772

PLEASE NOTE:
Mums, Brothers and Sisters are more than welcome to attend the Mass and join in thanksgiving for these special people - our Dads.

(Students are requested to wear full school uniform)
SCIENCE FAIR

On Tuesday the 26th July Oakhill College held its annual Science Fair. Of course the night was just the highlight of a week of Science that students were involved in.

During the week, students had guest speakers from various Science professions come and chat with them.

We are extremely grateful to all our speakers for having given their time to talk to our students and hopefully inspire them for the future.

- Dr Adrian Cohen
- Mr Glen Douglas
- Mr Richard Neville (Class of 1983)
- Dr Mike Aspinwall (UWS)
- Dr Raelene Sommer (UWS)
- Mr Michael Cheong (Class of 2002)

Visitors to the Science Fair had the chance to interact with lots of displays on the night:

- Virtual Headsets from UNSW;
- Solar Car Race Cars;
- 3D Printing from UWS;
- DNA Extraction and Analysis;
- Hazmat from NSW Fire and Rescue;
- Telescopes from our own Mr Millar and Matthew D’Souza (class 2016).

Mr Georgescu, Ms Moran and Year 11 student Adam Taras brilliantly prepared the Fantastic Science Show. Lots of excellent chemical and physical reactions were displayed and explained.

We were also very privileged to have Dr Karl Kruszelnicki ‘Skype’ us and answer heaps of questions posed by the students.

On the night we had many displays from our current students and primary schools from the local area. The level of projects from both was outstanding.

WINNERS FROM OAKHILL

- Joshua Wilkinson - “Comparing the Energy Efficiency of Various Fuels”
- Aidan Shields - “What Beverage Stains Your Teeth More?”

- Zane Zschech - “Artificial Magnetosphere for a Space Shuttle
- Oliver Peck - “Goldfish”
- Physics – Johannes Lilischkis, Andrew Malysiak and Lucas Goossens - “Homemade Loudspeaker”

PEOPLE’S CHOICE AWARD

Boat Propeller – Electric Toy

Well done to all our entrants.

Of course the night would not be such a success without the work put in by all the people behind the scenes: the Maintenance Crew, Lab Staff and Science Faculty. Thank you to all these people; without all the effort from you, the Science Show would not have happened!

BIG SCIENCE COMPETITION

Earlier this year a small group of Years 7 and 9 students sat the “Big Science Competition”.

This is an online competition that requires students to solve scientific problems in a set period of time.

This year 48,000 students from across Australia sat the examination. Oakhill’s 11 students did extremely well and are to be congratulated for participating.

High Distinction (approx. top 5%), Distinction (approx. next 10 – 15%), Credit (approx. next 20-25%), Participation (remaining students).

RESULTS

Year 7

Fintan Riordan High Distinction
Alex Nielsen Distinction
Jamie Marshall Distinction
Karl Gibian Distinction
Logan Nicholson Credit
Samuel Pickard Credit

Year 9

Lachlan Elliot Distinction
Visual Arts & TAS Exhibition

Please join us on 30 August to indicate your attendance, please click on the link:

https://www.trybooking.com/218383
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Thursday
22nd September, 2016

**VENUE:**
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Hornsby

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Events & Information

A big day of sport hits Oakhill this weekend with rugby, soccer, tennis and netball at home. The rugby teams have their last home game of the season against St Patrick’s and all games will be a good and hard fought contest. The 1st XV is the headline rugby game of the day at 3.15pm on Damien where the Oakhill boys are looking to stay on top of the ISA competition. A win against St Pat’s on Saturday will set up a likely Grand Final next week against St Augustine’s. The 3rd XV and 5th XV also sit on top of their competitions and a win this week will put them in a spot where they play the following week for the ISA title. The U13’s age group is the shining light alongside the 1sts, 3rds and 5ths and we look forward to seeing how they go against Pat’s on Saturday. Good luck to all teams.

Most of the soccer boys are at home to St Pat’s this weekend with the 1st XI playing at 10.15am on Lawrence Oval. The 1sts have already booked a semi-final spot next week at home and they will be joined by many of the teams across the soccer age groups. We are expecting plenty of teams in the semi-finals next week with the hope that they can make their way through to the(decider at Oakhill on Saturday August 20th. Our three girls soccer teams look likely to be in the play-offs next week as well after consistent performances throughout the year.

Our tennis 1sts are away this weekend but they are already through to the final at Barker College on Saturday 20th. Oakhill will have up to five other teams in the final to keep our impressive Firsts company on Grand Final day.

The netball girls have been outstanding all year and deserve their spot in the knockout stage of the competition. The 1sts are hot favourites to take the ISA title and the 4ths, 5ths, 6ths, 7ths and 8ths are all in the running to take out their divisions. The hockey team will also play next week in the semi-finals but are first looking to finish the regular season off well on Saturday against Blue Mountains. Their 1-0 win last week had the excitement of a grand final with the girls continuing to show how much they love playing for Oakhill. If you ever want a team to make you smile, watch these girls.

Students’ Achievements
Ex-student, Jordan Thompson, is in Rio ready to do his best for Australia at the Olympics as part of the Australian Olympic Tennis team. We wish Jordan the very best of luck in his quest for an Olympic medal. I am sure if he manages the fantastic achievement of an Olympic medal, it will sit proudly alongside his 2010 Oakhill Year 10 Sportsman of the Year trophy. Good luck Jordan.

Liam McCallum (Year 8) has been selected to represent Australia in the U15 Baseball World Cup that is currently taking place in Japan. Australia drew a tough Pool that includes the very strong home side of Japan and although Australia have struggled against some of the world’s best baseball teams, Liam has been performing well on the world stage. While the Japan side was too strong for the Australians, Liam’s side bounced back to defeat the #4 ranked Korea. The tournament concludes this weekend and we look forward to having Liam back at the College next week. Well-done Liam.

Summer Sport Registrations 2016/2017
This season’s summer sport registrations (basketball and cricket) will be done through Trybooking. This can be found on the College website alongside all our other Trybooking events and will be clearly titled Basketball or Cricket. The registrations for Basketball and Cricket (Oakhill ISA Saturday competition) will be available and active next week.

Upcoming Events in Oakhill Sport
- Saturday 6th August – Rugby v St Pat’s (at Oakhill). ISA Round 10 Soccer, Netball, Tennis, Hockey.
- Week 4 Term 3 (from 8th August) – Summer Sport registration opens on-line through the College website “Trybooking”.
- Saturday 13th August – Final round of Rugby v St Augustine’s (away). Soccer, Netball, Hockey semi-finals.
- Saturday 20th August – ISA Finals. Boys’ Soccer (at Oakhill), Girls’ Soccer (at Blacktown) Netball (Homebush), Tennis (Barker) and Hockey (Moorebank).
- Weeks 7 and 8 – Basketball trials.
- Thursday 1st September – Rugby presentation evening.
- Saturday 3rd September – Basketball trials U13, 14, 15.
- Thursday 8th September – Boys’ soccer presentation (5pm) and Girls’ Sport presentation (7.30pm).
# Dates and Canteen

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**REMINDER**

**THE COLLEGE UNIFORM SHOP IS OPEN**

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, 8.00AM—11.30AM.

**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.