From the Principal

In today’s Central Western Daily there is a wonderful story about the official unveiling of the therapy equipment donated by Niagara Therapy (Australia). The company owner, Mr Peter Crealy and Niagara CEO, Mr Keith Meiforth travelled from Brisbane to present the equipment to the children and the school. Niagara Therapy is a national company which supplies equipment to therapists, hospitals and other medical facilities and has a commitment/charity branch supporting children in special schools throughout Australia. The therapy equipment has been specifically designed and built for a school setting.

Sailing has commenced for the summer season and, as in the past, most of the sailing will be held locally at Lake Canobolas. There will be some occasions to broaden the experience for the children to travel to Lake Burrendong. All children at the school will have the opportunity to go sailing in the specially designed Access Dinghies. The Dinghies have many safety features and we encourage family members to visit the Lake when your child is sailing. The staff responsible for the sailing program all have Yachting Australia Instructor qualifications. The staff are required to undertake reassessment and accreditation processes periodically to maintain their Instructor level qualification.

Enjoy your week,

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SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

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.

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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

National Field Days Poll Dorset Colouring In Competition

This year’s prize winners for the Poll Dorset colouring in competition at the National Field Days were:

First Prize: Ashley (C1)
Second Prize: Jesse (C8)
Third Prize: Kyle (C4)
Highly Commended: Sarah (C6), Jordan (C4), Jessie (C1) and Zac (C8).

Well done to all the prize winning students and everyone who entered.
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.

A reminder to all visitors to the school, please proceed to the Administration Office on arrival. Mrs Owens and Miss Cridland will look after your enquiries.

Community News

Teen Time
The program, funded by ADHC and operated by Orange City Council, is based at Anson Street School in the hall. The after school program operates from 3.00 – 6.00pm during term time and from 8.00am – 6.00pm during vacation periods. There will be a maximum of 9 students supervised by 3 members of staff (employed by Orange City Council). Brochures are available from the school office. Please contact Teen Time Coordinator, Ms Margi Garretty, on 6393 8617 or 0418 403 367 for all enquiries.

Education Matters
Do you have a child with a disability who will be starting school 2014/2015? Now is the time to start planning! Do you have a child with disability already at school? Are you aware of the different ways your school can support your child?
Lisa Whittaker from the Dept of Education will be giving an overview of the different types of support available through the public education system. Topics include: Learn about the options available – mainstream school or special school. What are the Dept's disability criteria? Find out about regional placement panels and their role, Does your child need special equipment? Are there supports available to assist with transport to and from school? What are Learning and Support Teams? and How can we support with special needs as they progress through the education system?
When: Thursday 14 November 2013
Time: 6.30 – 8.30pm
Venue: Orange Ex Services Club
RSVP: By Friday 1 November to Suzi Welch on 6360 1455
Bookings are essential as there are limited numbers available. Dinner is provided.

Resourcing Families
Individualised Funding in NSW – What it could mean for you
Individualised funding opportunities are becoming more available for people with disability in NSW. Resourcing Families is a statewide initiative that works with families that include a family member with developmental disability. It provides information, ideas and resources about developing a positive vision for the future, building informal supports, establishing networks, creating community connections and having more choice and control within people’s lives.
When: Thursday 21 November 2013
Time: 10am – 12pm
Venue: Ex-Services Club, Orange
Bookings are essential – phone: 1800 774 764

No Interest Loans Scheme (NILS) is servicing eligible customers in your community.
You may be able to receive a subsidy for:

- Solar Hot Water Systems
- Instantaneous Gas Hot Water Systems
- Split System Heaters/Coolers
- Ducted Gas Central Heating
- Fridges/Freezers
- Washing Machines
- Clothes Dryers
- Dishwashers

We would like the opportunity to discuss how you can benefit so please don't hesitate to contact us for further information call Anglicare on 1800 644 556.

Cadia Valley Operations Open Day
Sunday 17 November 2013
Experience firsthand the surface mining operations of one of Australia's largest underground gold mines at the Cadia Valley Operations Open Day.

On the 2.5 hour guided bus tours visitors will see sweeping views of the open cut lookout, get up close to super-sized mining machinery, visit CVO's ore processing plant and glimpse into the future at the progressive rehabilitation of CVO's waste rock dumps. This year, the Open Day will be run exclusively out of Blayney and will be held in conjunction with the inaugural Blayney Festival.
Tickets are a gold coin donation and are available:
- Blayney Visitor Information Centre. Ph: 6368 3534.
- Orange Visitor Information Centre. Ph: 1800 069 466.
For more information, contact 02 6392 2317.