



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 3, which will be very significant for our Year 12s, in particular, as they navigate their externally assessed assignments and exam preparation. This is where the rubber hits the road!

We enjoyed a vibrant start to the term, with our Year 8s involved in the Guitar Festival last Monday, and a select group of students attending a learning opportunity with world-renowned educator, Yong Zhao. They were accompanied by a group of teachers and, together, will lead the school through a process to solve a significant problem. In this case, they will be working on ensuring there is authentic student voice and influence in the structure and delivery of the Personal Improvement Program (PIP) that occurs in Lesson 3 each Friday. We see massive potential in this concept, and it is fantastic that this group of students is committed to making it the cutting-edge innovation we envisaged it being. It is also great learning to see that it is OK not to get everything right the first time, and that persistence is important in achieving success – awesome values to apply to all aspects of life!

We are continuing negotiations around the new buildings that will enable to us to accommodate Year 7s. We hope that the final concept design will be completed within the next few weeks, so that we can

start nutting out the detail. The scope of this build has meant that it is somewhat more complicated than the STEM project; however, we are patiently working our way through each step. The downside of the new works is that other parts of the school start to look a little more careworn by comparison. We have replaced all tables and chairs on the Senior Floor to give those spaces a much-needed lift, and we will methodically work our way through re-painting those rooms, too. However, we are aware that our Wellbeing Centre will need expanding as Year 7s arrive, as will Home Economics, among other things. We are also aware that future projects will need to be self-funded – we have been very lucky in the past few years! As a result, we are re-establishing the school's Building Fund and we will need to expend some effort on fund-raising in the future. Please keep an eye out for any opportunities where you might be able to help with this.

Year 8 numbers for next year are sitting between 170 and 180 at this stage, leaving some room for further enrolments should the need arise.

Kind regards,

Fleur Roachock, Principal

COMING EVENTS

5 August

- SSSA Netball

7 August

- MASA Quiz Night
- 2nd Meningococcal Immunisations

9 August

- Debating Eisteddfod
- Pupil Free Day

12 August

- Whole School Assembly

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For all absentees

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

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NAIDOC WEEK AWARDS

Grant High School would like to congratulate Denzel Wilson and Sarah McCarthy who were both recognised during NAIDOC week celebrations. Denzel was awarded the Leadership Award: Denzel is a proud Ngarrindjeri/Gunditjmara person who consistently models strength and pride in his culture as well as respect for his community. Denzel is a Year 11 student and a member of the South Australian Aboriginal Sports Training Academy in the South East where, for two years, he has demonstrated a high level of leadership both on the field and in the classroom through his role modelling of high expectations and respect for education and culture. Denzel is a genuine leader and a positive influence on all who he associates with. He has the strength and determination to achieve success, he continually upholds the values of his family and he is a precious asset to our community.

Sarah McCarthy was recognised for outstanding contribution to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community by a Non-Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander person: Sarah's commitment to promoting Aboriginal Culture in the Education sector has been extraordinary. She has led the way to encourage projects to promote the Bunganditj language and culture in her school with co-naming of areas within the school and is a great role model for all students.



SACRED STONE PERFORMANCE

On Thursday the 4 July, Grant High School had the pleasure of hosting Sacred Stone who performed a number of songs to students in the Hub at lunch time. Sacred Stone is a band from Adelaide performing a variety of cover songs from bands such as Paramore, Gang of Youths and Sigrid. The students thoroughly enjoyed the performance and it was a fantastic way to finish off the term.



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UniSA Bottle Cap Challenge

Grant High School has been invited by UniSA Mount Gambier to take part in a recycling initiative in collaboration with Envision, who turn plastic bottle caps into 3D filament, prosthetic hands and other needed STEM items.

A **\$500 prize** will be awarded to the local school who collects the most bottle caps per capita during **weeks 1 to 5 of term 3.**

Please get involved and start collecting your bottle caps now!

We can help make these!

Collection points will be allocated around the school.



BOTTLE CAP ELIGIBILITY

- Only **No.2** and **No.4** bottle caps (check inside of cap). These are most commonly found on **milk, juice and drink containers.**
- Wash and dry bottle caps.
- Remove plastic seal (ring).



FLC COMMUNITY GARDEN OPENING

What a fabulous success the opening of the FLC Community Garden was in week 10. This was the result of hard work showcased with student art, computers with SACE presentations on display, sausages and homemade cakes!

Students proudly stood while a ribbon was cut in front of what had been barren patches of earth. Staff, family and other guests all agreed that these students deserved to be proud.

White Lion Youth Worker Jo Hudd, collaborated with FLC teacher, John Magarey, to support a group of students who took on a challenge to make a very uninspiring walkway into an area that all of the Nunkula Community can be proud of.

From the early planning stages, to sourcing materials, designing artwork and turning pallets into abstract furniture, the students were involved in all processes that resulted in a quite amazing transformation.

Not only has the school benefitted from the beautification of this area, the students involved can have this work recognised towards gaining their SACE. What more can be said other than it is a win-win situation, with many of the skills learnt transferrable to other aspects of life.

Kath Greene, Nunkula Community Coordinator



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FORENSIC SCIENCE WORKSHOP

On Tuesday 2 July, students from year 8 had the opportunity to participate in a forensic science workshop run by Education Interactive. Students engaged in the investigation titled 'A Case of Conspiracy.' The case focused on an 18-year-old boy who had been arrested for a murder which he claimed to know nothing about. However, drugs, a gun and a stash of money were found at the home of the accused which all pointed to his guilt.

After being briefed on the case, students began examining evidence using eight different techniques that included tyre tread impressions, blood detection, DNA profiling, autopsy reports, digital evidence, ballistics, arson investigation, digital microscopy, Micros-Petrophotometry (MSP) Data Comparison and fingerprint & handwriting analysis.

The students worked collaboratively when analysing the evidence to determine timelines and uncover the motives of the suspects. Whilst being an engaging science experience for students, the undertone to the storyline covered serious social and community issues, with the case highlighting drug awareness and the impacts of being involved with the wrong crowd. It was a fantastic event for our students to be involved in!

Sophie Monkley, Hub Trainee



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ADELAIDE GUITAR FESTIVAL TOUR

As part of a state wide country tour by the Adelaide Guitar Festival, on July 22nd a group of lucky students were treated to an amazing set of performances by artists Eric Santucci, Kelly Menhennett and local legend Louise Adams. All performers played original sets and shared some of their musical experiences and stories through a mind-blowing show. It was a fantastic way to start of the term!

Scott Maxwell, Music Teacher



Nature Glenelg Trust

Planting at Mount Burr Swamp

9th & 10th August 2019

Friday 9th | Fieldwork Friday: taking out plants & beginning planting

Saturday 10th | Revegetation planting & BBQ lunch

Everyone is welcome! No experience necessary and these events are family friendly.

Please RSVP by Wednesday 7th August

305 Kilsby Lane,
Mount McIntyre SA 5279

More info or RSVP:
volunteer@natureglenelg.org.au OR (08) 8797 8596

Nature Glenelg Trust

Planting & Camping at Eaglehawk Waterhole

1st, 2nd & 3rd August 2019

Join us for our biggest annual revegetation planting event! With over 7,000 seedlings to go in the ground, you can be a part of this ongoing revegetation project and contribute to restoring native habitat.

Everyone is welcome to come for a day or camp overnight. No experience necessary and this event is family friendly.

Eaglehawk Waterhole Reserve,
Frances Rd, Bangham SA 5268

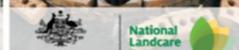
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STAGE 2 AD RIVERLAND CANOE CAMP



FLINDERS UNIVERSITY EXTENSION STUDY PROGRAM



We would like to extend our congratulations to Year 12 student, Jarrod McGregor, who recently achieved a High Distinction in Data Science while participating in the Flinders University Extension Studies Program. Jarrod completed his studies using an online platform provided by the University and with the support of his teachers and his family. The Extension Studies Program will again be on offer to our year 12 students in 2020.

For more information about the program please see the Flinders Uni website or see Mrs Wild - <https://www.flinders.edu.au/study/schools-teachers/extension-studies>

Donna Wild, Kabir Community Leader

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LEADERSHIP POSITIONS TERM 3 2019

Principal	Fleur Roachock
Community Leader—Kurang	Scott McCulloch
Community Leader—Marma	Caroline Davey
Community Leader—Kurra	Scott Cram
Community Leader—Kabir	Donna Wild
Coordinator Nunkula (Flexible Learning Community)	Kath Greene
Coordinator HPE/ Wellbeing Across the Curriculum	Craig Donaldson
Coordinator Wellbeing/ Student Voice	Jade Lock
Coordinator Special Education/Differentiated Learning	Laura Mancuso
Coordinator Design & Technology/ Digital Learning	Troy Esdale
Coordinator English/Effective Feedback	Jackie Poumako
Coordinator Vocational Learning/Career Education	Meg Beck
Coordinator Cross Disciplinary Subjects/Curriculum Pathways	Taiggan Height
Coordinator SOSE/Powerful Learning/Languages	Kirsty Gilham
Coordinator Wellbeing/Exchange Programs	Matthew Kurzman
Coordinator The Arts/Assessment & Reporting	Ruth Stephenson
Coordinator Science/ STEM Promotion	David Thompson
Coordinator Maths/Data-driven Improvement Strategies	Jason Yates
Kurang Community Manager	Maddie Whaites
Marma Community Manager	Bekkie Jackson
Kurra Community Manager	Abbey Marston-Kleemann
Kabir Community Manager	Cambell Baker
Triyn Community Manager	Danielle Roselt

Year 12 Homegroup Sessions

As part of our commitment to aid our students in becoming future-ready, we are offering our Year 12 students a range of sessions linked closely with life after school.

In Term 3 these sessions include: University Applications, Residential College Applications, How to Find Employment, Rental Properties, Public Transport, Independent Living, and Budgeting.

We are always looking for new and innovative ways to assist our young people with the transition to work or further education. If you have any ideas that you would like to share, please email: Taiggan.Height540@schools.sa.edu.au

**YEAR 10/11 IMMUNISATION
CATCH UP DAY
+
SECOND DOSE
IMMUNISATIONS**

7 AUGUST 2019

CLASS OF 2019

Save the date!

GRANT HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATION

22 NOVEMBER

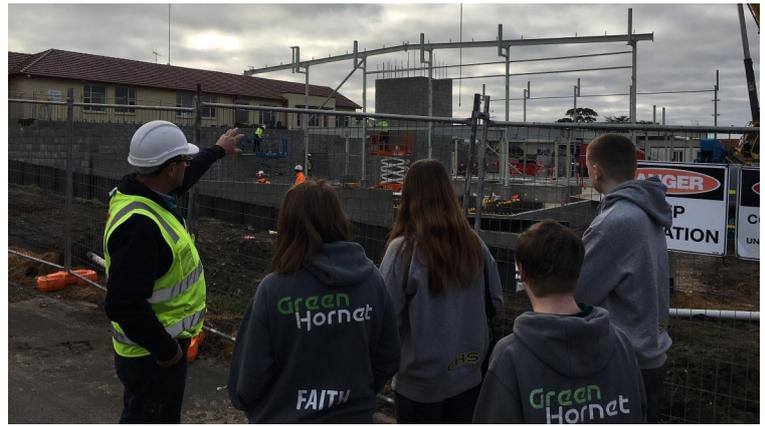
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STAGE 1 WORKPLACE PRACTISES

Last term the Stage 1 Workplace Practices class went out to the community to visit different industries. We would like to thank the following businesses for having us through their workplace: Wynns Coonawarra, OneFortyOne Plantations, Warrnambool Cheese and Butter and Mossop Constructions.



YONG ZHAO WORKSHOP

Grant High School was a successful applicant into the Yong Zhao Network for schools. It is an amazing opportunity to work with one of the worlds leading educational leaders.

The school sent 5 students and 5 teachers to work with him and other schools from across the state to identify issues within the school and to develop innovative ways to solve them. The students identified a number of issues and a central issue was that students felt there was only limited opportunities for them to be involved in the decision making processes of the school.

This has lead to the development of a group of students aimed at finding out how students feel about PIP and making recommendations to improve it. The students are Jack Stocker, Will Scanlon, Gemma Ralph, Chelsea Ray and Racheal Kelly and they are meeting weekly with students, teachers and leaders to find opinions of existing programs and to make recommendations for future improvement.

Scott McCulloch, Kurang Community Leader



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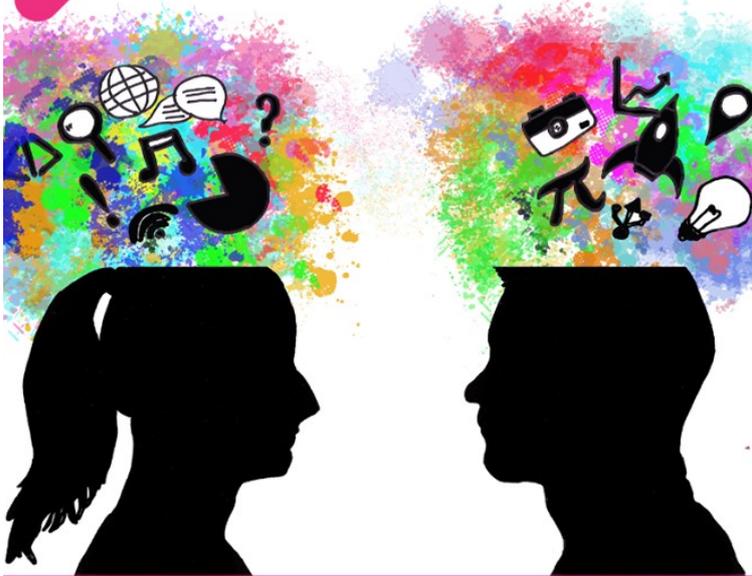
GOVHACK
Open Data Competition
INFORMATION NIGHT
Wednesday 14 August 2019
6:00pm

eNVision Limestone Coast @ CLC, Mount Gambier High School
Information session for competitors, teachers, businesses and parents to learn more and view past winning entries.



What is GovHack?

- Use data to create ideas and concepts
- Think apps / websites / games / art etc
- 1 weekend - 46 hours of competition time
- Open throughout Australia & New Zealand
- 6 - 8 September 2019
- Youth and adult competitions
- Local / State / National prizes
- Your idea is judged on a 3 minute promo video
- Fully catered



To register please contact the Mount Gambier Library
6 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier SA 5290
www.mountgambier.sa.gov.au/library
(08) 8721 2540



Ruby's Therapeutic Youth Service invites members of the Limestone Coast to come together, raise awareness and show support for those within the community experiencing homelessness, by participating in our second **PRIDE IN YOUR STRIDE** walk.

A person who is experiencing homelessness faces a daily dilemma, that being when they wake up, they must move from where they are and walk to find something to eat. In keeping with this, we invite you to walk with us to support those facing homelessness and show that no one should ever walk alone.

WHERE: Vansittart Park **WHEN:** Friday 9 August **TIME:** 10:45am for an 11am start



Together, we will walk to ac.care's Community Centre, where ac.care will be hosting a free community

BBQ lunch

cooked and supplied by Rapid Relief Team.



We ask participants to consider bringing along a

pair of shoes to donate

In keeping with the Pride in your Stride theme



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Sat. August 17, 2019 7.30pm

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Maryke Dance Academy
MG Blue Lake Rock 'n' Roll Club

TICKETS*

Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre box-office
Phone : 08 87 238741 www.countryarts.org.au>venues
Adults \$30, Concession \$20, Family (2+2) \$70, Students U17 \$10, \$15

Transaction fees apply : \$2.50 online, \$3.50 phone/counter.



*The Concert Band is a Not For Profit organisation. All proceeds are directed towards the development of local community music.



YouthHQ.com.au

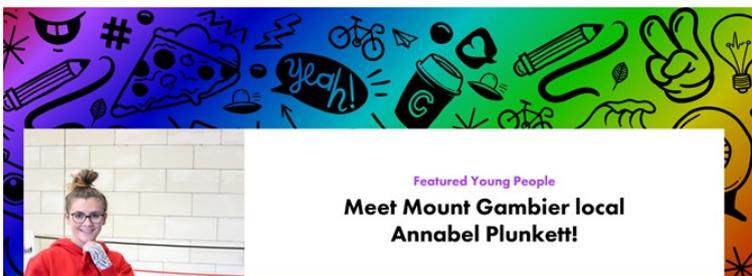
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