



# Orange High School NEWSLETTER

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Many thanks to the Central Western Daily for this photograph

This month, the P&C has seen a couple of projects we have been involved with come to fruition. The solar panels installed on the top of the school building have now been fully installed and are operational. The new panels will go to provide electricity to the school and go towards substantially reducing the electricity cost to the school. The P&C is pleased to have provided \$25,000 towards this project.

Another wonderful addition to the school is the new landscaped garden at the Woodward Street entrance of the school. The garden was beautifully designed by Sarah Hoskins, who is a parent at the school and a dedicated P&C member. Other school parents, John Anderson and Jason Lowe, also contributed to the building of the garden and we are most appreciative of their efforts. The P&C contributed \$10,000 to the project and we are very pleased with the end product. The garden still has further enhancements in the pipeline, including a small pergola, when the budget allows. Congratulations to everyone who was involved in the garden and especially Cathy Sharp in the school office for driving the project.

Keith Lummis  
P&C President





# Athletics Carnival - 2018



Due to the weather, the Athletics Carnival finished early and there are still several events to be held. We will bring you all the results as soon as possible.





# Principal's Report

**Principal**

Chad Bliss

**Deputy Principals**

Helene Hamilton

Kathleen Maksymczuk

Terri Johnston (Rel)

**Head Teacher Admin**

Kylie Winslade (Students)

Jo Beeby - Staff (Rel)

**Head Teacher Welfare**

Kate Rogan

**Year 7 Advisor**

Tammy Nash

**Year 8 Advisor**

Lisa Phillips

**Year 9 Advisor**

Monica Peasley

**Year 10 Advisor**

Cassie Coates

**Year 11 Advisor**

Tegan Dray

**Year 12 Advisor**

Kylie Winslade

**Careers Advisor**

Glen Pearson

**School Counsellors**

Susanna Brown

Liz Sams

**Sport Co-ordinators**

Ben Callaway

Tegan Dray

**Student Representative****Council Leader**

Yelena Latter

Dear parents and members of our school community

Welcome to the end of week 3. We have had another busy week at Orange High School with many things happening academically, on the sporting field, in the community and within our leadership team.

After spending my first full two weeks at school, I am very proud to be associated with our school. Our students are wonderful ambassadors for our school and the wider community, and our staff are some of the hardest working professionals I have ever had the pleasure of working with.

Our students are afforded so many opportunities at Orange High School and I am sure, sometimes, the balance between being in the classroom and being a part of a myriad of other opportunities can cause some anxiety. Whilst the number of extra curricula activities is enormous, it remains the student and their parents' responsibility to determine the right mix of time spent in the classroom and outside of the classroom; remembering our core business is quality teaching and learning at all times.

I had an opportunity to visit our homework centre which operates three afternoons a week at school from 3.30pm-5pm. I would highly recommend our students attending the homework centre. It is staffed by some of our amazing staff and the students I met this week gain a lot from their time in the centre.

This week also saw our Year 7 and 9 students sit their NAPLAN assessments. Feedback from our staff was that our students participated in these diagnostic assessments with enthusiasm and rigour. Whilst a lot of attention is placed on NAPLAN in the media at this time of the year, the results of each student's assessment gives our staff another measurement which can assist in determining our next steps for the individual needs of our students which is highly valuable.

A reminder to our parents and carers of Year 12 students that the Year 12 Parent Teacher Evening will take place in the Performing Arts Centre on Monday 28 May 2018 from 4pm-7pm. Bookings can be made through the Sentral parent portal or by contacting the school on 63623444.

On Thursday, I had the pleasure of spending the morning with students, staff and the P&C for the official opening of the Japanese garden at the front of the school and the switching on of our new solar panels. I am sincerely grateful and thankful to our P&C for the funds they have raised over many years to support our school and to the many parents and community members who gave of their time so generously to make these projects a reality.

Congratulations to Ollie Connaughton who was recently selected in the U14's country rugby union team. This is another example of a wonderful ambassador for our school. Well done also to our girls volleyball team who beat Canobolas HS 3-0 on Wednesday this week.

Congratulations also to two of our Year 8 students who were recently successful in gaining a place in the State Wind Band program. Matthew Baines and Ben Hoskins-Murphy will perform with the state wind band on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> and Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May at the Sydney Opera House. A wonderful achievement from two very talented musicians. Well done.

**Malynley Shield**

This week and next week, notes will be distributed for students who have been selected to participate in the Malynley Shield against Gosford High School on the 6-8 June. This is the 49<sup>th</sup> year of this interschool competition and one of the longest in the country for public education.

Students who attend Gosford are billeted by host families. I cannot stress enough how important it is for our families to ensure that the highest of expectations will be the absolute minimum for our students and that these conversations occur with your children often between now and when we leave for Gosford. Notes will explain the process for travel and accommodation along with costs. If you have any concerns or queries regarding the Malynley Shield please contact Tegan Dray on 63623444.

I hope you have had a wonderful week and I look forward to speaking with you next week.

With my warmest regards

Chad Bliss  
Principal



# Buckley Shield



Last week, Orange High School played in the quarter finals of the Buckley Shield against Mudgee High School at home.

Both the under 14's and under 16's were victorious, taking OHS through to the semi finals, which should be held at Kelso in a couple of weeks.

The scores were;

Under 14's: 52 - 6

Under 16's: 38 - 0



## Notice for Parents and Carers of Year 12 students

Bookings for Year 12 Parent Teacher Night (PTN) are now open through the Sentral Parent Portal.

Parents or carers unable to make bookings on-line are able to do so by ringing the school office on 6362 3444.

The PTN is being held on Monday 28th May from 4pm - 7pm in the Performing Arts Centre.

We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress.

Orange High School  
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SQUAD

Come and join the Cyber Squad

Every Wednesday in the Hub (Room 124)

Learn new tech skills, All welcome.



## Music Workshop

Orange High School music students, together with students from James Sheahan Catholic High, Kinross Wolaroi School and the Canobolas Rural Technology High School, were treated to a wonderful workshop experience with acclaimed composer Elena Kats-Chernin. Elena spoke about her work and took questions from young musicians and composers.



## Volleyball Report

A big congratulations to the Girls CHS Volleyball team on their first round win against Canobolas High 3 sets to 0.

Thank you to Miss Stevenson and Miss Harris for coaching the girls.

The team consisted of Kathryn Cox,  
Leighlany Fenualelei,  
Charlotte Thomas, Dakota Sciascia,  
Milika Tuinakauvadra, Nikysha Eliu,  
Barbara Tavana, and Lara Hayes.





# Cattle team report - Bathurst and Orange Shows



The Orange High Cattle Team wrapped up their successful 2017/2018 cattle season with Royal Bathurst and Orange shows during the holidays. The team did very well with some awesome results in breed classes, junior judging and junior paraders. OHS also had a team of four in the Royal Bathurst fitting challenge where they did exceptionally and showed off their skills in animal preparation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors and the amazing ongoing support of our parents. Without their support, these results would not be possible. Huge thanks to Jason Vials and Monreith Galloways for providing us with exceptional cattle this year.

The team is now having a well-deserved break until the 2018/2019 campaign starts. We will start with spring shows in September and October in preparation for Canberra Royal Show. 2019 will be an exciting year as Galloways are feature breed. This will be a great opportunity to showcase Galloway cattle and the OHS cattle team.

Bathurst Show Galloway class results.

**Junior Champion Bull**– Monreith Napoleon

**Senior Champion Bull** – Elm Park Montgomery

**Junior Champion Female**, Monreith

**Grand Champion Bull** – Monreith Napoleon

**Champion Female** Monreith Menai

**Reserve Junior Champion** – Monreith Moonstone

**Reserve Senior Champion Female** – Monreith

**Supreme Exhibit** – Monreith Menai





## 'Break It Down' The Road Show



In May/June of 2018, the DPM squad will team up with Yarn Australia to present a cultural & conversation event, in six communities across Western NSW.

Bathurst, Orange, Cowra, Condo, Wellington and Walgett.

The Road Show will present twelve short films and six music videos created as part of DPM's 'Break It Down' project series which took place in 2017/18. The event will be fully catered and will feature guest speakers and live performances from local artists, elders and much, much more.

Yarn Australia joins the Road Show to host a conversation around wellbeing, mental health and culture in community. This conversation is vital and inspiring, and is a must for any service provider, health professional or community member who wishes to share and learn and connect with local mob.

We look forward to seeing you and your family there.



PLEASE GET IN TOUCH IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HOST THIS EXCITING EVENT AT YOUR VENUE.

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## Congratulations Jack and Kaeden



Jack Cole and Kaedan Dickson represented Western Rugby League on Friday 11th May in Gilgandra. Both boys played well and Jack will go on to play in the Greater Western Rugby League team.

## Congratulations Ollie Connaughton



Congratulations to Oliver Connaughton who made the NSW Under 14s Country Rugby Team.