

Issue No. 14



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL Dear Families

The end of the term is approaching quickly and we are confident that students are applying themselves assiduously to their studies in order to ensure outstanding reports! Year 12s are entering the most pressure-filled part of the year as Investigations and Special Studies are due to be submitted and exams loom in the not-toodistant future. We wish our Year 12s luck as they negotiate these tasks and hope that their time management skills ensure that they are able to successfully manage their workloads.

Musical rehearsals are in full swing, and we encourage everyone to make sure they have their tickets for this amazing event at the end of term. Reports about the quality of this production are all positive and the cast and band are full of talent. Many of our students will have the opportunity of attending matinee performances, too, so we encourage parents and caregivers to support this – viewing live performances is excellent for young people to develop stronger skills in both the Arts and English.

It was a great pleasure to attend the launch of the Special Options class's chicken coop last week. Students did an amazing job of planning and executing construction – learning a lot about design and solving problems as they went, which they very capably explained to those attending the opening. The result is a very well thoughtout chicken coop that should encourage the laying of lots eggs!

Last week also saw the beginning of Show season, with Scott Cram and students attending the Royal Adelaide Show – steers in tow. We look forward to another successful season, with the Mt Gambier Show – and the Ag Learning Centre - not very far away.

Course Counselling is becoming a very strong focus. Students will be asked to choose online from a set line structure in Week 1 of Term 4, with a Parent Information Evening for students in Years 8, 9 and 10 on Wednesday of Week 9. The timetable will be somewhat more open than in previous years and students will be encouraged to choose subjects from year levels other than own, according to their passions, talents and levels of competence. Please contact your young person's Community Leader or Manager if you have any questions about this process.

Fleur Roachock Principal

### Thursday 14 September 2017

### COMING EVENTS

### 25 September

- Governing Council 7.30pm
- 28 September
- Forensic Science Event

### 28-29 September

- Spectrum Performance
- 29 September
  - Last day of Term 3, 2.20 pm dismissal

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### REMINDER

Term 3 Concludes Friday 29 September 2.20 pm

Term 4 Commences Monday 16 October

### GRANT HIGH SCHOOL ABSENTEE LINE

For all absentees

Phone 87263105 Please leave your child's name, homegroup, your name and the reason for the absence. Thank you.

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**GHS** Musical

# **STUDENT LEADERSHIP**

On Thursday of Week 7, 8 Grant High School students travelled to the main corner to take part in a student leadership forum. The forum was run by Ben Kilsby who organised to have students from local high schools to come together and discuss life in Mount Gambier. In small groups, students discussed with students from other schools what they liked and disliked about Mount Gambier, and then what ways they could as a community aim to make it better. Over the course of the day it was apparent that the GHS students became very focused on what they were working towards. The students hard work was also noticed by many of the workers at the event which lead to most of the GHS students being interviewed by the ABC for the radio! Overall it was a hugely successful for all of the students to have been a part of this event, and caused a great deal of happiness for myself and teachers to see these students becoming a voice in the community for the GHS student cohort.

Sebastien Pratt Student Voice Co-ordinator









# **COURSE COUNSELLING**



Parents/Caregivers of 2017 Year 8 to 10 students (and other interested parties) are invited to attend the:

### Course Information Night Wednesday 20th September, starting at 7.00pm on the Grant High School Junior Floor

The program will include information about:

• Year 9, 10 and SACE subjects and selection processes

VET opportunities

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Course Counselling Key Personnel

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rincipal:	Fleur Roachock
community Leaders:	Scott Cram, Caroline Davey,
	Sabrina Pattenden, Josh Praolini,
community Managers:	Cambell Baker, Danielle Roselt, Abbey
	Marston-Kleemann/Aimee Galpin, Amy
	Widdicombe.
ET Coordinator:	Jo Fisher
o. Differentiated Learning:	Laura Mancuso

The 2018 Course Information Booklet is available on Sentral and the Grant High School website.

# SACE REVISION



SACE & International Baccalaureate Spring Revision Program Mon 2 Oct - Fri 6 Oct and/or Mon 9 - Fri 13 Oct



Phone 82317776 or enrol online: www.aeg.sa.edu.au Adelaide Education Consultants L30, 91 King William St Adelaide



Work with your peers and get the most out of your exam revision over the October holidays. Plus, save \$5 per session if you book five or more seminars by Monday 18 September. View available sessions and enrol: adelaidetuition.com.au/holiday-seminars

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## **STEM GIRLS NETWORKING EVENT**

During Week Six, five Year 11 students: Sophie Monkley; Cody Lewis; Ellen Masters; Amber Cottell and Kobie Thomas, accompanied by Mrs Fisher, travelled to Adelaide to participate in the STEM Girls Networking Event.

The opportunity enabled us to collaborate with like-minded female students from Whyalla and Adelaide with the same passion for science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The first day involved participating in a networking workshop run by the University of South Australia in preparation for the evening where we would get to put our newfound skills into action. The networking dinner involved listening to female guest speakers, who are successful within STEM industries, with the purpose to inspire and empower female students to follow STEM career pathways. Speaking of their experiences and challenges within their professions gave an insightful understanding of how rewarding and beneficial a career in STEM can be. After the dinner, and once the speakers had concluded their presentations, we had the opportunity to network with STEM professionals and the other STEM Ambassadors.

The following day consisted of tours around STEM industry buildings, first up was SAAB Technologies. At SAAB we were given the opportunity to experience some of their innovative and futuristic technologies including their 'Mixed Reality HoloLens'. Next stop was the UniSA City East Campus, where we toured the sport science labs. Here we were given the chance to measure our lung capacities and listen to Mr Michael Hartland, who spoke of what the profession of an exercise physiologist involves. Lastly we were lucky enough to visit SAHMRI (South Australia Health and Medical Research Institute) where we learnt about the history and purpose of the building and listened to a current PhD research student, who spoke of her passions for STEM and her drive for success.

A big thank you to Uni SA and Mrs Fisher for making this special opportunity possible. The trip was very inspiring and we encourage everyone to consider a profession within the STEM industries.

#### Written by Sophie Monkley and Cody Lewis









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**DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY** 

# YR 11 GHS PHOTOGRAPHY



**ABBY HEEMSKERK** 



**CHARLOTTE FOOTE** 



HARRISON DOWIE



**JAYDEN WHITEHEAD** 



**ANNIE RASMUSSEN** 



**GEORGIA MONKLEY** 



**HARRISON DOWIE** 



# **DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY**

**KIRBY HUNTER** 

# YR 11 PHOTOGRAPHY



LARA JACKSON



**MEGAN MANTERFIELD** 



### **CODEY HEIGHT**



**MELODEE MEEHAN** 



**BRIANNA MCKINNON** 



RACHAEL HAMILTON

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## **YEAR 9 SCIENCE**

The students from Ju9 Science have recently completed their major project of building a chicken coop for our new pure bred chickens at the Ag Farm. We researched different designs and decided on one we liked then drew it to scale on an A3 page. We started by making the whole frame and putting it together. Then we made it weather proof with treated pine cladding. The students were required to regularly put their problem solving and collaborative group skills to the test, as well as developing new skills working with tools. The project took just over 10 weeks to complete, demanding effort and persistence the whole time .It was very pleasing to witness the growth in personal confidence that the project gave the students. The chickens thank them.

### Meg Beck, Agricultural Teacher







# **KNOCK OUT DIV B NETBALL**

Last Wednesday, 16 Year 8/9 girls braved the wet and cold weather to represent Grant High School at the Division B Netball Carnival. Melody Battye-Whitwell and Ebony Leggett showed great leadership skills in coaching the two teams and Gemma Hunt and Keryl Ousey showcased their umpiring skills. All girls thoroughly enjoyed the day, playing in a range of positions and with their friends.













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## **KNOCK OUT HOCKEY FINALS**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August saw a balanced and well structured Grant High School girls' team take to the pitch to compete in the Open Girls Hockey Finals in Adelaide. These games are a high speed, high pressure 30 minute format with no break and three girls from the Year 8/9 team, (Zara B, Isabelle L and Brooke M) were added to the open list to give us options and rotations off the bench. On paper we looked like winners.

We started well, winning 5 - 0 against Trinity College. Goal scorers: Cody Lewis and Mel Smaling with 1 goal each and Charlotte Foote scoring the other 3.

Next we faced St Mark's College and also beat them by the good margin of 4 - 0. Goal scoring was shared around with 4 girls scoring 1 each – Lucy Clarke, Dana Jones, Isabelle Ladner and Charlotte Foote.

Game 3 was against Seymour College and again we worked well to win 4 - 0. Lucy Clarke scored in the first 6 minutes with Charlotte Foote scoring the next 3 goals.

Our last pool game was against Henley High, a school well known for its hockey prowess. This was our hardest win with several injuries, including Lucy Clarke taking a ball in the cheek and Lauren Lunsmann hurting her back. Henley had worked out how to shut down Charlotte Foote, who was only able to score once for us to take a 1-0 win.

And then came the Grand Final.

We played Henley again and, although all the girls fought hard all game, Henley managed to slip one into the back of the net with only a few minutes to go. We ended the day second in the State for 2017.

All the staff on the trip were very proud of the way the girls worked as a team and their efforts on the field were acknowledged by a number of Hockey SA staff who were running the tournament. The next day, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, was the Year 8/9 Grant girls turn. We had a team of 13 girls with three players who had filled in for the Open team the day before and were tired before the day even started; three others had not played for a couple of years and one girl was a new to hockey. These girls had also not played together before and it took a few positional switches to get them to gel as a team.

Our first match was a hard one against St Mark's College which resulted in a 2-1 loss. **Brooke Marcus** eventually scored in the second 15 minutes, but St Mark's swiftly followed our goal with one of their own and then another not many minutes later.

We re-grouped to play our second game, this time against Wilderness School which ended in another 2-1 loss, with **Ameliya Jordan** and **Zara Blackwell** combining to score our only goal. We scored first and held Wilderness to a draw until they scored their winning goal in the dying seconds of the game.

Our third match was against Henley High and we managed a 1 - 1 draw. This match showed definite signs of an improved team game, with the girls learning to trust the players around them from other clubs.

Unfortunately, we had run out of pool games and ended the day playing against St Mark's in the 3<sup>rd</sup> v 4<sup>th</sup> match. It was during this game that the improved team cohesion really started to show and the Year 8/9 Grant High girls hockey team came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the State winning the match 2 -1. Goal scorers were **Isabelle Ladner** and **Ella Simmonds**.

All the girls should be very proud of their efforts, especially in the last game, which showed enormous promise for the 2018 team!

### Ruth Stephenson, Hockey Coach



# **STAGE 1 ROCK CLIMBING**

Rock-climbing was the activity in store for the first camp of the term for the Stage 1 Outdoor Ed class. Due to group size we went to Mt Stapylton and climbed in the SummerDay Valley. Once the climb site was seen by the group nerves started to kick in, made even worse when they made it to the top of the 30 metre abseil. The nerves changed to an adrenaline rush once they had successfully completed either an abseil or a climb and went back wanting more. All members of the group put in a great amount of effort and are to be commended on their efforts whilst on camp. Thank you to Earl and the crew from 'Hangin Out' in the Grampians for their instructing.

Jacob Height, Outdoor Education Teacher













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