

Newsletter

SOUTH GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL

Term 4, Week 4, 2019

From the Principal's Desk

Count Us In

During the week I popped in to listen to a very enthusiastic group of our students preparing to sing at an event called Count Us In. This event is Australia's largest school initiative and is supported by Music Australia. It began in 2005 and is designed to promote music education in schools. The program culminated in an event which was held on Thursday this week, in which over 745,000 students from more than 3,400 schools all around Australia, sang the same song, at the same time. The song this year was called "We Are" and as usual it was written by students. Our ensemble thoroughly enjoyed the experience and I would, like to thank Mrs Lancaster and the Clarence Valley Conservatorium for supporting them.

Attendance

It is not okay to stay away from school and at SGHS we want to help every student be at school every day. Each term we set attendance targets for our year groups and more often than not, they meet or exceed these targets. This earns all students from the successful year groups an ice block on the last day of the term. We also recognise our best attenders with a certificate each term and recently I have handed out certificates to a few "first timers". Soon I will be sending out invitations to the "Principal's Tea Party". This event recognises students whose attendance for the whole year has been at least 98%. The number of families attending this celebration has been increasing each year and this year is no exception. In fact, I suspect we might need to find a larger space in which to hold the Tea Party this year.

Year 12 Graduation

Year 12 Graduation is on Friday 15 November 2019.

The HSC will be over and we will officially farewell the class of 2019.

The graduation assembly will be held at SGHS hall and will start at 9:30 am. Morning tea will be provided for Year 12 and their families following the event. All students will be attending the assembly and families of the graduating students and community members are also welcome to attend.

Following on, in the evening of 15 November, the Year 12 Formal will take place, starting from 5:30 pm at the Clarence River Jockey Club.



PBL Focus

PBL Focus is "Digital Devices Off and Away"

Think about this:

If you spend at least 2 hours a day on your phone
 $2 \text{ hrs out of } 24 \text{ hrs} = 1/12 \text{ of the day on your phone}$
 $1/12 \text{ of the year} = 1 \text{ month}$

So in one year you have spent 1 month of your life on your phone.

Diary Dates

Monday 11 November

- HSC Exams continue
- Yr 7 History exam
- Yr 11 Art Workshop, Grafton Library

Tuesday 12 November

- Yr 7 & 8 History exam
- Yr 6 into Yr 7 additional transition day

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 8 History exam

Friday 15 November

- Yr 12 Graduation Assembly 9.30 - 11.00 am
- Yr 12 Formal

Monday 18 November

- Schools Spectacular
- Yr 10 exams
- Yr 9 Mindblank / headspace presentation
- Yr 11 Teen Mental Health First Aid course

Tuesday 19 November

- School Spectacular
- Yr 9 exams
- Yr 6 in Yr 7 additional transition day
- Yr 11 Teen Mental Health First Aid course

Wednesday 20 November

- Schools Spectacular

Thursday 21 November

- School Spectacular
- Yr 9/10 exams

Friday 22 November

- Schools Spectacular
- Yr 9 exams
- Yr 11 RRISK SCU Lismore
- Maths Olympics

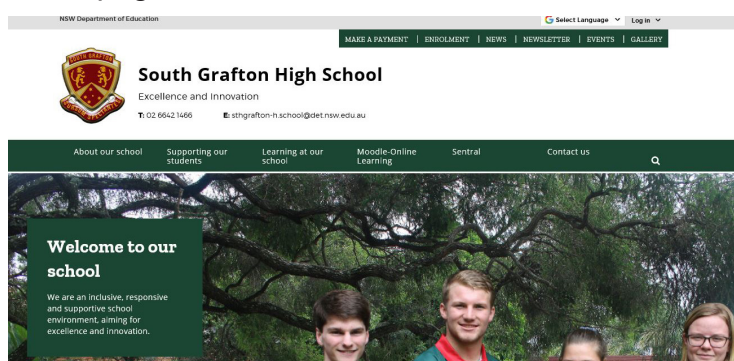
Melbourne Cup Lunch

Thank you to all the Hospitality students who were involved in preparations for the Melbourne Cup luncheon. The meal was thoroughly enjoyed by many staff members.



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.

Netball

Our Under 15 Girls Netball competed in the first rounds of the CHS knockout last week. In the first game they came away with a convincing 30-5 win against Bellingen. In the second round they faced GHS and in a hard fought match they were defeated 22-10. All girls played very well and the new uniforms looked great.



Netball



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AND PRINTING**

**37 Bent St. South Grafton
6643 3767**

SCHOOL LEAVER EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS

Finishing School? Looking for new experiences, skills & work?

The CHESS Connect School Leaver Employment Supports (SLES) helps Year 12 School leavers in the Coffs Harbour area who are NDIS eligible gain the skills needed to transition into employment.

- Identifying Key Skills & Goals
- Building Capacity & Life Skills for Independence
- Job Readiness Skills
- Vocational Assessment
- Work Experience & Placement

Finishing school before year 12? Our Find a Job, Keep a Job service can help you!

Local to the Clarence Valley region

CHESS Connect

1800 899 017

www.chessconnect.org.au



Please support those businesses that support our school
If your business would like to support our school give us a call on 0266421466

STREET-O

is here for summer!

45 MINUTES to find as many
CHECKPOINTS
as you possibly can

2ND FRIDAY^{OF THE} MONTH
@ MEMORIAL PARK

(river end of Prince St, Grafton)

START TIMES
BETWEEN **5-5:45 PM**

all ages & abilities

\$2 ENTRY

WELCOME

25th OCTOBER

10th JANUARY

8th NOVEMBER

14th FEBRUARY

13th DECEMBER

13th MARCH

GRAFTON STREET ORIENTEERING



Bush 'n' Beach
Orienteering Club



0467 819 769 (Gavin)



Grafton Street Orienteering
Bush n Beach Orienteering



grafftonstreeto@gmail.com

Community Notice Board



**SOUTH GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL
PRESENTS.**

**PAUL DILLON,
DRUGS & ALCOHOL
COMMUNITY PRESENTATION**

We aim to empower parents with a positive message & assist them in having open & honest family discussions in this complex area.

**Wednesday 13th
November
5:30pm - 6:45pm
South Grafton High
School Library**



FREE ADMISSION. FREE BBQ.



South Grafton High School SALE

Polos, Skirts & Sloppy-Joes

ONLY \$10.00

(in store only)



On the road 65Plus Staying **independent** and safe

GRAFTON

Tuesday 29th November @ 10.00am

Grafton Greyhound Track
Ground Floor, Cranworth St, Grafton

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

Offering advice & safety tips to help older road users make safer choices. **Topics include**

- Safer driving habits
- Pedestrian safety
- Driver licensing at 75/85 years
- Mobility scooters
- How health changes can affect our abilities as road users

For enquiries, or to register your attendance

Email: roadsafety@joblinkplus.com.au or call 02 6764 6688



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yfu.com.au/about-hosting

NEW STUDENTS ARRIVING SOON

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minds
and hearts**

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B screened

The mobile van is
screening in **GRAFTON**

Pound Street (near Market Square)

September until mid-December
2019



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your **free** screening
mammogram

13 20 50
20 minutes every 2 years
could save your life

For women aged 50-74 years
breastscreen.nsw.gov.au

BE AMBITIOUS

EVER THOUGHT OF A CAREER IN ELECTROTECHNOLOGY?

Are you keen to undertake a 5 week course, 3 days per week with the view to applying for a full time Apprenticeship at the end?

COURSE SNAPSHOT

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

Course: Statement of Attainment for CPR, White Card and 3 trade units that can be credit transferred towards either the 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 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.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

You will undertake nationally accredited units of competency

- Apply Occupational Health and Safety regulations, codes and practices in the workplace
- Fabricate, assemble and dismantle utilities industry components
- Prepare to work safely in the construction industry
- Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- Solve problems in ELV single path circuits

You will be equipped with:

- A White Card (also known as a General Construction Induction Card - mandatory in Australia to work on a construction site)

You will understand

- Workplace expectations in the commercial construction sector

You will know how to

- Communicate, behave and work safely and effectively on a construction site And be ready to Apply for a full time position in Electrotechnology as an apprentice

Places in this course are limited.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST
For more information

Phone: (02) 66 204761
Website: tafensw.edu.au

CONTACT US TODAY!

TAFE NSW

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