



*A New World of Learning...*

## ORANGE ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER  
5 July 2018



### From the Deputy Headmaster...

The last weeks at OAGS have inadvertently showcased just how far we have come as a school. Let me give you a snapshot of the last 6 school days;

On Thursday 21st our Futsal U16 boys team and our U16 girls team both won gold at the regional finals. This means that both teams will now travel to Sydney in August to compete at the State finals. Congratulations to all.



On Friday 22nd, we hosted our first ever full-school athletics carnival right here on-site. After a false start due to weather earlier in the week, we enjoyed a perfect winter's day on Trinity oval and the grounds of OAGS.

See a short video of the day here: <https://youtu.be/BpQrFwOkTwi>

On Tuesday 26th and Thursday 28th, the primary chess teams competed in two days of competition in the Western Region primary chess competition. On Thursday all of stage 5 Agriculture enjoyed a working farm visit with Mrs Ferguson, while the evening of the 28th saw the fabulous musical showcase 'prelude to winterlude' hosted in the Media Centre.



Wednesday the 27th saw Transition students travel to the Australian Fossil museum in Bathurst and from all reports the children had a terrific time.

On Friday 29th, many weeks of hard work were finally showcased by students from years 7 and 8 in the STEM exhibition. The secondary school has developed this innovative unit of work in partnership



with the University of Sydney's STEM Teacher Enrichment Academy. This project has involved students tackling a real world problem using skills and knowledge from the STEM disciplines of Science, Technology and Mathematics. They have utilised surveys, scientific experiments, research

and guest speakers as well as explicit teaching to investigate features that

### *It's a date...*

*For all of our important dates please find the live calendar on the Website:*

<http://www.oags.nsw.edu.au/notes-info>

*Year 11 Snow Camp*

*20-24 July 2018*

*Primary WAS Athletics Carnival (Dubbo)*

*25 July 2018*

*Kindergarten Vision Screening*

*26 July 2018*

*Poetry in Action (Stage 3)*

*27 July 2018*

*Year 11 Snow Camp*

*20-24 July 2018*

*Japanese Exchange Program*

*30 July – 5 August 2018*

*Stage 4 Headmaster's Meeting*

*30 July 2018*

*Marianne Murphy Netball*

*31 July 2018*

*ICAS English*

*31 July 2018*

*Stage 5 Subject Info Night*

*20-24 July 2018*

*HSC Maths Study Day*

*2 August 2018*

*NSW Schools Futsal State Finals*

*2 August 2018*

*World Vision Visit*

*2 August 2018*

*Leave it on the Court*

*2 August 2018*

*Rugby 7's Tournament*

*3 August 2018*

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contribute to the successful conversion of shipping containers to buildings. The school was honoured to host Orange Deputy Mayor, Jo McRae as she toured the exhibition.



And all that in the space of 8 days! But it is time now for our students to take a break. I sincerely hope that you are able to find some time together as family to recharge and reconnect. My prayers are for your safety as you travel and for richness in relationship as you enjoy a quieter pace over the winter vacation.

Sincerely,

**Scott Hazelton**  
Deputy Headmaster

## *Athletics News*

### *AICES Secondary Cross Country*

15 secondary students were selected in the WAS Cross Country team following their performance at the WAS Cross Country Carnival. On Tuesday 15th June, these students travelled to the Sydney International Equestrian Centre at Horsley Park to compete in the AICES Cross Country Championships. With 67 schools belonging to AICES, there was a lot of tough competition. The course followed the path of the equestrian cross country, creating a beautiful but challenging course for our athletes.

Our students performed brilliantly and their sportsmanship and team spirit were exceptional.

Following their 5th and 7th places respectively, Jackson Willis and Ethan Norcott were selected in the AICES team to compete at the CIS Cross Country Championships.



### *CIS Cross Country*

On Thursday 14th June 2018, seven OAGS students travelled to Eastern Creek, Sydney, to compete in the CIS Cross Country Championships.

Isla Stringer, Nate Lee, Milla Jurd, Blake Gleeson, Sam Brown, Imogen Johnston, Jocelyn Blair, Ethan Norcott and Jackson Willis represented OAGS with pride and enthusiasm.

With up to 100 athletes in each race, the start line was particularly challenging. Navigating a path through the masses of running legs was extremely difficult. With a long, steady climb greeting athletes for the first 500m of the course, a good start was crucial, as was determination to stick to the fast pace around the rest of the 2000, 3000 and 6000 m courses.

Congratulations to each of our students for their effort, determination and enthusiasm on the day.



**Mrs Jessica Willis**  
OAGS Athletics Coordinator

## Sports News

### NSW Schools Futsal Championships - Orange Region

Congratulations to our U16 Boys and U16 Girls Futsal teams who have progressed to the State Finals of the 2018 NSW Schools Futsal Championships. Our teams will represent the Central West at the finals after they won the gold medal in their respective competitions at the regional round held at the Orange PCYC on the 21st June.

#### U16 Boys-

Zac Pavy (captain), Jackson Willis, Ethan Norcott, Tim Phiri, Fraser Fisher, Jock Johnston, Hamish Blair, Charlie Ross.

#### U16 Girls-

Milla Polley (captain), Charlie Watson, Jessica Bennett, Claire Ferguson, Brooke Windus, Alexandra Windus, Hannah Dewar.

Despite getting our day off to a winning start with a 2-1 victory against Dubbo Christian School, our U16 Girls had to take the hard road to victory defeating two teams in the finals who had gone through the majority of the day undefeated. The U16 Boys also faced a similar challenge, having to defeat a skillful Kelso High in the semi-final before facing MAGS in the final, who had got the better of them in the pool match. The final was hard fought finishing 1-1 after extra time with OAGS eventually getting the gold with a 4-3 win in the penalty shootout. Results from the day are as follows:

U16 Boys	U16 Girls
<b>RD 1- OAGS 3- 3</b> Kelso High School Goals: Willis 2, Phiri 1	<b>RD 1- OAGS 2- 1</b> Dubbo Christian School Goals: B. Windus 2
<b>RD 2- OAGS 3-1</b> Dubbo Christian School Goals: Willis 2, Ross 1	<b>RD 2- OAGS 0-2</b> Wellington High School Goals:
<b>RD 3- OAGS 0-1</b> Macquarie Anglican Grammar School Goals:	<b>RD 3- OAGS 2-3</b> Kelso High School Goals: Polley 1, B. Windus 1
<b>Semi- OAGS 2-1</b> Kelso High School Goals: Willis 2	<b>RD 4- OAGS 2-1</b> Oberon High Goals: Polley 1, B. Windus 1
<b>Final- OAGS 1-1</b> Macquarie Anglican Grammar School Goals: Willis 1	<b>RD 5- OAGS 5-0</b> Kelso High School Goals: Ferguson 2, B Windus 2, Dewar 1
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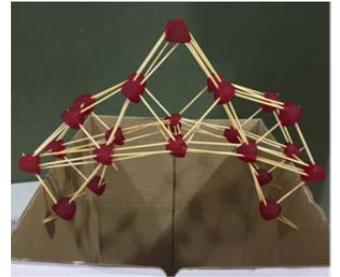


Mr Ben Doyle  
OAGS Sports Coordinator

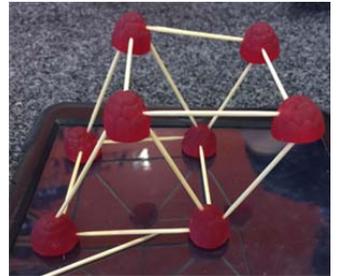
## LEAP@OAGS – bridging the gap



This last week, LEAP students were presented with a bridge building task. Each individual student was resourced with a container of toothpicks and packet of raspberry lollies. Using only these items, they were tasked with building a bridge that could span a “9-inch gorge” and hold \$3 worth of coins. All participants met this objective within a 20 minute timespan employing a range of different engineering designs that all got the job done in their own unique way.



The “bridging the gap” activity led me to reflect on different types of bridge building associated with the gifted and talented program since its inauguration this term; LEAP was officially launched building associations amongst parents, teachers and students across stages, breaking away from an age-based teaching model that has been around since the Industrial Revolution. We have also constructed networks in the academic community, participating and placing 6<sup>th</sup> overall in the da Vinci



Decathlon out of 25 schools. In Term 3, LEAP will look to build further connections between OAGS and the various schools in our region through participation in the Tournament of Minds at CSU Bathurst.



Students in LEAP are currently working on their Major Project Proposals in consultation with both teacher mentors and collaboratively as a group. This “passion project” has allowed them to delve into an area of interest, creating a connection between real and assumed

knowledge through the assessment of the validity of various debates. Some topics currently being researched range from whether Shakespeare was a fraud to how computer games desensitise users to violence, and the issues and implications of live animal exports. Students will submit these proposals at the beginning of Term 3 which link to their Major Essay, which is a key component of this year’s LEAP program.

Based on this terms successes, I eagerly look forward to students building on their accomplishments as they have and continue to impress me in every activity they have undertaken.

Luke Simkins  
LEAP Coordinator



## Music News

What a musical term we have had! Thank you to all the students who are embracing all the opportunities that OAGS offers in music, and thank you to all the parents for your support. We acknowledge and appreciate the time, effort, expense and dedication that you show in supporting your musical children.

Some highlights of our term include:

### *Musica Viva In-School Concert*

Makukuhan, an musical ensemble from Indonesia, brought their traditional music to OAGS earlier this term. Students learned about Indonesian instruments, they sang some Indonesians songs and learnt a dance. Our visitors were particularly impressed with Stage 1 Malaysia who were able to speak their language.





**Studio Concerts**

Many of our instrumental tutors hosted studio concerts to provide an opportunity for students to perform for each other and for their friends and parents to hear their progress. Thank you to all the the parents that attended and the children who came along to support their friends' performances.



**Prelude to Winterlude**

More than 110 parents and friends gathered together in the Media Centre on Thursday night for the Prelude Concert to *Winterlude*. Beginner, Junior, and Concert bands, the String, Brass, Reed and Flute choirs, Soloists including Rhys Johnston, Tyler and Giles Jones, Jessica Bennett and Ethan Norcott and the Senior Vocal Ensemble all performed brilliantly.

Thank you to Ms Killen, Mr Ismail, Mr Shaw and Ms Gregory for preparing our ensembles and for participating in their performances. Our thanks also go the P&F for providing refreshments on the night - most appreciated! We can't wait for next term's *Winterlude* social night - an evening for the adults to catch up and enjoy good food and drink with musical interludes brought to you by our talented senior students.



### ***HICES Music Festival Students***

Our congratulations go to the 8 of our 9 high school students who were accepted to the HICES Music Festival after a rigorous audition process. Our fingers remain crossed for one student waitlisted in an exceptionally competitive field. We are so proud of you! These students will attend a 3 day music camp which will culminate in a combined performance at Sydney Town Hall on August 22.

Have a great holiday everyone - and don't forget to keep up the practice on your instruments!

**Mr Annett and Mrs Colgan.**



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### ***Chess Club***

Players of all ages and skill levels are welcome on Thursday lunchtime to come together to play chess. They either play a game of chess against an opponent in the lunch competition determining the best chess players in the OAGS or on some occasions, the Chess guru and teacher Mr Cummins runs a special masterclass. In a masterclass the students learn chess skills and knowledge to improve their game. The Chess Club is gaining a large following and is always open to new players who wish to play either for fun or want to play competitively.

A team of four secondary players from the Chess Club have been chosen to participate in the Western Region Secondary Chess Competition where they faced off against other schools. The OAGS competitive chess team consists of Captain Jack Dixon, Scott Mcgoldrick, Rhys Johnston and Tyler Jones. OAGS in the second round, after their first round bye faced off against St Stanislaus' College, in Bathurst and lost 3-1. We then hosted Orange High School and won 3-1. In our fourth round we versed Canobolas Rural Technology High at home and won a stunning 4-0 victory. We look forward to our next round of chess with many lunchtime players vying for a spot in the OAGS secondary chess team.

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### ***English Report***

The Secondary English Department has been a hive of activity this semester! From *To Kill A Mockingbird* to *Fractured Fairy Tales*; from *Romeo & Juliet* to *Macbeth* and beyond, students have been delving into a literary world and broadening their horizons!

At the beginning of Term 2 we welcomed Ms Giuliana Hannelly to the school, and she has settled in with her classes and fellow teachers in spectacular fashion! We are very happy to have her here!

Year 10 has been studying *Macbeth* this term and we were fortunate enough to get a troupe of actors from Bell Shakespeare to perform for us. The three gifted thespians brought their show *Macbeth: The Rehearsal* to OAGS and students from Years 7-11 were invited to watch. The Year 10 cohort benefited greatly from this performance as their understanding of the play and its messages became clearer. For assessment, students were asked to rewrite a scene from *Macbeth* into prose. A brilliant sample from one of our students is featured below:

Macbeth Rewrite - The Witches Scene - Mitchell McGoldrick (Year 10)

*Just then, a faint but almost imperceptibly crescendic cacophony of wailing calls, of odiously animate echoes, began to be heard – perhaps these came from deeper within the tomblike cavern, perhaps they came from disparate points in space, but to a mortal such sounds would be an incitement for perturbation, then terror, then panic; for these were the calls of the sisters' familiars, their kindred assistant spirits, each a spirit owing its allegiance to its respective mistress, and each having a distinct form of its own.*

*"I'm coming, Graymalkin!", called Nemesis, as the long dark shadows of something hideously feline could be discerned to appear on the cavern walls – and one would have noticed how its gait quickened at the intonation of its mistress. Tyche, for her*

*part, could readily discern the apparition of a grey-green ectoplasmic cloud beside her place at the cauldron, a cloud at first amorphous then rapidly coalescing itself into a repulsively batrachian form: "My toad, Paddock, comes to me – sit here, my dear!" Eris knew that her own familiar, still shapeless but more terrible yet, was imminently to materialise; "Anon, my pet, I'm right here!"*

*By this time, all three sisters had arisen, and, each having brought unto her breast her own familiar, incanted in unison their departing spell, one well rehearsed and of cold foreboding: "Now fair is foul, and foul is fair – let us fly as wraiths upon and through the fog and foetid air!"*

Terms 3 and 4 are gearing up to be just as busy and exciting as the year so far! Year 12 will be gearing up for their Trials, Year 11 will complete their final term before beginning their HSC; Years 7 - 10 will be solidly reading and writing... the second half of the year is always a hectic time!

Until next term...



**Mrs Catherine Stevenson & Mrs Giuliana Hannelly**  
Secondary English Teachers

### ***Danygamarra Shield- Spell Off***

Over the last few weeks of the Danygamarra Shield, house groups have been participating a Spell Off where students get to celebrate achievements of a more academic nature. The first week of the challenge required students to compete against other members of their House for the right to represent their house. The competition was tough with many talented students competing for the right to be their House representative.

Over the next two weeks students came together as a whole school to see who the best junior (years 7 to 9) and best Senior (Years 10 to 12) speller was. The challenge was intense. The competition consisted of students spelling out some difficult words in a similar format to the television show Spelling Bee. In the junior competition, Olivia Hazelton Berry took out the title but was challenged all the way by some very capable spellers.

In the third week of the challenge, senior students competed for the crown of the best speller with the degree of difficulty ramping up. Some of the words students found challenging included camaraderie and onomatopoeia. Oliver O'Connor and Jack Dixon were the winners of the day.

The final week of the Spelling competition required the winning junior and senior students to spell some genuinely difficult words and compete against their teachers. It was a lot of fun to try spelling words that most of the students have never used, let alone seen. Congratulations to Year student Oliver O'Connor who came away champion. Who doesn't know how to spell logorrhoea and phalanx?



The following students are to be congratulated and thanked for representing their house group.

Year 7 Harrison Baker, Isabella Fock, Olivia Hazelton Berry, Lilly Hassell

Year 8 Rhys Johnston, Evie Fock, Thapelo Nare, Scott Mc Goldrick

Year 9 Bella Noble, Adelaide Webster, Suzie Daugherty, Jamie Lipscomb

Year 10 Tim Phiri, Maddy Mackay, Jess Bennett, Charlie Watson

Year 11 Jess Windus, Emerson Ginns, Alicia Robinson Giles Jones

Year 12 Katya Long, Caitlin Wright, Jack Dixon, Oliver O' Connor.

Thank you also to the teachers who assisted during the Spell Off and helped make it a successful house competition.

**Mrs Jane Keene**  
Biladurang House Teacher

## Student Spotlight

**Samantha and Jessica Williamson** had a brilliant time representing OAGS and competing at the recent North West Equestrian Expo in Coonabarabran. The Expo attracts up to 600 riders and more than 700 horses annually to the town on the Newell Highway adjacent to the Warrumbungle National Park, home to the world renowned Siding Spring observatory.

All in all Samantha came 4th in her Combined Training 80cm, whilst Jessica came 10th in her Combined Training 60cm and also came 5th in her age group 60cm Show jumping. They competed against very strong competition with students competing from schools all over NSW. Congratulations to Samantha, Jessica and also to their Team Manager/Mum Edwina for your commitment to driving Equestrian opportunities for OAGS students.



**Miley O'Brien** was recently featured in The Land newspaper in the lead up to the Charolais Youth Stampede where both she and little sister Isla are competing during the holidays. We wish both the girls the best of luck!



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## OAGS Annual Short Story Competition

The objective of the competition is to provide a platform for young writers and to encourage them further

We cordially invite all OAGS students to participate in this competition and submit your short stories

The submitted entries will be scrutinised and 10-15 best stories will be selected and compiled in a story book published by Central West Publishing

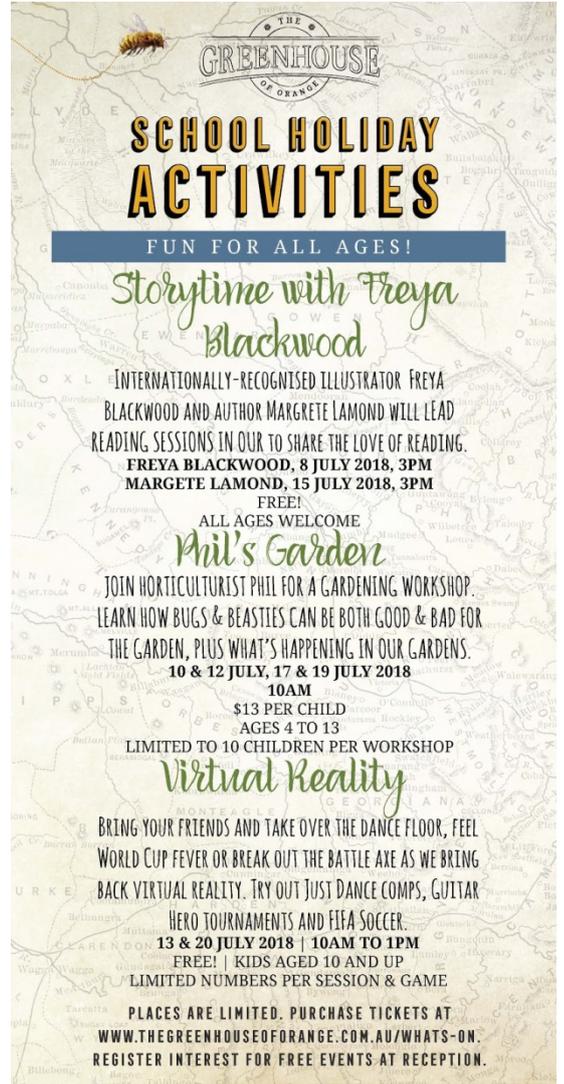
Rules for participation:

- Students of all grades are welcome to participate
- The story can be based on fiction or non-fiction themes and should not contain anything objectionable
- The story has to be original and not copied from any digital or print source
- There is no limit on the length of the story, but short stories are preferred
- Cartoons and illustrations in the story are most welcome, though not necessary
- Maximum number of entries per student is two

This is a wonderful opportunity to encourage your children to demonstrate their writing skills and become associated with a story book at an early age and perhaps become a published Author!

The entries can be submitted at [editor@centralwestpublishing.com](mailto:editor@centralwestpublishing.com)  
The deadline for submission of your entries is 31 July 2018

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# SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

**FUN FOR ALL AGES!**

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Alinta Apparel is an Australian owned, customised School and Sports uniform manufacturer. Alinta manages over 60 uniform shops across Australia and New Zealand. Alinta has an exclusive partnership with your school to supply all aspects of the school uniform.

### Online School Shop Portal

Your school uniforms are available to be purchased at the school uniform shop. Please check your school web site or the Alinta online portal for the opening hours. You are also able to view the pricelist, book a uniform fitting and purchase uniforms online. To access this, please follow the step below. Step 1: Go to [www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au), click on "online Shopping" then "register"

### Uniform Sizes

In order for Alinta to provide new students with uniforms, it is essential that all new students visit the uniform shop. We stock a wide range of sizes in all of our schools, however, if you suspect you need a special size made either smaller or larger, please visit the shop as soon as possible for your fitting. A special make up order (SMU) may be required and depending on the circumstance this can take up to 12 weeks.

### Extended Hours

The uniform shop generally operates school term only, during January and back-to-school periods the shop will have extended opening hours. During regular school holidays not every school will be open, please visit the online shop portal to view any possible extended hours.

### Refunds, Exchanges and Warranty

Alinta will exchange for another product or size and will refund if you change your mind. All garments must be unworn, not washed and still have original tags and packaging. All items have a 12 month retail warranty, if you are not satisfied with your product, please take the garment to the uniform shop for assessment. If the item is deemed faulty, a replacement will be given.

### FAQ

Q: Can you Layby? And how much is the deposit?  
A: Yes you can. Laybys can only be processed in store and requires a 20% deposit.

Q: Can you purchase online and is there a delivery fee?  
A: Yes definitely, to place an order online, log into your account or create one and click on the "shopping" tab. There is a flat fee for all delivery items, all orders will be posted when your shop is next open. Delivery takes 2-5 business days and is shipped using Australia Post.

Q: What are your payment options?  
A: Alinta accepts, Visa, Mastercard and Cash.

Q: If the uniform shop is closed and I urgently need to speak with someone, who can I call?  
A: Alinta Head Office, if you are after urgent answers please phone 02 4321 0433.

Q: Who can I contact if I have a compliment or a complaint?  
A: Alinta loves feedback, if you need to contact us about your shop experience, please email [info@alinta.com](mailto:info@alinta.com)

Q: Do you stock second hand uniforms?  
A: Some schools may have a second hand rack in store, otherwise second hand may be organised by your school or school community. It's recommended that you phone your uniform shop for clarification on second hand uniforms.

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## UNO Tournament

July 17th From 1pm  
Great Prizes!  
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## Kindness Rocks

July 13th and 18th  
From 11am - 2pm

rock painting workshop for  
our kindness rocks project in  
mental health month  
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## Bullet Journal workshop

July 11th From 10.30am 12.30pm  
July 16th From 2pm-4pm

byo journal or  
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crochet

byo lunch  
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