

LAWSON'S LATEST

THE HENRY LAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

20 MARCH 2023 TERM 1 WEEK 9

St. Patrick's Day Celebration











Principal Report

We are celebrating Harmony Day on Tuesday 21st March.

Harmony Day is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism.

Australia is one of the most successful multicultural countries in the world and we should celebrate this and work to maintain it.

Harmony Week is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

Australia is a vibrant and multicultural country
— from the oldest continuous culture of our first
Australians to the cultures of our newest
arrivals from around the world.

Our cultural diversity is one of our greatest strengths and is at the heart of who we are. It makes Australia a great place to live.

Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.

Our students can choose to wear something orange on Harmony Day to show their support for cultural diversity and an inclusive Australia. Interesting statistics about our diversity

- nearly half (49 per cent) of Australians were born overseas or have at least one parent who was
- we identify with over 300 ancestries
- since 1945, more than 7.5 million people have migrated to Australia
- apart from English, the most common languages spoken in Australia are Mandarin, Arabic, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Italian, Greek, Tagalog/Filipino, Hindi, Spanish and Punjabi
- more than 70 Indigenous languages are spoken in Australia.



The annual NAPLAN assessment started last week. All schools across Australia are now participating in the tests online. NAPLAN data is very valuable and useful to teachers and schools to help identify areas for further learning. The tests measure student's literacy and numeracy abilities at a point in time against an objective scale.



Our Student Representative Council organised a school social last Wednesday 15th March. A great time was had by everyone involved and a big thankyou to our students for putting this together.



A big congratulations to Alana O'Loughlin and Joshua Clarke in Year 11 who have been awarded the Gunyah Craft Shop Achievement Scholarship. The students were nominated for the scholarship by the teaching staff and finalised by the school executive based on current commitment and attitude towards school studies. Well done!



Thank you to the students and staff for participating in our 15-minute walk on Friday morning to support the Cargo to Grenfell walk. The event was to raise awareness and assist those suffering with Mental Health related illness.



Our swimmers recently attended the Western Region trials in Dubbo. Our students had fun participating and competing at a regional level and came away with outstanding results.



Our students have been and will be receiving quality feedback from assessments and reports over the next few days. Our students should be very pleased with their efforts. It is important that we all remember that the main purpose of feedback is to identify areas for improvement and set goals for the following term or semester. The idea of continuous improvement is an ongoing life skill that applies to everyone.

Parent/Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Monday 1st August which is the beginning of week 3 next term.

Principal Aaron Flagg

Cargo to Grenfell Walk









2022 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge



SCHOOL EXPECTATION DRAW



Improving - George Troth, Positive - Jethro Fenton, Responsible - Rosana Truong, Respectful - Blair Randall, Prepared - Joshua Clarke



Prepared - Ruby McCabe, Positive - George Troth,
Respectful - Jack Hazell, Responsible - Harrison
O'Brien, Improving - Grace Jolliffe (Absent)

Congratulations to the five students who received a \$5 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.

Western Region Swimming

Congratulations to our swimmers who have been at Western Region swimming trials today. Congratulations to our 13 and 16 years girls and 15 years boys freestyle relay teams for qualifying for the CHS Championships along with Natalie, Scarlett, Mikayla, Marley, Ryan, Dylan, and Xanthe who have all qualified for individual events.



Blayney show junior judging workshops

On Friday 10 March Year 8-9 students from THLHS attended Blayney Show junior judging workshops. Students were part of workshops in a variety of junior judging competitions including grains, wool, beef and dairy cattle, meat sheep and auctioneering. Lachlan Ingrey placed second from a class of over 60 competitors and Harry O'Brien also placed second in the grain judging. Tait Ryan was also a finalist in the grain section. The students all represented their school well.











THLHS show team at Blayney show

On Saturday 11 March the show team competed at Blayney Show in the beef cattle and meat sheep sections. We had a highly successful show winning champion and reserve champion Border Leicester ram and narrowly missing out on supreme ram of the show.

In the cattle section Michelle Walker was a finalist in the paraders competition. The students worked hard all day and improved their skills considerably. Thank you to Ned Mullany and Joanne Southorn for providing cattle and sheep for the students and thank you to our sponsor Lachlan Fertilizers. There were over 60 competitors and Harry O'Brien also placed second in the grain judging. Tait Ryan was also a finalist in the grain section. The students all represented their school













Stained Glass Success

This term Year 8 history has been learning about the Middle Ages and the important events and changes of the time. One such change we have been investigating is the growing importance of the church and the role of stained glass windows to help tell stories. Our class then had the chance to design their own stained glass windows, taking inspiration from nature, geometrical shapes and even family crests. Some truly impressive work.









SRC Visit the MPS

On the 14 March SRC representatives made a visit to the MPS to get some assistance from the residents in making decorations for the upcoming year 7 social. It was a great time had by all with the residents sharing some memories of when they went to a school dance.







Opens Girls Netball

On Monday the 6 March the THLHS open netball team consisting of Leonise, Sophie Berry, Sophie Hughes, Mikayla, Brooke, Bella, Xanthe, Ella and myself all travelled to Orange to compete with numerous other open netball teams from different towns. To start off the day, we played many round robin games but didnt manage to win. In in our last game, a quarter final, we played against Kandos and ended the day with a win, 12-9. Mikayla, Sophie Hughes and Xanthe tried out for the Western netball team. They played so well but unfortunately weren't selected. Before we got back into the bus, we all stretched out and voted anonymously for players' player. This was awarded to Mikayla. The player with the best spirit was awarded to Leonise and Sophie Berry. We were all very tired by the end of the day and loved listening to Sophie Berry's music on the way home.

By Scarlett Nowlan









Lawn Bowls Team

Well done to THLHS Lawn bowls team winning against Mudgee 9 to 5. Narrow losses against Nyngan 12 to 7 and Warren 10 to 7.





Open Boys West Wyalong Basketball Tournament

Last Monday morning, nine boys from THLHS packed their bags and travelled to West Wyalong to play open basketball. The boys were excited to compete against other high schools and showcase their skills on the court. Their first game was against West Wyalong High School, and the boys were determined to start the day strong. With a strong defensive line-up consisting of Rhys Hughes, Garret Smithers, and James Hazell, the boys were able to keep the opposition at bay. They showed great teamwork and played cohesively, with everyone contributing to the game. The boys' effort and attitude towards this game were outstanding, and they played with grit and determination. Despite their best efforts, West Wyalong managed to slip away in the third quarter, and the boys lost the game.

In their second game of the day, the boys faced Cowra High. They were fired up and ready to win. The boys found their rhythm in the first quarter, with Brodie Loader and Josh Clarke displaying excellent shot selection. The boys' morale was further boosted by Mr. Connolly's inspiring speech about skill and determination at the end of the first quarter. The boys came out stronger in the second quarter, displaying amazing skills and teamwork. Braydon Jewell and Tyler Stevens used their team chemistry to score off a fast break, and the boys were able to maintain their lead for a while. However, Cowra High was a tough opponent, and the boys eventually lost the game, 46-52. Despite the defeat, the boys showed amazing skills, teamwork, and determination, and they left the court with their heads held high.

Their final game of the day was against Condobolin High School, and the boys were determined to redeem themselves. The boys knew that this was their last chance to show their skills and leave their mark on the tournament. From the beginning, the boys hit massive shots, putting the lead towards Henry Lawson. Their defence in this game was the best out of all three, with Rhys Hughes and Braydon Jewell getting massive blocks to get Condobolin on the back foot. The game was tight, but the boys wouldn't let them walk away with an easy win. The boys fought hard and kept the game entertaining till the very end. A three-pointer close to the buzzer by Riley Bowerman wasn't enough for the boys to get the win, but they left the court knowing that they had given it their all. Overall, the boys had a fantastic day showing their resilience and integrity. They showed that Grenfell never goes down without a true fight. The boys displayed excellent skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the tournament. Congratulations to all the boys who attended, and a special thanks to Spencer Mehtron for taking photos of the event, and another big thank you to Mr. Connolly for coaching the boys and taking them to West Wyalong. This tournament was a great learning experience for the boys, they came back home with a sense of pride and accomplishment.

By Riley Bowerman





Open Boys West Wyalong Basketball Tournament (Continued)









Bathurst Charles Sturt University Expore Day

Year 11 & 12 students travelled to Bathurst to explore the Charles Sturt University campus, courses and accommodation today! Students attended seminars on bachelor degrees in health, education, engineering, arts, business, law and science.









2023 Social





















WSSA – Trial Dates

If you would like to trial for any of these sports, please see Ms Hunter before nomination entries close.

TERM 1					
Sport	Entries close	Event Date / Venue			
Hockey – Boys & Girls	20 Feb	24 Feb / Parkes			
Basketball – Boys	20 Feb	27 Feb / West			
		Wyalong			
Netball	1 March	6 March / Orange			
Basketball - Girls	24 Feb	8 March / Dubbo			
Lawn bowls		10 March / Orange			
Rugby Union	22 Feb	10 March / Orange			
Girls Rugby 7's	22 Feb	10 March / Orange			
Soccer - Boys	5 March	13 March / Orange			
Squash		24 March / Parkes			
Rugby League – Tom	10 March	31 March / Blayney			
Kemp Cup					
Rugby League	10 March	5 April / Peak Hill			

TERM 2					
Sport	Entries close	Event Date / Venue			
Golf	21 April	12 May / Mudgee			
Gymnastics	6 April	19 May / Orange			
Tennis - Boys	5 June	9 June / Bathurst			
Cross Country		14 June / Orange			

TERM 3					
Sport	Entries close Event Date / Venu				
Tennis - Girls	30 June	19 July / Bathurst			
Athletics	23 June	28 July / Dubbo			
Cricket – Girls	1 August	8 Aug / Dubbo			

Careers News

Wool Industry Expo

The Henry Lawson High School has been given the opportunity to host a "Wool Industry Expo" in our area. This has been organised by Troy Kelly, Regional Industry Education Partnerships (RIEP) Senior Officer. Peter Mitton, "Tabor", Pinnacle Road, Grenfell has agreed to host the day at his woolshed. This will take place on Friday 24th March, 2023.

Confirmed industry representatives will be offering hands-on, immersive activities on the day. These include:

- Australian Wool Innovation: Wool harvesting and handling
- AMBRO Rural and Livestock: Pregnancy scanning and working dog use/training
- Quality Wool: Wool buying and marketing what makes a good fleece
- Delta Agribusiness: animal health, nutrition and agronomy
- Rick Power: Ram classing selection
- Platinum Shearing: Shearing contractor
- Department of Primary Industries: Wool research and production

Participating employers are also offering work experience, with some also offering School-Based Traineeships, part-time and full-time employment and training.

Other schools in our area have been invited to attend. A bus will be provided to transport students to "Tabor", and this has been funded by RIEP.

SBAT information session

THLHS would like to present students with more information about School-Based Apprenticeships/ Traineeships (SBATs) in the form of a parent information session, and an industry breakfast for potential employers. If you are interested in this, and/or know an employer who would like to find out more information, please contact Ms McCulloch. More information will follow regarding date and organisation.

Infrastructure Traineeship Project Plan

This opportunity is for year 12 students, who would like to gain employment and training in the infrastructure sector. This new program is targeting year 12 student seeking an office-based career in infrastructure. It is a two-year traineeship, with ATSI, rural and female students encouraged to apply. It is intended that the traineeship will interest young people not going to university, or entering a trade, and are undecided of their career choice. See Ms McCulloch for details.

UWS webinars

University of Western Sydney are doing a series of webinars. https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/student-life/events/western-webinars

The sessions start at 5pm and the following subjects will be covered:

20 Mar - Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Podiatry, Paramedicine

21 Mar - Science & Medical Science

22 Mar - Social Science & Social Work

27 Mar - Health Science, Sport Development, Health & Physical Education

28 Mar - Teaching & Education

29 Mar - Languages, International Studies, Tourism & Event Management

4 Apr - Architecture, Construction Management & Built Environment

5 Apr - Design

26 Apr - Medicine



HARMONY DAY

Tuesday 21 March 2023

COME TO SCHOOL WEARING ORANGE OR SCHOOL UNIFORM



Reminders





Regional Industry Education Partnership Program (RIEP)



Year 11 + 12 Kiama Geography Excursion

27th - 28th March



The Henry Lawson High School

- Please meet at the school at 8am
- CE
- Any further inquiries contact the school on 6343 1390

English/History Assessment Reminders

- HSC English Studies: Imaginative and reflective writing due 31 March (week 10)
- Year 11 English Standard: Read to Write persuasive and imaginative writing due 4 April (week 11)
- Year 11 English Studies: Careers Showcase due 30 March (week 10)
- Year 11 Modern History: Cuban Revolution historical narrative and essay due 31 March (week 10)
- Year 10 English: Graphical representations of novel due 3 April (week 11)

IMPORTANT REMINDER TO ALL YEAR 12 STUDENTS: It is your responsibility to seek teacher feedback on your drafts for Craft of Writing (Advanced and Standard) and Classwork portfolio (Studies) well before the date for final submission.

SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 1 2023

	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
March	9 B	20	21	Year 7 Camp 22	Year 7 Camp 23	Year 7 Camp Wool Expo 24
March	10 A	Yaer 11- 12 Geography Kiama 27	Yaer 11- 12 Geography Kiama 28	29	30	Athletics Carnival 31
April	11 B	3	4	5	END OF TERM 6	



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL DAY 31 MARCH 2023















Are you female and thinking about a career?

Thought of entering a non-traditional female occupation like ENERGY or ELECTROTECHNOLOGY?

IF SO, THEN WHY NOT PARTICIPATE IN AN EXCLUSIVE SHOWCASE EVENT?

Agrifood & Electrotechnology ITABs will host a FREE energy and electrotechnology showcase day for interested females aged 16-64, careers advisors and influencers.

The showcase day will be held in partnership with Essential Energy, at the Essential Energy Parkes Depot - Simulation Centre/Depot, Brolgan Road, Parkes, NSW 2870. Refer attached map for details on how to get to the correct building.

It is an exciting opportunity. You'll see industry at work and develop a sense of the many job opportunities and careers available for consideration in the industry.

During the event you will have the opportunity to:

- meet and talk with female industry leaders involved and working in the energy and electrotechnology industry about the range of exciting careers for women
- gain hands-on experience and insight into real world high-tech equipment
- access the latest career information & learn more about rewarding occupations
- ask questions and have them answered by industry experts
- register and reserve a place for obligation free opportunities to do work experience with local MAE industries including Essential Energy
- partake in a free networking lunch

Showcase day participants numbers are limited and registrations are essential.

WHEN: Wednesday, 29 March 2023, 9:30 am to 2.00pm

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW FOR THIS FREE AND EXCITING EVENT

A FREE private bus will be available on demand from Parkes Train Station from 8am of If you wish to book a place on the bus, please email the organiser, Tony, 5 working days prior tony@uensw.com.au or call 04 3739 6363; or visit the NSW UE ITAB website















FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

THE FACTS

The main ingredient in vapes is propylene glycol, vegetable glycerine or glycerol, and they often also contain nicotine, flavours and other chemicals. Vapes may contain harmful chemicals that aren't listed on the pack.

The biggest misunderstanding about vapes is that they are harmless compared to cigarettes. This is not true. Vapes are not safe.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY'RE VAPING?



Many vapes contain nicotine making them



The nicotine in 1 vape can :50 cigarettes



Young people who vape are 3 times as likely to take up smoking



Vaping has been linked to erious lung disease



Vapes can contain the same harmful chemicals found in cleaning products, nail polish remover, weed killer and bug spray



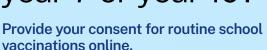
Vapes come in a variety of designs and styles and can be easy to conceal



Do you know what they're vaping? Get the evidence* and facts at *health.nsw.gov.au/vaping*



Is your child in year 7 or year 10?



At the beginning of the school year, your child's school will share the link to complete the online consent form.

Benefits of providing online consent:

- · easily update your child's details
- · get SMS notifications when vaccinations are given
- · faster upload of vaccination records to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR)

To provide online consent, you will need:

- · the link provided by the school
- · your Service NSW log-in details
- · medicare details for you and your child

Scan the QR code to give your consent now.





For more information on vaccination visit: health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination

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