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Term 4, Week 2 2022

OAGS News

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It's a date ...

Monday 31 October NAIDOC Week March

Tuesday 1 November Year 7 2023 Orientation Day

Thursday 3 November Day 2 Kindy 2023 Orientation

Wednesday 9 November @ 5pm PREP 2023 Parent Information Night

Wednesday 9 November @ 6:30pm Year 7 2023 Orientation Night

Thursday 10 November @ 5pm Kindy 2023 Parent Information Night

Friday 11 November Prep Visit to the Botanic Gardens

Tuesday 22 November Grand Opening of ACE Centre

> Tuesday 29 November Christmas Lunch

Thursday 1 December Prep & Kindergarten End of Year Assembly @ 9:20am

> Tuesday 6 December Year 6 Celebration Day

Wednesday 7 December Presentation Night @ 6pm



From the Deputy...

Welcome back for another term! There's really nothing quite like a Term 4 in schools. I for one quite enjoy the fast pace, the packed agenda, the end of year planning and the excitement around Yr 6 Graduations, Presentation Nights, Prep and Kindergarten Celebrations, HSC examinations and the Sports Awards Night. Bring it on! OAGS has developed a grand tradition of inviting significant sporting personalities to present and speak at our annual Sports Awards Night. Olympian Melinda Gainsford-Taylor wowed us while Eloise Wellings inspired us, and this year we are anticipating Ex Canberra Raiders Captain Alan Tongue to do the same.



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Securing Success...

Alan is a country boy who played 12 seasons for the Raiders, Captained them for 5 and laced up the boots on 220 occasions. He was fearless in defence and his leadership qualities shone through both on the field and in his life ever since.



Alan was a Dally-M medal winner as NRL Captain of the year. Alan is one of those uniquely humble individuals who inspires others to better themselves and make the most of opportunities that come their way. Alan was ACT Australian of the year in 2017 and is the face of the NRL's Voice against Violence initiative. Alan has developed a nationally recognised program that harnesses the power of Rugby League's life skills to promote positive social messages for juveniles who have found themselves on the wrong side of the law.

On November 8th Alan will be running a targeted session with our Yr 6 students during period 5 to help them 'run strong for the second half' of schooling. While all OAGS touch football players are invited to attend a specialised footy clinic from 3:30pm in the afternoon.

I invite all our families to attend the **Sports Awards Night on Tuesday November 8th starting at 6pm.** Students who are receiving a *significant* sporting award have been notified via a letter of invitation, however the evening is more than just awards and I am confident that everyone who attends will gain much from the evening.

Sincerely, Scott Hazelton Deputy Headmaster





Big Night In: Messy Games

Last Saturday night 35 students and 6 staff gathered for a crazy night of messy games. We built ice creams on faces, buried faces in flour, cracked eggs on heads, played twister on baked beans and threw a LOT of shaving cream. We also heard from the Bible how life is messy. Jesus came into our messy world and experienced the mess with us, but also offered to take the weight of that mess on his own shoulders, if only we are willing to trust him. Jesus says:

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:28-30. NIV)

Look out for the next Big Night In in 2023!





PREP NEWS

Prep News

In Prep this term we are learning about being part of our community. The students will be discussing what a community is, people who can help us in our community, our responsibilities within our community, places we can go in our community and ways we can help our community.

So far, students from Prep Paigu have explored being vets in our dramatic corner (people who help us in our community), we have talked about road safety (our responsibilities in our community) and, we have been citizen scientists by participating in the Australian Backyard Bird watch (ways we can help our community). We were able to harvest some lettuce, silverbeet, rainbow chard, sprouting broccoli and spinach from the plants and seeds we planted last term and were able to share some of these with some students from the high school for their food technology class (helping our community).

In Art, we are exploring using recycled items to create new things. We are using old newspapers to create paper mache bowls and linking into our ongoing interest in birds we have also used newspapers to create birds nests and little birds.



In Prep Piccolo, we have been exploring helpers within our community and have worked together to create a mind map of these to display in the classroom. We have recently been looking at police officers and how they help keep our community safe. We even learnt and investigated our fingerprints and observed how they are all different! Students loved taking the time to take a print of their fingers and explore their fingerprints. During this time we discussed why police officers will take our fingerprints and how they are useful when they are investigating crimes. In Mathematics this term we are exploring data and how we collect data. We have explored our favourite fruit to bring to Prep for fruito. This week, our favourite fruit is apple with a total of 7 students bringing it in for fruito.





PRIMARY NEWS

Stage 2

Writing

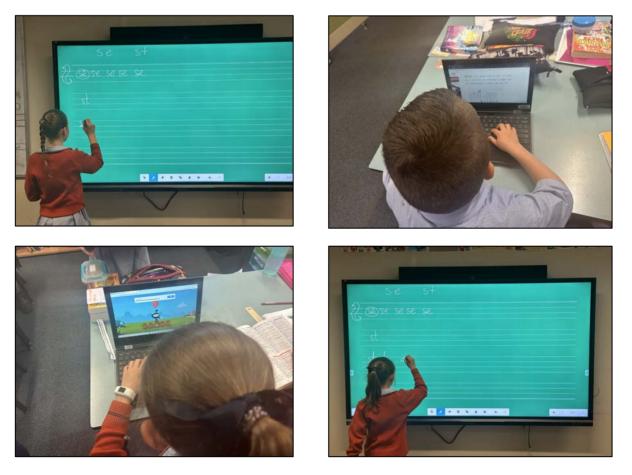
In Stage 2 this year, we have been using a range of different programs and strategies to improve our handwriting and touch typing:

Handwriting

This year, students have been engaging in weekly handwriting lessons, aimed at teaching and reinforcing correct letter formation and joining. Each handwriting session begins with an explicit lesson on how to form that week's focus letter pattern or digraph. It has been encouraging to see these demonstrations also become a space where students feel comfortable sharing and demonstrating their own methods and tips. Students then move to practising each letter pattern in their English books through a variety of sentences.

Typing Club

Stage 2 has also had lots of fun exploring the Typing Club program this year. This program helps students to improve their typing fluency and accuracy when using digital technologies through a wide range of fun games and activities. It has been exciting to see the class so excited and motivated to improve their words per minute and error rate each week.





SECONDARY NEWS

Secondary Student Leadership

As a school we recognise the importance of student leadership. Whether it is in a formal context, such as a: Peer Support Leader, Captain of a sports team, or informally: as students take on roles in group assignments in class, act as role models to younger students, or leads in activity groups on camp. The most significant, however of the student leadership positions is the appointment each year of the Year 12 leadership team. Following a rigorous appointment process, at the conclusion of last term, Year 12 2023 students were appointed to positions of leadership as Captain, Vice Captain and House Captain for the coming year. It was wonderful to be able to celebrate these appointments as a school community at a number of formal gatherings. Those present at these meetings would be aware that a vacancy existed in the Bandhaa House Captaincy roles. Following an application process, Amelia Otukolo and James Carrier were appointed to the positions of House Captain and Vice House Captain and these positions were announced in the Secondary School Assembly last week. Congratulations to these students on their appointment. We look forward to the contribution you will make.

Student Leadership Development

On Monday 24th of November our newly minted, blurry-eyed Secondary Student Leadership team boarded the school bus at 6:45am. These students were heading off to Dubbo to attend the GRIP Leadership Conference. The conference was attended by Secondary Schools across the Central West and was one of 100 conferences the GRIP team ran across Australia this year. The day provided students with the rare opportunity to mix with a large group of other like minded student leaders. It was a fantastic event and consisted of practical and interactive sessions covering topics like - Making your school a great place for everybody, People a leader can impact the most and How to get everyone on board with a new idea. The students found this to be an eye-opening and inspiring experience, even if they were a little weary when they arrived back at school. We look forward to seeing the great things these students will achieve in their tenure as student leaders.





Tim Brown
Director of Secondary



CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Stage 5 Showcase

On Tuesday night, parents and friends of CAPA at OAGS gathered to celebrate the achievements of stage 5 elective CAPA students. Students from Visual Arts, Music and Drama all presented work from 2022, with both an art exhibition and a performance showcase. Thank you stage 5 CAPA students for their wonderful work displayed.





SPORT @OAGS



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Head of Sport Report



Adelaide Pittis showed her dominance in the 400m event at the NSW All Schools Championship at the end of last term, coming first in the 12 year old girl section which also produced Australia's fastest time this year!!! She then backed up with another amazing run in the 800m. This means Adelaide is currently the fastest 12 year old girl in Australia for the 400m and 800m! Phenomenal work Adelaide.

This term we celebrate the achievements of our athletes with the Sports Awards. At this event we recognise the Most Valuable Player and Coaches Awards in co-curricular sports as well as OAGS representative success. The finalists for the sportsperson of the

year will be announced with the winner being announced at Presentation night. Letters inviting students to attend have been sent out to families, **rsvps are needed for this event so please do so as soon as possible**.

The start of Term 4 sees the commencement of summer sport. Basketball and touch are in full swing where we have seen huge growth in numbers, particularly touch. With over 130 involved in Touch from U6 through to U15 it's sure to be a great season. The success of our co-curricular sports is bolstered by our parent body who take on the roles of coach and manager. Thank you to those who have been a coach or manager this year, either in our winter or summer season.

OAGS' presence in Orange Thunder Representative Touch continues to grow this year with 3 players being selected to play in the 2022/2023 season. Lucy Martin backs up for her 8th year of rep playing with the U16's, this comes off the back of being selected into the Western Sun's at the end of the 21/22 season and the AICES U15 team this year. Izzy Waters has been selected to play in the U14's team, she spends most days out at Waratahs training hard to develop into the best athlete she can be in her favourite sport - Izzy is a member of the 2022 Eagles program. And wrapping up our representation, Darcy Hutchinson has been selected for his 3rd season of representing Orange Thunder and will play with the U10's where he will play as a Middle for the second season, he plays with the OAGS Tigers in the Mini comp and OAGS Storm in the Junior comp.



Dominique Hutchinson Head of Sport K-12





Our students are doing amazing things outside of the classroom...

Miley and Isla exhibited a team of four heifers from their own Angus Stud, Winchester Livestock.

Highlights of the show included:

Meeting Fast Ed from Better Homes and Gardens who made Nachos for the 100 competitors and talked about how he became a TV personality - as a kid he was a bit of a rat bag and was expelled from 4 high schools only to finish school with an Atar of 99.98... never give up kids.

Team Winchester won best presented team

Miley and Isla came in first and second in the teams event Shoot to Showring

Isla was 2nd in her Paraders Heat and 5th with her heifer in the cattle classes Miley won Junior Champion Parader and went on to win Grand Champion Parader of the Round Up and Champion Junior Herdsperson and took home a second place with her heifer.

Both girls had an incredible 4 days and gained so many new skills and friends - Very cool girls, Congratulations !





Lily H, Isabelle N, Lucinda T, Isabelle W and Adeline W have been selected in the U11, U13, U14 NETBALL ONA representative teams. Congratulations girls !



Elli W has recently been accepted for the University of Sydney Gadalung Program. This is a great opportunity for students to experience university life, make new friends and to share their culture.

Congratulations to Isla Stringer who has progressed to Phase 2 for the Netball NSW U17 state team Selection This is an outstanding achievement and we wish Isla success going forward.

Photo from the Western Region Academy of Sport





These fine students have been selected to play Orange Indoor Rep Hockey. Such a large contingency of OAGS students representing on the Orange team. Lily D, Daisy D, James B, Nick I, Greg F, , Seamus D, Kayne B, Finn

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3 OAGS students Darcy B, Jovi B & Ruby G have been selected to represent and play for ODSA (Orange District Softball Assoc.) in the upcoming U12 State Softball Championships to be held here in Orange on the 5th & 6th November. All are extremely talented softballers and we're looking forward to see what they can bring to the teams.



Deputy Covid Report

OAGS will continue to track positive cases as they are reported to the school. Rather than the fortnightly report in the newsletter, we will migrate our reporting to the live graph that can be found below. Parents are encouraged to monitor this regularly. Should the school be advised of an increased incidence of cases, or a cluster of cases, relevant families will be informed via an official letter. As of the start of Term 4, the school has no reported student cases and one teacher case of COVID-19. As such, the graph is currently only displaying 1 column that represents the teacher case. As other cases are reported, more columns will appear on the graph. <u>Click Here</u> to view the graph.

Sincerely, Scott Hazelton Deputy Headmaster





ARMY DISPLAYS and RECRUITING Information night - Tuesday 8 November

The local Army Reserve Depot, Headquarters of 1/19th Royal New South Wales Regiment (Romani Barracks on Margaret St) will host an Open Evening from 6.30pm to 9.30pm on Tuesday 8th November. There will be various displays of weapons and equipment used by the military. Army Recruiting personnel from Sydney will be in attendance to provide information on Full Time and Part Time careers available in the military. ALL are welcome to attend.

Fees

Term 3 and 4 Fees Invoices will be emailed shortly. Thank you to everyone that has paid the previous Invoices that were emailed to you.

Adult Helpers

Never too late to become involved and learn more about the program and see our young adults grow and develop in confidence and resilience.

Important Dates

No Monday Parades during OAGS School Holiday break

- 2 Dec Annual Dinner (Cadets & Adult staff only) at OESC details tba
- 3 Dec Annual Parade All welcome Cadets at 8am, Family & Guests from 1045am
- 5 Dec Last Unit Parade till Mon 6 Feb
- 10 Dec Leadership Training Day Rank, staff and selected cadets
- 7-14 January NSW BDE Promotion Courses selected cadets only

CAPT (AAC) Terry Nye Officer Commanding 252 ACU

Christmas Lunch

29TH NOVEMBER 2022

BOOK YOUR CHRISTMAS LUNCH ON THE FLEXISCHOOLS APP <u>BEFORE</u> 14TH NOVEMBER 2022

Ham or Turkey Roll

Dessert Juice Popper \$15.00

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ORANGE REGIONAL CONSERVATORIUM

2023 MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLY NOW TO BE PART OF THE ORC'S INCLUSIVE AND DIVERSE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS.

> Applications close Friday 4 November 5pm Auditions held Saturday 12 November

For a full list of available scholarships and application form please visit: orangecon.org.au/scholarships









Orange Theatre Company Presents

Cinderella

November 25th to 27th Orange Civic Theatre Box Office: (02) 6393 8111



SCAN ME

Tickets through Ticketek

By Stuart Ardern and Bob Heather By arrangement with Lazy Bee Scripts







ORANGE PCYC IT'S FUN & FREE U13, U15, U17, U25



LEGACY

WORLD CUP

3X3 BASKETBALL FREE BBQ MUSIC SHOOTING COMPS PRIZES

4TH NOVEMBER 10:00AM-2:30PM



How to Register: Scan the QR code to register your team or contact Adam for more information at adam.marjoram@bnsw.com.au (limited spots available)



www.bnsw.com.au/indigenous







HAVE A BLAST

Get into Woolworths Cricket Blast It's a fun and active program for kids of all abilities, whether it's your first time with a bat or you're a backyard Cricket star!

CNSW WWCF PROGRAM - ALL ABILITIES ORANGE Carl Sharpe Cricket Centre, Thursday January 19 & Friday January 20, 9:00am - 12:05pm. Angus Norton angus.norton@cricketnsw.com.au



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