OXLEY BOYS HOCKEY TEAM INTO FINAL EIGHT

The Oxley Boys Hockey Team travelled to Wagga last week to play their round of 16 match against Wagga High School. Oxley had all the play and field position for the first part of the game but the scorer was untroubled, until Joseph Holt put a halt to that and knocked in our first goal in the 5th minute. Oxley contested well and had 8-10 penalty corners in the first half while Wagga weren’t able to penetrate our circle and had no short corners at all. Harry Moore scored a nice goal from a well timed dive and deflected a pass wide right of the keeper for a 2-0 lead in the 28th minute. Oxley scored another goal two minutes before half time through Alex McKenzie after a nice lay off play. Coach Richard Willis encouraged the boys to keep up the teamwork and improve their execution at the half time break.

Wagga scored after three minutes of the second half but Sam Liles capitalised on a Wagga miss hit and took on 3 or 4 defenders to neatly flick into the top right for a 4-1 lead. Harry had more scoring at the 17 minute mark when Wagga stopped play thinking a whistle had blown (Score 5-1). While Wagga had a run of penalty corners late in the game, there was no change in the score. The boys would like to thank the P & C and the Sports Council for their generous subsidy and appreciated Len Holt’s driving skills. The boys would also like to acknowledge Richard for coaching, Brock Little for umpiring and the cooking treats of Mrs Willis, Mrs Liles and Mrs Moore.


SAM LILES’ SOUTH AFRICAN HOCKEY TOUR

At the end of Term 2, Sam Liles (Y10) departed our shores with 15 other U16 boys from around Australia to represent our country in three test matches against South Africa in the sport of Hockey. This tour was part of the School Sports Australia Program, having educational as well as sporting outcomes to address.

Sam toured South Africa for two weeks taking in Capetown (where he visited Roben Island - Nelson Mandela’s prison for many years) Suweto, Pretoria and the impressive Pilsanberg Game Park. He patted cheetahs, bartered in markets and played golf on a course where crocodiles inhabited the water hazards.

From a sporting point of view, the team had a successful tour winning two of their test matches (4-3, 3-2) and drawing one (2-2). The competition was fierce with a few boys sustaining injuries. Sam returned home with many great memories, a few souvenirs and the memory of having run out in the green and gold and having represented his country. Thanks must go to the Oxley Sports Council who provided some very helpful financial assistance and to Mr O’Brien who had to sign numerous forms in order to get Sam on the trip.

Congratulations to our winning Oxley Boys Hockey Team and Sam Liles (in photo) for his achievement in representing Australia on the Hockey Tour to South Africa.

Nicholas Ifield (Y10), Kacey Miller (Y8), Lauren Wilson (Y12), Brodie Dyson (Y8), Laura Cotter- Bradley (Y9), Teagan McDonnell (Y11)

Our Oxley students are winners after competing at the Disability Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 23 August. Congratulations to all of you. A great effort.
WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN IS ON AGAIN

Parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends, please save their WOOLWORTHS receipts for Oxley High School. Students please put the receipts in the GREEN BOX on the table outside the ENGLISH STAFFROOM.

Help us earn books, equipment, multi-media software, art materials and heaps more for you to use!!!

COLES VOUCHERS

Any students/parents who have collected COLES vouchers for our school please drop off to the Front Office.

We are aiming for an even larger collection of vouchers this time to receive more sporting equipment for our school.

We are hoping for your support. Thanking you.

SCIENCE IN THE BUSH

A day of hands on Science activities to celebrate Science Week. Cody Prendergast and Liam Anderson enjoying the day at the University of New England.

Rod Blaker and Leisa Ifield

EMMALENE DEAVES (Y11) - IN THE USA

I recently travelled to the USA to compete in the World High School Finals Rodeo. I was there for a total of three weeks and spent time in Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. The horses I borrowed were excellent and were amongst the top horses there. It was a great experience and I met some amazing people, I would do it all over again if I had the chance.

The highlight of my trip would definitely be riding and competing in the top horses there. It was a great experience and I met some amazing people, I would do it all over again if I had the chance.

I would like to thank Oxley High School and the Sports Council for supporting me and helping to make this opportunity possible.

THE BUTTERFLY FOUNDATION’S BODY IMAGE BOOSTER

Did you know that body image is how you feel about the way you look? It’s actually not about what you look like. Anyone can feel fantastic about themselves and in fact, we think you deserve to.

Here are some great tips from the Butterfly Foundation to help you to build your child’s self esteem and body image.

- Avoid looking in the mirror and thinking or saying negative things about your appearance.
- Avoid talking about diets, weights or clothes sizes, as well as discussing other peoples weight, shape or size giving the impression that these things are highly valued by you.
- Encourage your child to talk with you about their feelings, emotions, daily activities and friends.
- Find ways to praise and encourage your child and demonstrate to them how proud you are and how much you love them.
- Spend time with your child doing things they enjoy and find ways to get them involved with appropriate things you love to do.
- Help your child to identify the things they enjoy doing and the activities and hobbies that make THEM happy. Highlight to them that they are doing different things that have the power to make them feel good.
- Encourage your child to step outside their comfort zone by trying new and different activities. This can help your child to understand their potential and helps them to identify the things that they enjoy or don’t enjoy doing.
- Understand your own body image blueprint - be aware of where your body image attitude comes from so that you can make conscious decisions about the messages you send to your children.

TAMWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Tamworth Historical Society will be holding its bi-annual Calala Cottage Spring Fair on Sunday, 18 September.

Where: 142 Denison St, Tamworth ON Sunday, 18 September - 10am-4pm

We welcome everyone to celebrate the Spring Fair. Open on the day will be Tamworth’s oldest structure, the Historical Museum and the Old Bush School. Activities happening will be sheep shearing, woodturning, blacksmithing, face painting and heaps of stands including colonial crafts, hoop-La and knock-em downs.

On show will be displays of period costume, vintage cars, machinery and lots of entertainment and live music while you eat ice-cream and have a BBQ and much, much more.

DADS / CARERS AND SONS BBQ

We had a great roll up on Friday 19 August for the Dads / Carers and Sons BBQ and it was great to see so many Dads and Sons turn up at 7.30am. The Young Family, Carolyn, Geoffrey, Angus and Cameron, whose idea it was, were the main organisers and did a fantastic job.

Given the response we will try it again and hopefully the word spreads that it is a good way to start the work/school day. I promise next time we will get the urn working much earlier.

Michael O’Connor, President P & C

GRANDPARENTING SUPPORT GROUP “GRANDIES”

The next meeting will be at the Tamworth Community Centre - Monday 5 September 2011 at 1.00pm. Topic: COTA MEETING in July and “What do people want to do with the Grandies Group?”

Contact Kerry on 6766 4480 for enquiries

On behalf of Oxley High School we would like to make available to you full-colour issues of both of our school newsletters, The Anchor and The Logbook, as they are released, via our email system.

We are also excited to announce our newsletters are available directly from the Oxley High School website, which can be found at www.oxley-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

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