Goulburn High School’s Year 11 annual pilgrimage to the Great Barrier Reef was again the highlight for many senior students late last year. This excursion, celebrating five years of study, education and fun together as a year group before the gruelling HSC year begins in earnest, has been ‘the best so far’, according to the organiser, Mr White. A collective ‘THANK YOU’ to Mr White for spending many hours organising this fantastic excursion, and to Ms Smith, Ms Kara, Mrs Eagles and Mr Chamberlain for keeping the students safe and sound while on this wonderful trip.

On a more ‘scientific’ note: Year 12 students, Ashley Hind, Emmot Falconer, Will Hargan, Mitchell Webster and Joseph Muscarella, their Robotics supervisor, Mrs Hyland, and our Deputy Principal, Mr Joseph, have been fundraising following their recent Australian Championship success. They are hoping to encourage potential sponsors within our community to assist GHS to send these bright students to compete in the World Championship in the USA in April.
Welcome back to all our students and staff for the 2015 school year. I would like to especially welcome all our new Year 7 students and other new students to the school. Last year we had a very successful year across a range of areas and I am looking forward to an even better year in 2015.

Each year we welcome new staff to the school. This year there have been minimal changes to our staff. Mr Anton Planting replaces Mr O’Reilly (Science) whilst he is on leave. Ms Amie-Lea Friend replaces Ms Newton (TAS) for the rest of this year. Ms Shanae Lynam replaces Ms Spence who has accepted a professional development opportunity at NIDA in Sydney.

During 2015, all students will be covered by the NSW Ambulance Scheme. This means that whilst at school or on an excursion in NSW, ACT or South Australia, if the need to be transported to hospital arises, there will be no cost to the student or family. It should be noted, that if students injure themselves at school, the school is not responsible for paying any medical expenses. Parents are encouraged to take out their own insurance to cover these expenses.

Students and parents are reminded that minimal supervision is provided from 8.30 till 9.00am each morning and from 3.20 till 4.00pm each day when students are in the playground. An issue that occurs during this time should be reported to the Head Teacher on duty.

Late last year our senior robotics team was successful in winning the National Championships in Melbourne and as a result, have been invited to represent Australia. This event will be held in Kentucky (USA) during the April holidays. Both students and staff have been very busy raising funds to assist these students to compete overseas. I would like to thank the many local organisations in Goulburn for their financial support in assisting these students to participate in this prestigious competition, representing the Goulburn community, Goulburn High School and Australia.

To conclude, I would like to wish all our students all the best for the coming year, and encourage them to Aim High, Be Responsible, Be Positive, Be Considerate and Respect Yourselves and Others.

Peter Browne

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**Girls’ Corner**

Goulburn High School is introducing a new initiative by supporting all female students this year with their own ‘corner space’. Twice a week girls will be able to meet the Girls’ Advisor in E17 and enjoy hot drinks and biscuits while talking about issues particular to girls. They can also use this opportunity to help each other, by lending a hand with homework etc. Senior female students and female teachers will at times also be available to give advice and support when required. This space will be a safe and happy place to make all girls feel welcome and comfortable.

The official LAUNCH of the Girls’ Corner will take place at a Monday morning assembly in the coming weeks.
Goulburn High School has provided quality education to the people of Goulburn and surrounding districts for 102 years. Our school is well known and respected in the area for helping outstanding young people to support community endeavours and projects. Recently, Goulburn High School introduced the Positive Behaviour for Success program based on a model used around the world with much success. The basis of this program is to establish a set of values that underpin the expected behaviours in the school. When students demonstrate these values, they are rewarded in a variety of ways.

One of our rewards involves students earning Goulburn High School Dollars for positive behaviours and attitudes. Students can spend these “Dollars” in a variety of ways, including purchasing goods and services through an auction process. We would like to thank the Goulburn businesses listed below for their support of this program through the donation of goods and/or services for our end of year auction.

**Sponsors:**

- Wendy’s
- Bi-Rite Electrical
- PCYC
- Family Pack Goulburn Charcoal Chicken
- Kmart

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**Goulburn Carnival of Cups**

In mid-November of last year Mark Croatto, the secretary of the Goulburn Harness Racing Club, approached the school in relation to the possibility of a partnership between the school and their club. This partnership would consist of the school taking care of several factors in relation to the Carnival of Cups hosted on Australia Day 2015, with Goulburn High retaining all gate-takings from the day.

Throughout the school holidays, Mr Stoevelaar and I took on the mammoth task of organising the school’s contribution to the event. On behalf of the school, we took care of all of the promotions, advertising, entertainment, gate-takings and several other forms of logistics for the day.

The weather on the day threw a large spanner in the works. Overcast conditions and a strong chance of rain had the potential to hinder the success of the day. Thankfully, we had the foresight to allow for miserable conditions and accommodated for all parties. Therefore, we are delighted to announce that through this partnership, the total of $3,863.00 was raised to assist with further opportunities for the school.

We would like to give a special thanks to the teachers and students of Goulburn High School who gave up their time on Australia Day to assist with this project. I personally would like to thank Mr Stoevelaar for all of his support, as well as Mark Croatto for giving me the opportunity to increase my experience and knowledge of organisation with such a large event. Mark has been instrumental in the day’s success, and we hope to continue this partnership in the future.

*Mitch Webster, year 12*
# Mental Health Carer Education Workshops

**Southern NSW Local Health District**

**January to June 2015**

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**Assisting Families**

Assisting Families is a group of workshops designed to help families, friends and carers of people with mental illness. Families and friends can build on their knowledge, skills and find the most up to date information relevant to carers. These workshops value the experience of carers and families, are delivered in a relaxed atmosphere and can be a great place to enjoy support from others in similar situations.

If you are interested in doing a workshop but the times or areas listed do not suit you please contact Carer Assist Albury: 6021 5882

All programs are free of charge, and you do not need to be on the carer pension to attend. For more information please contact the relevant number or visit our website:

[www.carerassist.org.au](http://www.carerassist.org.au)

**Honeywell Engineering Summer School**

On the evening of the 7\(^{th}\) of December last year over one hundred students gathered from around the country to take part in the Honeywell Engineering Summer School. HESS is run as an opportunity for students to participate in site visits, lectures and university visits to discover what it is engineers really do. Sites included the Honeywell Software Engineering Hub in Sydney, Bluescope Steel, and ANSTO, as well as Barangaroo Construction Site. This allowed the students to see engineers in their working environment and ask questions about how they got to where they are as well as why they enjoy being an engineer.

One highlight of the camp was seeing the assembly line in action at the University of Western Sydney. This was an interesting time as the students could control some of the motions of the robots using sensors mounted in the walkway. Later on in the week the students also had a chance to program all of the movements of a smaller production line robot at the University of Sydney.

I personally enjoyed the tour of the University of Wollongong where we were able to program a small robotic arm using a drag and drop interface on the computer.

I enjoyed my time at HESS. Each university has something different to offer and having the opportunity to explore the facilities to see first-hand the modern learning environments was a chance that I hope more students will take up. I would like to thank Rotary for sponsoring my participation in the program and look forward to bringing the engineering ideas back to the robotics team.

Will Hargan, year 12
I must say the Great Barrier Reef trip last year in December was one of the best, although the trip didn’t quite start that way. When we arrived at the airport we were told our flight had been cancelled, and we were not happy. With some negotiations and a stop at Brisbane we arrived at Cairns at 2am.

The next five days felt like a blur with all the activities we did and the places we saw. We all went to a crocodile farm, slept in the Daintree National Park, went sea kayaking and jungle surfing, visited Mossman Gorge and walked back in time with Aboriginal elders, went wakeboarding, visited Tjapukai the local Aboriginal mob of Cairns, night shopping in Cairns and of course, snorkeled on the Great Barrier Reef.

I would like to acknowledge all the students who attended for their understanding, patience and behaviour which was outstanding. A big thanks also to the teachers, Mr Chamberlain, Ms Kara, Ms Eagles and ‘Scuba Steve’, Ms Smith. Without their help the trip would not have been a success.

Mr M White
Welcome everyone to a new school year! We hope you enjoyed your break and had a well-deserved rest. A big welcome to all our new Year 7 students, and we hope you enjoy your time here at Goulburn High.

Our first P&C meeting for 2015 is tonight, Wednesday 11th February. We will be discussing items including BYOD, Skoolbag App, Easter HotRod Shakedown and what will be happening throughout the year at school. We will also be deciding how the P&C can help the school community for 2015. Your input as a parent or carer is always appreciated, so please come along and join us for a fun filled informative evening! These meetings tend to run for approximately one and a half hours so you can still make it home by 8:30. We will have light snacks and refreshments available.

We are very pleased that the PE department were able to purchase new sporting tops through funds donated by the P&C. I am sure the teams will look fabulous and do Goulburn High proud.

At the end of 2014, the P&C and school community farewelled Shiree Bladwell. Shiree was a diligent and dedicated member of the P&C for 8 years. Shiree will be thoroughly missed and we wish her well for the new path her life will now take. Thank you for all your hard work, Shiree, and good luck.

I have listed below our meeting dates for this year, so please put these on your calendar. We meet in the staff common room, on the second Wednesday of every month (during school terms) at 7pm. This area is well lit at night and is the room directly beside the main office. Please make time to come along and maybe bring a friend. Everyone is welcome. The P&C really is a great way to keep up to date with what is happening at our kid’s school.

Thank you to all our families for your continued support.

2015 P&C Dates

11th February
11th March – AGM - $2 affiliation fee
13th May
10th June
12th August
9th September
14th October
11th November – Annual Christmas Dinner

Renee Woodberry
P&C President
philwbc@bigpond.com

Our school canteen is in desperate need of second hand school uniform items. Any size shirts, shorts and trousers, skirts, PE polos and shorts or knit/fleece jumpers would be greatly appreciated to support those students in need. Thank you in anticipation.

The Welfare Team
Deputy Principal’s Report

VEX Robotics Championships

We are well on the way to getting our VEX Robotics team to Kentucky, USA, to compete in the World Championships against 40 other countries. Our team consists of Emmot Falconer, William Hargan, Ashley Hind, Joseph Muscarella and Mitchell Webster, and is supported and mentored by our Head Teacher of Science, Mrs Katherine Hyland. Not only is this a great honour for these students and our school, it is also an outstanding achievement for our town to be able to produce students of this calibre to compete on the world stage. Since winning the Australian Championships last year, our team has been working hard to secure donations and sponsorship to help meet the enormous costs of taking a team such as this and the equipment required to compete overseas. So far, we have been supported by North Goulburn Smash Repairs, Bi-Rite, Goulburn City Lions Club, Goulburn Soldiers Club, Goulburn-Mulwaree Council, Scallywags Children’s Centre and a number of private donations. Our school canteen has also been running very successful fundraisers and our Robotics team have held stalls at markets and race meetings as well as Bunnings BBQs to help reduce the costs. So far we have raised over $14000 towards our anticipated costs of $30000. Thank you to all our kind sponsors and congratulations to our Robotics team.

BYOD

Last year Goulburn High School started preparing for the introduction of Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) in 2015. BYOD is being introduced first for Years 9 and 10 students with Years 7 and 8 being slowly phased in later in the year. This does not mean that students in Year 7 and 8 are not permitted to bring their own devices to school, just that teachers are not yet designing their Year 7 and 8 programs to fully incorporate the use of technology.

Currently, Years 11 and 12 are using the Department of Education supplied laptops as part of the old scheme which ended in 2013. All students who will be using their own devices at school will need to sign, with their parents/carers, the BYOD user charter, which outlines the responsibilities and safeguards involved when bringing your own device to school. To ease in the administration of these agreements, all students from Years 7 to 10 will be asked to have the charter signed, whether they are currently bringing their own device to school or not. This will mean that they are covered by the charter from the time they bring their device to school, whether that is immediately or later in the year. Once the charter is distributed, students must have a signed charter returned to the school before they can use their own device. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about BYOD.

Vero Joseph

Some Important Dates:

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SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES

NO STOPPING
Under no circumstances are you allowed to stop here. (Unless there is a medical or other emergency)

Maximum Penalty
$311
+ 2 Demerit points

NO PARKING
You may stop here for no more than 2 minutes, when picking up or dropping off passengers and stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. Otherwise no stopping is permitted.

Maximum Penalty
$173
+ 2 Demerit points

BUS ZONE
You are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus

Maximum Penalty
$311
+ 2 Demerit points

DOUBLE PARKING
You are not permitted to stop or park your vehicle alongside another vehicle that is already parked parallel to the kerb.

Maximum Penalty
$311
+ 2 Demerit points

SCHOOL ZONE TRAFFIC OFFENCES

SPEEDING OFFENCES
School Zone speeding offences attract higher fines & demerit points than other speeding offences.

Maximum Penalty
$3,702
+ 7 Demerit points

MOBILE PHONE USE
Driving using a hand held phone in a school zone.

Penalty
$415
+ 4 Demerit points

CHILDREN CROSSING
Disobey hand-held stop sign at Children’s Crossing or approach Children’s Crossing too quickly to stop safely.

Penalty
$519
+ 4 Demerit points

U-TURNS
Make a U-Turn without giving way to pedestrian or vehicle in a school zone.

Penalty
$415
+ 4 Demerit points

For a full list of all penalties and offences, please visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au
Fines subject to change without notice. These penalties apply to offences in school zones only while the zone is active.

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE

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TAX FILE NUMBERS – VERY IMPORTANT CHANGES
The Secondary Schools Tax File Number Program has changed and the school is no longer able to process applications. All students aged 13 and over are able to apply for a TFN.

How students can apply for a TFN from 1 January 2015
The Australian Taxation Office in partnership with Australia Post is making it easier for individuals to apply for a TFN.

Students can now apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post Office.

Applying online is the fastest and most convenient way for students to get a TFN. More information on applying online can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC27248'

Students who are unable to visit a participating Australia Post office will need to complete the Tax File Number Application or Enquiry for Individuals form (NAT 1432). More information about lodging this form can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC22604'

Thank you to the students who submitted their forms before the holidays, as you helped raise $87 towards school funds. Your numbers should have been sent to you – if you have not received them, please phone the Australian Taxation Office for assistance.

http://studentsonline.bos.nsw.edu.au/

All Year 10, 11 and 12 students are encouraged to use the resources and information in Students Online. Students will need to activate their account first and create a PIN. Once logged in they can access, via My Details, their personal details, Year 10 grades (in Dec) and HSC Preliminary (Year 11) grades (in Nov) and in Year 12, or their HSC year, their

• personal HSC Exam Timetable (in Apr)
• Assessment Ranks (in Nov)
• HSC results (in Dec)

Students who have left school and are waiting for their formal RoSA documentation can access an e-record if required for further employment and training.

Students Online is designed to be a one stop shop for senior study and HSC information for students. It also has a wide range of useful advice and resources. For example, the study tips and materials section has links to

• past papers
• marking guidelines
• quizzes
• HSC workbooks including ebooks
• HSC apps

Year 12 students will receive a Students Online Bulletin reminding them to activate their accounts at the beginning of term 1, 2015.
Year 7 are settling in well to life at Goulburn High School. They are getting to know their new teachers and subjects and the demands of finding their way around the school.

A reminder to all parents of some upcoming activities:

- **Friday 13th February** – School Swimming Carnival. All students are expected to attend. Students may dress vibrantly in their house colours.
- **19 – 20 March** – Year 7 Camp. The cost of this excursion is approximately $160. Permission notes and information sheets will be handed out to students in the coming days.
- **Week 10** – Questacon Excursion.

I congratulate all of Year 7 on their efforts so far and would like to remind them to keep up their excellent work and attitude to school. If you have any concerns about how your child is settling into high school life, please feel free to call me.

Mr R Mackay, Year 7 Advisor

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**What do 520 poppies look like?**

Thank you to all those students from Year 7 to Year 11 who were involved.

The poppies will be part of the 100 year ANZAC tribute of respect and remembrance this year. There are poppies being made right across the country.

They will start at the Federal Square in Melbourne, then tour Australia and then end up at The National War Museum in Canberra.