

Orange High School NEWSLETTER

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25th May 2018 - Term 2, Week 4



On Wednesday, Tye Gordon from Thikkabilla Vibrations spent the day with our Girri Girri students. During the morning they learnt several traditional dance routines and in the afternoon travelled to Shadforth to dance on country.





From the Principal



Dear parents and members of our school community

Welcome to the end of another busy week at Orange High School. As always, a lot has happened throughout the week and I have been fortunate and privileged to be a spectator for some of these events. Every day I am learning more about our wonderful school and had an opportunity to spend lunchtime on Monday serving in the canteen where I was able to meet many of our students.

Drug Education

I was also afforded an opportunity on Monday to listen to the Drug Education Institute of Australia speak with most of our Year 10 students around the dangers of illicit drugs. This was a very informative and engaging session aligned directly to the Year 10 PDHPE curriculum. There are a number of students still to bring their \$5 in for the workshop. I ask that this be paid to the office as a priority please.

Girri Girri Dance Workshop

On Wednesday, our Girri Girri students spent the day learning a number of traditional dances and had a visit to Shadforth for a cultural immersion opportunity. The staff who supported this day spoke glowingly of our students and how engaged and committed they were during the day. A big congratulations to all students and staff involved.

High Achievers Information Evening

I had the privilege of meeting many of our parents and students involved in the High Achievers program on Wednesday evening. The evening was an opportunity to discuss the upcoming student projects and talk about a number of aspects of the program. I will be writing to each of our parents over the coming weeks to outline some of the questions which were raised on this evening.

Year 12 Parent Teacher Evening

A reminder that the Year 12 Parents Teacher Evening will be held on Monday 28th May from 4pm-7pm for all parents with Year 12 children. The venue for this evening will now be the Gym not the Performing Arts Centre as originally advertised. I look forward to meeting many more parents and students next week.

PRISM Meeting

A reminder that the next PRISM meeting will be held in the Music Centre on Wednesday 30th May from 5.30pm. All interested parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Malynley Shield

This week permission and information notes regarding our upcoming Malynley Shield went home to students who have been selected in one of the events. Notes and monies are due to be returned to the office by next week. Please ensure that this occurs at your earliest convenience. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Ms Dray if you require assistance in any way.

Year 7-10 Exams

Next week students in Years 7-10 will begin their mid course examination period. I would encourage all parents to be supporting their child through this time. Students should now be working on revising their semester one work and studying for any upcoming exams.

Uniform and School Times

A reminder that school starts at 9am each day and all students are expected to be at roll call at 9am. A number of students are being dropped off after 9am or arriving late after walking from home. I ask for your support in ensuring all students are inside the school grounds by 9am to avoid being late for the day.

As we are in term 2, all students are required to be in full winter uniform including black leather shoes. Sports uniform is not to be worn to or from school unless students have sport period 1 or period 6.

Congratulations

A huge congratulations to James Parish in Year 7 for being selected to attend the Australian Gymnastics Championships in Melbourne this week. James is one of five athletes from the Central West who will compete at the Australian Championships. Good luck James!

Well done to our boys and girls soccer teams and our open boys rugby team who all played Kelso this week. Unfortunately all teams were narrowly defeated, however, they played with pride and passion for their school and are to be commended on their sportsmanship.

Thank you

I finish this week by saying thank you to Cathy Sharp in the front office. Cathy has been a part of our school for the past 23 years and has looked after many principals during this time as part of her role. Cathy will be taking some time to try her



from the Principal continued

Principal Chad Bliss

Deputy Principals Helene Hamilton Kathleen Maksymczuk Terri Johnston (Rel)

Head Teacher Admin Kylie Winslade (Students) Jo Beeby - Staff (Rel)

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> 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 skills in the corporate side of the department, working for a Director Educational Leadership in the Bathurst schools office. I wish Cathy every success for the next couple of terms she is away and thank her on behalf of our school for the dedication and professionalism she has provided as a valuable member of our administration team.

Welcome Back

Welcome back to Gail Thorley our school Administrative Manager who re-joins our team after working on the South Coast for the first term. A massive thankyou to Janine Caughlan for relieving as the Administration Manager during this time. Janine will be moving into Cathy's role whilst she is in Bathurst.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing many of you on Monday and speaking with all of you via our newsletter next week.

With my warmest regards

Chad Bliss Principal

Taiko Drumming

Our thanks to EZ Japanese for holding a Taiko Drumming workshop at Orange High School this week. Kiyomi travels around Australia providing workshops for school, community groups and any groups that enjoy Japanese cultural activities. The workshop was attended by Year 7 & Year 8 Japanese students who really enjoyed the experience.





This week, six lucky year 10 students participated in a three day intensive Western Dance Camp in Cowra. The camp hosted 80 students from all over the Western region who came together to celebrate their passion for Dance education. Paris Robinson, Ellie Spencer, Rose Thoms, Jorjia Robinson, Aislyn Arden and Victoria Smith were six of the students who participate in this event.

The workshop welcomed three industry professional choreographers who taught various workshops in a variety of styles. Travis Khan who taught the Musical theatre workshop has been in numerous Broadway productions including the Lion King, Matilda and West Side Story to name a few. Alice Robinson, a Sydney based choreographer and member of Dream Dance Company, taught Contemporary workshops and challenged the students with the physical demands required during floor work and Contemporary dance. The last artist was Sydney based Hip Hop/ Break Dance teacher, Hideboo, who has competed in many dance challenges and battles around the world.

Over the three days, the students participated in hour long workshops with each choreographer. At the end of the three days, the students came together to showcase what they had learnt and it was nothing short of amazing.

The students are extremely lucky to have access to these opportunities that our public system provides. Being in a rural area, access to leading choreographers is often difficult to come by and can be costly. This camp provided our students with exposure to different styles and challenged and inspired them to continue their education in Dance. Our students represented our school with grace and pride and were an absolute stand out among the schools there.

We were extremely lucky to attend this workshop and hope to take more students next year.

Ms Goodwin Dance Coordinator



Year 12 English students attended a performance of Shoehorn Sonata



Open Rugby Report



It was a great effort by the boys in the Opens rugby match against Kelso High School on Tuesday. Kelso won after making a late try in the last five minutes, bringing the end score to 30-24. Congratulation to Ryan Manning who won Man of the Match.





Skillset Workforce Visits

Orange HS has been fortunate to have Amanda Ferguson from Skillset Workforce speaking to our Year 10 students during Careers lessons. Amanda brings a wealth of experience from hiring trainees and apprentices. The Skillset Workforce talk focused on what employers want to see when recruiting young workers. Amanda covered topics such as researching careers, resume writing, interview tips as well as school-based apprenticeships and traineeships.









You are invited to join us in acknowledging this important occasion on the

25th May 2018

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Meet us at 4pm at the Orange Civic Theatre steps for a short ceremony.

We'll then move to the Orange Regional Museum to view films dedicated to the stories from those of the Stolen Generation.

Dinner and a yarn will follow in the South Court.

All Welcome

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RSVP

by 23rd May 2018 to Donna Monaghan Orange City Council Aboriginal Community Engagement Officer 0417 452 284 or 6393 8056







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You are cordinally invited to Desert Pea Media's



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.



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 School Gym

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



PLEASE GET IN TOUCH IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HOST THIS EXCITING EVENT AT YOUR VENUE. t: 0439 933 353 e: kylee@elevatorentertainment.com.au w: desertpeamedia.com f: @desertpeamedia









Further information regarding the NSW Regional Technology Expo can be found at <u>www.regionaltechexpo.com.au</u> Tickets are available for \$10 per day for Saturday and Sunday for adults covering both the Orange Function Centre and James Sheahan Catholic High School.

School aged children are free on both days. There is no charge to attend the education sessions at James Sheahan Catholic High School on Friday 22 June.







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