

LEETON HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter

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“Educating young people for active and responsible citizenship”

~~PRINCIPAL'S REPORT~~

This week we are busy preparing for the combined school performances of “SHINE on Broadway”. Students from Leeton High School and all local public primary schools are involved in this great event. Staff and students have been busy preparing for several weeks and performances will take place on Wednesday 27 August and Thursday 28 August. Tickets are available from the school; please contact the front office staff.

This week we are electing our school leaders for 2015. Nominations from Year 11 students have been gathered and all those students will speak at this week's formal assembly. Students and staff will then vote for our 2015 school leaders. Each year we elect ten school leaders who will take the roles of captains, vice captains and prefects. The school leaders will commence their duties before the end of this term and continue for the ensuing 12 months.

Last Tuesday the Leeton High School Open Rugby League team travelled to Sydney to play in a quarter final of the state wide University Shield knockout. The boys were defeated 13-6 by Canterbury Boys High School (see article later in the newsletter). The support to the team by the Leeton community has been overwhelming and I would like to thank the families, students, businesses and community members for this. In particular thank you to Dave Killen and Garry Wilesmith for coaching the team throughout the year.

We wish the girls open squash team every success this week when they participate in the finals of the CHS Knockout. The team comprises of Esther Deeves (12), Claire Quinlivan (11), Sarah Quinlivan (9) and Siarne Deeves (8). These games will be played in Dubbo on Friday 29 August.

Planning has commenced for 2015. Staff are currently evaluating the 2014 school plan and developing directions for the new three year planning cycle. At P&C meetings in August and October input will be sought from parents. In addition, parents thoughts on where the school moves with technology will also be discussed. Currently we are looking at the pros and cons of a model called Bring Your Own Device.

Greg Horton, Principal

~~DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT~~

Today, we held our Prefect Candidates Assembly. It was a pleasure to see such a strong field of young leaders willing to step up and challenge themselves for this important role in 2015. Well done!

Parents and students, you remember our simple rule:

“EVERYTHING GOES THROUGH THE FRONT OFFICE”

It is with pleasure that I can report that people have been honouring this process and the accountability of our students has improved.

Well done, you all deserve a big tick!



THIS ONE...



.. NOT THIS ONE!

The next challenge for some of us is to inform the school of any concerns that you may have before you use your mobile phone. This mainly occurs when students are feeling sick. The necessity of reporting to the Front Office is that our First Aid trained staff can briefly assess your condition and amend our rolls accordingly.

Please recall also that if your child is absent, that you are required to send in a note when they return, as per Government Policy. The Front Office sends notes home if your child has been away for 2 consecutive days and an explanatory note has not been received within seven days of returning to school. The Home School Liaison Officer has been most vigilant in tracking absences at Leeton High.

Pleasingly, the issue of **sports uniform to PE classes** appears to be moving in a more positive direction. This is a reminder that if there is a problem with bringing your sports uniform to class that day, please bring a change of clothes and a note. Repeat offenders will be **“Level Dropped”**.

Basically, if a student does not have correct uniform or a note from home explaining why, they will be given a **“Uniform**

Detention". If they don't turn up to that detention, they will be **"Level Dropped"**. If you have issues arising from the inability to supply your student with correct uniform then I urge you to contact me personally at school.

Andrew Morschel, Deputy Principal

SCHOOL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on achieving awards:

SILVER AWARDS: Hayley Graham, Cherish Kohere, Laura Shelton, Tahnee Walsh, Meg Gason (Year 7).

GOLD AWARDS: Lara Cameron, Hayley Graham, Ella Saddler (Year 7), Bryce Butler, Madeline Warburton and Shaun Muller (Year 10)

EXECUTIVE AWARDS: Brianna Gray-Mills, Kai Schmetzer, Koby Eglinton (Year 7), Tahlia Wakley-Taylor, April Tabal, Kaliya Matthews (Year 8), Katie Walleth, Jacinda Waters, Molly Jackson (Year 9), Kyle Newman, Isabella Santos, Kyle McVittie (Year 10), RJ Cranshure-Player, Wyatt Morriss, Jade Smith (Year 11), Esther Deeves, Benjamin Keith and Dillan McGillivray (Year 12).

SCHOOL NEWS

DOUBLE GOLD JACKET

On Tuesday 12th August, Grace Green of Year 11 was received the highest honour in our rewards system, a Double Gold Jacket.

Grace has proven herself to be willing to be involved in the various aspects of life at Leeton High School. Since 2010 she has participated in academic competitions as well as swimming, athletics and cross country. Grace also chose to represent the school in soccer, basketball, netball, league tag and touch football. She has also participated in debating, and more recently, on stage in productions such as MADD Night and in SHINE performances. Grace also won best speaker at last year's Eisteddfod for debating and performed in KROP and Eisteddfod drama performances and attended the regional Drama Camp.

Grace has proven herself to be an excellent ambassador for Leeton High School, each and every time she has performed in public, represented the school in various pursuits, or in her dealings with others here at school. Her good nature, honest and reliable work ethic and bubbly personality endear her to many.



WANTED FOR THE AG PLOT

If anyone has any corrugated iron they do not want, we are looking for some to cover in our chook shed. We need about 13 sheets 2.2 long and 4 at 2.3 long. Please contact Stuart Stout or Kevin Lehman at the school.

SCHOOL SPORTS

QUARTER FINAL – UNIVERSITY SHIELD

Last Tuesday Leeton High School travelled to Sydney to play Canterbury Boys High in the quarter finals of the University Shield. This was the first time the open boys at the school had ever made it this far into the competition.

Unfortunately their great run in the competition came to an end after what could only be described as disappointing circumstances. The ground the boys were to play on was closed so they were taken to a substandard water logged field with no lines marked out. Although the boys tried hard in the first half a lopsided penalty count seen them go to the break, down 12-0. If not for their normal stout defence this could have been much worse. In the second half they were given a bit more possession and got the match back within 6 points after Kye Reynolds crashed over in the corner, and Baz Blackett converted. The boys crossed Canterbury's line on three more occasions only to be denied by the ref on all occasions. Canterbury then sealed the match with a field goal in the last minute.

I'm sure on a dry day and with an even amount of possession the boys would have progressed.

We are still proud of the great achievement.

I would like to make a big thanks to Garry Wilesmith who done such a great job training these boys. They would never have got this far without your help.

Also a big thanks to Sheree for your help with organisation. And to the staff, students and all the community for your support and good will.

Thank you very much to the students and teachers who supported our pie drive. Once again it proved very successful raising \$933. Thank you to our fabulous Canteen ladies Sharon and Megan for donating \$100 worth of lunch order vouchers for our prize winners. They are:

\$50 lunch order voucher for raising the most amount of money on their order went to Jake Aliendi. Well done and thank you Jake!

5 x \$10 lunch order vouchers went to: Santo Celi, Esther Deeves, Samantha Pianca, Annalise Ramponi, Christopher Ryan

Also, thank you to Sharon Elwin, Michele Diebert and Jak Eglinton for their help on the day packing all the orders.

Sylvia Saddler
Pie Drive Co-ordinator

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 27th & Thur 28th – Shine Performance

LEETON & DISTRICT REP NETBALL

TRYOUTS

Where: Leeton Netball Courts outside stadium

When: Tuesday 2nd, 9th and 16th September

Time: 11's & 12's – 4pm

13's & 14's – 5pm

15's & 16's – 6pm

Must be turning that age by 31st Dec, 2015

Please com 15min early to fill out your name and 2 preferred playing positions.

Any queries contact: Rachal Broadbent 0404 841826
Emma Dale 0408 750691

THIS INSURANCE

Student Personal Accident Insurance designed solely for students and helps protect their family financially in case of an accident resulting in serious injury.

Parents can obtain this cover for their children online for a low cost of \$35 per child per calendar year.

For more information visit
www.thisinsurance.com.au
studentpa@thisinsurance.com.au
or call 1300 844792

LEETON LITTLE ATHLETICS 2014/2015 SEASON

Registrations will be held on:

Wednesday 3rd Sept at Leeton High School Ovals
4.30pm-5.30pm

Saturday 6th Sept in Jarrah Mall 9am-12pm

Commences Wednesday 10th September at 4.30pm

Cost: 1st & 2nd Child - \$65, 3rd Child and thereafter \$50each

Compulsory Club Singlets - \$35
Club Shorts (not compulsory) \$45

All enquires to Brendan Steele 0437 537 332