The Deputy Secretary of the Department of Education and Communities, Mr Greg Prior meeting our School Captains, Trent French and Meaghan Kempson

Achievement in a supportive environment
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Students and staff enjoyed the opportunity to share aspects of Orange High with the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Education and Communities, Mr Greg Prior earlier today. Mr Prior was greeted by our student leaders and treated to a musical performance by the concert band and small ensembles including Julia Bates-Gussoni on guitar. Members of the schools leadership team took time to explain how the state government reforms including Local Schools; Local Decisions has been used to full advantage at Orange High School. The Deputy Secretary was impressed with Orange High Schools identification of priorities, strategic planning and implementation of the new Australian Curricula, pedagogy and differentiation. A particular feature was the opportunity for some of our newest teachers to meet with the Deputy Secretary and share their experiences as teachers new to the profession. Students added a personal touch talking about their experiences of school priorities including the Gifted and Talented Program and curriculum differentiation.

Congratulations to our Creative and Performing Arts Team who have successfully auditioned 16 Choir members, 12 Dance students and 8 Aboriginal Dance Ensemble students for inclusion in this Year’s School Spectacular at the Entertainment Centre. This follows Atahlia Sutherland’s success securing a place in the final round of selections as a Featured Artist.

Congratulations to Kiara Webb who has secured a School Based Traineeship at the Orange Skillset Office. The opportunity will ensure Kiara achieves an HSC at the same time as earning money and gaining practical skills in the workplace.

Congratulations to Year 11 students who will receive their reports this week. I am incredibly impressed with the learning and attitude reported by teachers of most students. It is evident many students have clear and high aspirations and we look forward to nurturing these over the next 18 months as they prepare for life and the adventures beyond school.

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MALYNLEY SHIELD 2014
On the 28/5/2014, Orange High School made their way to Gosford High School for the 45th annual Malynley Shield Competition. This is a sporting and cultural competition in which OHS students are billeted with their host school for the duration of the visit. It is unique in that it is one of the last remaining competitions in which billeting occurs.

We arrived at our host school and students from each school took no time in re-acquainting themselves with friends they had made in previous visits. Once the welcome was over, it was time for everyone to leave with their hosts, with some students having to travel by bus, train and car to their destination!

The sun shone brightly for the commencement of Thursday morning’s events and the excitement and school spirit demonstrated by both schools was commendable. Orange High was determined to defend their win in 2013 and Gosford High was just as eager to reclaim the shield. We scored some resounding wins in the girls and boys hockey and volleyball, but overall, Gosford High were too strong across the board for Orange to retain the shield.

Congratulations to all students involved in the manner in which they conducted themselves throughout the visit and their support and demonstration of school spirit.

The following teams recorded wins:

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The following teams recorded draws:

GOLF
OPEN BOYS SOCCER

T Dray, OHS Sports Organiser
FACULTY NEWS – HSIE

This term has been off to a flying start with many activities being undertaken by HSIE staff or in planning stages for Semester 2.

Currently the HSIE faculty is taking part in the state-wide "Climate Clever Energy Savers". This started with a training day at Wambangalang for Mr Paine and Mr Gray which was very informative. On the 20th of May representatives from the Climate Clever Energy Savers came to OHS to conduct an energy audit with Mr Gray's year 7 and 9 classes. Our school performed relatively well, but there are several things that we can all do to improve our energy consumption, including not having unnecessary lights on during the day and turning heaters off when a room is not in use.

The final part of the Climate Clever Energy Savers program is using the $2000 grant they have given us to improve our energy consumption. We'll let you know what we do and how it helps. Year 7 student Angel Mascord said: "the most interesting part of the energy audit was when we had to go in groups and calculate how much energy we use in devices. It was also fun to figure out what we want to try and do with our $2000 to save our school energy".

In Semester 2 the HTA History Competition and the NSW Geography Competition will be undertaken which are open to students in Stage 5 – Years 9 and 10. Students will need to see Mr Gray for more details on the HTA History Competition as it entails a small fee whereas the NSW Geography competition is free and will be conducted as a class assessment task.

On a professional development level Ms Ackland gave a presentation on the HTA History Teachers Conference that she attended in Canberra at the beginning of Term 2. This involved her attending 2 presentations by renowned historian and author Ken Webb on Modern History which concerned implementing the related curriculum. The presentation at the faculty meeting was comprehensive and informative in respect to the Modern History curriculum and history generally.

Also apart from thanking Ms Ackland for her presentation and effort I would also like to express my gratitude to the hard working HSIE staff in respect to examination marking and report writing, it is a busy time for all.

ASSESSMENTS DUE – WEEK 7

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THANK YOU!

A big “Thank You” to everyone who was involved in our PRISM Trivia Night last Saturday. Special thanks go to Graeme Carden and Colin Kjoller who did a fantastic job organising and running the night along with help from their families. The night ran smoothly and was enjoyed by all I’m sure.

Thanks also to our dedicated band of PRISM parents who organised collecting donations of prizes for the night.

A big thank you to the many businesses that made very generous prize donations!

Our total profit for the night was **$3431.30!!** A fabulous result! Well done everyone!! I’m sure everyone enjoyed themselves with the various “Spicks & Specks” inclusions and thank you to the volunteers who either sang, drew or played keyboard. The paper aeroplane flight competition was also hotly contested!

2014 has started off well with our PRISM fundraising and between our two Bunnings BBQs and the Trivia Night we have now raised a total of **$5370.00.** Congratulations to all our hard working volunteers, your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Next up, School Show in Week 9!!

We have our next PRISM Meeting on Wednesday, 11th June, 2014 at 5.30pm in the OHS Music Centre. If you can please come along as we start planning for the School Show and other upcoming events.

Regards, Bronwyn Fox  ohsprism@gmail.com