

# NEWSLETTER



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## MAYOR'S CUP DEBATING WINNERS



Last Thursday, the Year 10 Debating team participated in the Mayor's Cup Debating Competition against James Sheahan Catholic High School, Kinross Wolaroi School and Canobolas Rural Technology High School. In the first debate, OHS debated the pre-prepared topic '**Orange needs a premier rectangular sporting field and precinct**' against James Sheahan. The team was able to convince the adjudicator that the need for such a precinct was important for Orange's future. The team then had 60 minutes to prepare their case on the topic '**The User-Pays principle should apply to all council services**'. OHS was the negative and were able to argue that implementing such a principle for all services, would not be beneficial or equitable. Congratulations to Freya Hawke, Isabella Bankovic, Eleanor Delaney and Alexandra Boyd. Yesterday, the Year 7/8 debating team travelled to Canowindra to debate against Canowindra and Cowra High Schools. It was a successful day with the team winning both of their debates. The first topic was '**That we should ban all junk food advertising**'. OHS was the affirmative and successfully argued the negative aspects of junk food ads. The second topic was '**That parents should only allow children to watch television on the weekends**'. OHS was the negative, and they were able to convince the adjudicator that there were benefits to children watching television, particularly as a bribe to get children to do their homework! Congratulations to Olivia Maksymczuk, Alicia McFadden, Noah Lamrock and Caitlin Carpenter.

### Kristy Hilton, OHS Debating Co-ordinator

Below is a link to the Orange City Council website and the story of the victory.

[http://www.orange.nsw.gov.au/site/index.cfm?PageMode=indiv&module=NEWS&page\\_id=512160&leca=618](http://www.orange.nsw.gov.au/site/index.cfm?PageMode=indiv&module=NEWS&page_id=512160&leca=618)

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**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Orange High School was very excited to learn last week that we had won the 2014 Mayor's Cup Debating Competition. Our team comprised of Alexandra Boyd, Isabella Bankovic, Eleanor Delaney and Freya Hawke defeated the team from James Sheehan High School and then the team from Kinross to secure victory. This win follows closely on the heels of recently being named Western Region Champions against schools from Lithgow through to Dubbo last week. **Particularly impressive was that our team members were all from Year 10 competing against students from Years 11 and 12.** The topic for the debate against James Sheehan was 'Does Orange needs a premier recreational sporting facility' while the topic for the final against Kinross was the 'Should the user pays principle should apply to all council services'. The debate was a terrific experience for our new team and given the local 'flavour', the content was particularly relevant and encouraged our students to contribute to the discussion on a wider community level.

**Students in Year 12 are well into the Trial HSC Exams with all of them concluding by the end of the week.** I have enjoyed talking with a variety of students over recent days about their exam experiences with the usual mixture of responses ranging from 'that exam was hard and I need to put in more work before the final HSC exams' through to 'they have been pretty much what I expected and I am confident with the likely results'. As a school, we look forward to supporting all students but in particular our senior students over the coming weeks as they conclude their final weeks of formal school learning and seek to build further on their current levels of achievement.

**Following on from the Trial HSC Exams, Early Entry to University is now open open at [www.uac.edu.au/srs](http://www.uac.edu.au/srs)** Students can apply for Early Entry as soon as they have applied for undergraduate admission through UAC. All they need to get started is their UAC application number and UAC PIN. The SRS Schools section of the SRS website has been updated to include fact sheets on the key steps and dates for applicants. The closing date for SRS applications is Tuesday 30 September 2014.

**As part of a regular quality assurance process, Orange High School has passed an Audit of Vocational Education and Training with flying colours.** The external audit has provided further confidence that our systems, processes and teachers support students to attain a high quality, nationally recognised standard of Vocational Education in hospitality, primary industries, construction and metals and engineering. Congratulations to our talented and hard-working vocational teachers led by Narelle Small.

**David Lloyd, Principal**

**ASSESSMENTS DUE – WEEK 6**

Year 7	Music (instruments of the orchestra)
Year 8	Music (assignment)
Year 9	Child St (Baby Egg), I & ST (minor project), Japanese (task 3), Science (processing & analysing data)
Year 10	I & ST (minor project), Marine St (native wildlife)
Year 11	Business St (business plan for an SME), Drama (performance), Foot Technology (Nutrition), IPT (personal project), Visual Arts (Artwork-BOW)
Year 12	Nil

**WESTERN ATHLETICS**

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July a large contingency of Orange High students travelled to Bathurst for the Western Athletics Trials in a bid to gain selection to compete at the Combined High Schools competition at Olympic Park in Sydney.

After a shaky start to the day (weather wise) the OHS students shone through the competition, with many gaining selection into the Western team.

These students included:

<b>Sam Allan</b>	High Jump	<b>Jack Pierce</b>	High Jump
<b>Haley Butcherine</b>	400m	<b>Max Pierce</b>	Triple Jump Shot Put Long Jump High Jump
<b>Lachlan Duncan</b>	100m 4x100m relay	<b>Jai Regan</b>	4x100m relay
<b>Katelyn Elliott</b>	High Jump	<b>Andrew Romano</b>	Discus
<b>Riley Elms</b>	200m 4x100m relay	<b>Jack Saunders</b>	High Jump
<b>Ebony Hay</b>	Javelin Discus	<b>Gerry Shea</b>	400m
<b>Lauren Kerwick</b>	3000m	<b>Louis Shea</b>	400m
<b>Kobe Mansell</b>	Long Jump	<b>Libby Smith</b>	Long Jump
<b>James Taylor</b>	4x100m relay		



A special mention must go out to the SPC and Sports Studies students who went across to Bathurst for the day to volunteer for various officiating duties and cooking the BBQ. The feedback received from the public was extremely positive and many compliments were received throughout the day in regards to our student's manners, enthusiasm and willingness to help out. You have all done yourself and your school proud!

Congratulations to all students involved in the day and good luck in Sydney in early September!



Mr Lachlan Butt



### FACULTY NEWS – INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Aurecon Bridge Building Competition, Art Gallery of NSW, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2014

On Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> August, three students: Angus Carter, Noah Ferguson and Lachlan Webster went to test the bridge that they had designed and constructed under the competition's constraints.

Students in Industrial Technology Engineering in Year 9, were given a challenge to individually design and construct a Bridge made from balsa wood using hot glue, cardboard and string to maintain structural integrity and have a bridge that would hold the most weight. This challenge proved to be a very high motivator for the students in this class as they have designed and constructed some very successful bridges. One bridge withstood a force of 30kg, which was an exceptional effort.

Students learnt about the various types of bridge structures from the simple Beam Bridge to a more complicated Cable-Stayed bridge, which Lachlan Webster attempted and was successful.

After testing the bridges, three students were given the opportunity to redesign their ideas and construct their bridge to take to the Aurecon Bridge Building Competition from only the materials that came in a Cardboard postal cylinder. About 8 metres of balsa wood, 5 metres of string and one tube of Epoxy glue. Students are required to manage their materials and construct their bridge design.

On test day, Sydney put on a beautiful day to go the Art Gallery of NSW and the students went and tested their bridge in front of 63 other schools, watched by Engineers who have been in the bridge design and building game for decades. They spent some time discussing their design which was based on a Camelback Truss Bridge. The test revealed that our bridge had a few structural issues, however, the students bridge was able to be loaded to 8 kilograms. Overall this may not sound like a lot of weight but when this bridge is made from 6mm thick balsa wood this is a fantastic achievement and we will try again next year.



**YEAR 10-2 HUNGER GAMES UPDATE:**

Mrs Mages' Year 10 English have been immersed in a recreation of THE HUNGER GAMES. Four Districts are fighting it out for the title by participating in a mix of academic and physical challenges. Recently, teams have produced television interviews featuring their tributes in just two class periods, which will be screened for Year 10, who will, acting as the Capital, vote for the winning team. This week's exciting 'Scavenger Hunt' created by class Game Keepers, Monica Dunn and Josh Martin involved students scouring the school for Mockingjay tokens, which provided riddles to be solved to find the next token. District 2, comprised of Eden Buckingham, Lachlan Duncan, Jacinta Turner, Cleo Paprakhan, Louis Shea and Zoe Alexander have recently taken the lead due to their dogged determination to win! Emma Fisher delighted her classmates yesterday when she produced this stunning cake inspired by THE HUNGER GAMES. Her response to this extra-credit task, which asked students to produce a cake for Masterchef inkeeping with Hunger Games theme, was absolutely amazing and delectable. Mrs. Mages is extremely proud of her Year. 10 students, who are undertaking the Games in a mature, yet competitive manner. Happy Hunger Games Year 10-2 and 'May the odds be ever in your favour!'



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Mrs Mages

**COME AND TRY DAY**

**If you have never played softball before or haven't played for a long time this is your opportunity to come and see if you enjoy it with no cost or commitment to register**

**WHEN:** Saturday 20 or 27 September

**WHERE:** Sir Jack Brabham Oval, Orange

**TIMES:**

TeeBall	Ages 5-10	10 - 11am
Modball	11-13 yrs	11:15 am-12:15 pm
Softball	14-19 yrs	12:30 - 1:30pm
Adults		2 - 3pm

**COST:** Nil, a free sausage sizzle will be available for all participants

For more information please contact:

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**TAKE 1 STEP**  
FOR BETTER MENTAL HEALTH  
NATIONAL ROADSHOW

**The beyondblue National Roadshow is coming to Orange!**

As part of *beyondblue*'s 30,000km National Roadshow, the big blue bus will visit Orange Bunnings. Free information about depression, anxiety and ways to stay well will be available. Come and chat to *beyondblue* staff and local health service providers, find out about available supports, and enjoy a free BBQ!

**Date:** Tuesday 19 August

**Time:** 10:00am-2:00pm

**Location:** Bunnings Orange, Lone Pine Avenue



[www.beyondblue.org.au/take1step](http://www.beyondblue.org.au/take1step) 1300 22 4636

