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CALENDAR

TERM 1 2016

- 7 March - School Association Meeting
- 14 March—Public Holiday
- 25 March - Good Friday
- 28-29 March - Easter Break
- 6 April - Reports go home
- 8 April - Moderation Day

TERM DATES 2016

- Term 1: 3 Feb - 7 April
- Term 2: 26 April - 1 July
- Term 3: 18 July - 23 Sept
- Term 4: 10 Oct - 21 Dec

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ABSENCE HOTLINE

6228 8890

Call any time (24/7) to
 leave a message about a
 student's absence

SCHOOL TIMES

- 8:40am Warning Bell
- 8:45am Home Group
- 9:00am Period 1
- 10:40am Recess
- 11:10am Period 2
- 12:50pm Lunch
- 1:40pm Period 3
- 3:20pm Dismissal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

At an Assembly on 24 February, we recognised the Prefects, House Captains and Student Representative Council Executive members and they signed the pledge that showed their commitment to fulfilling their roles at Ogilvie High School. There are of course many leadership roles that girls can take on at Ogilvie. We have students from each Home Group who are part of the Student Representative Council, we have many girls who are Peer Support Leaders as well as Eco Schools members and Z Club members. These students all contribute to the School and wider community in many ways. Already this year the SRC Executive and Gr 8 SRC have worked together to manage our Pink Stumps day which you can read more about in this Newsletter.

At the Leadership Assembly and at the Gr 7 Welcome Evening, I was very pleased to welcome parents and family members into the School.

After the formal part of the Assembly, parents of our Gr 10 Leaders joined us for a light luncheon in the Staffroom and were able to have family photos taken to mark this important occasion. I know that you are very proud of your daughters and that you have confidence in the learning programs and opportunities that are provided by our very experienced and talented staff here at Ogilvie. I want to say how proud I am of our Gr 10 Leaders, they will be great ambassadors for the School and also congratulate our Gr 7 students for the very positive start they have made at Ogilvie.

At the Gr 7 Welcome Evening, families were able to visit the Home Room of the girls and meet with the Home Group Teacher, who shared aspects of the Learning Program and answered questions from parents. We were then able to gather in the Lower Student Centre for refreshments where some of our Curriculum Leaders answered further questions about the various subjects we have on offer at Ogilvie.

At the Leadership Assembly I shared my thoughts about leadership and the qualities or traits that I believe can make a great leader, a great leader being one who makes a difference in a positive way. Great leaders are people with integrity, they are able to inspire others, and they are forward looking and optimistic. They have the trust of their team and they are inclusive of others, being fair-minded and honest. They are very competent people who set goals, take calculated risks and work hard to complete tasks and meet deadlines. Leaders build their team with others who have diverse skills and it is then actually the work of the whole team that provides for that 'stand out' performance or recognition that something great has been achieved.

At Ogilvie I encourage every student to work hard every day towards achieving goals and to seize opportunities and be the best they can be - there are many opportunities for leadership and for participation at school. In life at school or in the community whether you are in a leadership position or not, qualities such as being honest, forward-looking, fair-minded and a team player can enable every one of us to achieve our best.

Julie Bird - PRINCIPAL





Swimming Carnival

What a great day we all had at the Swimming Carnival held at the Glenorchy Pool on Wednesday of this week. Everyone participated enthusiastically in racing as well as the novelty events.

A big Thank you to Ms Stewart and Ms Pettit and the HPE Team, all staff and officials and also well done to the House Leaders and House Captains on the day. This was a great example of how we can build relationships outside of the classroom and provide the girls with the opportunity to meet and mix with girls from other grades across the School. We look forward to many more successful House events throughout the year. Congratulations to Dando House who took out the points on the day.



SRC Grade 8 2016

- 8A Rhianna Page and Zoe Savage
- 8B Sebe Akorsu Kasandra Xiong
- 8C Nelly Foster and Stella McGill
- 8D Melanie Tune-Murray and Evelyn Bryan
- 8E Mehak Khanna and Tilly Booth
- 8F Hayley Patmore and Hannah Matthews
- 8G Jasmine Margetts and Arielle Abrahams



Science

The Science Department at Ogilvie High School is using a web based programme called Education Perfect as a means of providing our students with access to skill and content learning. The programme offers each year group a formal learning programme that staff are using in conjunction with their classroom based programmes.

Parents can visit this website at www.educationperfect.com

In the last week, all students have had their practical and theoretical skills analysed in science proficiency tests. These tests will allow for completely individual assessments to be made for each student and for a recommendations programme for the individual, to be designed. Thus, depending upon what skills need to be improved upon, each student will have the opportunity for improving with a programme that is specifically for them. This also allows for staff to access data pertinent to constant improvement in the design and implementation of our science programme. I invite all parents to take a look at Education Perfect so they might see the work being undertaken by their daughters.

Pink Stumps Day

On Friday 19 February, we celebrated Pink Stumps Day in support of the McGrath Foundation. Jane McGrath's personal experience has seen a team of passionate and dedicated people come together and step up to the challenge of making life for families experiencing breast cancer just that little bit easier. Until there is a cure for breast cancer, the McGrath Foundation is committed to providing as much support as it can for families facing a breast cancer experience through the funding of McGrath Breast Care Nurses nationally, no matter where they live or their financial situation as well as increasing breast awareness in young Australians.

Pink Stumps day was a huge success as we raised over \$1000 for this cause. The day was organised by the SRC Executive and the Gr 8 SRC. They were supported by Shane in the Canteen, Mrs Morgan, Ms Ma and her Catering class, Mr Hortle and Mr Moore. The day was not only about raising funds through selling food and drinks with the pink theme for the cause, but also to raise awareness and the girls are very passionate about supporting issues that affect women and girls both locally and more broadly. Girls also had the chance to knock down the pink stumps on the cricket pitch on the oval. Maybe you caught a glimpse of this on Southern Cross TV. We'd like to also thank HoFM, Woolworths New Town and Bakers Delight for supporting the day.



BYOD Ogilvie has had a big push for all students to bring their own learning devices to school. So far this has been a great success with most students across the Middle School and many in the Senior School bringing along a device. It is important to remember that phones should only be considered supplementary devices and students are reminded that a learning device is a laptop, netbook, tablet or iPad. All students can access Office365 on any BYOD device from home and at school including, Windows Laptops, Macs, Tablets and iPads. Students can also use their school login to install the full suite Office products including Word and PowerPoint onto their devices. Parents are encouraged to remind students to bring their devices to school every day, as well as make sure learning devices are fully charged.



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You will go to the DoE page where you can type your password

History and Geography Competitions

Looking for ways to improve your History and Geography skills? Want to challenge yourself? Then you might want to consider entering one of the History and/or Geography competitions currently on offer.

There are two competitions: The Australian History Competition and the Australian Geography Competition

Both are **multiple-choice** and open to students from all grades and are based on SOSE/History.

When: The Australian Geography Competition Thursday 19 May (Period one)
The Australian History Competition Wednesday 25 May (Period one)
Cost: \$6.00 (History) with payment to the office no later than Thursday 17 March
\$4.00 (Geography) with payment to the office no later than Tuesday 5 April



See your SOSE teacher, Ms Frost or the websites:

www.australianhistorycompetition.org.au and www.geographycompetition.org.au

For something more challenging: The National History Challenge and the Simpson Prize

Full details for the **History Challenge** can be found at <http://historychallenge.org.au/>

This year's theme *Triumph or tragedy* provides lots of scope for some really interesting topics. Entries to Ms Frost by 23 August.

The **Simpson Prize** is open to Gr 9/10 students. The prize is a trip to the battlefields of Gallipoli coinciding with Anzac Day.

Full details of the competition can be found at <http://www.simpsonprize.org/> Entries to Ms Frost by Tuesday 8 November.

Please also speak with your SOSE/History teacher or Ms Frost in H5 for further information and guidance regarding any or all of these competitions.

House Picnic 2016

House Picnic, what a great way to start the year! There was a rainbow sea of colour sweeping over the slope. The costumes were clever and creative. Steane's school bus was a standout. Who would have thought that yellow, green, red, blue and purple food could taste so scrumptious? The House chants were so loud, all of New Town reverberated with the chorus of our cheers. Venn was the victorious in the first House event of the year. All houses are anticipating fun, participation and success in the events ahead.

Venn – 250, Dando – 200, Steane – 125, Miller – 125, Williams – 100.

By Brightie Rowlands and Ms Stewart

DANDO	MILLER	STEANE	VENN	WILLIAMS
Brightie Rowlands Dee Reynolds	Caitlin Greatbatch Aaliyah Graham	Imogen Campbell Michelle Coleman	Freya Piscioneri-Young Katie Green	Chloe Reynolds Shania George

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is proud to take a
stand against bullying
and violence.**

Friday 18 March 2016
www.australianhistorycompetition.org.au

**National Day
of Action** against
Bullying and Violence

Congratulations to Ella Akers

Big Picture student, Ella Akers, is taking part in the trip of a lifetime when she travels to the 62nd Cork International Choral Festival in April this year.

Ella started singing with the Ogilvie Choir in Grade 7 and 8. Since then, she has performed with the choir on special occasions and now has private singing lessons.

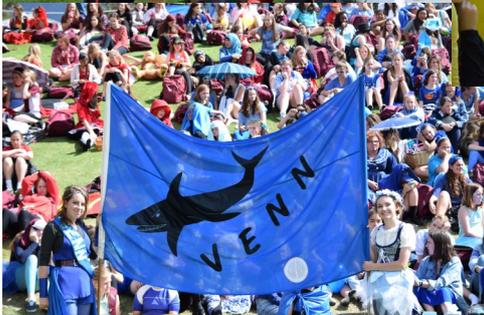
In 2015 Ella participated in the school's Wot Opera workshops and played the part of Abcde in the culminating performance at the Theatre Royal. She then won a scholarship to attend a national Wot Opera camp and secured the lead role in that final performance as well.

Ella is part of the Sing for Your Life! Gospel choir. At 15 she is the youngest member. The choir will be competing in the non-competitive section of the festival. This will include taking part in the opening and closing ceremonies as well as performing at schools and shopping malls. They have a repertoire of 12 songs for the festival. These are all a cappella numbers; including gospel, African and Australian indigenous songs.

Ella has funded the trip by working part-time and is looking forward to this once in a life time opportunity. She is interested in music therapy and has ambitions to perform professionally.



HOUSE PICNIC



Dando	Miller	Steane	Venn	Williams
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