



ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

26th June 2020 -Term 2, Week 9

SANTA IS COMING TO OHS IN WEEK 10

We hope you are as excited as we are about Santa coming to visit us on Wednesday.

All students are to wear school uniform, but add a Christmas accessory. This could be something in Christmas colours of red and green such as socks or ribbons, or using each year group's chosen accessory.

Year 7 - Santa Beards

Year 8 - Tinsel & Christmas Decorations

Year 9 - Christmas Tree

Year 10 - Tinsel

Year 11 - Reindeers

Year 12 - Elves

We will also be running an activity for each year group, culminating in a Mega Christmas Challenge on Thursday to decide our champion Christmas year group!!! Please see your Year Advisor, SRC reps and your year group Google classroom for further details.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT OHS



TERM 2—WEEK 10

Monday 29th June - Friday 3rd July - Christmas in July

Monday 29th July - Full School Assembly

Wednesday 1st July - Whitecard Course

Thursday 2nd July - Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection Expo

Friday 3rd July - Year 7-10 reports distributed



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From the Principal

Dear parents and members of our school community

Welcome to the end of week 9. We are now only a week away from the end of term 2 and already we are half way through the year. It has certainly been a whirlwind start to 2020. Something unlike anything any one of us would have ever experienced.

Earlier this week the NSW Government reported on their response to the NSW Curriculum Review which was conducted over the past 18 months. If you are interested in the full findings, they can be found [here](#).

A parent and caregiver factsheet developed by the NSW Education and Standards Authority can be found [here](#). We now know that there will be significant changes to the way curriculum is taught and learnt in NSW schools over the next four years. There are a raft of exciting changes upon us and as always, our school will be at the forefront of ensuring the changes are developed in such a way as to support your children.

Staffing Update

We have had two of our staff members recently appointed to the school in a permanent capacity. Alex Warne in Science was appointed to our school by the Department and Alison McLennan has been appointed to the school as Head Teacher Teaching and Learning after a merit selection process. We want to try and finalise all of our unfilled permanent positions this year to ensure continuity of learning for our students in 2021 and beyond.

Announcement of 2020-2021 Prefect Team

A huge congratulations to the following students who have been elected as the next prefect team at Orange High School. I am very excited to work with these young leaders and look forward to seeing the value they can add to our school over the next 12 months. These leaders will work with our current prefect team for term 3, learning how to become a strong student leader and what it takes to make a difference to our school.

Our prefects will be speaking to the school via Zoom next Wednesday 1st July as part of the school captain process. I will inform you of the results as soon as I can next week.



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Year 7-10 Reports

Year 7-10 reports will be uploaded to our parent portal on Wednesday next week. To access your child's report, please follow these simple steps. If you need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our office on 63623444 and we will talk you through the process or print a report off for you.

1. Log into your Parent Portal
2. Choose your child by clicking on their photo
3. Choose Reporting on left hand menu of Dashboard
4. Choose Published Reports on top tabs
5. This will then show your child's Academic Report

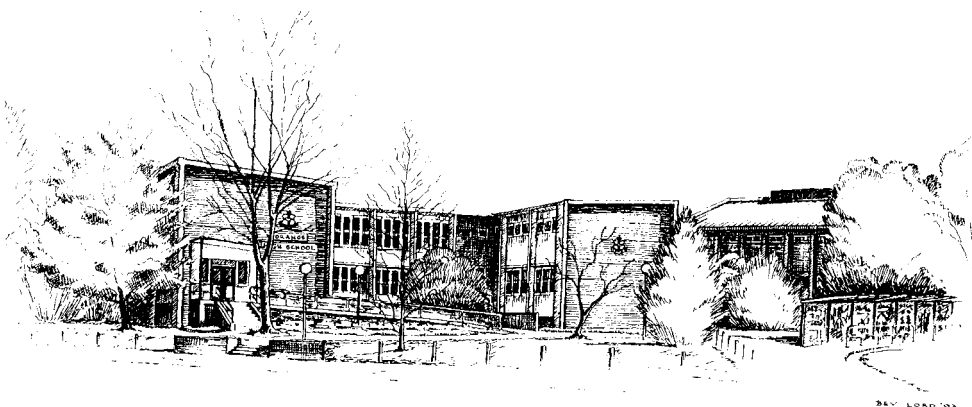
Subject Selection

This week saw the last of our Year 7 students go through the process of selecting their elective course for Year 8 next year. Next week we will be hosting a mini subject selection expo for our current Year 10 students. Our students have their subject selection booklet now and will choose their subjects for Year 11, 2021 next Thursday 2nd July. Unfortunately, due to the restrictions still placed upon us as a result of COVID we are not able to hold our subject selection and parent information evening in week one of next term. In response to this, I have uploaded a range of support materials including my parent presentation for you to look through by clicking on this [link](#). This is our remote learning hub. Here you will find a range of videos relating to subjects on offer for next year as well as a link to the subject selection booklet and information from me. Should you have any questions at all, please contact Ms Anderson (Deputy Principal for Year 10) or Mrs Phillips (Year Advisor).

This will be our last newsletter for this term. I hope you have a wonderful upcoming holiday and I look forward to speaking with you early next term. A reminder that school starts back for students on Tuesday 21st July 2020.

With my warmest regards

Chad Bliss





YEAR 12 SPORT, LIFESTYLE AND RECREATION STUDIES

Year 12 SLR classes out and about in our own back yard exploring Lake Canobolas and The Pinnacle.

Students are putting into practice the theoretical content being taught in the Outdoor Recreation unit. Navigation, emergency shelters, first aid and team work!!!





YEAR 12 SPORT, LIFESTYLE AND RECREATION STUDIES

Mrs Lyden and Mr Wharton's SLR classes put their culinary skills to the test during their outdoor education lesson. What they delivered was nothing short of amazing.

Watch out Masterchef!





WELLBEING NEWS

There have been a number of changes in Wellbeing at Orange High School in 2020, all with a focus on ensuring our students are known, valued and cared for.

We are now utilising our library as a Student Hub, which a central point for students to access support. Located in the Hub are:

Our school counsellors, Ms Sams and Mr Bogdanovs



Mrs Kate Rogan

Head Teacher Wellbeing

Years 7, 9 and 11



Mrs Kylie Winslade

Head Teacher Wellbeing

Years 8, 10 and 12



Mrs Linda Philpott

**School Learning Support
Officer**

From next term we will also have a Student Support Officer based in the Hub.
This will be another valuable addition to our Wellbeing team.

Our 8 amazing Year Advisors are another vital part of the OHS Wellbeing team.
They do an incredible job of working with and guiding up to 235 students each, and are busy throughout the entire school ensuring our students are supported.



Ms Katie Cutcliffe

Year 7 Advisor



Mrs Jacky Lyden

Year 8 Advisor



Mrs Tammy Nash

Year 9 Advisor



Mrs Lisa Phillips

Year 10 Advisor



Miss Monica Peasley

Year 11 Advisor



Mr Timothy Boyle

Year 11 Advisor



Ms Cassie Coates

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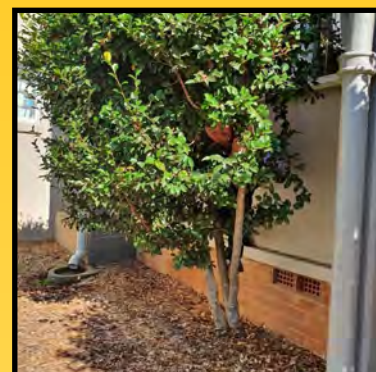


Miss Tegan Dray

Year 12 Advisor

WELLBEING NEWS

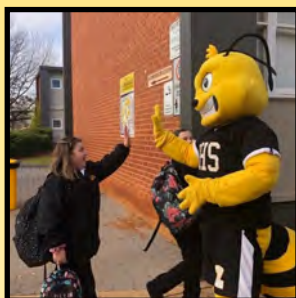
With a shift to remote learning for parts of Term 1 and 2 our Wellbeing team focused on keeping our students connected to each other and school. This took some ingenuity and creativity, such as year group Google Classrooms, emails, Zoom, the OHS Facebook page and phone calls, which supported so many of our #orangehighfamily members during this time, as well as easing the transition back to school.



We are all looking forward to Christmas in July in Week 10 of this term, as we continue to celebrate and acknowledge our amazing students. There will be a range of activities across the week for all students, including a visit from Santa on the Wednesday.

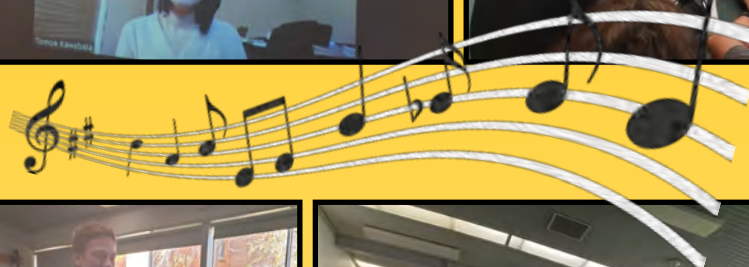
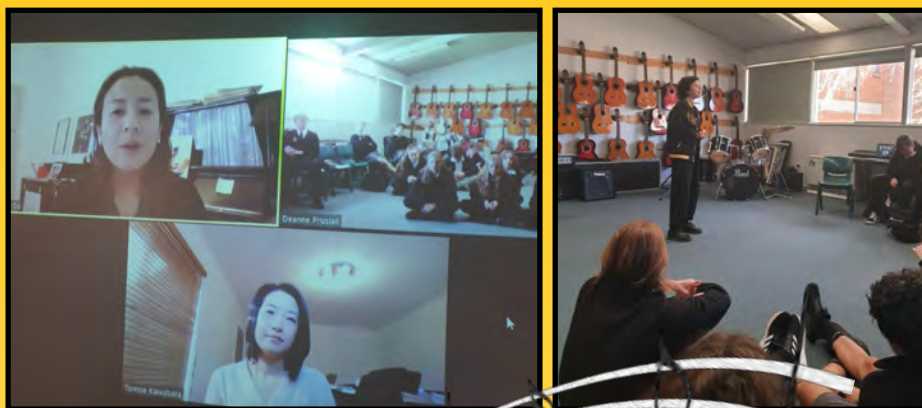
In Term 3 and beyond we are looking to identify and strengthen areas of Wellbeing across the school, using the Be You framework. This is a national initiative for educators, aimed at promoting and protecting positive mental health in children and young people. Many of our students, staff and families have completed surveys that have provided us with valuable information to ensure that we are continuing to ensure that every student is known, valued and cared for.

A special congratulations to Mrs Rogan who through a merit selection process was appointed permanently to the second newly appointed position of Head Teacher Wellbeing. We are very fortunate to have someone as dedicated and driven for the wellbeing of all Orange High School in this role.



AURA GO AND TOMOE KAWABATA

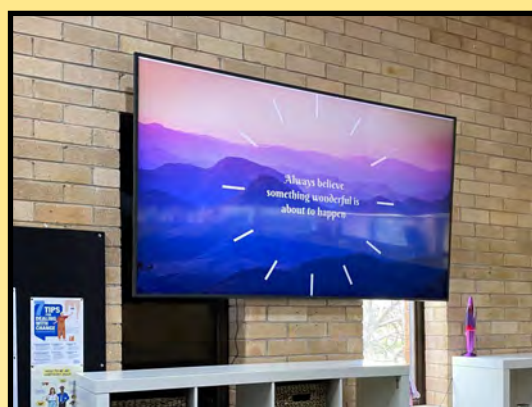
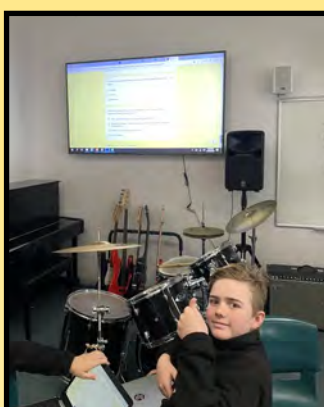
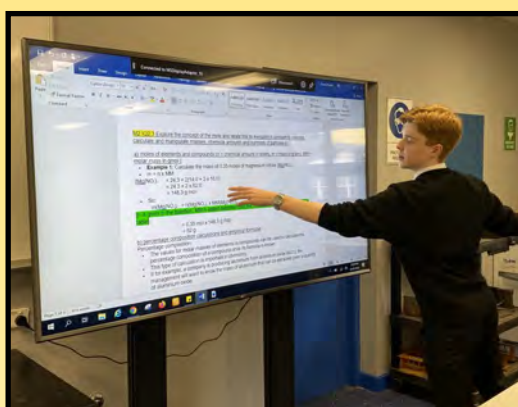
ZOOM SESSION



On Tuesday 16th June, the Yr 12, 11 and 10 music classes were fortunate to have a zoom session with Aura Go and Tomoe Kawabata who teach piano at Monash University. Aura and Tomoe talked about a number of different topics including their career as a piano duo, how they prepared for a 2019 concert project, and performance anxiety. They played a video of a performance they did last year and listened to some performances from Year 11 and 12 Music students. It was an interesting talk and great to hear about the world of a concert piano duo. Many thanks to Caitlin Size, Bella Sattler, Eric Driver and Seb Merrell for performing.

SMART, INTERACTIVE TELEVISIONS

We now have 9 smart televisions throughout the school. We have utilised these to not only embrace teaching but to show the practicals of the class in more detail. Each faculty has a camera that they position over the practical that is then shown on the smart television to allow all students to see the practical. The end result is greater student engagement. The interactive television allows students to drag and drop work and interact not only with their teachers, but with classes on and off campus.





EISHIN HIGH SCHOOL

Konnichiwa from Eishin High School.

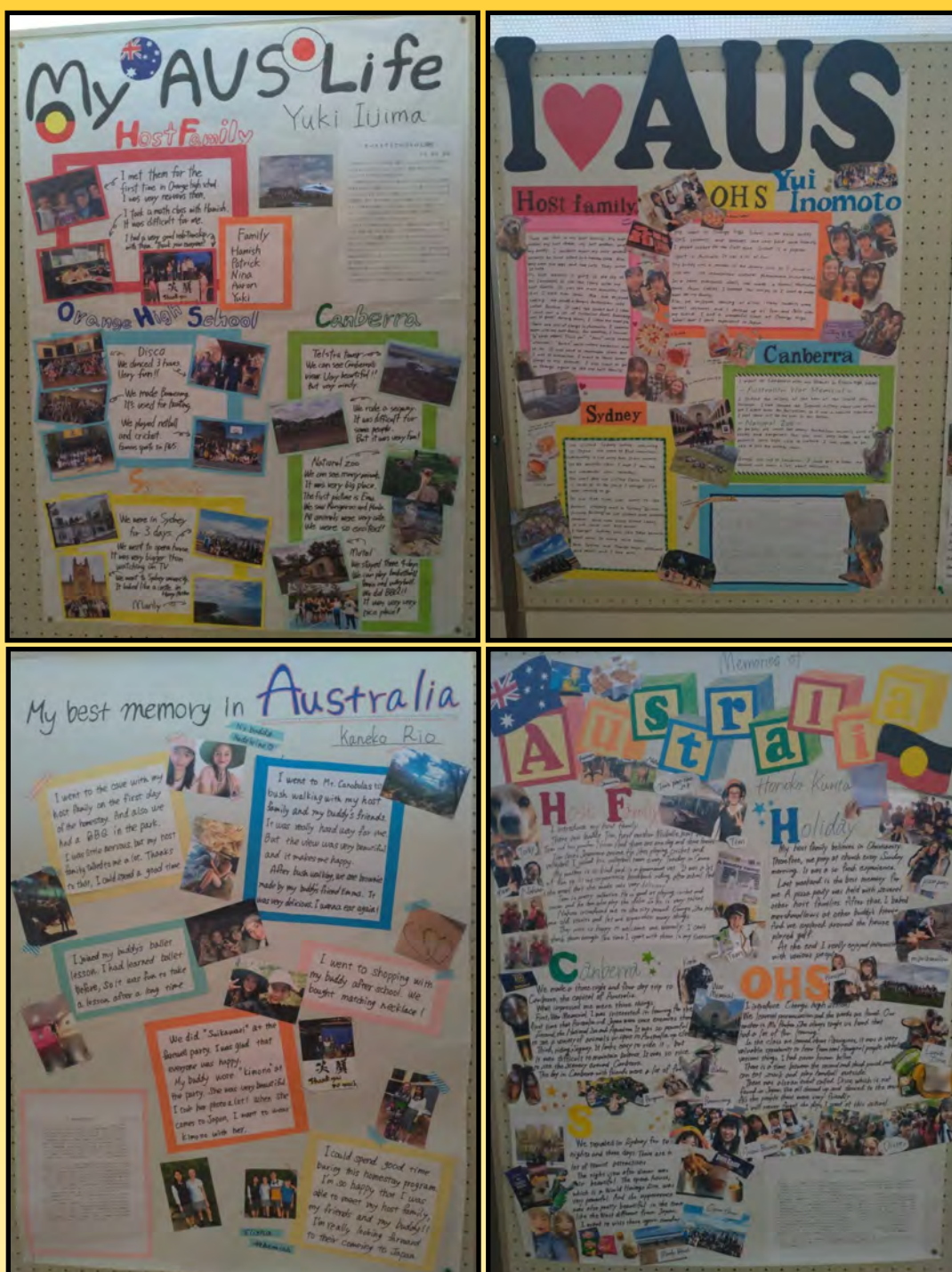
It feels like a long time ago since our Eishin friends visited Orange High School in February.

We are excited to share the amazing posters that the students created.

One of Eishin senseis's said:

"We are still unsure of what is going to happen with Covid 19 but every time I walk past the posters in the hall way, they make us smile and brighten up the day".

Our Japanese department is planning some activities to see our Eishin friends via Zoom next term and practice our Japanese.



CAREERS UPDATE

The restrictions have really impacted on the opportunities we are able to offer students who are researching their future career pathway. Face-to-face careers related events such as guest speakers and campus visits have been cancelled or postponed which has forced the tertiary sector to create innovative ways to communicate with students and parents.

There have been a large number of **Virtual Careers Expos and Zoom Webinars** organised by universities and training providers to provide valuable information to students to help them navigate and transition to further study or employment.

Many students (and one old Careers Advisor) are suffering from “digital fatigue” and a little bit of “information overload”. That said, it has been terrific to see everyone adapt to the online environment especially when it allows more parents and students to check out webinar recordings from tertiary institutions of interest to watch at their own leisure.

As restrictions are gradually lifted, we are starting to organise events again.

On Friday 12th June we welcomed interested Year 10 students and their parents to an information session and morning tea on **School Based Apprenticeships & Traineeships (SBATs)**. Mr Troy Kelly, the SBAT Officer for the Department of Education, gave a presentation and was available to answer questions on the benefits of completing a SBAT as part of the senior school pattern of study.





Next Wednesday 1st July we have our first **White Card** training course for the year as it was postponed in Term 1. For the students that missed out on this occasion, we will be running the next course early in Term 3.

On Thursday 2nd July, Orange High School will be holding the inaugural **Year 10 into Year 11 Subject Selection Expo** in our Performing Arts Centre. This day will give our Year 10 students the opportunity to speak with each of the faculties here at school to gain more information about specific subjects offered for the HSC. We are also excited to host our key stakeholders to help our students make informed decisions about their future. TAFE NSW, Charles Sturt University, Training Services NSW, Skillset and Troy Kelly (SBATs again) will be in attendance. I encourage Year 10 to make the most of this opportunity and seek advice in the lead up to choosing their subjects for next year.

There has been a ban on school organised **Work Experience**.

This ban is set to be lifted for Term 3.

I encourage all Year 10 students to complete a week of Work Experience as soon as possible to further guide their thoughts on occupations to pursue post-school. Interested students need to see Mr Pearson for the necessary Work Experience paperwork.

I'm looking forward to an action-packed Term 3 full of Careers events. Students need to please check their **school email** account regularly as all communication of events and opportunities will be disseminated via school email.

Parents, feel free to get in contact with me if you need my assistance.

Mr Glen Pearson JP

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www.orangehighcareers.com

SCHOOL BASED APPRENTICESHIPS & TRAINEESHIPS



Our SBATS are now working every 2nd Thursday at the Orange Roasting Company to learn the full process of making coffee, from sourcing to roasting.

SBATS are available to all Year 10, 11 and 12 high school students in NSW. They allow students to commence an apprenticeship or complete a traineeship while at school. A School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship combines paid work, training and school; and as well as an industry recognised national qualification, you will gain credit towards the HSC.



YEAR 7 MATHEMATICS

Year 7 were consolidating the skills learnt in previous lessons. This was how to convert a fraction and decimal to a % and vice versa. The puzzles are called Tarsi's and Ms Brown was running Who Wants To Be A Millionaire. The snap card game also required students to convert between fractions/decimals/percentages.



YEAR 7 MATHEMATICS





ICAS MATHEMATICS AND ENGLISH COMPETITIONS

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an independent, skills-based competition which recognises and rewards student achievement.

The papers are rigorous and independent of what students learn in school. ICAS assesses higher order thinking and problem solving skills needed for success in all subjects.

These are externally provided tests for a small fee. All students are encouraged to participate in these annual tests. We have liaised with UNSW to have Orange High School students participate in tests for:

English

Mathematics

We believe these tests are more than just competitions. They are the only national and international assessment program which enables the tracking of individual student performance and progress from year to year.

The prestigious University of New South Wales (UNSW) has made the process of enrolment and payment very easy. The cost of each test is \$14.50 AUD and has to be paid direct to UNSW as follows:

Your school code is **SDG668**

Your parent page link is <https://shop.unswglobal.com.au/pages/pps>

The process takes a few minutes and our school can check all the students enrolled in the competitions immediately.

The closing date for the online entry and payment is 26th July, 2020.

Please check your email for

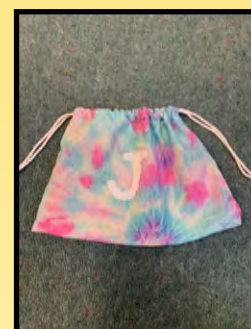
further details.



YEAR 8 HOME ECONOMICS - TEXTILES

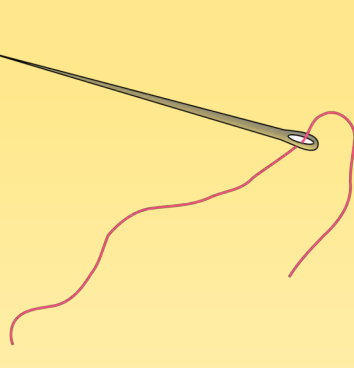
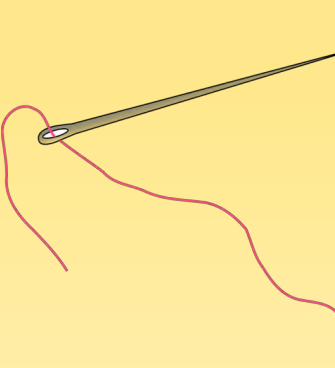
Our drawstring bag project has taken place over the last 5 weeks.

Students learnt tie-dyeing techniques and embellished the bags with applique, machine embroidery and transfer prints.



YEAR 8 HOME ECONOMICS - TEXTILES

The felt soft toys were a 'learning from home' activity with each student receiving a kit of materials. This allowed students to continue developing practical skills from home.





YEAR 11 SENIOR GEOGRAPHY

Before the Covid-19 restrictions Yr 11 Senior Geography went on a fieldwork trip to Pinnacle lookout and Federal Falls. They collected primary data in the form of soil and water samples. They braced the elements after it started raining at the base of Federal Falls.



Since the new excursions rules, Senior Geography had to make do with field work inside the school. They have done many activities such as mapping the entire back oval to scale, exploring the types of soils around the school and sketching the topography of the landscape.



YEAR 10 ELECTIVE HISTORY

Yr 10 Elective History went on an archeological dig last week at the old school incinerator. They had some great finds from a 1936 penny, old science beakers, old metal work projects and old Cottee's soda bottles.



YEAR 8 GEOGRAPHY

In year 9 Geography the students looked at Edible Insects as a way for sustainable eating in the future. Students tried mealworms and crickets, some students were too scared to try while others like Riley Marks (In the photo) even went for seconds.



STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN

Orange High School proudly facilitates the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program as one of only two pilot high schools in NSW. The kitchen garden program promotes pleasurable food education. The philosophy of the program teaches children to grow, prepare and share fresh, seasonal, delicious food in order to form positive food habits for life.

Orange High School promotes the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden philosophy of '*Plant, Harvest, Prepare and Share*' through the implementation of this unique program. The program is being facilitated by Ms Melanie Campbell (garden specialist) and Mrs Tammy Nash (kitchen specialist), who will be working together to coordinate weekly kitchen and garden sessions.


The program allows a group of 14 students from Year 7 and 8 an opportunity to participate in a series of cooking and gardening workshops, two periods per week for eleven weeks. Each week, students will spend two periods in the garden and kitchen. They will plant seedlings, water and maintain gardens, harvest fresh produce (vegetables, fruits, herbs and edible flowers) and will utilise the produce in their cooking. In groups, students will prepare and cook a number of different recipes, which will then be served and shared with the group.


This program allows students the opportunity to build their confidence, promote positive relationships with peers and teachers, enhance their self-esteem and develop skills in using gardening and food preparation tools and equipment, problem solving and working in a team environment.






THE EDUCATED ROAST





OPEN
WEEKDAYS
6AM
to
11:00AM



Order your coffee via the Hey You app
<https://heyyou.com.au/restaurant/6372/educated-roast-cafe>
ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL
CORNER WOODWARD STREET - IN BUS BAY



THE EDUCATED ROAST


HOT COFFEE

	SMALL	LARGE
Cappuccino	\$3.50	\$4.00
Flat White	\$3.50	\$4.00
Latte	\$3.50	\$4.00
Long Black	\$3.50	\$4.00
Hot Chocolate	\$3.50	\$4.00
Mocha	\$3.50	\$4.00
Chai Latte	\$3.50	\$4.00
Espresso/Short Black	\$3.50	\$4.00
Macchiato	\$3.50	\$4.00
Piccolo Latte	\$3.50	\$4.00
EXTRAS - 0.50c		

TEA

English Breakfast	\$4.00
Green Tea	\$4.00
Earl Grey	\$4.00


STUDENTS ARE UNABLE TO BE SERVED AFTER 8.50AM



ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL

HOMEWORK CENTRE

Available for all year groups



TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS : 3:40PM - 5:00PM

Come along and get some work and assignments done with the support of OHS teachers.



WE ARE HIRING!



Student Support Officer (Youth Outreach Worker)

Do you know someone who would make a fantastic Student Support Officer? The NSW Department of Education is currently recruiting 139 Student Support Officers to support the mental health and wellbeing of students in NSW public schools.

To find out more and apply, visit: bit.ly/SSOpositions.

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Diploma or Higher qualification in social work, youth work, welfare or related discipline.
- Valid and current Working with Children Check clearance.
- For more information, visit <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies