From the Principal

It has been a very term 3 and I am sure all the children, and staff, are looking forward to the September holiday period. When the students return for term 4 the new classrooms will be completed and Classes 10, 11 and 12 will move into the new accommodation. The new classrooms are magnificent and the construction firm, Hines from Bathurst, are to be congratulated for their work on this major project. The 2 buildings include modern kitchen facilities, bathrooms and laundries, underfloor heating and study centres.

Over the vacation period work will commence on the cycle track in the playground and 2 of the 3 demountable buildings will be relocated to the southern is of the boundary fence. The demountable buildings will be used to house the therapy programs and classroom activities. While this work is undertaken the playground cannot be used by the children for the first 3 weeks in Term 4. For this time the students will use the hall, internal quads and the agriculture site during morning and lunch breaks.

Once all the work is completed families and caregivers will have an opportunity to visit the new facilities on a date to be advised.

Class 6 had a wonderful excursion to Sydney this week, visiting a number of the iconic sites in the city. Special thanks to Mrs Priest, Mrs Weekes and Mrs Huggett and also to Mrs Huggett’s family whose hospitality made this excursion so very special.

After such a busy period could I acknowledge and thank all the staff for their hard work over the past term. Their commitment and work ensures all the students receive the very best education and extra curricula activities.

Please note that Term 3 will conclude today, Friday 20 September and staff and students will return for Term 4 on Tuesday 8 October.

Enjoy your break,

Advance Notice for Year 12 Graduates and their Families

2013 GRADUATION

This year the Year 12 Graduation Celebration will be held on Thursday 12th December at the Orange Ex-Services Club.

School & Class Notes

Please remember to check school bags and communication books for any notes that may have been given out at school. These notes may include the newsletter, permission notes or information about what’s happening in your child’s class and may need to be signed and returned as soon as possible so your child doesn’t miss out on any outings or special events.
School Uniform
School uniform is compulsory at Anson Street School and the school asks all parents and carers to support this policy. Polo shirts (both short and long sleeve), polar fleece jumpers, skorts (a skirt/shorts combination for girls) and limited size rugby jumpers can only be purchased through the school – they are not sold elsewhere.
If you would like to purchase any of these items please request a uniform order from the office. Payment options include cash and cheque.
If you are unable to purchase uniforms due to financial difficulties the school has limited funds available through the Student Assistance Scheme. These forms can be requested from the office and all applications are kept in strict confidence.

STUDENT SPECIAL TRANSPORT SERVICES
RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS AND CARERS
It is the responsibility of parents/carers to contact the relevant Special Transport Service (bus or taxi) if students do not require transport on a particular day. Transport can be cancelled by contacting:
CareWest Bus Service 6362 6554
Orange Taxi Service 131 008

Medication at School – Reminder
If your child takes medication at school you are reminded that the following procedures need to occur.

- The school needs signed instructions on dose and time medication is to be given
- The medication must be brought into school in the original container from the prescription with name, dosage, time and expiry date
- The medication must be brought into school and signed in at the office by parents – not the student and not given to the bus/taxi driver
- If medication is changed you must notify the school, complete a form and sign it to allow staff to give the new medication/dose.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Community News

Puberty, Sexuality and Relationships Forum
Family Planning NSW will be holding a free forum for parents and carers of children and young people with intellectual disability. Find out how to support your family member’s personal development in a positive way. The forum will include:

- Preparing for puberty changes; Decision making and safety; Sexuality and disability; Books, DVD’s and resources; Tips for talking about sex and answering tricky questions; Experienced presenters to answer your questions; Meet other parents; Free resource bag

Date: Monday 23 September 2013
Time: 6-8pm
Venue: Carewest Skills Development & Training Centre – 264 Peisley Street, Orange
For more info contact Danielle Fehir at Family Planning NSW on 02 8752 4388

SCHOOL HOLIDAY JUNIOR CHESS TOURNAMENT IN ORANGE
Incorporating the NSW Country Junior Championships
Western Qualifier for Under 18 & 12 Divisions

WHERE: St Barnabas Anglican Church Parish Hall Corner Dora and McLachlan Streets East Orange
WHEN: Thursday 3rd October 2013
TIME: 9:45 am to 3:30pm
ENTRY FEE: $10 [$5 for additional family member]
PRIZES: Trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in Under 18 and Under 12
REGISTER BY: 1st October 2013 latest by contacting one of the following Junior Chess Coordinators:
1. Alexander Aich Ph 6884 4561 alexander.aich@gmail.com
2. Joe Cummins Ph 6362 6882 heather.cummins@optusnet.com.au
WHAT TO BRING: Lunch & refreshments [soft drinks and bottled water for sale]
You don’t have to be good, this is a fun tournament. But knowledge of the rules is required. The games will be timed with chess clocks. Don’t worry if you have never played with clocks. You’ll be told how they work. The results will be sent to the NSW Junior Chess League for ratings.

WHAT’S ON IN ORANGE
To find events coming up in Orange and the local area go to www.visitorange.com.au