

NEWSLETTER

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF OBERON HIGH SCHOOL



STUDENT FOCUS

Kim Long Yee is one of our bubbly Year 8 students. Kim has been working extremely hard this term to complete his work and assessment tasks.

Kim's favourite subject is sport, "it's lots of fun" he said. This is why he enjoyed the recent visit of Molong students to compete in the Rural Cup. Throughout the day, Kim played volleyball, soccer, basketball, badminton and ultimate frisbie but strongly believes his most favourite thing about Rural Cup was the sausage sizzle. Kim is undecided on which career path he would like to endeavour but he certainly has good work ethics as he works at Oberon Bakehouse outside of school hours. When asked about how he spends his free time, Kim shared, "I love going to the pool and enjoy going to The Common." Having lived in Cambodia before moving to Oberon five years ago, he added, "I appreciate the small town and the friendly people in Oberon." Kim also travels back to Cambodia during the school holidays, stating, "I love Cambodia, but I'm not a fan of the plane trip."



MOB WELL

On Tuesday 25th March we were absolutely thrilled to host the Rural Adversity Mental Health Program (RAMHP) Mob Well Wellbeing Day featuring NRL legends Greg Inglis and Cody Walker! Their powerful messages about resilience, mental health, and seeking support resonated deeply with our students, staff, and community.

The day was a huge success, filled with inspiring conversations, engaging activities, and a strong sense of connection. It was incredible to see our students and community members come together to break down stigmas around mental health and learn strategies to support their own wellbeing. A huge thank you to RAMHP, Family First Credit Union, Greg Inglis, Cody Walker, The Goanna academy and all our incredible staff and supporters who made this day possible. Events like these remind us that mental health matters, support is always available, and together, we are stronger.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

By: Kelly Overhall

It has been a really busy Term 2 at Oberon High School, with students actively engaging in both academic and extracurricular opportunities that showcase their dedication, teamwork, and school spirit.

Mob Well Health Day – Celebrating Culture, Wellbeing & Connection

Last week, we were privileged to host the Mob Well Health Day, an incredible event focused on student wellbeing, cultural identity, and community connection. All Students participated in interactive workshops, storytelling, and health-focused activities, guided by community Elders and guest presenters. It was a powerful day of learning and reflection, reinforcing the importance of strong cultural connections and holistic wellbeing. A huge thank you to our staff, students, and community partners who made this event such a success!

Rural Cup – A Fantastic Display of Team Spirit

Our students recently competed in the first round of the 2025 Rural Cup against Molong, showcasing determination, resilience, and sportsmanship across a wide range of sports, including soccer, basketball, touch football, netball, chess, and more. While Molong took the win this time, our team gave it their all, and we are already looking ahead to Round 2 against Canowindra on May 15. Let's keep the momentum going and bring home a win!

Mobile Phones – Reminder About School Expectations

A reminder to all students and families that mobile phones must be placed in pouches or handed into the office at the start of the school day.

This policy is in place to support focused

learning, reduce distractions, and ensure a positive classroom environment. We appreciate your cooperation in reinforcing this expectation to support student engagement and success.

Looking Ahead Exciting Digital Upgrades at Oberon High School!

We are excited to announce that Sentral and School Bytes will soon be introduced at Oberon High School! These new platforms will enhance communication, streamline processes, and improve access to important school information for students, parents, and staff.

- Sentral will provide a central hub for student attendance, timetables, reports, and school communication.
- School Bytes will make it easier for families to manage payments, permissions, and school events all in one place.

We will be sharing more details, including launch dates, login instructions, and training opportunities, in the coming weeks. Stay tuned for more information on how these exciting changes will benefit our school community!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the school office. Watch this space!



With so many fantastic initiatives happening this term, I encourage all students to stay involved, give their best effort, and continue embracing opportunities both in and outside the classroom. I am incredibly proud of the positive culture and school spirit we are building together, and I look forward to seeing what we can achieve as a school community in the coming weeks. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Kelly Overhall Acting Principal

Mob Well Wellbeing Day





















GENEROUS DONATION!

On Tuesday 4th March, Mawhoods SUPA IGA through their Community Chest program kindly donated \$649.62 to our school. This will help to provide resources to support our students. SUPA IGA also provides items for Breakfast Club. Their contributions have been greatly appreciated. Thank you, lan Mawhood and your team.

WELL DONE, EMMA!

Macquarie Lions Club (Bathurst), Youth of the Year event was held on Sunday 23rd February at the Bathurst RSL Club. Emma Randle attended and was interviewed by three panel members to discuss aspects of her application. This was followed by two impromptu questions where she had two minutes to answer each question. The topics were: What does it mean to be a leader? and should there be restrictions around technology? Next, Emma prepared a 5 minute speech and she chose to speak about: How sport is good for your mind. Well done. Emma!



SENIORS WEEK

To celebrate Seniors Week, Year 8 students were given the opportunity to prepare and serve morning tea to local senior citizens. Students demonstrated their cooking and hospitality skills by preparing a variety of savoury and sweet items. Thank you to Oberon Hospital for hosting this wonderful event.







CHAMPION RIDER!

Sophie Stapleton made an impressive mark at the NRCHAA National Finals last week, excelling in both reining and boxing. Her standout performance, especially in reining, earned her top points and secured her a leading position among talented competitors. Thanks to consistent success throughout the year, Sophie was crowned the NRCHAA Equifund Financial Group National Finals Junior Youth Boxing Champion for 2024, riding her horse, Dual Reysponse. Her achievement highlights her dedication and passion for the sport. Photo credit: Coverdale Media

MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Oberon High School students were able to participate in the three days of the Oberon Shakespeare Festival. These events were organised by Oberon Rotary, and our students had many opportunities to learn about the language and ideas of Shakespeare to support their studies in English. First, 25 students participated in a workshop, and enjoyed free pizza afterwards. Second, Stage 4 and 5 got to see a variety of scenes from three plays. After School Drama students' artworks were displayed at the Friday night Feast at the Malachi Gilmore Hall. On Saturday morning, After Schol Drama students participated in street theatre with the actors from Come You Spirits Theatre Company. On Saturday night, four students performed in a professional performance of Midsummer Night's Dream at the Common (and ate lots of free sausages!) This was attended by approximately 250 people, and as their drama teacher, I have received many positive comments from the actors and community about the creativity and motivation of our students. On behalf of the school. I would like to thank Rotary for these opportunities.





PULSE ALIVE

Four of our students had the incredible opportunity to travel to Sydney and participate in the Indigenous dance ensemble as part of PULSE Alive. This event brought together an impressive 3,500 students from schools across New South Wales. Their involvement not only allowed them to connect with their peers but to experience being part of a professional show.





OPEN SOCCER

The Open Boys Soccer team played against Kelso High for the first round of the CHS soccer knockout. It was a tough game with Oberon going down 9-0. Great sportsmanship and team effort was shown by all players even with numerous injuiries.



Athletics Carnival















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Athletics Carnival Results

| | Tuglow | Abercrombie | Werong | |
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| Total Points | 964 | 808 | 762 | |

| | | Age Champions | |
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| 12 Years | Boy | Bently Armstrong | |
| | Girl | Tahra Gibbons | |
| 13 Years | Boy | Marshall Taylor | |
| | Girl | Sherlyn Kerubo | |
| 14 Years | Boy | Lukas Wall-De Silva | |
| | Girl | Shania Kelly | |
| 15 Years | Boy | Anthony Jolley | |
| | Girl | Madison Gehrig-Fraser | |
| 16 Years | Boy | Viliame Raikivi | |
| | Girl | Libby Taylor | |
| 17 Years | Boy | Noah Blofield | |
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Last Thursday, our students hit the field, court, and quiz table for the first round of the 2025 Rural Cup against Molong – and what a day it was! From badminton to basketball, soccer to softball, and even the ultimate showdown in Ultimate Frisbee, our students gave it their all in a huge variety of competitions.

While Molong may have taken the win this time, our team showed incredible sportsmanship, teamwork, and determination. With plenty of highlights and a fantastic spirit throughout the day, we're already gearing up for Round 2 against Canowindra on May 15 – and we're ready to bring the heat!

Stay tuned for more action as we chase Rural Cup glory!

















































STAFF FOCUS

MUHAREM CUFUROVIC

How long have you worked at OHS and what is your position?

I have currently been at OHS for 10 weeks as a Mathematics Teacher but previously attended the school as a student graduating year 12 in 2012.

A little bit about your career background

I have done placements at schools like Blaney Public School, Lithgow Public School and Lithgow High School. I then began work as an SLSO and Early Intervention specialist at Oberon Public School in which I then changed roles into a relief teacher and finally one of the 5/6 Teachers for 2 years. I then worked as the Mathematics Small Group Tutor at Bathurst High School for 4 years. Finally find myself back at Oberon High School where I began at the start of this year.

Why Mathematics?

I have always found an enjoyment and interest in doing Mathematics growing up

and this slowly developed into a joy in teaching Mathematics.

The other reason I have to say is that I was inspired by my own Mathematics teachers growing up, I was fortunate to have Mr Barwick to start my high schooling maths education and then Mr Jones for about 3+ years who really helped develop my interest in Mathematics and inspired me to try create the same kind of interest and joy for my own students.

Most recent achievement

Becoming a Mathematics teacher back in my own hometown.

What do you want to be doing in 10 years' time?

I would love to still be teaching Mathematics, preferably in my town trying to get the best out of our next generation of kids.

What is the best thing about OHS?

The sense of community and connectedness, as well as being back at my old school with familiar faces around.

Outside of school what do you spend your time on?

I try to spend time on my basketball and soccer and would love to still be doing some coaching but realistically I spend my time outside of school with my family, focused most of the time on my two little kids.

WESTERN SUCCESS

Congratulations to
Jorja Taylor who was
selected in the
Western CHS Open
Girls Soccer team.
What a wonderful
opportunity for a very
talented player. We
can't wait to follow her
journey in the
upcoming NSW CHS
Tournament held in
Tuggerah, Central
Coast on 7th-9th May.





As part of Youth Week 2025
Come along and learn about career opportunities in our region, learn job seeking skills, make connections and network relationships for your future employment

For more information please contact the Community Services Team on 6329 8100 or community@oberon.nsw.gov.au



Youth Week

















