NEWSLETTER



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Last week I attended the P&C meeting and found it to be enlightening. The parents on the P&C are all very dedicated to improving Orange High School. One topic we discussed was how communication between home and school can be improved. The school website will be updated to include notices that are relevant and our Newsletter will also include a summary of what is happening in each faculty. The P&C is an effective group in the school and additional members would be most welcome. The P&C meet on the first Wednesday of each month.

YEAR 12 EXAMS

Exams for Year 12 start next week. Students in Year 12 should arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the exam and will be expected to remain for the duration of the exam. This is an important step towards the HSC and students are busily studying and preparing for exams. The Board of Studies website provides valuable tools to assist students prepare for exams including multiple choice questions and examples of answers to exam questions from past papers. Please encourage your Year 12 student to apply themselves prior and during the exam period and to seek assistance from their teachers when needed.

We are entering a time where there are numerous sporting trials and creative arts auditions and it is important that students wishing to trial or audition listen to the daily notices and the announcements at assembly. Students who wish to be involved in extra-curricular activities must follow the 'Responsible Behavior Plan'. If a student is placed on a level they are not entitled to represent the school. It is imperative for students to understand that it is a privilege to represent Orange High School and behavior as well as completion of assessments and attendance are factored into a decision as to if a child is suitable to represent the school.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The results from the athletics carnival have not as yet been finalised due to the 1500m which was postponed. Next week there will be a full update of carnival results including winning house and age champions.

CHS SPORTS

Good luck to the girls who will be playing in the Western Basketball final this week as well as to the netballers who are playing in the first three rounds of the CHS knockout.

SRC

The SRC student leaders have launched a new initiative on assembly this week. The SRC supported by the relieving Head Teacher Welfare, Mrs Kate Griffen have developed an antibullying pledge which students at Orange High school have been encouraged to support and sign.

The pledge has been developed to help students identify bullying and to do something about it. Sometimes we don't know about bullying until the victim lashes out at the bully.

Please contact the Year Adviser or Deputy Principal if you suspect your child has been bullied or harassed by someone at school.

M Barrett, Relieving Principal

CENTENARY

Don't forget to tell your friends and family about the OHS Centenary which is being held on 28th and 29th April, 2012. Tickets are available to order NOW with forms available at the school or on the OHS website at

www.orange-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Tickets can also be purchased in person at OHS on 26th and 27th March between 11.00 am and 3.00 pm. Any inquiries, please phone Karen Kloosterman on 6362 3108.

CENTENARY MEMORABILIA ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL FOR SALE

 KEY RINGS
 \$8.00

 PENS
 \$10.00

 TEA TOWELS
 \$12.00

TECHNO BULLY

Starrs Productions Company will be presenting a play to all Year 7 students.

Date: Thursday 22nd, 2012

Time: 9am -10am Venue: OHS PAC

Cost: Gold coin donation

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"Techno-Bully" is a play about high school bullying. It explores the issues of sexual harassment and bullying and offers strategies to deal with this growing problem. It compliments the work being done in Orange High School's PBL program.

The Welfare faculty believes this play will engage the students in its content and subsequent discussion. Welfare is covering the cost to bring these performers to our school, but we are also asking that students assist with the production's costs via a gold coin donation.

Please feel free to contact the school if you do not wish your child to attend this performance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

26th March Open Bowls, Parkes

28th March CHS Boys Hockey, Bathurst

29th March CHS Netball

5th April Royal Easter Show 5th April Last day of Term 1

23rd April Staff return Term 2 24th April Students return

25th April Anzac Day

IMPETIGO

Please be aware that there have been some cases of Impetigo (school sores) reported. They appear as small red spots and change into blisters that fill with pus and become crusted, they usually appear on the face, hands and scalp.

EVERY DAY WITH ADHD

Newsletter is now available

http://www.everydaywithadhd.com.au/user-assets/ENews/Newsletter 010 Web.htm

IRONFEST

The 13th annual Lithgow District Ironfest will take place on the last weekend of these school holidays.

Learn about history from before medieval times up to the present. See real jousting on horseback. Footfighting re-enactment with swords. Accurate historical displays.

Hear the crack of muskets and the thunder of colonial era canons & wander through the Napoleonic encampment.

See World War II uniforms & equipment. Blacksmithing demonstrations, and lots more.

And all the while having a great time while you learn! Ironfest is on April 21 & 22 at the Lithgow Showground. Don't miss it! For more info visit: www.ironfest.net

Orange and District Soccer Referees' Association Inc.

ABN 560 324 10531

President Bernard Stedman 6362 0412 Secretary Martin Collett 6362 6949 Treasurer Michael Kopp 6361 3897

Soccer Referee's Course

The Orange and District Soccer Referees' Association is again running a course for new referees before the start of the 2012 season. Male and female referees are needed. You need to turn 14 by the end of 2012 to be eligible to become a referee.

The course will be held at Canobolas Rural Technology High School, in the rooms nearest to Icely Road Orange, on Thursday 22 March and Thursday 29 March from 7.00 to 9.30 pm.

The cost of the course is \$100 which also covers registration as a referee for the year.

For further information or to register for the course contact Terry Brill on terry.brill@bigpond.com or phone 0419 434 795.

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WOOLLIGULLI INVITATION

Dear Family and Friends,

You are warmly invited to share with me at the launch of my book 'Woolligulli' at the Cobb & Co Coach House in the Village Green, Molong on the weekend 14°-15° April, 2012 from Saturday 10.am and on Sunday from 12.30 -4.30pm.

The actual launch is scheduled for $2.00 \mathrm{pm}$ -3.30 pm Saturday at which refreshments will be provided.

Please feel free to bring your friends and families - the more, the merrier! If you would like to stay on for an evening meal, bring a plate of food. There is a modern kitchen.

ABOUT THE BOOK

This is a light-hearted yarn about a family that escapes the rat-race of Sydney to sample the joys and sorrows of doing up an old house in the country, near Molong. You will meet a variety of characters including Arm-Pit and Piggy (Pat and Peggy), Tractor Tom and his wife Jean, Jack the Swagman, Charlie and Joe Blake.

Most of all you will get to know Woolligulli and see how the old house slowly comes to life again and faces up to an invasion by the Rest Of The Mob and a life-threatening bush fire.(RRP \$30)

Comments about Woolligulli:

- "I laughed and I cried. I couldn't put it down."
- "I was reminded of my early life on the farm...the outdoor toilet and no electricity."
- "Fantastic! A great read. Not too long and interesting the whole way through."
- "The illustrations are great!"
- 'I really enjoyed it and was intrigued at the nicknames and the insights about people that you brought into the yarn. A sequel is clearly required,' (Dr RJR King)