

NEWSLETTER



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This week's assembly highlighted the number and variety of extracurricular activities and opportunities available to students of Orange High School. The school acknowledged the success of:

- Our Open Girls' Hockey team who are now through to the final 8 at Moorebank in a fortnight
- Our U16 Girls' Hockey winning the Tom Kemp Shield for the first time. (We have been runner up on a number of occasions)
- Both Orange High teams who entered this week's Tournament of the Mind Regional competition performed well. One of our teams came second in the competition.
- Our "Man Choir" won the open vocal competition on Saturday at the Orange Eisteddfod
- The U15 Girls' Basketball team has progressed to the next round after their win in Bathurst.

I would like to publicly acknowledge our teachers who spend many extra hours providing our students with these opportunities. I am sure that I am not the only member of the school community who appreciates their efforts, I know the students certainly do.

I would also like to thank our P&C for their support of our high achieving students. The President, Mr Keith Lummis, presented our sports' and the arts' state representatives with certificates and cheques for \$200 each at last Monday's assembly. When addressing the assembly, Mr Lummis spoke about the pride his committee felt in all of the students' achievement and acknowledgement of the costs involved in competing and participating at elite levels.

Last Sunday, our school hosted a very successful Regional Tournament of the Minds' competition. Students from around the region competed in the very successful day. Thank you to the parents and staff who either cooked or assisted in the canteen on Sunday. Your efforts raised \$1,500 towards our new school bus. The competition also provided an opportunity to showcase our school.

Our Bus Drive continues as students sell chocolates. We have raised almost \$3000 so far and still have a lot of calories...I mean chocolates to sell. We have decided to offer a prize for the student who sells the most boxes in appreciation of some individual's efforts. Interestingly, as I write this, the reporter on

TV is discussing the overseas study that states that chocolate eaters are less likely to suffer from heart disease!!!!

I hope that many of you will join us for the Trivia Night on the 17th September. The flyer included with this newsletter provides all the details. The evening will raise funds for the bus and provide an evening's entertainment. If you can't participate because of other commitments, please feel free to make a donation. We are also still looking for extra prizes for the evening.

As always, please contact the school if you have suggestions or concerns.

M Angus, Principal

WELFARE WORDS

- This week's *Have Merit* activity is a Double Deal Day! Two signatures for the price of one! Have your diaries out on your desk and work well for those signatures!
- Mr Mark Swanson is the new Indigenous Adviser. He joins Mary Croker, Mr Morris (Girri Girri), Mr Rollinson and myself as the team looking after Indigenous Education at Orange High
- Ms Jo Cormack is the 2012 Year 7 Adviser and she is busily working away with Mrs Milham and Mrs Sharp in preparing activities in Term 4 for our new intake of students
- Don't forget the Athletes' Foot Schools' Rewards Program. Any family who buys shoes from the store in Summer Street will generate money towards the school regardless of the price of the shoes (\$5 donated back to the school for each purchase). If you think you could be a part of this fundraiser, please call into the store and tell them you are part of the Orange High Community when you purchase some shoes.
- We have 12 Year 9, 10 and 11 girls assisting Legacy tomorrow with their Annual Appeals' day in the CBD. Thank you to those girls for the time you are giving to this worthwhile charity
- The uniform pool is very low on good quality second hand uniforms. If you especially have any sports polo tops, white shirts for boys and girls or boys pants that have outgrown their owners, please consider donating them back to the school. We will of course accept other items as well.
- The new Learning Hub is now established. This is a room dedicated to assisting students with their work. Mrs Griffiths is managing the Hub and is looking for any suitable second hand books that could be used by junior

students to read for interest. If you have any books that are just lying around at home, please consider donating them to this worthy course.

Here some dates for your calendar:

Friday	3 rd September	Legacy Annual Appeals Day
Thursday	13 th October	Year 7 Final immunizations
Thursday	27 th October	RYDA for Year 11 students

ORANGE HIGH NETBALL CLUB

- Thank you to all our coaches who have worked so hard over the season coaching our teams and sharing in their joys and heartaches. We very much appreciate the time and effort you put in to looking after our players.
- Semi finals begin this Saturday, with 10 of our teams featuring. The draw will be available on the ONA website mid-week, but coaches will also be contacted as to game times.
- Congratulations to the following teams on making the semis:

Division 1: Westoil 2 nd , High A 3 rd	Division 2: Woodies 3 rd
Division 3: Junior A 4 th	Division 7: Quick 9 2 nd
15s Blue: Junior A 3 rd	15s Red: Quicksteps 1 st
14s: QT's 3 rd	13s Blue: QP Dolls 4 th
11 Blue: Calare Crusaders 4 th	

We wish each team every success for the finals series.

- High A head off to Cronulla on Monday to contest the Final 16 Series of the NSW Knockout. Again we wish the team every success as they take on several Sports' High Schools in their quest to finish in the top ten schools.

L Middleton, Head Teacher Welfare

EISTEDDFOD RESULTS

Man Choir First place Junior Vocal Ensemble
 First place Open Vocal Ensemble
 Second Junior Choir

Choir Third

Concert Band Third

Stage Band First in three sections
 Second in Open Stage Band
 Third

Sax Ensemble Second 'Toxic' asked to perform at grand concert.

Congratulations to all involved.

M Redman

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We had a fantastic response to our parent information last week. We are now asking that an initial deposit of \$100 be paid to the front office by the end of term to enable us to start definite costings and bookings. Any questions please contact me at school.

Kylie Winslade, Organising teacher

ORANGE LITTLE ATHLETICS

Our season commences Friday 14th October, 2011.

You must register online at www.laansw.com.au.

Cost is \$85 per child, uniform cost additional.

Registering and paying online saves time. Once registered you need to attend one of our collection days to pick up your competition number and information about Little Athletics.

Collection days are on Sunday the 11th and 18th of September, 2011 at Waratah Sports Club between 2pm and 4pm.

For more information go to our website www.orangela.org.au.

First time athletes please note:

1. You will need to provide proof of age when you collect your competition number
2. Athletics requires parent assistance to run the competition nights.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Date: Saturday, 17th September

Time: 6.30 for 7pm

**Venue: Orange High School
 Performing Arts Centre**

**Tickets: \$10.00 available from the
 school**

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BYO Supper



Replacing our old bus