



to think
to dare
to dream

CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMME

Junior School Clubs & Music Ensembles



Term 3-4 2020

The aim of the Oxley College Co-curricular Programme is to enrich the lives of our students beyond the scope of regular classroom experiences. In doing so, our hope is to awaken an interest or nurture an existing passion or talent to realise the unique constellation of aptitudes and interests of each child. Our Co-curricular Booklet for 2020 presents opportunities for students to pursue their passions for Music, Drama, Art or STEM.

A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions.

- Oliver Wendell Holmes

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MUSIC ENSEMBLES



BEGINNERS' BAND YEARS 3-6

Beginners' Band is an opportunity for students from Years 3-6 to participate in a training band for a concert band instrument. Students should bring their own flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, French horn, tuba, electric bass/double bass or drum. This ensemble is for beginners and for students in the Years 5 and 6 Concert Band Programme which operates within the class Instrumental Music Programme.

Students are expected to commit for the full year as they will work toward school performances.



JUNIOR SCHOOL STRINGS YEARS 4-6

If you play a violin, viola, cello or double bass and you like to have fun playing music with other people, then this ensemble is just for you! This group is ideal for students who are part of the Year 4 Strings Programme, and students in Years 5-6 who have played a string instrument for at least two terms.

Students are expected to commit for the full year as they will work toward school performances. Entry to this group is by audition.



JUNIOR CONCERT BAND YEARS 3-6

The Oxley College Junior Concert Band is made up of Brass, Woodwind and Percussion musicians. The music selected is chosen to be enjoyable and accessible. The band performs at a variety of events with Foundation Day, Orientation Day and Speech Night amongst our regular appearances. Students are expected to have been learning for at least one year, be able to read music and play at least one octave on their instrument.

Students are expected to commit for the full year and an audition is required to ensure students are ready for the level of music performed in this group.

PERFORMING ARTS



OXLEY LARKS YEARS 3-6 CHOIR

Oxley College has a strong tradition of both singing and instrumental music. In 2020 the Primary Music Programme now encompasses more singing than ever before. This means the Oxley Larks provides the opportunity for students to pursue their keen interest in vocal music. From traditional choir repertoire to contemporary pieces, and even the opportunity for some solo singing within our performance choices, the Oxley Larks will work toward participation at school events in 2020.

The class will run subject to student numbers and participant numbers will be capped at 20.



TIME FOR DRAMA YEARS K-3 AND 4-6

Time for Drama is an exciting opportunity for those students who are interested in expanding their creative expression and role play skills. The course will concentrate on theatre sports and drama games that will develop expertise in improvisation, mime, storytelling, observation, movement, characterisation, imagination and teamwork.

The class will run subject to student numbers and participant numbers will be capped at 14.

COMPETITION DEBATING



YEARS 4-6

A new offering, Debating is for students who love to think and explore ideas and who aren't afraid to learn new things. Debating will develop critical thinking skills, confidence and teamwork skills. No experience is required although, a willingness to learn and to prepare for upcoming competition debates, is essential. A training day will occur during school hours in Term 3. Debates with other schools will occur via Zoom. Some students will have the added opportunity to represent the school at an IPSHA Debating Gala Day.

Each application will be reviewed in consultation with class teachers and places offered via email. Participant numbers will be capped at 20.

2020 TERM 3-4 CO-CURRICULAR

DAY	ACTIVITY	Years	TERM	COST / TERM
TUESDAY	Art	Years 3-6	1, 3 & 4	\$25.00
	Bike Skills	Years K-2	1 & 4	\$20.00
	Robotics	Years 2-6	3	\$25.00
	Time For Drama	Years K-3	1 & 3	\$58.00
	Time For Drama	Years 4-6	4	\$58.00
	Tightrope	Years 5-6	1, 3 & 4	N/A
WEDNESDAY	Beginners' Band	Years 3-6	1 – 4	N/A
	Junior School Strings	Years 4-6	1 – 4	N/A
THURSDAY	Art	Years K-2	1, 3 & 4	\$25.00
	Debating (by selection)	Years 4-6	3	\$15.00
	How? Why? Science Club	Years K-2	4	\$25.00
	How? Why? Science Club	Years 3-6	1 & 3	\$25.00
	Larks Choir	Years 3-6	1, 3 & 4	N/A
	Time For Drama	Years K-3	4	\$10.00
	Time For Drama	Years 4-6	1 & 3	\$10.00
FRIDAY	Junior Concert Band	Audition	1 – 4	N/A

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CLUBS AND MUSIC ENSEMBLES

TEACHER	VENUE	TIME	TERM
Ms Vanessa Forbes	SS Art Studio	3.30pm - 4.30pm	1, 3 & 4
Mr Gareth Loveday	Bike Racks	3.30pm - 4.30pm	1 & 4
Mr Gareth Loveday	2C Classroom	3.30pm - 4.30pm	3
Mrs Amanda Bransgrove	Atelier	3.30pm - 4.30pm	1 & 3
Mrs Amanda Bransgrove	Atelier	3.30pm - 4.30pm	4
Learning Engagement	Library	3.30pm - 5.00pm	1, 3 & 4
Mr Dominic Lindsay	Atelier	8.00am - 8.40am	1 – 4
Kate Malone	3L Classroom	8.00am - 8.40am	1 – 4
Mr Dushan Montoya	Atelier	3.30pm - 4.30pm	1, 3 & 4
Mrs Katherine Halcrow	3L Classroom	3.30pm - 4.30pm	3
Ms Bernadette Norton	Lab 11	3.30pm - 4.30pm	4
Ms Bernadette Norton	Lab 11	3.30pm - 4.30pm	1 & 3
Ms Lara Sheils	1S Classroom	3.30pm - 4.30pm	1, 3 & 4
Mrs Shona Apostolatos	6A Classroom	3.30pm - 4.30pm	4
Mrs Shona Apostolatos	6A Classroom	3.30pm - 4.30pm	1 & 3
Mr Cameron van Reyk	Orchestra Room	7.45am - 8.40am	1 – 4

VISUAL ART



ART YEARS K-2

An Art class specifically for our K-2 students.

This is a lovely opportunity to encourage budding young artists to explore their creative side and participate in a range of age-appropriate art activities and experience a wide range of different media.

The class will run subject to student numbers and participant numbers will be capped at 14.



ART YEARS 3-6

These classes are for the passionate artist who would like to progress with their art skills. This is a great opportunity for Years 3 - 6 students to explore their creative side and participate in a range of activities which could include: painting, potting, drawing, sculpting and print making. Students will be encouraged to develop their skills in these media areas and taught techniques that they can use outside the classroom. There will be opportunities for students to create pieces to take home with the potential to show approved works in some regional art shows.

The class will run subject to student numbers and participant numbers will be capped at 10.

PHYSICAL CHALLENGES



BIKE SKILLS YEARS K-2

A structured Bike Skills programme for our primary aged riders. The course covers important skills such as balance, safety, brakes, corners, rider awareness and navigating obstacles in a safe and fun environment. If your child's bike has training wheels, we will work to gain confidence to ride without them as the programme progresses. Students bring their own bikes and helmets which can be stored during the school day at the bike rack behind the Junior School Student Services.

The class will run subject to student numbers and participants will be capped at 14.

INTELLECTUAL CHALLENGES



HOW? WHY? SCIENCE CLUB K-2 & 3-6

Are you curious about nature and the things around us? Keen to get into hands-on activities? If you like the sound of these questions or you have a question you want to explore, then you will love our How? Why? Science Club.

We have hands on activities for you to do, including designing a fair experiment, using electrical circuits and carrying out a dissection.

The class will run subject to student numbers and participant numbers will be capped at 12 for Years K-2 and 14 for Years 3-6.



ROBOTICS YEARS 2-6

In Robotics, students will use the LEGO Mindstorms NXT system to build and control machines. Students will start off by building and programming a simple robot design which will give students the basic working knowledge of using the Mindstorms NXT system.

With the basics achieved, students can choose to progressively follow difficult on-line instructions to build more complex robots and develop designs to control their creation.

The class will run subject to student numbers and participant numbers will be capped at 14.



TIGHTROPE YEARS 5-6

'TIGHTROPE' Stands for, 'Today I get help to.... revise, organise, prepare, engage!' The sessions are staffed by members of the Learning Engagement Team and allow students in Stage 3 (Years 5-6) the opportunity to complete homework or assessment tasks with support. Teachers are on hand to assist students with answering questions, revision, spelling, writing, accessing Canvas, Unit of Inquiry tasks and finding relevant research material, as students prepare for the transition to secondary school. It is a quiet place to get lots of work done, and you will need have a goal for the session. Have some afternoon tea, a drink and a break, and we'll see you in the Library after 3.30pm. Due to numbers, students will be required to sign in at the desk.

All Years 5-6 students are welcome to attend any session and need to be prepared with homework or assignments to work on. Parents must come directly to the library to collect students any time before 5.00pm.

GUIDELINES

We invite you to read through the descriptions of the Junior School Co-Curricular Clubs and complete the Co-Curricular Online Nomination form issued each term via email with a schedule of activities. Please be sure to complete a new nomination form for each child by the due date every term.

Preferences should be nominated for the whole week, as numbers are limited for some activities. Due to high demand in our Co-Curricular Programme, and to make participation accessible for as many students as possible, Co-Curricular Clubs are filled on a 'first-in-first-served' basis. All nominations received by the due date will be checked for preferences with places for one class per student filled accordingly. If places remain after these students' preferences are filled, then a second class on a different weekday may be allocated.

Please note that all Music Ensembles including Beginners' Band, Junior School Strings and Junior Concert Band require students to participate through the full school year. Please indicate your interest in these groups by completing the Musical Ensembles section of the Online Nomination Form during Term 1.

Before the programme commences each term, you will be notified of the club which your child(ren) has been allocated. All classes run subject to student numbers, and should enrolment not reach the minimum it may be cancelled for the duration of the term.

CANCELLATIONS

We aim to run our exciting activities as often as possible. On the rare occasion that a teacher is unavailable to teach their group, we will arrange for someone to fill in whenever possible. However; if a replacement teacher is not available or time does not permit us to find a suitable replacement, the activity may be cancelled on the day.

Parents will be notified so that alternative arrangements can be made for the end of the school day. Should we be unable to confirm any change of arrangements with parents, children will be supervised until parents arrive to collect them at the usual time, usually by way of joining another Co-curricular club for the day. Please be reminded that Junior School students are not able to access the College Library after school unless accompanied by a parent.

If you have any queries or to nominate for Clubs & Ensembles after the due date, please contact Sally Byrne: sally.byrne@oxley.nsw.edu.au