



Grant High School

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Dear Families

It has been an exciting start to Term 3 as we have been able to move in to the first stage of our STEM build, with the Hub having been completed exactly on schedule! Students once again have plenty of room at recess and lunch times to come in out of the weather, socialize, play games and heat up their food and we are easily able to accommodate Supervised Study and senior relief lessons in comfort, with all staff now having a desk each. The sacrifices staff and students made in the first half of the year have definitely been worth it and we thank Dycer Constructions very much for their professional approach to their work. We look forward to the Junior Floor being completed towards the end of this term, meaning that all students should be back in appropriate learning spaces for their subjects by the start of Term 4.

Not surprisingly, Greg Robb, our very handy handyperson, had an incredibly busy holiday period. Not only has he been integral in ensuring we could work from the Hub from Day 1 this term, he has also been occupied painting the new wall in SA1 and laying (repurposed) carpet in TS4 with the help of Tech Studies SSO, Justin McDonald. This signals the near completion of two new learning spaces in the school, which are vital at this stage, as it appears that we will be very close to capacity by the start of 2019.

Late last term, Paula Foote, Hub Manager and Principal's Secretary, and I completed some training that has revolutionized the way my work is completed. As a result of these changes, I am now able to spend two full days a week observing students and teachers in classrooms. This practice will continue indefinitely; however, I have observed nearly all of our teachers over the past few weeks. It has been my pleasure to watch some outstanding learning occurring, and the most pleasing aspect of my observations has been the excellent attitudes of students, who are polite, respectful and focused. They are developing fantastic lifelong skills. I look forward to continuing this work and ensuring that my understanding of how our school is functioning is much more accurate and wide-ranging as a result.

Next week, we have another meeting about our Building Better Schools funding, so I will be able to report more fully on timelines and the form that build will take shortly. In the meantime, our External Review report is now available on the school website, if you are interested in that panel's recommendations for our future development.

Fleur Roachock



Kind regards,

Fleur Roachock, Principal

Save The Date
2019 Course
Counselling Meetings
Tuesday 28 August
Week 6

COMING EVENTS

3 AUGUST

- Open Hockey v MGHS

6 AUGUST

- Student Free day

7 AUGUST

- SAPOL, CSI Parent Info Evening

9 AUGUST

- Australian Maths Comp
- SACE Parent information Evening

14 AUGUST

- ICAS Maths Comp
- Tr 12 Dinner Main Corner

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STUDENT FREE DAY

Monday 6th August
(Week 3)
is a
Student Free Day.

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STAGE 1 STEM UPGRADE



FLC BOXING/FITNESS

Last term the FLC Outdoor Activities class engaged in boxing lessons with Iron Will HQ Mount Gambier. Before attending, I worried when I heard we would be doing weights as I have pretty much non-existent arm strength so I didn't hold a lot of hope in being able to lift weights. During the boxing I felt great and it was really fun which is new for me as I am usually quite worried in social situations. I found the pad work difficult to time, tap back hard enough and keep my arms stable whilst also remembering which side was next to be punched. The weight bar was difficult to lift which was expected and the assault bike really wasn't too bad, just hard to keep a solid footing on the pedals. The instructor Zach was amazing, super friendly and really did seem to want to help people. He gave clear instructions and demonstrations, was very encouraging and didn't mind taking care of me either - which he obviously did well as I survived after becoming quite unwell. After I got home and stopped being half dead I felt incredible and was really happy that I attended the session. I'd love to do this every week if it was possible. It has changed my perception of exercise and helped improve confidence levels around my peers.

Iron Will HQ have generously offered to support the FLC Outdoor Activities class and donate further sessions with the group once a month for the remainder of the year. This is going to be a huge benefit to the physical and mental health of the student cohort. A big thank you to Zach Doige and Victoria Macera, owners of Iron Will HQ.

Arlo Jenz, FLC student.

Meagan Jones, FLC Teacher



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TERTIARY TRIP

At the end of last term, 21 students from Grant High School, accompanied by 10 students from Penola High School and staff travelled to Adelaide to visit several university campuses. The students gained an insight into university life and the variety of courses offered.

Gary Young, Supervising Teacher



KNOCKOUT SOCCER



Tuesday of Week 9 saw both our 8/9 and Open Female soccer teams take on the local competition.

The 8/9 side was led by some strong players to take on Tenison Woods College. Ellie Seaton and Mia Crewe led a tight defense to support Catherine Pickin, first time goalkeeper, while Ella Doody and Alex Jolley caused difficulties for Tenison's defence. Grant were able to walk away with a 2-0 win, thanks to some excellent teamwork and strong finishing. A. Jolley (2)

The Open Female side, aided by some juniors, played Mount High in an intense match, though neither team could capitalize on opportunities by full time. Angela McDonough demonstrated confidence in goals during the penalty shootout, but unfortunately, the final score was 4-3 to Mount High. Battling fatigue, the Open team played Tenison for the last match of the day. The first half went mostly without incident, despite efforts to push forward. However, the second half of play saw several players realizing opportunities in the back of the net, resulting in a 6-1 win for Grant. A. Jolley (2), E. Firth (3), S. Morony (1).

Justina Andrews, Teacher

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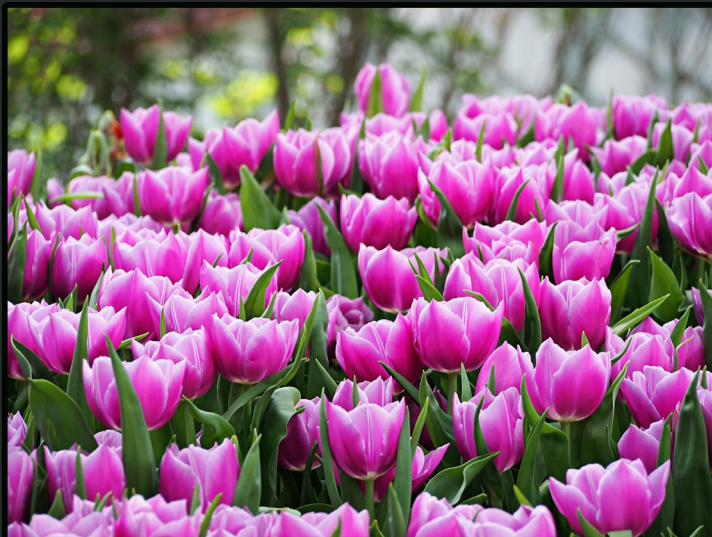
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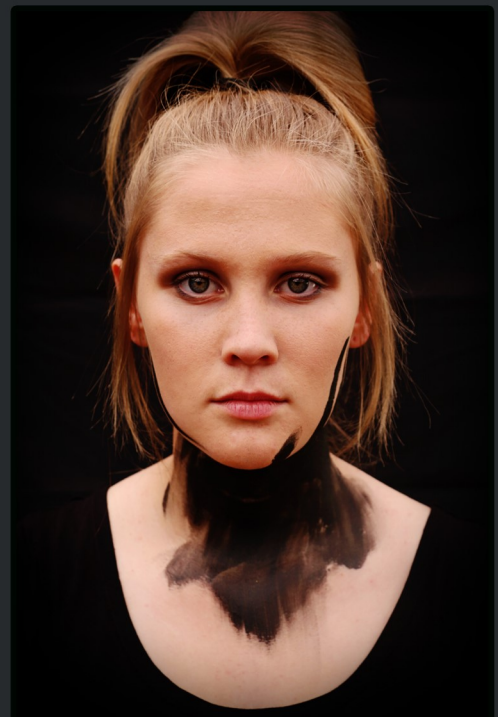
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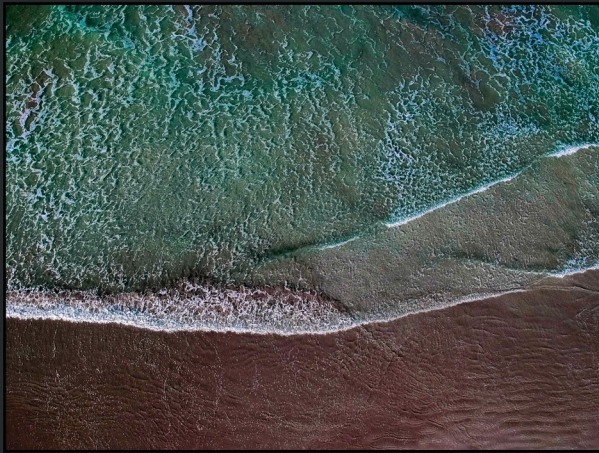


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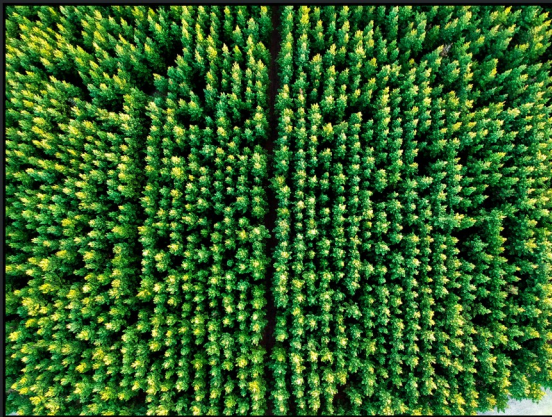
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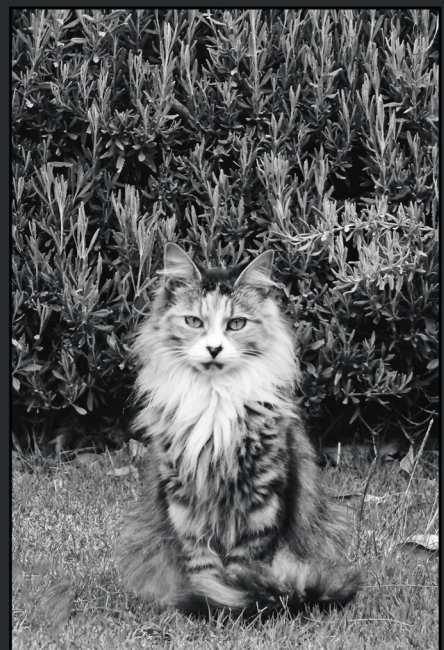
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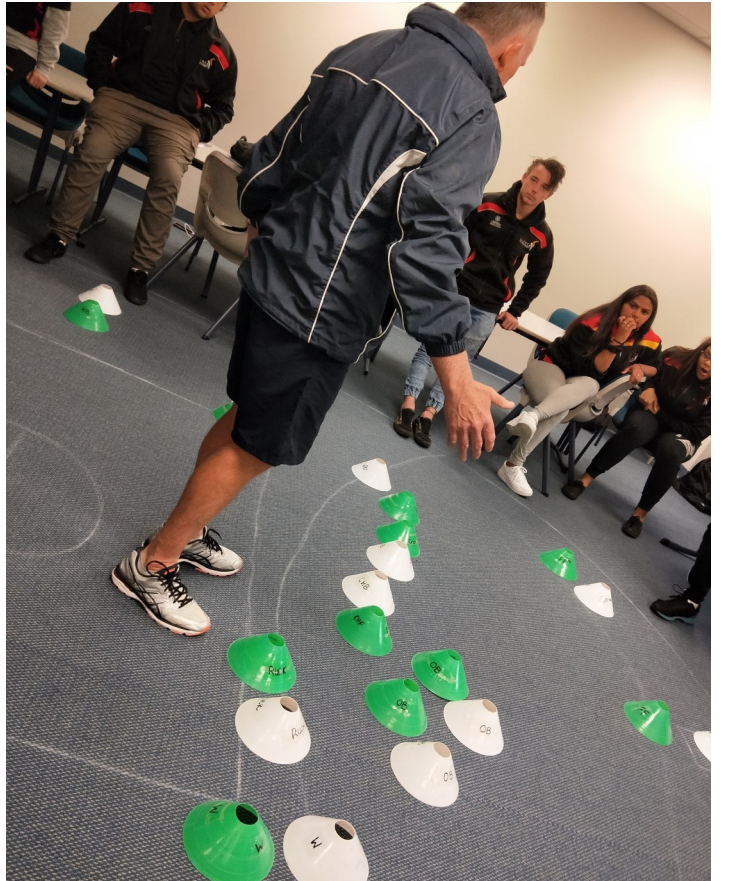
SAASTA UPDATE

In Week 10 the Year 11 SAASTA students travelled up to Regency TAFESA and spent the week completing practical block 2 of the Certificate III Sport and Recreation.

The students worked with Academy students from all over South Australia to complete a range of modules including Critical and Creative Thinking, where we went to St Kilda Adventure Playground, as well as completing the Provide First Aid certificate, which is a great qualification to have on our resumes.

We also had hugely positive feedback from our lecturers of the Plan and Conduct Sport module, where we created hybrid games and conducted them in our groups. This relates to the curriculum focus of Stage 1 Cross Disciplinary Studies this semester, where students explore traditional games and modify them, while also tracking personal health data using Polar heart rate monitors.

We will also be working with the Adelaide Lightning in the lead up to the SAASTA Shield carnival in Term 4, where we will play basketball in a 3 on 3 round robin tournament, cricket and AFLX with the support of the Adelaide Crows. It is set to be an exciting semester so stay tuned and if you are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander student in Year 9 please contact Sarah McCarthy or Tara Bonney to discuss recruitment for 2019.



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SAPOL ROAD SAFETY PARENT INFO. NIGHT



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SAPOL Road Safety Information Night for parents of young drivers

**Over 600 teenagers are injured on our roads each year.
You can do something about it!**

As you are the person most likely to provide much of the initial driver education for your child;

- Do you know how to strengthen their driving experiences?
- Do you know how to reduce the incidence of crashing or change the severity of the outcome?
- Are you really prepared for the task of supervising a novice driver?
- Have you kept up-to-date with Road Rule changes?
- Do you know what to look for in a driving instructor?

Many South Australians believe that road fatalities and serious injuries are the result of risk taking or extreme behaviour. However, research shows that more than half of fatal crashes and 90% of injury crashes are due to mistakes, inattention or common lapses in judgement.

Young drivers continue to be over-represented in road crashes. The risk of crash involvement includes factors such as:

- The effect of peers
- Complex driving situations
- Technology distraction
- Vehicle selection

Simply increasing awareness of the dangers of high risk driving does not necessarily lead to less risky behaviour. South Australia Police have developed a longer-term approach which will be delivered as part of the Year 10 Science Curriculum.

We won't show you graphic images or tell you horror stories. Instead, in 45 minutes, you will receive some serious common-sense advice that you won't find in the Learner Driver Hand Book. Let's work together to increase the safety of your child as they prepare to enter the road network.

Date: Tuesday 7th August 2018

Time: 6.20pm for a 6.30pm start

Location: Grant High School Drama Room

Please RSVP to dl.0928.info@schools.sa.edu.au or contact the School Front Office on 87263100 if you are interested in attending.



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TERM 3 CALENDAR

GRANT HIGH SCHOOL TERM 3 2018 CALENDAR

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1 July	23	24	25	26	27
WEEK 2 July/August	30 Math	31 KO Open Boys & Girls Basketball ICAS English Comp Year 12 Information Night	1 KO Open Boys & Girls Soccer	2 Assembly	3 Open Hockey v MGHS
Stage 2 Riverland Canoe Camp					
WEEK 3 August	6 KO Yr 8/9 & 10 Soccer STUDENT FREE DAY	7 CSI Parent Info Session 6.30pm	8 L 3&4 Year 10 CSI Science Presentation L	9 Australian Maths Comp Debating Eisteddfod Junior Secondary Open/ Yr 10/ 8 & 9 Netball. SACE Parent Information Night 6pm	10 Debating Eisteddfod Senior Secondary
Wellbeing and Engagement Collection Survey					
WEEK 4 August	13	14 ICAS Maths Comp Year 12 Hosp Dinner Main Corner 6pm	15 Rotary Careers Conference & Exhibition (Yr 10-12) Rotary Tertiary Info Sessions 6-8.00pm	16	17 Rotary Careers Try a Trade Day
SSO Week					
WEEK 5 August	20 KO Open Hockey Governing Council 7.30pm	21 KO 8/9 Hockey	22	23	24 Year 8/9 Boys Soccer
WEEK 6 August	27	28 Course Counselling Day	29	30 Science & Engineering Challenge State Final	31
Course Counselling					
WEEK 7 September	3	4	5 Division B Netball	6	7
Stage 1 Rock Climbing Camp (AL)					
Stage 1 Rock-climbing Camp (JB)					
Royal Adelaide Show Led Steer Competition					
WEEK 8 September	10	11	12	13	14
Stage 1 Rock-climbing Camp (WH)					
WEEK 9 September	17 KO Open Girls Soccer final	18	19 KO Year 8/9 Girls Soccer final	20	21 Art & Music Appreciation Night
Stage 2 Self Reliant Bushwalking Camp					
WEEK 10 September	24 Governing Council 7.30pm	25 Immunisations	26 Year 8/9 Basketball	27	28 2.20pm Dismissal