

# LAWSON'S LATEST

25 October, 2024 | Term 4, Week 2 THE HENRY LAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

#### **Student Achievement**



# **Harmony Hua**

A big congratulations to Harmony Hua who was selected to attend the state Constitutional Convention at New South Wales Parliament.

Harmony was asked to answer two legal questions with a very strict word limit. These were, "Describe a piece of legislation that you would like passed by the Parliament of NSW" and "Explain clearly why you would like to attend the NSW Schools Constitutional Convention".

Harmony's excellent submission was accepted by the judges and she now has the opportunity to mingle with the most eminent legal minds and network with top legal studies students from across the state.



# **Brayden Dowd**

A big congratulations Brayden Dowd of The Henry Lawson High School has been nominated for inclusion in ENCORE 2024. ENCORE presents a selection of outstanding major works by HSC Music students in NSW including performance, composition and musicology.

It will be held at the Sydney Opera House on Monday 24 February 2025.

Good luck Brayden!



## **Year 12 Formal Assembly**

















#### **Year 11 Success Week**

As an introduction to their HSC studies year 11 participated in success week completing the Life Ready course at school and a 2 day excursion to Canberra. We arrived in Canberra we travelled to Greenhills Conference Centre where we completed crate climbing, an activity where an individual was connected to a harness and needed to communicate with the rest of the team to successfully climb the crates. Students also participated in orienteering to find hidden letters around the camp to complete a hidden message. We then headed to Canberra Riddle Rooms and completed escape rooms such as the Dungeon and Mine in groups of 4-6. After all teams had escaped, we all headed back to Eaglehawk Park before travelling to the Civic Centre for dinner. We then went ice skating, which proved a challenge for some people, leaving the rink very cold and wet before going back to Eaglehawk. The next day, Mr Connolly cooked up a storm of bacon and egg rolls before the group had a tour of the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS), where we saw facilities such as the gymnasium, volleyball courts, gym and swimming pool. During lunch in Belconnen some students spotted and even caught a photo with NRL player Paul Vaughan. This was the last activity of the excursion before students got on the bus to head home to Grenfell. Thank you to Miss Mitton and Mr Connolly for organising and taking students on a great trip.













#### **World Teachers Day at The Henry Lawson High School**

On the 25th of October we celebrate World Teacher's Day a day dedicated to honouring the dedication, hard work, and passion of teachers who play a crucial role in shaping the minds and futures of our students. This day is a wonderful opportunity for us to reflect on the incredible work that educators do every day, often going above and beyond to inspire and support their students. The Henry Lawson High School would like to thank the teachers for their passion, enthusiasm and commitment to excellence. Happy World Teachers Day!



#### **Welcome to Georgia Brenner and Abigail Howe**

My name is Abigail Howe and I am in my final year of studying Bachelor of Education/Bachelor of Arts at the University of Canberra. In 2020, after I graduated I moved from Ladysmith near Wagga Wagga to Canberra and have spent the last 4 years there while I have been studying. I wanted to experience a placement in a rural town school and grow on my experiences as a beginning teacher. So far, I have been so grateful for the experience and I have learnt so much. For my future teaching career, I hope to be like many teachers at THLHS, positive, engaging and a drive to better the students they teach.



My Name is Georgia Brenner I'm originally from Grenfell, and a past student of The Henry Lawson High School. Currently, I am in between my third and fourth year of a Bachelor of Education K-12 specialising in Business Studies - HSIE, through Charles Sturt University in Wagga Wagga. I've returned back to The Henry Lawson High School to complete my four week prac placement due to the familiarity, allowing me to develop knowledge and skills off past teachers in a supportive and welcoming environment. I'm really looking forward to applying these skills into my future practice, where I'm able to make a positive impact in students' lives, through the creation of a classroom atmosphere where they feel supported, engaged, and valued in their learning.

We are sure that Abigail and Georgia will have a fantastic time during their four-week prac at The Henry Lawson High School. Best of luck on this exciting journey!

#### **Year 10 Frist Aid**

Congratulations to our Year 10 students for completing their First Aid course on Wednesday and Thursday. You have gained essential skills that saves lives!















#### **Operation Christmas Child**

The SRC have been busy packing up boxes for operation Christmas child, from the generous donations from our local community. We were able to make up 25 boxes which were delivered to the Grenfell Christian Bookshop.







#### **School Expectation Draw**

Congratulations to the five students who received a \$5 canteen voucher in the weekly draw.

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

The Whole School Expectations are designed to support student understanding and engage positive and respectful relationships, while contributing points to their house.



Week 2

Improving- Ebony Dowd, Responsible- Emma Mitchell-Mellon, Positive- Keira Chown, Respectful- George Troth, Prepared- Damien Lyons

#### Local Student Receives 2024 Audi Foundation- CEF Alumni Award

Grace Kelly, daughter of Jennifer and Steve Kelly and a past student at THLHS has received the 2024 Audi Foundation -CEF Alumni Award for Young Achiever. This is a national award that recognises young people who are passionate about their career and who are determined to make a difference in the early stages of their career. After completing a nursing rotation in Walgett, Grace is now a valued part of a dedicated midwifery team at Dubbo Base Hospital, playing a vital role in supporting families and babies, including those who travel from remote areas of NSW to access reliable health care.

Wendy Mason, the CEO of The Country Education Foundation said the achievements of this year's recipients are inspirational. "Every day, I am blown away by the achievements of our students and alumni, with the recipients of this year's awards no exception. The commitment towards their education and career goals and dedication of their communities, is nothing short of extraordinary. We celebrate these students and alumni, but also the CEF local foundations who believed in their aspirations from the very beginning"



#### SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 4 2024

|                       | Week | Monday | Tuesday                     | Wednesday                             | Thursday             | Friday               |
|-----------------------|------|--------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| October               | 1 A  |        |                             |                                       |                      |                      |
|                       |      | 14     | 15                          | 16                                    | 17                   | 18                   |
| October               | 2 B  |        |                             | First Aid<br>Year 10                  | First Aid<br>Year 10 | Orange Field<br>Days |
|                       |      | 21     | 22                          | 23                                    | 24                   | 25                   |
| October/<br>November  | 3 A  |        | Girls League Tag-<br>Forbes |                                       |                      |                      |
|                       |      | 28     | 29                          | 30                                    | 31                   | 1                    |
| November              | 4 B  | 4      | Lovebites<br>Year 7         | 6                                     | 7                    | 8                    |
| November              | 5 A  | 11     | Lovebites<br>Year 8         | 13                                    | 14                   | 15                   |
| November              | 6 B  |        |                             |                                       |                      |                      |
| November/<br>December | 7 A  | 18     | 19                          | 20                                    | 21                   | 22                   |
| December              | 8 B  | 2      | 3                           | 4                                     | 5                    | 6                    |
| December              | 9 A  | 9      | 10                          | 11                                    | 12                   | Presentation Day     |
| December              | 10 B | 3      | Jamberoo<br>Stage 4         | END OF<br>TERM<br>Jamberoo<br>Stage 5 | SDD                  | SDD                  |
|                       |      | 16     | 17                          | 18                                    | 19                   | 20                   |

#### Reminders



# THE HENRY LAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

**EXPERIENCE & TRANSITION PROGRAM** 

WE INVITE ALL YEAR 6 STUDENTS TO JOIN US FOR OUR SECOND
'COME AND TRY' AFTERNOON ON
WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER- WEEK 5

1:20PM - ARRIVE AT THLHS
1:30PM - 3:20PM INDUSTRIAL TECH / FOOD TECH EXPERIENCE
3:20PM - DEPART THLHS





# **English/ History Assessment Reminder**

- Year 11 English (Advanced, Standard & Studies): Texts and Human Experiences multimodal presentation due 9th December (week 9)
- Year 11 Modern History: Power and Authority source analysis due 22nd November (week 6)
- Year 11 Ancient History: Cities of Vesuvius source analysis due 29th November (week 7)
- Year 10 English: Re-thinking Refugees examination (Week 5 exam timetable TBA)
- Year 9 English: Multimodal presentations on character due 18th November (week 6)
- Stage 4 English: Persuasive speech due 11th November (week 5)
- NOTE: AR Reading Journal assessments are due Week 3 for Stage 4 and Week 4 for Year 9. Talk to your teacher about the specific due date for your class.

#### Reminders



Dear Year 8 Parent or Carer

The Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held between Monday 28 October and Friday 8 November 2024. The test takes approximately 75 minutes. The VALID Science 8 test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer.

VALID Science 8 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the NSW Science Years 7–10 Syllabus (2018). Students will be tested on their:

- · knowledge and understanding of science
- · understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
- · ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes, and values about science.

VALID Science 8 contains audio, so each student needs to bring suitable headphones or earbuds that connect to a device. Schools will indicate if students need their own device.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 1, 2025. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personalised electronic report describing the knowledge and skills demonstrated by your child in the test will be available from their school. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test across NSW.

The principal of your child's school can provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely

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## THE HENRY LAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

24 October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

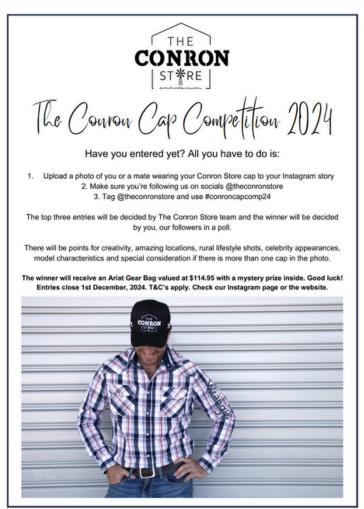
On Monday 28 October, the NSW Teachers Federation will be holding a special meeting for members to vote on a recommendation relating to a new Teachers Award. As a result of the meeting, we will have minimal supervision arrangements in place from the time buses arrive until 10.10 am.

I apologise for the minor disruption to the beginning of the school day; student attendance is expected when normal classes resume at 10.10 am.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Aaron Flagg PRINCIPAL

#### **Community News and Events**





for Parents and Carers

Young, NSW



Scan the QR code or click here to register

This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Wednesday 6 November, 2024 9:15am to 3:00pm



Young Services Club 42 Cloete Street YOUNG NSW 2594

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

Free workshop

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC tnicoll@positivepartnerships.com.au



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