



LAWSON'S LATEST

THE HENRY LAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

15 OCTOBER 2021 TERM 4 WEEK 2

Our school canteen now has EFTPOS

Our school canteen is now equipped with an EFTPOS terminal.

You can pay for uniform and food purchases via EFTPOS at our canteen.

If your children don't already have bank accounts and cash cards, there are options available such as www.spriggy.com.au, where you can sign up online for a pre-paid cash card, that you can top-up as needed. Talk to Tania about how it works.

Thank you to our canteen manager, Tania Mooney, and our P&C for bringing this latest initiative to our school canteen. You can call Tania if you have any questions about using the new EFTPOS process, on 63431390.



SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS DRAW

Congratulations to the five students who received a \$5 dollar canteen voucher in the weekly draw from all the reward tickets that were issued in the last two weeks.

Reward tickets are issued to students in recognition of meeting our whole school expectations of **Prepared, Respectful, Responsible, Positive** and **Improving**.

The whole school expectations are designed to support student understanding and engage positive and respectful relationships, while contributing points to their house.

Good luck to our students in the next major draw for five \$25 local business/community gift vouchers.



Lockdown draws

Congratulations to Ray, Marc, Rori, Alexi, Rhys, Niamh, Amy, Hayley, Michelle, Annie, Lachie, Ryan, James and Brodie who were all presented with their vouchers awarded during lockdown last term.



Week 2

Prepared - Jethro Fenton, Respectful - Niamh Mitton, Responsible - Oliver Taylor, Positive - Teleitha O'Byrne, Improving - Rawson Phillips

CHALLENGE, ENCOURAGE, ACHIEVE

Principal's Report

A big congratulations to our newly elected 2022 school leaders.

Our new leaders are passionate about the school and want to embrace every opportunity the positions bring for the betterment of all students. Our students are to be commended for demonstrating role model qualities and for having the courage to take on such prominent roles within the school. Well done team and I look forward to working with you over the next 12 months.



THLHS is celebrating SAS Recognition Week.

SAS staff include administrative managers, administrative officers, library assistants, science and food technology assistants, school learning support officers, general assistants and farm assistants.

SAS staff are the backbone of the great work being done. Our SAS staff play an important role in the school community. They are often the first people you see when you enter a school and are essential to maintaining positive relationships with students, parents and the wider community.

SAS staff work in school offices, classrooms, libraries, laboratories, kitchens and maintaining and caring for school grounds and buildings. They are often the ones that tend to students when they are unwell, and they ensure the efficient management of school financial and administration functions.

SAS staff are in the front line with student learning, often working closely with targeted students who may have special needs or just need extra support with a particular task.



SAS staff are vital for school maintenance and the care of livestock and crops while also coordinating trades such as electricians and plumbers.

Recognition week is an opportunity for us, and the school community, to show our appreciation to these dedicated staff members who play such an important part in ensuring the smooth running of our school.

A big congratulations to Lily Holmes and Niamh Mitton who have been selected to attend the 2022 National Youth Science Forum in January 2022.

Students will network with like-minded people while participating in activities such as lectures, critical thinking activities, STEM programs and career workshops.



The Henry Lawson High School will be extending the Accelerated Reader program to include Years 7, 8 and 9 in 2022.

The Accelerated Reader Program is a whole-school focus to support the development and improvement of literacy across all Key Learning Areas. The program is designed to support student engagement and commitment to the pursuit of excellence. Students participate in two regular timetabled accelerated reader lessons as well as 15-minute morning sessions 3 times a week.

Students are assessed for reading growth and set clear and achievable targets to strengthen and support their engagement and achievement.



Aaron Flagg
Principal

CAREER NEWS

Tocal Ag College – Introduction to tractors for harvest operations course, Quandialla.

Brett Knight, Oliver Taylor, Jake Troth, Hugh Nowlan and Ms McCulloch completed this 3-day course during the holidays that was fully funded by Agskilled. The course included basic tractor operation, the processes of grain harvest from the field to bulk storage, introduction to WHS on farm, basic operational principles of a tractor and chaser bin, combine harvester, grain cartage, handling and storage. These courses are a great opportunity to gain new employability skills in agriculture at no cost. Check out other some of the other courses.

<https://www.tocal.nsw.edu.au/courses/short-courses/agskilled>

School Based Apprenticeship (SBAT) Information Webinar for students, parents, employers

Learn more about what an SBAT is, how SBATs are set up and the benefits of an SBAT for both students and employers. An information session and brief video presentation followed by Q&A with:

- Jacqui Spencer & Adam Knight, Department of Education SBAT Officers
- Rob Barrett, Training Services NSW Training Advisor
- Haylie Howarth, Apprenticeship Support Australia

Where: Online

When: Wednesday 20 October 2021

Time: 6 pm - 7 pm

RSVP- Hannah.crozier@det.nsw.edu.au

Training Services NSW Summer skills is back!

The NSW Government will offer fee-free short courses for school leavers aged 16 to 24. From mid-October, students will be able to enrol on a wide range of courses to kick off their careers and find summer jobs in different NSW destinations. More information is coming soon. Suggest to your students to register their interest today at: <https://bit.ly/3hO80TJ>.

Get a one-to-one consult with a friendly Charles Sturt adviser.

Book a 45-minute consult to get all your questions about uni answered. Discover the courses that will get you into the career you're looking for and learn how easy it is to apply to Charles Sturt University.

<https://study.csu.edu.au/contact-us/consult>

*YEAR 12 STUDENTS- FREE STATEMENT OF ATTAINMENT COURSES
THROUGH TAFE NSW*

1. PREPARE AND SERVE ESPRESSO COFFEE AND USE HYGIENIC PRACTICES FOR FOOD SAFETY

FRIDAY 3 AND MONDAY 6 DECEMBER 2021 FROM 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM IN COWRA

**2. RSA PROVIDE RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL AND RCG PROVIDE
RESPONSIBLE GAMBLING SERVICE**

TUESDAY 7 AND WEDNESDAY 8 DECEMBER 2021 FROM 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM - GRENFELL

CONTACT MRS TROTH TO REGISTER BEFORE 18/10/21.

GRENFELL AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

Unfortunately, we are unable to begin swimming club this week, but we are hoping that our first club night will be held on Friday 22 October 2021. Please be mindful that this date may change as swimming club cannot commence until the NSW Government allows community sport to go ahead.

Swimming squad, however, is allowed and will begin on Monday 18 October 2021. If your swimmer will be new to squad, please contact Leann at the pool.

Our next meeting has been postponed until Monday 18 October 2021 at 7.30 pm in the club room, in the hope that we will be able to discuss our return to club nights.

Uniform

If any swimmers would like to order new uniform items, club polo shirts, club hoodies, please put your order in with Leann at the pool ASAP. We are anticipating some delays so would like to put an order in very soon.

Development Carnival

Please note that we have had to change the date of our development carnival, which we hope will be held on Sunday 16 January 2022. This will give us some more time to assess the COVID situation and hopefully improve our chances of holding our carnival.

COVID

As with last season there will be some slight differences in the way we operate swimming club, due to the implementation of our COVID-19 safety plan.

Like all other organisations Grenfell Amateur Swimming Club, is required to have a COVID-19 safety plan. At this stage the main points are as follows:

- Everyone in attendance must be **vaccinated, signed-in and sanitise before entering the Aquatic Centre**. This includes all parents and spectators, as well as swimmers.
- At this stage there is no limit on the number of spectators that may attend, however, social distancing is to be practised at all times. We would ask that family members sit together.
- The toilet/shower areas have a maximum limit of 17 people. We therefore encourage swimmers to come to the Aquatic Centre fully dressed and ready to swim, pack dry clothes and shower at home at the end of the night. This will help to prevent swimmers congregating in the showers.
- Our usual parent roster will be in place with 6 timekeepers, one person selling raffle tickets and one person assisting in the club room. If a timekeeper needs to be replaced during the evening, we are required to sanitise the stop watch before it is given to another person.
- The bubblers can only be used to fill water bottles, so we encourage everyone to bring their own water bottle.

Registrations

Registrations are now open. Existing members will be able to log into their *Swim Central* portal and purchase memberships through the *store* (in menu on LHS of screen).

New members should contact Leann Logan at llogan65@bigpond.net.au and give her an email address.

A reminder that *Active Kids* vouchers can be applied for now and can be used to cover the cost of the membership fees.

Please be aware that Swimming NSW has introduced new memberships.

Please make sure that you read these details carefully as there is an important difference between the club swimmer and the full swimmer.

The memberships available within our club are as follows:

- **Dry/Supporter** (previously Non-Swimmer) suitable for committee members, parents and supporters. Fee \$23.00
- **Club Swimmer** suitable for swimmers who only wish to compete at our club nights and participate at our carnival. This membership is suitable for our 15-25m swimmers (and any other swimmers) who are not looking to swim at outside carnivals. Please note this membership does not allow you to compete at any other carnival other than ours. Fee \$70.00
- **Full Swimmer** allows you to compete at our club nights and all carnivals across the state. Fee \$93.00

If you are not sure about which registration product is suitable for you, or your swimmer(s), please ask Leann Logan at the pool, Phil Rolls (0439 980 098) or Nicola Mitton (0427 432247).

Please note: Members can upgrade their membership at any time throughout the season and only pay the difference in cost between a membership with greater benefits and their current membership.

Grenfell Aquatic Centre details

E mail – aquaticcentre@weddin.nsw.gov.au

Ph – 6343 1756 Mob: 0490 830 563



Fit For Life is an early intervention program designed to engage students in positive behaviour, decision making values, problem solving, resilience and wellbeing. *Fit For Life* focuses on educating students about physical fitness, nutrition and social engagement whilst teaching students self-discipline, instilling confidence and increasing self-esteem. Officers from the PCYC in Young have commenced a program with a small group of students, coming to Grenfell every Friday.



Cowra Early Childhood Services

Cowra Family Day Care - 2022 Expressions of Interest Now Open!

- Do you have a genuine passion for Early Childhood Education and Care?
- Are you ready to be rewarded by running your own small business?
- Are you looking for a change of career, or at a point in your life where you want to work on your terms?

If this sparks your interest, Cowra Family Day Care would love to hear from you and share more about how we partner with Early Childhood Educators.

Family Day Care offers a unique opportunity for educators to establish their own service, in the comfort of their own home, on their terms, with small groups of children in care.

Cowra Early Childhood Services (CECS) is a community focused not for profit cooperative who believe in supporting and empowering our Educators to achieve greatness in their business and setting the scene for the best possible outcomes for their families and our communities.

As we expand our services in 2022 and bring new educators into our team, we invite you to send us your expression of interest to join with us.

A cover letter or email describing your suitability for the role is all we initially need.

Places in 2022 are limited and will fill quickly so contact us by Thursday 18 October to avoid missing out.

We look forward to receiving your expression of interest and invite you to send this to:

Melissa Riches, Director, Cowra Early Childhood Services at melissa.riches@cecs.com.au by Thursday 18 October, 2021.

School Travel for 2022

2022 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2022 can apply now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for a school travel pass for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, or who have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should renew or update their details before the **end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications and current entitlements are updated and remain valid. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card. If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new eligibility criteria, they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2022.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. Note: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

School Student Transport Scheme site change

On 1 October 2021 the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) information and application portal was moved to **transportnsw.info**. This will assist families to find all their travel information in the one place.

Travel from Term 1 2022

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) open at the start of Term 4 2021 for travel in 2022, so parents/students can apply or update details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a difficult period for local bus operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations increasingly difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel on a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their local bus operator to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Please also remember that students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the Student code of conduct and Opal terms of use.

**SCHOOL CALENDAR
TERM 4 2021**

	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October	3 A	18	19	20	21	22
October	4 B	25	26	27	Last day for Year 12 students 28	29
November	5 A	Year 9 and 10 exams 1	2	3	4	5
November	6 B	VET workplacement 8	VET workplacement HSC exams commence 9	VET workplacement 10	VET workplacement 11	VET workplacement 12
November	7 A	Years 7, 8, and 9 welfare talk 15	16	17	18	19
November	8 B	Years 10 and 11 welfare talk Driver Safety 22	23	24	25	26
November/ December	9 A	29	30	1	2	3
December	10 B	Year 10 work experience 6	Year 10 work experience 7	Year 10 work experience 8	Year 10 work experience 9	Year 10 work experience 10
December	11 A	Gold Merit reward day (TBC) 13	14	Presentation Day 15	16	17

ENGLISH/HISTORY ASSESSMENT REMINDERS

HSC Advanced and Standard English and English Studies: Common Module multimodal presentation due Thursday 2 December (week 9)

HSC Modern History: Power and Authority source analysis due Friday 12 November (week 6)

HSC Ancient History: Cities of Vesuvius source analysis due Friday 19 November (week 7)

Year 10 English: Formal Examination during week 5 (exam timetable to be confirmed)

Year 10 History: Popular Culture research presentation due Thursday 28 October (week 4)

Year 9 English: Film essay due Friday 12 November (week 6)

Year 9 History: Australian Women at War essay due Thursday 11 November (week 6)

Year 8 English: Shakespeare newsletter due Friday 12 November (week 6)

HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT CATS IN THE WEDDIN SHIRE



RSPCA NSW is working with Weddin Shire Council and Weddin Landcare on a new project in the Weddin Shire called 'Keeping Cats Safe at Home'.

The project aims to reduce the impact pet cats have on wildlife and improve domestic cats' health and safety by encouraging responsible cat ownership, particularly by keeping cats safe at their homes.

We would like to hear your opinions and ideas around cat management in the Weddin Shire.

You're invited to complete a short online survey.

Access the survey here:

[redcap.sydney.edu.au/
surveys/?s=3MR4LAEYPR](https://redcap.sydney.edu.au/surveys/?s=3MR4LAEYPR)

before 31 October 2021

Or scan the QR code:



Thank you in anticipation.

For further information contact:

RSPCA NSW - Dr Gemma Ma: P 0490 431 554; E gma@rspcansw.org.au
Weddin Shire Council - Allison Knowles: P 02 6343 1212; E animalcontrol@weddin.nsw.gov.au

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