

# Orange High School NEWSLETTER

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# **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**



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Year 11 Advisor Sophie Healey

Year 12 Advisor Tegan Dray

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Student Representative Council Leader Yelena Latter Term 3 Week 2 has certainly seen many Orange High School students working hard in the classrooms and taking part in many extracurricular activities.

I would like to thank all students, parents and staff who attended the Year 10 into Year 11 Subject Selection Night. I was impressed to see so many students passionate about making the right choices and ones that reflect their own interests, ensuring they stay motivated in and to achieve their potential.

Our Naidoc Gala Day was held on Tuesday and it was amazing to see the whole school take part in these celebrations. I would like to thank the Aboriginal Education Team for coordinating the event. A special thanks to Gerald Powell, our guest speaker and to the committed parents and community members who came in to be part of this special day. Thanks also to OAMS who donated jerseys for the football game that concluded the day. Please have a look at the school Facebook page and our website for photographs that capture students, parents, community and staff.



Congratulations to the Girls Rugby League Team, who recently competed

against surrounding schools. At the conclusion of the day, they were successful in claiming the inaugural title. Further congratulations to Eva Reith Snare who was named player of the day. It is important to note that this competition was the first open girls' full contact carnival. What a great opportunity for these OHS girls and many across the region to learn different skills and branch out in a new sport.

Congratulations to the netball girls competing in the Marianne Murphy Shield. This is an annual event that has been played since 2002. The Under 14s and Open teams have made it to the final. These games are yet to be played and I wish the girls and their coaches the best of luck.

Congratulations also to the Open Touch girls who came home strong and won 7-2 against Picnic Point High School. This win has the girls proceed to the final round in Gosford to compete with the top 10 schools in the state for the title. Orange High is behind you girls and wish you all the best.

This week launches the final phase of fundraising for the school's purchase of a grand piano. We hope to raise enough to purchase a grand piano to support the performances of our many talented students involved in the school's music program. Please see how to contribute to this fantastic initiative in this newsletter, it is so easy and will not take up to much of your time.

During this week ,I have been seen many students in the classrooms engaged in their lessons and watched our teachers work hard, encouraging students to work to their potential. It is important that students learn from their mistakes and understand that it is part of the learning process. Orange High Staff are working with their students in this area and focusing on encouraging them to build their confidence. If you don't get things right the first time, keep trying, because with determination and courage, the best results are achieved. Winston Churchill said 'Success is not final, failure is not fatal, it is the courage to continue that counts. This is what OHS encourages in our students in and out of the classroom. This week's achievements clearly show that many of our students have the courage to work with others to achieve to their potential.



Helene Hamilton Relieving Principal



Harry Macpherson (Year 11) and Ben Hoskins-Murphy (Year 7) have been performing with the Regional Youth Orchestra NSW this week, hosted by the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. Both boys gained a place in this ensemble after a successful audition. They were among 38 musicians from regional NSW who attended workshops, masterclasses and tutorials with world-lass performers. Congratulations boys for this achievement. The orchestra will be playing at events in Lismore,

later this year.





Harry Macpherson

Ben Hoskins-Murphy





# AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE BACK:

If you have ever been to Orange High's School Show, you would have had a first-hand experience of our thriving music program. We are fortunate to have a vast amount of musically talented students as well as staff members to mentor and assist them in reaching their full potential here at Orange High.

While our students are gifted, they are unable to perform and exhibit these talents without quality equipment to use. From tubas to trombones, flutes, to French horns, Orange High strive to provide quality instruments to aid our students create and perform to the best of their ability.

Our Year 12 music students are now preparing for the HSC, many of which require a high quality grand piano for either performance or accompaniment.

The HSC students, with these requirements currently have to go to another location to rehearse. This means they have to leave their school and the space they are most comfortable in just to use a grand piano of high calibre to support their performances.

A parent-run fundraising group (PRISM) have been raising money in a bid to raise enough money to provide our students with a grand piano for them to use in both an educational and performance capacity. We are nearly there, Not much more to raise before we can expand our collection of instruments to include a grand piano. It is VERY exciting and we are now appealing to the wider community to give us an extra boost upon the money that has been raised so far through school shows, student performances, chocolate drives, barbeques, trivia nights and cabaret nights.

It would be GRAND if you could spare some time and money to help us as we edge closer to our goal of supplying our students with a quality instrument to support their learning, creating and performing for many years to come.

Please donate now. This link will take you right to the donation page. Thank you



# University of Sydney - Compass: Widening participation and Outreach program

On Wednesday afternoon, the Compass team from the University of Sydney visited Orange High School to give two presentations for our interested Year 12 students. Twenty six students took advantage of the opportunity to learn about HSC exam preparation & scholarship application writing. The five presenters provided our students with valuable information during the sessions. The knowledge gained will be of great benefit leading into exams and applying for university.

Mr Pearson





# **TOUCH OPENS KNOCKOUT**

On Wednesday, the Open Girls touch team braved the cold to play against Picnic Point High School to secure a spot in the NSW final round. The girls won their game 7-2 and they will be advancing to the final round of the state wide competition and travel to Gosford in Week 5 to compete against the top 10 teams in the state. Good luck girls!



# **CONGRATULATIONS KAITLYN HINRICHSEN**



Congratulations to Year 7 student, Kaitlyn Hinrichsen. Kaitlyn came 3rd in her age group at the CHS All Schools Cross Country Carnival.

She now advances to compete at the National Cross Country competition in Tasmania in August. Orange High wishes her the best of luck!

Being only in Year 7, we will undoubtedly continue to see Kaitlyn achieve as she continues throughout her years at Orange High School. Watch this space!





On Tuesday 25th July, the Open Girls 9s Rugby League team competed in the Tilly Power Shield in Bathurst. This was a very new experience for them as a majority had never played tackle Rugby League before. They were very nervous and lacking confidence in their first game and a very skilful Canobolas High school side out matched them in their first game. The final score was 20-6 with Libby Smith scoring the only try, and converted by Emily McDonald.

After some serious drills and firing up, the girls were pumped and ready to play. In the second game, we faced Cowra High School. The team was looking much more comfortable and started to gel together. Libby, the try scoring machine, used her speed and agility to break through the defence line and score a double in the first half with both tries converted by Emily. In the second half, Cowra managed to score. Not long after playmaker, Emily used her fancy footwork to score a double and convert both her tries. This took the final score to 24-6. After the 1st two round games, Orange High was sitting in 3rd place. This meant the girls would have to come up against the red-hot favourites James Sheahan, and within the first half of the game, Sheahan were proving why they were the favourites scoring 3 quick tries. The half time score was 12-0 in favour of Sheahan. Despite being down, the girls went into the second half with a positive attitude and showed excellent ball skills and defence. Things started to look promising when Nyassa Campbell proved to be too strong and busted through the line to score our first try. Emily successfully converted this, taking the score to 12-6. Emily linked up with Libby to put her through a gap and she ran off and darted her way to score. This locked the score at 12-12. With the clock ticking, Bek Giffin saw some space out wide and scored the winning try on the buzzer, with a final score 16-12.

In the final, we faced Canobolas High School again. Even though the girls lost their first game 20-6 against them, they were not about to make it easy for them. The girls dug deep and came up with some great tackles and whilst in attack, they showed plenty of energy. The girls were making lots of breaks through the middle with some great runs by Lilli Phillips, Leighlany Fenualelei and Sea Lindsay. This put the side in good field position and Emily used this opportunity to catch the defence off guard with a quick run to score under the post. Eva Reith-Snare then split the defence and used her speed to run away to scored just before half time, taking the half time score to 12-0. In the second half, the girls started to fatigue and Canobolas took advantage of this,



scoring twice. Fortunately, Canobolas were unable to convert one of their tries, resulting in Orange High taking out the Tilly Power Shield. Congratulations to all the girls on a great victory. A special mention to Eva Reith-Snare, who was named player of the tournament.

The girls showed great sportsmanship and behaviour on the day and should all be very proud of their performance. Also, thank you to Miss Livingstone for her great bus driving skills.

# **Marianne Murphy Shield**



Well done to the girls who played in the Marianne Murphy interschool netball finals. It was played with great sportsmanship and we congratulate the 14s who won their age group, and the opens who gave Sheahan a great contest. Thanks to all parents and supporters who cheered on the girls in the cold.





## **Premiers Debating Challenge**

Over the past two weeks, students involved in the Premiers Debating Challenge for Years 9 and 10 have been busy debating other schools in Orange and surrounding towns. Orange A - consisting of Molly Burton, Millie Balcomb, Fiona Hill, Tom Lloyd and Brittany Boswell - had a convincing win against Canobolas Rural Technology School, arguing the affirmative to the topic 'Should Australia ban drinking at public places like festivals and sporting events.' Orange B - consisting of Noah Lamrock, Reiss Robinson, Tye Fitzsimmons and Dakota Sciascia - debated the same topic against Henry Lawson High School. However, as the negative, they were defeated by slightly more convincing arguments. It is therefore clear that the debating season is alive and well at Orange High.

Orange A Debating Team



Molly Burton

Millie Balcomb

Orange B Debating Team



Fiona Hill

Tom Lloyd



Brittany Boswell



Noah Lamrock



**Reiss Robinson** 



Tye Fitzimmons



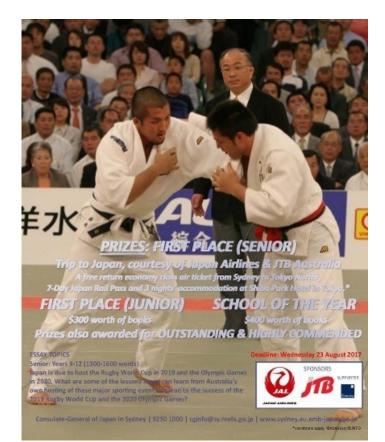
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# 2017 Australia-Japan Relations Essay Contest

Conducted by the Consulate-General of Japan in Sydney



Year 7 - 10 Parent Teacher Night

will be held in the PAC on Monday 31st of July (Week 3)

from 4pm - 7pm.

The portal is now open for bookings.

## ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL

### An Invitation to Parents and Students

Year 8 into Year 9, 2018 Subject Selection Information Evening Monday 7th August, 2017 6.00pm in the Performing Arts Centre

This evening is designed to help both students (and parents) make the most of the opportunities available to them for their Record of School Achievement.

#### Topics to be covered will include:

- 1. ROSA (Record of School Achievement) requirements and what it means to your child.
- 2. How to choose your subjects for years 9 & 10 to have a successful pattern of study.
- 3. How to use the on-line system to choose your electives Web Choice .

We strongly encourage all students and their carers to attend this evening. Hope to see you there.



### 2017 Australia-Japan Relations Essay Contest









## Study Group

**headspace** is starting a study group to provide a quiet, guided and supported environment for young people in high school

Commencing: **Monday** afternoon on the 24th July & *will run every Monday* from **3.45pm to 6pm** during term time.

What's provided

- Laptops
- Black/White Printer
- Internet Access
- · Mentors to assist you as needed

#### **Bookings are essential**

To secure your place or for any enquiries, please call us on 6369 9300.

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