Welcome back to Term 3 which we anticipate will be another busy 10 week period. Special welcome to the new students and families.

The cold and wet weather this week has meant the students have had limited access to the playground area, however the new COLA and the Café COLA are great alternatives for the children to use during the morning and lunch breaks.

There are a number of significant events happening this term which include:

- **Education Week** – 28 July to 1 August. The week will be coordinated by Mr Moor. Additional details regarding Education Week will be sent out next week.

- **Art On Anson** – 4 August to Friday 8 August. The exhibition of children’s work is an important event on the school calendar and we look forward to seeing many visitors during this special week.

- **Variety Bash** – 19 August. The Western Australia Variety Bash will visit Anson Street School on Tuesday 19 August and will have breakfast in the School Café. The children will have an opportunity to meet the visitors and inspect the many cars which will be parked on the school playground.

- **School Concert** – 10 & 11 September. The annual School Concert will be an opportunity for all parents, caregivers and friends to enjoy the musical talents of the children. Ms Parsonage and Ms McGrath are coordinating the concert this year.

This term the students participating in the Schools Spectacular (November performances at the Sydney Entertainment Centre) will commence rehearsals under the guidance of Ms McGrath and her creative team.

As you would be aware a meeting will be held to re-establish the P&C. Thank you to those who returned the survey. Details about the meeting will be sent home early next week. If you are interested in becoming a member please contact the office on 63624563.

Garry Brotherton
School Uniform Shop
The School Uniform Shop stocks polar fleece jumpers and short and long sleeve polo shirts. All items include embroidery of the school logo. Please request an order form from the office if you would like to place an order.

Reminder – Please ensure all items (clothing, lunch boxes, drink bottles, school bags etc) are clearly labelled with your child’s name so as items are not misplaced and can be returned promptly.

If your child is sick at school we will monitor the situation. If we feel that your child is not going to manage we will phone you to collect them. It is not in their best interest to be at school if they are sick. If parents are not in a position to collect their child please make sure the emergency contact numbers are up to date so we can phone someone else to collect them.

Absences
Please ensure a phone call or a note explaining your child’s absence from school is given as soon as your child returns. If no explanation is given the absence is entered into the computer as an “unexplained” absence. If too many unexplained absences occur for a particular student it is then followed up by the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO).

Mobile phones, iPods and other electronic equipment wherever possible should not be brought to school. Our experience is that this equipment can be easily broken or misplaced. Should phones be brought to school they can be left at the main office for safe keeping and collected in the afternoon.

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

Students should not be dropped off at school prior to 8.45am. Staff require this time to prepare and organise materials for the day. On occasions when this is unavoidable students should sit on the seats provided in the foyer area until the bell goes at 8.45am at which time they go to their classroom.

Please update contact details when necessary. New addresses and/or phone numbers should be provided to the school office as soon as possible to ensure you can be contacted quickly in case of emergency.

Medication at School – Reminder
If your child takes medication regularly (every day) 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 and time
- The medication must be brought into school 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.

When exiting the school at the top driveway vehicles MUST turn left. Turning right is not only dangerous it is also illegal and drivers may incur a penalty if noticed by police.

Please use the pedestrian crossing at the lights. It is most important we all set the correct example for the children.

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.

Community Noticeboard

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.