

LAWSON'S LATEST

THE HENRY LAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

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What a great week of learning here at The Henry Lawson High School.

Monday night was the school's first disco for the year. Three hours of fun-filled dance for our students. Frankie Valli – "Oh what a night" seemed very apt. The SRC, Mrs Taylor and Year 12 did a fantastic job of setting the hall up for the evening. Photo booth was busy and all students had a great night. Thank you also to Sonja in the canteen and the staff that attended. Without staff support these events wouldn't happen.

The Open Boys Cricket played against Forbes late last week. After batting first, THLHS posted a modest competitive target. There was a fantastic 'caught and bowled' on the first ball of the Forbes inning that inspired the boys to believe in victory. They toiled hard all innings but unfortunately couldn't get the wicket of the hard hitting first drop from Forbes, who secured victory for the visitors. Well done to all the boys. I saw happy faces and enjoyment everywhere I looked. There are many Years 7-9 students in the open team so we look forward to some good results in years to come.

Spelling bee round 2 this week; Years 7 and 8 are gearing up for another hard-fought round of spelling. I enjoy the promises that students give me to practise the words at home. Spelling and literacy is a very important aspect of life. I refer to it as 'compound interest' - the more you understand now the easier and quicker learning and work becomes in the future. So, I encourage all parents and carers to quiz their students tonight and put money in the literacy bank.

Captains Cup continued this week. There is a different house team on top of each competition pool group heading into the final round. Who will be the overall winner? The answer to this question will be determined in the coming weeks. Perhaps the principal may wear the house shirt colour of the most recent winning house group from the latest carnival or event.

Last Week Kate Robinson gave a presentation to the local Rotary on her experiences at the National Youth Science Forum at ANU. Rotary helped to provide Kate with this amazing opportunity and chance to meet with some very famous scientists. It must have been an amazing experience and I encourage our Year 11 students to apply. I'm sure it is something Kate will remember for a long time.



Next week Year 9 will visit Orange for the *Spirit of Anzac Centenary* exhibition. The excursion is part of the students' history studies. Please ensure all notes and money are in for this fantastic opportunity. The Spirit of Anzac Centenary is a free travelling

exhibition that tells the story of Australia's involvement in the First World War, and the ensuing 'Century of Service' of Australia's armed forces in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations in which Australia has been involved; a very fitting experience for THLHS students leading up to April and ANZAC Day.

The Western Region swimming carnival will be held in Dubbo today (Thursday). I wish Niamh, Imogen, Natalie, Higo, George and Tom all the best and hope they all achieve some personal best times and in doing so bring home some of the silverware on offer. This carnival and any future carnival come after many hours of dedicated training, especially this year with the town pool out of action.

John Schumann's visit to Grenfell will include a presentation to all our 7-10 students on Friday. In addition, he will work with the school band after school. The opportunity for John to visit Grenfell has been generously supported by our P&C who contributed \$400 to ensure our students and community have access to quality presenters such as John. John has received almost every award the music industry has to offer and I'm sure students will find his appearance most rewarding.

Last Wednesday a photo was taken of the P&C's Community Quilt to celebrate its completion. The quilt is a fantastic achievement by our P&C and many hundreds of hours have gone into putting it together. It has been a marvellous effort. The quilt will be used to raise funds for the P&C festival queen entrant Vanessa Knight. Tickets will be on sale from Friday at a cost of \$2.00. I encourage all our parents and carers to support the P&C by purchasing tickets at the school office or from our street stall outside the IGA this Friday. A reminder too that the next P&C meeting will be on Monday 13 March in the school library. Come and be involved in your child's education by assisting with the P&C.

Out and about with the principal - on my tour of the school this week I asked some of our students the following questions: who is your favourite cartoon character? What's the best thing you have learnt this week? A sample of the answers were:

Student	Cartoon character	Best thing learnt
Zoe Gavin	Mickey Mouse	cardio-respiratory system
Paige Hughes	Pocahontas	characterisation in music
Lucy Rassack	Teletubbies	timbre
Nick Dun	Daffy Duck	BODMAS - acronym in maths for Brackets, Of, Multiple, Division, Addition and Subtraction
Acacia Huxtable	Dora the Explorer	Spanish accent – Google
Morgan McGregor	Silvester the cat	Indonesian
Dylan Mehrton	Mordecai	human evolution

Wow! These were only a few responses and I only asked for one item. Imagine what the rest of the school has learnt this week and what they learn in a whole year. Another observation was that it took the students longer to think about which cartoon character they liked than to answer the question about the best thing they had learnt this week. Our students are engaged in their learning. What a great school.

Have a good week.
Ian Pattingale
PRINCIPAL

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P&C Major Raffle

The Henry Lawson High School P&C are thrilled with the results of their patchworking efforts. P&C members along with members of the Grenfell community have donated many hours of their time to make this stunning queen size quilt.

Made to support the fundraising efforts of their Henry Lawson Festival Queen entrant, Ms Vanessa Knight, the quilt will be the P&C's major raffle for 2017.

Tickets are \$2 each and can be purchased at the P&C's street stall on 10 March or by contacting the high school office. The lucky winner will be drawn at the Henry Lawson Festival.

Please support your P&C and purchase your tickets in this beautiful quilt.

CANTEEN ROSTER Week commencing 13 March

Monday	Rae Dawson
Tuesday	Ann Best
Wednesday	VACANT
Thursday	Veronica Hazell
Friday	Cath Sullivan

Year 7 introduced to our e-library

Year 7 have been initiated into the mysteries of our wonderful e-library. Ask your student to tell you all about it. As members of our school community, students and parents/guardians have access rights to our e-Library. Here's how to get it:

- from the App Store, or Google Play, download the **free** Wheeler's ePlatform app to your smartphone or tablet
- once you've installed the app, go to **find your library** and begin typing : the henry lawson ... our school e-Library will appear
- if you don't have a device, you may access the library from your computer; the address is **henrylawson.wheelers.co**
- sign in using your DoE (Department of Education) username e.g.: carmella.fisher1 your password is: **Student** (don't forget the capital S).

Now you're in! Have a browse; play with the features and have a look at the e-books available to you.

You may borrow two books at a time.

In settings, you may change font size, style and page background colour.

Your book will be waiting at the point you are up to next time you go in to read.

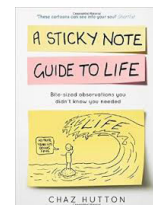
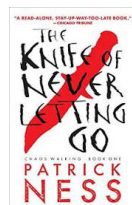
Loan period is three weeks; you may return earlier if you wish, or renew if you need longer.

Note that you will **not** use up data to access your book after the initial download.

Parents/guardians are welcome to become members of our e-Library; call me at school, or drop me an email to margaret.lynch1@det.nsw.edu.au and I will set up an account.

Margaret Lynch

Teacher-librarian



There's something for everyone on our e-library



Please come and join us



P&C Federation
would like to invite your P&C Association to attend a forum
information session, hosted by
Henry Lawson High School P&C
Association.

When: Tuesday 4 April 2017
Where: Henry Lawson High School,
49 South St, Grenfell NSW 2810
Time: 10.30am- 1.30pm

Presented by P&C Federation
Topics: Roles and Responsibilities of a P&C Association

To attend please click [here](#) to register
or go to our webpage pandc.org.au
and click on Forums to register

By 5 pm Wednesday 29 March 2017

Light lunch and refreshments Provided

CAPTAINS CUP

Round 3 Competition Table

Pool 1		Ladder			
	Rank	Comp Points	For	Against	Differential
Lehane 1	6	5	21	36	-15
Lehane 2	5	7	10	43	-33
McNamara 1	2	18	37	15	22
McNamara 2	4	8	23	32	-9
McCabe 1	1	18	34	11	23
McCabe 2	3	16	28	17	11

Pool 2		Ladder			
	Rank	Comp Points	For	Against	Differential
Lehane 3	5	1	6	36	-30
Lehane 4	6	1	8	59	-51
McNamara 3	3	15	30	25	5
McNamara 4	4	14	36	15	21
McCabe 3	2	19	39	19	20
McCabe 4	1	22	31	3	28

Pool 3		Ladder			
	Rank	Comp Points	For	Against	Differential
Lehane 5	1	23	32	12	20
Lehane 6	2	19	27	16	11
McNamara 5	6	0	5	35	-30
McNamara 6	5	4	9	28	-19
McCabe 5	4	11	22	16	6
McCabe 6	3	15	28	17	11

Overall Captain's Cup Points

House Captains Cup	Lehane	McNamara	McCabe
Points	56	59	101
Rank	3	2	1

FINALS POOLS

GOLD Soccer

McCabe 1
McCabe 4
Lehane 5
Lehane 6
McNamara 1
McNamara 3

Silver League Tag

McCabe 2
McCabe 3
Lehane 1
Lehane 2
McNamara 2
McNamara 4

Bronze Volleyball

McCabe 5
McCabe 6
Lehane 3
Lehane 4
McNamara 5
McNamara 6

Grenfell Junior Rugby Union Off And Running!

Grenfell junior Rugby had it's first sign up with registrations in all age groups. It was great so see some girls enjoying a game of **VIVA** against the boys.

Does the thought of travelling to games daunt you? Most games are no longer than an hour away from Grenfell with gala days being held in Wagga Wagga, Cootamundra, West Wyalong and Leeton during the season (TBC). A family friendly option, junior Rugby enjoys the flexibility of playing two games every second Sunday, leaving parents and players free to enjoy other things on the free weekends. School holidays are also free of any Rugby commitments.

If you couldn't make the last registration night, it's not too late! Registration forms will be available on Wednesday 15 and 22 March from the Rugby grounds at 6pm. Come along and enjoy a game of touch and some light training then stay for a sausage sizzle. Coaches and club executive will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

Registration fees for girls is \$30 per **VIVA** player. This small charge is to cover the cost of the new jerseys.

Registration fees for boys is \$60 per player with new players **FREE!**

All new players will need to bring their birth certificates and Medicare card for our records. All players will receive a free pair of socks and shorts. Once registered, all players will receive a Brumbies membership card allowing them free admission to all Brumbies home games.

All are invited to come down and try Rugby or **VIVA** with no obligation to register, followed by a free sausage sizzle.

So come and get involved in another fun year of Rugby.

For more information, please contact Liz Robinson on 0427227817.



Grenfell Junior Soccer

Registrations will be held Wednesday 17 March 3.45 - 5.00pm at Grenfell Public School to access the computers for registration. Alternatively, Saturday 1 March at the Henry Lawson Oval 10 - 11.30 am.

Fees are:

\$70 for players aged 6 - 9

\$95 for players aged 10 - 17

(There will be a family discount for families with three or more children)

Training will be on Wednesday afternoons and commence 29 March.

Any enquires please email grenfellsoccer@gmail.com

Everyone is welcome.



Grenfell Junior Rugby League
Training starts Tuesday 14 March 2017
Lawson Oval 5:30PM

Training starts Tuesday 14 March 2017 at Lawson Oval, 5:30pm.

To participate in training you MUST be registered.

Registration fees

New player rego fee: FREE

Returning player early bird fee: \$31.00 (available to 28 Feb, 2017)

Returning player full fee: \$51.00 (fees include \$1.00 processing fee).

More information is on the club's Facebook page or go straight to the website and click on:



If you have any questions or need help with the registration process please contact Grenfell JRLFC: Isabel Holmes, grenfelljrl@hotmail.com or M: 0400 395 318 OR register online: google Grenfell JRL, click on contact details – Grenfell JRL – sports TG that will take you straight to the page with the BIG ORANGE DOT. OR come to the oval on Tuesdays and have a chat to the coaches and committee members

Play NRL... A different League... Play Junior League...

Attention Years 7, 11 and 12: 2017 NSW School Vaccination Program

Each year NSW Health works with schools to offer vaccines recommended for adolescents by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC).

In 2017, the following vaccines will be offered to all **Year 7** students:

- Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in a 3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months
- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine (dTpa) as a single dose
- Varicella vaccine (chickenpox) as a single dose

Parent Information Kits have been distributed to Year 7 students to pass on to parents/guardians. **Please sign and return consent forms to the school office as soon as possible.**

The first scheduled vaccination will take place on the morning of Thursday 23 March.

Dates for the remainder are yet to be advised. Note, if your student has had chicken pox, or has already received the vaccination, there is no need to have the Varicella vaccine.

In addition, this year, the NSW Government will also fund a new school-based meningococcal vaccination program for all **Year 11 & 12** students, due to take place on **Thursday 25 May**. *Parent Information Kits* will go home in April.



Street Stall

Friday 10 March

The P&C will be holding its first fundraising event for 2017 on Friday 10 March; this will also be our first fundraising event for our festival queen entrant, Vanessa Knight.

If you are able to help on the day, or you are able to provide a donation of cooking, craft, plants etc. please drop these to the school on Thursday 9 March, or bring to the stall on Friday morning. If you are able to assist on the stall for an hour or so, please contact Helen on 0428542708.

This event will see us launch sales for our commemorative community quilt raffle.

P&C AGM

Monday 13 March

6.45pm meet and greet

7pm AGM in library

8pm ordinary March meeting

The meet and greet is to celebrate P&C day, which falls on the first Wednesday of March and is a way of saying thank you to parents and caregivers, but also a way to welcome new parents to the school who are possibly attending their first P&C meeting in an informal environment.

All positions on the executive will be declared vacant. We will be hoping to fill the following positions on the night:

President

Vice President x 2

Secretary

Treasurer

Sub-committees - canteen and uniform, fundraising.

So if you are interested, please come along and be involved in supporting our lovely, dynamic school.



Wool You Support us???

Soccer Club SHEEP DRIVE

Grenfell Soccer Club Inc. are raising funds to complete the construction of the clubs change rooms and toilet block.

This is a good opportunity for local growers to offload that old ewe or ram during this current dry spell and support our club. We anticipate a fair quality, mixed yarding with a few sheep lacking bloom.

During the month of March, we will be rounding up the mob to be sold in the first week of April. If you ewe wish to support this fine cause, please contact:

Shane Troth 0427 475312



This is some of last years flock of lambs who have all cut teeth and are ready to take on the next season.



WESTERN REGION SUMMER VOLUNTEER SPORTING SPIRIT AWARD

YOUTH + OPEN CATEGORY

The Western Regional Summer Volunteer Sporting Spirit Award is an opportunity to recognise volunteers who are the lifeblood of grassroots sport in country NSW.

Sporting club and association members are invited to nominate individual volunteer(s) or youth (25 years and under) who would be deserving of such an award.

To be eligible for the summer award the nominee must have been a volunteer with the club or association during the period from October 2016 to March 2017.

Nominations close on Friday 31 March 2017. Terms and conditions apply.

To nominate your volunteer, tell us in 150 words or less why your nominee is the most deserving volunteer. This might include the:

- Time they dedicate to the club, association or committee
- Positive attitude they demonstrate while volunteering
- Positive role model they provide to younger, and other club members
- Expertise and knowledge they bring to volunteering
- Encouragement they give to others in the club, association or committee.

In September 2017, there will also be an opportunity to nominate someone for the Winter Volunteer Sporting Spirit Award (for those who volunteer between April 2017 and September 2017).

Submit nomination online at
sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/volunteeraward

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