



A New World of Learning...

ORANGE ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

6th February 2012

From the Principal
Successful Start

Despite a wet first week, all students appear to have settled in well to their new classes, surroundings and teachers, and have shown that they are keen to learn.

Our new classrooms are a hit with staff and students. If you have not had a look at them, please take the time to do so when you are next in the area of the Media Centre. Our new toilet block is a couple of weeks away from being complete.

Uniform

Today, all students will have been advised of the days when sports uniform may be worn and musical instruments will be needed at school. Please help your child to be well prepared for each day by making it possible for them to wear correct uniform and have the necessary equipment available to make each day worthwhile.

Parents should note that all students, K-9, are expected to wear full uniform to Assembly and Chapel unless otherwise advised by their teacher.

Sport Days Kindergarten to Year 6

These are the days when K-6 students should wear their sports uniforms to School. Dress uniform should be worn every other day unless advised by the teacher.

Kindergarten - Monday and Wednesday

Stage 1 Orange and Stage 1 White - Monday and Wednesday

Stage 1 Blue - Monday and Thursday

Stage 2 - Monday and Thursday

Stage 3 - Monday and Wednesday

Parent Information Evening

The annual Information Evening for parents of children in Kindergarten to Year 6 will be held on Wednesday 15 February. The purpose of these sessions is to provide parents with details of daily procedures within classrooms and teacher expectations for the year. Information about homework, topics of study, and ways in which parents can help their children and the teacher, will also be discussed. Details of times will be confirmed later this week.

Student Leader Ceremonies

Our **Secondary Student Leaders** will receive their badges this week during a special ceremony in Chapel. Parents are warmly invited to attend this service, which will be held in the Media Centre on **Thursday 9 February**, commencing at **3.05pm**.

Our **Primary Student Leaders** will receive their badges in Assembly on **Tuesday 14 February**. Assembly will be held in the Media Centre and will commence at **2.50pm**. All parents are very welcome to attend.

Thought for the Week

The foundation of every nation is the education of its youth.

It's a Date

Thursday 9 Feb Secondary Student Leaders Ceremony, 3.05pm

Tuesday 14 Feb Primary Student Leaders, 2.50pm

Tuesday 14 Feb - P&F Meeting in the Media Centre, 7-8.30pm

Wednesday 15 Feb - K-6 Parent Information Evening

Monday 20th Feb - O.A.G.S. Swimming Carnival

Friday 24 Feb - P&F Welcome Barbecue

School Day

Parents are reminded that the School day starts at 8.35am and concludes at 4.05pm for students in Kindergarten to Year 9. These times give parents a 30 minute window of opportunity for dropping off and picking up prior to the start and finish of classes. Only students whose buses arrive earlier than 8.35am have permission to be at School early.

Supervision is only provided within these time frames. Your help in making it possible for all students to be appropriately supervised when at school, by adhering to these times, will be much appreciated.



Birthdays

This week our best wishes go to the following students who celebrated birthdays during January and up to 11 February; Phillipa, Piper, Xanthe, Kate E, Hamish B, Hamish Br, Jack N, Adelaide W, Samantha W, Aimee, Macauley, Lucy M, Jessica W, Harry I, Mackenzie, Alice C, Summer, Maddison F, Luca, Penny, Will S, Charlotte G, Emma, Bradley, Georgia P, Georgia F, Claudia H, Grace Yr1, Oliver O'C, Bridget, James C, Jack F, Orlagh, Shelley, Izayah, Peter S, Harrison N.

Mrs Ann Brown

P and F News

The P&F invites parents and friends of the School community to attend its first meeting for 2012, to be held in the Media Centre, Tuesday 14 February, commencing at 7pm and concluding by 8.30pm.

The P&F's first function will be the Welcome BBQ to be held at the School on Friday, 24th February 2012 from 6:00-8:00pm. A separate flyer will be distributed this week, with all details.

Your P&F is keen to provide support for the School and can only do this with your support. Please consider how you might be able to contribute to another successful year at Orange Grammar.

Mr Dan Fock

President

From the Accounts Department

Just a quick reminder that the blue Fee Commitment Forms and any accompanying paperwork was due on Friday 3rd February. Anybody who hasn't already submitted these is asked to do so as soon as possible.

Ms Sue Montier

Book Covering

Calling volunteers to assist covering lots of new books. If you have any spare time please call in to reception. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Sports News

The first event on the School Sporting Calendar is the annual Swimming Carnival, which will take place at the Orange Olympic Pool, on Monday 20th February commencing at 9.30am.

2012 Calendars for Secondary representative sport (AICES and CIS) will be available on the respective association websites.

www.aisnsw.edu.au/cis/

www.aices.com.au

Mr Brad Allen

Alinta Uniform Shop

Opening Hours

Mondays 1:30pm-4:00pm and Thursdays 8:30am-10:00am. Uniform price list & online shopping available at: www.alintaapparel.com.au. The Uniform Shop can also be telephoned during opening hours on **6361 2107**. Please note Alinta does not accept cheque payments. Thank you.

Community Notices

Bloomfield Junior Rugby League Club

Bloomfield Junior Rugby League Club would like to invite you to join up for the 2012 season. Boys of all ages from 5-16 and girls from 5-12 years of age are all welcome. Bloomfield JRLFC will be holding a sign on day on Sunday 12th February at Club Newstead, Hill St, Orange from 10am. Fees are \$70 per player if paid on the day and \$80 after this day. A family discount of \$10 will apply if 3 or more children from the same family register. Bloomfield socks are included in registration fees. For further information, please call Julianne Pearce on 0429 020 672 or email bloomfieldjrffc@hotmail.com

Orange City Junior Rugby Union

Orange City Junior Rugby Union Committee have announced the following fee structure for the coming 2012 season and their registration days for all players. Fees for juniors U12 to U17s will include the player's shorts and socks. Your fee will also include one adult membership to Waratahs Sports Club. Once your paper work has been completed and handed back to the club. Fees for Walla's U5 to U11s will only include your fee for one adult membership to Waratahs Sports Club, once your paper work has been completed and handed back to the club. Once a week training will commence on Thursday 2nd February @ Waratahs from 5.00 till 6.00 pm - open to all past and intending players. Twice a week training will start Tuesdays and Thursday starting on Tuesday 6th March from 5.00 till 6.20pm on Pride Park. If any further information is required please contact Fletcher Niven on 0418 635 893

THE GLOBAL EXPERIENCE – Live it at HOME

In June-July 2012 students from over 20 countries around the world will be arriving in Australia to study at local high schools for 5 or 10 months.

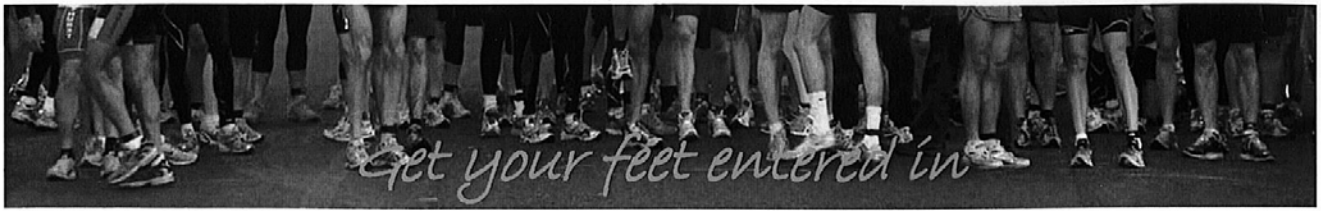
Opportunities exist for families to act as a host family, in a volunteer capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. Host families help provide international students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

**To hear more about this wonderful opportunity or
our student exchange programs out of Australia**

Call Student Exchange Australia New Zealand on 1300 135 331 or visit

www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student



“Run for your school”
5km School Competition
CASH PRIZES & PERPETUAL TROPHIES
Each for the Winning High School and Primary School

Funds raised from this event will be donated to



register at school for this event—entry fee is \$5.00 per student

www.orangerunners.com.au

ENQUIRIES—Judy 6362 9563 or Glenys 6362 6694

Teams to consist of 7 runners.

Schools can enter as many teams as they wish, as long as each team has a name.

Scores will be determined by adding the top five individual finishing places on each school team.

Points are awarded to the individual runners of each school team, equal to the position they cross the finish line

(1st place gets one point, 2nd place gets two points, 3rd place gets 3 points etc)

The points for these runners are added and the lowest score wins.

Ties will be resolved in favour of the team whose last scoring runner finishes closest to first place.