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Friday 17th November 2023

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Year 12 Graduation | 24 November

Presentation Awards Ceremony | 6 December

Final Day of School | 15 December

Christmas | 25 December

RIDDLE ME THIS...

They are many and one, they wave and they drum. You take them with you everywhere. What are they?

Answer: Hands.

What can you throw but not catch?



Acknowledgement of Country

CRTHS acknowledges and pays respect to the Traditional Owners and Custodians of country throughout Australia, specifically the Wiradjuri peoples of whom land we learn on each day.

We honour and respect the cultural heritage, customs and beliefs of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



Canobolas Rural Technology High School

Principal: Mr Brett Blaker

Deputy Principals: Mr Baden Curran, Mr Tristan Goodwin, Mrs Melisa Kerr and Mrs Lucinda Macdonald.

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PRINCIPAL REPORT

Welcome to Week 6,

First and foremost, I would like to announce and congratulate our school and vice captains who were elected to lead our school in 2024.

2024 School Captains- Rebecca Rhodes and Franky Tan

2024 Vice-Captains- Samuel Gross and Jarrod LoFaro.



This year, we had 8 students apply for these positions. It is great to work in a school environment where our students are dedicated and passionate about undertaking leadership roles to positively advocate for the school. We will also soon announce a School Prefect Team who will work alongside our Captains and SRC to lead and drive whole school initiatives.

As the year is gradually coming to an end, we can reflect upon what has been an extremely positive year for our staff and students at CRTHS. Our students across Years 7-10 have recently finished their End of Year examinations, Year 11 are navigating the first term of their selected HSC courses, and our Year 12 cohort is patiently waiting to receive their HSC results when they are released on the 14 December 2023.

We have seen an increase in student engagement in learning throughout the year, which has been further reinforced by the recent mobile phone ban which commenced at the start of Term 4 2023. I would like to thank our parents/carers and students for their support of this policy. Our students have been extremely compliant thus far and anecdotally, our teachers have reported a significant improvement in classroom engagement and the completion of high-quality work from our students.

After completing our External Validation process in June 2023, we are currently planning for our new Strategic Improvement Plan (2024 – 2027) which is due for completion by the end of Term 1, 2024. The School Excellence Framework domains of Student Performance Measures, Effective Classroom Practice, and Educational Leadership will underpin this planning process and inform our new plan.

Currently, we are developing our new Improvement Measures which have been recently announced by the NSWDoE. Contextually developed school-based targets focused on Attendance, Reading, Numeracy, and Year 12 Pathways are being established.



We are also working through the Executive Summary of the School Climate Survey which was undertaken in Term 2. This National School Improvement Partnerships' (NSI) School Climate Suite was developed through extensive research undertaken at Curtin University and provides an effective, reliable, and valid means of collecting perception data from important stakeholders within our school community.

For our survey, we had 52 teachers, 16 staff, 366 students, and 49 parents/caregivers provide feedback about our school context. The comprehensive executive summary is now being used to critically reflect on our current school environment and is helping us guide, promote, and monitor our whole school improvement efforts.

The School Climate Survey provides data around the four key pillars which include the Institutional Environment, Safety, Community, and Academic pillars. From this data, the school has prioritised working in the Academic domain to ensure our students are equipped with the relevant literacy and numeracy skills to engage in their curriculum content and be successful in their learning.

We have recently held successful transition days for our incoming Year 7 students. I would like to thank Cara Horsley, Amy Bonney, Yvette Rodwell, Ross Sutherland, Minh Doan, and Enzo Silvestro for their successful implementation of our Year 6/7 Transition Day which was held on Tuesday 7th, and Wednesday 8th November.

Both days ran smoothly, and I have already received a lot of positive feedback from our incoming students and primary school staff. I would also like to thank all our teachers who conducted the Taster Lessons to provide our incoming students with some new classroom experiences to better prepare them for next year.

We currently have 148 students coming into Year 7 in 2024, which is a huge increase on the 108 Year 7 students who came through in the 2023 cohort. This is a testament to the quality work of our teaching and non-teaching staff here at CRTHS as we continue to strive for whole-school improvement and provide suitable academic and well-being support for all students.

Regards,

Mr Blaker

HSIE

Staff and students paused last Friday to remember our nations military history and the ongoing service of those in the armed forces prior to Remembrance Day. Members of the Student Leadership team and the school executive laid a wreath at the school's war memorial to mark the occasion.

The HSIE faculty would like to congratulate students on their efforts in their End of Year Examinations.



Year 11 students have assessments due in the coming weeks and are encouraged to submit drafts to their teachers prior to final submission to ensure they achieve their best.

Head Teacher HSIE
Mr Adcock

ALEC

When the last newsletter was being written, we were in the middle of the NAIDOC celebrations. We reported on the great day we had with the NAIDOC assembly and the visit from the community Elders. What hadn't occurred was NAIROC, the Jr AECG Gala Day and the Jr AECG Ball.

The NAIROC Eisteddfod was a great success this year with multiple schools involved and giving their all. A special mention for the Canobolas entrants who took out the first prize! Go Nobbies!!



The Jr AECG Gala Day held at the PCYC saw the local high schools engage in a number of sports in a competition to win the Jr AECG Gala Day Shield. All the students had a great time and participated with great passion in all of the events. You might be interested to know that Canobolas won the tournament and will be hosting Gala Day next year! Go Nobbies (again)!

The week of events ended with the Jr AECG Ball and this event gets bigger and better each year! The students enjoyed a great night of dinner and dance, awards and of course the famous photo booth. A big thanks to the staff who organised and supervised this event.

This week Canobolas was invited to help celebrate NAIDOC and Grandparents Day at Orange East Public School. Once again, our kids did an amazing job assisting the primary school children with dance and story telling workshops and helping with the damper cooking.



BIG PICTURE

FEDERAL FALLS - FUN, FUN, FUN!

Despite a rescheduled date due to inclement weather last week, on Monday, a fabulous day was had by all Big Picture students who attended the bushwalk at Federal Falls. Although the 4km trek was a little challenging in parts for some, all students and advisors enjoyed the opportunity to step outside their comfort zone, take in the beautiful scenery, breathe the fresh air, and collaboratively work together to get safely down to the falls (enjoy a snack), and return back along the trek to the picnic grounds in time for lunch and a game of big ball cricket. Good times Big Picture!

Many thanks to GA Jack for driving us out in the bus and returning us safely back to school.



CAREERS

Dear students, parents, and guardians,

It is with great enthusiasm that I share the resounding success of the recent Orange Career Expo, an event that has left an indelible mark on the career aspirations of our Year 10 and 11 students. The expo provided a dynamic platform for our students to delve into the world of possibilities that await them after their school journey.



16 dedicated students completed their White Card training on November 10. This accomplishment not only showcases their commitment but also equips them with essential skills, opening doors to opportunities in the construction industry. Congratulations to these students for their hard work and determination!





Moving on to our Year 12 cohort, the excitement is palpable as they begin to receive university offers from esteemed institutions. I am thrilled to announce that offers from the University of Canberra (UC), University of Wollongong (UOW), University of Newcastle (UN), Charles Sturt University (CSU), University of New South Wales (UNSW), and Southern Cross University (SCU) have been extended to our graduating class. This is a testament to their academic excellence and sets the stage for a bright future.

For those students who are considering alternative pathways, such as TAFE or apprenticeships, I want to extend an invitation. Your journey is unique, and I am here to provide guidance and support as you navigate these exciting options. Please feel free to come and see me so we can explore the opportunities that align with your aspirations.

As we look ahead, mark your calendars for the annual school alumni event on December 1. This promises to be a fantastic opportunity for our current students to connect with former graduates. We are delighted to welcome 15 distinguished guests who have made significant strides in their respective fields. This event provides an invaluable chance for our students to gain insights, network, and draw inspiration from those who have walked the same halls before them.

In conclusion, let's celebrate the achievements of our students, embrace the array of opportunities available, and look forward to the enriching experiences that the end of the year brings. Remember, I am here to support you in every step of your journey.

Warm regards,

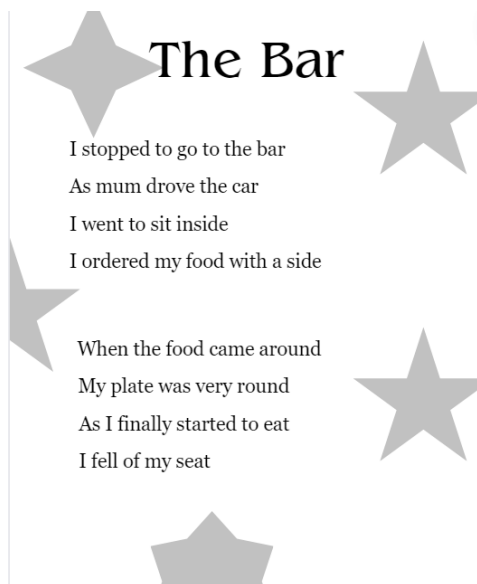
Careers Adviser

Mr S Coote

ENGLISH & LOTE

Year 8

In preparation for their Yearly Examinations, year 8 created their own poems to practice their use of poetic techniques. They created these poems using the writing process; drafting, giving each other feedback, editing and publishing their work. Some examples of these poems are shown below.



Year 10

As part of their "Page to Screen" unit, Year 10 have been examining how the short story "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" has been transformed in the 2013 film of the same name. Through this unit they have been analysing characterisation, literary and film techniques, and thematic development. This involves students experimenting by creating their own imaginative works based on the short story.



This unit allows students to consolidate their English skills in preparation for the various Stage 6 English courses, giving them a greater chance for success.

Year 7 Chinese

你好 (nǐ hǎo)

Year 7 language classes have learned to say and write certain foods and drinks in Chinese. They have extended their cultural knowledge and understanding by learning about Chinese dining etiquette and performing Chinese tea ceremonies.



Students recently have completed their yearly exam for Languages. They are to be congratulated on their effort. In the following weeks, students will learn to ask and answer questions about their preferences for foods and drinks. They will further extend their cultural knowledge and understanding by attempting a chopstick challenge. There are a lot of opportunities for interaction and hands-on learning in class. Keep having fun!

Year 11 Chinese Beginners











同学们好 (tóng xué mén hǎo)

Year 11 Chinese Beginners have learned to communicate about time and daily routines through various sentence structures. They have extended their cultural knowledge and understanding by learning about seasons in China and completing a paper cutting of a 3D Chinese character for the word “spring”. In the following weeks, students will learn to discuss their home environment, dwelling, rooms and furniture. The assessment task for this term will be handed out in Week 7.













2.e Your daily routine – Part A

This is what you did yesterday. Do not look at your partner's sheet. In turn, ask your partner in Chinese, what time he/she did the activities specified here and place a tick in the box if you both did the same thing at the same time.

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2.e Your daily routine – Part B

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Orange Library

At 147 Byng St you will find an amazing wonderland full of exciting resources for you. Public libraries are a terrific, safe space for the public and we are lucky enough to have a great one in Orange.

At the library you will find any book you could possibly want, wifi, computer access, comfy chairs, holiday programs, peace and quiet, air con and more. Best of all, all of this is completely FREE! There is no joining fee for a library, yet it offers so much.

We encourage you to check out the library in person and online, especially leading up to and during the school holidays.



PDHPE

NAIDOC GALA DAY

As part of the NAIDOC celebrations that took place in Week 3, schools across the community came together for a Sports Gala Day. This included schools from Orange HS, Molong CS and James Sheahan Catholic HS.



A selected group of students, both a junior and senior team took part in the gala day, playing four sports—Volleyball, Netball, Futsal and Turbo touch.

Canobolas dominated the day and placed first place overall. A convincing win!

The students were nothing short of magnificent in both skill, sportsmanship and behaviour. Our talented group of athletes showed grit and determination but most importantly, community spirit.

The junior team completed the day undefeated.

Congratulations to Harry Robertson (Yr. 9) and Ryan Baker (Yr. 10) who were awarded the best and fairest player for the junior and senior team respectively.

A special thank you to all the staff who were instrumental in organising and supporting the event.

We can't wait for next year!

Mrs Abrahams



YEAR 7

Year 7 have had an eventful term so far, with classes learning about Safety—including water, road and sun safety. Students have been working hard and exploring how to identify possibly risky situations and developing strategies and precautions to navigate various environments.

They also sat their first ever high school exams this term. They should be extremely proud of their efforts.

In practical lessons, they have been focusing on skills, particularly catching and throwing. Playing games such as cricket, Newcombe ball and even Volleyball have put their skills to the test.

In the blink of an eye, year 7 are nearing the end of the year with their first year of high school completed.



YEAR 8

This term, students in Year 8 have been undertaking a unit called 'Risky Business'. This unit explores the concept of risk and the positive and negative outcomes that may result. Navigating risk is an important life skill and students are developing their ability to assess and apply decision-making and critical-thinking skills while enjoying life.

They have completed all their assessment tasks for the year, including their final exams.

In practical lessons, classes have been doing various activities, including cricket, tennis, basketball and volleyball.



WSSA Softball Representatives 2024

**Congratulations to Sh'tayah Lucas,
Charlie Silva and Patrick Roberts who
have been selected in the 2024 Open
WSSA Softball Teams.**



SUPPORT

Mr Novak's class has been out prospecting.
A small amount of treasure was found!



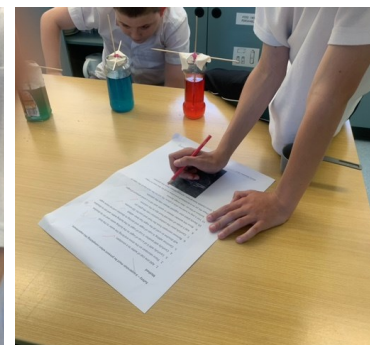
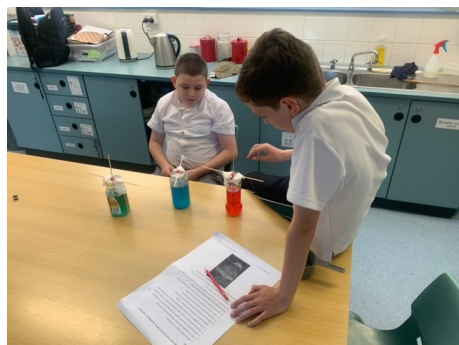
Year 10 are marking our spring lambs.



Will Holland on the Ag excursion to Australian National Field Days, Boreore



Class 7 Wonder have been learning about separation of mixtures. A tasty way to demonstrate one process is to make sugar crystals!



UNIFORM

CLOTHING POOL & DONATIONS

As we move through fourth term it is wonderful to see so many students coming to school each day in uniform and showing pride in their school. For those needing assistance the clothing pool is available by appointment through the front office and donations are gratefully accepted at any time, with stocks being very low in some sizes.



LABELLING SCHOOL ITEMS

Uniform items cannot be returned if they do not have a name on them. Please check uniform items for students' names and that they are readable so they can be returned if found. The lost property box is in the courier's space in A block.

UNIFORM DONATION CRTHS P&C CLOTHING POOL



Coming to the end of the school year we ask that you please check your wardrobe for uniforms that might not fit or are no longer being used but still in good condition. We would love for you to donate them to our CRTHS P&C Clothing Pool.

**Please contact the Front Office to organise
any clothing pool appointments**

The Front Office will accept uniform donations.

CRTHS SCHOOL UNIFORM

JUNIOR GIRLS	JUNIOR BOYS
<p><u>SHIRT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> White collared button up shirt OR white polo. - All items with the CRTHS emblem. <p><u>TROUSERS/SKIRT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle green pleated skirt - short OR long. Black tailored shorts OR black tailored trousers. <p><u>JUMPER</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle green polar fleece jumper. Bottle green knitted jumper. - All items with the CRTHS emblem. <p><u>SOCKS/SHOES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> White socks OR black stockings (with skirt). Black enclosed leather shoes. Bottle green & white stripe tie – optional. 	<p><u>SHIRT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> White collared button up shirt OR white polo. - All items with the CRTHS emblem. <p><u>TROUSERS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grey shorts OR grey trousers. <p><u>JUMPER</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle green polar fleece jumper. Bottle green knitted jumper. - All items with the CRTHS emblem. <p><u>SOCKS/SHOES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grey socks. Black enclosed leather shoes. Bottle green & white stripe tie – optional.
SENIOR GIRLS	SENIOR BOYS
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SPORTS UNIFORM	OTHER ITEMS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle green and black polo shirt. - All items with the CRTHS emblem. Bottle green and black shorts OR tracksuit pants. Bottle green and black hoodie. - may be worn with all uniforms. White OR black socks. Sports shoes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black Anorak with CRTHS emblem - purchased from the school front office. Black School Blazer with CRTHS emblem.

P&C NEWS



COME AND JOIN OUR P&C

The Canobolas Rural Technology High School Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association needs your help.

Being involved in the P & C helps to build a supportive community around the students of our school.

By attending the P & C meetings:

- you get an opportunity to have your say on decisions affecting your child at school
- learn about the school's policies and programs
- participate in fundraising activities that help improve our school.

There is a yearly membership of \$2.

We meet on the first Wednesday of each month during the school term, in the Big Picture Building (1st building on the left) at 6.30pm.

Unable to attend meetings and would still like to help?

Volunteers are greatly appreciated.

Assistance is required with our fundraising events and school canteen.

For more information contact thecrthscanteen@gmail.com or contact the school on ph 63621677.



Keep up to date with P&C activities via the school's newsletter and Facebook page

***Our last meeting for 2023 is Wednesday 13/12/23
at the Ophir Hotel for dinner 6.30pm.***

***All are welcome. If you would like to attend, please send your
name and number to thecrthscanteen@gmail.com by
30/11/23.***

PUZZLE PAGE

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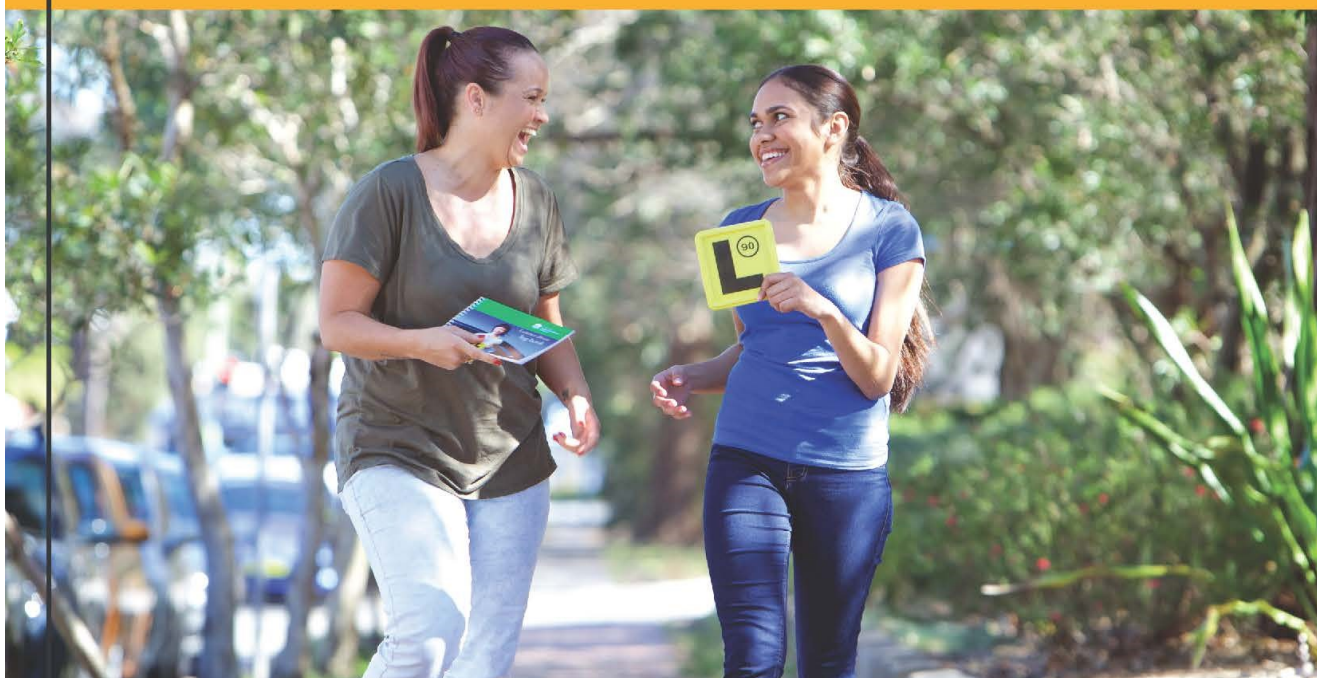
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NOTICES

Transport for NSW

Free workshop for parents and supervisors of learner drivers



Helping learner drivers become safer drivers

The workshop will offer practical advice about:

- current driving rules and requirements for L and P platers
- how learners benefit from supervised on-road driving
- how you can help make learning to drive a safe and positive experience

Thursday 30 November 2023

6.00pm - 7.30pm



<https://bit.ly/YoungDriver30Nov23>

Open Garden

Sunday 19th November 2023

9:00am – 5:00pm

Tormaline Park

1134 Cargo Rd, Orange NSW

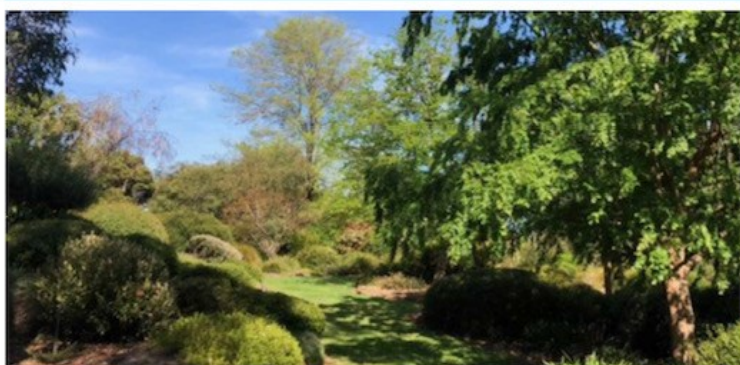


Explore four acres of native gardens

\$10 entry

Morning and afternoon tea will be available

Entry fees and plant sales will go towards the Rotary Daybreak Club as part of their fundraising for the local trials of cancer treatments



Raffles for Hand Made Jewellery

Locally Made Craft
and Terrariums Available



Hosted by

***The Orange Lapidary
and Mineral Club***



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Light - Food - Dance - Music

SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER (5:30 PM - 10 PM)

Adult : \$40 Per Person Kids 5 - 12 Yrs : \$20 Under 5 Yrs : Free

Venue : Gate 1, Towac Park Race Course, Canobolas Road, Orange NSW 2800

Traditional Attire Preferred

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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