# Newsletter

## **SOUTH GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL**

Term 4, Week 3, 2019

## From the Principal's Desk

#### Clarence Valley Equestrian challenge

Last Saturday, 26 October, it was my pleasure to watch the opening parade of competitors in the Clarence Valley Equestrian Challenge. SGHS was represented by 12 immaculately groomed students and horses who proudly made their way around the arena in formation. Although we did not win this part of the competition, I was told it was a "photo finish" between us and St Joseph's College Woodlawn from Lismore. This initial setback did not dampen the enthusiasm of our team as they went on the clean-up in the other events held over the weekend. Overall we were the champion school, and winners of the entire challenge. I would like to congratulate everyone who was involved. Thank you to Mrs O'Connor for organising our participation in the event, the students for competing with such enthusiasm and the parents for their passion and support.

#### **Jacaranda Dragon Boats**

Continuing my sporting theme last weekend, I went to watch the SGHS Dragon Boat team on Sunday 27 October. The students paddling thoroughly enjoyed the experience, as did the staff who joined the team. I too was lucky enough to have a paddle. Thank you to the students who participated and to Mrs Dewberry and Miss Cameron for their organisation.

#### Make a Change

At SGHS we have a group of very environmentally conscientious students who have come together with the help of Ms Thurgood to form Make a Change. As a group, these people want to engage in practical activities that make a genuine difference to not only our school environment, but to the rest of our community as well. With this in mind, they are planning a clean-up of the horse paddock beside the school. Any students who are interested in helping with this project should see Ms Thurgood for more information.

## Clarence Valley Equestrian Challenge

What an amazing inaugural event run by Grafton Pony Club. It is not just about the ribbons (although our team collected a truckload) and the competition but about the team spirit and friendships. The toughness, kindness and skill that our strong South Grafton High Team of twelve displayed over the weekend has made me very proud again of being a teacher here in this community. With teams and riders competing, the weekend was a huge success. Congratulations to Tegan, Jacob, Will, Pat, Gracie, Jaylah, Lara, Tahlia, Grace, Ash, Amelia and Kaitlyn. We were very deserving of the award of HIGHEST OVERALL TEAM POINT SCORE. Thank you to McGregor Gourlay and Equestrian Style for sponsorship of our saddlecloths, Jesse Creighton for generously making all of the browbands and Tegan Surawski for making all of the hair scrunchies. We looked awesome in our new red school jumpers and kept formation throughout the whole March Past. I must mention that the only school principal I saw watching the march past was ours - what a supportive school we have.















## **Diary Dates**

## **Monday 4th November**

- HSC Exams continue
- P&C Meeting 5.30pm in the library

#### **Tuesday 5th November**

HSC Exams continue

## Wednesday 6th November

HSC Exams continue

## Thursday 7th November

HSC Exams continue

#### Friday 8th November

- HSC Exams continue
- Assembly period 3

### **Monday 11 November**

- HSC Exams continue
- Yr 7 History exam

## **Tuesday 12 November**

Yr 7 & 8 History exam

### Wednesday 13 November

- Paul Dillon drug & alcohol community presentation 5.30 pm to 6.45 pm
- Yr 7 & 8 History exam

#### Thursday 14 November

- Yr 7 interschool rally at Coffs Harbour
- Yr 8 History exam

#### Friday 15 November

- Yr 12 Farewell Assembly 9.00 10.00 am
- Yr 12 Formal

#### Monday 18 November

- School Spectacular
- Yr 10 exams

#### **Tuesday 19 November**

- School Spectacular
- Yr 9 exams

## Wednesday 20 November

School Spectacular

## School Fees

School fees are now overdue. SGHS would appreciate payments at your earliest convenience. The office accepts cash, eftpos and direct deposit. Direct deposit payments may be made via the school's website by clicking on the link on the top of the home page.

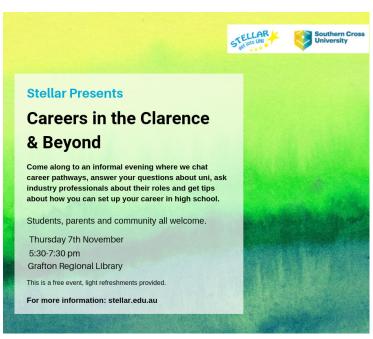


## 2020 HSC

## YEAR 12 STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS OR DISABILITIES

The process has begun for students with special needs or disabilities to apply for special requirements during the 2020 HSC exams eg. reader/writer, rest breaks, small group supervision, food/drink required for medical reasons, etc. If there are any Year 12 students who wish to apply for Disability Provisions for the HSC, please contact Ms Kinny, Ms McPherson or Ms Owens (Learning and Support Teachers) in the Library. In order to qualify, assessments and/ or medical evidence are needed as well as marked assessment tasks and teacher comments. The school must submit all the required evidence to NESA by the end of Term 1 2020. After that time, other applications may be submitted as issues arise.

## Careers



## Jacaranda News

Year 7 student Tallara Taylor delivered the Acknowledgment of Country on Saturday morning's Jacaranda events. Tallara always delivers an amazing Acknowledgement making the school and community proud.





## Year 10 Food Tech

Some wonderful examples of our Year 10 Food Technology class cake decorating



## **Twilight Fair**

The twilight fair scheduled for week 7 has been postponed to early 2020.



## **Open Girls Cricket**

SGHS Girls Open Cricket team played against Grafton High School on Wednesday 23 October however they did not win this time.

Southies batted first reaching a total of 67 runs all out. Kya Broughton hit 10 runs, Hollie Fuller 24 runs, Erin Blundell 6 runs, Hanna Blundell 4 runs, Siobhan Bloomfield 3 runs, Jesse Creighton 2 runs, Gabi McKenzie 1 run and Celina McGarvie, Logan Pitkin and Mia Trevillian no runs.

Grafton High reached the total in the ninth over, again the two opening batters were too good and we could not dismiss them.

SGHS bowlers were Jesse Creighton, Celina McGarvie, Lilly Harris, Siobhan Bloomfield, Logan Pitkin, Erin and Hannah Blundell. The girls had an enjoyable day and showed great sportsmanship.



Sculpture in Art













A group of Year 9 Art students were guided by the expertise of a local sculptor Andrew Shillam, in the art of designing a three dimensional piece and then transforming their vision into a wooden sculpture. The students thoroughly enjoyed the two day workshop. Mr Nathan Martin also aided in the production of the sculptures





## **Trout Fishing at Ebor**



It was an early start for 12 Year 8 students on Friday 25th October when they headed to Ebor Trout Hatchery with Mr Barnier.

Whilst there they learnt about rigs and knots, using circle hooks. The Fisheries Department from Coffs Harbour also advised the students about sizes, species recognition and bag limits. Students were made aware of catch and release, correct handling and killing fish humanely. Paul and Greg from the trout farm, showed the students the processes involved in the breeding of the fish. Greg even shared some of the tasty fish food with Travis.

We would like to thank Mel Buhler from the Department of Primary Industries and the volunteers for a fantastic day.















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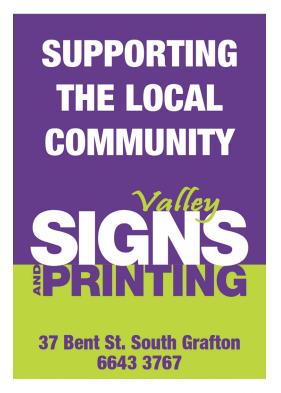








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25th OCTOBER

10th JANUARY

8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

14th FEBRUARY

13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

13th MARCH

## TON STREET ORIENTEERING

















Bush 'n' Beach Orienteering Club









0467 819 769 (Gavin)



Grafton Street Orienteering Bush n Beach Orienteering



graftonstreeto@gmail.com

## Community Notice Board





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## **GRAFTON**

Tuesday 29th November @ 10.00am

Grafton Greyhound Track Ground Floor, Cranworth St, Grafton

## Road Safety for Older Road **Users - Free Workshops**

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- Pedestrian safety
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#### COURSE SNAPSHOT

Location: TAFE NSW, Grafton Campus, 7 Clarence Street, Grafton NSW 2460

White Card and 3 trade units that can be UEE30811 and/or UEE32211 qualification.

Cost: Fully Government Subsidised Student training programs

Delivery: Commencing Monday 4th November until Wednesday 4th December for 3 days per

until Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December for 3 days per week over five weeks.

Delivery of Career Pathway Skills at TAFE NSW Grafton Campus Monday 8:30 to 3:30pm Delivery of Electrotechnology units at TAFE NSW Grafton Campus Tuesday and Wednesday 8:00 to 4:00pm.

CONTACT US TODAY!



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## YAMBA NIPPERS

THE SEASON HAS STARTED BUT ITS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN! EVERY SUNDAY AT MAIN BEACH FROM PAM! COME DOWN INTO THE CLUB HOUSE SUNDAY MORNINGS TO JOIN