

NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations to our Circus Troupe (PIPs class) who performed some of their acrobatics and performance skills as part of a celebration for young children in our community at the Orange City Library. Pictured below are some of the students as they perform for the public.



Congratulations to the SRC and Prefects for the efforts raising nearly \$1000 for the K Mart Wishing Tree Christmas event. The funds raised were a result of the out of uniform day earlier this week and other donations on behalf of students and staff. As a result, the Prefects undertook a shopping spree at K Mart last Wednesday and donated the items to the Wishing Tree venture.



Achievement in a supportive environment

Last week, our school was proud to facilitate the staging of the Orange Public School's Presentation Day event in our Performing Arts Centre. It was terrific to be able to host one of our Partner Primary Schools as they celebrated student achievement.

Congratulations to Ashlee Wilson following her recent successful audition at the National College of Dance in Newcastle. Ashlee is one of 12 students who will be studying a Certificate IV in Dance. This will involve dancing and learning about the aspects of dance throughout the day, plus completing Year 10 through Distance Education at night. Instead of the HSC, she will complete a Diploma in Dance (Elite Performance). Ashlee will be specialising in Ballet and Contemporary Dance and hopes to have a professional career in the dance industry.

Reports for all students in Years 7 to 10 will be distributed in ceremonies on Monday 16th December.

Year 7	Period 2
Year 8	Period 5
Year 9	Period 4
Year 10	Period 3

It is pleasing to read the examples and level of student achievement and learning over the last semester and as a result it is clear that most students really have had a successful semester.

The Orange High School Presentation Night will start at 6.30pm in the Gym on Tuesday 17th December. **This year we would like to encourage parents and visitors to arrive from 6.00pm to enjoy the atmosphere created by a range of student performances.** Supper will be served in the Performing Arts Centre again accompanied by some of our talented musicians.

Finally, a reminder that school for students runs right up until next Wednesday 18th December. Attendance over recent days has been high as has the engagement in learning. I look forward to this continuing for the remainder of the year and setting the tone for a positive and productive start from day one Term 1 in 2014. **The first day at school for students in Years 7, 11 and 12 in 2014 will be Wednesday 29th January while the first day for students in Year 8, 9 and 10 will be Thursday 30th January.**

I would like to conclude by wishing all families a safe and happy Christmas holiday. The team at Orange High School look forward to welcoming back students for 2014 recharged and renewed.

D Lloyd, Principal

K-MART WISHING TREE
Students at Orange High School donated over \$900 worth of gifts (six trolley loads) to the K-Mart Wishing Tree.

The money was raised by all students who made a gold coin donation on Tuesday's casual clothes day.

K-Mart Wishing Tree is held every year with the Salvation Army to collect Christmas gifts for families of Orange who are in need.

K Griffen



FACULTY NEWS - HSIE

Although the end of the academic year is approaching, the HSIE faculty is still a hive of activity. A range of educational endeavours have ensured that students have remained engaged as well as preparing a variety of fantastic activities for the start of the 2014.

Recently the HSC Geography class, accompanied by Dave Brennan and Ian Paine, completed their field work on a variety of urban dynamics operating in Sydney. During this two day field trip students gained an understanding of how this vibrant city is implementing its 'Sustainable 2030 Plan'. Students gained detailed primary experience with diverse inner city suburbs from local experts and applied this knowledge to a research report. Students also visited the World Heritage listed Cockatoo Island to gain an insight into how the preservation of our heritage can help urban planners design sustainable cities in the future.

After the Higher School Certificate was completed, Lisa Paine participated in the marking of Ancient History in Sydney, experiencing the first year of the on-line process. Marking the Higher School Certificate gives our teachers the incredible benefit of insight to the syllabus of Ancient History, which allows us to give our students important feedback.

Currently, Adam Gray's Year 7 group, is undertaking an archaeological dig in the school grounds and have so far unearthed artefacts which have given the students wonderful insight into the school's social history. Many members of this group have been willing to work through their lunchtimes in the hope of finding their own treasure piece.



Geography campers on Cockatoo Island.



This term the HSIE staff were joined by two exceptional practicum teachers, Natasha and Joshua, studying at Brisbane and Newcastle Universities respectively. During their time at Orange High School they contributed to the programming of our National Curriculum, providing new innovative ideas and current practises ensuring a successful teaching/learning experience. Both Natasha and Joshua were embraced by students who responded positively to their lesson style. With such enthusiastic educators, the future of our teaching profession looks amazing.

Next week the whole school staff will participate in the Staff Development Day based around inspired workshops presented by various OHS staff members. Within the HSIE faculty Ms Cooper will be presenting a workshop on Haptic Learning. Ms Cooper will introduce staff to strategies on how haptic learners, sometimes called tactile or kinesthetic learners, absorb information most easily when they are physically engaged in the learning process in some way. This should be an inspiring and interesting session.

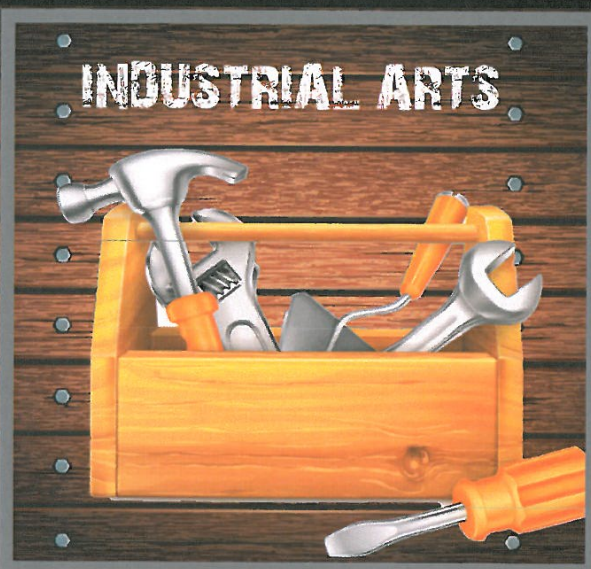
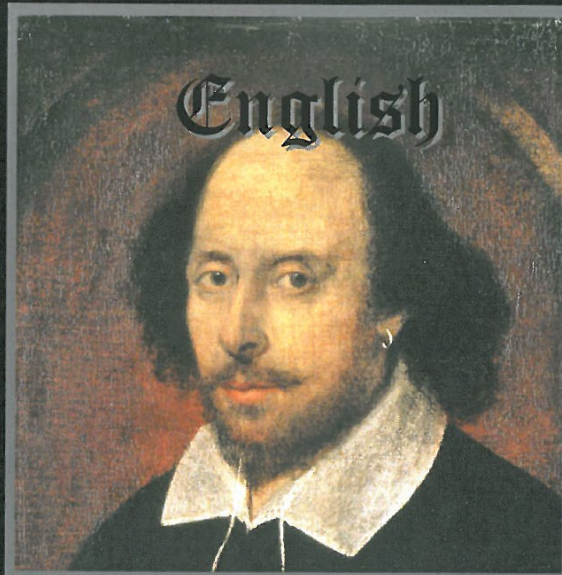
Many thanks to the HSIE staff for their effort and professionalism this year and season greetings to all.

I Paine, HT HSIE



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This years Mirror Magazine features 300 pages of articles and photographs celebrating Orange High Schools academic, sporting and community achievements in 2014. Orders must be given to the front office by Friday 13th December to receive your copy by the end of term. A limited number of copies will be for sale at the Presentation Night. Additional orders will also be taken on Presentation Night .

Printed copies: \$30

CD copies: \$10

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK



DATE: Tuesday 17 December

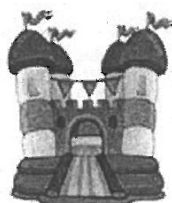
TIME: 3pm till 6pm

Venue: Glenroi Community Centre & Ovals

Garema Road Orange

There will be a free BBQ, jumping castles, face painting
rock climbing wall and lots more

There will also be a special Guest appearance.



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