

# LEETON HIGH SCHOOL

## Newsletter

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*"Educating young people for active and responsible citizenship"*

and yearly reports. If you have any questions regarding attendance please feel free to contact me.

### *~~PRINCIPAL'S REPORT~~*

Leeton High School Community evening will be held tonight from 5.00pm till 7.00pm at the multi-purpose centre (MPC). This will provide students and parents with the opportunity to meet staff and discuss the programs running at the school. All parents, but especially parents and carers of new students to Leeton High School are invited to attend.

A number of Year 10 students have applied for the LYNKS program for 2013. This program provides work readiness training and work placement for students through much of terms 1, 2 and 3. This year we are only able to have 10 students accepted into the program. They were briefed on Friday and have their first training day next week. Year 10 students will have a number of other opportunities to participate in work placement and TAFE throughout the year so I ask both students and parents to keep looking out for this information.

A further group of Year 10 students have commenced Business Services at TAFE. This course is run in conjunction with the Country Rugby League and may offer some interesting work experience later in the year.

Congratulations to all students who participated in our school swimming carnival recently. Special mention to the Age Champions and to the House Captains who did a great job on the day. Congratulations to the students who participated in the South West Carnival held in Leeton yesterday. Well done again on many outstanding results.

**Greg Horton, Principal**

### *~~DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT~~*

Each Monday afternoon/evening the daily absentees for the previous week are displayed in the breezeway. Students are encouraged to check them and report any possible discrepancies to me. Any errors will be included in half-yearly

The student welfare team have organized "Welfare Days" for all year groups in coming weeks. Details of the programme will appear in a future newsletter.

A Student Assistance Program is currently administered by the school to provide financial assistance for families experiencing difficulty.

The types of items/activities for which assistance may be given are:

- Subject materials contribution
- School uniforms
- Stationary needs

To apply for assistance, please complete the application form and return it to me. Each application will be considered by the Student Assistance Committee and confidentiality is maintained. If you are not prepared to provide in writing the information we request, you are invited to contact the school to arrange an interview with the Principal to discuss your needs personally. These forms can be collected from myself or the Front Office of the school.

The school will contact the parent/caregiver when the application has been processed.

Congratulations to the following students on achieving awards:

**Gold Diploma:** Isaac Collins (Year 8), Taylor Hunter-Boyd (Year 9), Jessica Whitechurch, Grace Green, (Year 10) and Catherine Pitt (Year 12).

**Executive Awards:** Alanis Wortley (Year 7), Jackson Preston (Year 8), Tamika Bell (Year 9), Nicholas Trifogli (Year 10), Sarah Torbuck (Year 11) and Benjamin Marks (Year 12).

**Scott White, Deputy Principal**

## 2LS

### (Secondary Literacy Strategies)

In order to effectively integrate 2LS innovations to our students, a **whole school approach** is being adopted.

**Principal**, Greg Horton is committed to 2LS and the staff training needed for its success, with a further 5 – 6 staff to be trained in 2013. The **Executive** of the school will be trained in 2LS to ensure each KLA is running with the programme, as well as continued training for the Teaching & Learning Committee.

**The Teaching & Learning Committee** presented an extensive overview of 2LS on a Staff Development day at the end of 2012. Currently the committee meets fortnightly and is surveying and working closely with a cross section of students.

Posters will be placed in all **classrooms** over the next fortnight to reinforce 2LS strategies. Teachers will be incorporating literacy strategies in their units of work across KLAs.

**Students** are encouraged to respond to new keywords from 2LS and to become actively involved in their literacy development. Key words and terms such as 'visualising', 'monitoring', 'predicting' and 'making connections' will become commonplace in their literacy vocabulary.

**Parents** will be informed in this newsletter of strategies and the words and terms introduced to the students, with the hope that they will be able to continue some of the 2LS strategies at home.



### LHS SRC FUNDRAISER

The SRC has 4GB wristbands for sale at only \$12!!

Available in: red, blue, black, green and purple. If you would like to purchase one please pay at the front office and take your receipt to Miss Scott in the English staffroom to collect your wristband.



### SCHOOL PHOTOS

**SCHOOL PHOTOS Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March.** Please make sure you are in full summer uniform.

Students will be issued with pre-pay envelopes.

Please fill in the envelope and put the correct money inside and bring it on the day of the photos.

**Any students needing ID this is a great opportunity to have a PHOTO ID taken (which includes date of birth). There is a box on the envelope that can be ticked to receive this ID for a minimal cost.**

### SCIENCE SURVEY

This year the Science Faculty of LHS is conducting a review of its programs and policies. As part of this process we are asking all parents to complete the attached survey regarding their views on science teaching at LHS. Could you please complete the attached survey and return it to the front office by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. It is a short, anonymous survey that should only take 5 minutes of your time but will provide valuable feedback for us.

### *SCHOOL SPORT*

#### HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to newly elected House Captains for 2013. These students were presented with their badges at our school assembly. These students are:

##### David House

Captains	Dylan Schuette	Shaylah Elwin
Vice Captains	Julian Mandaglio	Melinda Broad

##### Hunter

Captains	Tereapii Nikoro	Esther Deeves
Vice Captains	Rhys Wilesmith	Jessica Savini

##### Mawson

Captains	Blake Petrie	Sally Boardman
Vice Captains	Darcy Single	Annalise Ramponi & Bianca Green

##### Smith

Captains	Corey Williams	Laura Brindley
Vice Captains	Timothy Smith	Tabitha Holland

House Captains first big event was the annual Leeton High School swimming carnival held on Wednesday 6 February. Congratulations to all students who participated.





## LHS SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year's swimming carnival was another successful event thanks to the organisation from the PE Faculty. Thank you to all parents that helped out at the carnival. The winning house was SMITH. Spirit of the Carnival awards went to Thomas Bullivant (Year 7) and Hannah Boardman (Year 9). Age Champions were:

Age group	Boys' champion	Girls' champion
12 years	Kody Collins	Megan Chetcuti
13 years	Bryce DeMamiel & Robbie Rimmer	Georgia Saddler
14 years	Liam Bowker	Elli Gill
15 years	Bryce Butler	Paris Jennings
16 years	Lucas Meline	Annalise Ramponi
17 years +	Ben Marks	Laura Brindley

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Feb – Community Evening 5pm - MPC

Tue 26<sup>th</sup> Feb – P&C meeting – 7pm Library

### **LEETON VOLLEYBALL**

Registration Night/Introduction Night  
7pm Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2013  
Leeton Indoor Stadium

Individual or Team Nominations

Cost: Adults \$90 Under 19's \$70 (includes insurance)  
Contact: Lorraine on 6955 2604 or 0428 731875

### **LEETON-WHITTON FOOTBALL/NETBALL CLUB**

#### **2013 Registrations**

**Wednesday Night** 9 a side football & SWJFL under 11's, 13's, 15's netball & Auskick

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 9am-12pm @ Jarrah Mall**  
Junior Football & Netball enquiries Patrick Burke  
0427 413894

Auskick enquiries Travis Doyle 0418 684236  
Full payment at the time of registration  
All new players to bring their birth certificate

Teaching someone to drive can be a **happy** experience

You can learn all the simple steps on how to teach a learner driver at a **FREE** two hour workshop.

The next workshop in your area will be held:

**Date:** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February  
**Time:** 6.30pm-8.30pm  
**Venue:** Major Dooley Library  
**Book on: 0427 530931**

Helping learner drivers become safe drivers  
NSW Government & Leeton Shire Council

## FUN AT THE CARNIVAL







### LET'S MAKE A SPLASH



### FAREWELL YEAR 12

