

LEETON HIGH SCHOOL Newsletter

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“Educating young people for active and responsible citizenship”

~~PRINCIPAL’S REPORT~~

Leeton High School presents Western Riverina Careers EXPO 2021

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Please note that due to the large number of exhibitors, attending there will be limited parking along Myrtle Street from 7am – 3pm.

From 1pm parents, carers and the general public are invited to attend. Thanks to our Careers Department for all their hard-work to make this massive event happen!

Over the last two weeks, students and staff have participated in an array of exciting cultural, creative, leadership and sporting activities locally and further afield.

Our Year 11 Student Representative Council members, Jarrah Brain, Jaylen Milvain, Jhie Deaton, Maddison Sohier, Oscar Richardson and Meghan Davidson-Curtain, travelled to Albury with Mr Cronin and Ms Seabrook to participate in the GRIP leadership conference on Tuesday 1st June. It was an enriching experience where our young leaders worked with other schools to build understanding, connections and share ideas on what it takes to be a great leader. Our students engaged thoughtfully with all activities and contributed their ideas for discussion for the benefit of all who attended.

Also, last Tuesday, Alison Moller (Year 12), Sabrina Maimone (Year 10), Heidi Whyatt (Year 9) and Ms Byrne represented Leeton High School at the Murrumbidgee Youth Mental Health Forum in Wagga. Our team learnt new skills and strategies to share with our school to support improved mental health and wellbeing. Students have been tasked with creating a welfare inspired student led project to support mental health awareness. Watch this space for more information to come! Great job ladies.



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Students from Leeton High School were invited to attend Reconciliation Cup activities on Thursday 3rd June to celebrate National Reconciliation Week 2021. National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and to explore how we all can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. Congratulations to all our students who participated in the Reconciliation Cup hosted by Griffith AMS. It was a great day full of games, laughs and getting to know one another and more about the diversity of culture and history in our area. Our students were outstanding ambassadors for Leeton High School and I thank Mr Tregea and Mrs Morgan for organising our involvement in this great event.



Our Representative Dance Ensemble, consisting of students from Years 7-12, performed their routine 'Lost' superbly on Friday night at the Riverina Dance Festival in Albury.

Congratulations to our students on an amazing return to stage after a challenging 18 months and limited performance opportunities due to COVID restrictions. Mikayla Pearce, Brooke Eglinton and Rhea Fairweather who danced in their final festival following many years of accolades. Also, a special mention to Mikayla for her outstanding choreography. These ladies have contributed greatly to showcasing creative and performing arts at Leeton High School and we have truly enjoyed watching their talents grow. Well done to our inspirational Year 12 role models and to our 12 other talented dancers and we look forward to their achievements for many years to come.



Our very talented Sarah Seymour in Year 12 has earned a well-deserved tutoring and boarding scholarship to the National Art School to attend the HSC Visual Arts Intensive Studio practice course in Painting over the next two holiday periods. We wish Sarah all the best!

South West Athletics carnival results have now been confirmed. Again, thank you to all our students who behaved respectfully and responsibly on the day and to all our students who competed with great enthusiasm and commitment which resulted in Leeton High School earning the carnival championship. We are very excited to announce that just under 50 students have qualified for the Riverina Carnival! An outstanding effort from our team.

We are also proud to congratulate our 7 age champions and 4 runners-up:

12 Girls Champion - Hailey Smith; Runner-up - Samantha Wharley

12 Boys Champion - Sebastian Crelley

13 Girls Runner-up - Mackenzie Lee

13 Boys Runner-up - Riley Legge

14 Girls Champion - Amelia Irvin

15 Girls Champion - Tamika Rourke

15 Boys Champion - Jesse Watson; Runner-up Chase Lee

16 Girls Champion - Madeline Irvin

17 Boys Champion - Ryan Butler

Outstanding result! Well done everyone.



Also, a special mention to Brooke Eglinton who represented the Riverina at the CHS Open Netball Championships in Orange last week. The Riverina team were state runners-up defeated by a strong Sydney team. Great effort Brooke. Congratulations to Adelaide Heins who also represented the Riverina at the CHS Golf Championships.

HSC Minimum Standards Testing – Reading, Writing and Numeracy

To qualify for a Higher School Certificate, students need to meet a minimum standard (Level 3 - Australian Core Skills Framework) in three areas: Reading, Writing and Numeracy. This is to ensure that students have functional reading, writing and numeracy skills for tasks such as following safety instructions in equipment manuals, understanding a mobile phone plan, writing a job application and creating a personal weekly budget.

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Students in Year 10 will shortly undertake a practice test in Reading, Writing and Numeracy in preparation for the actual test this term. Testing will be undertaken in English and Mathematics classes over the next three weeks.

Year 10 and 11 students will have four opportunities this year to reach the Level 3 benchmark. Students in Year 12 will have six opportunities to meet that standard in whatever area still required (Reading and/or Writing and/or Numeracy).

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

Please be aware that students will be able to sit their Higher School Certificate examinations and receive their results regardless of whether they have met the HSC minimum standard or not. Students are still eligible for an ATAR without meeting the Level 3 benchmarks. Students who have not met the minimum standard when their HSC results are issued still have opportunities to meet the standard and receive the HSC credential for up to two years after they finish their HSC examinations through the school by negotiation. For the students who don't meet the minimum standard upon leaving or within this testing timeframe, a Record of School Achievement (RoSA) will be awarded.

It is very important that students take this opportunity to meet the Level 3 standard seriously and apply themselves to the testing as it provides greater options and acts as recognition of having achieved the award of the Higher School Certificate and demonstrates the desired level of literacy and numeracy to employers if they choose this pathway. More information can be found at:

<http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/hsc-minimum-standard>

Demonstration tests:

<https://hsliteracynumeracy.nesa.nsw.edu.au/>

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the process please contact me on 0269532122.

Audio-Digital Library

Exciting news: all LHS students now have access to an audio and digital library of over 2000 novels. By simply going to <https://leetonhs.eplatform.co/> and logging in via your school email and password students will be able to listen to or read novels on an e-platform via phone, tablet, laptop or desktop. Happy reading!
Any questions, please contact Mrs Skewes.

Reports Years 7-10

Years 7-10 Semester 1 Reports will be available to students on Friday 18th June. Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 22nd June from 4-6pm. Please book your timeslots through our Sentral Parent Portal from Friday 18th June. The URL for access to the portal is: <https://web1.leeton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal>. A complimentary coffee van will be available for free hot beverages during the Parent/Teacher Interview session. We look forward to seeing you there. More information will be published closer to the date. Any questions, please contact Meagan Crelley or Damian Bush on 0269532122.

Leeton High School Presents Shrek the Musical!

If you haven't already, don't forget to purchase your tickets for the 2021 production of Shrek the Musical. Please note: purchasing tickets online incurs a 0.50c fee per ticket. We can't wait to see this incredible showstopper from our students and Creative and Performing Arts faculty.

Students who have been recognised through our Merit System or who have accumulated Positive Behaviour for Learning eTickets are able to purchase a \$5.00 ticket to view a matinee performance on either the Tuesday 22nd June or Wednesday 23rd June with the school. The list of eligible students has been published in the breezeway at school.

Leeton High School values the importance of communication between home and school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school on 69532122. Stay in touch with events and information 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

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SCHOOL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on achieving awards:

BRONZE AWARDS: Desmond Glennie, Sebastian Crelley, Jack Miller (Year 7), Neive Davies, Kyrish Rayos, Naz Dana Saifi, Luca Deaton (Year 9), Genevieve Hillam (Year 10).

SILVER AWARDS: Neive Davies, Naz Dana Saifi, Luca Deaton (Year 9) and Genevieve Hillam (Year 10).

EXECUTIVE AWARDS: Ivy Snell, Madeleine Glenn (Year 7), Tara White, Scarlett Wallace (Year 8), Kaleb Mackay, Chelsea Clark (Year 9), Shay Bandy, Genevieve Hillam (Year 10), Lilly Hillier, Sophie Mannall (Year 11) and Lewis Cain-McAliece (Year 12).

~~ DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – TEACHING & LEARNING~~

The Year 10 Academic Mentor Program has been going well so far. Half the students had their initial mentor meeting last week and the remaining students will have their first one-on-one meeting this week during PBL. If you have any questions about subject selections, please contact me at school.

In relation to attendance, please take the time to check your child's attendance on the Sentral portal. We are sending SMS messages for students that are late to school or absent for the whole day. Please respond to the SMS should you receive one for your child. I hope this will make our attendance data more accurate and tidy up some of the unjustified absences that students are receiving.

Junior reports will be going out to parents in week nine this term, followed by a parent teacher night in week ten on Tuesday, 22nd June. To book an interview with your child's teachers you will need to access the parent portal. A letter will go home this week with instructions, including an access key. If you have done this in the past there should be no need to use the new access key. If you have any trouble getting this to work don't hesitate to contact the school and we can help you over the phone.

Damian Bush
Deputy Principal – Teaching and Learning

~~ SCHOOL NEWS~~

Happy Italian Republic Day!

June 2nd commemorated the 75th anniversary of the referendum that abolished monarchy in Italy. Last Tuesday, June 1st, Year 7 students of Italian had a nice catch up with Year 5 students of Italian from St Joseph Primary. Members of the local Italian community also attended the gathering at Madonna Place. Students showcased their Italian conversation skills and sang the Italian national anthem. They also tried different types of Italian biscuits. Delizioso! Well done to those students who represented our school in the community with much pride. Bravissimi!



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri 18th June – Junior Reports to Students

Wed 16th Jun – Western Riverina Careers Expo

Tue 22nd June – Parent/Teacher Night

Tue 22nd June -Thur 24th June – **SHREK** performance – Ticket Sales are now open

Fri 25th June – Last Day of Term 2

TERM 3 DATES

Mon 12th July – Staff return – Pupil Free Day

Tues 13th July – All students return for Term 3

Mon 9th Aug – Trial HSC Exams

Mon 6th Sept – Preliminary Exams

LEETON HIGH PRESENTS
SHREK THE MUSICAL

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig

BOOK AND LYRICS BY
DAVID LINDSAY-ABAIRE

MUSIC BY
JEANINE TESORI

Adult \$18
Family (2 adults & 2 concession) \$52
Concession \$12
Child under 5 seated \$5

Show Times

Tuesday
22/6/2021 11:30am

Wednesday
23/6/2021 11.30am & 7:00pm

Thursday
24/6/2021 7:00pm

Tickets On Sale

<https://tinyurl.com/ShrekLHS>
Contact LHS Box Office on
(02) 6953-2122
or purchase online.

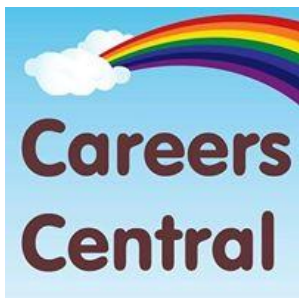
**Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks
Theatricals and Neal Street Productions**

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All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

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Leeton High School Careers



With Mrs Goring & Mrs Palmer

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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Year 10 from 12pm

Year 11 and Year 12 from 12.30pm

From 1pm parents, carers and the general public are invited to attend.

WIN Program



Group 1 The Western Riverina Careers EXPO will be taking place next Wednesday 16th June at Leeton High School. All Year 10 students are expected to attend. Please make arrangements with your employer if you are working on the Wednesday. Come and see either Mrs Goring or Mrs Palmer if you have any questions.

Group 2 All paper work has been handed out to students regarding their work placement for Term 3. Paperwork must be returned and signed by this Friday 11th June. If students have any concerns, please come and see us in Careers.

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WESTERN RIVERINA CAREERS EXPO

LEETON HIGH SCHOOL



9:30am-2:30pm



OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 1PM

A range of exhibitors from Universities, Private Colleges, Employment Agencies and Local and Regional Employers.

Extensive TAFE hands-on exhibit and mobile training units.

A Covid-19 Safe Event - Registration required upon entry.

