# **ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL**

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Congratulations to Atahlia Sutherland for her selection as a recipient of a State-Wide Nanga Mai Award for Outstanding Performance in the Creative and Performing Arts.

Achievement in a supportive environment

### **ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Atahlia Sutherland is another of our amazing students who has been selected for recognition on a state-wide basis following her increasing success as a young song writer/performer. A quick search on YouTube for Atahlai will reveal a young performer with a deep sense of self and quiet confidence. We are delighted that her efforts and talents have been recognised in this way and look forward to sharing in her award that will be presented at the Powerhouse Museum in Sydney on the 9<sup>th</sup> April.

Last Friday students and staff enjoyed a wonderful day on the athletics field. I was particularly impressed with the positive atmosphere of encouragement. Worthy of note was Jack Saunders, a Year 12 student breaking a more than 20 year old record in the high jump by 5 centimeters to clear a bar set at 1.95metres. I understand from Jack that this would have achieved a silver medal at the state championships last year. We wish Jack all the best as he competes again at state level next month.

The closing event of the carnival was house captains Vs teachers in a relay event. Thankfully for the teachers, Meaghan Kempson was on crutches as the last students relay participant allowing me a chance to catch her in the last leg and cross the finish line together. I like to think this spirit of competition was an indicator of the atmosphere across the whole day.



Today and over the next few days we are conducting interviews for students in our 2015 High Achieving Class for students with Gifts and Talents. This year we have been overwhelmed with applications by amazingly talented young people in our primary schools. We look forward to nurturing and supporting the ongoing academic, cultural and social development of all 2015 Year 7 students over the next 6 years. From the interviews conducted already, it is impressive to see the maturity, self-discipline and quiet confidence comprising the next generation. These qualities inspire us as educators time and time again to continually innovate and develop our current practise to meet the learning, social and values development of the next generation.





#### David Lloyd

#### **OPEN BOYS SQUASH**

On Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> of March, the Open Boys squash team played in the first round of the Western Area Squash Knockout. The team consisted of Jesse Keegan, Ryan Bushel-Keegan, Kieran Ryan, Jeremy Eldridge and Glen Maxwell.



Students played against Cowra in their first match where students won 193 - 56. Jesse played a strong game to defeat his opponent 45-13 and all other member played well against their opponents.

Students played against Oberon in their second match where they won 143-95. Jesse, Ryan and Jeremy all played well winning their matches in 3 sets. Students have now advanced to the next round in Dubbo.

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## **ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

#### MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting <u>\$ Make a payment</u>

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called Other this to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the <u>\$ Make a payment</u> you must enter:

- the students name, and
- class and reference number OR
- the students name, and
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school. You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.

#### **HELPERS WANTED**

The English bookroom is in desperate need of an update. If you could assist us to cover and barcode books on the last day of term Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2014, even if for just one hour, please contact Allison Hazard in the English staffroom.

#### A Hazzard

ASSESSMENTS DUE WEEK 10 Nil Puberty, Sexuality and Relationships

FREE forum for parents and carers of children and young people with intellectual disability.

Find out how to support your family member's personal development and sexuality in a positive way.

- Preparing for puberty changes
- · Decision making and safety
- Sexuality and disability
- · Books, DVDs and resources
- Tips for talking about sex and answering tricky questions
- · Experienced presenters to answer your questions
- Meet other parents
- Free resource bag

Parents, foster parents, relatives and other unpaid carers of people with disability are welcome.

This forum is not intended for service providers (please contact Family Planning NSW for information regarding professional education).

We regret we are unable to provide respite/childcare.

Go to our website for updates and further information fpnsw.org.au/parentforums

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Orange City Junior Rugby Union Club Seeking Players for 2014 season For Our U13's and U17's teams For further details <u>http://orangecityjuniors.rugbynet.com.au</u>Tony 0435025181



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### **MOVIE NIGHT**

Due to the wet weather, the movie night has been rescheduled to the 4th April, 2014.



Date: Monday, 31 March 2014

Time: 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Venue: Trade Training Centre

Anson Farm (opposite Anson Street School) Orange NSW

RSVP: Friday, 28 March 2014

#### Contact:

For more information or to register: Danielle Fehir Family Planning NSW T: 02 8752 4388 E: daniellef@fpnsw.org.au

Cost: Free

### **ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

#### FACULTY NEWS - HOME ECONOMICS

A big hello to everyone for the beginning of the year, however it is hard to believe that Term 1 is almost behind us. The Home Economic Department has had a great start to the year.

Just like everyone else, it has been a busy start to the year with lots of classes in all areas of the faculty.

Last week our Year 12 HSC Hospitality students ran a restaurant. Each Commercial Cookery student invited two guests and they planned and prepared a two course meal for their guests. The restaurant was run by the Food & Beverage students who set up the restaurant, served drinks and meals to our guests. It was a great night and the meals prepared by our students were top quality. I would like to thank Mrs Phillips and Ms Hope for all their organisation and planning for the event. An event like this takes a lot to organise and provides our students with an incredible opportunity to experience a real life catering experience.

Another friendly reminder that invoices have been sent out for elective fees. Fees for our courses are vital for the Home Economics department to run effectively and be able to offer the variety of learning experiences that are enjoyed by a large number of students at OHS. Your support, for our faculty, by paying any associated fees for courses your son/daughter is competing is greatly appreciated.

Warmest Regards

#### Narelle Small, Head Teacher, Home Economics

#### LORIN NICHOLSON VISIT

We were very privileged to have Guitarist Lorin Nicholson visit OHS to speak and perform to Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 today. Lorin was sponsored by Orange Ex Serviceman's Club so staff and students were treated to a rare opportunity to enjoy a free performance.

Lorin engaged the students with his musical talent and shared with us stories from his childhood. His message was very powerful and inspirational. Lorin is legally blind and has enjoyed many successes throughout his long career in music. The students were mesmerised by his talent and asked many thoughtful questions to clarify understanding of Lorin's talents and torments throughout his life so far.

Lorin used humour to portray many of his stories and achievements, however, there was a very clear message that many students have commented to me about since the performance. Lorin encouraged all students to use their talents and take opportunities in life. He also encouraged students to be inclusive of everyone and to avoid bullying and making people feel different. This message gives us all something to consider and talk to our peers about.

Lorin was supported during the performance by his Father, John, which really gave us a feeling of respect and love that the Nicholson family share.

It was overwhelming to see the number of students who stayed behind to personally thank Lorin. Lorin commented on how welcoming and engaged our students were. Thank you Orange High School Students.



So please ask your kids about the performance and share some of the stories that we heard today. They are worth a listen!!

#### Kerrie Chopping, Head Teacher Welfare

