



LAWSON'S LATEST

THE HENRY LAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

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Welcome back students, staff and parents for the start of the 2017 school year. A very warm welcome to our new students and their families and to the new Year 7 students who are starting their educational journey through high school. The start of the school year is a very exciting time for students as each new year presents fresh opportunities to learn, grow and experience different activities as they progress towards achieving their HSC.



I am very thrilled to be the principal of The Henry Lawson High School for 2017. Ms. Carey has taken on the role of *Principal School Leadership* within the western area for 2017. I wish her all the best in her new role.

It's fantastic to see the enthusiasm the staff and students have expressed over the first few days of learning. They have made all our new staff feel very welcome. Every activity I have been part of, many activities in my short time at the school, I am astounded at the quality of the teaching and learning that is occurring. The school has so many positives which our students experience each day.

Term 1 is traditionally a very busy term with a number of excursions and sporting activities planned. Our swimming carnival will be held on Friday 17 February. Unfortunately, the Grenfell pool is still under construction and the carnival will take place in Young. Details about the carnival have been sent home and are included in this newsletter.

Monday's assembly saw many students receive House awards for their consistent participation and achievement in community, sports and academic areas. I cannot think of a better way to start the year than by acknowledging students for their tremendous efforts in 2016. It was a pleasure to hand these awards out as my very first task. Our new school captain for 2017 Shannon Best and vice captain Madison Knight received their badges as part of the assembly. I'm really look forward to working with Shannon and Madison along with Selwyn and Mitchell in 2017. Being school captain is a very special opportunity and one these students will remember. I wish them the best in their roles within the school.

We have three new staff members for 2017. Mrs. Ashley Kuhn has joined the staff team as Head Teacher Science and Ms

Emma Griffin as one of our valued English/history staff. Abbey Joyce has been appointed as our school-based trainee. Abbey will be working in the office during some of her study periods for the next two years whilst completing her Certificate II in Business Services through TAFE as well as studying Preliminary and HSC. I look forward to working with them throughout the year and am excited to have them on the staff.



A number of students have been involved in activities over the Christmas-New Year break. Yongyan Xia as a recipient of the Victor Chang Cardiac Institute Research Award was invited, along with other recipients, to tour the Victor Chang Cardiac Institute Research laboratories and attended a lecture on medical science.

Last year, Yongyan was announced the ABC Central West *Heywire* winner. Next week, as part of the *Heywire* competition, Yongyan will be spending the week in Canberra discussing issues affecting regional and rural Australia. Well done Yongyan.

Kate Robinson attended the *National Youth Science Forum* at ANU. Kate spent 12 days living on campus with 196 other Year 12 students from across Australia attending lectures, laboratories, site visits and experiencing life at university. Ethan Reid spent a week during December at the University of Newcastle attending *Livelt*, also experiencing university life.

A great effort by Zoe Gavin who participated in the NSW Athletics Country Championships in Dubbo, placing second in the 800m and 1500m and fourth in the 400m.

Francesca Fenton has been invited to dance her HSC dance pieces at *CallBack*. *Callback* is the showcase of exemplary performances and compositions by 2016 HSC Dance students. There are only 32 students from across the state offered a place, so this is indeed a very high achievement by Francesca.

Well done to all students that have represented the school or received awards.

It has already been a great start to the year and I am sure this will be a very productive one. I look forward to our students achieving their personal best across a range of areas in our school in 2017.

Ian Pattingale

Principal

CHALLENGE, ENCOURAGE, ACHIEVE

The celebrations continue at the 30 point assembly.

At the start of each year we celebrate the achievements of students who gained 30 or more points during the previous year under the House points system. It is great to see students continuing to strive to achieve excellence and involving themselves in school life as much as they can. There are a number of new names on the list which is great; in 2016, so many more students achieved the 30 points.

The students each received a gift from the school: Year 7 a THLHS embossed USB and swimming cap; Year 8 a swimming bag and cap; Year 9 a House towel; Year 10 a House bottle and Year 11 a power pack for their electronic devices.

Congratulations to the top ten students in the school:

Clare Hunt	75.5 points
Marie Knight	75 points
Sarah Knight	66 points
Andrew Knight	64 points
Anna Hunt	62 points
Connor Day	62 points
Jessica Pereira	61 points
Francesca Fenton	60 points
Thomas Robinson	58 points
Hugo Fenton	58 points

Congratulations to the following students who received above 30 points.

Kate Robinson	Christopher Heatley	Claire Matthews
Caitlin Dixon	Ethan Skinner	Natalie Cotter
Casey Walker	Bethany Eyles	George Mitton
Tarla Cotter	Maya Squires	Bailie Pursehouse
Kira Gibson	Frazer Ryder	Ryan Baldwin
Isabelle Holz	Adam Hewen	Caitlin Nealon
Bridget Baker	Joshua Pargeter	Ziyan Xia
Rachel Causer	Jack Cooper	Zoe Gavin
Grace Kelly	Mea O'Byrne	Meg Schaefer
Paige Hughes	Angus Brown	Aiden Skinner
Shannon Best	Brendan Knight	Samuel Carpenter
Hamish Starr	Hannah Joyce	Brett Knight
Tara Schaefer	Madison Knight	Annie Matthews
Abbey Joyce	Selwyn White	Ethan Reid
Mitchell Stevens	Isabelle Hunter	Casey Hewen
Yongyan Xia	Kira Anderson	Heather Walker
Jesse Thomson-Jones		

Congratulations also go to Isabel Pereira, Chrystal Hucker and Bailey O'Loughlin who each received a special House award for their efforts last year.

Keep up the great effort and to all students in our school, make the commitment to be involved and have a go as much as you can in 2017.

If any student would like to know their point score from last year you can respond to Ms Crossley's email and request your total.

Year 7, now you know your house you can purchase a house shirt from the canteen for \$30.



CONGRATULATIONS CLARE!

Congratulations to 2016 school captain Clare Hunt. Clare was recently named as a recipient of the prestigious St Andrew's Scholar program for 2017 after being accepted into the University of Sydney. This program seeks out young people with the capacity and commitment to realise their potential to become leaders within the university, the nation and the world. The scholarship provides financial support for the duration of each student's undergraduate degree whilst they live at St Andrew's. Clare was selected for her leadership skills, academic results, sporting ability and commitment to community. She is looking forward to continuing her studies at the University of Sydney, choosing to take on a Bachelor of Science. Clare's interview can be found at: <http://www.standrewscollege.edu.au/meet-our-2017-st-andrews-scholars-clare-hunt/>



2017 THLHS Spelling Bee

Spelling is important because autocorrect is not always write!

To raise awareness of the importance of spelling, and to encourage our students to become more active in improving their spelling, we are going to be running a spelling competition for all students in Stage 4 (Years 7 and 8) during this term.

ROUND ONE WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2017.

Round one word lists have been designed with a range of words, across all key learning areas, to suit a range of spelling abilities. In this way we are hoping that all students will achieve some level of success and encourage all students to have a go.

We encourage parents and students to work together in preparation for the spelling bee. There are two initial rounds, which will lead to the Spelling Bee Championship in week 10. This is designed to be a fun and inclusive activity with merits and prizes for students who challenge, encourage and achieve.

A variety of approaches can be quite effective, from look/cover/write, to word jumbles and games. Please encourage regular practice for students to be best prepared.



equipment	fitness	packaging	algebra	painting
school	balance	timber	isosceles	ceramics
copper	discrimination	isometric	diameter	structure
utensil	responsibilities	interview	simultaneous	latitude
energy	harassment	career	adjacent	science
manufacturing	muscles	division	equivalent	cultural
perishable	perishable	remainder	organic	indigenous
environment	refrigerator	symmetry	contour	inequality
celsius	utensil	denominator	palette	urbanisation
measure	spatula	millennium	sculpture	rhythm





The Henry Lawson High School Parents and Citizens Association are delighted to announce Miss Vanessa Jane Knight, as our Grenfell Henry Lawson Festival of Arts Queen Candidate for 2017. Vanessa graduated from THLHS in 2015. In that same year, Vanessa earned the honour of the title of, Dux of the school. Vanessa was an exemplary and diligent student who was always friendly and courteous. She was well respected by her peers and teachers. Vanessa boasted an excellent attendance record during her schooling years and is quoted as being a wonderful role model. Her participation whilst at school and in community events, have also been previously acknowledged by the high school.

At 19 years of age, Vanessa is currently studying an online education course through the University of New England. Vanessa is now in her second year of study. Her hobbies include, creative card making, colouring, playing piano, and playing flute for church services. The creative and performing arts are outlets which Vanessa thoroughly enjoys. Vanessa also gives back to the Weddin Shire community by tutoring students in mathematics in her spare time; this is an avid interest for Vanessa.

Vanessa lives on a farming property in the Weddin Shire, and says "It is a great place to witness the changing dynamics of a rural farming town like Grenfell". Vanessa is currently in casual employment as a deli assistant at our local IGA. She shared with us that, "Working locally has helped me build many connections with the people, and happenings within the shire. Once you get talking with people, you learn more about the fabric of our wonderful community".

Vanessa hopes that her presence and actions will be a blessing to those she meets throughout the course of her experience as a Festival Queen candidate. She expects that "This will be a character-building commitment that will really challenge me. I am keen take on this opportunity, I am excited to give it a go. The Festival Ball on 4 February will be a great place to make my introduction as THLHS P&C Festival Queen candidate".

Vanessa would also like to thank the high school as, "They have been quite a significant influence on where I am now and my ambitions, not only career wise but also in life experience. There are lots of moments where I learnt a new skill, or something about myself and others. I have experienced many memorable firsts that I connect to my time at the school, and still reflect on now. You can learn so much from being at school, without even realising it. Being an integral part of the Henry Lawson Festival is also another experience that I'm looking forward to learning from, and have some fun along the way. I encourage my local peers to join me in this quest in 2017. Why not approach another relevant charity or organisation and join me in this experience? It is an event that really showcases the people, businesses and talents of Grenfell. I think the festival is not only important in inviting new people to the community but also in bringing the people of the shire, past and present together, from the next-door neighbour, to school friends and relatives. It will be an honour to be part of the 60th annual festival and the 150th year of Henry Lawson's birth on the Grenfell Goldfields".

We wish Vanessa a happy and success-filled experience,

Authorised by President Carly Brown,
on behalf of The Henry Lawson High School Parents & Citizens Association.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Week commencing 6 February

Monday	Kelli Thomson-Jones
Tuesday	Lisa Day
Wednesday	Lyn Hucker
Thursday	VACANT
Friday	Cath Sullivan



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Dear Parents/Guardians

The Henry Lawson High School Swimming Carnival will be held in Young this year due to the development of Grenfell Swimming Pool. The carnival is scheduled for Friday 17 February and will commence at approximately 9:00am with competitive swimmers participating in the first event. There will be an early bus at 8:00am for these students and they will be required to register their seat on the bus with Mr Barclay.

2017 Swimming Carnival

Young Aquatic Centre

Date: 17/02/2017 – Friday Week 3

Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm

Cost: \$5 (\$2.50 for the bus & \$2.50 for Pool Entry – excludes season pass holders*)

Payment for the carnival is to be made to the front office by Friday 10 February. *Please present a copy of your Young Aquatic Centre season Pass upon payment in order to be excluded from the pool entry price.

Students will be travelling to and from Young aboard Loaders Coaches at the following times:

8:00am – Competitive Swimmers - One bus will leave THLHS (students will be required to register)

9:00am – Participating Students – Leave THLHS

2:00pm – Carnival Concludes and ALL students will travel to THLHS

3:20pm – The regular school buses will be available from THLHS

This is an entire school event and therefore all staff and students are required to travel to Young Aquatic Centre to attend the event. If your child is unable to attend the carnival or travel by bus to the carnival please notify the school's office as soon as possible.

Long distance events will be held during sport on Wednesday 22 February. Students who are participating in these events will be required to travel to Young via similar arrangements to compete in these events. A permission note with more information will be sent home with these students.

The Western Region Carnival/Trials will be held at Dubbo Aquatic Centre on 9 March. Students who qualify for this event will be notified and a permission note will be sent home with these students with further information.

Yours sincerely

Dan Barclay

Sports Coordinator

Ian Pattingale

Principal



Welcome back to the The Henry Lawson High School. We hope you all had a great holiday and are ready for a great year.

The P&C of THLHS would like to extend a warm welcome to Year 7 students their parents/carers, and other new students and parents/carers to our school. We would also like to welcome to THLHS and the Weddin community, Mr. Ian Pattingale, principal, Mrs. Ashley Kuhn, head teacher science, and Ms. Emma Griffin, English/history/geography teacher.

The P&C's first meeting for 2017 will be next Tuesday night 7 February at 7pm in the library. We welcome all parents and caregivers to attend. This will be our last meeting before the AGM.

We would like to announce that Ms. Vanessa Knight has accepted the P&C's invitation to represent us in the Grenfell Henry Lawson Festival of the Arts - Festival Queen Competition. Vanessa will represent the P&C and THLHS at the festival twilight ball this weekend. Many of you already know Vanessa, she is an ex-student and sister to current students. Watch this space and Vanessa will informally introduce herself to the THLHS community in the coming weeks.

The P&C is very excited to also announce that this year, THLHS P&C will host the Far West P&C Federation Forum on 4 April from 10.30 to 1pm. This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase our wonderful school and community to other P&C representatives from the Far West Electorate, an area that covers more than a third of the state and some 270 public schools.

GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

Mobile Blood Service visiting:

Grenfell

Vaughn Park, Cross Street

Thursday 9 February 10.00am - 2.30pm

Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

Eat! Have a good sized breakfast or lunch

Please bring photo I.D. with you

Would you like to have Lawson's Latest emailed to you?

Please contact the office with your email address or email the school at henrylawso-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au to be added to our mailing list.

Have you downloaded The Henry Lawson High School app? Search "The Henry Lawson High School" on the iTunes or Google Play stores and download - it's free!

To make an appointment call **13 14 95**
or visit donateblood.com.au

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CANTEEN PRICE LIST 2017

SALAD ROLLS / SANDWICHES / WRAPS

- Chicken salad roll/sandwich/wrap \$3.50
- Ham salad roll/sandwich/wrap \$3.50
- Egg salad roll/sandwich/wrap \$3.50
- Prawn salad roll/sandwich/wrap \$4.50

SALAD BOX

- Salad box \$3.50
- Meat salad box \$4.50

TOASTED SANDWICHES / WRAPS

- Cheese \$2.30
- Cheese/Tomato \$2.50
- Cheese/Ham \$3.00
- Cheese/Chicken \$3.00
- Cheese/Tom/meat \$3.20

SNACKS

- Chips \$1.00
- Garlic bread \$0.50
- Muffins \$2.50

HOT FOOD

- Bakery pie \$4.50
- Sausage roll \$3.50
- Traveller pie \$4.00
- Pizza rounder \$3.00
- Lasagne \$3.50
- Hamburger \$4.00
- Cheese burger \$3.50
- Chicken burger \$3.50
- Nachos \$4.00

DRINKS

- Orange passion \$3.00
- sml pop top juice \$1.60
- sml water \$2.00
- pop top water \$2.50
- Poppers \$1.50
- sml milk \$2.00
- lg milk \$3.50
- Hot chocolate \$1.00



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High School Scholarships 2017 – Information for applicants

FACS is offering High School Scholarships to help students enrolled in education or training to complete their studies. Successful applicants will receive \$1,000 to help with school expenses.

How much is the scholarship?

Each scholarship for the 2017 academic year is \$1,000 (GST exempt). You can apply again each year as you complete your studies.

Who can apply for a scholarship?

You are eligible to apply if you are:

- living in social housing (which includes public, community or Aboriginal housing), on the NSW Housing Register, receiving FACS private rental assistance, living in crisis/supported accommodation, or living in out-of-home care
- studying in Year 10, 11 or 12 at a NSW high school or TAFE, completing a school based apprenticeship or traineeship, or studying a VET subject at school in 2017
- an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- not earning an income higher than the NSW social housing eligibility limits (if earning an income).

If you have previously been awarded a Youth Scholarship, you can still apply for the 2017 academic year.

When can I apply for a scholarship?

Applications open at 9am on 16 January 2017 and close at 7pm on Friday 24 February 2017. We cannot accept late applications.

How can I apply for a scholarship?

It's easy to apply online. You just need a valid email address so we can keep you updated about your application.

To apply, you should:

1. Visit our [online form](#) to set up an account and create a password.
2. Complete the eligibility questions and all relevant sections of the form.
3. Add the email addresses of two people who know about your circumstances and can act as referees for you. This could be your teacher, careers advisor, year advisor, welfare teacher, doctor, counsellor,

social worker, or someone else from your community or religious group. It should not be a family member.

4. List the email address of a staff member from your school or TAFE who can tell us about what you're studying and release your scholarship money to you if you are successful.
5. Make sure you complete the declaration and electronically sign the form. You should ask a parent or guardian to do this for you if you are under 18 years old.

You can also choose someone to help you fill in your application. To do this you will need to provide this person's email address and choose the level of access you would like to give them.

How will I know if I'm successful?

We will send all applicants (and anyone that assists you to complete an application) an email once we receive an application. We will send another email to all applicants and their schools in May 2017 advising of the outcome of your application.

What can I use the scholarship for?

If your application is successful, you can use your scholarship for educational expenses like textbooks and course fees, or to help pay for practical supports like medical needs, child care and internet. You will be able to keep anything you buy with the scholarship.

What can't I use the scholarship for?

You can't use your scholarship to pay for items provided through other financial assistance programs offered by your school or TAFE.

How will I receive my scholarship funds?

FACS will pay the scholarship directly to your school or TAFE, which will help you to decide how to spend the scholarship money and give it to you. Each school or TAFE might have its own process for how it will pay you, which they will explain to you.

How will you assess my application?

A panel made up of staff from FACS and other organisations like Aboriginal housing providers, community housing providers and NSW Education will assess applications against criteria. Decisions made by the panel are final and cannot be appealed.

Where can I find out more?

Email: youthscholarships@facs.nsw.gov.au

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