

NEWSLETTER



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ROAD TRIP AGAINST POVERTY

The Road trip against poverty has had a huge effect on us, more than we ever expected. We knew the facts, but thinking that 24,000 children die each day from preventable causes, yet we still cringe at Year 7 receiving needles, really puts it in perspective. We have been inspired to do more to help make poverty history. We have joined 'Live' *Below The Line* campaign this year to help raise money and awareness for poverty. It consists of spending five days living on only \$2 a day, which is the

poverty line. It's going to be a challenge, and we encourage people to participate for the experience of it all.'

To learn more about *Live Below The Line*, or to sponsor the girls, check out www.livebelowtheline.com.au

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

This week it was exciting to see the structural steel frame of the new Music Centre take shape. *The space will be a state of the art acoustically designed tiered performance space that will accommodate up to 80 people.* Half of the funds for the extension have been raised by the PRISM subgroup of the P&C. *As a result, students at our school will learn and perform in a facility of a standard that simply does not exist in other schools.* Pictured is music teacher Brian Irvine outside the frame of the building.

While talking about asset improvements, it is exciting to see the beginning of new paint and carpets in the upstairs section of the main school building. Progressively we will move through the Maths, English and HSIE rooms refreshing them with a new coat of paint and carpets integrating the school colours. In addition, the school is in the process of writing submissions for grants that may enable us to increase the speed of this work. The vision over the medium term is to raise the standard of the physical infrastructure to match our high expectations of student learning.

The first 2 days of next term (Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 April) will be School Development Days for all schools across NSW.

This will mean students will not be expected to attend school until Wednesday 1st May. The state government has made the decision to allocate an extra day to all schools to facilitate planning for the introduction of the new Australian curricula in English, Maths, Science and HSIE next year. Teachers from our school will utilise the time developing new teaching and learning sequences and begin the large process of writing new innovative and engaging teaching programs that ensure the outcomes of the new Australian curricula are met along with ensuring the differentiated learning needs of our students are achieved.



Congratulations to our many capable athletes who competed so well at the carnival last Tuesday. I was pleased to hear positive comments regarding increased students participation rates and house competition compared to previous years.

Tonight the P&C have organised the 'movie under the stars' to raise money for technology infrastructure at the school. I encourage you to come along and enjoy a terrific night including a BBQ and Molong gelato. If the weather is unfavourable, we will show the movie on the 10m screen in the gym.

Students in Year 12 will begin sitting for their Half Yearly exams late next week. In order to maximise learning time, exams for most students this year have been condensed onto 6 days. As a result students in Year 12 will continue attending school and learning in regular classes until and including Thursday 4 April. Most students will then undertake their exams between Friday 5 April and Friday 12 April. Only students undertaking a hospitality practical exam, music practical exam and e² subjects will have exams scheduled outside these times.

David Lloyd



YEAR 10 FOOD TECHNOLOGY CELEBRATION CAKE ASSESSMENTS

The students in the three Year 10 classes have been busy designing and decorating a cake suitable for a specific celebration. Students chose their own themes including birthdays, Valentines, New Years and Easter.

Each student made their own cake during class, decorating them the following lesson. As well as the practical design and decorating, the students also submitted a written folio detailing the planning and reasoning for their cake. All students should be congratulated on their efforts with some fantastic results achieved. A special thanks to Mr Lloyd for visiting to see the final results.

Mrs Ryan, Mrs Bright and Miss Latter



FACULTY NEWS - HSIE

The HSIE Faculty has been very busy so far this term on a number of fronts. The faculty has a new staff member Ms Green, who comes to us from Narromine and is an experienced teacher of many years in a variety of subjects. Currently Ms Green is teaching Junior History and Geography, Computing Studies and Ancient History and is becoming a valued member of the faculty.

The HSIE staffs has recently undertaken faculty professional development after school to revise current procedures and policies and to create a draft Strategic plan that incorporates the vision and plan of OHS linked to specific faculty objectives. Staff also discussed current teaching strategies and ideas and started planning for the upcoming Australian Curriculum in 2014. This format of faculty professional development will be ongoing throughout the year.

Mrs Mitchell recently organised an excursion to Luna Park in Sydney as a way in which her Business Studies class could get greater insight into the HSC syllabus in the topic areas of 1 (Operations), 2 (Marketing), and 3 (Finance). The excursion was deemed insightful and thoroughly enjoyed by the students and they appreciated the effort that Mrs Mitchell, with Mr Brennan driving, went to in organising and ensuring that the trip was a success. Photos of this excursion will follow in later reports.

Mr Brennan the Preliminary Geography teacher assisted by Ms Hilton will be leaving later this term on a 3 day excursion to Mount Kosciusko National Park and a visit to Yarrangobilly Caves to study Fragile Environments. The excursion is a vital part of the fieldwork component of the course and the trip includes walks in the National Park and caves looking at human and climatic impacts on important environments. This trip minus the caves experience has been organised in previous years and is always worthwhile in relation to the subject of Geography. Photos of this excursion will follow in later reports.

Mr Gray and his History class are at this moment organising the ANZAC DAY ceremony for the end of term which is always completed with dignity and professionalism. Also, students need to read the notices in relation to the upcoming History competition.

Year 7-10 students and parents please note that there are a number of assessment tasks for History and Geography happening at the moment, so it is important that these items are completed and or handed in on the requested time. Should there be any questions or issues in relation to subjects or tasks please do not hesitate to speak to your class teacher in the first instance. Also, as Year 9 acquire the DER Laptops it needs to be advised that students are still expected to use a subject book as well.

I Paine, Head Teacher HSIE

ASSESSMENTS DUE – WEEK 10

- Year 7: Science (Gathering & Communicating “Melting Ice”) – Visual Arts (in-class folio)
- Year 8: English (Essay) - Vis Arts (in-class folio)
- Year 9: English (essay), Maths (test), Agriculture (weed collection & IPM), PASS (exam)
- Year 10: English (essay), PIPS (prac test), PASS (peer coaching task), Agriculture (prac task), Dance (Aust dance), Science (investigation)
- Year 11: Business Studies (media file & research) – CAFS (in-class test) – Maths Ext 1 (in-class test) – English Ext 1 (Analysis Task)
- Year 12: Half Yearly Exams

Mathematics Years 7 - 10 End of term test originally planned for Week 10 will now be on Monday 8th April /Tuesday 9th April Week 11 in normal classes. It is an expectation that all students have their own calculators for the end of term test. The Maths faculty will not be lending calculators to any student.

CAR PARK

Parents are reminded not to drop off or pick up their children from the staff car park, immediately before and after school due to issues with congestion of traffic.

CINEMA UNDER THE STARS

A final reminder about our outdoor movie night for Thursday 28th. Everything is shaping up for a great night! Chris and Brownie from 105.9 FM will be on hand to host the night. Remember the gates open at 6pm and the movie screens at 7:30pm. Tickets are available at the office and at the gate. Everyone will automatically go into the draw to win a return flight to Sydney courtesy of Brindabella Airlines. There will also be some giveaways at the gate. Come along have a bite to eat, watch the movie, bring your friends and family and raise funds for OHS!

The P&C would like to thank our major sponsors Bendigo Bank and Inkability for their very generous support of this event. Thanks also to Brindabella Airlines for the raffle prize and thank you to Mcsigns for the fabulous sign hanging on the school fence! Below is a list of the local businesses who have shown their support for the evening by purchasing advertising:

Petrie's Mitre 10	Bissy's Café
Sportspower	Gymbaroo
Orange Couriers	TAFE Western
LA Wardrobes	Fipa's World
Lisa Rigoni Photography	Orange Driving School
Kingfisher School Gear	Go Sushi!
Ron Boulton Cycles	Orange Clothing Co.
K&A 4WD	

The P&C encourages everyone to support these businesses.

Study Tips

Article #3 Year 12 – My Worst Year Ever

(This article was prepared for Year 12 students by Michael Auden. It is an extract from resources available from www.HSCin2013.com)

James entered his HSC year after a school life of being an average student. He was getting B's and C's for many subjects. He had made little or no effort apart from paying attention in class. Study and homework were foreign to his school habits. He had no place at home to study away from family noise and distractions. His family and friends had no particular expectation that James would enter university or further education. James spent his HSC year doing what he had always done. He attended classes and paid attention to his teachers. He invested very little time outside of the classroom to his HSC results. His social life was active and he enjoyed his free time at school chatting with his mates. He received very little counseling on the habits of success from his teachers. When the results came out he was devastated. He had passed English and failed all the rest of his chosen subjects.

James' experience shows the importance of making the most of your opportunities at school so you do not end up like James.

ORANGE HOCKEY

Orange Hockey Incorporated is holding a Hook into Hockey Day on Saturday 6th April from 10am till 12noon with a BBQ to follow.

We would like any Junior players (ages 5 to 17) to attend the morning, that is interested in signing up for the 2013 season or any players that have resigned or wish to resign after playing in the 2012 season. Just turn up on the day at the Hockey Centre on Moad St and there will be fun activities, modified games and an opportunity to develop your skills.

If you have a stick please bring it along with you, as well as shin pads, mouth guard, drink bottle and please wear appropriate clothing. We do require parents to stay during the sessions for emergency reasons. If you require more information please call Kate Pulbrook on 0413 266 657 or email orangehockeydo@yahoo.com.au.

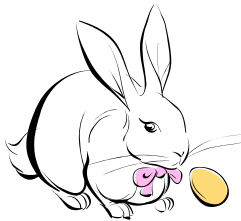
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Orange City Junior Rugby Union Club
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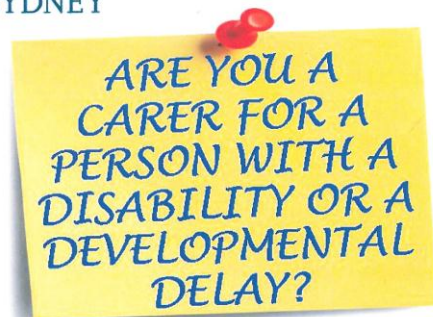


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The "Wobbly Hub & Double Spokes" survey explores carers' views about current access to therapy services for people with a disability or a developmental delay living in western NSW.

Use this link to complete the survey:

www.surveymonkey.com/s/WHCarersSurvey

You may enter a draw for the chance to win a gift voucher.



Please contact Dr Angela Dew,
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the survey.



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