

# NEWSLETTER



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**10<sup>th</sup> November, 2011**

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What a fantastic week I have had celebrating our students' and teachers' achievements. Last week, a number of Year 9 students from Miss Hope's class brought the mobiles that they had made to my office to show me. I was impressed with both the design and construction of the mobiles. Unfortunately, the girls couldn't be talked into giving me one for my grandson!

I answered my office phone on Friday to the very excited voices of our Year 7 Debating team (Alex Boyd, Isabel Bankovic, Eleanor Delaney and Freya Hawke) informing me that they were the Western NSW Champions. The team heads to Sydney early next month to compete against the other regions' best debators. The girls can certainly talk, so I am sure they will be successful in Sydney. Thank you to Mrs Hazzard for her leadership of the debating.

Saturday saw me at the Regional Art Museum for the opening of the Festival of Student Art Show. The show was opened by Prue Absolon, who is just completing her HSC here. The students' art works were amazing. The variety of ideas and mediums was a credit to both students and staff. It was also great to have all of the Visual Art teachers and their Head Teacher, Mrs Mickle at the opening.

Orange High tries to celebrate the achievements of students' successes outside of school as well. At Monday's assembly we acknowledged Hayden Swallow, who has just become the NSW Under 18 Ten Pin Bowling champion. A great effort for a fifteen year old.

On Friday evening, one of our Year 10 students will be featured at the Orange Regional Conservatorium's Concerto on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November. Alexandra Clarke is a keen saxophonist in our stage band but she will be playing the violin on Friday evening. The concert begins at 7.30 pm and will be held in the conservatorium auditorium.

Students and staff are "gearing up" for the next week's Gala Day. There are a myriad of activities and stalls so I'm sure it will be a great afternoon. I placed an order for the new bus yesterday, so the Bus Committee is very keen for the event to be a fundraising success! The Bus Drive will continue with the committee's chocolate selling as a

fundraiser. Another 8000 chocolates will arrive tomorrow, so please encourage your child to take a box. The last drive raised almost \$4,000.00.

Next week, we will be holding the OHS Centenary meeting. The committee is compiling a recipe book and is after contributions. If you have a favourite recipe that you are prepared to share (with a photo if possible), please send or email it to the school. The email address is [orange-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:orange-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

This time of year is always busy as we celebrate students' achievements and plan for the coming year. I have included some dates for your calendars:

Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 11 parent/teacher interviews
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	SRC Induction
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 into 7 Orientation Evening
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Gala Day
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Centenary meeting

**Year Excursions:**

Year 7	30 <sup>th</sup> November – 2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Year 8	5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 9	5 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> December

Year 12 Graduation	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Presentation Night	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 10 Assembly	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any suggestions or concerns.

**M Angus, Principal**

**WELFARE WORDS**

- Congratulations to Jacinta Turner of Year 7 and Elliott Lemon of Year 8 who were the winners of last week's Have Merit draw of a \$20 Sanity gift card. That was the final draw for 2011.
- Looking for enthusiastic, approachable, energetic Year 9 students who are willing team players and interested in supporting new students in the school by training as

Peer Support Leaders at the end of November. See me for a nomination form. You will need to outline the contribution you could make to this training and to the introduction of Year 7 students into High School in 2012.

- Our Gala Day event is to be held next Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Nearly every roll call has come up with an activity to organise and manage on the afternoon between 2pm. and 6.30pm. Students with 90 signatures will be allowed out of class at 2p.m. to take part, while the remaining students will have the opportunity to be involved at 3p.m. Parents are most welcome throughout the afternoon. To assist ALL students in gaining 90 signatures, TODAY is Triple Treat Time, where outstanding efforts will gain 3 signatures instead of 1. So get behind this BIG fundraiser for our new School bus. Bring your money – there is food, games of skill, artistic endeavours, many, many fun activities – plenty to keep you occupied all afternoon.
- TONIGHT, we are conducting Parent/Teacher Interviews for our Year 11 students. This an opportunity for you to meet the teachers, discuss your child's progress through the Preliminary course and set targets for the HSC course. It will be held in the Sports Centre from 5p.m. – 6.30p.m. Reports went home on Tuesday this week, so all parents should have them to bring along tonight.
- Year 12 2011 will have a Final Clearance on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, from 2pm – 3pm. Faculty representatives will be in the Library to sign that all texts and equipment have been returned, especially resources/books from the Library. Students will need to collect a clearance form when they arrive, see appropriate teachers and have Mrs Beeby complete the form. If the student cannot attend themselves, please arrange a family member or friend to complete the clearance on their behalf.

Here are some dates for your calendar:

Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup> November	Triple Treat Time
		Parent/Teacher Interviews 5p.m.-6.30p.m.
Wednesday	16 <sup>th</sup> November	Gala Day
Friday	18 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 12 Clearance
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Year 12 Graduation
Thursday	8 <sup>th</sup> December	Presentation Night
Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 10 Final Assembly
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year Assemblies 7-9

L Middleton, Head Teacher Welfare

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**ORC Auditorium, 73a Hill Street, Orange**

TICKETS \$12 - \$5 CONCESSION - AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

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