

LEETON HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter

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"Educating young people for active and responsible citizenship"

~~PRINCIPAL'S REPORT~~

All students and staff have recently been asked to vote for 2014 school leaders. The results of the elections were announced at last week's formal assembly. Congratulations to the newly elected Leeton High School Prefects and Captains for 2014. The 2014 leaders of Leeton High will be:

Captains: Tereapii Nikoro, Annalise Ramponi

Vice Captains: Rhys Wilesmith, Sally Boardman

Prefects: Chris Bagley, Shaylah Elwin, Darcy Single,
Bianca Green, Ben Keith, Esther Deever

Students will be formally inducted after the upcoming school holidays.

Year 12 students are busy completing HSC courses, applying for various early entry schemes, scholarships and positions. Friday 20 September is their final day where they will have their formal assembly and presentation of portfolios. The Year 12 Formal will also be held on the evening of 20 September.

LHSFest was held on Wednesday 28 August. This was a really successful day with parents, students and staff involved in a variety of activities. A huge thank you to all parents and community members who volunteered their time or provided goods to help on the day. LHSFest is the main fundraiser for our P&C each year. The afternoon of LHSFest day is traditionally where students enter and perform in Leeton Idol. This year the acts were again outstanding, congratulations to all involved!

Literacy is a focus for Leeton High School this year and as part of our Literacy program we have had two visits by authors running excellent workshops for students over the past two weeks. Paul Stafford worked with Year 8 boys and Mark Greenwood worked with Year 7.

Congratulations to all students who attended the CHS Athletics Carnival in Sydney last week. All students performed excellently. Special mention to Year 11 student Shaylah Elwin who competed in five events and to Madeline Warburton (9) who won gold in 15 Years Javelin.

Greg Horton, Principal

~~DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT~~

Congratulations to all involved in LHSFest. Many thanks to: the P&C for all their hard effort, Mr Hardie for coordinating the event, and all staff who put effort into providing students with activities. Well done to all the students who attended and participated in the day in the way it was intended.

A friendly reminder to all students that aerosol deodorant cans are not welcome at our school. The main issue is that we have many students who are asthmatic and these sprays have the potential to trigger an attack. Your support in this matter is appreciated.

Thanks again to the P&C for funding the "Brainstorm" performance this term. They have agreed to fund it again in 2014 and the performance is entitled "The Hunting Game".

As this is the last newsletter for the term I would like to wish all students and their families a happy and safe holiday.

Scott White, Deputy Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

HTA STUDY DAY

On Monday 2 September seven Year 12 students attended the HTA HSC study day for Modern and Ancient History with Ms Lourigan. This was held at the Convention Centre at CSU Wagga Wagga. The students attended lectures on both Modern and Ancient Core units as well as their relative options. The focus in the core lectures was exam technique and all lecturers gave valuable tips on examination preparation and study techniques. The Study Day was a beneficial excursion and well timed as the HSC draws close.

PAUL STAFFORD

On Friday all Year 8 boys went to the Library in different groups to meet an author named Paul Stafford. During the hour we spent with him he told us many useful things related

to writing. Paul told us the importance of creativity and why it is necessary to write down all of our good ideas, whether it be for games, books, magazines, movies, TV shows, or even art. He showed us how to elaborate on our ideas to hopefully create something that we were able to be proud to show people. I believe that all Year 8 boys gained lots of useful information and hints from Paul and I wish that he would be able to visit again sometime in the future. Report written by Isaac Collins.



Isaac is seen in the photo in discussion with Paul.

MARK GREENWOOD

On Thursday 5 September, Mark Greenwood came to LHS to talk to some of the year 7 boy's about story writing. Mark loves history and has published books on Australian History such as Ned Kelly and the Green Sash, and Simpson and his Donkey. Mark doesn't just write books he experiences books. Mark has the exceptional ability to appeal to teenage audiences by using suspense. Many students could not hold back and had to know what happened. Mark's cheerful smile and good manners make him a great person to meet and learn from. Report from Alex Pianca.



Mark Greenwood talking to Alex Pianca, Jack Cantrill and April Tabal

DOUBLE GOLD JACKET

On Tuesday 3rd September, a Double Gold Jacket was presented to Haley Paterson of Year 10. Haley has earned the highest honour in Leeton High School's rewards system. She was awarded this on assembly in front of the school and her mother. Haley has earned this honour consistently throughout her time at this school. She has volunteered to help both at school and in the community, represented the school in various sports as well as at a Rotary Leadership Camp in 2012. Haley's sunny personality, resilience and determination is evident in all that she does, whether it be in the classroom or on the sporting

field. Haley is most deserving of this honour, as she embodies our school motto in all she does, trying hard at all tasks, giving her time and effort and in doing all of this, having a good time. Congratulations Haley.



LEETON IDOL

Wednesday 28 August saw the annual P&C LHSFest throughout the morning. The event was wonderfully supported by students. Thank you to the many parents and friends who volunteered their time to help on the day or provide goods for sale.

Leeton Idol was also a great success again this year. Award winners in the different categories were:

Audience Choice Awards

Junior Solo: Beautiful – Angelynn Soakimi

Senior Solo: Let Me Love You - Anthony Nardi

Groups/Duo: Pompeii – Shane, Josh and Tereapii Nikoro

Dance/Drama – Burlesque (Dance Ensemble)

Judge's Choice Awards

Junior Solo: Family Portrait – Elli Gill

Senior Solo: Let Me Love You - Anthony Nardi

Groups/Duo: Pompeii – Shane, Josh and Tereapii Nikoro

Dance/Drama – Ten Top Films (Year 10 Drama Class)

SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR 2013 UPDATE

Fundraising

Over the past fortnight the Schools Spectacular Performing Ensemble has held two major fundraising events. A Trivia Night was held on Friday 30th August and was well attended with about 80 people turning up on the night to support our talented students. Special thanks must go to staff members Mr Hardie, Mrs Anthony, Mrs Langley and Mrs Newsam who all made significant contributions. Thanks to Mrs Elwin and Mrs Day in the canteen and also Mrs Saddler and Mrs Ramponi who assisted at the door and in the canteen throughout the night.

The following businesses all provided sponsorship for the Trivia Night and we thank them sincerely for their support:

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| *Brad's Mensland | *Mitre 10 |
| *Dees | *Renee's Frocks |
| *Olli and Mac | *SunRice |
| *Lanhams Ford | *Earthcraft |
| *Parkview Butchery | *McDonalds |

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| *Movie Café | *Fitz Hairdresser and Barber |
| *Murrumbidgee Lucerne | *Salon D |
| *Betta Electrical | *Wilandra Estate |
| *Lillypilly Estate | *Kasey's |
| *Stir | |

The second fundraising event was a cake stall was held on Saturday 7th September. Yet again we received overwhelming support from the community. Thanks to the Ramponi, Saddler, Hunter-Boyd, Nardi, Green, Poulson, Pianca, Boardman and Jennings' families that provided baked goods and fruit for us sell and a special thanks to Mrs Ramponi, Mrs Saddler and Mrs Hunter-Boyd who assisted on the day as well as Samantha Pianca and Megan Chetcuti who walked the main street selling goods.

The money raised from these two events will go directly towards the trip the students will make in late December. Thanks to everyone who supported these events.

Excursion Details

- Participation and Consent package must be returned by Wednesday 11th September
- All dancers must be measured for costumes for Wednesday 11th September
- The next instalment is due by Friday 20/9/13 (Week 10)
 - Dancers - \$115.00
 - Choir - \$65.00

(difference is associated with the cost of costumes)

Please ensure each of these is attended to by the due date.

SCHOOL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on achieving awards:

SILVER DIPLOMA: Jake Aliendi and Thomas DePaoli (Year 7).

GOLD DIPLOMA: Georgia Saddler, Chase Morriss, Jacob DeMamiel, William Glennie (Year 7), Emani Nakubwai, Tiffany Keech, Skye Bloomfield, Bryce DeMamiel, Lillian Snell (Year 8), Kyle McVittie, Andrew Napier (Year 9), Grace Green (Year 10), Destiny Nichols, Dillan McGillivray, Tereapii Nikoro (Year 11), Jessica Catlin (Year 12).

EXECUTIVE AWARDS: William Glennie (Year 7), Georgia Dale (Year 9), Tristin Johnson (Year 10), Shaylah Elwin, Melinda Broad and Sheridan Simpson (Year 11).

SCHOOL SPORT

Last week LHS had 10 students travel to Sydney to compete in the CHS State Carnival. Results were as follows: Madeline Warburton won gold in the Girls 15 years Javelin and all other students did PB's. Shaylah Elwin was another standout as she competed in 5 events - taking 5 seconds off her 400m time. Congratulations to all students.



Madeline throwing in the Under 15s javelin



Madeline (middle) on the podium after winning gold

P&C NEWS

LHS FEST WRAP

The P & C has again been blessed with a wonderful day for LHS FEST 2013 and also lots of help from parents, staff and students. I have been amazed by the support of a lot of people, firstly Kerry Hardie who put his hand up to be the Co-ordinator of the Teachers events and who also continually promoted LHS FEST and its events within the school. To Greg and Scott for their continued support of the P & C with our major fundraiser.

To the office ladies, Sheree, Tina and Julie for their help with the big job of organising the wrist bands whilst also doing the day to day duties. To Tina and Sharon for enabling me to promote LHS FEST through the newsletter and also the daily staff and student notices. To School Assistant John Scott, who got everything ready for the BBQ, thank you.

To all of the staff for their enthusiasm with their own activities organised throughout the day. This year staff went to great lengths to provide something a little different for the students and this made the day even more enjoyable. To Michele White, who as a parent and a staff member at our school, puts her hand up each year to organise the Hoop-La and for months prior to FEST visits our local businesses to obtain donations as prizes for her stall so our students are kept entertained.

Thank you to those local businesses who made generous donations. To our amazing students who supported our great day with their own events and also by attending LHS FEST. Your behaviour was excellent and to see you all enjoying yourself was the highlight for me.

And lastly to the parent helpers - Cheryl Butler, Sheree Wilesmith, Margaret Brindley, Larinda Motion, Charmaine Lee and Sylvia Saddler – these wonderful ladies all cooked up a storm so that our children had a taste of home cooked muffins, slices and cookies on the day. To Sylvia Saddler and Michele Diebert who helped with the preparation for our BBQ in the lead up to the big day. To Jo and Luke Pianca who organised the donation of the stalls (Leeton Rotary) and Drink Van (Parkview Public) and set them up and took them down. To Garry Wilesmith, Glenn Saddler, Greg Deeves and Tom Elwin who came in early to help with the setup of the stalls. Garry, Glenn and Tom then stayed and cooked the BBQ all day to keep the students and staff fed for the day whilst Greg also hung around and sold the individual ride tickets for the day. You guys were a great help!!!!

Now to my amazing Mums who put their hand up to assist on the day, Carrie Stewart, Lara Poulsen, Vicki Tiffin, Jacqui Eglinton, Gloria Santos, Jo Pianca, Michele Diebert, Sylvia Saddler and Margaret Turton. It was great to have your support from the early morning to the end of the day when cleaning up. Many of the Mums then had to go to their paid jobs and work again. Having this amount of support made my job as Co-ordinator much easier and made the day run smoothly. So everyone, please accept this as my personal thanks. Early figures for the day indicate we have raised in excess of \$3,700- which is a great result.

A special mention must go to the staff that also organise Leeton IDOL which is held in the afternoon so the children can unwind after an enjoyable morning and allows many of our students to showcase their talents in front of their peers WELL DONE!!

Sharon Elwin

2013 LHS FEST Co-Ordinator

GOLDEN APPLE DOCKETS

The Golden Apple docket promotion is running again this year. Please drop off all your dockets to the Front Office to support this great fundraiser.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri 20 Sept – Year 12 Graduation Assembly & Dinner

Fri 20 Sept – Last day of Term 3

Tues 8 Oct – Students Return for Term 4

LEETON TOUCH

Registration Information Evening

Date: Monday 9/9/12

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Leeton Soldiers Club

Information will be available in regards to the new registration process for Senior (Women's, Men's and Mixed) and Junior (Year 3-8) Competitions.

JUNIOR TOUCH DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

Sunday 29th September, Leeton No 2 Oval

The clinic aims to teach the basics of the game to children between the ages of 11 & 14 and offer them the opportunity to improve their skills. The clinic will be conducted by the Leeton Touch Association with assistance for the NSW Touch Association.

Limited positions available. Pick up the nomination information from Washington Furniture, Leeton Trophy and Gift Centre or from the Leeton Touch Association website.

Registrations close Friday 30th August.

For further information contact:
Jackson Goman – 0428 525766

LEETON JUNIOR PHANTOMS END OF SEASON 2013 PRESENTATION

The presentation this year will be held at Murrumbidgee College Yanco at 12pm on Sunday 15th September.

All current players and their families are invited to attend.

There will be a BBQ followed by the presentation of awards.

Please RSVP with numbers attending for catering purposes to Leanne 0429 380783



FUN AT FEST

