

School Calendar 2018

TERM 4

Thursday 25 October to Sunday 28 October
Y9 to Y12 Scone Beef Bonanza

Monday 29 October to Tuesday 30 October
Valid8 Science Tests

Thursday 1 November
Y7 Vaccinations and catchups

Monday 5 November
Y8 Valid8 Science Test

Tuesday 6 November
Y8 Valid8 Science Test for students away on Monday

Wednesday 7 November
Y6 PtoH Transition Program

Monday 12 November
Years 7 & 10 Examination week

Friday 16 November
Year 12 Formal

Monday 19 November
Years 8 & 9 Examination week

Tuesday 20 November
HSC Information Night

Wednesday 21 November
Y6 PtoH Transition Program

CANTEEN - Phone 65589963

Monday 29 October
Elona

Tuesday 30 October
Jennie Smith

Wednesday 31 October
No volunteer

Thursday 1 November
Merrilyn

Friday 2 November
Elona

Monday 5 November
Elona

Tuesday 6 November
Alison Blanch

Wednesday 7 November
Merrilyn

Thursday 8 November
Cindy and Kim

Friday 9 November
Elona

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Gloucester HS is very fortunate to have a supportive community that works with the school to provide opportunities for our students to enhance their time at school and provide them with lifelong skills. On behalf of Gloucester HS, I thank our families and the community for this support.



We ended last Term on a high, with the annual Tri Challenge event at Rocky Crossing. This is an amazing event that brings the town of Gloucester together with our school. Students from the high school and primary school competed; staff and students manned check points; community members were involved as sweeps in the run, ride and kayak; P&C and Lions provided the food and drinks; Barrington Outdoors Adventure Centre supported us with kayaks, training and staff supervision on the river; Gloucester SES and MidCoast Council supervised the roads and provided us with additional 2-way radios; bus drivers transporting the students enjoyed the day and the parents and family came along to support their children. Thanks to Mr Cameron and his team for the thorough planning and organisation of the event and development process with the Department of Education of the risk management plan for the day.

The beginning of Term 4 is just as busy. Our Year 12 students have commenced their HSC examinations and we wish them the very best during this time. A reminder to students and parents that staff are available to support these students both academically and emotionally if needed.

Week 1 began with our Year 9 students travelling to Sydney under the supervision of Year Adviser Mr Davis. The reports back from the students were very positive around the sites visited and the bonding experiences they had with their peers and staff. Reports from the staff, again highlighted the joy of taking a great bunch of students away.

Last weekend, Rob Seale led the Silver Duke of Edinburgh group of 9 students on a 60 km walk over the Barrington Tops ending at Moppy. The students were supported on this long trek by Chris Moulds and Marika Edstein. It was a very challenging hike which started mid-morning on Friday and concluded late Sunday afternoon when the team was met at the bottom of the Bucketts by parent Peter Beard with a barbeque of bacon and egg rolls and juice. The students were transported to and from the site by parents – this is yet another example of community support for our students to ensure their



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued.....

exposure to a wider curriculum.

This week, Mr Cornall led our school team of 9 students to win the CO2 Dragster Challenge and Science and Engineering Day which was held at Bulahdelah Central School on 23 October. Congratulations to the team and thanks Mr Cornall. See Mr Cornall's report below.

On Tuesday, the science faculty took Year 8 students to Luna Park, not only to have fun, but to investigate the physics of mechanics. Once again the feedback was very positive.

On Tuesday night, Deb Hogan accompanied Liz Howarth to the Rotary Youth Public Speaking competition. The judges were very impressed with her performance and she has progressed to the next level to be held in Forster. Congratulations Liz.

This week, Year 10 students completed the Peer Support Program under the guidance of Mrs Andrews with support from Mrs Sorrensen, Mr Herps and the Senior Student Executive. The program develops leadership skills in Year 10 to assist them as leaders in the transition program for Year 6 students coming to high school next year.

Scone Beef Week commences this week. We have a team led by Ms Blake and supported by Gloucester HS Ag Committee and dedicated parents who support with donations of cattle, transporting of cattle and managing of the team. Many thanks to Ms Blake and our school community for providing our students with these wonderful experiences and we wish them well in this event.

On Wednesday, Senior Constable Scott Chester donated \$1000 from a golf fundraising event at the weekend. This money has been donated to support the revival of our Breakfast Club. Thank you for this kind gesture and ongoing support from the Gloucester Police. The Breakfast Club is an opportunity for community members to help out and meet with some of our students in the provision of a healthy breakfast as sustenance to start their day.

This has been a summary of the last 2 weeks, I may have missed some extra-curricular events, but from those listed it is evident that staff at Gloucester HS are committed to providing varied opportunities for students that support academic, social, emotional, cultural and physical outcomes. We are fortunate and grateful to the ongoing support of our families and the wider community.



During the holidays Courtney Webeck and Sarah Schiffmann attended NSW All Schools Athletics Carnival at Sydney Olympic Park Homebush. I am proud to announce that:

Courtney participated in 6 Para/multiclass events and broke the Australian TF12 records in the; 100m, 800m and discus and came first in the multiclass 800m.

Sarah came 2nd in the 1500m and 2nd in the 3000m running event.

Fantastic achievements for two very talented athletes.

Mrs Trudi Edman, Principal



2018 ICAS RESULTS

Congratulations to the following students on their effort and achievements in this year's ICAS competitions:

Mathematics: Emily Kearney (Y7) - credit, Charles Tonks and Ella Howe (Y7)- participation, Azren Snow (Y11)- credit, Billy Duli-hanty (Y11)- participation.

Emily Kearney achieved in the top 16% of Year 7 students in Australia and Azren Snow in the top 18%. Well done to these students.

Spelling: Emily Kearney (Y7)- credit and Ella Howe (Y7)- participation

Digital Technologies: Charles Tonks (Y7)- credit, Emily Kearney (Y7)- merit, Jessica Kernahan (Y8)- participation

Writing: Emily Kearney (Y7) and Jessica Kernahan (Y8)- participation

English: Emily Kearney (Y7)- credit, Ella Howe (Y7)- merit, Azren Snow (Y11) and Billy Duli-hanty (Y11)- distinctions.

Azren achieved in the top 4% and Billy in the top 11% of Australian students sitting the English competition. This is a fantastic achievement and both boys are to be congratulated on their success.



VALID8 SCIENCE TEST - YEAR 8 STUDENTS

The Valid8 Science Test is on Monday 5 November for Year 8 students. Any students away on Monday will have the opportunity on Tuesday 6 November Periods 1 and 2 to do their test. Students will be doing sample tests prior to Monday 5 November to familiarise themselves with the process of the test. Students will be required to bring their own earphones. For more information please click on the link below.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/student-assessment/assessment-and-reporting/media/documents/2018-VALID-Info_Gov-Schools.pdf

Notice of update to Year 7-10 Examinations Weeks 2018

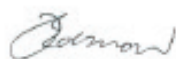
The following are the new time periods for 2018 Gloucester High School Yearly Examinations.
This information supersedes any other previous notice.

Year 10 Week 5 - Starting Monday 12/11/2018

Year 9 Week 6 - Starting Monday 19/11/2018

Year 8 Week 6 - Starting Monday 19/11/2018

Year 7 Week 5 - Starting Monday 12/11/2018



Trudi Edman
Principal
24 October 2018



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NEW NSW PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION 7-10 SYLLABUS – PARENT SURVEY

What is the Australian Curriculum?

In NSW the Australian curriculum is being implemented through syllabuses developed by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA). NESA has developed a new Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) syllabus for Kindergarten to Year 10. The new syllabus includes Australian curriculum content and further detail that clarifies learning.

When will the PDHPE syllabus be taught in NSW?

Year 7-10

2018 Planning and familiarisation

2019 Implementation Year 7 and Year 9

2020 Implementation Years 7–10

What will my child learn at school?

The new syllabus builds on the strengths of the existing PDHPE 7–10 curriculum. The syllabuses identify the knowledge, understanding, skills, values and attitudes that students are expected to develop in PDHPE. The syllabus is designed to give schools flexibility to treat all issues in a manner reflective of their own context and ethos, for the needs of their students and within their own policy requirements.

Therefore, we are seeking parent feedback on current PDHPE programs and suggestions for improvements for future programs to fully cater for your child's needs. Please click on the link below to complete this short survey regarding the new syllabus:

<https://goo.gl/forms/1wcL1eO9gW905iMW2>

Students will also have an opportunity to complete a survey here at school early this term, so parents please complete the survey from your point of view only.

Thank you for your feedback.

PD/H/PE Staff

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Season Starts Wednesday 10th October
Registrations Close Thursday 1st November

- Registered Junior \$44
- Unregistered Junior \$55
- Registered Senior \$60
- Unregistered Senior \$95



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE LOOK ON OUR WEBSITE
JUNIOR COMP - 6YRS - 9YRS (15 MINUTE HALVES)
10YRS - 14YRS (20 MINUTE HALVES)
SENIOR - 15YRS UP (20 MINUTE HALVES)
WWW.GLoucestersoccerNSW.ORG/SUMMER-65

BREAKFAST CLUB IS ON AGAIN

Gloucester High School kicked-off our community breakfast club on Thursday 25 October.

We had toasted cheese and tomato sandwiches along with watermelon, oranges and apples.

A small team of student helpers aided in the preparation and serving of food. A team of dedicated teachers will manage the running of this program each week.



Representatives from Gloucester Lions Club, Police, Neighbourhood Centre and GHS P&C were present to share breakfast with the students.

This was a great way to start the program and we hope we can provide opportunities for our community agencies and students to come together each week.

With a very generous donation made by Gloucester Police Station of \$1000 we can move forward with confidence about this program.

A big thanks to all helpers who attended from our community, staff and students. This is only the beginning and we hope it leads to great opportunities for all.

We plan to run this each Thursday until the end of term.

Mr Mik Wisely, Deputy Principal

PARENT WEBINAR: SCHOOLIES CELEBRATIONS - ADVICE FOR PARENTS



Session for parents and staff of Year 10, 11 and 12 Students - Thursday 1 November 2018 8.30-9.30pm

Click on the hyperlink below for full details

<https://www.isdcn.edu.au/Events/Pages/EventRegistration.aspx?NbnEventDateId=%7b5ddd789d-e18e-e811-a2bc-0050568d2360%7d>

YEAR 10 HISTORY

Year 10 have just finished the Vietnam War topic where they looked at Australia's involvement in this war and the differing perspectives surrounding conscription. Vietnam Veteran (Peter Clapson) came and spoke to the students in the last week of Term 3. Thank you Mr Clapson, it was a fascinating talk.



We also had a student bring in some war relics and gear to show to the class.

Miss Ross



STEM CHALLENGE DAY + CO2 DRAGSTER COMPETITION

On Tuesday 23 October, Year 9 iSTEM attended the first interschool competition between the Greater Barrington STEM Community schools, Bulahdelah, Dungog and Gloucester. The Competition saw students complete a variety of STEM challenges and compete in a CO2 Dragster competition where students design and engineered Balsa wood CO2 dragsters to race. Awards were handed out for fastest car, best engineered, best design folio, and winning school.

Ezekiel Llewellyn was awarded best design folio for his work. Overall Gloucester High School was awarded Champion School of the day with students achieving first in the STEM challenges. Congratulations to Lucy Corbett, Chloe Edstien, Will Germon, Hayden Reid, Ben Haynes, Jarrod Commons, James Latimore, Ezekiel Llewellyn and Tristyn Beard for all your great work.

Mr Cornall





MILLER HIGH VISIT 2018



Host a student from Miller High School for 3 nights!

Participate in activities during the week, including climbing the Bucketts!

Make life-long friends.

Learn about people from other cultures!

Tuesday November 27th to Friday November 30th.

See Mr Davis or Ms Pickett for a note and further information!



MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL RETURNS TO GHS AND WE NEED YOU!

The Gloucester High School Multicultural Festival will return to GHS this year after a two year hiatus. This has been an amazing experience for our students in the past, offering valuable educational opportunities and unique insights into the lives of young people who have had different life experiences to their own. The emotional bond that is built between our students and our visitors is truly phenomenal. In fact, it was a feature of a nationally televised documentary, *Cast from the Storm*, about the creation of the play that is the main showcase of the visit.

This year's Multicultural Festival will take place from **Tuesday November 27th to Friday November 30th**. The festival will include a MAD night, a performance of the *Tree of Life* play, a multicultural foodfest, a social and some other whole school activities.

The most exciting part of this event is, of course, the visit to Gloucester by a number of students from the Miller Intensive English Centre in South Western Sydney. These students represent a very diverse range of cultural backgrounds and are very keen to experience all that a small country town has to offer. But they need somewhere to stay. As a part of this visit we are looking for families willing to billet these students during their 3 day visit. Please note that, due to cultural differences, some students may need to adhere to particular dietary requirements.

If you are willing to provide accommodation for these visiting students please complete the expression of interest form below and return it to Mr Davis or Ms Pickett before the end of Week 2, Term 4. This is a great opportunity. Please don't allow sporting or work commitment to stand in your way of hosting a student. We can work around most obstacles.

Please call us on 65581605 or email Scott at scott.davis10@det.nsw.edu if you have any queries.

Scott Davis & Judith Pickett

Mr Scott Davis & Ms Judith Pickett
Multicultural Festival Co-ordinators

Expression of interest to billet visiting students

I would be interested in providing accommodation for _____ student(s) from **Tuesday November 27th to Friday November 30th**.

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature _____

 SCHOLASTIC - Book Club

Pick up your Book Club Catalogue Order (Issue 7) from the LIBRARY. Orders for this issue need to be returned and paid for at the Front Office by 2/11/18

YEAR 9 SYDNEY ADVENTURES!

What a week!

A week containing long bus rides and lots of ice cream was one that had many highs and lows. The Sydney days contained good Wi-Fi, too many stairs, laser tag virgins, missing the Royals, heaps of attractions and multiple Instagram posts. A week with friends and cheap food was also filled with stuffy rooms that smelt like old socks and blankets that had some disturbing stains. But at least we were together!



Everyone started the trip with a jet boat ride and soaking their best clothes after the protective red ponchos failed to do their job! One of the highlights of everyone's day on that first day, was the yummy gelato at Circular Quay. At the Sydney Tower Eye, Jack B got over his fear of heights (kind of); at the Sydney Observatory, we got to see Saturn and Tahnee asked many intelligent questions, maybe.....

Wednesday started with penguins and sea turtles at the Sydney Aquarium then onto modelling with Kendall Jenner and kissing Matty J at Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum. The tour of ANZ Stadium was interesting and some students even got to sit in Rabbit Warren's broadcasting chair.

We also explored the Sydney Opera House, it's like no other building. We climbed hundreds of stairs to reach the top of the Harbour Bridge pylon. We blew heaps of money on photo booths and shopped til' we dropped. Captain Cook himself joined us on a wonderful Captain Cook Cruise. Actually, it wasn't Captain Cook, it was Mr Davis. Oh well. Same vintage.

We spent hours in Paddy's Markets and enjoyed the delicacy of real Chinese food in Chinatown. Even Darcy, who said that he doesn't like 'Chinese', seemed happy. As we ventured around the Powerhouse Museum, we discovered a beloved childhood memory, the Wiggles Big Red Car.

Harry and Meghan snubbed us at Bondi Beach but we still got to walk (again!!) around the cliffs, enjoying the scenery and the strange artworks (Buddha!) created for Sculptures by the Sea.

It was a week well spent with friends. And we learned a thing or two as well. A week we will remember forever.

Thanks to Mr D, Ms Corbett, Mr Cornall and Mrs D for looking after us.



by Chloe Edstein & Makayla Battams on behalf of Year 9.





28 OCT 18 SWIM CLUB

1 to 2 pm - 1 hour free coaching for all members
2 to 3.30pm - Swimming Club Meet

Membership \$89
(includes 6 hrs free coaching)
Membership 7 yrs & under free

Stroud Seals Swim Club

Meet one Sunday each month

1 hour free coaching before each meet

1st meet free 28 Oct 18

Swim Club Dates:

28/10/18 18/11/18 23/12/18
 20/01/19 17/02/19 24/03/19

STROUD SEALS
 Stroud Community Swimming Pool

Phone 0467291996

stroudseals.swimming.org.au

stroudseals.swimclub@outlook.com



ARE YOUR KIDS READY FOR THEIR SCHOOL CARNIVALS?

Stroud Seals Junior Dolphins 12-week program

Don't wait till it's too late. Get your kids ready for those school and state swimming carnivals. The Stroud Seals swim club are running a 12-week coaching program to prepare your kids for success.

Coaching sessions are run by both a Bronze licensed swimming coach and a qualified teacher of competitive swimming, with a combined knowledge of over 20 years of swimming experience. The program is separated into 2 levels. Junior Dolphins 1 (JD1) program which will include 1 session per week (45mins), and Junior Dolphins 2 (JD2) program which will include 2 sessions per week (1hr per session). The coaching program will commence on the 31st of October, running sessions on Wednesday afternoon and Saturday morning. For more information please contact James via email at james@awstructures.com.au.



Swimming the Community Together



12 WEEKS OF COACHING FOR GREAT PRICES

ONLY \$12 PER WEEK FOR JD 1 PROGRAM OR \$18 PER WEEK FOR JD 2

COACHING PROVIDED BY SWIMMERS FOR SWIMMERS

PLEASE CONTACT JAMES VIA EMAIL
 JAMES@AWSTRUCTURES.COM.AU



Learn-to-Swim



Have your child taught to swim by fully trained, Professional AustSwim Accredited Teachers. A new 8 week program will commence the week starting Monday 22nd October until 15th December 2018.

Parent/Child Classes for infants \$12.50 / session - 9am Wed & Fri \$ 85 (8 Week Up Front)
 1 on 1 (proven as a great success) \$22.50 / session - 1/2 hr session \$155 (8 Week Up Front)
 Small Group Lessons \$12.50 / session \$ 85 (8 Week Up Front)

We are offering Learn-to-swim lessons on Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri (am & pm) and Sat (am only)

Email: pool@gloucester.nsw.gov.au or ring 6538 5270

All payments or correspondence must be completed at the Hydrotherapy Pool entrance.

Classes are filling fast so don't miss out....!

BRONZE MEDALLION ACCREDITATION AVAILABLE
 BOOK AT POOL



Gloucester Thunderbolts Swimming Club

The season kicks off on Thursday 18th October 2018 at 6pm.

Come and enjoy a great family night out. If you would like any further information please contact Janelle Davis on 6558 9639. Squad training starts on Monday 15th October 2018. SENIORS WELCOME

Names are now being taken for the squads and family passes for the upcoming season by calling the Hydrotherapy Pool between the hours 6am and 5pm. Once again we have highly qualified Coach Sue Kingston.

Training Times: Squids: 3.20pm - 4.00pm
 Dolphins: 4.00pm - 5.00pm
 Sharks: 5.00pm - 6.00pm
 } Mon, Tue & Wed Afternoons

Cost: Payment is per term - 15th Oct - 10th Dec - Term 4 2018

Card Holders: 1 Child -\$120 2 Children -\$160 3 or more -\$190

Non Card Holders: 1 Child -\$170 2 Children -\$200 3 or more -\$230

* FREE come and try nights 15th, 22nd & 29th October 2018.

We have 2 brick electric BBQ's free of charge to patrons. Book for parties, work functions or just bring the family for lunch. Gazebo also available by booking (Free)

Call Tad and staff on 6538 5270 to make a booking.



Gloucester Olympic & Hydrotherapy Pool Activities 2018 - 2019



Olympic Pool Heated to 24°

Opening Day - Saturday 29th September 2018

Hours: 6am - 6pm Weekdays
 11am - 3pm Weekends and Public Holidays (29th September - 3rd November)
 11am - 6pm Weekends and Public Holidays (10th November - 4th March)
 11am - 3pm Weekends and Public Holidays (9th March - 28th April)

Entry Fees: Entry fee: \$4 (Pensioners & under 16's)
 \$5 (Adult)
 3 Monthly Pass: \$232 Family
 \$150 Adult Single
 \$115 (Pensioners & under 12's)
 Family Season Pass: \$412
 1 Day Family Pass: \$12.50 (Immediate family shown on Medicare Card)
 Season Unlimited Single Pass: \$260 (can only be used by the Person shown on the card)

Call in and discuss money saving options on pool passes!

Wi-Fi Available to paying customers and card holders

Early Morning Lap Swimming

Olympic Pool - Lane available from 6am - 9am. All day lap swimming also available, talk to staff to avoid busy periods. A great way to start the day and improve fitness!

* Floating Mats are available for hire \$1.00 per hour

Social Exercise Group

If you would like some light exercise in a friendly environment then join our Social Ladies at 9.30am - 10.30am Monday to Friday. Cost is \$4 pensioner or \$5 Adult.

Gloucester Olympic Pool Canteen

We also stock: Swimmers, Goggles & Merchandise

A variety of Hot & Cold Food and Drinks, Ice Creams and Ice Blocks and Confectionary too.

Waders Pool

The waders pool is now solar heated, and the dragon's head water feature makes it extra fun for the little ones.

Hydrotherapy Memorial Pool Heated to 34.5°

Hours: 6am - 5pm Weekdays
 8am - 11am Saturday Only

Entry Fees: Adult: \$7.50
 Pensioner and Under 16: \$6.50
 3 Month Pass: \$155
 3 Month Family Pass: \$206

If Olympic Pool Entry is Closed Please Access both pools through Hydro Pool Entry

* Membership Cards must be swiped on entry

Saint Paul's Anglican Church
Saturday 10th November at 2pm

Classical Guitar & Saxophone Recital



Dennis van Rooyen (classical guitar)
and
Alice Morgan (saxophone)

Both Dennis and Alice are graduates of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and performed in various venues throughout New South Wales

Venue:
Saint Paul's Anglican Church, Hume Street, Gloucester

Tickets
\$15 (adult) and \$10 (pensioner) available at the door from 1:30 pm. School students are free.

Enquiries:
Rob Llewellyn/Church Office (02) 65581065
Dennis 0439373550

SCHOOL VISION STATEMENT

Gloucester High School aims to develop a supportive learning environment that engages all students, teachers and community in the pursuit of excellence.



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