

NEWSLETTER



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LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNER

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Congratulations to an inspiring Year 12 student Kishaya Delaney following her selection as the Orange Lion's Club Youth of the Year for 2014. Kishaya's success follows a gruelling selection process involving assessment of community and volunteer activities, prepared and impromptu speeches, along with a series of interviews by Lion's Club members on general knowledge and current affairs. Kishaya is a terrific example of the amazing young citizens here at Orange High School. The school is excited and proud that she was selected for this prestigious award by the Orange Lion's Club. Kishaya will now go on to represent Orange in the District round of the event.

Achievement in a supportive environment

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

It has been our pleasure to welcome students and teachers from Ushiku Eishin School in Japan this week. Students from Years 8 through to 11 at Orange High School are billeting a total of 20 students. Throughout the week, the students from Japan have undertaken a range of activities; including, a visit to Cadia Mine, a tour of Orange and a formal Mayoral welcome yesterday at the Council Chambers, where Mayor John Davis shared the Mayoral chains. The visit is a wonderful opportunity for all students to develop a deeper first-hand understanding of different cultures and values. Hosting a billet ourselves, our family has already learnt a lot about Japan and enjoyed lots of laughs as we have worked to overcome the language barrier.

Interim Reports were distributed last Monday to all students in Year 7 and 11. The interim reports are a summary of how students have settled into High School (Year 7) and senior school (Year 11). It was particularly impressive to see the large number of students who achieved all 'Excellent' ticks on their reports indicating an exceptional start to their studies in 2014. Of course all students will receive a full report on their learning and achievements at the end of next term. Any parents of students in Years 7 and 11, who by some chance, have not received the Interim Report are invited and encouraged to contact the front office of the school on 6362 3444 and request one be posted out.

Equally impressive this week was the release of Positive Behaviour for Learning data which confirmed a dramatic 200% drop in negative entries on our database compared to the same time and period last year in 2013. This means that for weeks 1 to 5 this year there was only 1 referral compared to 3, for the same period last year. This confirms anecdotal evidence that the school feels far more settled and is testament to high levels of collaboration between teachers and students.

Improving communication is one of our ongoing projects. Earlier this week for the first time we began trialing an email early in the week outlining activities for the coming week. We are playing with the format and timing of it being sent and would value your feedback as to its relevance, timing and/or set-out. Please let us know your thoughts by email to chloe.raines2@det.nsw.edu.au or 6362 3444. We are also commencing a project to ensure we have accurate and up to date email addresses. If we are unsure of your address, it is likely one of School Administration Staff will phone you in the coming weeks to clarify your address. As part of this process we are also endeavoring to ensure dads as well as mums are included.



Pictured are Orange High School, School Captains Trent French and Meaghan Kempson mentoring and inducting School leaders at Nashdale Public School. Nashdale is one of Orange High School's partner primary schools.

Thank you to Kylie Tobity Principal for the invitation and opportunity to speak with the students.

David Lloyd

ORANGE HIGH RETAINING WALL PROJECT



Since 2010, Orange High Construction students have been working on a large scale project that demonstrated their growing skills in the subject.

The project of redeveloping the northern side of the GYM was going to be a costly and challenging task for many students. I would like to thank the P&C for their support in financing a section of the project.

Along this journey many students have learnt a high range of skills such as excavation, demolition, concreting, blocklaying, plumbing and finally landscaping.

Seeing the final results from the bland parcel of land behind the GYM, you gain a huge appreciation of not only the efforts by students to complete the project, but to see what can become of a once vacant dusty wasteland, which now is a beautiful and highly used area for students during their recess and lunch breaks.



The value of this project has been of the highest educational achievement. Students have strived for several years and I would like to thank Kennards for the donation of a Dingo digger and Dennis at Greg Bayliss Brick Supplies for his support of the project.



The pictures displayed on this page follow the development of this project and the final result. Now a grassed and tidy area that looks great and students have a new place to enjoy.

David Boundy, Industrial Arts Faculty and Construction Teacher.



ASSESSMENTS DUE – WEEK 7

Year 7	English(Class Task- Poetry Anthology plus Reflection Statement)
Year 8	PDHPE (writing task)

THE BUZZ



There are a lot of extra curricula activities going on in the welfare area in the coming weeks.

A few dates to make note of....

Week 8 – 20th March – Vaccinations for Year 7 and Year 9 boys (forms returned by end of this week)

Week 9 – 27th March – Lorin Nicholson visit to speak to Year 7, 8, 9, 10 – no cost

Week 10 – 3rd April – Cyber Bully – presenting to Year 7 and 8 – cost \$4.00 (due 27th March)

Weeks 9,10,11 – Mobile Dental Clinic at Orange High School

MERIT WINNERS FOR WEEK 6

Congratulations to the following students who are winners of the PBL Ticket draw this week.

Brody Thomas – Year 7

Madi Gilmour – Year 9

Yolandi Breedt – Year 12

Tom Christie – Year 12

The box was really full this week, Great work Orange High School students, keep up the good work and achievements.

CYBER BULLY – YEAR 7 AND 8

Starr Productions are visiting Orange High School on the **3rd April to entertain Year 7 and 8**. They are presenting a play about the issues surrounding **Cyber Bullying and portray a very worthwhile message**. The **cost for the performance will be \$4 per student**. Only students who return money and permission notes will attend the 1 hour presentation.

Please complete and return permission notes to the front office by 27th March, 2014.

VACCINATIONS – ALL YEAR 7 AND YEAR 9 BOYS ONLY

Parent Information kits have been distributed. Students who did not receive the kit can collect one from the front office.

Please return the completed forms to the labelled boxes under the office window (student side) or to Mrs Chopping. Due date is the end of Week 6.

The first vaccination date is 20th March, 2014.

SEE SHARP PRESENTATION – LORIN NICHOLSON

We are very fortunate to have Lorin Nicholson visiting the school on the **27th March to speak to Year 7, 8, 9, 10**. The Orange Ex-Serviceman's Club have sponsored Lorin to visit 4 schools in the area, so there is no cost for the presentation.

Lorin is one of the nation's leading guitarists. Despite being legally blind since birth, he is one of the country's most successful independent recording artists and has been a finalist in

the Australian Country Music Awards, being runner-up to the legendary Tommy Emmanuel. Lorin has accomplished many

things throughout his life so far and will entertain students with his stories and messages about overcoming negativity and peer pressure, bullying, respect and inclusion and striving for excellence.

There is an information flyer attached in the newsletter with a bit more information.

Lots to remember!! Don't forget to put all the dates in your diary. Have a great week.

Kerrie Chopping, Head Teacher Welfare

PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Responsibility

Students learn that behaving responsibly means doing your best to meet your commitments. They discuss the different responsibilities they have in many areas of their lives. Students are encouraged to recognise as they get older their responsibilities change. This is often a result of the trust others place in them.

Diversity

Diversity is the variety of experiences and backgrounds in the community. Students discuss the similarities and differences within their Peer Support group. They are encouraged to embrace diversity as a means by which they recognise the value of working together.

A Bright

ADVERTISING/SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

As everyone is hopefully aware, the P&C is organising an outdoor movie night for Friday March 28th. We are seeking businesses who may wish to advertise on the big screen. The ads will be shown both before and after the first movie and are a great way to reach a large and captive audience, as well as support the P&C in our fundraising venture! Please consider this option for your business or a business you work for.

Alternately, if you do not have a business, but would like to help us offset the costs of the night, your family may like to make a one off donation. For further information contact Alison Duffield on 6362 7778 or email sduffield@2bigpond.com

CINEMA

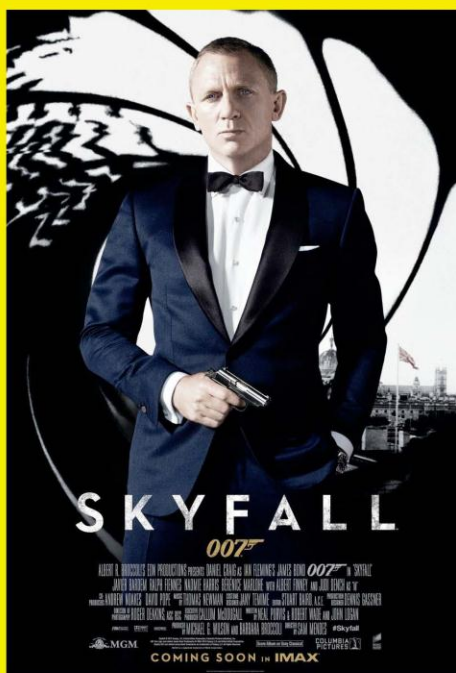
UNDER THE STARS

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friday 28th march

@ The Orange High School Oval

double the movies. double the action.



OHS P&C
presents

Monsters
University

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GATES OPEN 6PM MOVIE STARTS 7PM

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LORIN NICHOLSON

Presents

See Sharp

Over the past decade Lorin's award-winning performance called "See Sharp" has received outstanding feedback in over 1300 schools, to more than a million students throughout Australia and the globe.

Thanks to **Clubs NSW's BULLYcheck** initiative promoting safer schools and safer workplaces, our local **Orange Ex-Services Club** is now pleased to support our school by covering the cost of Lorin's visit.

Our school is looking forward to Lorin sharing his simple but powerful messages of perseverance, resilience, respect, inclusion, leadership and striving for excellence with all staff, students, parents, family and community members on;

Thursday 27th March 2014

9:15am & 11:25am

Many have been quoted as saying that this is without doubt the most motivational and potentially life changing presentation they have ever witnessed.

"You could hear a pin drop in our hall. Your show gave them more to contemplate in one hour than I could ever give them in my classroom."

Lorin's incredible guitar playing, coupled with his amazing life achievements growing up blind, will not only captivate and entertain our school, but will inspire each individual to take on a more positive attitude towards those around them, as well as finding the strength within, to never give up on achieving our dreams.

We are once again grateful for the support of the

Orange Ex-Services Club

and invite our entire school community to attend this amazing performance.

