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"Educating young people for active and responsible citizenship"

~~ PRINCIPAL'S REPORT ~~

Newsletter Term 4 Week 2: Principal's Report

Welcome back! We have had some significant staff changes since the end of last term. Mrs Melissa Anthony formerly Head Teacher English/CaPA has taken a position at Kiama and Mrs Roz Nisbet has retired as Head Teacher Teaching and Learning. I would like to acknowledge their wonderful contributions to our school during their time at Leeton High and wish them all the best for the future. We are exceptionally fortunate to have Mrs Alanya Skewes as our relieving Head Teacher English/Creative and Performing Arts, Miss Simone Crossley is relieving as Head Teacher Teaching and Learning and Mr Andrew Hitchman replaces Mrs Lanham in the Mathematics faculty. Also joining our teacher staff is Mrs Naomi Butler, Learning and Support Teacher, as a permanent appointment to our school. Again, welcome to our new staff and to all the new families who have joined us this term.

Higher School Certificate 2019

Best wishes to our Year 12 students who commenced their HSC examinations on Thursday. Examinations conclude on Friday 9th November. The 2018 written examination timetable can be found at:

<http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/wcm/connect/08714b67-1ad2-4bc7-a465-cb383ebd206c/2018-hsc-written-exam-timetable-web.pdf?MOD=AJPERES&CVID>

Trivioke

Thanks to all students, parents/carers, teachers and community members who attended last Wednesday's fabulous Trivioke event to raise funds for our massive Schools Spectacular troupe heading to Sydney in November. Great work by Mrs Van Den Heuvel who did a fabulous job as compere and Mrs Goman for her tasty food fair on offer during the night. The night was a huge success.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

While our official school "launch" is not until 2019, you may have noticed our PBL signs over the school holidays. They display the values that our students, staff and community consider to be the most important. We value being respectful and responsible and we value our learning. To provide guidance on how we may achieve these values, our signs also display examples of appropriate and welcome behaviours. PBL has proven to be very successful in schools who have implemented it as it serves to create a more positive and respectful environment for all with consistent responses to celebrate positive behaviour and consistent responses to behaviour that is not in keeping with our values and expectations. Next year, as a first step, students will be taught how to demonstrate our values in short PBL sessions and teachers will be supported to consistently promote our values. It's an exciting initiative which will help us to continually improve to create the best learning and wellbeing environment for students and staff.

Visitors to Leeton High School

This week we have had several visitors to our school to share both information and their experiences with our students. Our senior students who are interested in the Medicine and Allied Health fields were treated to an information session from the University of New South Wales promotion team, including 2014 School Captain Sally Boardman. A huge thank you to our Careers Advisor Mrs Locke for providing this great opportunity for our students. Also at Leeton High School this

week was Jake Speer who generously delivered a workshop for our Drama students which was very much appreciated. Jake is also currently appearing in his own cinematic production "Inside Water" which is showing at the Roxy Theatre this weekend. Thank you to Mrs Skewes for organising this wonderful experience for our students to work with such a talented young man.

The Gathering Place

Thank you to Mr William Ingram who generously shared his artistic skills with our students to help with the first stages of the creation of our new Gathering Place as a tribute to the Wiradjuri people on whose land we live and learn. Students and Mr Ingram commenced the decoration of our totem poles last Friday and we all eagerly await the finished product. Thank you again to Mr Ingram for his time and expertise.

Rising star Josh Baulch

Congratulations to Josh Baulch in Year 11 who continues to excel at athletics. Josh recently won a bronze medal for the 400m and a silver medal in the 800m at the recent All-School carnival, Josh has now earned a spot at the National Titles for the 800m in Cairns in December. A well- deserved result for Josh!

Minimum Standards Testing Year 10 Round 2

This term we will undertake the second round of Minimum Standards testing during the week of **12th-16th November 2018**. This is the second round of testing for those who still need to reach the literacy and numeracy benchmarks (Level 3) set by NESA. A timetable for testing will be given to students who will undertake the tests during class time.

There are three separate 45 minute online tests:

- Reading Test – 45 multiple choice questions
- Numeracy Test – 45 multiple choice questions
- Writing Test – one question based on a prompt

Students make need to sit one, two or all three tests depending on the outcome of the first round of testing in Term 2. Information will be sent home closer to the date. Any concerns or queries please contact the school.

Year 7 2019 Enrolment Forms

Year 7 2019 enrolment forms are due now! Please contact the office if you require more information or additional enrolment documents.

Breakfast @ LHS

Breakfast Club operates on Tuesday and Friday mornings in front of the canteen. Thanks to our volunteer teachers and students, our wonderful canteen ladies and the Leeton IGA for their very generous support.

Homework Centre

Leeton High School offers a great opportunity to get on top of homework, assessment tasks and exam preparation with our Homework Centre open to all from **3.30pm-4.45pm** Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Tuesdays is a great day to visit if you need help with Maths and Thursday will have English, Science, HSIE or TAS teacher there available to assist.

Leeton High School recognises and values the importance of communication between home and school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me on 69532122. Stay in touch with the happenings at your community high school via the School Website <http://www.leeton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/> or our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/LeetonHS>.



Mrs Meagan Crelley
Principal

SCHOOL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on achieving awards:

SILVER AWARD: Isabella Franz (Year 7)

GOLD AWARD: Emika Gooley (Year 8)

All Schools Carnival

Congratulations to Josh Baulch (Year 11) on his efforts at the All Schools Carnival. He placed second and gained a silver medal in the U'18's 800m and placed third gaining a bronze medal in the U'18's 400m. His outstanding effort in the 800m has seen him be selected for the NSW Athletics Team who will travel to the National Championships in December. He will represent NSW in the 800m. We wish Josh all the best for his upcoming competition



Trivioke

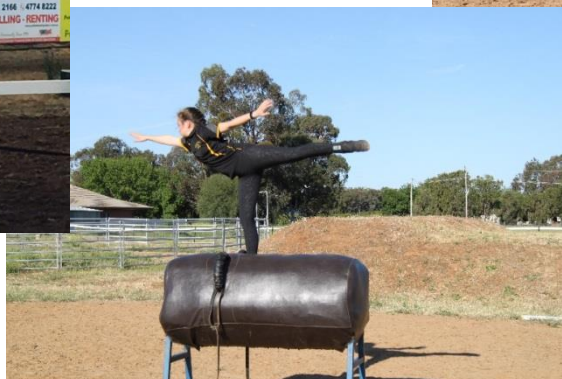
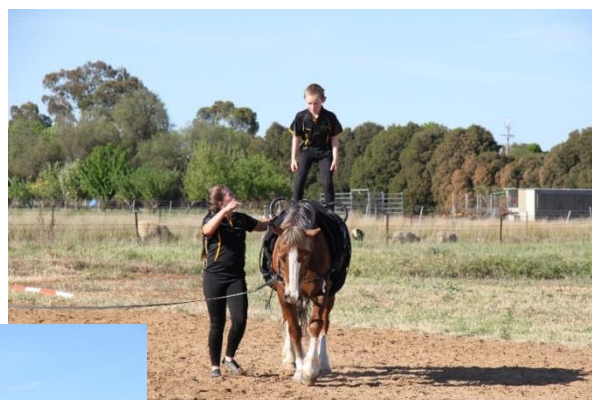
Last week we held our annual Trivioke (Trivia, Karaoke and Games) Night. This event is held as a fundraiser for our Schools Spectacular students and was a huge success. A massive thanks to all the students, staff, friends and family who attended. Rehearsals are well under way for Schools Spec which will be held from 19-25th November. This year we have 38 students attending in Dance, Drama, Choir, and in State Dance and Featured artists.

Come and Try Vaulting Day

Riverina Equiste Vaulting Team are inviting you to come and try the Equestrian gymnastic sport of vaulting. We train with horses every week!!

When: Tuesday 30th October, 2108. 4 – 7pm.
Where: 170 Toorak Road, Leeton
What: Bring running shoes and tight fitting clothing.
Cost: Free, late afternoon tea included

No horse experience necessary, we have our own vaulting horses and training equipment. Our team aims to have fun and work with the horse to improve their body core strength, general strength and flexibility. We normally vault on Tuesdays during term time from 4-6pm.



LEETON HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Front Office is open between 8.30am -
3.45pm

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

Mon 22nd Oct – Fri 9th Nov – HSC Exams

Mon 5th Nov – Fri 9th Nov – Year 10 Exams

Mon 12th Nov – Fri 23rd Nov – Years 7-9 Exams

Fri 16th Nov - Yr 12 Grad Dinner

Thurs 13th Dec - School Presentation Night

YEAR 12 GRADUATION DINNER

16th November, 2018

\$45 per head

Pay at the Front Office by 29th
October

If you would like a Leetonia you will
need to pay \$20 at the front office



Leeton High School Careers

With Mrs Locke & Mrs Palmer

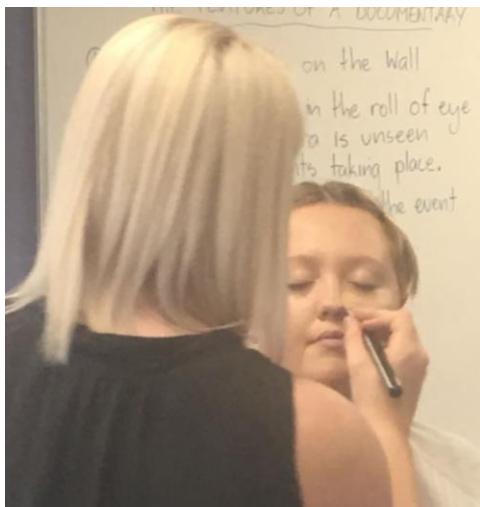
The University of Sydney.

During the School holidays Caleb Watson and Jessica Murphy were chosen as Leeton High Schools high-achieving students to experience what it's like to be a student at the University of Sydney, from both an academic and social perspective. They had an opportunity to speak to current students and explore the campus all in one day. They were involved in some fun hands-on activities delivered by academic staff. Both Caleb and Jessica had a fantastic experience and gained a valuable insight into life at The University of Sydney.



YEAR 10 CAREERS LESSONS

During the week Year 10 girls Careers class were treated to a skin tutorial from Abbey Fitzsimon, owner of Exclusive Skin and Beauty. Abbey spoke to the girls about general hygiene, preparation for interviews and how to dress accordingly in the workforce. Abbey showed them how to apply minimal but effective make-up and Jessica Joy was chosen to be the model for the session. This was not only an enjoyable lesson but a worthwhile opportunity for the girls. Grace Kokke was fortunate to gain a week's work experience with Abbey after speaking to her and showing an interest in this field of work. We would like to thank Abbey for giving up her time to talk to the girls and they were all impressed with the free samples of skin care that they all received after being part of the session.



SteppinOut4Youth

Our SteppinOut4Youth students received their work t-shirts this week and headed off to meet their mentors in the work force. Students will spend the next four weeks with their mentors in their work placement. Many thanks to the Mentors for being a part of this incredible program run by Anna Celi who gives herself to the youth of our community.



UNIVERSITY OF NSW VISIT



Students who show an interest in the Medicine and Allied Health Fields of Endeavor were treated to an information session from the University of New South Wales promotion team, which included 2014 School Captain Sally Boardman.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

APPRENTICE BAKER/PASTRY COOK MICK'S BAKEHOUSE

Mick's Bake house is looking for an interested person to start an apprenticeship with them. Pop into Mick's and ask to speak to Maria for more information.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A PART TIME JOB?

Please pop into Careers Central if you would like some information or assistance finding work or work experience.





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Friday 19 October 2018

Dear Year 8 Parent or Carer,

The *Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development* (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held between **Monday 31 October** and **Tuesday 6 November 2018**. The test takes approximately 70 minutes. The **VALID Science 8** test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. *VALID Science 8* contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the *NSW Science Years K–10 Syllabus*. Students will be tested on their:

- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Since students complete *VALID Science 8* on a computer, each student needs to bring **headphones or earbuds** that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an iPod or portable player are suitable.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 1 2019. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the science knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test.

The Head Teacher of Science is able to provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Kind Regards,

Lewanna Kenton
Head Teacher Science & PDHPE

The Rotary Foundation presents

BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY

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THAN THEIR MUSIC IS HIS STORY

Join us
at 7:00pm on Thursday 1st November
At the Roxy Theatre in Leeton


Tickets \$8.00 for students or children under 18.
\$15.00 for adults

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or roxy@leeton.nsw.gov.au

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WHAT DO THESE SIGNS MEAN?

	<p>You CAN STOP HERE FOR 2 MINUTES ONLY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can drop your child off here but you must either stay in the car or within 3 metres of the car. Mobility sticker permit holders may stop for up to 5 mins. 		<p>You CANNOT STOP HERE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You cannot drop your child off here. Medical or other emergency stopping only is permitted. 		<p>You CANNOT STOP HERE unless driving a bus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children cannot be dropped here unless they are arriving by bus.
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Hours of operation may apply to some signs.
This means that the restrictions apply for those times only.