



A New World of Learning...

ORANGE ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

30 January 2009

From the Chairman of School Council

Thank you for your faith in and support of the school.

As you have noticed, our facilities at Holy Trinity are stretched to bursting point, but a school is a philosophy, not a place.

That said, the Project Team assure me that the progress of the works at the new site are still "on track" for commencement of classes there at the beginning of Term 2 2009. I must stress that delays in any project may occur, and the most likely cause of any delay will be extensive rain. After many dry years, we must accept that certain things are not within mere human control.

The staff, School Council and pupils all look forward to the commencement of classes at Murphy Lane.

David Day Council Chair

Welcome

I warmly welcome new staff, students and their families who are joining our community in 2009. I sincerely hope that you enjoy being part of our vibrant school and will look forward to working with you during the year.

The Weekly Newsletter is one of the ways in which we endeavour to keep parents informed of the activities taking place at school. Please look for it each Monday and be sure to read it thoroughly. We would like to reduce the amount of paper used each week, by posting the newsletter on our website, or if preferred, emailing it to you. Please let us know your preference.

Thought for the Week

We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop.

Mother Teresa

Health and Safety of Students

At Orange Grammar we take seriously the health and safety of every student and have implemented procedures to assist us to provide the highest level of care possible.

In 2009 we have a number of students who have life threatening allergies and so it is necessary to ask for your help so that they too can be kept safe and well whilst at school.

I ask that all families help us to become a NUT FREE SCHOOL, by ensuring that nuts, peanut butter, and nutella are not used for school morning tea and lunches.

Please also be mindful of the type of snack bars you include in lunch boxes as many contain nuts. I am sure that we can make these small changes to our 'school day diets' and thus ensure that all students enjoy a safe school environment.

All students will have these needs explained to them this week.

Location of Administration

The Administration Centre, including Reception, Principal's office and Project Officer's office, is now located at the back of the Bluestone Hall. To find us please follow the path between the Memorial Hall and Bluestone Hall to the rear of both buildings. Ours is the only office accessible from the rear of the Bluestone Hall.

2009 Staff Team

This list is reprinted with apologies to Mrs Jodie Clancy whose name was missing from the previous newsletter.

Transition - Mrs Wendy Hallinan
Transition Aide - Mrs Debra Williamson
Kindergarten - Miss Peta Mathieu
Year 1 - Mr David Brown
Year 2/3 - Mrs Nicola Harbison and
Mrs Jodie Clancy

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Year 4 - Miss Kelli Wilson
Year 5/6 - Mr Keith Macleay
RFF - Miss Melanie Winters
Chaplain - Father Ben Edwards
Admin Officer - Mrs Carolyn Googe
Projects Officer- Mrs Ellen Sharp

Uniform Sales

In order to provide you with an efficient service I ask that you please note the following carefully.

- ✚ The Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8.30-9.30am and 3-4pm.
- ✚ Orders, with sizes, can be emailed to admin@orangegrammar.nsw.edu.au, or telephoned to the office by 9am for payment and collection from the Office after 3pm the same day.
- ✚ The location of the Uniform Shop means it is not possible to 'pop in' to pick up items without having made a prior appointment.
- ✚ Payment must be made before uniforms can be taken.

Supervision Before School

Supervision is available for students who need to arrive at School before 8.45am due to parental work hours. Supervision will commence at 8.15am and children who arrive prior to 8.45am will be charged **\$2 per morning**. Payment for this service can not be included on School Fee invoices and must be paid each week.

After School Care

Camp Australia is working with the School to ensure that a high quality after school care service is available from the commencement of Term 2, that is, once we have relocated to the new site. Further details will be forwarded to all families within the next few weeks. If this service is to be provided it is essential to have an accurate indication of daily use by parents. Unfortunately the surveys completed last year disappeared in the postal system, hence our need to re-gather the information. I apologise for this inconvenience.

Change of Details

If you have moved home, changed telephone or work contact details, please complete the tear off slip attached to this newsletter and return it to School as soon as possible.

Bus Information

If your child travels to or from school on a bus, could you please send a written note to your child's teacher with all the relevant information – including bus numbers and times.

Sport Days

This term, sport days will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Years 2 - 6 will be starting swimming on Thursday next week. If your child needs a new swimming costume, please purchase a one piece, navy blue costume for girls, and navy blue speedo's for boys. If your son is not comfortable wearing speedo's, he may wear appropriate coloured board shorts.

Parking Arrangements

We have been approached by our neighbors, Barratt & Smith to remind us and our community to park in our allocated parking spaces, only. Our allocated parking bays are as follows:

- Directly in front of the school gates – Strictly a Kiss and Drop zone during peak periods
- Angled parking immediately on the right of the ENTRY sign to the precinct
- Holy Trinity parking bays that bound the playground
- One space at the rear of Barratt & Smith will be left vacant each day for visitors.

Please respect our neighbour's and do not use bays allocated and labeled to them – ie PATHOLOGY PARKING. It is very important to be diligent in this matter. We ask that you be patient at this time, and remember that we are only at this location for a few more weeks.

Lost Property

A clothes basket of lost property has been placed in the courtyard area. Any items not collected by Friday 9th February will be washed, and placed in the Clothing Pool in the case of an emergency. Please take the time to check this box, as there are many items, some of which are not school uniform items. Please also ensure that all items brought or worn to school are clearly labeled with a name. **It is so much easier for us to return a named item to its owner.**

Lunch Orders

Food in a Flash will continue to provide our children with the opportunity to purchase lunches

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IT'S A DATE!

2009 Term Dates

Term 1

During Term 1 full summer uniform should be worn to school by K-6 students. Sports uniform should be worn to school on Sport Days only-Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Sunday 1 February-Premier's Reading Challenge commences

Tuesday 3 February – P&F Meeting, School library, at 7.30pm

Thursday 5 February – Chapel at Holy Trinity, 9.30am

25 February - WAS Swimming Carnival for selected students

Thursday 9 April – Term 1 ends

Term 2

During Term 2 full winter uniform should be worn to school by K-6 students.

Tuesday 28 April- Classes commence

Friday 3 July – Term 2 ends

Term 3

During Term 3 full winter uniform should be worn to school by K-6 students.

Monday 27 July – Staff day

Tuesday 28 July- Classes commence

Friday 2 October – Term 3 ends

Term 4

During Term 4 full summer uniform should be worn to school by K-6 students.

Monday 19 October – Classes commence

Friday 11 December – Term 4 ends

Monday 14 – Wednesday 18 – Staff days

this term. Due to our increase in numbers, orders will be available on two separate days, as follows:

Mondays - Transition to Year 1 children

Fridays - Year 2 to Year 6 children

Please continue to send orders to school in brown paper bags, clearly labeled with your child's name, class and order and the amount of order. Correct money should also be placed in the lunch bag, and secured to avoid being lost prior to the collection of lunch orders.

Mrs Ann Brown, Principal

P&F NEWS

The first meeting of the P&F will be held on Tuesday 3 February in the school library, commencing at 7.30pm. All parents are welcome to attend.

Volunteers Required

Volunteers are urgently needed for Friday 6th Feb between 5 and 9.30pm to sell drinks at the Community night markets, to be held at Robertson Park. There is a possibility that we may be required to assist with art/craft activities. Please contact Jane Keene at Jane@mwmservice.com for more information and to confirm your availability.

The P&F are also requesting volunteers to assist Mid West Multimedia load our new computers with the required programs on **Saturday 14 February**. No I.T. experience is necessary, however, basic computer skills are required. Please contact Jane Keene if you can assist.

Class List Details

Each year we are asked by parents for details of the children in their child's class so that 'play dates' and party invitations can be arranged. We ask that you complete the form below and return it by the end of next week so that lists can be drawn up and distributed. Please note your child's name will not be included on a class list without your permission.

I give/ do not give permission for my contact details to **(please delete appropriate)** be included on the Class List for **(insert class)**

Child's Name.....

Parent's Names.....

Contact Number.....

Parent's signature.....

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FOOD IN A FLASH

All items meet the Healthy Canteen standard

Sandwiches and soft rolls

Vegemite, Jam, Honey	\$ 2.50
Banana	\$3.00
Cheese	\$3.00
Egg	\$3.50
Ham/Chicken/Beef/Turkey	\$3.50
Extras:	
Salad	\$1.00

Wraps

Chicken, lettuce, mayonnaise	\$4.00
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$4.00
Chicken schnitzel (with lettuce/mayo)	\$5.00

Hot food

Sausage on a roll	\$3.50
Hot dog on a roll	\$3.50
Plain burger with cheese & sauce	\$4.00
Chicken burger with cheese & sauce	\$4.00

Snacks

Seasonal fruit (per piece)	\$1.00
Small packet chips –RedRockDeli	
Honey Soy Chicken or Sea Salt	\$2.00

Drinks

Plain milk – 300ml	\$1.20
Flavoured milk – 300ml (chocolate, strawberry, banana)	\$2.70
Macquarie Valley Juice – apple, orange, or no added sugar orange – 375ml \$2.00 - 600ml \$3.00	

Smoothies – 260ml

Berry tropical , Banana & Honey or Mango	\$3.50
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Yoghurt

Thick creamy yoghurt (van/straw)	\$2.00
Ski D-Lite (vanilla/strawberry)	\$2.00
Ski Double Ups (apple/berry)	\$2.70

Tomato Sauce	\$0.30
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