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WINTER 2019

Junior School Sport Booklet

We are delighted to provide this Sport Booklet to our school community and invite you to nominate your child's preferences for the 2019 Winter Sport season. This booklet works alongside the Co-Curricular Programme as part of our intention to enhance the quality of the offerings in the Junior School.

Junior School Sport is not compulsory however participation grows year on year and as a result so does the number of teams and sports we can offer. To help you plan your Winter Sport calendar, this booklet contains an overview of Junior School Winter Sport arrangements and options.

We are always keen to hear from parents, guardians and community members who are willing to assist us in running our sport programmes as coaches, referees and team managers.

We look forward to your child's involvement in the vibrant sporting life of the College. Please register your son/daughter for our Winter Sport season by completing the online form by **Monday 25 February 2019**.
[2019 Online Winter Sport Nomination Form](#)

Kind regards,

Kim McNaught
Sports Administrator

Nick Wansey
Sports Co-ordinator



Dear Parents,

It is with great pleasure that we send out the Winter Sport selection booklet for your information and attention. I am writing to take this opportunity to outline more of our approach in terms of principles and logistics to Sport in the Junior School.

Our aim is to encourage and support as much participation for as many students as possible. Our involvement in competitions in the local area maximises opportunity and minimises inconvenience for our families. Through developments in our coaching programmes we aim similarly to optimise skill development, a sense of competitive spirit and enjoyment most of all. We are continually very grateful to those enthusiastic parents and staff in our community who give so generously of their time and expertise to help us deliver on these aims.

A key consideration in our participation in local competitions is around what are at times difficult logistics in aligning with associations who do not run on school schedules. Oftentimes, trials for one season have commenced before the previous season has finished and registration dates are varied as they are determined by each separate sport.

We are sending this booklet now with the intention to have all student preferences submitted and teams determined well before the registrations are due. This will allow time for us to recruit additional players if we are a few short of a full complement for teams. Maximising teams means we can optimise playing time for each student and avoid large numbers of reserves.

For administrative efficiency we have implemented an online nomination system and asking our families to respond by the due date to indicate a sporting preference for students wishing to participate in an Oxley team this season. **Please note carefully the due date Monday 25 February 2019, as we cannot guarantee a place in a team for late submissions.**

We look forward to an enjoyable and rewarding Winter season for all players and supporters.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Justine Lind', written in a cursive style.

Justine Lind
Head of Junior School

General Information

Team Allocation

Once the sports selection form has been submitted the information is collated and teams created. The viability of running Oxley College teams is dependent upon participating student numbers, and in the event that your child/children cannot be placed into a team, you will be notified in a timely manner in order that you may explore direct registration with a local sport association.

Students currently playing a Summer sport must continue attending training and games for their current team and then once that sport concludes they may then begin attending their Summer training sessions. We appreciate that there may be some cross-over of training between seasons, however the current season's training and games take priority.

Registration

In the event that there are more than one team in any age group or division, they will be parallel and not graded.

Once teams have been finalised the Sports Department will be responsible for registering all teams and nominated players with the relevant sporting associations. Expenses such as registration and umpires fees will be charged to your child's College account. We continue to investigate the implementation of the Active Kids vouchers and will inform parents once this rebate becomes applicable to Oxley.

Sports Draw

The Sports Draw will be published on the Oxley College website each week by Tuesday afternoon: <https://www.oxley.nsw.edu.au/co-curricular/sport/> For further Oxley College Sports Information, please contact the Sports Department.

Uniform

Netball – Oxley netball dress, white socks, athletic shoes.

Football – Oxley football jersey, football shorts, white Oxley socks, football boots, shin pads.

Hockey – Oxley PE shirt, hockey skirt (girls) / PE shorts (boys), white Oxley socks, shinpads, mouthguard.

Rugby – Oxley rugby jersey, Oxley rugby shorts, Oxley rugby socks, boots

Snowsports – Oxley jacket, Oxley beanie

Equestrian – Oxley blue collared shirt, Oxley tie, Oxley jumper, beige jodhpurs

Fencing – Oxley College PE uniform. All other equipment is provided.

Kayaking – Specialised equipment list will be provided on receipt of registration form

Player Expectations

The Sports programme offered at Oxley is broad and exciting, and encourages each student to develop a full range of personal, interpersonal and team skills. The programme challenges each student to respect themselves and to respect others.

We would appreciate that all students understand the commitment they are making to the Sports programme at Oxley College and to their team mates. This commitment should be demonstrated in considering carefully your selection and then sticking with it for the entire season.

This commitment includes:

- Attendance at all training sessions
- Attendance at all matches for the entire season. Upholding the expectations of Oxley College in accordance with the ISA Code of Conduct. <http://www.isa.nsw.edu.au/sports/code-of-conduct/>

Sporting activities are considered to be part of school attendance and as such, leave should be requested in the event of:

1. Sickness: no notification is required when student is absent on the day of training however, for extended illness, please notify the Sports Department prior to the weekly fixture.
2. Misadventure: when there is an acceptable reason for not attending, please email or phone before training or prior to the weekly fixture.
3. Approved Leave: requests for upcoming absence should be made in writing to the Sports Department at least one week prior to the game.
4. Participation in Snowsports must not affect the student's commitment to their team in another Junior School Saturday Sports competition.

Wet Weather

In the event of wet weather, the Sports Department will attempt to notify students and families of the cancellation of training or fixtures. A decision to cancel training will, wherever possible, be made by 2.00pm so that parents may be informed by 2.15pm allowing time for changes to after school arrangements. For training and fixtures, a notification will be placed on the Oxley College website: Sport and Wet Weather Update on home page at <https://www.oxley.nsw.edu.au/>. Parents will be notified via text message generated by the school communication system. For Saturday fixtures the Oxley College website should be your primary source of information.

Parent Assistance

We are always keen to hear from our parents who are willing to assist us in running our Sports Programme. Even if you have no prior experience in a particular sport, but are keen to be involved, we invite you to indicate your interest. Please indicate your interest on the Junior School Winter Sport Selection at the link: <https://form.jotform.co/80810811517855>

BBQ – End of Season

The Sports Department host the End of Season BBQs for all players, coaches and managers at the conclusion of each season. The BBQs are held at lunchtime in the PCC. This is an opportunity for players, coaches and managers to celebrate their season and for the students to thank their coaches and managers. We celebrate the full range of physical, social and personal development of all players acknowledging co-operation over competition. We actively discourage 'best and fairest' awards or participation trophies.

Season Reports

A wrap up of the season for each sport is included in the College's annual magazine, The Oxleyan to enable us to celebrate our teams and each student's participation. Following the completion of events, we would be grateful to receive your action shots and team group photos to enhance these accounts and to be used in future publications. Please forward any photos taken during events to Sports Administrator, kim.mcnaught@oxley.nsw.edu.au

Contact Details

External coaches may be contacted via the Sports Department. For urgent contact the Sports Department may be contacted by phone.

Sports Coordinator: Mr Nick Wansey, 0477 747 738

Sports Administrator: Mrs Kim McNaught, 0416 213 328

Sport Programme

		WINTER		SUMMER	
		TERM 2, 2019	TERM 3, 2019	TERM 4, 2019	TERM 1, 2020
OXLEY CARNIVALS	Cross Country Carnival Athletics Carnival				Swimming Carnival Cross Country Carnival
REPRESENTATIVE CARNIVALS	HICES Cross Country NSWCIS Cross Country	SHIPS Athletics HICES Athletics NSWCIS Athletics			SHIPS Swimming HICES Swimming NSWCIS Swimming
K	Football Hockey Netball	Football Hockey Netball Snowsports	Basketball Cricket Summer Football	Cricket Running Club	
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2	Football Hockey Netball	Football Hockey Netball Snowsports	Basketball Cricket Summer Football Swimming Training	Basketball Cricket Running Club Swimming Training	
3	Football Hockey Netball	Football Hockey Netball Snowsports	Basketball Cricket Summer Football Swimming Training Water Polo	Basketball Cricket Running Club Swimming Training Water Polo	
4	Football Hockey Netball	Football Hockey Netball Snowsports	Basketball Cricket Summer Football Swimming Training Water Polo	Basketball Cricket Running Club Swimming Training Water Polo	
5	Football Hockey Netball Rugby	Football Hockey Netball Rugby Snowsports	Basketball Cricket Summer Football Swimming Training Water Polo	Basketball Cricket Running Club Swimming Training Water Polo	
6	Fencing Football Hockey Kayaking Netball Rugby	Fencing Football Hockey Kayaking Netball Snowsports Rugby	Basketball Cricket Fencing Kayaking Summer Football Swimming Training Water Polo	Basketball Cricket Fencing Kayaking Running Club Swimming Training Water Polo	

Overview of Junior School Winter Sports

Netball



Students who register for Netball will either be involved in skill building or competition games. Teams will compete in the local Southern Highlands Netball Association (SHNA) competition and games will be played at Eridge Park, Bowral on Saturday mornings. Netball teams will train once a week at school on either Monday or Wednesday. Costs associated with this activity will be charged to the student's school account.

Football



Students who register for Football will be placed into teams to compete in the local Highlands Soccer Association (HSA) competition. These games will be played at various venues around the Highlands including Robertson, Bundanoon, Hilltop, and Oxley College on Saturday mornings. Football teams will train once a week at school on either Monday or Wednesday. Costs associated with this activity will be charged to the student's school account.

Hockey



Students who register for Hockey will be competing in the local Southern Highlands Hockey Association mixed competition. Minkey, U9s, and U11s teams will compete on Saturday mornings at the Welby Hockey Centre. U13s players generally compete on a Monday night. Training for hockey will occur after school either on Monday and Wednesday. Registration costs will be charged to the student's school account.

Rugby



This sporting option is aimed to introduce out Year 5, and 6 students to the game of rugby union through a variety of safe and enjoyable activities focused on the basic skills and specific fitness required to play rugby. Students will also develop sportsmanship, teamwork, respect, decision making, resilience, self-discipline and an understanding of the rules of the game. This activity will run Friday afternoons during the Winter season and will prepare students for possible fixtures against other schools / clubs.

Equestrian



Students who become members of the Oxley College Equestrian team compete at the annual Oxley Equestrian Day and a variety of other equestrian competitions. There are many other events on the Equestrian NSW calendar and students may represent the College at these events. Students in the Equestrian team are responsible for completing their own entries and organising their own transport, horses and equipment.

Snowsports



The Northern Region Inter-Schools Snowsports Championships are held in the July school holidays and alternate between Thredbo and Perisher each year. The Cross Country skiing component forms a separate part of the Championships and is held mid-week in August. Students compete in a variety of disciplines as part of the Oxley College Snowsports Team, however families are responsible for arranging their own accommodation, travel and equipment. Registration costs will be charged to the student's school account. Participation in Snowsports cannot affect the student's commitment to their team in another Junior School Saturday sports competition.

Fencing



The Oxley College Fencing Academy meets on Friday afternoons in the PCC from 3.30pm to 5.00pm. Members participate in a group lesson run by Maitre d'Armes Mr Jeff Gray. The fees associated with Fencing lessons will be charged to the student's school account. This fee will cover the cost of the lesson and the use of the equipment. There may be a small number of inter-school competitions once students are proficient.

Kayaking



Students in Year 6 will train twice a week from 3.45pm - 5.30pm on Monday and Wednesday on the Wingecarribee River a short walk from the College. Kayaking training and instruction is provided by Mr Ian Royds, a Level 3 Advanced White Water Instructor. Kayaks, paddles, helmets and PFDs will be supplied. Registration costs will be charged to the student's school account and students must commit for the whole term.

Tennis Lessons



The Sports Department is seeking Expressions of Interest from those students who wish to do tennis lessons.

Please provide your EOI on the [2019 Online Winter Sport Nomination Form](#)

Additional Information

Representative Pathways

There are two possible pathways for representative participation for students aged 7 years and above.

The most common is for higher level competition in Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country through the Junior School's membership of Southern Highlands Independent Primary Schools (SHIPS), Heads of Independent Co-Educational Schools (HICES) and NSW Combined Independent Schools (NSWCIS).

SHIPS - These Carnivals are a local initiative to promote friendly competition amongst independent primary schools in the Southern Highlands region. SHIPS Carnivals are not pathways to higher representation.

HICES - This is the **first** level of pathway representation following an Oxley College Carnival.

NSWCIS –This is the **second** level of pathway representation. NSWCIS competitors are selected from the results of the HICES Carnival. Students who are successful at this level then go on to compete at PSSA (Primary School Sports Association).

In addition, students can also represent HICES in the team sports that the school offers. HICES trials are done on an individual basis or as a team gala day depending on which sport is involved. Students are invited to trial by the Sports Department if their skill level is suitable.

Leadership

As part of our approach to leadership in the Junior School that is intended to promote a sense of service and active contribution to the fabric of the community, opportunities exist for captaincy in sport. Each team will nominate a captain which may rotate weekly in the early years to develop leadership experience. In older years, captains may be elected by team mates or appointed by coaches on the basis of sportsmanship, commitment and contribution to the team and hold the position for the entire season.

In an effort to provide additional leadership opportunities for students in Year 6 there is also the opportunity to apply for the role of Captain of each sport. This position would apply for each sport played in the Junior School and be available to any students who were not elected to one of the formal leadership positions for Year 6 and who represent the College in the chosen sport.

They would be expected to fulfil the following responsibilities:

- Present a short report each Monday at morning lines to highlight the results of all teams OR coordinate a representative from one particular team to report on the effort or skill development of different teams throughout the season
- Support younger teams by organising lunchtime games or drills
- Attend training or matches of younger teams from time to time when possible

We trust that this information outlines the Oxley College Sporting Program and provides relevant information that will assist when choosing a sport for your child. Please remember to complete the [2019 Online Winter Sport Nomination Form](#) for each child by Monday 25 February 2019. Please feel free to contact the Sports Department if you have any further questions.

