

LEETON HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter

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“Educating young people for active and responsible citizenship”

~~ RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT ~~

At the end of 2015, we identified the following areas of improvement to enable Leeton High School to achieve to our best in 2016 (and beyond). Succinctly stated our goals are to:

- “SUIT UP”** Bring the correct uniform and equipment to allow you to participate effectively in all activities.
- “SHOW UP”** Improve your attendance to maximise learning opportunities. Parents, do not accept lame excuses for your kids to stay home. This is not how a successful life works. Contact the school, if we need to intervene to get your child's attendance and education back on track.
- “GET IT DONE”** Complete the work in class and submit all of your Assessment tasks to the best of your ability. Ask questions, if you need help. Do not sit there and accept mediocrity.

It was with considerable pleasure to note that the uniform status of our students upon return from the summer vacation was outstanding. We must remember that this also applies to uniform in PE practical periods and for correct footwear in Science and TAS lessons, and for stationery items across the board. Our students need to be able to fully participate in lessons if they are to maximise their learning.

We took proud possession of a new Mitsubishi Rosa bus yesterday. For years, Leeton High has pondered such a move and special credit must go to principal Greg Horton for his vision and planning over the last few years to make this possible.

We accept that we are disadvantaged by the ‘tyranny of distance’ and it is only fitting that we divert some of our funding to address this imbalance. There will be a ‘user-pays’ fee structure for our students but parents should rest assured that travel costs will be reduced considerably.



We are all looking forward to our Swimming Carnival on Wednesday. I challenge those who can swim, but choose not to, to push through this emotion and have a swim. On the surface it is just a swimming race, but acquiring the ability to rise above self-doubt or self-consciousness is something that you will carry for your benefit beyond your schooling years.

We have been given a directive to improve the attendance of our students and improve our processes for doing so. It is agreed that 85% is the required attendance for any student in a school to learn effectively. Thanks to Sentral, we will quickly determine which students have fallen below this figure and we will be

making immediate contact for explanations. If your child is absent, please provide an explanatory note for them to give to the Front Office.

To conclude, I would like to stress the importance of communication between home and school. If you have any questions on any issue, please do not hesitate to call us on **6953-2122** or email leeton-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au with your concerns. Stay in touch with the happenings at your community high school via our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/LeetonHS>.

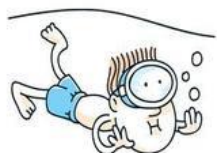
Andrew Morschel, Relieving Principal

SCHOOL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on achieving awards:

EXECUTIVE AWARDS (from 2015): Taylor Moore (Year 7), Lara Cameron, Christopher Ryan (year 8), Gabriella Davidson (Year 9), Hannah Bush (Year 10), Paris Jennings (year 11).

LHS SWIMMING CARNIVAL



LHS Swimming Carnival is to be held on Wednesday 3 Feb 2016 at Leeton Swimming Pool. Entry into the pool will be \$2.50.

200m freestyle will be held at 8:00am. All other students to arrive by **9am for roll marking**. Lots of races and novelty events will be held on the day.

Year 12 students will be running a sausage sizzle to raise money for their chosen charity.

If any parents or family members would like to help out on the day please contact the school on 6953 2122.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 3 Feb – LHS Swimming Carnival