Goulburn High School is losing two of its most valued and beloved teachers, Ms Sue Hope teaching Science, Agriculture and Primary Industries and Mr Peter Lucas, Sports and PDHPE. Both teachers have supported students for many years at our school and we are very sad to see them go. They worked tirelessly above and beyond, Mr Lucas spending many afternoons and weekends on the sporting fields all around New South Wales, and Ms Hope attending Agriculture Shows with students showing and parading our farm animals on weekends and during school holidays. We wish them all the best in the future. Ms Hope and Mr Lucas, you will be missed.
Principal’s Report

Welcome back to the start of Term 3. This will be the last term for our current Y12 students as they prepare for the HSC exams later this year. This edition of the newsletter is the first one that will be completely online. It costs approximately $6000 to print the newsletter in colour for the full year. We are looking at the possibility of having video clips integrated into future newsletters.

Congratulations to Ellen Ryan who recently won the Australian Women’s Open Lawn Bowls Championships on the Gold Coast. This is an outstanding achievement from a very dedicated young sportswoman.

The P&C uniform committee are currently reviewing elements of our current uniform as well as looking at a new supplier. This means that the uniform will be able to be purchased online at school. More information is to follow.

The semester 1 reports are now available online through the parent portal. Students will receive their printed reports shortly.

Mr Peter Lucas (PE) is currently on leave pending his possible retirement. I would like to acknowledge the wonderful contribution that Mr Lucas has made to both Goulburn High School and public education. As well, this week we say farewell to Ms Sue Hope (HT Admin and Ag teacher) on her retirement. Ms Hope has been teaching Agriculture and Primary Industries for many years. She has coordinated both the cattle and sheep parading program, teaching many students the skills to show animals in our local shows. I wish both Peter and Sue all the best for their retirements. They will be sadly missed.

Last week the Learning Support Team completed a survey in relation to students who have had adjustments made to their learning programs. This is now an annual event as this information is important for future planning.

Peter Browne

Education Week Information Session

For Parents and Teachers

Goulburn Mulwaree Library

Wednesday 29 July at 5.30pm

To coincide with Education Week the Goulburn Mulwaree Library is holding an information session on Wednesday 29 July from 5.30pm to 6.00pm to highlight two services the library provides:

- **YourTutor** is on-line tutorial support for students from Years 4 to 12 Sundays to Fridays, 3.00pm to 10.00pm.

- **Britannica Library** and **Britannica Student Edition** provide reliable, peer-reviewed information for students of all ages.

These services can be accessed at home or in the library and are available to Goulburn Mulwaree ratepayers who are members of the library. Bookings for the information session are essential and can be made by phoning 48234435.
National Poll Hereford Youth Heifer Show Bathurst 2015

Students travelled to Bathurst in the middle of the school holidays to attend the National Hereford Heifer Show. Students included Tahnee Porter, Steven Shaw, Natalie Patterson, Blake Robertson, Emily Battiste and Laura Fletcher. The mornings were cold with a minus 8 frost. Ice was hanging off the cow’s tails and ears. There were over 100 competitors from NSW and Queensland.

In the led bull classes, GHS Quartz gained a fourth with Natalie Patterson leading the bull. In the junior female class, Blake Robertson gained a second class leading Wynella Gloria KO18 and Emilee Battiste gained a second leading Allenae Tilly KO3.

In the intermediate females, Tahnee Porter led GHS Diamond gaining a sixth place. Laura Fletcher led GHS Amber gaining a second place in a very strong class. Emily Battiste led Allenae Hope KO1 to a third place.

In the senior females, Steven Shaw led Wynella Irish Maid JO28 to a second place.

All students competed in the parader’s competition with Emily Battiste gaining a second in her junior class and Natalie Patterson gaining a fourth in the intermediate class.

Emily Battiste gained a credible third in the junior herdsman award.

Goulburn High School came second in the schools section.

As this is my last show for the school, I would like to thank the following for their continued support over many years in helping out Goulburn High School at local and Royal Shows. This includes the Battiste family, Tim Reade, Wynella Pastoral Company comprising of Jenny Welsh Robertson, Jemma Reid nee Welsh Robertson, Ross Robertson, James Robertson, Valerie Robertson, Renae Robertson and the late Brian Robertson.

I have had a great time and will miss the students at the shows. Farewell.

Sue Hope
HSC Geography meets Manu Feildel and goes on an excursion to Pyrmont

The 21st and 22nd of May last term saw yet another exciting excursion to Pyrmont, as part of an HSC curriculum case study. The class of five travelled to Sydney under the supervision of both Mr Stoevelaar and Mrs James. Day one of the excursion consisted of checking into our hostel and discovering aspects of Sydney as a group, which essentially meant lots of walking. However it was all worth the walk as we arrived at Green Square’s “The Grounds”.

Here we learnt about aspects of urban renewal and the gentrification of the area by our trusty tour guide – Mr Stoevelaar. What was more exciting than this (if that was even possible), was that when we were given 20 minutes spare time, the five of us unexpectedly stumbled across Manu Feildel from My Kitchen Rules. Being the typical teenagers that we are, the only question off our lips was “Can we get a selfie”?

This became rapidly the most memorable part of the trip, and the beginning of Mr Stoevelaar’s unlucky streak. From here he proceeded to step in vomit on public transport, trip over almost everything in his path and most impressive of all, when left unsupervised, he fell off a flying fox and had blood gushing out of his leg.

As for the educational side of the excursion, the class learnt in-depth about aspects of urban dynamics and how this combined to develop Pyrmont into what it is today. This was a very rewarding experience and will be an incredible boost in the lead-up to the HSC. We appreciate the time and effort that both Mr Stoevelaar and Mrs James put into the development of the excursion. Special thanks also to Mr Stoevelaar for providing quality entertainment at the cost of his leg.

Chelsea Clune – HSC Student.
Deputy Principal’s Report

Parent and Student Portal

Parents and students can access the Goulburn High School portal from any internet capable device. Through this portal, information about a student’s daily class attendance, timetable and summaries of their positive and negative behaviour record can be accessed. The student’s School Report is also available to view and download from the portal. Parents were sent a letter earlier in the year explaining the process, with a unique code for your child and students have the information to access the site. If parents need another copy of the code, please contact the front office.

Year 12 Trial Examinations

Year 12 students will be sitting the Trial Higher School Certificate Examinations from the 5\textsuperscript{th} of August. Whilst the students will already be revising in class, it is vital that they continue this revision at home. Effective revision does not just mean reading over class notes. Students should be practising past examination questions and taking them to their teachers for feedback. There are a number of websites with support materials including the BOSTES site, which has many past examinations to use for revision. This site also has copies of the examiner’s notes, marking guidelines and sample answers to help support students in preparing for their examinations. The Standards Package on the BOSTES site has student responses at different levels of ability for selected examinations. This is especially useful as a student can attempt a question, then compare their answers with the sample student responses to determine what band they are working in and how to improve. Please contact myself or your student’s teacher if you have any questions.

Some Important Dates:

- Prefect and student leader induction assembly - 29\textsuperscript{th} July
- Australian Mathematics Competition – 30\textsuperscript{th} July
- Science and Engineering Challenge – 31\textsuperscript{st} July
- Regional Athletics Carnival - 31\textsuperscript{st} July
- Science and Engineering Challenge – 31\textsuperscript{st} July
- Year 8 into 9 and Year 10 into 11 subject selection evening – 4\textsuperscript{th} August
- Trial HSC – 5\textsuperscript{th} to 14\textsuperscript{th} August
- Year 10 Geography Coastal Management Excursion – 7\textsuperscript{th} August
- Science Fair – 18\textsuperscript{th} August

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Welcome back to all our students and staff. The P&C are now holding a **Bryants Pie Drive**. Winter is a great time to stock your freezer with pies. Bryants Party Pies are a great snack for the kids after school and the larger pies are an easy meal for all those busy families! Proceeds from our Pie Drive come back to the P&C and are then put directly back into the school. Please look out for your flyer and order form. If you haven’t received an order form please grab one from the office.

Woolworths Earn and Learn is back. Goulburn High can benefit from families collecting these stickers for our school. Valuable education resources can be purchased for the classrooms. There will be a box located in the office for students to place their stickers. We only have until 8th September so start collecting!

Thank you for supporting your P&C. Please look out for further newsletters as we have some very exciting news coming up!

**Remaining P&C Dates for 2015**

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Renee Woodberry
P&C President
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**Sports Report**

Welcome back to term 3. As term 2 proved to be a very busy term in sport, I am pleased to say a lot of students achieved outstanding results in a number of sports.

**State Cross Country**

On Friday the 17th July, Jake Staines and Renae Robinson travelled down to Eastern Creek to compete at the 2015 State Cross Country Carnival. Although the extremely cold weather conditions proved to play havoc, both Jake and Renae ran extremely well.

Jake Staines finished 32nd and Renae finished 22nd in New South Wales in their respective age groups.

**Zone Athletics**

Week 9 term 2, Goulburn High students travelled to AIS Canberra to take part in the annual Zone Athletics Carnival. Although the weather was miserable during the early hours of the day, Goulburn High School students continued to deliver outstanding performances and achieved excellent results in all events. All students are to be congratulated on their achievements and sportsmanship on the day with special mention to Bree Smith and Joseph Malony – Kremmer who both achieved Age Champion in their respective age groups.

All the best to the following students who have qualified for the Regional Athletics Carnival on the 31st July (Friday week 3):

**Daniel Waters** – Discus, **Joe Maloney - Kremer** – Discus, Javelin, Triple Jump, 110m Hurdle, **Laura Ellis** – Discus, Javelin, **Ryan Goad** – High Jump, **Bree Smith** – High Jump, Long Jump, 100m, 200m, **Olivia Ottaway** – High Jump, **Margaret Minikin** – High Jump, **Natasha Dawson** – High Jump, **Rhys Rakete** – Javelin, 100m, 200m, **Josh Wearne** – Javelin, **Paul Edwards** – Javelin, **Brandyn Law** – Long Jump, 100m, 110m Hurdle, **Shakira Tyrell** – Long Jump, 100m, **Bailey Lanham** – Shotput, **Josh Madden** – Shotput, **Justin Taylor** – 100m, **James Finch** – 100m, 200m, **Jess Zammit** – 200m, **Bailey Stewart** – 800m, **Jeremy Wise** – 800m.

Ricky Chamberlain
Careers Desk

Year 10 Subject Selections:
During weeks 4-7 students in Year 10 will be participating in a variety of experiences to support them in making their subject selections for the HSC. In addition to subject selection booklets, faculty presentations and the parent information night (Tuesday 4th August, 7pm) they will be interviewed by Mrs Kennedy, careers advisor. The aim of these interviews is to discuss the students’ goals and abilities and provide some options for suitable subject choices and study patterns. Parents and carers are invited to attend these interviews with their students. Please ring to make an appointment.


KEY DATES:
Canberra Careers XPO – 29th & 30th July - open from 9.30am to 2.30pm and 4.30pm to 7.00pm on Wednesday and 9.30am to 2.30pm on Thursday. Exhibition Park, Mitchell ACT. www.canberracareersmarket.com.au

ACT Open Day – All the tertiary institutions in Canberra will be open for inspection on Saturday 29th August. This is an excellent opportunity to visit CIT (the TAFE equivalent in the ACT), ADFA, University of Canberra, Australian National University, and the Australian Catholic University. Information is available from the websites of each of the institutions, so make sure you plan your day and have plenty of questions ready.

University of Canberra is offering Goulburn High School students a VIP experience – further information is available from Mrs Kennedy. RSVP by Friday 14th August.

Congratulations Dallas Strettles
Dallas has been successful in his application for a school based traineeship and is pictured below at the official sign-up on Tuesday 21st July. Dallas will be working at Reece Plumbing to complete a Certificate II in Warehouse Operations. Dallas will be attending the workplace each Friday, and will also work Saturday mornings. To complete his qualification Dallas will do workbooks and on-line training while at work and his trainer will visit him in the workplace to complete his assessment. This subject will also be included in his HSC. Pictured with Dallas are his mum Candice Roberts, his trainer Ray Simpson and Apprentice Centre representative Vicki Shackley.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE:
Congratulations to the following students who have completed Work Experience. A big thank you to all the employers for supporting the students and providing them with such a valuable opportunity.

Livia Minikin – Yass Valley Veterinary
Brodie Downey – Jim Brewer Real Estate
Michaela Shirvington – Bomaderry Vet Clinic
Tiffany Edwardson – Clinton St. Vet
Stuart McDonald – Radio Goulburn
Genesis Octaviano and Jasmyn Ruffles— Goulburn Base Hospital

Further information and support available from Mrs Kennedy.
Outward Bound is a program specially made to challenge yourself, to be independent, and to learn new skills to be a leader. When I first went to Outward Bound we were put into two separate groups, and mixed with kids we hadn’t met before. When the first activities started, I felt a little out of place and awkward in the group, but our instructor soon put a stop to that. Destroyer (our instructor) got us to do ridiculous things to break the ice with each other, e.g. getting us to sing the Muffin Man song while dancing to it (talk about embarrassing). We had jobs assigned to us (e.g. setting up the fire, cooking meals, setting up dishes, etc) so we could learn all the skills which we need in life. Throughout the first couple of days, we stayed at camp to get used to the routines of the program. We had lessons (practical and theory) but I won’t go into too much detail in case people want to go next year. We slept in bevies (pretty much a tarp with handles for the pegs to stick it in place) so it was cold at night. We had a visitor in our tents (a possum whom I named Steve and who almost gave Bagas a heart attack), so it was a pretty eventful first night.

On the third day, we finally got to play with some of Outward Bound’s “toys”: a giant swing and a giant ladder. The giant swing felt like I was flying, and I tried doing somersaults but the harness would not let me. The giant ladder is made for teamwork, because it is basically logs connected to wire and it gets really wobbly when you get near the top. The logs split further apart each time you succeed in climbing a log and I learned that the hard way. My partner couldn’t make the climb after the second log, so I continued without him and made third log from the top (very wobbly, mind you). Bagas made it to the very top with his partner, which was an amazing achievement. We then collected our packs which included everything we needed and headed off into the wilderness. The next few days was mostly spent trekking to each of the campsites and doing activities along the way, and you quickly learn that food is fuel and if you are fussy you are not going to make it. We had many weird and wonderful meals created by the selected chefs for the night. For some reason the food suppliers decided that we were going healthy and we had lots of days when we went vegetarian. By now, everyone had accepted Destroyer\’s weird and wonderful activities she had in mind (e.g. Destroyer taught us silly songs along the way) and we had become good friends with others in the group. One thing which really annoyed me was the effect the food was having on us. One night we actually had unhealthy things at the drop-off food supplies, so we made a chocolate cake (but you could pretty much play Frisbee with the thing, it was that solid).

On the second last day, we actually had a lift with a real bus to take us to the abseiling course (big shock for us since we had walked everywhere before this). The abseiling was probably one of the best experiences which I had at Outward Bound. That night for dessert, we used some leftover ingredients to make pancakes (we experimented and made them deep fried). The next day, it was time to start packing up and say our goodbyes. The week flew by so fast that it didn’t occur to me that I had to leave Outward Bound. During the course I made friends for life, and I was sorry to part with them. Hopefully I will go again next year and experience this all over again because sometimes you just have to leap out of your comfort zone.

I would like to thank Boral Construction Materials at Marulan whose generous support made it possible for so many students to attend, and to Brett Bates, assistant quarry manager at Boral’s Peppertree Quarry, who accompanied us on Outward Bound.

Nathan Ezzy, Year 9
Ellen Ryan – Australian Lawn Bowls Champion

During Week 10 Term 2, Ellen Ryan participated in the Australian Open Singles, Pairs and Fours Lawn Bowls Championships. Ellen was surprised to be asked by the Australian captain to join her and fellow players to play in fours competition. After multiple days of competition, Ellen was able to progress through to the semi final in the Fours and the final in the Singles competition. After a convincing win in the final, Ellen was crowned the 2015 Australian Women's Open Champion and improved her ranking to 4th place in Australia.

Following her outstanding results, Ellen was selected to be a member of the Australian Jackeroos team which consists of ten players. She was also selected to represent Australia at the Commonwealth Youth Games in September in Samoa. Ellen will compete in the Singles and Mixed Pairs alongside a student from Dubbo.
During the holidays the annual Kanga Cup was held in Canberra. Students from Goulburn High School were involved in the under 12’s, under 13’s and under 14’s teams that represented our local area through the Southern Tablelands Football Association. The under 14’s team enjoyed tremendous success playing teams from the International Football School, Ross River from far north Queensland, Enfield and more. The Grand Final was an exciting finish to a week of soccer, with the STFA’s under 14 team winning and becoming the champions. Five GHS students were in this team: Macleay Robinson, Van Ro Tluang Pa Aung, Henry McDonald, Brandyn Law and Brandon Porter. Well done to these boys and all our other GHS students who represented us all at the 2015 Kanga Cup.

Mrs Porter

Senior Debating Team

The senior debating team have taken out their second debate against Moss Vale High School. The team argued on the affirmative side that ‘We should ban sexualised music videos’. Goulburn High School outperformed Moss Vale HS by posing a new model, ‘We should ban sexualised music videos in public spaces’. The team provided strong arguments that considered why sexualised music videos can be detrimental to society when presented in public spaces. The opposition failed to acknowledge the ‘public spaces’ argument the team posed. As a result, GHS won the debate. I would like to congratulate the team on their first win. Stay tuned for round 2 results.

Ms Hayes
Earn and Learn

Goulburn High is participating in Woolworths Earn and Learn program again this year. If you, your family or friends shop at Woolworths please collect the Earn and Learn stickers, one for every $10 spent.

The stickers can be stuck onto the sticker sheets, available at the store or at GHS. The completed sheets can then be placed into the Goulburn High box at the supermarket or into the collection box at school. Alternately, you can just pop the stickers into one of our boxes.

In past years we have benefited from the program through the acquisition of books, board games and art supplies. Thank you to all who have supported us in the past. We look forward to your continued support in 2015.

Mrs Anable.