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“Educating young people for active and responsible citizenship”

~~PRINCIPAL’S REPORT~~

It has been another eventful fortnight at Leeton High School!

On Friday we celebrated the induction of our 2023 Student Representative Council and the presentation of Platinum Jackets, the pinnacle of the Leeton High School Award System, to two fabulous role models, Shallan Stockton, and Matilda Ryan.

To reach this platinum award, students must have shown unquestionable dedication to school and community and have led by example as respectful, responsible learners over their many years here at school. Both recipients have certainly done that and again I congratulate them both on this great achievement.



The 2023 Student Representative Council (SRC), consisting of 36 students, is the largest group to ever be inducted. It is an exciting and promising time for Leeton High School and a wonderful indictment of the efforts of our 2022 SRC.

The SRC Induction Assembly was a proud moment for Leeton High School to acknowledge such a strong leadership presence and a great snapshot of the fine ambassadors we have across the school. Congratulations to:

Year 7 Loukas Whatman Logan Doig Tim Radovu	Year 8 Hailey Granger Demi Olrick Emily Wells Miya Hoffman Ellena Halloran Lexi Carroll Isabella Salerno Abbey Holden Jyelah Warr	Year 9 Sebastian Crelley Madeleine Glenn Riley Legge Zane Walter Grace Byrne Lily Hansen Anna Woodlands Heidi Arel Chloe Dunbar
Year 10 Taylah Axtill Mackenzie Lee Adrian O’Brien Vasati Taavao Grace Hill Ruby Miller	Year 11 Eloise Crelley Blake Eisenhut Raj Sahota Victoria Glenn Adelaide Heins Chelsea Clarke Lily Hodges Finley Sales	Year 12 Genevieve Hillam



RYDA - Road Safety Education

Our Year 11 students attended the RYDA responsible road citizens program experiencing six different workshops aimed at educating young drivers on using the road safely. Our students were responsive, receptive, and engaged with the content and experiences during the day and were exemplary leaders. Thank you to the presenters who shared some very memorable and thought-provoking stories with our students.



South West Zone Swimming

Great news! Approximately 30 students have qualified to swim at the Riverina CHS Swimming Championships in Leeton on Tuesday 7th March. Leeton High School finished 2nd overall behind Murrumbidgee Regional High School at the South West Zone Swimming carnival, but well in front of the rest of the field. Participation and sportsmanship were excellent on the day.

Congratulations to our Age Champions:

Isaac Creek - 14 Boys
Ellena Halloran - 14 Girls
and

Runners Up:

Kobe Jefferies - 12 Boys
Madeleine Glenn - 15 Girls
Raith Henman - 17 Boys

Thanks to all our student timekeepers for their role in running the carnival.

Congratulations to Madeline Irvin (Year 12) and Tamika Rourke (Year 11) who have both been selected as part of the Riverina Open Girls Basketball team who will play at the NSWCHS Championships in Albury next term. Both girls have been part of this team for several years and will bring a wealth of experience to the squad. We wish them both all the best and look forward to hearing about their progress and the championships.



Also, congratulation to our Opens Boys Touch Football Team who will progress through to the next round in the competition undefeated after an excellent three game winning streak in Wagga Wagga on Friday. Again, great sportsmanship and collaboration made for a very memorable day with our Open's Girls team winning one game convincingly but going down in the others against strong competition. Nonetheless, a great day was had by all.

The Leeton Shire Youth Council held its first meeting in 2023 on February 27th.

The purpose of the first meeting in 2023 was to workshop upcoming Council events and obtain feedback from the students to ascertain what appeals to them and what can be done to enhance the experiences of those attending.



Thank you to our School Captain Sabrina Maimone in Year 12, Genevieve Hillam in Year 12, and Ruby Miller in Year 10 for their vital role in representing the youth of Leeton and giving them a greater voice.

Last Monday we welcomed Narrandera Network Director Tanya Whyte and Executive Director Rural South and West Dean White to our school. Thanks to our Captains Callum and Sabrina, our Year 11 Drama class and Miss Wynan, Year 10 Maths with Mr Doyle and Year 12 Maths with Mr Cronin who hosted classroom visits for our guests. It was a great afternoon to showcase all the diverse things on offer at Leeton High School thanks to our great students and teachers!



We thoroughly enjoyed hosting Gralee at our Hands on Learning shed last Tuesday. Students worked together on various creative projects, and we certainly hope to see them again soon. Our Hands on Learning group continues to work on the props for our upcoming school musical, School of Rock! and were able to share their progress with our friends from Gralee.



Last week our LHS Learning Links boys group were addressed by former mayor Paul Maytom on the importance of being a responsible community member. We thank Mr Maytom for his time and generosity in working with our students to provide them with valuable advice and information. The LHS Learning Links girls group were joined by former Leeton High School teacher Robyn Hutchinson who provided some interesting history on Leeton High School. Thank you to Mrs Hutchinson for sharing some great memories and stories and for providing an insight into the long and distinguished history of Leeton High School.



Before and after school parking

Parents and carers please be aware that you cannot safely stop in the bus bay area to let students out of the car in the morning or to pick them up in the afternoon. Our bus drivers and supervising staff are very frustrated at this disappointingly regular occurrence. Before and after school is a very busy time and complicated by the road intersections and a lack of obvious crossing. Please be mindful of safety in this area and do the right thing. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our students safe.

Curriculum Reform – Information for Parents and Carers

The NSW education system is reforming the curriculum which will be taught in all classrooms from Kindergarten to Year 12. The new curriculum, as a result of the NSW Curriculum Reform, will give students more time to focus on key learning areas so that they can acquire a deeper understanding of central concepts. It will ensure students develop strong foundations for learning, life, and work in a complex and fast-changing world.

This reform has been informed by extensive consultation with teachers, parents, and education experts, and is underpinned by extensive research. Curriculum reform involves change that spans many aspects of schooling, including teaching, learning, assessment and reporting to parents. New syllabuses provide

schools with a unique opportunity to re-focus and place curriculum at the heart of school planning. Key curriculum changes include:

- building strong foundations for future learning with new English and mathematics syllabuses for Kindergarten to Year 2
- an entirely new curriculum from 2022 with new syllabuses focused on what is essential to know and do in early and middle years of schooling, and key learning areas in the senior years
- providing more time for teaching by reducing the hours teachers spend on extra-curricular topics and issues and compliance requirements
- strengthening post- school pathways with new learning areas for Years 11 and 12 that clearly link learning to future employment and study options.

The new curriculum will ensure every student develops strong foundations for learning, life, and work. The reforms are vital for the young people in our schools today, and for those who will arrive in the years to come. More information can be found on the NSW Department of Education and NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) websites.

Our teachers are undertaking professional learning to help underpin the changes to current curriculum following the curriculum reform timeline.

If you would like more information on Curriculum Reform please contact the school on 69532122.

Homework Centre

Our Homework Centre commences this term from 3.30pm-4.30pm on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons in our Library. Staff are ready to assist students with their class work or assessments so please make use of this helpful initiative. Students are required to organise their own way home at the conclusion of the Homework Centre sessions.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is operational from Monday to Friday thanks to our volunteer teachers and students, the Golden Apple, and Foodbank. All students are encouraged to grab some toast or cereal to fuel a productive day of learning.

Leeton High School Canteen – The Hungry Hut

Just a reminder – with the introduction of YONDR pouches students will not be able to access PayWave on their mobile phones. Our canteen has an online ordering facility which can be accessed here <https://leeton-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/what-we-offer/canteen.html> or alternately students can bring their key card (not kept with their phones) or cash to school for purchasing at the canteen.

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 our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/LeetonHS> and the school website <http://www.leeton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Have a great week!



Mrs Meagan Crelley
Principal

Leeton High School Community EXPO Evening
Tuesday 14th March 5.00-7.00pm

Please join us to learn more about Leeton High School and the diverse and amazing opportunities we have to offer! Share in a taste of high school subjects, programs and activities. Meet our teachers and other students!


Leeton High School Community EXPO Evening Tuesday 14th March 5-7pm

What's On

We welcome our visitors with a traditional Aboriginal Smoking Ceremony at 5pm.

If you would like information about enrolling at LHS please visit our Wellbeing stand outside the Library.

For information on the Duke of Edinburgh program please visit Room 6 and Maths Pathway in Rooms 8 and 9.



Other Activities

Follow our school leaders or explore on your own.

Visit our **Science** faculty for a 'hands-on' STEM experience.

Learn more about our **Maths** Pathway program for individualised learning.

Learn **Italian!** Prego!!!

Let our **HSIE** teachers share the world with you!

Fancy getting your hands dirty? - our **TAS** teachers will help you create some masterpieces!


Get active with our **PDHPE** inspired games and challenges!


Watch our **Creative and Performers Artists** entertain across the school.

More....


A free Sausage Sizzle and complimentary Coffee Van will be available during the EXPO!

Our Hands on Learning Shed will also be open - so pop in and have a look.





Leeton High School Contacts 2023

Subject content/ Assessment	Teacher Head Teacher	 <p>Principal Mrs Meagan Crelley</p> <p>Deputy Principals Mr Damian Bush (Years 8, 10, 12) Mrs Alison Dahlenburg (Years 7, 9, 11)</p> <p>English/ CAPA Faculty Head Teacher: Rel. Ms Casey Connell Teachers: H. O'Connell, M. Arthur, C. Rowett, L. Woolbank, B Smith, C. Wynan, R. Van Den Heuval, and M. Vennard, S. Watterson.</p> <p>Science/PDHPE Faculty Head Teacher: Rel. Ms Fiona Ward Teachers: L. DiSalvia, S. Doig, S. Kennedy, C. Rivero, K. Goman, D. McKenzie, J. Storer</p> <p>Mathematics Faculty Head Teacher: Mr Liam Cronin Teachers: M. Doyle, W. Tregea, R. Degens, H. Smout, S. Younis</p> <p>HSIE/LOTE Faculty Head Teacher: Mrs Louise Johnstone Teachers: T. Lourigan, T. Wilson, S. Crosbie, R. Prevato</p> <p>TAS Faculty Head Teacher: Mrs Lisa Schmetzer Teachers: S. Stout, D. Killen, C. Clark, K. Hardie, N. Goring (Careers)</p> <p>Teaching and Learning Faculty Head Teacher: Ms Sanaa Younis Teachers: M. Jennings (Support class), L. Carter (Support class), J. Tannahill-Irons (Learning and Support Teacher), H. Askie (EAL/D)</p> <p>Welfare Faculty Head Teacher: Ms Tracey Byrne Mr. G. (Joey) Longford (Engagement Programs), Ms. Jannette Dundon (Student Support Officer) Ms. J. Bloomfield (Wellbeing Health In-reach Nurse)</p> <p>Student Learning and Support Officers: N. Deaton, R. Mercuri, M. Frazer, G. Dhliwayo, K. Kingsbury, D. Single, M. Robertson, T. Hammer, E. Langley, M. White</p> <p>Counsellors Mrs Sandra Richardson & Miss Drew Sinnett</p> <p>Aboriginal Education Officer Mrs Deseleen Morgan</p> <p>Year Advisers 2023 Year 7 L. Carter Year 8 S. Kennedy Year 9 S. Crosbie Year 10 H. Smout Year 11 D. McKenzie Year 12 J. Storer</p> <p>Girls Adviser 2023 Miss M. Arthur</p> <p>Boys Adviser 2023 Mr T. Wilson</p> <p>Student Leader Mentor 2023 Miss C. Rowett</p>
Concerns/Queries	Teacher Year Adviser Subject Head Teacher Deputy Principal Principal	
Student Progress	Teacher Subject Head Teacher Year Adviser Deputy Principal Principal	
Learning Support	Teacher Subject Head Teacher Head Teacher Teaching and Learning Learning and Support Teacher EAL/D Teacher	
Student Leadership	Year Advisers Student Leader Mentor Head Teacher Welfare	
Merit System	Year Adviser Deputy Principal Principal	
Wellbeing	Year Adviser Head Teacher Welfare School Counsellor Deputy Principal Principal	
Sport/Carnivals/ Representative Sport/Teams	Sports Co-ordinator Mr D. McKenzie	
Uniform	Office Deputy Principal Principal	
Fees/Excursion payment/General Information/Messages/ Medicines/Health Care documents	Office Staff 2023 School Administrative Manager: Mrs S. Camm Mrs S. Wilesmith Mrs T. Graham Mrs J. Palmer Mrs L. Polsen Mrs J. Dowling Mrs K. Ryan Mrs N. Scarr	

~~SCHOOL NEWS~~



SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will be held on **Thursday 16 March**.

Photo envelopes will be handed out to students this week. The envelopes need to be returned on the day of the photos, even if you are not buying photos.

Payments can be made online (these instructions will be on the photo envelope). If you are paying cash **the correct money** needs to be placed in the envelope and brought into school on the day of the photos.

Full summer school uniform should be worn on the day. Years 7 & 8 only can wear full sports uniform as it's their sports day.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BAKE SALE

On the 8th of March Leeton High School will be commemorating International Women's Day with a fundraiser bake sale. All proceeds from the event will go to the Linking Communities Network Griffith women's refuge. This organisation plays a vital role protecting women and children in the Riverina from violence and homelessness. They provide emergency housing, legal aid, and act as referees for rental properties and employment to help women regain stability and dignity. Our wonderful students and staff members will bake treats to sell in the lower quad barbeque area for \$1 to \$3, sold by the SRC. Please support our students' wonderful efforts at giving back to the community by remembering to bring some gold coins to shop with.



Year 7 Camp

Final payment for Year 7 Camp is due on Wednesday 8th
March 2023.

If you need help with this payment, please contact the school.



Leeton High School Careers

With Mrs Goring & Mrs Palmer

White Card Course – Thursday 30th March

A White Card (SafeWork NSW White Card) is required for workers who want to carry out construction work, trade workers e.g. electrician, plumber, building industry.

Cost \$135 – will be held at Leeton High School. Limited places for the course. Numbers to be finalised this week. Please come to the front office or Careers if interested.

Year 10 - will all be participating in work experience next term. If interested in the construction industry students will require this card.

Year 10 Work Experience

Leeton High School continues to support workplace learning for our students and will be offering Year 10 the opportunity to take part in Work Experience for a one-week block in Term 2. All Year 10 students participating in the program will receive on-the-job training during this period with the support of local businesses and industry.

All students of Year 10, whether participating in the program or not will be participating in a compulsory Work Ready Workshop, the date of which will be advised shortly.

An information letter will be sent home to all Year 10 students.

Careers Calendar 2023

2 Feb-17 Mar	TAFE Yes Automotive Program
1 Mar	Charles Sturt University Visit to LHS
21 Mar	Charles Sturt University Explore Day Excursion
30 Mar	White Card Course
31 Mar	University of Canberra Excursion
29 May-9 Jun	Year 10 Work Experience
14 June	Careers Expo at Leeton High School
Term 4	WIN Work Experience Program

Job Opportunities

Woolworths Leeton are looking to employ more junior workers. To apply, go to Woolworths Careers (<https://www.wowcareers.com.au/>), register your interest, and submit your resume to the front counter at Woolworths along with your application number.

Career Snapshot – Aerospace

Aerospace refers to both Earth's atmosphere and outer space, so occupations in aerospace involve the design, manufacture, operation, and maintenance of aircraft, like planes and helicopters, and of spacecraft, like rockets and missiles.

Space technologies aren't just about sending people to the Moon and looking for life on Mars - they help us with everyday conveniences like weather forecasting, internet access, online banking, GPS, farming, emergency management, and mining.

Careers in space technologies are predicted to grow out of this word over the next ten years!

How to Become an Astronaut

Did you want to be an astronaut when you grew up? Now you're almost grown up, do you know what it takes to become one?

The [Australian Space Agency](#) doesn't have plans for a crewed space program (yet), which means astronaut roles are only available overseas at NASA (USA), JAXA (Japan), ESA (Europe), CSA (Canada) and Roscosmos (Russia). Applicants must be citizens of the country to be eligible, which makes this dream hard to reach for many.

But don't lose hope! The growing commercial space flight industry is creating new opportunities for crew members on spacecraft, so by the time you finish preparatory training, being an astronaut could be a more realistic possibility.

While the exact criteria for becoming an astronaut varies between countries, space agencies, and commercial employers, the best place to start is with a university degree in one of:

- Engineering (aerospace, mechanical, electrical, robotics, mechatronics, biomedical or systems).
- Science (majoring in physics, chemistry, biology, geology, earth science, oceanography).
- Medicine.
- Mathematics.
- Computer science.

Launch Your Space Career Here

There's much more to a career in space than being an astronaut and there are many exciting paths to take right here on Earth.

The Australian Space Agency's goal is to triple the size of the space sector and create up to 20,000 new jobs by 2030 so check out the range of ways to launch your space career here!

- If you're not sure where to start, try the Careers with STEM [What's Your Perfect Space Career Quiz](#) or the [A-Z of Space Careers](#) for some options to think about.
- Download the [Careers in Space Booklet](#) to broaden your horizons.
- Take a look at [pathway maps for space occupations](#) to see what training is required.
- Learn about the education and career pathways of [Australians shaping the space industry](#) or be inspired by [5 Women in Space](#).
- Watch videos from the [Careers in Space playlist](#) or catch up on the [Young Space Explorers Webinar](#).

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 8 March – Final Payment for Camp
Wed 8 & 15 March – Sheldrick Shield
Wed 15-Mon 20 March - NAPLAN
Tue 14 March – LHS EXPO 5pm-7pm
Thur 16 March – School Photos
Wed 22 March – Year 7 Camp

Wed 5 (1/2 day) & Thur 6 April – LHS Athletics Carnival
Thur 6 April – Last day of Term 1

TERM 2 DATES

Mon 24 April – Staff Return (Pupil Free Day)
Tue 25 April – ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)
Wed 26 April – All students return

Grunt 2023

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Performances

Tuesday 4th April 11am & 7pm
Wednesday 5th April 10am & 12.45pm
Thursday 6th April 11am & 7pm
Friday 7th April 11am & 7pm
Sunday 9th April 7pm