Griffith High School Newsletter

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Principals Report

We are fortunate again this year to have a great team of teaching and support staff at Griffith High School.

Mr Richard Wiseman has returned as Deputy Principal after spending the last two terms of 2014 as Relieving Principal at Wade High School. This was a great opportunity for the two schools to strengthen their relationship and share ideas and information. In 2015 Mr Wiseman has responsibility for Years 7,8 & 12.

Mrs Meg Taipale is acting as our second Deputy Principal and looks after Years 9,10 & 11 in addition to Year 6 to 7 Transition.

Other key staff include:

Head Teachers
- English—Ms M Ragusa (acting)
- Maths—Mr S Sriharan
- Science—Ms K Mullavey
- TAS—Mr I Preston
- CAPA—Mr N Maffey
- PDHPE—Ms M Smith (acting)
- HSIE—Ms V Horne (acting)

Year Advisers
- Year 7 Mrs K Stein (Maths)
- Year 8 Ms E Belling (Maths)
- Year 9 Mr J McMaster (Maths)
- Year 10 Ms G McCormack (English)
- Year 11 Ms L Ridgway (English)
- Year 12 Mr P Lane (TAS)

Year 16  Senior Science River Red Gum HSC Study Day Drama

Year 17  Computational and Algorithmic Thinking Comp.

Year 18  HSC Study Day Visual Arts

Year 19  SCHOOL X-COUNTRY

Year 20  P&C MEETING

Year 21  SCHOOL PHOTOS

Year 22  SCHOOL PHOTOS

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Year 24  SCHOOL PHOTOS

Year 25  SCHOOL PHOTOS

Well done girls!

Congratulation to Tom Geddes-Kanety And Andria Zanotto (Year 8) who competed in the “Lions Youth Leadership Quest” Griffith Branch on Saturday. This competition provides experience in public speaking and leadership roles.

The competition was conducted in front of a panel of three judges and consisted of:

1. Personal interview
2. 2 x 2 minute impromptu speeches
3. 1 x 5 minute prepared speech

Tom now goes to District Level competition which is held this Sunday at Leeton. Andria, who won the public speaking section, was Runner Up.

Charlie Cochrane Principal
Science has started the year off with a Bang. Students are settling into their classes and have started to explore new and exciting concepts.

Year 7 Science: Have been learning all about science experiments and working in a School Laboratory.

Year 8 Science: are discovering how to separate mixtures.

Year 8 Agriculture: are in the process of developing their Vegetable plots.

Year 9 Science: have been investigating diseases. They currently have a research assessment task to complete.

Year 9/10 Agriculture: Have been learning about soil and what best to grow in their vegetable plots.

Year 10 Science: have entered the world of Chemistry and have been observing chemical reactions.

Year 11: Have settled into their subjects. They should have or be receiving their first assessments.

Year 12: Have been studying hard and are currently doing their Half Yearly Examinations.

Reminder
Just a reminder to all parents/carers that in science and agriculture we require the students to wear fully enclosed leather shoes. Canvas shoes are not allowed and students wearing these will be unable to participate in practical activities.

We also require students to have the appropriate equipment for Science including: a book (preferably A4), pens, lead pencil, ruler, glue, eraser. Please encourage your student to come to class with the appropriate equipment.

Students need to ensure they keep an accurate and neat record of science work in their books and should be regularly revising their class work at home.

If you have any questions please contact the school.

Kylie Mullavey
Head Teacher Science

2015 Year 7 Camp
Jindabyne Sport and Recreation Centre in the NSW Snowy Mountains.

Monday 27th April to Thursday 30th April 2015

Activities will include:
Mountain Bike riding
Challenge Ropes Course

An Alpine walk to Mt Koscuscko
(highest mountain in Australia)
Rock Climbing
Archery
Bush Cookout
Amazing Race

It’s all about: building friendships, enjoying the outdoors, challenging yourself, developing resilience and most importantly, having fun!!

Total Cost per student is $370
First instalment of $100 is DUE NOW. (It’s not too late!!)

See Ms Stein for more information.