

# NEWSLETTER



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**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

**Congratulations to all students who performed as part of 'Showcase', our annual Creative and Performing Arts extravaganza.** Student artworks were displayed around the Performing Arts Centre while dance and drama students from Year 7 to Year 12 performed their pieces to a 'full house' of parents and visitors. Following the evening, there were many positive comments regarding the high standard of the performances and the talents of the students.



**Last Monday, 120 eager and enthusiastic music students from the primary schools including Calare, Bletchington, Canobolas and Orange Primary Schools participated in a highly successful music day at Orange High School.** Students from Years 8 to 11 provided the tuition in small workshops culminating in a concert at the end of the day for parents. It was impressive to see the level of talents and the ability not only to learn new pieces but also to perform them as part of a concert band at the conclusion of the day. The obvious talents of the primary students will ensure our school is capable of achieving even higher levels of performance in the music area in future years.



It has also been exciting to see the following students recognised with Western School Sports Association Medals for their talents and efforts in the range of sports listed below.

Hayley Butcherine	Hockey
Hayden Dillon	Hockey
Michael Dillon	Hockey
Rachel Divall	Hockey
Jesse Keegan	Squash
Madison Smith	Hockey
Bailey Ferguson	Hockey

**Congratulations also to the following students who have recently been selected in the Western Region Academy of Sport squads for 2013/14.** WRAS scholarship athletes receive expert coaching and training programs together with sports science testing and evaluation, educational information on a variety of sports science topics, and other opportunities to participate in seminars, strength and conditioning programs, which will enhance the development of these gifted regional athletes in their chosen sport.

Chloe Barrett	Hockey
Tori Mansfield	Hockey
Gerry Shea	Hockey
Louis Shea	Hockey
Abby Tilburg	Netball
Georgia Watson	Softball
Lauren Kerwick	Triathlon
Kyle Ostini	Triathlon

James Cashen	Softball
Benjamin Cox	Lone Star Lawn Bowls
Jake Fleming	Hockey
Madeline Lisle	Hockey
Andrew Parish	Basketball
Justin Parish	Basketball
Brendan Wilson	Hockey
Thomas Zeylemaker	Softball

This year the school magazine 'The Mirror' is being produced by a team of student led by Mrs Sharon Chapman. **The magazine is a bumper size made up of over 200 pages and is being sold in 2 formats, on CD Rom for \$10 and in print form for \$30. To avoid large numbers of unsold magazines, only a small number will be printed. To ensure your copy, please contact the office in the next couple of days to ensure enough are printed.**

## D Lloyd

### FACULTY NEWS – INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Year 12 Construction (VET) and Metals and Engineering students (VET) have been out on work placement over the last two weeks. They have been engaged in a variety of businesses in the Orange District. The students have thoroughly enjoyed their experiences on work placement.

I would like to thank all businesses that have assisted the students during their time in the trades. The course could not be run successfully without their help.

## G Griffith, HT Industrial Arts

### AG NEWS

How do you make a small fortune farming? Start with a large one! Stock sales have taken place over the last few weeks and despite preparing quality medium to heavy lambs, our first sale only achieved \$82 per head.

Students have had a busy term preparing and planting the potato crop which is due to start harvest in Week 10. Early indications look promising as a quick bandicoot revealed a heavy crop developing over the next two weeks. Students will all take home a large bag of potatoes for Christmas.

The fencing at Kearneys Drive has continued with Year 9 Agriculture constructing a section of internal dividing fence this term. Finishing touches are expected to be completed in Week 10.

All classes have monitored and worked with the steers in the Agriculture Plot. Year 12 have conducted a feed conversion trial over Term 4 and Years 7 – 10 have broken the two steers to lead and groom over the same period.

We would like to wish all students and their families a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

## T Thompson

**WRITE 4 FUN – A SPECIAL AWARD**

Congratulations to Alexandra Boyd whose poem 'Audacious Autumn' has been awarded a certificate for Excellence in Writing. The judges indicated the poem was of a particularly high standard, placing her in the top 4% of entries for the competition.

Alexandra's poem will be published in the Excellence in Writing section of the book, 'Big Dream'. Copies of the book can be ordered at [www.write4fun.net](http://www.write4fun.net).

**MIRROR MAGAZINE**

The first Orange High School Mirror Magazine was published in 1913. Over the past hundred years of publication, it has taken on a variety of formats. This year, it embraces modern technology by being available as a digital version. This has enabled us to produce a larger, yet more affordable and environmentally friendly magazine, which is accessible to a much broader community. As always, the 2013 edition documents ALL aspects of the school year which have captured the essence of quality teaching and the students' learning at Orange High School. The Mirror is our way of celebrating those accomplishments.

**ASSESSMENTS DUE****WEEK 10**

Year 12 2014: Biology (experiment), Drama (performance & logbook), Physics (1<sup>st</sup> hand investigation),

**WEEK 11**

Year 12 2014: CAFS (independent research project), SLR (practical)

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Media Release

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### NO TAKERS FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Tens of thousands of dollars worth of grants and scholarships for university and college courses in Australia go begging every year because no one applies for them, according to the Country Education Foundation of Australia (CEF).

The CEF has released a guide to hundreds of scholarships worth over \$100,000, in an effort to help rural and regional students tap into much needed financial assistance.

The rural not-for-profit's CEO, Sarah Taylor, said the **2014 CEF Scholarship Listing** included hundreds of scholarships (some worth up to \$50,000pa) – many of which failed to attract applications.

The Guide can be accessed on the CEF website at: <http://cef.org.au/students/scholarships/>

"There are some great opportunities out there but students often don't know about them and in many cases they simply don't have the confidence to apply for them because they don't think they'll be successful," Ms Taylor said.

"Last year, one NSW college offered three scholarships worth \$120,000 and they didn't get a single application," she said, "And this is not an isolated case."

"It's very disappointing because every year there are thousands of disadvantaged rural and regional kids who miss out on higher education because of distance and cost.

"We're determined not to let that happen again so we've pulled together the 2014 Scholarship Guide to everything on offer from our uni and college partners.

"Our message to every rural and regional student is to check out what's on offer and apply, apply, apply!," Ms Taylor said.

The CEF has over 20 university and college partners across Australia which they work with to provide assistance to disadvantage rural and regional students.

Together, these universities and colleges offer hundreds of scholarships worth hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Rural and regional students face costs up to \$20,000 per year (on top of HECS) for travel and living expenses when they leave their communities to pursue tertiary education.

There are over 40 local CEFs across Australia, each raising funds to help their local school leavers to overcome the disadvantages of distance which prevent them from pursuing education and career goals.

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