



A New World of Learning...

ORANGE ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

25th May 2009

From the Principal

News just to hand is that we have been successful in our application for an additional grant from the Federal Government in its Building the Education Revolution, within the School Pride program. This grant totals \$75 000 and when combined with the grant of \$850 000 gives us \$925 000 with which to build the new Media Centre and surrounding access and covered courtyard.

Nut Free School

A reminder to all parents and students that Orange Grammar is a nut free environment. Please help us to ensure the safety of all students by making sure foods containing nuts are not included in your child's lunch box.

Opening Celebration

Thank you to all who helped us celebrate the opening of our School last Tuesday. It was wonderful to have so many family and friends join with our very special School community on such an important day in the history of our School. I want to thank all members of staff and the students for their input into the ceremony. We were treated to some delightful music and art work courtesy of our creative and talented students. Thank you, one and all.

Car Park

Once again, a plea to all users of our car park and road system. When used as it was designed, your children will be safer. Please exercise patience in the car park and wait until the car in front of you has parked, rather than overtaking it. Disabled parking spaces are for those who have a legitimate permit. Whilst I appreciate the busyness of our lives, time taken to ensure the safety of our children is time well spent.

Birthday Greetings

Thought for the Week

*Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement.
Nothing can be done without hope.*

Helen Keller

Birthday greetings are extended to Claudia who celebrates her birthday this week, from all at Orange Grammar School. We hope your special day is a very happy one.

Assembly

We congratulate the following students who received awards in assembly for last two week.

Transition—Gian and Pansie
Kindergarten—April and Poppi
Year 1— Laura and Jasmine
Year 2—Emily
Year 3—Erin and Caitlyn K
Year 4—Aquila and Jack
Year 5—James
Year 6—Matthew

The *Class of the Week Award* has been won by Transition for their outstanding contribution to the Opening Ceremony. Well done, Transition!

Mrs Ann Brown

From the Classrooms News from Transition

The children have developed an interest in the life cycle of frogs, after observing the tadpoles that Liam brought in for news. Frog activities were provided as well as information and stories about frogs. This then led to a list of words beginning in Ff being compiled and added to daily. Children drew pictures of objects starting with 'F' which will be made into a book for our library. Mrs Harbison delighted the children on Friday with her power point presentation of images that begin with 'F' which was shown on her Smart board. We had Fantastic Fun on Five days Finding 'f' words. We were also intrigued when Skye showed us

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IT'S A DATE!

Term 2

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

Sport days are Tuesdays and FRIDAYS and these are the only days students may wear sports uniform to school.

Tuesday 26 May—CWA Public Speaking at All Saints College

Monday 8 June—Queen's Birthday long weekend

Wednesday 10 June—Science Competition Yrs3-6

Thursday 11 June – Board of Studies Inspection

Thursday 18 June—P&F Meeting, 7.30pm

Saturday 20 June—P&F BBQ at Bunnings

Wednesday 25 June—WAS Chess at All Saints College

Friday 3 July – Term 2 ends: Muffi Day T-6

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

Thursday 30 July – School Photographs

Tuesday 4 August- English Competition Yrs3-6

Saturday 8 August—P&F BBQ at Bunnings

Wednesday 19 August-Mathematics Competition Yrs3-6

Friday 2 October – Term 3 ends– Muffi Day

Term 4

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

Monday 19 October – Classes commence

Tuesday 20—Thursday 22 October—Australian National Field Days

Saturday 7 November—P&F BBQ at Bunnings

Friday 11 December – Term 4 ends– Muffi Day

the baby Joey she and her family are looking after. We look forward to seeing "Rosie" in 4 weeks to see how much she has grown. We were all very proud to receive the class award at last weeks assembly for our beautiful behaviour at the Opening Ceremony.

In our efforts to help the Transition children develop an awareness of and respect for our environment and the natural world, we are asking for your HELP. As you may already know, we use lots of recyclable materials in both our indoor and outdoor environment. There are many more things around the home that we can utilise in our program.

Many of our staff have donated kitchen utensils that are no longer used in their homes, and these

are now being re-used in our sand pit. We would like to use REAL objects from our environment as well as things that are made from natural materials, rather than coloured plastic reproductions that take thousands of years to break down.

Can you help with any of the following?

Material off cuts, wool, ribbons, buttons, cotton reels/spools etc., cane or wooden baskets/boxes and dishes, glass containers/bowls, shells and pieces of drift wood, interesting stones, pebbles, and wood off cuts (No treated pine), lino and carpet squares, interesting collage materials, paper/cardboard off cuts, envelopes/stationery



items, smooth pieces of rope and branches, sheer curtains (for cubbies). If there is anything you are thinking of discarding, even furniture, can you think about its use in our environment before you take it to the dump? Many thanks for looking.

Thank you to the Googe family for passing on their small cupboard. It takes away the back strain for parents signing in each day!

News from Kindergarten

In Mathematics this week, Kindergarten learnt all about fractions. Mrs Willis demonstrated how we can create $\frac{1}{2}$ by cutting up lots of different fruit. The children discussed what is meant by the terms equal, unequal, half and not a half, as well as playing lots of great fraction games.

News from Year 1

Last week was another busy week for Year 1, who started looking at technology of today and the past, in HSIE. We searched magazines for different

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technology pictures, and this week will compare the pictures of technology from the past. Some excellent work was also done in Mathematics when we compared the mass of different objects. Great progress is being made in writing recounts and this week the students will write a complete recount. In art, students designed a painting representing themselves and used their favorite colours and cut pictures from magazines to represent themselves. Well done to the Sparkle and Listening tables who have won the Year 1 class competition over the last two weeks.

News from Year 2/3

One of the text types we have been looking at is 'procedure'. As a class we had a list of ingredients for a pirate stew. After adding adjectives to make this list more interesting, the class jointly constructed a procedure to make the stew.

How to make pirate stew

Terrible, revolting, crunchy skin
Shiny, fluffy, soft feathers
Hard, spiky, smooth beak
Gross, sloppy, spicy peppers
Rotten, big, sticky eggs
Slimy, sour, droopy onions

- 1) Put eggs leaving shells on.
- 2) Next throw in the beak and smash it into tiny pieces.
- 3) Cut up onions and put them in.
- 4) Roll feathers in mashed up peppers.
- 5) Shave off the skin and put in the pot.
- 6) Mix it altogether and leave it to boil for six hours.

Serve it in a barrel with biscuits. Make sure you let the weevils come to the top first.

2/3 trust that it will be delicious. Try at home!

News from Year 4

Students were entertained on Monday as they listened to a number of wonderful speeches presented by students from different classes. On Tuesday, the students got to celebrate our new school at the Opening Ceremony!

During maths this week we have been revising some of the concepts learnt so far this year. Some of these have included Graphing Data, Time, Area, Perimeter, Addition and number patterns. Work on Narratives concluded at the end of the week. Students got to demonstrate the writing skills they have acquired over the past few weeks by writing a story about finding a bottle of magic potion.

After learning about the elements of music, the

students used this knowledge, together with their knowledge of the local community, to write and perform a rhythm rap for the class. These were very entertaining to watch.

Community

Shopping centres, people, facilities
We all live in a community
Hotels, houses, transport
We all love community sport
Businesses, buildings and church
We all love community work

by Isabella, Tegan and Meg

News from Years 5 and 6

Year 5 and 6 have been doing a great job getting involved in the Dance program so far this term. Tuesday afternoons are our dance lessons and students in year 5 and 6 have been divided up into groups. Some are practicing for the eisteddfod and the remainder are integrated with K-4 in a dance group that are focusing on dancing from a variety of world cultures. Each week we will learn a different dance from a different country. So far we have learnt the Haka from New Zealand and the Macarena from America. This week we will be learning a bush dance as an example of the dancing that was such an important part of early colonial Australia as a form of entertainment. Good Luck to our public speakers that are off the Bathurst this week and don't forget to return your notes for our Athletics program that starts on Friday at Waratahs.

News from the P&F

The Parents' and Friends' Association is holding a Cocktail Party for the School Council and Staff to say thank you for their wonderful work culminating in bringing us to the new site. It will be held on Saturday 13th June between 6-7.30pm at the Holy Trinity Church Hall. All parents and friends are invited. Details will follow but please support us and mark this important event in your diaries.

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Photo Gallery—Official Opening Celebrations



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