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#### **Dear Families**

I am sitting in my brand new office (part of Stage 1 of the STEM build) and I can see almost the whole of Stage 2 at very close to completion stage. It looks fantastic and we will be able to move furniture in before the end of term. Thank you to Dycer Constructions for completing our build on time ...and under budget. We have enough money left to refurbish our old, uncomfortable and underutilised Lecture Theatre into a Multi-media Production and Presentation Laboratory. Work on this will commence in the next few weeks with some inconvenience to Mathematics classes that will need to move upstairs into the new classrooms temporarily. By the end of the year, all will be completely ready for a lovely fresh start in 2019.

The Grant High School Capital Works program will need to be managed fairly quickly, however, in order that well have the capacity to enrol Year 7s by 2022. At this stage, we are still very much focused on a new gym and canteen, performing Arts spaces and an increase in specialist teaching spaces such as Visual Arts and Science to ensure a new level of students can be properly integrated. Work has already begun on how our Communities structure will cater for a significant influx of students.

We anticipate being at capacity at the beginning of 2019, according to Department for Education figures, so if you are aware of a potential Year 8 enrolment for 2019, whose paperwork is not yet with the school, please encourage the lodgment of those forms as

soon as possible.

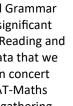
The term is nearly over – reports will be written next week for distribution in Week 10 as usual – please ensure you have access to the Parent Portal to read these. In the meantime, our NAPLaN summary has arrived. Overall, we have maintained a similar level to last year in terms of Writing, Spelling and Grammar and Punctuation, but shown significant improvement in the areas of Reading and Numeracy. We will use the data that we can access from these tests, in concert with the PAT- Reading and PAT-Maths information we are currently gathering, to inform our next steps in further improving literacy and numeracy skills in all our students.

I hope everyone is enjoying the patches of nicer weather we currently having, and good luck to everyone still involved in finals for Winter sports.

Kind regards,



Fleur Roachock, Principal



### **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

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## **COMING EVENTS**

#### 12 to 14 September

- Stage 1 Rock Climbing Camp 19-21 September
- Stage 2 Self Reliant Bushwalking Camp

#### 21 September

Art & Music Appreciation Night

### 24 September

Governing Council 7:30pm

#### 25 September

**Immunisations** 



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## **FLINDERS RURAL CLINIC**

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, a group of Year 10, 11, and 12 students attended an allied health careers expo at the Flinders Rural Health School. Students were able to explore various careers within the health industry, such as nursing, medicine, physiotherapy, paramedics, and speech pathology. They were also able to test their skills in their desired professions and gain knowledge of both university life and allied health careers from current university students studying in South Australia.

#### **Emily Brown, School Captain**



## **SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

Students from Grant High school recently participated in the state finals for the Science and Engineering challenge. A team of 27 travelled to Adelaide and undertook various problem solving challenges. Despite some high scores from the team we were pipped at the post all day. We learnt a lot and had a good time. Well done to the team.







## **DIV B NETBALL**

On Wednesday the 5th of September, three teams competed in the Division B Netball Carnival at the Association Netball Courts. The girls participated in a round robin event where they played against teams from Tenison, Mount High, St Martin's and Millicent High.

All teams experienced wins and conducted themselves well on the day. Thank you to the coaches and umpires also for their efforts.

### Ms Roselt and Ms Whaites







## MEN B CATCH UP AND YEAR 8 IMMUNISATIONS

Men B Catch Up Session for Year 11's & 12's is happening on Wednesday the 19th of September in the Drama Room. Year 11's need to arrive at 11:00am and Year 12's need to arrive at 11:30am.

If students are unsure if they are on the list or not they can see Paige in the Front Office or call Community Health on 8721 1478 for any other questions.

Year 8 Immunsations are happening on Wednesday the 25th of September in the SRC Deli from 9am.

## **AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS—SAVE A MATE**

Australian statistics show that many emergencies involving alcohol and other drugs are witnessed by somebody else. Early intervention in these situations can have a significant impact on the outcome for the person/people involved.

Recently, students from the Flexible Learning Community participated in the Australian Red Cross save-a-mate programme. Students learnt about substances and their classifications, the effects of drugs on the body, risk factors and signs and symptoms of an overdose/emergency, harm reduction strategies, and first aid responses.

The day was very informative and interactive, and all students actively participated. Feedback from students on the significance of the programme has been very positive:

"Informative - I would feel more confident in helping when someone is in trouble at a party or mate's house."

"The presenters were very energetic and engaging! All of the activities made the information stick."

"We should do more stuff like that in the FLC - I think it's really important to know this kind of stuff!"

"I definitely learnt things about substances that I didn't know before, like what they do to your body."

"I know I can call an ambulance if someone needs help and no one will get in trouble for using drugs or being drunk - which is probably helpful information."









## **DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY**

# YR 11 & 12 PHOTOGRAPHY



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GEORGIA MONKLEY



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**AMELIA HARRIS** 

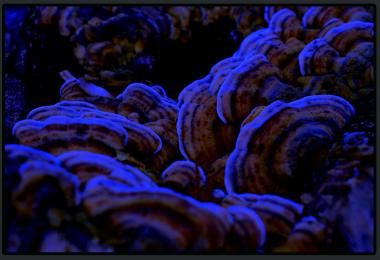


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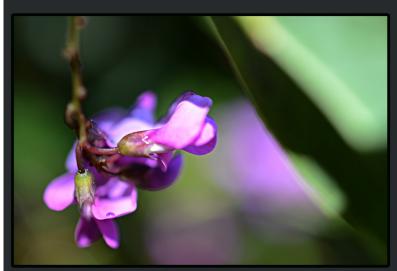
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ALICIA TRAHAR



**BILLY PRETTY** 



MADDIE SAGE



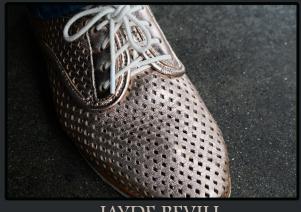
MANON FINCH



LAURA COSCARELLI



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## TRY—A—TRADE

Twenty Grant High School Year 10 students attended TAFE SA on Friday the 17th of August to try their hand at a variety of trades. Over 160 students from across the Limestone Coast practised basic skills from a selection of 10 trades, learning entry requirements and study expectations to be successful in their chosen field. The trades included hair and beauty, cookery, construction, electrotechnology, plumbing, painting, automotive servicing, bricklaying, engineering, carpentry and cabinet making. All of the students in attendance found the day really useful in exploring potential future careers. We look forward to being part of this program again next year.

Students are reminded to complete an expression of interest form by the end of Week 8, if they are interested in applying for a vocational program in 2019. Forms are available at the VET office, and should be returned to this office when completed.













## **ROYAL ADELAIDE SHOW LED STEER COMPETITION**

Eleven GHS students recently showed 3 steers in this year's Royal Adelaide Show led steer competitions.

Accompanied by myself, Aeron Turner and Vicki Muller (Volunteer) we travelled to Adelaide last Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September for the competition.

Steers were weighed and scanned on Wednesday morning before being led in the Grand Parade along with approximately 180 steers from other schools. The judging for the Thomas Foods International (TFI) Trophy for the best 3 steers in each breed was conducted directly after the Parade whereby our Murray Grey Steer donated by Craig and Jacinta Grant for Casterton was selected in the top 3 Murray Grey Steers out of approximately 40 Murray Grey Steers to represent the breed. Our Angus Steer donated by the Gletz Family "Black Angus" Stud at Avenue Range got down to the final 10 out of approximately 60 Angus Steers, but did not make the top 3 for the TFI representation team.

On the Wednesday night Keyarnah Smith and Lorraine Verwey represented the school in the Handle Competition with Lorraine being successful in winning Reserve Champion Experience Handler Section out of approximately 40 students from other South Australian schools.

On the Thursday the steers competed in their weight classes with Lindsey Nactural our Murray Grey steer winning first place for his class.

Now we just need to wait for the carcase results.

Special thanks to Aeron Turner and Vicki Muller with their support supervising and feeding the students; Nenad and Donna Podobnik for their support transporting the students and supervision; She's Apples, Baker's Delight and Swallow Drive Meat for the donations of the

food for the students.













# ITALIAN SISTER SCHOOL EXCHANGE 2019

## **ATTENTION STUDENTS!!**

CALL INTO OUR WELLBEING CENTRE AND REGISTER YOUR INTEREST FOR OUR ITALIAN EXCHANGE FOR 2019!

INFORMATION SHEETS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO COLLECT





## ATTENTION SENIOR SCHOOL PARENTS/CAREGIVERS

Stage 1 & Stage 2
Progress Checks are
now available via the
Parent Portal.



## **SCHOOL PAINTING PROGRESS**











## **HOLIDAY REVISION SESSIONS**

#### Mr Goodfellow/ Miss Jackson

Research Project Tuesday 2nd October

9am-2pm HUB

#### Miss Jackson

Tourism

Tuesday 2nd October

9am-2pm

HUB

Research Project

Drop in session

Thursday 11th October

9am - 2pm

HUB

#### Mrs Gilham

Stage 2 English

Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd and Thursday the 4th

October

10:30am - 2:30pm SA1

Stage 2 Business and Enterprise Wed 3rd/Thurs 4th October Wed 10th/ Thurs 11th October 10am - 12pm

SA2

#### Mr Hall

Stage 2 Chemistry Tuesday 2nd October 9:30am-12:30pm

Visual Arts/ Design Tuesday 2nd to Friday 12th October (Excludes weekends)

10am - 3pm

Art Studio 2

#### Mr Kurzman

**Furniture Construction** Friday 12th October 8am-4pm

TS2

#### Mrs Fisher

Stage 2 Physics Monday 8th October

9am - noon

SA7

TS4

#### Mrs Fox

Stage 2 Photography Students can email or contact Mrs Fox regarding drafts/ questions throughout the entire holidays

### Mrs Widdicombe

Stage 2 Materials Products: Textiles Tuesday 9th October 12-3pm



## SO YOU THINK YOU WANT TO STUDY MEDICINE?

ARE YOU IN YEARS 10, 11 OR 12 AND INTERESTED IN A **CAREER IN MEDICINE?** 



An annual information evening is held each November at the Flinders Rural Health building right here in **Mount Gambier** 

(Information is non-university specific and will assist you regardless of which university you wish to attend)

You can speak with local medical students, support staff and clinical educators about:

- · ALL pathways into a medical career
- · How to apply and what options available
- Questions you can expect in a medical interview
- · Personal student experiences on relocating to study
- What full year placements are available in Mount Gambier

nd receive a notification of the event details please contact Megan Waters:



## **Growing up Online:**

- What are kids doing online The popular social networking sites and apps such as KiK, Musically, Instagram & Yubo as well as live streaming sites.
- Online Grooming What is it and when/how does it occur? What are the warning signs & what to do if you suspect this is happening to your child.
- Cyberbullying What it is, where it happens, what it looks e, how to prevent and what to do if it occurs. Also the legal consequences and the possible criminal charges.
- Sharing Nudes the taking and sending of explicit images. The social and emotional consequences as well as the Law.
- Potential dangers and safety tips how to assist the children in your care to stay safe online via parental controls and restriction passcodes.
- Problematic Internet use and gaming issues
- The session will conclude with time for Questions.

What Susan doesn't know about Cybersafety is not worth knowing! She is absolutely brilliant and her presentations are dynamic and entertaining. She has the unique ability to connect with each audience from young people to adults. (Dr Michael Carr-Gregg Adolescent Psychologist)

> Susan is a certified by the Office of the eSafety Commissioner as a provider of high qualifty cybersafety education to schools throughout Austriaia. Each year she speaks to over 70,000 young people and 1000's of teachers and parents



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eSafety Commissioner

Monday 24 September 2018 at Sir Robert Helpmann Commencing at 7.00pm session will run for approx. 90 min

Please register via Eventbrite

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/cyber-safety-parent-session-with-susan-mclean-tickets-49317880107

For Parents & Guardians



Susan Melean is Australia's foremost ex in the area of Cybersafety and young people. She was the first Victorian Police Officer appointed to a position involving Cybersafety nd young people. She took her first report of cyberbullying in 1994 and since then she has nducted extensive research and has completed advanced training in this area in both the USA and UK and is a sought after pres and advisar to Schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL, GP's, and both State and Federal Governments. She has authored resources for the Victorian DET, writes and reviews school Policy, provides crisis agement/advice to schools and late firms and is afforded 'expert' status on the Safer Internet Programme Data Base. She is the most highly qualified of all Federal Government «Safety Presenters. Susan is a ember of the National Centre Against Bullying (NCAB) and is also a member of the Australian Government's Cybersafety working roup and a published author. Her book 'Sext's Texts & Selfies', is the definitive guide for

parents, teachers and carers to help children stay safe online.