



Issue No. 1

Thursday 1 February 2018



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL Dear Families

The term has begun incredibly smoothly and we are thrilled to have seen a significant decrease in the number of students requiring subject changes this year – an excellent reflection on the hard work completed by Community Managers and the Daily Organisation team at the end of 2017.

We have welcomed several new staff, who appear to have already moved seamlessly into Grant High School life. Briana Lush (Chemistry) and Bekkie Jackson (Geography) have been permanently appointed to our staff, while Suzie Beckett (English/HPE) joins us from Canada, replacing Laura Mancuso through a teacher exchange program. New contract teachers include: Gemma Rout (English & Research Practices); Daniel Kane (Tech Studies/FLC); Meagan Jones (FLC); Georgia Wells (Maths/Science); Michelle Berlin (Music/Drama); Stephanie Bartlett (HPE/HASS); Michelle Schutz (Maths/IT) and Matthew Kurzman (Tech Studies) who has also taken on a Wellbeing Coordinator role.

We also welcome Paige Cawthorne (Front Office Reception); Renee Pluckhahn (Youth Worker) and Justin McDonald (Tech Studies Support) who are new to their respective SSO roles. Bella Leane and Lauren Newman have taken on the trainee roles in the Hub this year.

We are looking forward to an enormous 2018 – the STEM build will begin in the next couple

of weeks and we will be working hard on the transition to a six-line timetable over the course of this year. Assessment, reporting and moderation will also be strong foci in our teaching staff's development.

In the meantime, we are incredibly pleased for our Year 12s from 2017 who achieved fantastically well in the SACE. 12 students achieved ATAR scores higher than 90 and the number of A grades attained was a significant improvement on previous years. We congratulate all students and teachers on their hard work in ensuring these excellent results were achieved and thank families for their continued support of their young people and the school.

We invite all parents to be part of our Governing Council – please see information about our AGM elsewhere in this newsletter. Our Governing Council is a delightful group of parents/caregivers, staff and students who work extremely well together to ensure the best outcomes possible for our students and their families. I could not recommend your membership of this group more enthusiastically.

We are looking forward to an action-packed Term 1. I hope you find many opportunities to be connected to Grant High School life and enjoy a fabulous 2018.

**Fleur Roachock,**  
Principal

## COMING EVENTS

- 1 February**
  - Yr 8 Parent BBQ 6.00pm
- 5 February**
  - Photo Day
- 6 February**
  - KO Pool B Cricket
- 6-9 February**
  - 8GWKU Robe Camp
- 7 February**
  - Yr's 9-12 Parent Evening 7.00pm
- 13 February**
  - Inter-house Aquatics carnival
- 14 February**
  - Photo Catch up Day
- 16 February**
  - Interschool Swimming Carnival

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## 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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# SCHOOL CARD

School Card income limits have increased from previous years; therefore your family may now be eligible to apply for School Card. For more information on eligibility and to apply online please go to <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme> or speak to the Finance staff.

Income limits for applications lodged in 2018 – based on family's gross income in 2016/2017 You will need to provide proof of income – e.g. payslips or Centrelink information.		
Eligibility income limits for a student attending a government school.		
Num. dependent children	Gross annual School Card income limit	Gross weekly School Card income limit
1 child	\$57,870	\$1,113
2 children	\$58,903	\$1,133
3 children	\$59,936	\$1,153
4 children	\$60,969	\$1,173
5 children	\$62,002	\$1,193
More than five children	Add \$1,033 for every dependent child	Add \$20 for each dependent child

## GHS LEADERSHIP 2018

Principal	Fleur Roachock
Community Leader—Kurang	Josh Praolini
Community Leader—Marma	Caroline Davey
Community Leader—Kurra	Scott Cram
Community Leader—Kabir	TBA
Community Leader—Nunkula (FLC)	Kath Greene
Coordinator HPE/ Wellbeing Across the Curriculum	Craig Donaldson
Coordinator Wellbeing/ Flexible Learning Options	Jade Lock
Coordinator Special Education/Differentiated Learning	Fran Simpson
Coordinator Design & Technology/ Digital Learning	Scott McCulloch
Coordinator English/Languages	Term 1 Gary Young Kristina Palmer
Coordinator Vocational Learning/Career Education	Kelly Albanese
Coordinator Cross Disciplinary Subjects/ Curriculum Pathways	Taiggan Height
Coordinator SOSE/Powerful Learning	Kirsty Gilham
Coordinator Wellbeing/Exchange Programs	Matthew Kurzman
The Arts/Assessment & Reporting	Ruth Stephenson
Coordinator Science/ STEM	David Thompson
Coordinator Maths/Numeracy	Jason Yates
Kurang Community Manager	Amy Widdicombe
Marma Community Manager	Aimee Lepley
Kurra Community Manager	Jo Fisher
Kabir Community Manager	Cambell Baker

## PARENT EVENINGS 2018

### YEAR 8 Parent BBQ

Thursday 1 February

6.00pm—BBQ

6.45 pm—meet Home Group Teachers

### Year 9 & 10, 11 & 12 Parent Night

Wednesday 7 February

7.00pm

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken on

**MONDAY**

**5 FEBRUARY 2018**

**Catch up Day**

**WEDNESDAY**

**14 FEBRUARY 2018**

## TERM DATES 2018

**TERM 1:** 29 Jan—13 April

**TERM 2:** 30 April—6 July

**TERM 3:** 23 July—28 Sept

**TERM 4:** 15 Oct—14 Dec

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## YEAR 12 RESULTS 2017



Congratulations to the Year 12's of 2017 who achieved excellent academic results after a year of hard work. **Tayla Wilkinson** scored our highest ATAR of 97.6, followed closely by **Annie Rombouts, Jeremy Merrett, Erin Stevens and Lauren Pike**. A further 7 students scored over 90. Thank you to of the Year 12 teachers who worked with our students over the past year and I know our students also very much appreciated the great love and support from family and friends.



## WELCOME TRAINEES

Please welcome our 2018 Teaching and Learning Trainees, **Bella Leane** and **Lauren Newman**.

Bella and Lauren will be based in the Hub and will be assisting in supervising and mentoring students, tutoring, assisting with Homework Club and administration tasks.

Please be aware the Hub opening hours are from 8.00am until 5.00pm

**Paula Foote**  
Hub Manager



## CITY SCHOOL BUS SERVICE



Dear Parent / Care Provider,

Please note that the School City Bus Service has a code of conduct for behaviour on our buses and would like to see all students abide by the rules for the safety of all concerned. We are not a free service so would appreciate students having the correct money when travelling to and from school.

Fare prices are **\$1.10 per trip**, or our student **multi trip ticket provides 10 trips for \$8.60 per ticket**. We also provide a **student concession pass, which offers 4 weeks of travel, for \$24.80**.

We hope you all have a happy 2017. Any queries please call Michael Suto or Jo Sykes on **87249978** during business hours.

## HOUSE LEADERS 2018

HOUSE	MALE	FEMALE
BONNEY	Thomas Redding	Abbey Patzel
	Adam Richards (VC)	Claudia Edmonds (VC)
HENTY	Brady Cooper	Lucy Clarke
	Joel Williamson (VC)	Abby Heemskerk (VC)
GAMBIER	Kye Heemskerk	Sophie Monkley
	Braiden Hillyer (VC)	Zoe Brooksby (VC)
GORDON	Wade Blatchford	Kirby Hunter
	William McKinnon (VC)	Bree Stevens (VC)



HERE TO HELP YOU WITH ANY  
OF YOUR EDUCATION NEEDS

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# Homework Club

8:00 am to 8:45 am (Monday to Friday)  
3:40 pm to 5:00 pm (Monday to Thursday)

RESPECT

TRUST

COMMITMENT

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Parents and caregivers are cordially invited to the Grant High School Annual General Meeting. The meeting will be held in the staff room, commencing **7:30 pm** on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

We hope all parents and caregivers take the opportunity to show their support by attending this important meeting. Please don't think that you have to take on a role on Governing Council just because you attend the meeting. We understand many parents would prefer to support the school in other ways.

The AGM provides a chance for parents to understand more about how Grant High School operates, and how parents play an important part in the overall effectiveness of Grant High School. At the AGM, you will have the chance to hear the following reports:

- ◇ Annual Report for Grant High School
- ◇ Governing Council
- ◇ Canteen
- ◇ Finance

This will not be a long meeting; the formal part of the night should not take more than about 45 minutes.

Governing Council provides a means of: involving parents in the school; determining the educational needs of the local community; and overseeing aspects of managing the school. This means Governing Council: set policy and the directions for the school; determine how to use financial resources; and undertake planning to develop the best opportunities for our students.

Whether you have previously been involved in school committees or not, please come along to support the school.

Nominations for Governing Council can be made on the tear off reply below.



Fleur Roachock  
PRINCIPAL

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**Please complete this nomination form and return Paula Foote, Principal's Secretary before Monday 19th February.**

I have spoken to ..... and wish to nominate them for Grant High School Governing Council.

I wish to nominate myself: .....

Telephone: .....

Date: .....

# TERM 1 CALENDAR 2018

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1  Jan/Feb	29	30	31	1  Year 8 Parent Night BBQ	2
WEEK 2  February  - -	5  School Photos	6  KO Open cricket Pool B  Immunisation Information Session	7  Year 9-12 Parent Night & BBQ	8	9
	Stage 2 Surf Camp				
	Year 8GWKU Robe Camp				
WEEK 3 February	12	13  Inter-house  Aquatics Carnival	14  Catch Up Photo Day	15  KO 8/9 Cricket Pool B	16  Interschool  Swimming Carnival
WEEK 4 February  -	19  Annual General Meeting 7.30pm	20	21  KO Open Boys & Girls Tennis	22	23
	Year 8RJMA Robe Camp				
WEEK 5 Feb/March  -	26	27	28  SRC Induction Assembly L3	1	2
	Year 8LGKA Robe Camp				
WEEK 6 March  -	5	6  Immunisations	7	8	9  Inter-house  Athletics Carnival
	Year 8LZMA Camp				
WEEK 7 March	12  ADELAIDE CUP HOLIDAY	13	14  Girls KO 8/9 Super Series Cricket	15	16  KO Stableford Golf  Tasty Tunes Event— Railway Lands
			Stage 2 Bushwalking Camp		
	Year 8PPKG Robe Camp				
WEEK 8 March  -	19  Governing Council 7.30pm	20  Monash Uni L3,R&4 (TBC)	21  Inter-school Athletics Carnival	22  Year 10 Uni SA career presentation L4/5	23  Student Free Day  Clay Target Shooting
	Year 8BEKU Camp				
WEEK 9 March	26	27  KO Open Girls Softball	28  KO Open Boys Baseball	29  KO Open Boys & Girls Tennis	30  GOOD FRIDAY
WEEK 10 April	2  EASTER MONDAY	3  KO Team Stableford Golf  KO Open Boys/Year 8/9 Pool A Cricket	4	5	6
WEEK 11 April	9	10  Men B and swab  Adelaide Athletics	11	12	13  2.20pm Dismissal

# SWIMMING CARNIVAL PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Event No.	Time	Event
1	9.10	U/14 Girls Freestyle 50 m
2	9.15	U/14 Boys Freestyle 50 m
3	9.20	U/15 Girls Freestyle 50 m
4	9.25	U/15 Boys Freestyle 50 m
5	9.30	U/16 Girls Freestyle 50 m
6	9.35	U/16 Boys Freestyle 50 m
7	9.40	Open Girls Freestyle 50 m
8	9.45	Open Boys Freestyle 50 m
9	9.50	U/14 Girls Breaststroke 50 m
10	9.55	U/14 Boys Breaststroke 50 m
11	10:00	U/15 Girls Breaststroke 50 m
12	10:05	U/15 Boys Breaststroke 50 m
13	10:10	U/16 Girls Breaststroke 50 m
14	10.15	U/16 Boys Breaststroke 50 m
15	10.20	Open Girls Breaststroke 50 m
16	10.25	Open Boys Breaststroke 50 m
17	10.35	Boys Year 8 & 9 Obstacle Course
18	10.35	Girls Year 8 Tug of War Boys Year 8 Tug of War
19	10.41	Girls Year 9 Tug of War Boys Year 9 Tug of War
20	10.47	Girls Year 10 Tug of War Boys Year 10 Tug of War
21	10:53	Girls Year 11/12 Tug of War Boys Year 11/12 Tug of War
22	10:59	Girls Year 8 and 9 Obstacle Course
23	11:05	Year 8 boys and girls Cork Scramble
24	11:11	Year 9 boys and girls Cork Scramble
25	11:17	Year 10 boys and girls Cork Scramble
26	11:23	Year 11/12 boys and girls Cork Scramble
27	11.29	Boys Year 10 and 11/12 Obstacle Course
28	11.35	Girls year 8 Boogie board relay Boys year 8 Boogie board relay
29	11.41	Girls year 9 Boogie board relay Boys year 9 Boogie board relay
30	11.49	Girls year 10 Boogie board relay Boys year 10 Boogie board relay
31	11.55	Girls year 11/12 Boogie board relay Boys year 11/12 Boogie board relay
32	12:01	Girls Year 10 and 11/12 Obstacle Course
33	12:07	Girls Year 8 Inner Tube Relay Boys Year 8 Inner Tube Relay
34	12:13	Girls Year 9 Inner Tube Relay Boys Year 9 Inner Tube Relay
35	12:19	Girls Year 10 Inner Tube Relay Boys Year 10 Inner Tube Relay

Event No.	Time	Event
35	12:19	Girls Year 10 Inner Tube Relay Boys Year 10 Inner Tube Relay
36	12:25	Boys and Girls Year 11/12 Inner Tube Relay
37	12:31	Girls year 8 running relay Boys year 8 running relay
38	12:37	Girls year 9 running relay Boys year 9 running relay
39	12:43	Girls year 10 running relay Boys year 10 running relay
40	12:49	Girls year 11/12 running relay Boys year 11/12 running relay
41	12:54	U/14 Girls Backstroke 50 m
42	12:59	U/14 Boys Backstroke 50 m
43	1:04	U/15 Girls Backstroke 50 m
44	1:09	U/15 Boys Backstroke 50 m
45	1:14	U/16 Girls Backstroke 50 m
46	1:19	U/16 Boys Backstroke 50 m
47	1:24	Open Girls Backstroke 50 m
48	1:29	Open Boys Backstroke 50m
49	1:34	Girls Butterfly 50 m
50	1:39	Boys Butterfly 50 m
51	1:44	Under 14 girls 4 x 50m relay
52	1:44	Under 14 boys 4 x 50m relay
53	1:49	Under 15 girls 4 x 50 m relay
54	1:49	Under 15 boys 4 x 50m relay
55	1:54	Under 16 girls 4 x 50m relay
56	1:54	Under 16 boys 4 x 50 m relay
57	1:59	Open girls 4 x 50 m relay
58	1:59	Open boys 4 x 50 m relay
59	2:25	Girls Year 8 and 9 Iron Person
60	2:30	Boys Year 8 and 9 Iron Person
61	2:35	Girls Year 10 - 12 Iron Person
62	2:40	Boys Year 10 - 12 Iron Person
63	9.30 - 10.30	<b>Year 8 Volleyball</b>
64	10.30 - 11.30	<b>Year 9 Volleyball</b>
65	11.30 - 12.30	<b>Year 10 Volleyball</b>
66	12.30 - 1.30	<b>Year 11/12 Volleyball</b>