PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations to Lauren Kerwick in Year 10 who won her event at the 2015 All Schools Triathlon held in Penrith at the International Regatta Centre on Thursday 26th February. Lauren represented Orange High School in the Intermediate category. Competing against 103 fellow participants in the 600m swim, 15km cycle and 4km run, Lauren was strong in all three disciplines and won the event in a personal best time. In fact Lauren beat the rest of the field by an amazing 52 seconds which in Triathlon terms I understand is almost like an eternity. This achievement means Lauren has qualified to represent NSW for the third consecutive year at the School Sport Australia Triathlon Championships in Penrith on 27-30th April 2015. Lauren will compete against other elite triathletes representing their respective Australian states and territories. It is hopeful that she will better her previous second placing at the National Championships held in Adelaide last year.

Congratulations also to Kyle Ostini in Year 12 who represented Orange High School in the Senior category (750m swim/20km cycle/5km run) finishing the longer distance in a respectable time of 1:06:20 in 24th position. This was also a worthy result as Kyle has only recently returned to the sport after a 12 month sojourn, recovering from a significant back injury. His preparation was restricted by a low intensity training regime in the lead up to the annual event.

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Congratulations to the Orange High School students and staff who won The School Challenge section of the event on behalf of Orange High School. In total 17 students comprised Erin Gates, Liesel Haberecht, Amber Wilson, Tahlia Rassam, Jacinta Smith, Victoria Smith, Anabelle Crisp, Ben Blanch, Hope Webb, Eliza Owens, Gabrielle Lloyd, Thomas Lloyd, Noah Lamrock, Ben Cox, Joe Almond, Noah Ferguson, Kyle Ostini and Lauren Kerwick represented our school. Not to be outdone, congratulations also to the following staff who helped achieve the goal, Helene Hamilton, Gail Thorley, Cassie Coates, Daniel Wait and Terry Baker.
Interim reports were distributed to students in Years 7 and 11 earlier this week. The brief reports are designed to provide early feedback on how your child is settling in and adjusting to education either in their first year of high school or senior school. **Any students with ticks in the unsatisfactory areas will be followed up by the deputy principal of their year group.** We also encourage all parents in Years 7, 11 and 12 to log onto the new ‘Parent Portal’ to make bookings for Parent Teacher Meetings next Monday 9 March. Anyone requiring assistance logging onto or accessing the portal is welcome to phone Chloe or Bec in the front office on 6362 3444.

Just a reminder re safety and responsibility around the school. Unfortunately due to the size and location of our school we are very limited in terms of drop-off and parking areas close to the school. **When dropping off your children please ensure it is done within the zoned areas; along Woodward and or Coronation Drive.** Please also refrain from driving into the main carpark off Woodward Street during or immediately before or after school hours. There have been two incidents of car damage in this area in recent weeks due to the tight and overcrowded spacing. As a result we have created a competition between maths classes in Year 10 to design the best layout for the carpark. The class who fits the most cars safely into the space will be declared the winner and as a result their design may be implemented.

**Last week Student Leaders from Orange High Harry Roth and Alice Kjoller inducted the Captains and House Captains at Nashdale Primary School last Friday.** The afternoon was a wonderful celebration of student leadership with the potential to make positive and empowering contributions to school culture and direction. Congratulations to all!

**D LLOYD, Principal**

**P & C NEWS**

The Orange High School P&C Association is always looking to enhance the service provided by the school canteen and so would value any feedback given by parents and students. We have set up a short survey and would appreciate you sparing us a few minutes give us your thoughts. The survey can be completed online by following the link [http://goo.gl/forms/4pXAOXPXmw1](http://goo.gl/forms/4pXAOXPXmw1). We will use the information provided to help assess and review the operations of the canteen. Thank you.

Keith Lummis
President P&C

**ASSESSMENTS DUE – WEEK 7**
Year 7: Japanese Task 2 skills assessment, Tech Mandatory Agriculture research task, Tech Mandatory Home Economics research task, Tech Mandatory Industrial Arts research task
Year 8: PDHPE writing task - caring and respectful relationships, Japanese task 2 skills assessment, Tech Mandatory Agriculture, research task, Tech Mandatory Home Economics research task, Tech Mandatory Industrial Arts research task
Year 9: Marine Studies properties of the marine environment
Year 10: Marine Studies boating licence skills demonstration
Year 11: Biology field study, Engineering Studies research report, Modern History examination, Physics experiment, Senior Science research

FACULTY NEWS
The HSIE Faculty has made an enthusiastic start to 2015. This year we look forward to many exciting progressions including the continued introduction of the Australian Curriculum in History, commemorating 100 years since Australians landed at Gallipoli, the introduction of new Japanese, Software Design and Work Studies subjects for year 11 students, and several extension activities for students to reach their full potential in their HSIE subjects.

Students in HSIE have been studying a wide range of topics, our senior students in Ancient History, Modern History, Legal Studies, Business Studies and Society and Culture all working hard towards great results in their HSC.

During term 4 last year, we organised the Remembrance Day commemoration service (see picture). The service gave all students and staff the opportunity to stop from their everyday lives and be thankful for the country we live in and those who have sacrificed for our freedoms in it. This year we again hope to see many students at the town ANZAC march and services, an event that is a great way to demonstrate our respect to those who have served and are serving Australia. In commemoration of 100 years since the landing at Gallipoli, we will be working with students to create a memorial garden near the PAC that can be an everyday reminder of our freedom and those who sacrificed for it.

Fire and Rescue and The Rural Fire Service will be visiting Orange High School early next term to assist stage 5 students in their understanding of natural disasters, natural hazards and land and water management. HSIE appreciates the community links with these organisations.

We are all well into a great year of learning about Human Society and its Environment at Orange High School. We look forward to meeting parents at the upcoming parent teacher interviews.
Orange High School Open Hockey team members Hudson Smith, Hayden Dillon and Bailey Ferguson modelling the new shirts made possible by Charles Sturt University’s Healthy Active Sporting Regions Program.

Orange High School Open Boys Hockey team will be looking extra smart on the pitch this year.

Thanks to a $500 grant as part of Charles Sturt University’s Community-University Partnership program, Orange High were able to purchase a set of brand new playing shirts to be used solely by the hockey team for the first time ever.

The grant was under the Healthy Active Sporting Regions Program, and has assisted in meeting the costs of the fantastic shirts that were designed by Hayden Dillon, and organised by Hayden’s mum Gay.

The Orange High School side has been Orange Interschool Champions for the last four years, and are very competitive in the Western Knockout. Our side has boasted a number of Western Region and state players.

A huge thank you to Charles Sturt University for helping to provide such a valuable resource for our boys hockey team.

Melanie Hope, Coach

THE BUZZ
Movie Premiere
Insurgent
Thursday 19
March 2015

THURSDAY 19 MARCH
ODEON 5 CINEMA - Orange
Starting at 6.15pm with Pizza
Movie screening at 7pm
TICKETS $25 per person

Contact Fiona 0448 053 783, Karen 0467 691 031 or Gay 0400 269 977

Fundraiser for Chloe Barrett,
Hayden Dillon, Bailey Ferguson
& Eva Reith-Snare who are all
representing Hockey NSW at
Australian National
Championships in April.

Chloe - U18 Girls National Championships in Adelaide
Hayden - U18 Boys National Championships in Melbourne
Bailey - 15 Boys National Championships in Hobart
Eva - U15 Girls National Championships on Gold Coast.