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along with the tiny tots and infants students whom Francesca Fenton, with Melissa Causer's assistance, has been teaching. To a packed house, the students performed several numbers that they have danced at eisteddfods and public school festivals through 2015, including solo performances from Francesca and Melissa who have just returned from Schools Spectacular. Our dancers were fantastic, but the little dancers were real show stoppers: the fluttering fairies and purring cats. A big thanks to Ms Lyn McCulloch who has worked with the dance ensemble through the year, creating the opportunities to develop and showcase their skills. Year 10 returned from their Crossroads camp full of stories about canoeing, bike riding and archery

Congratulations to all the dancers. On Sunday we saw a terrific concert performed by our dancers,

with words like awesome and being tired. Mrs Mitton and Mr Causer said they were enthusiastically engaged in the range of activities, including the more serious aspects of responsible and safe behaviour, and making decisions based on facts, and the possible consequences of choices people make. The group developed a strong sense of team, and none of them needed to put to use their newly acquired first aid skills.





Four SRC reps took part in the Lachlan SRC leadership program at Lake Burrendong this week. Aaron Mawhinney, Jessica Pereira, Frazer Ryder and Tara Schaefer joined other school leaders in a range of activities that developed their skills to work with each other to bring out the best in all, focusing on participation. Mrs Gorman, who accompanied the students in her role as SRC liaison teacher said our four students had a great time and led by example in the way they were involved in activities and supported others.

Good things happen at assembly. A large group of students received their 2015 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge certificates. Special mentions: Bryce Warnke was the first to complete; Gold Awards for four years participation - Bradley Cations, Breanna Daley, Jessica Pereira and Paige Hughes; and one Platinum Award for over 7 years participation - Sam Carpenter. Well done to all these readers. Representatives of the different Year 10 groups spoke to the students about their True North projects that conclude over the next two days. The theme was on making a difference. The students have certainly done that. The handball courts are now clearly marked out and some consistent rules have been developed. Money has been raised and clothing collected for those living in poverty; awareness raising activities about water sustainability for primary school students has been developed with the plan to deliver. There's been an in-school anti-litter campaign, an investigation into more water bubblers, running a sleep out to raise funds to buy swags for homeless people and teaching primary school children skills to maintain positive wellbeing. The projects have developed over time and the students have realised that great ideas involve action to bring them to fruition. Year 10 will be busy completing their projects and then sharing their learning with the rest of the students.

Next Wednesday is our Presentation Day. Our Special Guest is Mrs Jan (Lehane) O'Neill. Jan is very excited about returning to Grenfell and to the place that honours her achievements in giving her name to one of our houses. The assembly starts at 11.00am and we hope to see you all there to celebrate and acknowledge our achievements and successes for 2015. Year 7-10 reports will be handed out and the students' school year will end with Henry's got talent.

Latest news! The new school uniform is arriving. Boys and girls shorts, sloppy joes, jumpers and jackets have arrived. The new junior polo shirt should be available at the end of January along with the senior shirts, blouses and skirts.

Students return to school in January 2016. Thursday 28 January - Years 7, 11 and 12; Friday 29 January - Years 8, 9 and 10.

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PRESENTATION DAY

This year our presentation day will be held on Wednesday 16 December, commencing at 11.00am. All parents, family members and friends are welcome to attend.

The Henry Lawson High School School Uniform DAILY: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday			
Pale blue blouse with emblem	Pale blue collared shirt with emblem		
Pale blue polo shirt with navy collar and emblem	Pale blue polo shirt with navy collar and emblem		
Navy checked skirt/ trousers/ tailored shorts	Navy trousers/ shorts		
White/ black socks/ navy stockings/ tights	White/ black socks		
YEARS 7-10 GIRLS	YEARS 7-10 BOYS		
Navy and sky blue polo shirt	Navy and sky blue polo shirt		
Navy skirt/ trousers/ tailored shorts	Navy trousers/ shorts		
ALL STUDENTS			
Navy sloppy joe with emblem			
Navy jumper with emblem			
Navy jacket with emblem			
Reversible hat			
Black leather shoes			
Accessories – navy scarf, navy beanie			
SPORT: Wednesday, carnivals and PE lessons			
House shirt			
Navy track suit trousers			
Navy sports shorts			
White or black leather joggers			



The executive and committee of the P&C would like to thank all the volunteers who have helped out in the canteen and with fundraising this year. Without your continued support the P&C and canteen would not be able to operate the way we do to support the students and school community.

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Merry Christmas.



A HOLIDAY CHALLENGE FOR YOU!

The Grenfell Public Library invites everyone to join its 2015/16 all-age Summer Reading Club. You are challenged to read ten books (or as many as you can) of an appropriate level of difficulty between 15 December 2015 and 30 January 2016. There's the satisfaction of meeting the challenge and small prizes along the way. Reading kits are available from 15 December.

As well, you can join the national online Summer Reading Club now at www.summerreadingclub.orr.au/theclub You can participate in all sorts of activities and competitions, talk to your favourite authors online, post to blogs and be in line for great prizes. For more information see Anne, ring 6343 1334 or email grenfell.org.au

Canteen Roster

Week commencing 14 December

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Tristen Matthews Sandra Hughes Belinda Stock HOLIDAY HOLIDAY



PRESENTATION DAY 2015

An explanation of the awards to be presented on Presentation Day follows. Under the house points system, students will be awarded points for *academic* performance, *sport* and contribution to *school community*. Students have been tracked all year and given points for their contribution over all three areas. At the end of the presentation, the *Special Awards* will be presented as well as the house shields and cup.

Academic Awards

The award for *Academic Excellence* will be given to the student in each year level that is placed first, second or third in the most courses. Any student who is placed first in a course will receive an *Award of Achievement*. Academic certificates will be awarded to students in all years that are placed first, second or third in three or more courses.

Sport Awards

Individual students will be recognised for their performance in team events.

Students who have represented State and/or Western Region will receive blues. Championship certificates will be presented to swimming, cross country and athletics champions.

The most successful junior and senior boy and girl will also be awarded. These special sports awards are given to the students who score the most points across all sporting areas.

School and Community Awards

Individual students will be recognised for their contribution across many areas of school and community including leadership, public speaking, contribution to band and application to schoolwork.

The student who gains the most points for their contribution to school and community will be awarded the P&C School and Community trophy.

Special Awards

In each year, the student who gains the most points for their House will receive the award for *Outstanding All Round Achievement*. From these six students, the student who gains the most points in the school will be presented with the *Student of the Year Trophy*.

All of the major award recipients in each section will receive substantial monetary prizes.

House Awards

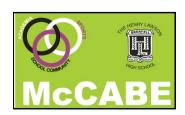
Shields will be awarded to the winning house in the three areas of academia, sport and school community. The *House Cup* will be presented to the champion house. All of these awards will be determined by points scored by each house.

Students *will not* know what awards they are receiving until they are announced. No names will appear on the program, except for the sporting awards where the recipients are already known. After the ceremony, award winners will be given a special souvenir program that will list all the award recipients.

All students who are receiving awards have been notified this week. Award recipients will need to be dressed in full school uniform on the day, this includes black shoes, otherwise they will not be allowed on the stage to accept their award.

It is guaranteed to be a wonderful celebration of excellence. The ceremony will be held Wednesday 16 December in the school hall and will **begin** at **11.00am**. Please be seated by 10.45am.







TRUE NORTH

Fellow students, it has come to my attention that you are not putting your rubbish in the rubbish bins. Therefore, I have put up signs around the school as a reminder to stop littering and start recycling.

Chris Knight





EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

NSW Education & Communities
Public Schools NSW

When your child misses just	that equals	which is	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Check the time your school

Your child's best DON'T BE LATE!
learning time is at
the beginning of
the day...

Grenfell Combined Service Clubs Annual Christmas Carnival



FRIDAY DECEMBER 18 6.30PM VAUGHN PARK









SRC Attends Lachlan SRC Network Camp at Burrendong Dam

Jessica Pereira, Frazer Ryder, Aaron Mawhinney and Tara Schaefer represented THLHS SRC at the Lachlan SRC Camp this week. The Lachlan SRC Network of 15 rural and remote schools was established early in 2015 to increase communication between School SRCs, strengthen local SRC committees and to build friendships and leadership skills between isolated rural schools. These students actively participated in canoeing, archery, rock wall climbing and grass skiing. They worked constructively in teams to compete in a variety of challenges, such as raft building and giant slingshot and they contributed positively to the mock SRC meeting. It was a great three days and everyone returned home with lots of stories to tell. *Mrs Gorman*.



Grenfell Swimming Club

Grenfell Pool Enquiries - Leann Logan - 6343 1756

Last Friday evening excitement was in the air. Junior racers are moving up to the blocks with such great improvement and ... Bianca blitzed the big boys in the butterfly - what a race! Carnivals are buzzing with Jaxon Greenaway and Lily Holmes swimming well at Parkes carnival held 29 November, plus Lily Holmes, Angus Brown and Caphryse Lawler travelled to Bathurst carnival on 6 December – we look forward to hearing their results.

Important Dates

- 18 December Swimming Club runs as normal but once your swims are over drop in to the Christmas
 Carnival
- 25 December and 1 January No Swimming Club
- 8 January Swimming Club resumes
- Dates for the diary 26 (Tuesday) January Australia Day pool party
- 14 (Sunday) February Business House Relay

Weekly news

Programme change – backstroke dropped and butterfly drill challenged all.

Raffle winner – congratulations to Jaxon Stock who won a Mambo cooler, kindly donated by the Mitton family. Donated raffle prizes are very welcome and greatly appreciated; they can be left with Leann Logan at the Grenfell Pool.

Official news

Next club meeting - Monday 14 December - 8pm - Swimming Club room - everyone welcome

Absentees - If you are going to be away or want to change any events please advise Leann before 5pm on a Friday. This last hour allows time to check accuracy, seed and print event sheets which helps the night run smoothly. If you need to pull out of an event on the night, due to sickness or injury, please let someone at the desk know. If a swimmer does not present for a nominated event, this is recorded as a non swim and points are deducted from the swimmer's score.

Swimming attire – in line with NSW competition standards:

Female – one-piece swimming costume with racing back – no fastenings/clips. No bikinis, board shorts or rash vests

Male - 1 piece - 1 layer - speedo type briefs/racers/jammers. No board shorts, footy shorts or rash vests

Carnivals – http://mountainsandplainsnsw.swimming.org.au/ - any questions contact Leann Logan.

Canowindra – 31/01/16 – e-entries are submitted through our registrar. If interested please let Leann know by 20/01/16

Timekeeper/raffle roster for this week: Lawler, Yates, Gibson, Noble, Keogh, Aspin Hughes (Bianca)

Canteen Volunteers Needed

Our canteen needs volunteers for just one day a month, that's two or three days a term.

A day in the canteen helps you understand what's going on with different events at school and what exciting things are happening around our school.

You get to put a face to the people teaching and changing the lives of your teenagers.

You get to see your children having fun with their friends, and believe it or not, the kids enjoy seeing you in the canteen, even though sometimes they say different.

Volunteers come in about 10.30am and help prepare food, assist with serving the students, refill chips and fridges and help wash and wipe up. Lunch and tea or coffee is provided. The day ends at 2.30pm.

Everyone is welcome, mums, dads, aunts, uncles, grandparents and friends.

If you can help, please fill in the slip below or ring Sonja at the school on 63431390 or at home on 0487612258, as soon as possible so the roster can be made up for next year.

To Sonja Cotter	
Name:	
Phone Number :	
Preferred Day:	

WHAT STUDENTS NEED

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS FOR LESSONS

Students are required to have the correct materials for each lesson. The basic items for all classroom lessons include:

blue/black pen, red pen, pencil, eraser ruler, textbooks, homework diary, glue and scissors.

Students in all years should have a scientific calculator for use in mathematics classes. These are available for purchase at school at a considerably cheaper price. (Casio fx 82AU \$22.00).

Students are not to bring liquid paper or permanent markers to school.

STUDENTS OF **YEARS 7-10**

Students of Years 7—10 are required to have

- 1 x A4 ring-binder folder
- A4 ring-binder exercise books (NOT loose leaf) for each subject unless otherwise specified below.
- It is also suggested that folders include clear display sheets for keeping class handouts.

YEAR 7

ENGLISH

128 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

MATHEMATICS 240 page A4 binder book scientific calculator geometry set

SCIENCE

128 page A4 binder book

GEOGRAPHY 96 page A4 binder book

30cm ruler

HISTORY

128 page A4 binder book

A4 clear pocket display folder **TECHNOLOGY**

MUSIC Olympic music book

Work book supplied PD/HEALTH/PE

VISUAL ARTS

A4 spiral back sketchbook (available from office) \$4.00 2B pencils X 2, soft rubber

YEAR 8

ENGLISH

128 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

MATHEMATICS 240 page A4 binder book scientific calculator geometry set

128 page A4 binder book A4 clear pocket display folder

SCIENCE

128 page A4 binder book

HISTORY 128 page A4 binder book

MUSIC

Olympic music book

TECHNOLOGY

Work book provided

GEOGRAPHY 96 page A4 binder book 30cm ruler

VISUAL ARTS A4 spiral back sketchbook

(available from office) \$4.00 2B pencil x 2 soft rubber

PD/HEALTH/PE 64 page A4 binder book A4 clear pocket display folder

128 page A4 binder book

YEAR 9

ENGLISH

128 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

MATHEMATICS 240 page A4 binder book Scientific calculator

SCIENCE 128 page A4 binder book

HISTORY 128 page A4 binder book

COMMERCE

GEOGRAPHY 128 page A4 binder book A4 pocket display folder

128 page A4 binder book

30cm ruler

PD/HEALTH/PE 64 page A4 binder book A4 pocket display folder

12 stave manuscript 64 page A4 binder book

A4 Display folder

AGRICULTURE

64 page A4 binder book

VISUAL ARTS A4 spiral back sketchbook (Available from Office) 2B Pencils x 2 Soft rubber

FOOD TECHNOLOGY 64 page A4 binder book

PASS 64 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

A4 display folder

PHOTOGRAPHY 128 page A4 binder book

MATHEMATICS

A4 clear pocket display folder

128 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

240 page A4 binder book Scientific calculator

SCIENCE **HISTORY** 128 page A4 binder book

GEOGRAPHY

128 page A4 binder book A4 pocket display folder

30cm ruler

ENGLISH

YEAR 10

128 page A4 binder book

COMMERCE 128 page A4 binder book

VISUAL ARTS

A4 spiral back sketchbook (Available from Office) 2B pencils x 2

soft rubber

MUSIC

12 stave manuscript 64 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

PD/HEALTH/PE 64 page A4 binder book A4 clear pocket display folder **AGRICULTURE** 64 page A4 binder book

FOOD TECHNOLOGY 64 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

PHOTOGRAPHY 128 page A4 binder book A4 display folder

A4 clear pocket display folder

YEARS 11 AND 12

In all subjects, students may use loose leaf pages plus folder plus divider OR a folder plus A4 ring-binder books.