



# Orange High School NEWSLETTER

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Quod Potero Sedulo

10th February 2017 : Term 1 Week 3



## SRC Leadership Camp







The SRC have had a busy start to 2017! Last week the SRC attended a Leadership Camp at Birrigai which forms part of the Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, 20km outside of Canberra. It was a fun filled two-day camp designed to build leadership skills and develop rapport amongst the student representatives. Students engaged in a range of activities designed to push them outside their comfort zone and to work together to problem solve physical challenges as a team. Many students pushed themselves to overcome their fear of heights as they worked together to build the highest tower out of milk crates and traversed the high ropes obstacles. The camp culminated in the Leap of Faith activity which required students to climb a telegraph pole to reach a tiny platform that was raised 7 metres off the ground. Students then had to jump off the 7 metre high platform in an attempt to hit a ball that was suspended in the air above. Mrs Rogan can proudly say that all students in the SRC completed this challenge, demonstrating the growth of all students throughout the camp. This would not have been possible without the constant encouragement and support offered to one another as the students pushed themselves outside of their comfort zone to overcome this difficult challenge. Mr Lloyd and Mrs Rogan even attempted the crate climb challenge, but unfortunately Mrs Rogan's inability to balance herself upon 7 crates caused them to come unstuck! Better luck next time! This term is off to a busy start for the SRC with several major events coming up quickly. Next week will see the annual Valentine's Day fundraiser to raise money for the Year 12 school gift. The Prefects have been busy selling bee hugs, cupcakes, roses and serenades which will all be delivered on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of February to the lucky recipients.

Once again, Orange High School will be participating in the Orange District Relay For Life. This event aims to raise much needed funds for Cancer Council that will go towards making a difference in the fight against cancer. Keep an eye on the Orange High School Facebook Page and in the notices for more information about this event. Those who are keen to register for the event in the meantime can head to the Relay For Life website and register as part of the Orange High School Relay for Life Team.

The SRC and Sports Council will once again be working together on the Annual Pink Stumps Day event that aims to raise funds for the McGrath Foundation which provides breast cancer nurses to support women with breast cancer. The afternoon features a teachers vs students T20 cricket match, best dressed competition and face painting.

It is no doubt going to be a busy term for the SRC and we are all looking forward to making a positive difference within both the school and wider Orange community!

Mrs Rogan







# P & C Welcome to Year 7 Barbeque





# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## Principal

David Lloyd

## Deputy Principals

Helene Hamilton

Kathleen Maksymczuk

Michael Harrison (Rel)

## Head Teacher Admin

Kylie Winslade - Students

Jo Beeby - Staff (Rel)

## Head Teacher Welfare

Kerrie Chopping

## Year 7 Advisor

Dan Wait

## Year 8 Advisor

Josh Thacker

## Year 9 Advisor

Cassie Coates

## Year 10 Advisor

Alice Bright

## Year 11 Advisor

Sophie Healey

## Year 12 Advisor

Tegan Dray

## Careers Advisor

Glen Pearson

## School Counsellors

Susanna Brown

Liz Franks

## Sport Co-ordinators

Anthony Wharton

Tegan Dray

## Student Representative

Council Leader

Kate Rogan

The Welcome BBQ last Monday on the front lawn of the school provided an opportunity for Year 7 parents and students to mix socially with P&C members and teachers. During the evening, Year 7 students and their parents were given two pamphlets, one containing 'Tips and Tricks for Surviving Year 7' and the other outlining opportunities and 'How to Get Involved within Orange High'. These leaflets were the result of an initiative of our Prefects led in this case by Lucy Cooper. The leaflets can also be found on our school website and are designed to be another source of support as our newest students orientate themselves to high school. Many thanks also to our dedicated P&C members for supplying and cooking the BBQ.



I continue to be impressed with the focus on learning evident across the school. The school is full of active learners and it is a treat to walk the corridors to see and feel the engagement in learning across all Key Learning Areas. While it is very early days, I am particularly impressed that compared to data from the first 10 days of 2016, we have already achieved a 5% improvement in attendance.

I am also very impressed overall with the way students have managed our unseasonably hot weather. The fans have certainly been working overtime and shade in the playground is in unusually high demand. There was encouragement at assembly last week for students to wear their hats outside and be sun-safe. Our Orange High School hats are available at the uniform shops down the street but students are also welcome and encouraged to bring their own hats and sunscreen to ensure safety in the sun.

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 3 Strategic Directions of Orange High School Teaching, Innovation and Culture. Contained within each of these areas are a series of strategies designed to further develop our reflective and continually developing educational environment. Key to ongoing success is the ongoing 'raising of the bar' in terms of high expectations of student achievement as safe, respectful learners. We are looking forward to a year of high productivity and success.

David Lloyd

Principal

# Maths Report

## Welcome to the start of what is going to ADD up to be another great year of Mathematics at Orange High School!

The Mathematics faculty is pumped and ready to teach, and we know that the students of OHS are ready to extend their mathematical knowledge!

To help us in this effort, we are extremely excited to welcome Miss Georgie Harris as a permanent fixture in the Mathematics faculty, and Mr. Tristan Harrison in a relieving capacity for the first four weeks of this term. Both teachers are very experienced mathematically and are keen to impart their knowledge. To get to know them a little better, we will continue the ritual and put them under the spotlight to ask them some hard hitting questions.

- **Name:** Miss Georgie Harris
- **Where were you previously?** Coffs Harbour for my last practicum
- **How long have you been teaching?** I'm brand new.
- **What is your favourite movie?** The Italian Job
- **What is your favourite colour?** Green
- **Favourite mathematician?** Pythagoras
- **Favourite number and why?** Pi because it is irrational.
- **What do you like about Orange High School?** The friendly atmosphere!



- **Name:** Mr. Tristan Harrison
- **Where were you previously?** The OHS PDHPE faculty (We note that Mr. Harrison has finally realised that Mathematics is the BEST subject!).
- **How long have you been teaching?** I'm in my second year.
- **What is your favourite movie?** The A-Team
- **What is your favourite colour?** Blue
- **Favourite mathematician?** Archimedes
- **Favourite number and why?**  $i$  because it is imaginary. (Mr. Lummis noted that it was like his friends and that he needed to get real! Sorry! We love our Mathematics jokes!)
- **What do you like about Orange High School?** The culture!



On a more serious note, some important news from the faculty.....

A timely reminder to everyone that it is an expectation of the Mathematics classroom that each student has all the necessary equipment everyday. A scientific calculator is a must. Pens, rules, pencils, your Mathematics book and text book are essential. Please ensure that your student is well equipped to take on the challenges and fun of the Mathematics classroom. Year 7 and 8 will also need to ensure that their laptop is with them every lesson and that it is fully charged.

Inquisitive Minds is again coming to Orange High and we are extending the program to include every junior class in Years 7 to 10. Many students in Year 8 and 9 will remember the mathematically stimulating and chocolate fueled days that they spent with Inquisitive Minds at Orange High over the last two years. The exciting thing this year, is that we have acquired them for a whole week. During Week 8 of this term i.e. Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March, Inquisitive Minds will challenge and ignite our brains with practical and applied mathematical puzzles, games and problems. There will be notes with more information to come soon but get excited Orange High. We are going to live and breathe Mathematics!

Term 1 Assignments will soon be given out in class for Year 8 to 10, and for the very first time, Learning Logs will be used for Year 7. These will be set up at the BYOD Boot Camp.

Year 11 and 12 will respectively have In Class tests in Week 7 and Mid Course Examinations in Weeks 10 and 11. We wish both year groups the very best and remind them that the best way to study Maths is to do Maths. Drill and practise plus the application to practical problems is essential.

That's all the news from the Mathematics faculty for now. Make sure that you work hard in class and practise all concepts learnt! Have a great term and please remember that for every negative in Maths, there is always a POSITIVE!

**Live, Love Maths!**

**Mrs. Jo Beeby Mathematics Teacher**



# A Reminder to Parents


## PLEASE NOTIFY THE SCHOOL ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S HEALTH!

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of others who may be nominated as emergency contacts.


We do appreciate your assistance and assure you that any information you provide to the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your child's health needs or as otherwise required by law.



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Date: Sunday 12 Feb  
Time: 11am to 1pm

Orange Ex-Services Country Club Endeavour Room



BBQ Egg & Bacon rolls or Sausage Sandwiches  
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\$10 deposit with Registration per player  
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**Sign up at our registration days:**  
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**or**  
**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb from 10am – 12noon**

Please call Michelle Duncan on 0401 404 212 or  
Keryn Holland on 0421 210 492 for more information

**BLOOMFIELD J.R.L.F.C**  
*Registration Day 2017*

**Sunday 26th February 2016**

**Brendon Sturgeon Oval**

10am - 2.00pm

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Lessons begin Wednesday 15th February



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