

School Calendar 2019

Monday 11 November

Y7 & Y10 Yearly Examination week
Remembrance Day

Thursday 14 November

Breakfast Club for Students 8 - 9am

Monday 18 November

Y8 & Y9 Yearly Examination week
P&C Meeting 7pm BG18

Wednesday 20 November

Y6 High School Visit 1.30 - 3.15pm

Thursday 21 November

Breakfast Club for Students 8 - 9am

Friday 22 November

Y9 & Y10 Duke of Ed Walk - Depart GHS
10am - Arrive Polblue 12pm Sun 24 Nov

Monday 9 December

Presentation Night

CANTEEN - Phone 65589963

Monday 11 November

Elona

Tuesday 12 November

Merrilyn

Wednesday 13 November

Amanda

Thursday 14 November

Mel

Friday 15 November

Elona

Monday 18 November

Elona

Tuesday 19 November

Vanessa

Wednesday 20 November

Susanna

Thursday 22 November

Cindy & Chris

Friday 23 November

Elona

ROTARY PUBLIC SPEAKING SUCCESS FOR LIZ

The local round of the Rotary Public Speaking competition was held Tuesday 29 October. Ezekiel Llewellyn and Elizabeth Howarth tied to go through to the next round, which was in Taree on Monday 4 November. Zeke spoke about the freedom of speech and Liz about the impact of social media on today's youth.

Unfortunately Zeke was unable to attend the second round. Liz went up against a representative from Manning Valley Anglican College where she spoke confidently on the negative impact of social media and was selected to progress through to the semi-finals which will be held in Taree in February 2020. The judges commended Liz on her speaking skills and engaging presentation. Congratulations, Liz!



Elizabeth Howarth with teachers Miss Layne Ross, Mrs Judy Ingram and Mrs Colleen Sorrensen



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our Year 12 students have completed their HSC examinations. I'm sure this will be a relief for many. They have their farewell formal dinner next Friday night. Not only will Year 12 be eagerly awaiting their results (due online 17/12/2019), some students have applied for early entry into university and will be awaiting to hear whether they were successful in attaining a position for next year. Once again we wish them well in their future endeavours.



I received feedback from Dave Bignell (transported our cattle to Scone Beef Week – many thanks for your support of our students), who informed us that we received very good carcass results from our cattle. Well done students and staff.

Last week I attended the viewing of our Year 7 English Multimodal assessment tasks. I was most impressed with the variety and depth of knowledge and effort that the students devoted to this task. The task demonstrated the many ways students are able to learn, be engaged, manage their learning, and the amazing scope of interests and talents they were able to bring to this task. It was pleasing to see the pride the students had in their work as they were explaining their completed assignment to their parents and grandparents. Congratulations to Year 7 and to the teachers who initiated and implemented this activity. To have an afternoon tea for parents and grandparents was a fitting way to conclude a unit of work and to promote student achievement.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Howarth for her successful progression to the next round in the Rotary Public Speaking Competition. Elizabeth represented the Gloucester Rotary Club at Taree last Tuesday evening and now progresses to the next stage at district level.

I would like to draw your attention to the following link. How to be safe on social media:

<https://thepocket-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/news/2019/9/how-to-be-smart-and-safe-on-social-media.html>

We have had a number of issues with students misusing social media platforms. I would like to remind parents that the Department of Education's computer server blocks students from using social media. The issues arise when students inappropriately use their personal data to access these sites at school. As part of the curriculum, we have provided lessons on the dangers of accessing social media sites, guest speakers and police to speak with year groups and individual students. I would like to ask parents and carers to also discuss safe and respectful use of these sites and mobile phone etiquette, perhaps monitor what is being accessed, refrain from contacting your child during lessons and I recommend mobile phones are not brought to school. We have very caring office staff who can relay a message from you to your child or provide access to the phone if your child needs to phone you. Too often the mobile phone becomes a distraction in the classroom and stifles face to face communication with peers. We are currently reviewing our mobile phone policy based on current research and the Department of Education recommendations.

You are probably aware that a nursing home is currently being built adjacent to the school's southern boundary. The site manager has asked that I share the temporary road work changes with our community - please see details on following page. They have also requested students walking to and from school follow the directions and signage of the road crew to ensure their safety.

Update on Cooler Classrooms – the installation of the air conditioners is well underway. Rooms that have never had air-conditioning are now a more conducive space for learning. The installation will probably continue until the end of term. To date there has been minimal disruption due to class room changes.

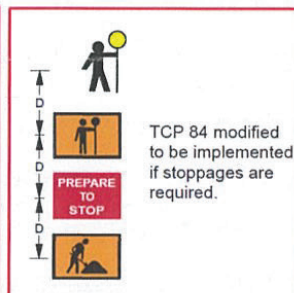
I would also like to draw your attention to the school uniforms that are displayed in the foyer of the school. These can be purchased through the school for your convenience.

Mrs Trudi Edman, Principal

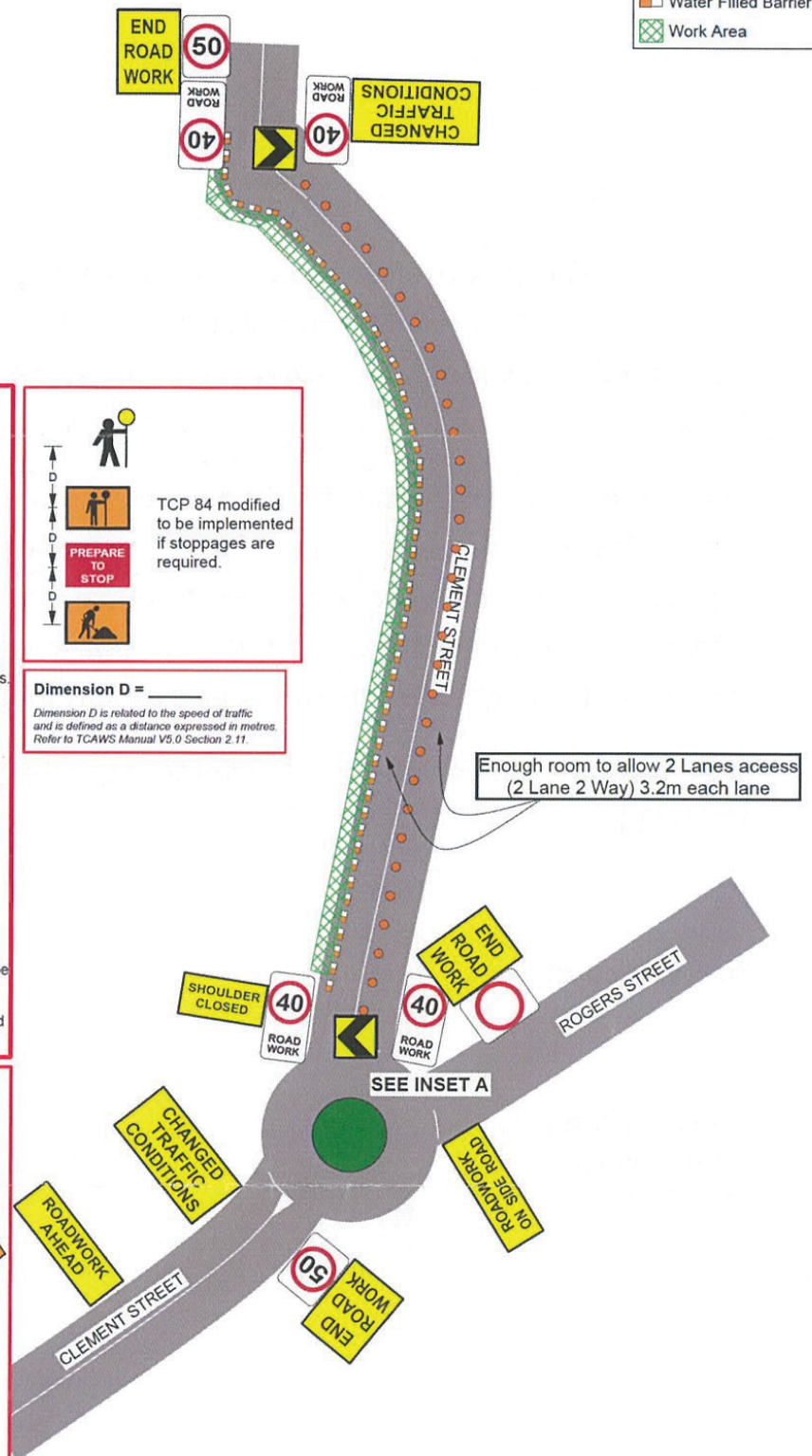
JAE - CLEMENT STREET, GLOUCESTER

Legend	
	Bollard
	Cone
	Traffic Controller
	Water Filled Barrier
	Work Area

- NOTES**
NOT TO SCALE
1. Signage to be placed to best suit road and sight conditions.
 2. Class 1 reflective as 1742.3 refer RMS TCAWS V5.0 Appendix B.
 3. Effected property owners to be notified of the proposed works schedule including changed conditions.
 4. Emergency services, local bus companies, taxi services and waste management collection providers (if applicable) to be notified of proposed changed conditions.
 5. Private driveway and business access to be maintained at all times, or alternate arrangements provided prior to commencement of works.
 6. All works crew and vehicle drivers to be briefed on TCGP conditions including pedestrians, cyclists and local resident and business access.
 7. Daily risk assessment to include pedestrian and cyclist movements, and Pedestrian Movement to be monitored at all times.
 8. Access for public to route buses to be maintained (if applicable).
 9. Work vehicles and plant to have at least one operating rotating or flashing yellow light.
 10. All site traffic to adhere to normal traffic conditions. No U-Turn or reversing on live carriage ways unless under traffic control.
 11. If traffic control is required onsite Traffic Controller to maintain escape route at all times.
 12. Only a team leader with Prepare Work Zone Management Plan Card can make modifications to this plan.



Dimension D = _____
 Dimension D is related to the speed of traffic and is defined as a distance expressed in metres. Refer to TCAWS Manual V5.0 Section 2.11.



Date: 08/08/2019 **Author:** Jacquilyn Clifton #0051973498 **Project:** Jim Anderson Earthmoving
Comments:
 TCGP for Kerb and Verge works on Clement Street Gloucester



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DRAMA STUDENTS IN (FAKE) BUS CRASH!!



Last Thursday, a group of 20 Drama students went out to Barrington River Lodge to help stage a mass accident for Newcastle University training doctors at a Wilderness Week Camp. We had to pretend we had acquired injuries from a bus crash. We were all given different levels of injuries and fake wounds. Riley had his arm amputated (fake). The doctors rescued us, giving us drugs (fake), putting us on stretchers and applying neck braces. Some people even went into surgery (fake). We all had a fantastic time and would like to (fake) die again next year. It was a great opportunity and we all loved the experience! The only negative was having to watch Mr Davis' bad acting (also not fake)!

By Anita Jackson and Brooke Willis (maybe fake depending on Mr Davis' reaction to "bad acting" comment)



GREAT RESULTS AT STATE ATHLETICS

Three students from Gloucester High School competed at the NSW Combined High Schools (CHS) Athletics Championships late last term.

Courtney Webeck had an excellent meet where she finished 1st in the U19 Girls Multi Class 800m, breaking the record in the process. She also finished 2nd in the 100m, 200m and Long Jump.

Anthony Shultz came 5th in the U14 Boys Shot Put, throwing 11.76m. Ryan Benson also competed in the U17 Boys Javelin where he threw 36.22m.

From her performances at CHS, Courtney qualified for the NSW All Schools Championships where she again won the 800m and was 3rd in the long jump and 4th in the 200m. Courtney has now Qualified to compete at National All Schools Athletics Championships 2019 in Perth. Great effort Courtney.



NOTES ON UPCOMING EXCURSIONS

YEAR 9 SYDNEY EXCURSION

Tuesday 13 to Friday 16 October 2020

This excursion will provide our Year 9 students the opportunity to see and enjoy a range of the city's features, attractions and expose students to a city-based lifestyle markedly different from their normal day-to-day experiences. The social and personal development arising from spending an extended period of time with their peers (and teachers) in unfamiliar surroundings outside the structure of a normal classroom will also be significant.

Toni Stanton, as Year Adviser, has been liaising with a tour group organiser to develop an itinerary. Further details will be provided early in Term 2 when the itinerary and cost details are finalised. We do not have a final costing yet but envisage it will be in the order of \$550-\$600. We anticipate the first instalment will be \$150 due Friday 14th February 2020 (Term 1, Week 3).

Please contact Toni Stanton at the school should you like to further discuss the excursion.

2019 YEARLY EXAMINATION TIMETABLES

Yearly examinations for Years 7 & 10 will take place Term 4, Week 5 (11 - 15 November)

Yearly examinations for Years 8 & 9 will take place Term 4, Week 6 (18 - 22 November)

Examination timetables are available on the Student Channel of the school website -

<https://gloucester-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/bring-your-own-device/examination-timetable.html>

Note: Students are not permitted to take Mobile Phones or other Electrical devices into the examination room.

1. Any cheating or misbehaviour, the student will be removed and the appropriate Head Teacher notified.
2. Students are to stay in the examination room for the duration of the examination period.
3. All examinations in the hall unless otherwise stated.
4. Classes will run as per normal timetable when not completing examinations.

SCONE BEEF BONANZA

On 24 October, a group of students went to Scone Beef Bonanza week with 9 animals. Following early morning starts, all students participated in preparing animals, keeping their stalls clean and providing food and water. While our stay at Scone had high temperatures, high winds, rain and a prolonged dust storm, the weather failed to dampen the student's enthusiasm. They all went on to present the animals they have been preparing for a number of months in the newly built parading arena.

Students' Results:

- Amy Shultz – 3rd in Paraders class
- Josh Norrie – 3rd in Paraders class
- Tayla Casey – Highly Commended in Junior Judging oral competition
- Bree Norrie – 5th in Paraders

Results for animals in Carcass Judging.

- 1st Profit - School Bred, Class 16, Heavy Middleweight
- 4th Pippa – School Bred, Class 8, Light Middleweight
- 5th Pablo – School Bred, Class 7, Light Middleweight
- 7th Pearla – A & C Luscombe Donated, Class 13, Heavy Middleweight
- 9th Pringles – A & C Luscombe Donated, Class 13, Heavy Middleweight
- 10th Patrick – School Bred, Class 11, Heavy Middleweight
- 12th Pepsi – School Bred, Class 14, Heavy Middleweight

Thank you to the Weller Family for the use of 'Pumba' the steer for paraders. A massive thanks to Dave Bignell for again driving the cattle to the show. Lisa Hollingsworth and Vanessa Osborne for coming along and helping out at the camp. As well as the P&C Ag Sub Committee for their continued support with the show team, in particular our President, Tim Norrie.

Also, huge thanks to Mr Seale, Mrs Davis and Miss Blake for taking us.

Regards, the 'Ag Show team' members

* More photos from Scone on the Gloucester High School [website](#).



Ethan Edwards with Profit



Amy Shultz - 3rd Paraders with Pearla

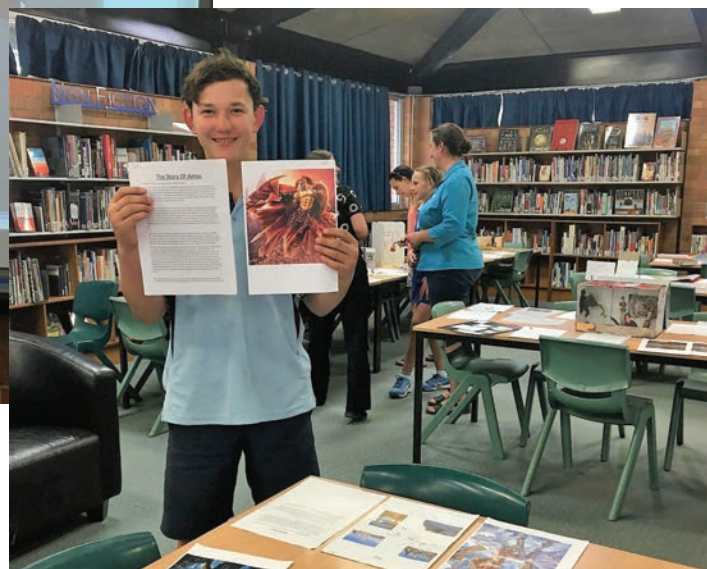
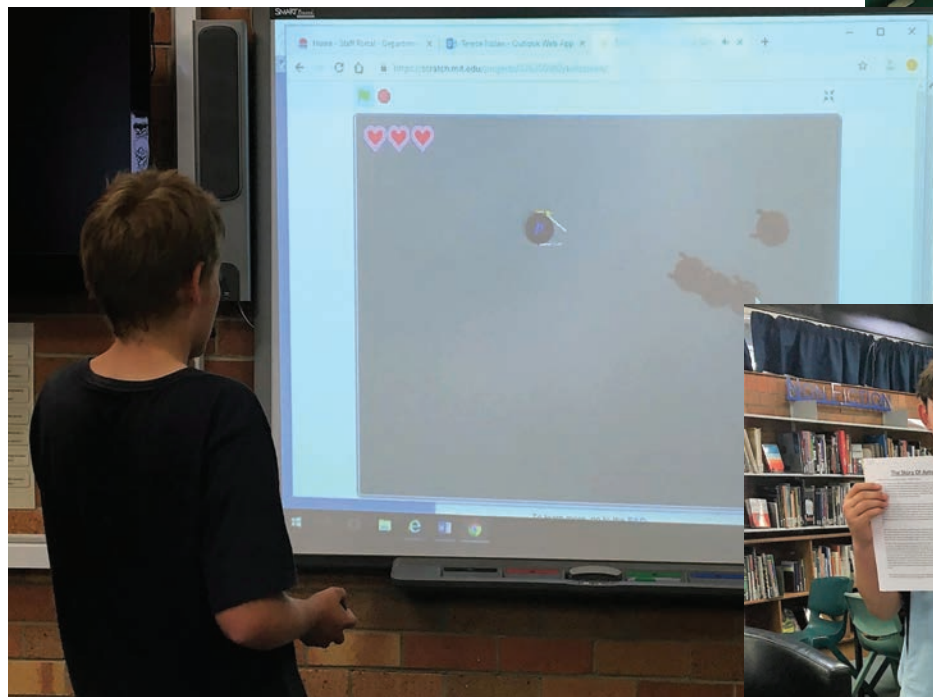
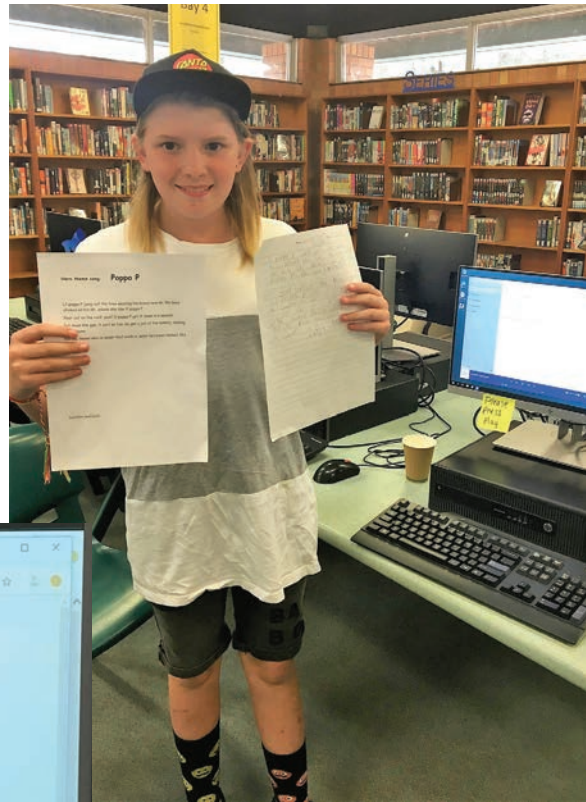


Josh Norrie - 3rd Paraders

YEAR 7 MULTIMODAL EXHIBITION

Throughout Term 3, Year 7 English students completed the novel study on Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan. The assessment for this unit was a multimodal project. Students and their teachers presented their work in Gloucester High School Library on Wednesday 30 October.

We would like to thank the parents and carers who were able to come along. We hope to hold further events like this in the future to show case our students hard work.



HEAD LICE NOTICE

There have been several reported cases of head lice within the school. Please check your child's head and follow procedures as per Department of Education website link below:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/student-wellbeing/health-and-physical-care/health-care-procedures/conditions/head-lice#Treatment1>

Tell head lice to nick off!

How to control head lice

- 1 Detect**
Use metal comb and combing solution to detect and remove head lice and their eggs
- 2 Treat**
KP24 has different types of head lice treatments; the latest RAPID, medicated and natural treatments. Use either treatment to kill head lice and break their life cycle.
- 3 Prevent**
Use egg remover and a metal comb to kill eggs and remove them from the head
- 4 Repeat**
Repeat the process after 7 days to effectively kill the cycle
- 5 Clean**
Wash bed linen and clothes in warm water with soaking solution to get rid of lice from home



How to identify head lice

- Head lice can be anything from greyish white to white in colour
- They are the size of a sesame seed
- Nits are the eggs, yellowish white in colour and are found on the hair shaft generally at the nape of the neck
- Adult lice may be found anywhere on the head
- Red bite marks or scratch marks are often seen on the back of the neck
- The eggs are sometimes mistaken for dandruff
- It takes several weeks exposure to the lice before itching develops
- Remember:
 - ✓ Head lice has nothing to do with hygiene
 - ✓ Head lice don't like short and plaited hair
 - ✓ The lice don't hop, jump or fly
 - ✓ Don't share hats, head bands or pillows



FAST! and effective head lice treatment



FREE DENTAL SERVICE

Dental Medical Mobile Services Group (DMMSG) will be visiting Gloucester High School: **Monday 25 - Friday 29 November 2019.**

Consent forms and details have now been provided to all students in Roll Call and are also available at the school office or via the Gloucester High School website. **This service will only go ahead if minimum numbers are reached.**

Please return consent forms by **Friday 15 November (Term 4 week 3).**

DMMSG are currently running a promotion in which all consent forms returned will go in the draw for a prize, the more consent forms returned within the school the better the prize!

Please visit our website for further information, eligibility criteria or to download consent forms.

<https://gloucester-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/parents--carers-and-the-community/dmmsg-dental-service.html>



GIVING YOU MORE REASONS TO SMILE

GET YOUR CONSENT FORM IN FOR A CHANCE TO WIN.



LOVE FOOD HATE WASTE

While Mr Seale's Year 7 Ag class is learning about a range of agricultural processes including planting and growing vegetables, soil health and composting, they are also looking at reducing waste. Specifically looking at food waste, it's impact on the household budget, the community and ultimately the environment. Community members are also encouraged to join the 'Food Smart Program' by registering on line.



Join our Food Smart Program

Food Smart is a free education program that helps you reduce food waste at home, save money and help the environment.

What Food Smart involves

1. Look at your current food waste habits
2. Collect your free Food Smart kit and receive tips to help make the most of your food
3. Showcase your new skills.



Register at: mailchi.mp/midwaste/foodsmart



lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au

This project is a NSW Government Waste Less Recycle More initiative funded from the waste levy.

MIDWASTE
Regional Waste Forum

PRESS RELEASE

Macquarie University is coming to Gloucester High School on 25 November 2019.

A team of enthusiastic representatives from Macquarie University, including the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Programs and Pathways) Professor Sean Brawley, will visit Gloucester, Dungog, Merriwa and Muswellbrook this November to give regionally based students a taste of what tertiary education has to offer.

The Roadshow is an initiative of Macquarie's LEAP (Learning, Education, Aspiration, Participation) program, which aims to raise aspirations, create possibilities and actively support students from disadvantaged backgrounds to consider a higher education as a post HSC option.

The team of 15 will be in Gloucester High School on Monday 25 November 2019 and will host daytime taster sessions for Year 10 and 11 high school students, plus after-hours parent and community forums. The Macquarie University Planetarium will be centre stage at the community event at Gloucester High School with Dr Devika Kamath and her Macquarie University Astronomy Crew.

All are welcome to come and join in the fun.

Local students, their families, and community members will have the opportunity to familiarise themselves with university life, possible study options, and additional offerings such as overseas exchange and work internships. It promises to be educational, fun and engaging with the "taster" sessions including a range of disciplines including Cognitive Science with Professor Mark Williams, Economics with Dr Prashan Karunaratne and Ancient History/Archaeology with Ms Gillian Smith.

Students will get to handle artefacts from Macquarie's amazing Museum of Ancient Cultures, be transported to Dunmore Lang College via virtual reality goggles, speak to academics and current Macquarie students, and much more.

Professor Brawley said the Roadshow has been designed to address a range of challenges facing regionally based students who have limited access to University campuses:

"We know that having contact with and visiting a university can influence a young person's decision to pursue further education. That's not so simple for students in regional and remote areas, so we are bringing Macquarie University to the bush," said Professor Brawley.

One important aspect that Professor Brawley is keen to share with students and their parents are the many pathways to university study:

"It is particularly important that both parents and students understand that the ATAR is not the only pathway into university. At Macquarie we have 11 different admission pathways, so I especially encourage students who had previously not considered university as an option to visit us while we're in the Hunter Region and let us answer any questions they have."

The team lead by Macquarie's Pro Vice-Chancellor (Programs and Pathways) Professor Sean Brawley and Bonnie Faulkner, Widening Participation Pathways Manager are available for interview. Please call Margaret Meehan to arrange a time on 0414 704 231.



Join us for an evening under the stars!

MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY'S PLANETARIUM IS COMING TO GLOUCESTER HIGH SCHOOL

COME ON A JOURNEY THROUGH THE WONDERS OF OUR UNIVERSE!

MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY AND GLOUCESTER HIGH SCHOOL INVITE YOU TO COME AND VISIT THE MQ UNIVERSITY PLANETARIUM.

This state-of-the-art structure allows students and members of the public to travel forward and backward in time whilst being immersed in space with the use of our 360-degree projection simulation.

With us, you will be guided through the solar system by one of our Macquarie University Astronomy and Astrophysics students and then taken to the outer reaches of the known universe. You'll also get the opportunity to chat with Dr Devika Kamal about Astrophysics and Astronomy.

Room for 40 people per 45-minute session with curriculum-based shows available.

WHEN: MONDAY NOVEMBER 25

SESSION TIMES: 4:30PM / 5:30PM / 6:30PM / 7:30PM

WHERE: GLOUCESTER HIGH SCHOOL, 129 RAVENSHAW ST, GLOUCESTER

ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM: [HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM.AU/O/28019703503](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/28019703503)

Join the Pro Vice Chancellor of Programs and Pathways and the team at Macquarie University for stargazing, food and fun! You'll be able to talk to academics, current students and support staff about pathways, scholarships, university life, entry programs, support options and more. If you're a student, parent, guardian, carer or community member, we'd love to meet you and your family. Everyone is welcome!

For more information about The Planetarium go to: <https://www.mq.edu.au/about/about-the-university/faculties-and-departments/faculty-of-science-and-engineering/departments-and-centres/departments-of-physics-and-astronomy/engage-with-us?a=90544>

WE LOOK FORWARD TO STAYING IN YOUR TOWN AND EXPLORING THE UNIVERSE WITH YOU!

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MACQUARIE
University

NOTIFICATION: CHANGE OF ROUTINE FOR ALL YEAR 10 AND 11 STUDENTS

As part of Gloucester High School's **School to Work Program**, all Year 10 and 11 students will be attending the Macquarie University's (MQ) **Widening Participation** Roadshow on **Monday 25 November 2019**. This compulsory event will take place at GHS and will run for the entire school day. Students will arrive and leave school as usual.

Below is an outline of the event:

MQ LEAP TASTER Schedule Outline

Timing - approximates	Action	Description
Roll Call / Period 1 hour	Bump in (Roll Call for students)	School representative
Period 2	MC opening introductions	
5 mins	Welcome to Country	
30 mins	Pro Vice Chancellor session	Myth busting about uni (including interactive clicker evaluation tools)
25 mins	Future Students	Current MQ Students from regional areas talking about their experience, pathways, areas of study and answering any questions (quite interactive)
5 mins	MC	Instruction on next steps
Recess	Morning Tea	MQ Staff to set up their workstations for concurrent sessions
Timing - approximates	Action	Description
Periods 3-4 Approx. 105 - 120 mins Faculty show (concurrent sessions) Duration: - 17 - 20 min at each station including moving time.	Economics	The economics of a productive business
	Museum of Ancient cultures	Artefact discovery/ mock dig
	Chiropractic	Interactive activities that show an understanding of the body's structures and how each interacts to affect our health.
	Cognitive Science	The Department of Cognitive Science we use a variety of methods - ranging from brain stimulation to philosophy - to better understand how the mind and the brain "work".
	Dunmore Lang College / Future Students/ Walanga Muru	Video tour of college/realities of moving away from home. With the assistance of MQ Indigenous unit Walanga Muru
LUNCH	VR 360 Goggles	Virtual Reality experience using Oculus Go Standalone Virtual Reality Headset
Period 5 25 mins	Final session – wrap up & evaluation	Do evaluations using clicker evaluation tool Draw lucky door prizes
30 mins		Students opportunity to follow up questions
45 mins	Bump out/ sign out	School Ends normal time

*If you have any questions, please contact Careers Adviser, Michael De Angelis on 6558 1605.

CAREERS NEWS

Newcastle University School Visit Day - Plan Your Day

28 November, Ourimbah Campus – 9:30am to 2:30pm

The University of Newcastle takes education outside the classroom and beyond the textbooks.

Come and experience what life is like as a first year uni student – attend lectures, take part in hands-on activities and have a good look around campus. It's your chance to learn more about the University and all that we have to offer, including our pathways programs and admission services. We know going to university is a big decision, and we're here to help you every step of the way.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Ourimbah campus.

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/study/schools-visit-day>

TAFE - Hundreds of choices delivered straight to your inbox

With over 1,200 courses to choose from, TAFE NSW can help you find your passion – and turn that passion into a career. We are the #1 choice for education in real-world, useable skills and courses – so take a look at what we have to offer.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/ambition>

Sydney Actors School Acting and Musical Theatre Applications Now Open

Applications now open for our 2020 acting ensemble! If you're serious about becoming an independent, confident actor for the Australian and International film industry then apply today to Australia's most exclusive acting school.

www.sydneyactorsschool.edu.au

The Grove Studios Academy, Careers in Music Open Day – Central Coast

Saturday 16 November

286 Mangrove Road, Somersby

Compose, create and connect to the music industry with the newly developed Diploma of Music Industry [CUA50815]. Based inside the iconic Grove Studios and grounds, kick start your career with this one of a kind studio based course. 1 year full time study. Visit:

<https://thegrovestudiosacademy.com/>

Youtube profile: https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=nfHw7JXz5q4

NIDA Young Actors Studio – 15 to 18 years Auditions

Develop your vocal, physical and imaginative dexterity as you explore and apply NIDA acting techniques.

Collaborate with other young artists in an ensemble to develop skills for stage and screen. Work with the support and direction from core tutors and gain inspiration from industry professionals.

Sydney

Sun 15 Dec, 2019 10am

Sun 19 Jan, 2020 10am OR 2pm

CAREERS NEWS continued.....

What is a “Food Technologist”

Food Technologists develop and improve existing food products (test flavour, colour, taste, texture and nutritional content) and set standards for producing, packaging and marketing food. They use chemistry, microbiology, engineering and other scientific methods to study the process of food deterioration.

A Bachelor Degree in Science majoring in food science, food technology, nutrition, chemistry or a related field is needed to work as a Food Technologist. Some Food Technologists complete postgraduate studies.

For more information on this career go to:

<https://www.joboutlook.gov.au/Occupation?search=Career&code=234212>

Information and Membership with the Australian Institute of Food Science and Technology is available at www.aifst.asn.au

LIBRARY NEWS

Wish list granted! GHS Library received a generous book donation from Midcoast Waste Services as part of the National Recycling Week promotion. We entered the promotion by compiling a wish list of books up to \$200. The only requirement was that the books needed to have a sustainability or recycling focus as part of National Recycling Week, which is 11th-17th November.



Our wish list included: Waste Not Everyday, The Ecology Book, Save the World: There is No Planet B, 100 Things to Know about the Planet Earth, 101 Ways to Go Zero Waste, Zero Waste: Simple Life Hacks to Drastically Reduce Your Trash, Plastic, Ahoy! Investigating the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Along with these fantastic resources came compost bins that will be used within the school and L/P-Plate holders that will be available from the front office (limit 1 per student).

A big thank you to Midcoast Waste Services for helping our school promote sustainability and recycling.

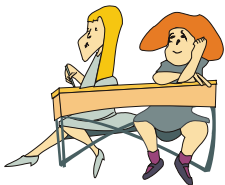


HATING ALISON ASHLEY

Gloucester High School will be hosting a “modern classic” when the award-winning play, ***Hating Alison Ashley***, is staged in the school hall on **December 13th at 7pm and Saturday December 14th at 2:00pm and 7:00pm.**

The play, based on the ever popular novel by Robin Klein and adapted for the stage by Richard Tulloch, will be performed by the talented students of Gloucester High School’s Year 10 Drama class. The students have been working on the play since Term 3 and will present it for primary and high school students before opening it up to the general public.

Hating Alison Ashley is one of the best loved of contemporary plays for young people. Adapted for a film starring Delta Goodrem in the title role, ***Hating Alison Ashley*** is a warm, wise and delightful tale about school, life, families and friendship. The play’s main theme is tolerance and self acceptance, topical issues given the recent events around the globe.

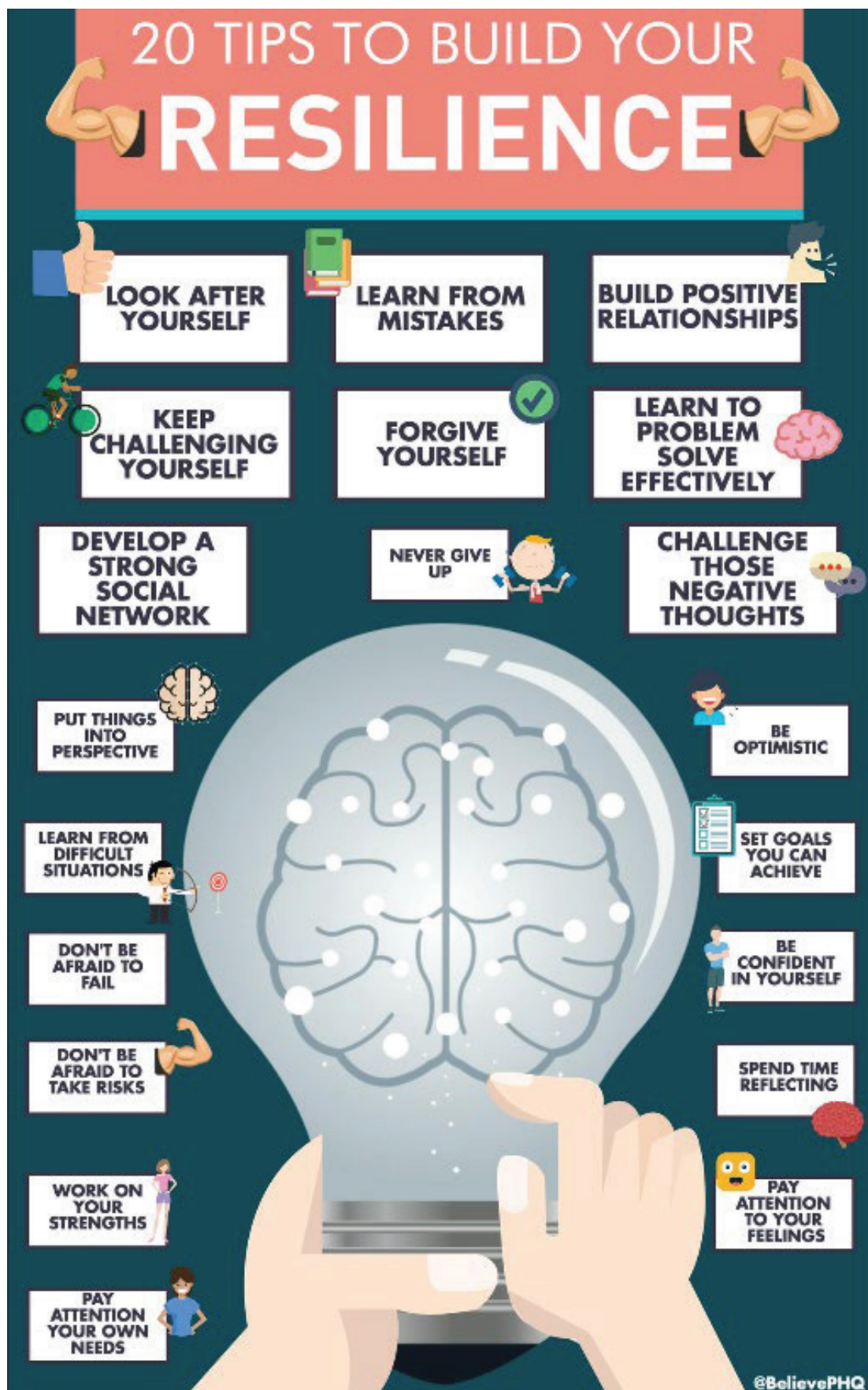


The story follows the trials and tribulations of Erica Yurken, a twelve year old girl whose life is perfect until the arrival at Barringa East Primary School of Alison Ashley, the most beautiful and intelligent creature ever to have walked the earth. As Erica strives to survive the embarrassment of her family and Alison’s apparent superiority in all things, she learns not only to accept others for who they are, but also to accept herself for who she is.

This is an acclaimed play that the Sydney Morning Herald called “almost continuously funny”. The Australian declared it “a triumph”.

The cast is led by Makayla Battams and Lucy Corbett, who will share the role of Erica Yurken, and Danielle Channon and Keira Macdonald, who will share the role of Alison Ashley. They will receive top notch support from Felicity Fyfe, Sharla Gammage, Georgia Harford, Chantel Martin, Natasha Murray, Amy Niddrie, Chloe Reid, Felix Snow and Courtney Webeck.

Tickets are four dollars at the door for the public performances.



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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