

NEWSLETTER



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Year 12 students striving for high achievement.



Congratulations to Kailey Munday, Rachel Ogilvie, Erin Kattenberg-Willetts, Hannah Spencer, Natasha Stevens and Emma Fisher who have just returned from 4 days of intense dance extension at the Western Dance Camp in Dubbo. The girls worked with an number of expert choreographers and came away from the camp feeling positive.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This Friday we will celebrate ANZAC Day with a formal ceremony in the Performing Arts Centre from 11am. Period two for Years 7, 8 and 9, period three for Years 10 and 11 (Year 12 will be finishing exams) Sgt David Flude, Operations Sargent of the 1st / 19th Battalion will be addressing the students with information regarding his overseas service and the importance of the Anzac Legend.

On Friday April 25, all students Years 7 to 12 are invited to come dressed in winter uniform and March in the Orange Community ANZAC Commemoration. Orange High School students will assemble in Anson Street adjacent to K-Mart and opposite the Ex-Services Club at 10am.

Earlier this week our Hospitality and Food Technology Teams did an exceptional job catering for a Regional Principals Workshop for 40 people. Our team did an exceptional job and were the subject of many compliments for their excellent catering expertise. In addition the gathering was opened with an exceptional performance by Atahlia Sutherland, signing Amazing Grace using words from the Wiradjuri Nation. Nikita Campbell performed the Welcome to Country and two Year 11 SRC Representatives Erin Cooper and Harry Roth reading speeches providing personal insights from their perspectives highlighting the importance of education and high quality teaching. The school leaders present from across the region were incredibly impressed by the depth of insight by young people from our school.



This term has been an amazing term for Student Achievement. A quick flick back through this terms newsletters reveal almost every week one of our students has achieved recognition at a level beyond the school. **I continue to be incredibly proud of all students in our school. I would like to acknowledge at the end of a busy term the efforts of all students right across the school who strive and learn every day in classrooms across our school.** These students may never have their names up in lights but they are cooperative, motivated and talented young people with integrity who will make enormous contributions in their own special way to the society of the future.

There is no doubt this term has been incredibly demanding with several big projects as part of our Management Plan well underway. These project include the introduction of a school wide and faculty based **Literacy Focuses**, further work on our **Gifted and Talented Strategy**, collaboration to further embed the **National Teaching Standards**, successful introduction of the **Australian Curricula** in Years 7 and 9 and foundational work on the introduction of our **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)** Technology direction. Each of these projects have been supported and led by teachers across the school in addition to their regular teaching demands. I would like to commend the teaching and support staff for their hard work and dedication and am excited about the progress and direction of our school.

I would like to conclude by wishing all students and their families a restful, happy and safe two-week break from the regular school routine. We look forward to welcoming all students back to school on Tuesday 29th April.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FACULTY NEWS - Term 1 2014

Welcome to 2014!

The staff and students have had a fabulously hectic beginning to 2014, beginning with rooming changes. The Support Unit has moved from upstairs next to the English Department to ground floor rooms between the lovely front lawn and the spacious Inner Quad. This new learning environment has provided students and staff a quiet and serene learning environment, with the front lawn being fully utilised as an outdoor classroom.



Students have been kept very busy and active with a variety of events including bushwalking and fishing with Mr Wharton, for Sport, and the production of a “slap stick” comedy routine with Ms Freede, in Drama. The students have thoroughly enjoyed these units and look forward to their continuation into Term 2.

This term Ms Morison’s class have been studying a unit on mining. They have looked at the local Cadia Mining operation and also learnt about the history of mining in Australia. The students have also been looking at the environment and the impact that mining has on our natural environment

Ms Nott’s class have enjoyed learning about all about Australia’s geographical makeup and comparing our landscape and environment to that of other countries. They have also been exploring energy sources and have been busy making an electrical circuit.

Tuesday the 8th April we will hold our annual morning tea for parents and carers. This event provides an opportunity for our students to showcase their fabulous work, and gives parents and carers the chance to meet the staff working with their children.

Stephanie Nott, Head Teacher Special Education

THE BUZZ



MERITS

Congratulations to the following students who have won themselves the \$10 canteen voucher this fortnight. Keep up the good work Orange High.

Daniel Stevenson – Year 8
Ashlyn Narayan – Year 7
Gabby Nealon – Year 8
Tom Blimka – Year 10

Congratulations to the term winners. All PBL Tickets went into the end of term draw, with 3 hardworking students earning themselves \$20 vouchers. Emily Walker – Year 10 (I-tunes voucher); Ty Brayley – Year 9 (Big W voucher) and Jeremy Reed – Year 9 (WISH giftcard). We are looking forward to rewarding more student achievement next term.



CYBER BULLY

Last week, 150 year 7 and 8 students enjoyed a performance about Cyber Bullying. The play centred around two main characters and portrayed the cyber bully scenario and the implications it can have on the victim, the bullies and their families. The message was very clear and powerful and sparked some thoughtful questions at the end of the session. Students really engaged with the performance and hopefully are able to reflect on the bigger picture surrounding bullying (supporting each other positively, not getting involved unnecessarily).

Please encourage your children to talk to someone if they are experiencing bullying at school. Warn them of the dangers of using social media to communicate with friends. If they need support, please contact us at school. There are a range of support networks at school and we are more than happy to offer assistance.

e² EXPERIENCE SCIENCE

Students from our partner schools have started to participate in the Science Program each Wednesday afternoon. Our first students came from Borenore Public, Calare Public and Bletchington Public and thoroughly enjoyed the High School experience. The Year 6 students conducted experiments and experienced Science demonstrations and even passed their Bunsen Burner Driver Test. It was fantastic to see the students loving Science and soaking up the new experiences. Thank you to Mrs Griffen, Mr Purser, Ms Brennan and Mr Routh for your expert knowledge and skills in running the program.

Happy Easter to you all!! Enjoy the holidays and time with your family and friends. Hope the Easter Bunny finds you all!!!

Kerrie Chopping, HT Welfare



ASSESSMENTS DUE – WEEK 1

Year 7	Science (working scientifically)
Year 8	Science (comparing material investigation)
Year 9	PASS (Weeks 1-9, navigational skills)
Year 10	Marine St (Culture & Ind presentations), PASS (ongoing practical)
Year 11	Music II (composition)



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