During the week, our Local Member Andrew Gee completed the “Ice Bucket Challenge” and nominated our Principal Mr Bliss to do it next. Mr Bliss accepted the challenge, making a mark of $1000 to be raised for him to do it. There was a raffle to raise money in which the two winners were privileged with the honour of dumping the Ice Bucket over Mr Bliss. Friday 5th September Canobolas held their Term 3 Formal Assembly, at the end of the assembly Chris and Gabby from 105.9 Star FM Radio Station arrived to draw the two lucky winners from a bucket, Alison Edwards (Learning and Support Teacher) and Luke Forrest-Smith (Yr9) were drawn and brought to the stage.

Before tipping the Ice Bucket Mr Bliss nominated Nicholas Williams (Head Teacher, English), Stuart Riles (Deputy Principal) and Marie Angus (Director of Public Schools NSW) to complete the challenge also. In good spirit Mr Riles and Mr Williams unexpectedly completed the challenge after Mr Bliss. Local Member Andrew Gee visited to get in on the exciting action! Thankyou to Mr Gee and Chris & Gabby for attending and sharing the fun.

Beating the target goal of money raised with $1030 being donated to MND Australia (Motor Neuron Disease). Well done to all staff and students involved.

See our Facebook page or 105.9 Star FM Facebook page for the videos of the “Ice Bucket Challenge”.
Dear Parents and Members of our School Community

Welcome to week 8. Our inaugural Orange Youth Arts Festival is well underway and students have been given a huge range of opportunities to participate in a range of workshops over the week. We launched our festival on Monday with the Solid State Circus performing acrobatics and gravity defying stunts to over 300 students. Our community launch dinner on Monday evening was a huge success and our hospitality students and staff along with many other staff volunteers assisted to make our outdoor restaurant the talk of the evening. The dinner and atmosphere rivalled any top quality restaurant. I would like to formally thank the Orange Culture Hub for their support in assisting with the launch dinner.

We have had over 30 workshops this week ranging from literature appreciation, art exhibitions, circus performances, hospitality events, drawing workshops, humanity workshops, dance performances, debating, public speaking and music concerts to name just a few. The work which has gone into organising this phenomenal task has been well worth it with the joy that our students have gained from being involved. I would like to formally thank Mr Vince Lovecchio our Community Engagement Officer for the tireless work he has put into making this event a reality. The list of staff, community organisations and individuals who have banned together to ensure the festivals success has been humbling to say the least. So many people have supported our school with this concept and I would like to say a sincere thankyou to every single person, business or organisation who have assisted us. A full list of sponsors can be found on our festival website. www.orangeyouthartsfestival.com

On Sunday, we will officially close our festival with a Cultural Festivities day at our school from 10am-4pm. This day will be a fun day for families with activities for the kids, market stalls, music and dance entertainment plus a whole lot more. If you have the chance to come along and support the Cultural Festivities Day on Sunday, please do so. We are looking forward to an even bigger event in 2015.

An Opportunity of a Lifetime

On Monday 1st September, I received a phone call telling me that our school has been selected as one of only 25 schools across NSW who have been drawn out of a ballot to send four students to Gallipoli to mark the 100th anniversary of the ANZAC landings at Gallipoli. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for four lucky students of The Canobolas Rural Technology High School. Students who are in Years 10,11,or 12 in 2015 will be eligible to enter. Students will be invited to submit a written or visual piece of work on a theme or topic related to the Centenary of ANZAC. A selection panel comprising of myself as chair, Mr Andrew Gee MP, a representative from the RSL sub branch and a member of the community will participate in the local selection process. Our school has until the 27th October to select our representatives. This is one of the most exciting opportunities I have ever been involved in during my time in Education and I would urge all students in Years 10,11,12 in 2015 to make an application. Our students will join with 96 other NSW students from across all bodies of education for a week long trip to Gallipoli in April 2015. The trip is fully funded by the NSW Government so I would encourage all students to apply. I will send home details about the selection process as they become available.

Formal Assembly for Term 3

On Friday, we held our Term 3 assembly recognising our medallion recipients and our Students of the Term. Congratulations to all medallion recipients for this term. Congratulations also to the following students who were nominated as Student of the Term by the school staff.

Yr. 7 - Callan Naden
Yr. 8 - Victoria Rumming
Yr. 9 - Georgia Kiel
Yr. 10 - Daniel Smith
Yr. 11 - Jesse Bennett
Yr. 12 - Hayley Milne
Congratulations

I would like to congratulate Mr Baden Curran who has been appointed to our PDHPE team on a permanent basis. Mr Curran will officially take up his permanent role at the beginning of next term.

Dance Eisteddfod

Last Friday, 85 of our talented dancers under the leadership of Mrs Hurford, competed in the Orange dance eisteddfod. Our students won both divisions which they entered and were also awarded a range of highly commended results. Our dancers also performed two amazing concerts on Wednesday this week. One for our school and one for our community on Wednesday evening. As always, their professionalism was outstanding and Mrs Hurford continues to do a phenomenal job developing the dance skills of these wonderful students. Well done to all of you!!

School Captain Nominees

Last Friday, eight of our fabulous student leaders spoke to our school cohort (staff and students) about the reasons they should be selected as school captains of The Canobolas Rural Technology High School. All of our students were exceptional in their speeches and staff and students have now had the opportunity to vote for which four students they believe will make the best student leaders in 2015. The captain nominees will now be interviewed by a selection panel to determine their suitability for the position. All students will be informed of the outcome during the Year 12 graduation assembly on Thursday 18th September 2014.

Year 11 Exams

A reminder that Year 11 exams being on Monday next week and continue through until the 18th September. All Year 11 students need to ensure they have a copy of their exam timetable and arrive in plenty of time for their exam. If students do not have exams on a particular day, then they will not have timetabled classes. They have the opportunity to utilise the senior study centre or speak with their teachers about their preparations.

Year 12 Graduation Assembly

The Year 12 final Graduation assembly will take place at 10am on Thursday 18th September. All parents and family are invited to attend the graduation assembly.

Year 12 School Social

The school social will be held for Year 12 on Wednesday 17th September 2014 beginning at 7pm and concluding at 10pm. Students must pre-purchase tickets and the dance is open to all students who have been of good character and behaviour throughout the term. Tickets will go on sale on Monday 8th September.

With my warmest regards,

Chad Bliss
Principal
ORANGE YOUTH ARTS FESTIVAL
For the Creative and Performing Arts Faculty the festival kicked off on Monday evening with the launch dinner, set to a backdrop of artworks from this year’s Year 12 HSC Visual Arts students. This exhibition of student artwork coincides with art displayed in over 20 shop windows around town as well. The arts in education teaches students life-long skills in managing long term projects, creative thinking, problem solving, resilience and critical thinking. Research demonstrates strong links between arts and success in academic fields of education such as literacy and numeracy by using these skills. Arts engage students in school life and promote participation in all other areas of education. The celebration of student artwork in these exhibitions acknowledges this contribution to the individual of art making.

Special thanks to the following businesses who have donated their shop fronts to display student art:
- Collins Books
- Orange City Centre (outside Big W)
- Orange Clothing company
- Kingfisher School Gear
- Bonnie and Clyde Boutique
- Blowes Real Estate
- Teahouse
- Leading Edge Computers
- Word Of Mouth Wines
- Orange City library
- National Australia Bank
- Red Spot
- Canobolas locksmiths
- Cotehele Decorating
- Dotted Eight Café
- Landers Music
- The Coffee Club
- Raw Canvas Art Supplies
- Hangloose Clothing
- Coles Supermarket
- Woolworths Supermarket
- Gloria Jeans Coffee

Thank you also to participating schools:
- Canobolas Rural Technology High School
- Orange Christian school
- Nashdale Public School
- Clergate Public school
- Mullion Creek Public School
- Mumbil Public School
- Bowen Public school
- Spring Hill Public School
- Anson Street School
- Orange High School
Local artist and teacher Matt Caulfield has taken a street art workshop teaching students spray can painting. The ball wall on the basketball court has been transformed with a giant “Go Nobbies” On Monday and Wednesday this large scale work has added yet another artistic feature to the school environment.

Didge students, year 12 Construction and Year 10 Industrial Arts students turned their hand to making sculptures with angle grinders and rivets this week also. Proving that anyone can make art, these students worked with local artist and teacher Geoff Pelley from Monday to Wednesday to design and construct two giant sculptures from old corrugated iron sheets. In the stylized shapes of a platypus and goanna, traditional Wiradyuri motifs, these works will be mounted in the Indigenous garden at the front of the school.

Year 9 student Dudley Shillingsworth is working on a three panel painting for the NAIDOC Week based on a combination of a map of NSW combined with traditional Wiradyuri symbols. The image will depicts the traditional lands of the people of the three rivers- Lachlan, Macquarie and Murrumbidgee.

**DANCE CONCERT**
Highlights from Wednesday’s matinee Dance concert.

**SCIENCE DISPLAY**
Agriculture Display of Greenhouse herb gardens at Woolworths.
CHOIR is HIGHLY COMMENDED!

Our twenty student strong choir was judged Highly Commended for their lively rendition of *Bring Me Little Water* and *Brave* at the Orange Eisteddfod on 14th August. The adjudicator especially enjoyed the lively body percussion that accompanied our performance. Thanks to Mr Bliss and the parents who came along to support us.

Ellena Hicks received some First Places in solo vocal sections at the eisteddfod and she also performed along with Nabelia Smithers, Hannah White, Chris Gogala, Miss Aldrick and Mrs Ramage as members of various Orange Regional Conservatorium choirs at the eisteddfod on Sunday 17th August. Between these choirs they earned First Places, Second Place, Third Place and Highly Commended.

**Rising Stars**

Nabelia Smithers (Year 9) performed at Landers Music on Saturday 23rd August as part of The Next Big Thing competition. Her two performances were recorded and appear in the video package of performances on the Landers Music YouTube channel. The competitors have the chance to win Yamaha music equipment and perform as the support act for Stonefield at Orange Ex-Services Club on 31 October.

**Youth Arts Festival – Drumming Workshops**

On Tuesday 19th August, and Tuesday 26th August, students in years 7-10 participated in Drumming Workshops as part of the Youth Arts Festival. Esteemed Drum Circle leader Ross Welch led the students in the workshops and was impressed how quickly they were able to learn the rhythms and make music together. Some of the students then performed at Landers Music on Thursday 28th August while Rosco led a community Drumming workshop.

Congratulations Harmon Whan, Kyle Fardell, Indi Harcombe and Nabelia Smithers for wowing the community at this workshop performance.

The Festival Drumming Group will perform:
- at our Formal Assembly at 9am and
- at the Music Concert in our school hall at 1:30pm.
- at the Market Day on Sunday at 11:30am.

**Youth Arts Festival – Music Concert**

Friday 5th September – 1:30pm.

Canobolas Music students will perform in the concert in our school hall which features students from our school, Kinross Wolaroi, James Sheahan Catholic High School, Orange High School as part of the Youth Arts Festival in collaboration with Orange Regional Conservatorium. There are concert bands, choirs, rock bands, soloists and Verse Speaking. The concert looks to be varied and enjoyable for the audience of TCRTHS students, general public and some Nursing Homes.

Canobolas Music performers will include:
- Festival Drumming Group
- Combined Viivox and VocE choir
- Other student groups from Elective Music classes

Parents and friends are welcome to attend the concert which will run 1:30pm – 3:00pm.
Youth Arts Festival – Launch Dinner
The Festival was launched on Monday with a successful Dinner catered for by our Hospitality students. Canobolas Music provided the music for the evening. Big thanks to our Deputy Principal, Judith Bertolin, and Supporting Teacher Tony Stuart, as well as David Tonkin from Kelso High School who performed music from a variety of cultures during the evening. This talented trio treated patrons to Flute, Tin Whistle, Fiddle, Mandolin, Piano accordion and guitar. Miss Aldrick enjoyed being invited to play keyboard with the group for some numbers.

Youth Arts Festival – Market Day
Canobolas Music will provide music during the Market Day on our Hockey Field on Sunday 7th September. The Drumming Group and Vocal Group will be on between 11:30 – 12:00pm. The teachers who performed at the Launch Dinner will then provide music throughout the afternoon along with some student performances.

Big Thanks to Lander’s Music
We are appreciative of the wonderful staff at Landers Music. They have greatly assisted the Music Faculty during Festival by providing equipment, support and advice when needed.

Global Rhythm – Friday 5th September
6pm – 9pm at 84 Peisley Street (opposite Wade Park)
Featuring Mark Bennett – Rhythm Creature
An evening of Drum, Song and Dance
Also featuring Lanterns made during Festival at TCRTHS
Tickets available at Lander’s Music $10, Concession $5
TCRTHS YOUTH ARTS FESTIVAL 2014

What a huge week for TCRTHS! In this issue of English Faculty News I want to highlight the wonderful events the English Faculty have been involved in over the course of this epic week.

**Picture Book and Illustration Workshops**

On Monday we were lucky enough to be joined by Freya Blackwood, renowned children’s author, illustrator and special effects artist - most notably working on the Lord of the Rings trilogy of films. Freya worked with students from all over Orange in a series of workshops centred around illustration and picture book design. The students reported gaining a lot from the experience and came back to their English classes enthused and excited about what they had learnt.

On Wednesday, we were fortunate to be joined by Margaret Lamond, one of Australia’s foremost picture book publishers. Margaret ran a workshop for students on constructing their very own story. Students were taken through the process of establishing an effective character and plan the layout of a picture book. She also practically demonstrated the behind the scenes processes that take place as part of the publishing world.

**Secondary Schools Debating Competition**

The first annual Orange Youth Arts Festival Interschool Debating Competition took place on Thursday in our school library. This was one of the major events of the festival week. Students from Blayney High School and The Canobolas Rural Technology High School debated the topic, “Australia is good at celebrating its diverse cultural population”. Canobolas High presented some convincing arguments in support of this topic while Blayney High convincingly argued against it. In the end Canobolas were narrowly defeated by a strong Blayney side. Congratulations to both teams on their outstanding efforts on the day.

**Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition**

It was fantastic to have students from Spring Hill Public School and Bletchington Public School join us on Friday for the Primary Schools Public Speaking tournament – one of the concluding events of the Orange Youth Arts festival. Students had to speak for 3 minutes on the topic, “My life, My story!” It was an absolute delight to hear the insightful experiences these students provided on growing. As the adjudicator on the day, I would personally like to congratulate each of the students involved. Our winner Flynn Magee from Spring Hill Public School presented a wonderful speech on his unique experiences growing up and should be very proud of his efforts. Well done!

Nicholas Williams
Head Teacher English
New books have just arrived in the library, a very eclectic mix, from a verse novel, some fantasy, a dazzling picture book about bullying, to a novel about Mary Shelley from her early life to the summer when she was inspired to write Frankenstein.

**The Year It All Ended** begins with the end of the First World War. Building peace turns out to be more complicated than Tiney Flynn and her three sisters at first realise. Disaster strikes when Tiney’s brother Louis fails to return from the war. The sisters respond in different ways to the difficult times of peace and returning soldiers, as the world, even in Australia, changes dramatically, from séances to masked balls and riots in the streets, with the dawn of the jazz age. Tiney begins a journey that will change her life, travelling to England and then France. The reader comes to the realisation that, for some, the war will never be over. This novel by Kirsty Murray joins others by this popular Australian author.

An acclaimed spoken word poet, Shane Koyczan wrote a rallying cry against bullying which became a viral video viewed over 13 million times. Now it has been released as an illustrated book with over 30 artists contributing to this dazzling portrayal of bullying and the inner strength needed to move forward. Each illustrator interprets a few lines of the poem which will resonate with anyone who has experienced bullying, whether as a victim, observer or participant. Make sure you visit the library and read *To This Day.*

Another in the series *Through My Eyes* has arrived. Written by Robert Hillman, *Malini* is set in 2009 in Sri Lanka during the civil war with the Tamil Tigers. When troops herd all the civilians towards the beach, to act as human shields, Malini’s father pushes a mobile phone into Malini’s hands and tells her to run into the forest with her little sister. She does as she is told, but when the shelling begins, they have no way of rejoining their parents. This book will help readers understand the plight of refugees and develop an awareness of Australia’s recent policies towards refugees in general and Tamils in particular.

**The Realm of Possibility** is presented by David Levithan as a “collection of interrelated monologues written in free verse”. This book, in verse, has 20 narrators, all students in the same high school. Each tells his or her own story. Some are friends, some are enemies, and some are romantic interests. Their voices record issues with body image, sickness of beloved family members, the pain of breakup, the determination to step out of an older sister’s shadow, the despair of unrequited love and the upcoming one year anniversary of two boys’ relationship. All this combines to show that all is within the realm of possibility for us and that getting what you want can be as difficult as not getting what you want.

Set in Eden Valley, a small town in rural Australia, *The Incredible Adventures of Cinnamon Girl* follows the life of Alba, who works in her mother’s bakery, draws comic art at every opportunity and watches bad TV with her friends. A You Tube video clip predicts that Eden Valley will be the only place to survive an upcoming apocalypse and suddenly there is a flood of newcomers: surfers, Buddhists, nudists and all sorts of eccentrics. Alba, who just wants her life to continue as it is, is impacted by the idea of the End of Days and a final summer together. Whatever happens next, it’s the end of the world as she knows it. This, though, could be a lesser evil than trying to understand the working of her own heart. This new book joins the already popular *Life in Outer Space* by Melissa Keil.

**Summer of Monsters** is the story of the young Mary Shelley who felt she would always be overshadowed by her famous parents. Overlooked and unwanted, this novel by Tony Thompson traces Mary’s life through to the summer she and her stepsister Claire spent with Percy Shelley, Lord Byron and John Polidori, the summer that inspired her to write the novel Frankenstein! Many issues which surround concerns about the Industrial Revolution are still valid today: destruction of the natural world and the impact of technological change and experimentation. Well worth reading, especially for science fiction enthusiasts.

**The Book of Days** by KA Barker has received rave reviews from fellow author John Marsden and it is easy to see why. Barker has easily blended classic fantasy with modern twists. The reader is presented with a quest and a symbol of power, the Book of Days, the key to finding the protagonist’s past as she wakes at the age of sixteen from a 10 year sleep with only a letter from the person she once was. Tuesday’s world is peopled with one-legged mercenaries, flying cities, airships and a blind librarian, in a classic confrontation between East and West, technology and the natural world, in what could be described as a steampunk text, which bridges the worlds of reality and fantasy.

Some of the signs of being addicted to reading include:
- you must read the book before watching the movie
- your To Read List is bigger than your bank account
- you have bags under your eyes from sleepless nights reading
- a trip to the bookstore takes longer than all other shopping commitments

Don’t panic! You are always welcome in the school library, including before school and lunchtimes.
On Thursday August 28th, over 120 Canobolas students were involved in competing with our first encounter of the CKC Cup in Orange, against Cowra High School. With enthusiasm and anticipation from students and staff alike, the day commenced and Canobolas were off and running. The first round saw 7/8 girls take the netball court, where they fought hard and kept the score close but unfortunately went down. With notable performances from Destinee Navale and Caitlin White in the defensive end, and hard work from Sarah Smith and Ayla Frost in attack, the girls created some great movement across the court. The Year 9/10 boys touch team came out firing, with an early try to Tyson Wilkins, and Dale Jones “breaking ankles” all over the field. Canobolas sealed the deal with a try from Will Christopherson showing he still has it after 5 months out of the game, the final score being 6-3. It was a slow start for the Year 7/8 boys T-Ball, however the second innings saw the boys pull their socks up and come home with a close, but satisfying win. The team worked well together and came home with the goods. The girls 9/10 basketball team being a newly formed and inexperienced team struggled to find solid ground against a strong and well-trained Cowra side. Caitlin Masila proved to be a valuable asset amongst the team, however the girls unfortunately went down. The girls’ 7-10 hockey team showed skill and fantastic team work as they made light work of the Cowra hockey side. Pip Culverson, Emily Merchant and Kirra Everett were strong performers on the day, and led their team to a victory.
The second round of the day saw Year 7/8 boys touch team work some of their magic against a very new Cowra High team. With strong running in the middles from Callan Naden and Dion Jones, we crossed the try line 9 times to Cowra’s 4. The 9/10 girls’ netball was a newly formed team, and came up against a well drilled Cowra High School. Danielle Williams proved an invaluable team member, and while there were glimpses of brilliant playmaking in all areas of the court, the Cowra team was too strong and took home the win. The 7/8 girls soccer team showed a go get ‘em attitude throughout the entire duration of the game, with a solid display from Erin Naden who worked tirelessly across the field. Special mention goes to Amelia-Rose Koller, who demonstrated willingness to play any position, and even went into goalie, having never played it before. Unfortunately the girls went down 4-0, but that is not an indication of their commitment and effort throughout the game. The boys’ hockey team displayed an abundance of talent and skill as they showed Cowra High what they had to offer. With solid performances from Mitchell Allan and Jacob Skelton, Canobolas proved too strong and won 2-0.

CKC Cup also sees students involved in debating, where a Year 7/8 team and a Year 9/10 team are given a topic. Canobolas students presented their case well in both debates, making sold points and strong cases. In the end they were just edged out by a strong Cowra team. However, they are to be commended on their solid effort. The sport continued with Year 9/10 girls putting their training to good use and showing an array of skills on the field as they took out their opposition. Emily Melnik, Nailani Lang and Kalika Fuller worked tirelessly in the middles and provided numerous opportunities. This was followed immediately by the 7/8 girls who showed their developing repertoire of skills taking with a convincing win over Cowra. Caitlin White managed to get over the line for a hat-trick, with Jada Murphy strong in the middles. Special mention goes to Grace Khaftar and Erin Naden who backed up, playing for both teams and being key contributors in each game.

As the day went on, the 7/8 boys football produced a solid performance although this wasn’t enough to keep Cowra out. Josh Beasley showed fine form over the paddock with continual support from Ben Hazzard. Leading with a solid performance from Jiachen Lang, the 9/10 boys basketball team dominated the entire court, with a convincing 46-25 win. The 9/10 girls football team managed to pull out all stops and keep the score to a draw. Steady work from Danielle Williams and Emily Melnik in the attacking end saw Canobolas unlucky not to hit the back of the net. Amelia-Rose Koller showed commitment, and managed to back up, playing up with the older girls. The Year 7/8 boys basketball showed a high level of skill and team work as they capitalised on every break made. With Cody Wright being the highest scorer, and Jayden Zegzula managing a few last minute three-pointers, the boys won 44-12.

While the boys’ volleyball team worked hard during practice, nerves got the better of them. Zoran Ilievski proved his dedication and commitment to the team, not hesitating to dive for points. The girls’ volleyball team found themselves up against some skilled opponents. Lizzie Kilby worked consistently throughout the match with the support of the rest of the team, however despite the most enthusiastic and humorous sideline coaching from Mrs Hurford, it wasn’t enough to hold Cowra out. The 7/8 girls basketball held their own and managed to stick with the Cowra team. Destinee Navale used her height to her advantage and Erin Naden ran circles around her opponents. While they managed to hold the lead in the third quarter, a long day got the better of the girls and they ended up going down, although never giving up and working hard until the end. The boys’ softball game saw Miss Morrissey bringing to the forefront her hidden skillset in umpiring. Being a long time softball pro herself, she may be the new face for softball at Canobolas – Sorry Mr Curran. With the deadly duo of Mac Reith-Snare and Aiden Kelly, Canobolas were unstoppable against the inexperienced Cowra High side.

The biggest thanks for the day must go to Mr Coote and Mrs Udy, who took on the entire PDHPE faculty for the day. This was a fitting welcome back for Mr Coote, promoted straight to Head Teacher for the day. Without these two amazing people CKC Cup would not have been as successful and smooth running as it turned out to be. Congratulations to all students on a successful day! You represented Canobolas very well and did your school proud. Thank you to Miss CJ and the PDHPE Faculty for successfully organising the day, and to all Year 11 students who came to assist with coaching and umpiring. Thank you to Miss Neve who organised and ran the debating teams, to John Wilkins who assisted with touch football refereeing, and to Constable Belinda Bostock, our school’s police liaison officer and parents and carers, who managed to support students throughout the day.

For more CKC Cup action check out Canobolas PDHPE Facebook Group!!
On Thursday 21st August, the Canobolas Open Boys Soccer team travelled to James Sheahan for the Orange Inter-schools Competition. This was a do or die match, being the final round game and if successful we would go into the finals. Canobolas came out strongly dominating the possession from the kick off. We held our own in the first half with solid defence and managed to create a few opportunities to score. Sheahan had the advantage, playing on their home turf and were able to score off a perfectly placed penalty shot from outside the box in the first half. Throughout the second half Canobolas again had a few opportunities to score however were unsuccessful and Sheahan managed to score another goal. Overall, it was a well-fought match from both sides. We were out-played by Sheahan who managed to secure the match 2-0. Players’ players went to Alex Elliot and James Napier. Thank you to all the supporters who came down and cheered the boys on. A big thank you also goes to the current Yr. 12s for balancing their studies and maintaining their commitment to the team. Well done to all boys and looking forward to next season.
Rugby Union Workshop
Recently, the two Yr 9 Physical Activity and Sport Studies classes participated in a Rugby Union coaching workshop. The workshop introduced students to basic skills related to Rugby, and to coaching principles that they can apply across multiple sporting disciplines. The morning was not only enjoyable but also gave the student skills and knowledge which they can apply to their upcoming unit ‘Coaching’. The workshop also gave the students a chance to try Touch Rugby 7’s. Hopefully, we will see a gala day for this fast paced and exciting new game in the near future.

Orange Hockey Gala Day
On Wednesday September 3 Canobolas Girls and Boys hockey teams will be competing in the Orange Hockey Gala Day. This event was first run last year and Canobolas teams had a great day taking out the official’s trophy for the best sportsmanship presented on the day by all schools. Participant lists are up and notes are available from the PDHPE staffroom. Any interested student is welcome to participate on the day. It is competitive but also aimed at new and interested players.

School Gym / Strength and Conditioning Facility
It’s open and available for use. Consent and membership forms available now!!

The facility is open to students who are 15 years and over for a $20 annual fee and Year 12 students can join this year for $0. If you are interested in joining the gym and getting prescribed a strength and conditioning program, you can see the PDHPE staff for more information and consent forms.

Orange Dance Eisteddfod
The Orange Dance Eisteddfod has been another success for The Canobolas High School dance troupes. On Friday 29th August, 85 dancers from Canobolas competed in the Orange Eisteddfod. This year Canobolas had a tough competition with a wide range of schools travelling from near and far to take to the stage.

The first section was the year 9 and under category in which both our year 7 and year 8 dance troupes danced. This was the first time Year 7 had taken to the stage, and they did a fantastic job considering the dance consisted of a combination of two different sport groups. All dancers gave it their all and tried their best. The adjudicator commented on their eye catching costumes and their formations but they must project themselves more fully on the stage. The year 7 group was award HC with our year 8 “that power” group. The year 8 “that power” group did a great job consisting they only had 10 dancers in their group, which makes it very hard to use the space and project to the audience. Miss Kate was very impressed with the groups’ improvement since Wellington Eisteddfod and their enthusiasm to perform. Well done to the year 8 group for being award HC. The final troupe to step onto the stage was the Year 8 “Come with me” group who wowed the adjudicator with their dance routine. All girls demonstrated the hard work they had put into the dance and perform outstandingly. The adjudicator mentioned how well rehearsed the dancers were and the energy they showed on stage. Congratulations girls on your performance.

The second section was the year 9 and over category where our years 9 and 10 dance group competed in and didn’t they performance was outstanding. From the time they stepped on stage they owned the stage and demonstrated to the audience and adjudicator they knew their dance and were excited to perform it. All girls danced with high energy, in time and completed all cannons, formations and group work to a high standard. The dancers were award first place, which was a huge achievement with 11 other acts in the section. Congratulations on the win!
Solid State Circus
Opens Youth Art Festival
NOTICES

**NAPLAN Results**

Yr7 & Yr9 Naplan Results have been mailed home this week.

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**“The Dish” Parkes Radio Telescope Holiday Workshops**

The Visitor Discovery Centre at Parkes Observatory is once again holding school holiday workshops. The workshops are free and aimed at children aged between the ages of 7 to 14 yrs.

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