Orange Christian School newsletter

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Principal's Press

KEN GREENWOOD

Integrity is an important value we seek to teach and model to our students at OCS. It requires us to continually examine the degree to which our practice (what we do) delivers on our objectives (what we say). Our OCS Board and our Executive staff team have been busy in recent months reviewing our Strategic Direction as a school. This has led to some changes we intend to introduce from 2023, to deliver the following elements with greater integrity:

·Induction of new students into OCS culture as our school grows

·Development of student leadership

·Research based, best practice teaching and learning from a Christian perspective

·Management of student wellbeing from Prep to Year 12

·Development of Service, Missions, Camps, Excursions and Sport opportunities

Today I have announced a restructure of OCS school sections and coordinator roles for 2023. Please read the letter to our community in your Schoolstream notifications. Our Strategic Directions will be discussed further at the OCS Association Meeting to be held on Thursday 3 November.

Prayer and Praise

Let us thank God for:

- The effort of the Junior School as they work towards the Musical. The excitement is building! Please pray for Miss Collins and Mrs Denham as they engage, direct and reassure each student
- The upcoming Kindergarten 2023 Orientation and the team who are working towards these days.
- The opportunity to gain an overall view of our school across the stages, at OCS on Show.

Please pray for:

- Our students who are preparing for and completing HSC exams. Please also pray for our younger secondary students who have exams approaching.
- The preparation and planning for end of year events, particularly for Year 10 and Year 12.
- Those who are negatively impacted by excessive rainfall and flooding.

All of our Lion King Jr shows are now sold out.

OCS on Show, however, is still open to whoever would like to come. We have a free sausage sizzle along with plenty of entertainment and displays of all your children's work for you to enjoy!

See you there!

For your Calendar...

Coming Up at OCS

- Year 7 2nd Dose Vaccination - **25th Oct**
- OCS on Show + The Lion King Jr. - **27th + 28th Oct**
- Kindergarten Orientation - **31st Oct + 2nd Nov**
- "Stand Tall" Day - **3rd Nov**
- OCS Association Meeting - **3rd Nov**
- 9-10 Exams - **4th - 9th Nov**
- Year 10 Celebration - **9th Nov**
- 7-8 Exams - **9-11 Nov**
- Rite of Passage - **10 + 11 Nov**

Further dates at www.ocs.nsw.edu.au

Regulars

- STAR - **M-Th 3:15-5pm**
- After School Care - M-F **3:15 - 5:30pm**
- SQUAD - **M-Th 3:15 - 4:30pm**
- Junior Assemblies - **Friday fortnightly -9:30am.**
- Middle/Senior Assemblies - **Friday fortnightly**

More information on

Junior Awards

Junior School

CATH BUCHANAN

It's Lion King week! All the students have been doing a fantastic job practicing their parts and rehearsing their song performances. We can't wait for opening night on Thursday! Kindergarten 2023 Orientation is next week. We warmly welcome our existing Prep families into 'big school'.

It is also very exciting to see the number of new families who will be joining our school from next year. Details about this morning have been sent home. Please contact the front office if you require further information.

Middle School

ADRIAN LEE

Integrity is such a key learning skill. This week we will see the fruit of the work of so many of our school community come together in a wonderful presentation. There will be nerves, hopefully no tears, and lots of joy.

But knowing we've worked hard and contributed to something bigger than us – that's a great thing. An integrity thing.

Senior School

LEN ELLIOTT

Our HSC Exams continue this week. Thanks to our God for the work done so far.

It's Business Studies, English Ext 1, Construction, Hospitality and Biology this week. Our students are grateful for your continued prayers.

It will be good to see our families at OCS on Show this week, and of course at the Lion King. See you then.

Word of the Week - Geography Terms

Week 3

Archipelago

Definition: An archipelago is a large chain of islands

Example:

Squad Term 4

Monday: Cricket

Tuesday: Netball in the morning at 8am - 8.45am

Wednesday: Mixed Sports

Thursday: Hockey

Is this you or someone you know?

From the STAR Coordinator

MELINDA WILLIS

How would you define integrity? Take a minute to think about what integrity means to you.

Academic integrity is the expectation that all members of the academic community act with respect, honesty, fairness, responsibility and trust.

This means:

- Completing your own work
- Acknowledging where information comes from by referencing or citing the source
- Acting ethically and following the rules
- Abiding by copyright and privacy laws.

As Christians we can both follow Jesus' example and ask for God's help to live a life of integrity.

If your child is ever unsure if they are acting with academic integrity when completing a learning task there is a 'Quick Guide to Referencing' (pg 182) in the OCS Student Diary.

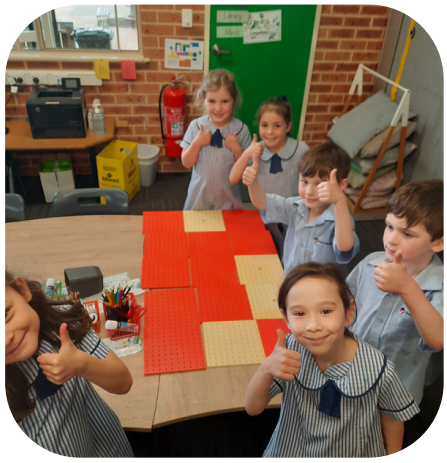
News in Sport

Congratulations to Mitchell, Isaac and Samuel who participated in the CSSA Triathlon last Friday. The boys had an excellent day swimming, cycling and running through a challenging course - and came out 4th overall!

Well done boys!

Photo Gallery

Maths with KS



Final Rehearsals

Orange Christian School's

Production of

Disney

THE LION KING JR

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Music and Lyrics by
Elton John and Tim Rice

Additional Music and Lyrics by
Lebo M, Mark Mancina, Jay Rifkin
and Hans Zimmer

Book by Roger Allers and Irene Mecchi

Based on the Broadway production directed by
Julie Taymor

Music Adapted & Arranged and Additional Music & Lyrics and
"Luau Hawaiian Treat" written by Will Van Dyke

"It's a Small World" written by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman

Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia).
All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

~~23rd~~ SOLD OUT + ~~24th~~ SOLD OUT October

Time: 6pm

Tickets: $15

Find tickets at
www.ocs.nsw.edu.au/school-calendar/
or Eventbrite