

NEWSLETTER



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This week I have been relieving as Principal and it has started with a greeting from the Japanese exchange students visiting from Ushiku Eishin High School. We attended a reception with the Mayor of Orange and the Japanese students were given honorary citizenship for the duration of their stay. This was followed by morning tea, a change from my usual Monday's where it's back to business as usual.

Last week Mick Sloan and I attended the Western Region Deputy Principal's Conference in Dubbo. This included a session informing us of the new Board of Studies credential for Year 10 students that replaces the School Certificate. In a nut shell, the School Certificate will be replaced with a Record of School Achievement, notifying achievement of moderated school based assessment, not external tests for Year 9 and 10. This means all school work goes towards the new record. Until the Board of Studies updates official letters we will continue to see School Certificate warning letters (N Award letters) and will change as soon as the Board of Studies officially updates their credentialing process. What this means for students in Year 9 and 10 is that they must apply themselves to all activities and assessments they are provided with. The school will determine the grade (A – E) based on assessment items and observations of course outcomes.

Unfortunately, I couldn't participate or attend the Colour City Running Festival, but the first thing I heard on Monday was how wonderful our students and staff were. Over 70 staff and students supported the event. The highlights were an impromptu 'Barmy Army' chant at the start of the event and some outstanding results including Joey Thorley crossing the line first in the 4.8 km event, Lauren Kerwick the first school girl to cross the line in the 4.8km event.

Orange High also won the school team event with Jack and Joey Thorley, Glen Maxwell, Kyle Ostini, Hayley Butcherine and Louise and Meaghan Kempson. These students won a \$500 cheque which has been deposited into the Sports Council account and will be put towards new singlets for competitions.

The Sports Council aims to raise the profile of sport at Orange High School and is made up of students, parent and teacher representatives.

The Premiers Sporting Challenge begins next week. Orange High's best sport leaders from Year 7 – 11 will run through a range of training programs with local primary school students. This is the third year of Orange High's involvement in the program and it continues to be one of the best run events in the state.

The Open Girls and Boys Basketball played in Bathurst this week in the CHS knockout competition with the girls team going through to the Western Region final after easily winning their first four rounds. The boys won two and lost two but are closing the gap on Bathurst High which looks promising for Astley Cup.

The Hospitality students have been using their catering skills to complete units of their course to provide staff with lunch on Wednesdays. Staff have found the food to be of a high standard and great value for money.

When presented with my lunch and cappuccino I can't help but think of the opportunities students at Orange High have and the growth of students staff witness as they enter into their final months of education. Teaching can be a truly rewarding experience.

Music students will be playing at the Farmer's Markets this weekend so get along and support our talented musicians who bring so much positive press to Orange High School. If you have never seen them perform you will be impressed.

M Barrett, Relieving Principal

PARENT TEACHER NIGHT ONLY FOR YEARS 7 AND 11

The parent teacher night will be held on Monday 12th March between 5 -7pm in the Performing Arts Centre at OHS.

H Hamilton, Relieving Deputy Principal

CANTEEN PRICE LIST

The P&C wish to advise that the canteen price list is now available on the OHS website.

HORSE EXPO

The annual horse expo will be held in Coonabarabran on Friday 1st June to Tuesday 5th June inclusive. Further information is available from the Coonabarabran High School home page or ring Jane Glover on 0457 264 828.

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FUN RUN

Photos taken at the finish line, presentation shots and few social images, will all be on the photographer's website. (Justin Stent from Stent Event Photography) in the next few days. These can be purchased in either a hard copy or digital image format.

If the school or students/teachers wish to purchase any photos from the event he would be happy to discount a bulk order which he will do at a special price. Google Stent Event Photography.



Go staff!

**e² EXPERIENCE SCIENCE**

Orange High School has welcomed the first group of primary students for 2011 into the science labs on Wednesday afternoons.

A group of Year 6 scientists from Canobolas, Bletchington and Calare Public Schools are participating in the 5 week program.

**Suellen Milham, e²
experience Coordinator
Orange High**

**ORANGE CITY JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB**

Come and Try Rugby is a fun sport for boys aged between 12 and Under 17 years. It caters for all abilities and experiences and provides safe, fun activities and Rugby games. The on-field program focuses on the development of basic hand eye coordination, team spirit and fitness. Come to training and grab a registration package.

Training: Under 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17's. Twice a week – starting in March, Tuesday and Thursdays from 5 -6.20pm see our Web site for more details and contacts:

www.orangecityjuniors.rugbynet.com.au

ORANGE REGION FARMER'S MARKET – ON THIS SATURDAY 10th MARCH, NORTHCOURT.

New Season, new produce, new time (finishing at 1pm) so you can get there after your Saturday commitments. North court 8.30 – 1pm (Showground if wet).

C Thompson, Market Manager

HARMONY DAY 2012 IN ORANGE

A Harmony Day event will be held on Sunday 18 March 2012 11am - 3pm at the South Court, Byng Street (near the Library and Art Gallery). Aboriginal, Youth and Multicultural entertainment, food and cultural sharing will feature on this day with the theme "Sport: Play, Engage, Inspire" and the event will include Indigenous Games. Sport fosters a sense of belonging, acceptance and understanding between cultures for all people involved, and so fits well with the focus for Harmony Day.

Feature artists for the day are a Capoeira and Brazilian dance group who are travelling from Sydney to perform and a contemporary fashion parade including local designers and multicultural models. In addition local schools and groups are offering performances, with free craft and activities for young children. All welcome.

CANOBOLAS RANGERS JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB

Canobolas Rangers Soccer Club are looking for players in the following age groups: Under 13's, 14's and 15's. If you are interested or require further information please contact Nick Gardiner on 6361 8818.

ORANGE EX-SERVICES SOCCER

The Orange Ex-Services Soccer Club is now finalising registrations for 2012. Inquiries should be directed to Nick Milham, Registrar, on 0412 265 920 or nsmilham@bigpond.com.