



Orange High School NEWSLETTER

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4th February 2016 : Term 1 Week 2

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Year 9 Adviser
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Year 10 Adviser
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Year 12 Adviser
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Aaron Routh

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Anthony Wharton
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Council Leader**
Peita Mages

Principal's Report

The highlight of the week has been talking with our newest students as they settle positively into the school.



The Year 7 cohort, as a group, have experienced an amazing start as they learn new routines, teachers, expectations and navigating their way around the school. From the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Boot camps over the last two days, almost all students appear confident to use their technology to enhance learning.

Pictured below are students in class putting their technology into action.



From years 7 to 11, we have enrolled over 30 new students making our school incredibly full. Most impressive of all has been the positive culture that has ensured almost all new students have quickly developed friendships with existing students.

A second highlight was the opportunity to talk briefly with Year 7 parents at the 'Welcome BBQ' facilitated by our Parents and Citizens Association on Wednesday. We seek to achieve close partnerships with parents in a large educational environment. We greatly appreciate parents making the effort to come along and be a part of our community. The next event will be Parent Teacher Nights later in the term where parents have the opportunity to talk with teachers about ways to work together to maximise learning and achievement.



*Pictured are some of our parent helpers along with
Year 7 Year Advisor Josh Thacker and Transition Coordinator Kerrie Chopping.*

One of the key educational administration actions at this time of the year is the finalisation of strategic plans across the school. Paramount are our three overarching priority areas of Orange High Culture, Teaching and Innovation. Each of our 12 Head Teachers are in the process of finalising their plans under the above heading for the year. One can't help but be enthused by the by the comprehensive range of initiatives planned to support the continual development of classroom teaching and learning excellence across all Key Learning Areas of the school. 2016 promises to be an exciting year at Orange High and we look forward to sharing the learning journey with you as we strive to achieve educational excellence.

David Lloyd
Principal

English News

2016 is off to a roaring start in English. We have been very happy to welcome our new students and marvel, as always, at the confidence and capability of young people adjusting to changes. The English faculty hosts two Year Advisors, Mr Thacker (Year 7) and Mrs Healey (Year 10).

We welcome a new teacher to the English team, Ms Courtney Wilcock. She is an early career teacher who has come to us from Sydney. Already her classroom is a vibrant and colourful learning space that students have been very excited to interact with. We look forward to drawing on her experience teaching in a large Sydney school, especially in the areas of differentiation and technology, cornerstones of our faculty plan.

Term One is a busy and dynamic one in English classrooms.

Year 7 kick-off with a program centred on the concept of Self-Identity. This gives teachers and students an excellent opportunity to get to know each other well and for students to showcase and develop their skills and creativity.

Year 8 begin with a fascinating unit on Social Sustainability that uses the novel *Trash* to explore this complex concept. *Trash* is an award winning mystery novel by Andy Mulligan that follows the lives of three small boys living on the trash heaps of Behala, India.

Year 9 explore Documentaries as an interesting format for exploring important social, historical and political issues.

For Year 10 the year begins with a close study of truly excellent literature in the unit, 'Walking in Someone Else's Shoes'.

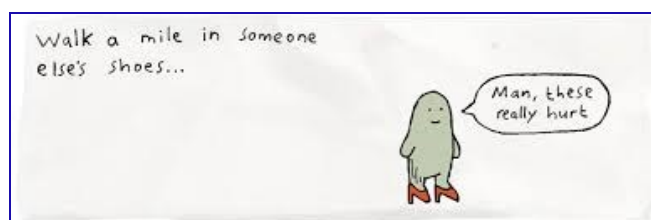
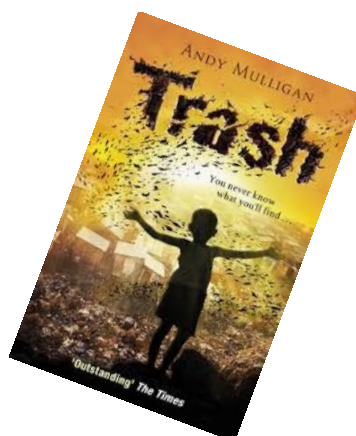
Year 11 English students, in a range of courses, will begin developing the skills and experiences needed for success in the Higher School Certificate. It is an important time to experiment with different types and styles of writing, to read widely and to consolidate effective study and assessment preparation skills. Students and parents are encouraged to consult with their teachers, mentors and year advisors if they need any advice or assistance.

Year 12, having completed their first Higher School Certificate assessment, move into the study of their first Module. Students have an excellent opportunity to explore new ideas, texts and to reflect on their strengths and weaknesses in composition. Balancing a vibrant school life with study and assessment is a challenge, remember there are many people at Orange High to assist students and their families with this.

We look forward to celebrating the success of all English students at Orange High School and invite parents and students to contact us with any questions, concerns or observations.

Kristie Esson

Head Teacher English (rel)





The Buzz

Welcome to the new school year. It is great to be back and surrounded by so many keen and enthusiastic staff and students. I have had a great rest with my family and am feeling energised and ready to start the school year.

Our team of Year Advisors have had a busy start to the year. They are helping new students settle in and checking in with students to catch up on the holiday news. If you have a concern about your child's learning or wellbeing please contact the school to make an appointment with the relevant Year Advisor.

Year 7 – Joshua Thacker
Year 10– Sophie Healey

Year 8 - Cassie Coates
Year 11 - Sarah Townsend

Year 9 – Alice Bright
Year 12 – Taara Wilson and Aaron Routh

Please note that ONLY Year 7 and 8 will receive school diaries this year. Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 will need to supply their own paper diary or use a calendar on their own device/computer. There are a few diaries left over and are available to purchase from the front office at a cost of \$15 each.

Year 7 Welcome BBQ

Thank you to year 7 families that joined us for the Welcome BBQ on Wednesday night. It was a great opportunity for parents to meet teachers and for families to mingle in an informal setting. Thank you to the Orange High P and C for funding and facilitating the BBQ.

Year 7 Vaccinations

In the coming weeks, Year 7 will bring home vaccination forms from the Department of Health. The health service visits Orange High 3 times in the school year to vaccinate students. If you would like to have your child vaccinated, please complete the forms and students can return the forms to the box underneath the front office window. The first vaccination is in March. Stay tuned for more information.

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) – Merit system

Our rewards system is implemented by all staff at Orange High. We reward students for working 'above and beyond' expectations in any aspect of school life. This year we are increasing the depth of House Spirit and have added a few layers to the PBL Tickets (immediate reward for learning/behaviour). Please see below for a detailed view of the rewards system.

PBL - Promoting Positive Behaviour – Rewards

Orange High School is committed to acknowledging and rewarding student achievement. Rewards are both teacher and student directed.

Teacher Directed

PBL Tickets (yellow and blue)

PBL Tickets are awarded to students by the teacher. They can be awarded for great work, sustained focus during class or consistent effort during the lesson etc. (Examples include demonstrating initiative during tasks, handing in tasks before the due date, independent group work, offering assistance to teacher or other students, completing a good quality homework task etc.)

Teacher fills in the PBL Ticket and awards it to the student during class time



Students place PBL Tickets in allocated box (orange box opposite middle office in main corridor)



Winners are drawn each fortnight at assembly

10 X \$10 canteen vouchers

At the end of term all tickets go into a draw for 3 x \$20 vouchers

House Tally – at the end of term the House with the most points earns themselves a free BBQ and Prize Raffle

MEGADRAW (blue PBL tickets)

Last 4 weeks of the year

(school assembly held at the end of the year to raffle a range of prizes)

Students are able to find out which House they are in during roll call.

Macquarie – Blue
Elliot – Yellow

Parkes - Red
Bourke – Green

Student of the Week Award (introduced 2016)

This is a learning/ behaviour based award nominated by teachers. Two students randomly selected at assembly. Winning students will be awarded with a prize, certificate and postcard home. All students will receive their nomination slip.

Pinnacle Award (introduced in 2015)

Student based application (Year Advisors distribute and collect application forms). Eligible students are awarded special trophy at Presentation Night. An additional reward is presented if students achieve a Pinnacle Award every year of High School.

- Students must apply for a “Pinnacle” Award (year 7-11) or “ACE” Award (year 12) (ACE stands for Academic, Commitment and Excellence)
- Students apply each year and need to meet the specific criteria for each year level. They collect and complete an application form (from their Year Advisor or from the OHS website), then submit it to their Year Advisor by week 2, Term 4.
- Criteria include School Extra Curricula, School Service and Community Service. It also includes students not having any negative entries on Sentral, achieved Bronze, Silver or Gold Award on their mid-course report, attendance above 87% and a teacher needs to endorse the application. (Please refer to attached copy of the application form). The examples listed in the application form are suggestions only, Year Advisors will accept other examples.

Students will be encouraged to apply for this prestigious award as the year progresses. Application Form (Available from Year Advisors and OHS Website)



STUDENT APPLICATION PINNACLE AWARD (Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11)

ACE (Academic, Commitment and Excellence) Award – (Year 12)

General Information

Students can apply for a “Pinnacle” Award (year 7-11) or “ACE” Award (year 12)

Students apply each year and need to meet the specific criteria for each year level. They complete an application form and submit it to their Year Advisor by week 2, Term 4.

Criteria	1. No Level on Sentral (yellow, red)	2. Bronze, Silver or Gold Award on mid-course report	3. School extra curricula (see attached for examples)	4. Community Service (see attached for examples)	5. School Service (see attached for examples)	6. Teacher endorsement (1 teacher to complete personal profile), comment and sign	7. Attendance above 87%
Year 7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Year 8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Year 9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Year 10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Year 11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Year 12 ACE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Grey highlighted area – need to fulfil 3 criteria out of 4.

Possible examples

School Extra curricula

Sport team – including CHS, Astley Cup, Malynley Shield, OHS Representative Teams and Western Region Representation
 Music – Choir, bands
 Art competitions
 Mathematics, Science, Tournament of the Mind competitions
 Dance Festival/School Spec
 Debating
 Agricultural shows
 School Show
 Premier’s Sporting Challenge

Community Service

Relay for Life
 Salvation Army Collection Day
 Premiers Sporting Challenge
 ANZAC Day March
 Rotary Events
 Riding for the Disabled

School Service

Peer Support/Transition Days
 Mentoring (reading program)
 Coaching
 Reader/writer for Disability Provision Exams
 Committees – BYOD, Ag
 SRC, Prefects and House Captains
 School Show
 Refereeing
 Fun Run Participation
 Supporting teachers with a School Event
 Hospitality Events



PINNACLE AWARD – STUDENT APPLICATION (Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11)

ACE AWARD – STUDENT APPLICATION (YEAR 12)

NAME _____

YEAR _____

ROLL CALL _____

YEAR ADVISER _____

TEACHER SUPPORTING APPLICATION _____

Specific Criteria (Please complete sections below, **tick** to indicate you satisfy the criteria)1. I have not been placed on a level this year (Red, Orange or Yellow Book)..... ☐2. I have been awarded a Silver or Gold Award on my mid-course report..... ☐3. I have participated in School extra curricula events..... ☐

(list event/s here) _____

Name of organising Teacher _____

4. I have participated in Community Service..... ☐

(list event/s here) _____

Name of Event Coordinator _____

5. I have participated in School Service..... ☐

(list event/s here) _____

Name of organising Teacher _____

Highlighted areas indicated students need only satisfy 3 out of 4 criteria (YEAR 7, 8, 9, 10 ONLY). Year 11 and 12 must satisfy all areas of the criteria.

6. Teacher comment

Name of Teacher _____ Signature _____ (please tick as appropriate)

	Never	Sometimes	Usually	Always
Is well organised and prepared for class and activities				
Listens attentively and follows instructions				
Contributes positively to the class				
Demonstrates respect for peers and teachers				

Comment from teacher

7. Attendance above 87%. (Year Advisor to check after submission date)

Please submit application to your Year Advisor by the end of week 2, Term4.

Lost Property Any items that are found throughout the school, generally find their way to my office. If your child has misplaced something, please ask them to come and see me to collect it. Please ensure that names are on jumpers to ensure that the correct items are returned to their rightful owners.

Happy Swimming on Friday – Go Parkes!!!

Kerrie Chopping
Head Teacher Wellbeing



BLOOMFIELD J.R.L.F.C. Registration Day 2016

Sunday 28th February 2016

Brendon Sturgeon Oval

11am - 3.00pm

Free Sausage Sizzle and Drink for Children

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:
REGISTRATION AND INSURANCE FOR YOUR CHILD,
PLAYING SHORTS, SOCKS & A TRAINING SHIRT

EARLY BIRD ON LINE \$110.00 (PRIOR TO REGISTRATION DAY)
\$120.00 THERE AFTER

REGISTER NOW @ playnrl.com
click on REGISTER NOW
Click on PLAY
search for Bloomfield Juniors

ALL NEW REGISTRATIONS WILL REQUIRE A COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND A
CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESS

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR GIRLS LEAGUE TAG 6-14 YEARS ARE ALSO
BEING TAKEN BloomfieldJRLFC@hotmail.com - Jason Greenhalgh 0419 144 887



Orange City Junior Rugby Union Club Registration Day

ORANGE CITY



RUGBY CLUB

**At Waratah's Pride Park
Sunday 14 February 4pm to 6pm**

Walla's - u7's, u9's, u11's

Training Friday nights

Gala Days commence May

Juniors – u13's, u 15's, u 17's

Training Tuesday & Thursdays

Competition starts 2 April

Come and try rugby – all ages
on Wednesday 17th and 24th February
6pm at Waratahs Pride Park

Please bring proof of birth

For further details

<http://orangecityjuniors.rugbynet.com.au>

Deryck 0427 621 965

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**Parents & Community
Representative Council**

MARKETS

Norton Park Oval

**James Sheahan Catholic High School
Anson Street, Orange**

- Arts & Crafts • Fashion &
Jewellery • Gardening & Produce**
- Food Drink Ice Cream
 - Face Painting • Mini Train
 - Merry-Go-Round
 - Plus Much More...

**Sunday 21st February 2016
10:30am - 3pm**

**Entry by
Gold Coin
Donation**



**BROUGHT TO YOU BY: Parents & Community
Representative Council - PCRC (formerly P&F)**

For more information please email -
pcrc@jschs.nsw.edu.au

Calling Netball Players!!!!

Orange Waratah Netball Club is looking
for players of various age groups in 2016.

To enquire contact Orange
Waratah Netball Club

on Facebook.

Registration days will be
at the Waratahs club on Sat. 20 and
Sun. 28 Feb 10am-1pm.



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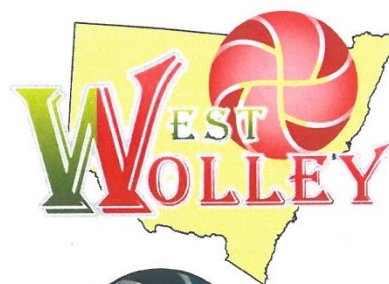
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ARE YOU BORN 2002 OR LATER?

NSW West Volleyball are looking for new and experienced players to compete at the NSW U15's State Volleyball Championships in April 2016

Trials will be held

6th Feb & 20th Feb

Girls 12:30-2pm & Boys 2-3:30pm

Kelso High School

Cost: gold coin

For more info, contact Laura Reeks
laurareeks@hotmail.com



Find us on
Facebook

NSW West Volleyball

Orange High School's Homework Centre will be running every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (starting week 2, 2nd Feb).

It will run from 3:45pm until 5pm in the library.

Staff will be assigned to support students with their assessment tasks and general homework.

To ensure that student's time is spent effectively, they should come prepared with their assignments, homework and anything else they require to complete these tasks.

Access to the internet is also available during this time for any students who need this additional support.

Please call Orange High School on 6362 3444 for any further queries.

