



A New World of Learning...

ORANGE ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

October 19th 2009

From the Principal

Welcome one and all to the final term for 2009. So much has happened since the school year began and yet as we embark on the last 8 weeks of this year there remain many more exciting opportunities for our students.

This week we warmly welcome Naomi, Hamish, Harry, into Transition, Eliza and Max into Kindergarten, Hannah and Chase into Year 1, Clary in to Year 2, Maccauley into Year 3 and Darcy into Year 5 and trust that you will all enjoy being members of our very special school community.

Of particular note are three dates for parents to add to their calendars now.

- Thanksgiving Chapel Service @ Holy Trinity, 27 November, 2pm
- 'Together' @ Holy Trinity Memorial Hall, 4th December, 7pm
- Presentation Day @ Holy Trinity Memorial Hall 8th December, 10am

All students from T-6 will participate in the annual Life Education program this week. This is a valuable and complimentary aspect of the PDHPE programs provided by the School.

Open Day 31st October

Our first Open Day on the new site is to be held on Saturday 31 October, 2009, between 11am and 2pm, and is in conjunction with an open air broadcast provided by Star FM.

The P&F have already volunteered to help out on the day and I would be grateful to hear from parents willing to help for part of the day. This is a great opportunity for us to showcase our very special school to the wider community and hope to see many visitors. Please let your friends know.

Australian National Field Days

The School has a stand-TEP 13, at this week's Australian National Field Days. Please call in to see us if you are attending. We would also be grateful to have support

Thought for the Week

Creativity is the ability to see that which is waiting to exist.

form parents able to spare an hour of their time to be available on our stand to talk to prospective parents. Please let Mrs Googe know if you are able to help in this way.

Emergency Contact for the School

In the event that you need to contact the School urgently once night switch is activated at 5pm or before 8.30am, please call 6360 4812. By calling this number you will bypass the answering machine. Of course, this number will only be answered if a member of staff is present.

Student Handbooks

Each student will today have received a copy of our 2009/2010 school handbook. Please keep this book for easy reference as we have tried to include in it all details relevant to your child's Orange Grammar education. Should your family need a second copy so that each parent has one, please let Mrs Googe know.

'Together' end of Year Production

Please be sure to have marked Friday 4th December in your diaries for this not to be missed event. Every student will be involved in this, our inaugural production, which will be performed at the Holy Trinity Memorial Hall.

Birthdays

Best wishes go to Eden, Megan, Brock, Adelaide, Darcy, Charlie, Grace, Olivia, Will, Jessica C, Eric and Naomi who celebrated their birthdays over the school holidays and this week, from all of us at Orange Grammar. We all hope your day is a special one.

Mathematics Competition

Certificates will be presented at Assembly this week to the following students who achieved credits in the recent Australasian Mathematics

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IT'S A DATE!

Sport days are MONDAYS and FRIDAYS, effective from Term 4. These are the only days students may wear sports uniform to school.

Term 4

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

Monday 19 October – all classes commence
Tuesday 20—Thursday 22 October—Australian National Field Days
Friday 23 October— ORC Scholarship Applications due (Instrumental and Vocal)
Tuesday 20—Thursday 22 October—Life Education
Tuesday 27 October—P&F Meeting 7.30pm
Saturday 31 October—Open Day
Saturday 7 November—P&F BBQ at Bunning's
Sunday 8 November— Auditions for ORC Scholarships (Instrumental and Vocal)
Friday 27 November—Thanksgiving Chapel Service, 2pm, Holy Trinity
Friday 4 December—'Together'
Tuesday 8 December—Presentation Day 10am
Friday 11 December – Term 4 ends– Muffi Day

Competition.

Congratulations Cosette, Oliver, Erin, Aquila, Tegan, Tom and Patrick for your efforts and achievements.

Assembly Awards

We congratulate the following students who received awards in the last assembly of Term 3:

Transition– Sky-Anne, Jessica
Kindergarten– Isabella, Amelia
Year 1–Laura, Zak
Year 2– Grace, Nathan
Year 3– Oliver
Year 4– Meg
Year 5– Adelaide, Patrick
Year 6– Tessa, Georgina, Lara, Matthew

From the Parents' and Friends' Association

Please be reminded that the basket, in which you can leave your contribution for the Monster Raffle prizes, is in Administration. If you have any gourmet non perishable food items that you are able to donate it would be greatly appreciated.

From The Handyman

On the 31st of this month the School is having an Open Day. We are looking for volunteers to assist with making the school look great for this event. If you are able to help out between the 28th—30th (time 8.30am –4pm, or any time in between) please give the office a call.

Duties will include gardening mowing and outside cleaning. Many hands make light work!

Parent Direct

The Parent Direct orders have arrived and will be ready for collection from Tuesday 20th October. Please contact Administration for details on how to collect your orders.

Chess news

Eight Orange Grammar students were among the 45 participants in the NSW Junior Chess League Tournament held at St. Barnabas Church Hall in Orange during the school holidays.

Josh, Kelsley, Leith, Megan, Jarrod, James, Harry and Nathan (and their parents) all had great fun. Everybody played strongly and won games against juniors from all over Western NSW. Jarrod was a star, coming from the clouds after lunch to place third in the very competitive U12 division, while Harry received an award as the Best Unrated Player in his first tournament outside the school.

Tournament play is the best way for students to improve their game. Our players quickly adapted to the conditions, which included time limits using chess clocks and strict enforcement of the touch move, touch take and *en passant* rules. The experience will prepare them well to play excellent interschool chess next year.

We are now playing social chess at 1pm each Tuesday. Everybody is welcome to come along and learn this ancient and fascinating game and Mr C. and our seniors will be on hand to help new players.

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