



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Dear Families

It is less than a month until the end of the school year and the number of events yet to occur is mind-boggling! Year 12s have finished their exams and now have the Formal to distract them from the wait until results come out – on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December, all being well. Year 11s and some Year 10s have exams this week and then Introductory Lessons for Year 11s going into Year 12 begin next week.

In the meantime, World Challengers embark on their amazing adventure on Thursday of this week and Presentation Night occurs on Tuesday of next week. In Week 8, Year 7s will have their Transition Days in readiness for 2018 and reports will be written for students in Years 8-11, ready for distribution on the last day of school. We are certainly not winding down, so much as hurtling towards Christmas at a breakneck speed!

PE Week was a great success last week, with the exception of Come 'n' Try Lawn Bowls being rained out on Wednesday. 5-a-side Soccer here and the Festival of Sports at Penola High School were highlights of the week, with some staff versus student activities thrown in for good measure on Wednesday and Thursday. It is terrific to see so many young people practising the habits of a healthy lifestyle.

Grant After Dark at the end of Week 4 was also a fantastic Grant High School success story, with Art, Design, Photography, Technology, Music, Media and Food and Hospitality students all throwing their considerable talents into the mix to create an amazing night out for both the school and the wider community. This is an incredibly important date on our calendar now, and a great reflection on the work of our students and staff. Thank you to the Old Mount Gambier Gaol for their support in providing the ideal venue for this event.



On another note, our External Review had to be postponed due to circumstances beyond our control. Thank you to those parents who had agreed to take part. This will now occur in Week 4 of Term 2 in 2018 and we hope you will be available to be involved then.

*F. Roachock*

**Fleur Roachock,  
Principal**



## COMING EVENTS

### 23 November

- T20 Girls Cricket

### 24 November

- Year 12 Formal

### 27 November

- Governing Council 7.30pm

### 28 November

- Presentation Evening

### 4 December

- Year 7 Parent Info Evening

### 8 December

- Final Day for Year 10/11's

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## GRANT HIGH SCHOOL ABSENTEE LINE

### For all absentees

**Phone 87263105**

Please leave your child's name, home-group, your name and the reason for the absence. Thank you.

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## MATHS

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, approximately 60 Year 10 students had the opportunity to attend the Commonwealth Bank's award winning Start Smart program. The program is designed to change the way young people learn and think about earning, saving and spending money along with setting personal financial goals and securing savings in an account.

The workshop inspired and motivated students to be proactive about employment opportunities and the benefits and rewards that come with earning a regular income. By the end of the session, the students had greater confidence and competence to make smart decisions about money and were more aware of workplace rights and responsibilities.

**Jason Yates, Maths Coordinator**



## MULTICULTURAL DAY



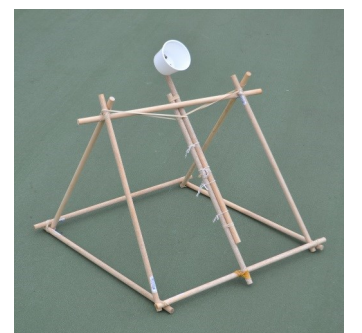
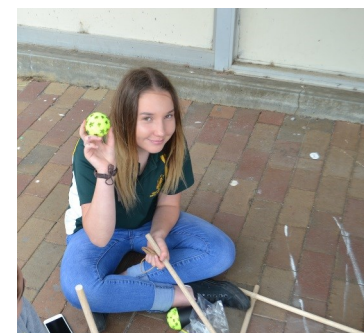
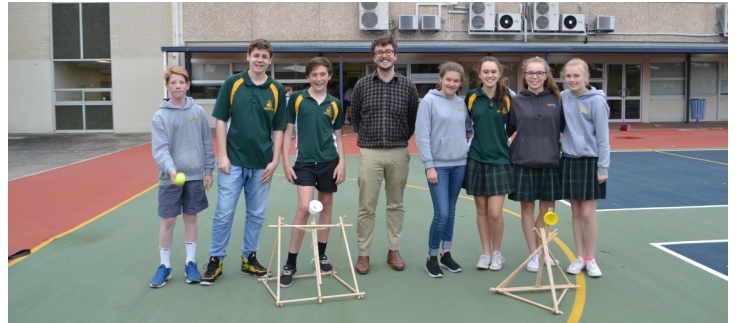
## HASS/SCIENCE

In Week Five, Year 8s from 8LG took part in a Catapult Construction Challenge, a cross-curricular event that required them to build a catapult with limited resources.

With the help of Ms Dowling and Mr Goodfellow, their core subject teachers, the students spent a large portion of their day developing their siege weapons with dowel, twine, and rubber bands. The task required them to collaborate and problem-solve in order to fling their tennis balls as far as possible and complete the STEM-infused challenge.

On the day, the students managed to produce incredible results and enjoy a hands-on approach to History and Physics.

**Liam Goodfellow, HASS teacher**



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## COMMUNITY NEWS



### For all schools in the Limestone Coast

Pangula Mannamurna Aboriginal Corporation (PMAC) provides a comprehensive range of health and wellbeing services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across the Limestone Coast. Tackling Indigenous Smoking (TIS) is a new program. One of our key areas is children at school and talking to them about the benefits of not smoking, reducing smoking and/or quitting for themselves, friends and family.

We have two trained smoking cessation professionals that work within the TIS team, Kelly Anderson and Danielle Ashford. We are hoping to provide an informative and interactive session about Tobacco smoking, effects and support available at your school to any classes that may be interested and including any parents or home-work classes.

Whilst we are focused on Indigenous Smoking particularly, all children are welcome to attend.

We are currently offering an incentive pack that includes some sports equipment and some books among other items for schools that book in for two information sessions in 2018, the dates can be anywhere in the 2018 year but must be booked prior to May 2018. The sessions run for approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour, we can alter the content and length to suit ages and understanding.

We are also happy to run information sessions with parents / guardians and teachers about smoking prevention and cessation.

Please feel free to contact us for further information or to arrange an information session at your school. Our contact details are:

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## VOCATIONAL PATHWAYS



### Year 11 and 12 Students

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Limestone Coast Career Services aims to support individuals to reach their career ambitions and bring them to life! We work with you to identify career opportunities, plan a way forward and provide you with the tools to achieve your goals.

Talk to a qualified Career Practitioner about how we can assist you with:

- Individual Career Planning
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Contact us to make a booking:

8:30am to 4:30pm Monday - Thursday 8:30am to 4:00pm Friday

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# ARTS

## Year 8 Art

This term for Art with Miss Moretti our class studied Indigenous Perspectives, researching Australian animals and looking at the Tjanpi Desert Weavers. The Tjanpi Desert Weavers (Tjanpi meaning 'grass') shows the Aboriginal people's relationships with cultural significance to the land, which is why this art task is so important, as it uses locally found resources and materials. This task required us to pick and draw four Australian animals and their environments. From our four animals, we had to pick one to make into a Tjanpi Desert Weaver inspired sculpture. We learnt how to coil and how it is an ancient technique; one which has been used by Aboriginal women over generations to make reed and grass stalk mats and baskets. Tjanpi Desert Weavers use their works of art to connect with their traditional lands and dream stories, their art reflects on the Aboriginal values, belief and traditions. With the help of Katharine Watson, our class discovered our ideas and expanded on what we had already learnt about the Aboriginal Desert Weavers, showing some examples and photos from her personal experience of seeing artworks from these artists. All of us made many different animals like snakes, echidnas, fish, lizards, dingos and many more. For myself it was great to learn about Aboriginal culture and art making, and how they use the resources around them to make artworks. It was also great to learn about all the animals that we have living in Australia, including ones we didn't even know existed.

### Article by Sienna Dougherty



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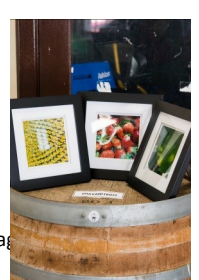
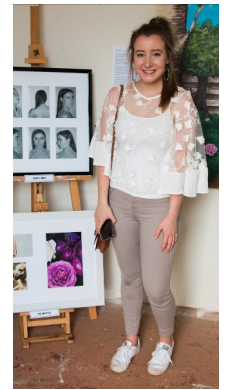


# GRANT AFTER DARK

On Friday 10th November, Grant High School hosted another successful event at the Mount Gambier Old Gaol. The event showcased the amazing talent of our Year 12 Art & Design, Furniture Construction, Photography, Media, Music and Food & Hospitality students.

We thank major sponsors: The Mount Gambier Old Gaol; SE East Marquees Wedding and Events; Funky Flix Facepainting; Framing Solutions; Serena Wong; Jeremy levins and all who attended to support our amazing talented students.

**Pariya Ziakas, Event Coordinator/ Art Teacher**



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# ITALIAN

The Year 9/10 Italian class has been busy over the past two weeks.

They created bilingual children's books in class to share with Reception students at Reidy Park Primary School. The younger students loved hearing the original stories!

Last week, local Italian migrant Seb Mancuso showed the class how to make a traditional Sicilian sweet called cannoli. Students helped to prepare the pastry and especially enjoyed eating the finished product!

**Laura Mancuso, Italian Teacher**



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# YEAR 8/9 KNOCK OUT TENNIS

Grant High School entered a boys team in the Year 8/9 Knockout Tennis team who played at Olympic Park on 2nd November this year. Our high calibre team consisted of **Dane Heemsker** who played number 1 spot for the day, Brady Cook number 2, **Rylan Ward** number 3 and **Jesse Plunkett** and **Tom Lewis** rotating in number 4 position. Grant High School firstly defeated Tenison Woods College in Round 1, winning 4-28 to 2-19. Round 2 saw Grant 5-34 defeat Mount High 1-21. In the final round, Grant High 6-36 convincingly defeated St Martins Lutheran College 0-5. Our team came out on top winning all three rounds and are off to the State Champs in Week 6. We wish them all the best of luck and hope they enjoy the experience.

A big thanks to **Lacey Burston** who assisted with scoring, equipment, photography and organising the students on the day. She was a massive help and her work was very much appreciated.

**Kirby McPherson**, Supervising teacher



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# YEAR 10 KNOCKOUT BASKETBALL

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October, the Knockout Basketball tournament for Year 10 students was held at the Icehouse in Mount Gambier. Grant High School fielded two teams to compete on the day.

The boys' team consisted of **Ryley Wilson, Kyron Salter, Jayden Moore, Tim Boxall, Noah Minto** and **Hamish Simpson**. Our team came up against strong Bordertown High and Tenison Woods College teams in the minor round. They worked well together all day and showed improvement as the day progressed. Despite only earning one win for the day against Penola High in the final, there were some impressive passages of play from a few key players.

The girls' team consisted of Sierra Young, Keryl Ousey, Claire Johnson, Shanae Neale, Abbey Dyson, Keyarnah Smith, Ella Doody, Georgina Norman and Skye Robertson. The girls' games were played in a round robin format with them facing Mount High, Bordertown, Naracoorte and Tenison Woods College. There were mixed abilities in this team, ranging from State players to those who had never played competitively before. All students were in good spirits, listened to advice from the sidelines and gave their all on the court. Our closest game was against Naracoorte, where the students were up at half time, only to narrowly lose at the final buzzer.

All students represented our school well and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship.

Thank you to **William Wright** who gave up his day to assist with umpiring, along with **Tim Boxall** and **Connor Barry** for scoring. A huge thank you also goes to **Rob Berlin** for coaching the boys team, providing training sessions for all participants before the day and driving the bus.

**Kirby McPherson, Supervising Teacher**



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