



# Orange High School NEWSLETTER

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## OHS students at the Regional Band Camp



### Principal's Report

Following walks around the school over recent days, I continue to be impressed with the positive way students are focused and engaged in their learning. **The school continues to have a very settled atmosphere with a strong culture of learning in classrooms. In particular we have seen positive improvements to the efficiency with which students move to Roll Call setting the positive tone for the day.** One area in which we are continuing to work with students, particularly senior students, is to ensure arrival at school by 8.55am. While we all understand that from time to time things occur at home preventing a timely arrival, the expectation is that students are organised to arrive at school on time every day, just as an employer would expect. To enhance safety for our students, the Coronation Drive Gates are locked at 8.55. We appreciate that there have been some teething issues with this change in procedure, including opening the gates in the afternoon, and are working to ensure procedures operate and are communicated effectively.

**Congratulations to Grace Corby, Aaron Driver, Bronte Preston and Olivia Maksymczuk who have all been nominated for the Senior State Wind Band following their performance at the Regional Band Camp last week.** In addition, Eric Driver was nominated for the Junior State Wind Band. All students have impressive musical talents and it is exciting to see them develop these through the various music and performance programs offered through our school Creative and Performing Arts Team.

*Honour the past ... create the future*

## Principal's Report continued

### Principal

David Lloyd

### Deputy Principals

Kathleen Maksymczuk (Rel)

Helene Hamilton

### Head Teacher Admin

Kylie Winslade (students)

Aaron Routh (Rel) (staff)

### Head Teacher Welfare

Kerrie Chopping

### Year 7 Adviser

Josh Thacker

### Year 8 Adviser

Cassie Coates

### Year 9 Adviser

Alice Bright

### Year 10 Adviser

Sophie Healey

### Year 11 Advisers

Sarah Townsend

### Year 12 Adviser

Taara Wilson

Aaron Routh

### Careers Adviser

Glen Pearson

### School Counsellors

Susanna Brown

### Sport Co-ordinators

Anthony Wharton

Tegan Dray

### Student Representative

### Council Leader

Peita Mages

Last week on Friday, I had the pleasure of accompanying Vice Captains, Ashley Littlewood and Cooper White to Nashdale Primary School to help induct their School Captains and Sports House Leaders. Coincidentally, Ashley was elected School Captain of Nashdale in her final year of Primary School. **Particularly moving was the short speech from the newly inducted Primary School Captain at Nashdale, Georgia Cornish, who spoke about how she had been inspired to become School Captain six years ago, when she was in Year 1, because of the leadership of then School Captain, Ashley Littlewood.**



There is no doubt Ashley has continued to be a wonderful role model since Year 6 and along with the other student leaders at Orange High is a powerful and positive influence within our school. Following some reflection over the weekend on the example Ashley sets, I spoke at assembly on Monday on the qualities of a powerful and confident influence including setting a positive example, encouraging, nurturing and motivating others and trying to be 'present' with peers who are experiencing a tough time. Most compelling of all, as I look across our school at some of the most capable and inspiring young people around, I am pleased to say that in our context, being a powerful and positive influence has nothing to do with background, relative wealth or intellect. **The clear message based on Ashley's example is that we can all be positive and powerful influences on the world around us and I am incredibly pleased to see so many students take on this role in formal and informal capacities from Year 7 to 12.**

*David Lloyd*  
Principal



# TAS News

A big hello to everyone for the beginning of the year, however it is hard to believe that Term 1 is almost half over.

Just like everyone else, it has been a busy start to the year with lots of classes in all areas of the faculty.

The Year 12 HSC Hospitality students are busy running a café for staff each fortnight and we are hoping to increase the number of hours that it operates. They are also busily preparing for an assessment task that requires them to run a restaurant for guests. Each Kitchen Operations student is required to invite two guests and they have to plan and prepare a two course meal for their guests. The restaurant will be run by the Food & Beverage students who will set up the restaurant and serve drinks and meals to our guests. It will be a great night and the meals prepared by our students will be top quality. I would like to thank Mrs Phillips and Miss Latter for all their organisation and planning for this event. An event like this takes a lot to organise and provides our students with an incredible opportunity to experience a real life catering experience.



Hospitality students working in the school cafe

As well as this our Hospitality students are catering for a high tea to be held on Saturday to support Survivors and Carers of Cancer. The students will prepare for the event here at school on Friday and they will then serve the high tea on Saturday at the CWA hall. It is great to see such dedication from staff and students to support such a worthy community event.

The Agriculture staff are busy preparing our Cattle Team for competitions during the show season this year. The excitement and eagerness of students to participate is great. Ms Campbell and a group of students are participating at the Royal Canberra Show this weekend.

All students have commenced developing their skills in the Industrial Arts area. They have been busily working through safety tests to ensure their safety in the woodwork and metalwork rooms. They have now eagerly started their first practical project.

Our Year 7 teachers have been working hard to embed the use of devices and the implementation of Onenote into our lessons. It has been an exciting time incorporating the use of such innovative strategies into classrooms.

I hope you enjoy the first batch of photos of our students enjoying all the amazing teaching and learning opportunities being offered to them in the TAS department.

## TAS News continued...

The TAS faculty will be placing a big focus on improving the culture across the whole department. One area that will be focussed on heavily is the number of students paying fees for the courses they are enrolled in. Fees for our courses are vital for the TAS Department to run effectively and be able to offer the variety of learning experiences that are enjoyed by a large number of students at OHS. Your support, for our faculty, by paying any associated fees for courses your son/daughter is completing is essential for us to provide a wide range of resources that are innovative, safe and contemporary.

We will be holding a number of events to showcase the broad range of opportunities offered to students and the vast array of resources that are required for us to do so.

Keep an eye out for dates for upcoming open days and invitations for parents to come and experience TAS.

Warmest Regards

Narelle Small  
Head Teacher TAS



Mr Sidonio with the Year 7 Woodworking class

## The Buzz

Congratulations to the PBL Ticket Draw winners this fortnight. There were lots of entries, which indicates students have been working hard to earn themselves rewards. Well done Orange High students!!!

Winners of the \$10 Canteen vouchers include:

- S Golfin – year 7
- T Badman – year 7
- C Tesoriero – year 7
- S Brown – year 12
- S Murphy – year 7
- H Cummings – year 8
- D Jones – year 8
- J Seib – year 7
- J Campbell – year 8
- A Kukla – year 8



Winners of the 'Student of the Week Award'

Ebony Rose-Smith nominated for 'Great start to Year 11'.

Tyesha Thrippleton-Amos nominated for 'Helping a year 7 student'.

*Have a great weekend!*

*Kerrie Chopping*

*Head Teacher Wellbeing*

# Career Connection News

It has been a busy start to the year for the Career Connection Office. So far we have had three events that have been beneficial for our students.

Last week, interested Year 11 & 12 students were involved in a number of activities designed to get them thinking about their post-school options.

On Wednesday, we hosted the Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School (BMIHMS) who spoke to eleven students interested in the hospitality industry. Students were given plenty of information about the career pathways they could pursue if they trained with the BMIHMS. If any students missed this opportunity, there is an Open Day being held at the Leura Campus on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

On Thursday, thirteen Year 12 students attended the Skill Fix Day held at Charles Sturt University, Bathurst. The day provided students the opportunity to gain some helpful study tips for tackling the HSC and ask questions from University representatives. Due to the success of this worthwhile event, Year 11 students will be invited to another Skill Fix Day planned for the Orange Campus in late March.



On Thursday evening, Charles Sturt University (CSU) held a Parent Information Evening at the Orange Ex-Services Club. There was valuable information presented that will be helpful when Year 12 students undertake tertiary study. Parents who attended the session were given an overview of what CSU has to offer students, in regards to courses, the application process, accommodation options and scholarship availability. For parents who missed the Information Night, please check out [www.csu.edu.au](http://www.csu.edu.au) for more information.



## Upcoming Events

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February – CSU MyDay Exercise and Sport Science: CSU Bathurst Campus

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – The University Roadshow: Orange HS Gym

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Western Sydney University (Health Faculty) Talk: Orange HS Library

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March – CSU Skill Fix Day (Year 11): CSU Orange Campus

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May – Facts About Careers and Tertiary Study (FACTS) Day: CSU Bathurst Campus

Mr Pearson  
Career Connection Co-ordinator  
[www.orangehighcareers.com](http://www.orangehighcareers.com)



GO TO [PLAYAFL.COM.AU](http://PLAYAFL.COM.AU) FOR INFORMATION

ORANGE TIGERS AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL CLUB INCORPORATED

ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR PEOPLE INTERESTED IN PLAYING AFL. TRAINING IS ON TUESDAY OR THURSDAY NIGHTS AT 6.30PM AT THE ORANGE EXSERVICES COUNTRY CLUB OVAL.

**SIGN ON DAY**

SATURDAY 27TH FEBRUARY OUTSIDE BIG W ORANGE CITY CENTRE 8AM TILL 3PM

**COME AND TRY AFL**

FREE FAMILY FUN, GAMES AND ACTIVITIES AT ROBERTSON PARK SUNDAY 6TH MARCH 9AM TILL 2PM

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT MATTHEW TABBERNOR 0438 429 904 OR NICOLE PEARCE 0423 915 767



**World Education Program (WEP) Australia**, a non-profit student exchange organisation is looking for volunteer host families to host an overseas exchange student!

Our students are arriving in **July 2016** and are looking forward to learning about Australia!

**Meet some of our students!**



Hello, I'm Lora from Belgium. I'm coming to Australia for a semester to discover the Australian landscapes and animals. I'm open-minded, relaxed, optimistic and curious! I am sporty and I often go running. I'm also a scout leader and I really enjoy helping the six to eight year olds.

I'm Maurizio from Italy. I play water polo and spend a lot of time reading, mostly fantasy novels. I'm really looking forward to coming to Australia, being part of my host family and learning about their culture. I'm coming for a semester!

I'm Lea from France. I'm sociable and active. I have a little dog who I walk and I also enjoy cooking, travelling and taking photos of my family. I have been doing classical dance for 12 years now and I also love to sing. I can't wait to discover Australia and hopefully see a kangaroo!

To request a free information pack for your family, contact us today!

1300 884 733 [info@wep.org.au](mailto:info@wep.org.au) [www.wep.org.au](http://www.wep.org.au)

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**FREE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION FOR Orange High School STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE IN 2016**

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation that is registered with all state and territory Departments of Education around Australia and with the Ministry of Education in NZ. We are the first and only secondary exchange organisation in Australia and New Zealand to be certified to ISO 9001 (Quality Management System) and we ensure the highest standards of care and support to our participants.

We would like to invite your students and families to our one of our **FREE** Live Online Sessions in March. Students are welcome to register for the 9th March - 8.30pm - 9.30pm. AEDT Time or Wednesday, 23rd March at 7.30pm - 8.30pm AEDT.

The LIVE Online session gives students and families the opportunity to learn more about becoming an exchange student and the various scholarship options that are available in 2016.

Students can find out more about our exchange programs to over 25 countries, listen to former exchange students share their experience and learn about our scholarships and discounts on offer in 2016.

We offer scholarships and discounts worth over \$100,000 to students each year. These include 3 x Language, 2 x International Affairs, 2 x Indigenous and 3 x Digital Video Scholarships and 2 x Volunteer and Community Involvement Scholarships.

The next deadline for scholarships and Early Bird Deadlines is Thursday, 31st March 2016. *"You come back a different person, with so much more confidence & you feel that you can conquer the world!" Jessica, Semester Program to Italy*  
We would appreciate if you could please mention our upcoming information session in your newsletter. You can copy the below text or download our notice from here [pdf](#). If you would prefer to receive the attachment in a different version, please respond to this email with your request.



LITHGOW SHOWGROUND - APRIL 15-17

IRONFEST

Ironfest is colour, action, theatre, music & dances; art & craft, glamour & Cosplay; it changes lives. Program & tickets info: [facebook.com/ironfest](http://facebook.com/ironfest)



Ironfest 2016 Gate Ticket Prices:  
Adults \$40; Conc. \$30; Child \$25; Family \$95  
2 Day Weekend: Adult \$55; Conc. \$45;  
Child \$35; Family \$140



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**Wednesday, 9th March at 8.30pm**  
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Register now

Visit [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au) or call 1300 135 331 for more information



## Orange High School - 2017

# High Achievers Program for Students with Gifts and Talents

Application forms are available  
from the Orange High School

Website:

[www.orange-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.orange-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)



*Orange High School invites applications for the 2017, Year 7  
High Achievers Class for students with gifts and talents.*

***Our extensive program of extracurricular  
enrichment opportunities includes:***

*Tournament of Minds, Orange Eisteddfod,  
Malynley Shield, Debating, Public Speaking, Lit Quiz  
Cattle Team, Equestrian Team  
TAS Enrichment Program,  
Science and Engineering Challenge,  
Astley Cup, Junior and Senior Sporting teams,  
Premiers' Sporting Challenge, Leadership Program,  
Drum Corps, The saxophone, flute and brass ensembles,  
Concert Band, Stage Bands, Rock Bands, Man Choir,  
Junior and Senior Art Studio,  
Drama Group, Tap Ensemble, Dance Ensembles,  
Aboriginal Dance Ensemble, "Company"- Elite Dance, Dance  
School Show Performance, Crew- Hip Hop Group*

This strategy is an opportunity for motivated high achieving students to participate in a curriculum that is differentiated according to their areas of recognized potential. Successful applicants to the *High Achievers* classes will be placed in learning environments with alternative instructional modes. Each student will have a differentiated ***Learning Plan*** that can include:

- ◊ An academically challenging learning sequence
- ◊ A wide range of extra curricular enrichment
- ◊ Integration of information communication technology to ensure higher order learning outcomes

Applications close: 14th March, 2016

## Year 7 Parents - One Note Workshops.

It is time for Round Two of our Year 7 2016 One Note Workshops for parents.

There will be two sessions available for parents to sign up for:

**Week 8: 14th March from 5:00-6:00 pm**

**Week 11: 4th April from 5:00-6:00 pm**

Please note these sessions will involve the exact same content, therefore you will only need to come to one. The sessions will be focused on how you can support your child with their homework using One Note and more.

They will be held in the Orange High School library, in the same location as the Introductory workshops.

**Please RSVP at the front office  
or on 6362 3444 if you are interested  
in signing up for one of these sessions.**

