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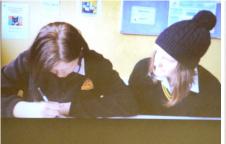
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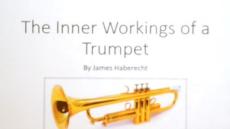
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17th November 2016: Term 4 Week 6

## **High Achievers Celebration Evening**

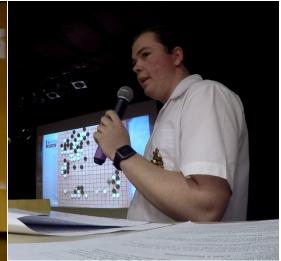


















## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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Congratulations to each and every person from Years 7 to 10 who shared their learning at the High Achievers Project Presentation Night last Tuesday. The quality and diversity of the projects displayed around the room or presented to the public audience were outstanding. The focus of the projects in each of the year groups was slightly different but all grew from the philosophy of providing students an opportunity to be extended and inspired beyond the regular syllabi and classroom constraints. There was no doubt in the minds of the people sharing the event that students used this opportunity to produce work of very quality and interest.

The objective of the Year 7 High Achievers project was to foster deep knowledge and understanding of a topic of the students' choice, while also facilitating the development of skills in their chosen area. Students were given the challenge of taking a topic in which they already had a strong interest and integrating two traditional learning areas into a study of this topic. Some of the combinations the students came up with included the history and science of the bubonic plague, French culture and interior design, mathematics and computer game design.

The Year 8 project differed slightly to Year 7 with the intent being to facilitate the creation of an awareness campaign focused on an issue which impacts society. Compulsory inclusions were a survey and analysis of this information as a basis for their campaign. Students had a choice in regards to the product of their project but it had to align with their target audience. The students needed to use language and tools of persuasion to ensure their campaigns raised the awareness of their issue and called people to action.

Year 9 were given the autonomy to choose a subject of interest to them that would highlight their independent learning skills. They were also given freedom of format. Some examples of projects developed included a board game, song, short films and the construction of a model.

The Year 10 projects were a diverse and amazing collection of work that highlighted student interests and their tremendous talents! The projects exemplified the diversity of their enormous skill level and markers Mr Gray and Mrs Beeby were in awe of the professional presentations. They were entertained with video games developed from scratch, moved by inspiring and controversial films, had the pleasure of reading an amazing novel and looked at the results of extremely interesting research projects.

The presentations throughout the night were incredibly moving and in some cases quite challenging. I would like to congratulate all students on the high level of their efforts and learning.

Congratulations to the following recently graduated Year 12 students **Alice Black** and **Emily Piper** who have been accepted into Nursing at Southern Cross University and also **Mickalla Davis** on acceptance into Social Work at Charles Sturt University in Wagga.







Congratulations to the Sports Council and PDHPE Team for their leadership of the inaugural Sports Awards Night last Wednesday. It was terrific to see students, teachers and community members join together to celebrate student success and achievement in sport. Sport is an important aspect of our Orange High School culture and it is terrific to see its profile raised further. Congratulations to the many recipients of awards.

**David Lloyd** Principal

## PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENG

Students from Years 9 and 10 were involved in a variety of coaching workshops for the Premier's Sporting Challenge last week at OHS. Local development officers worked with students from OHS, Blayney and Molong to develop their coaching and leadership skills



















### **Career Connection News**

#### Three Careers related events were held during Week 5.

On Wednesday, Orange High School welcomed 55 NSW Government employees who were participating in the "I Work For NSW" Year 9 Careers Expo. Students heard from 8 presenters, representing NSW Government Departments such as: Department of Industry, Skills and Regional Development, Department of Planning and Environment, Office of Environment and Heritage, NSW Environment Protection Authority and the Department of Industry. The students gained an insight into the jobs available in each department and the role each department has in our society. Students had a chance to ask questions and receive specific information from the young professionals present.

On Thursday, our Year 9 indigenous students participated in the Charles Sturt University Future Directions Day. The day consisted of interactive workshops in physiotherapy and engineering as well as a tour of the facilities of the CSU Orange campus. The students also participated in a Q & A session with current university students. Events like this give students a fantastic opportunity to see tertiary study as an achievable post-school option.

On Friday, Orange High School hosted Careers Advisers from throughout the Central West in the inaugural Career Tools Workshop. The workshop focussed on Career Tools, the inventors of Orange High School's Career Connection website:

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and how Careers Advisers can use the functionalities of the site to better cater for the administration needs of students, parents and the wider community. If you haven't checked out the website yet, then please feel free to check it out for all careers related information. I would like to thank Miss Latter and her Year 11 Hospitality class for catering for morning tea. The workshop participants were extremely impressed by the quality of food and the professional manner we were all served. With Caroline Wilson in attendance (D of E Senior Pathways Officer in charge of Careers Education & VET Hospitality delivery in NSW) our students really performed exceptionally well under pressure!

**Mr Pearson** 









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### Career Connection continued...





## REMEMBRANCE DAY











## **Inspire Friday**

Introducing our 2017 Vice-Captain Isabel Harris and Prefect Joe Grindrod.

As part of our vision for 2017 we both aspire to increase recognition of student achievement. To implement our visions, we have decided to continue 'INSPIRE FRIDAY', previously a project of 2016 prefect Neve Tufuga.

Every Friday a student achieving highly, doing great things or inspiring others will be acknowledged as the 'Inspire Friday' student of the week. We encourage all nominations for students and teachers to be submitted to Isabel or Joe in person or via email:

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We look forward to acknowledging these students and inspiring others to achieve their goals!



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