

## School Calendar

### Term 4

**Monday 10 October**  
Students Return

**Thursday 27 October**  
SRC Leadership Training Day

**Wednesday 2 November**  
Y6 transition afternoon

**Thursday 3 November**  
Y8 - VALID 8 test day  
Y7 Vaccinations (incl Y10 catch-ups)

\* All activities and events subject to COVID restrictions

### P&C

Our next P&C meeting will be:  
**Monday 17 Oct - 6.30pm - Room AG03**

### CANTEEN - Phone 65589963

**Monday 10 October**  
Vanessa

**Tuesday 11 October**  
Merrilyn

**Wednesday 12 October**  
Merrilyn

**Thursday 13 October**  
Emma

**Friday 14 October**  
Vanessa

**Monday 17 October**  
Vanessa

**Tuesday 18 October**  
Emma

**Wednesday 19 October**  
Merrilyn

**Thursday 20 October**  
Emma

**Friday 21 October**  
Vanessa

#### CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Once or twice a term, 10.30am-1.30pm  
No experience required, just a friendly face. Please contact us on 6558 9963.

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# FAREWELL YEAR 12!

It has been my privilege to be the Year Adviser for the group of young men and women that graduated this week.

I openly admit to being biased but I do think that the class of 2022 is a special group. Small in number, high in quality. You share a wonderful comradeship amongst you and you are a friendly, caring, courteous, respectful and talented group of people.

Whilst the Year 12 students may be the stars, they are not the only ones to have played a part. To all the parents, carers, grandparents, family members and special friends I also want to say 'well done' and congratulate you for the time and effort that you have invested into these students the past 18 years. You have had such an influential role in shaping the character of these amazing young people. They are a credit to you.

I look back on the past 6 years with pride, gratitude and satisfaction. It has been a pleasure to have been Year Adviser to Gloucester High School's class of 2022 and I wish each and every one of the 26 students graduating today all the very best.

**Mr Tony Kingston, Year 12 Year Adviser 2022**



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## Year 12 Special Awards

**Hayley Connell**

Gloucester High School Captain

**Lynelle Hester**

Gloucester High School Captain

**Emma Elder**

Gloucester High School Senior SRC

**Jessica Kernahan**

Gloucester High School Senior SRC

**Emily Walker**

Gloucester High School Senior SRC

**Lynelle Hester**

Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award

*Demonstrates leadership and teamwork within both the school and the community, displaying strong values, such as doing one's best, respect for others and "mateship"*

**Jessica Kernahan**

Ampol Award for the 'Best All Rounder'

*Recognises commitment in academic, leadership, sporting and community service activities*

**Anna-Rose Seale & Daphne Wilkes**

Reuben F Scarf Award for Commitment

*Recognises consistent effort and desire to improve*

**Laura Stone**

Gloucester High School Award

*Recognises achievement through Motivation and Commitment*

**Anna-Rose Seale**

Gloucester High School Service Award

*For outstanding Commitment and service to performing musical events for Gloucester High School throughout her school career  
Donated by Mrs Judith Ingram*

**Hayley Connell**

Gloucester High School Service Award

*For commitment and service to Gloucester High School throughout her school career  
Donated by Gloucester High School P&C*

**Laura Stone**

GHS Black OPAL Award 2022

*for achieving the greatest amount of Black OPAL Awards for 2022 (Ongoing Performance Assessment Log), awarded every 4 weeks for engagement, enthusiasm, effort and application in the classroom*



**Lynelle Hester**



**Laura Stone**



**Daphne Wilkes & Anna-Rose Seale**



**Emily Walker**



**Hayley Connell**



## Year 12 Special Awards

**Emma Elder**

Raymond Burton Memorial Prize

*For Spirited Effort*

*Donated by Mrs K Braunton in memory of Raymond Burton, former student of Gloucester High School*

**Laura Stone**

Derek Kerry Memorial Science Award

*Demonstrates commitment and understanding of Science concepts.*

*Donated by Mrs Suzanne Landers in memory of Derek Kerry, former student and teacher of Gloucester High School*

**Anita Jackson**

Tim Westcott Memorial Award

*For exemplary commitment to Drama*

*Donated by Gloucester Arts Cultural Council (GACCI) in memory of Tim Westcott, former teacher and member of GACCI*

**Laura Stone**

Leone Hooke Memorial Award

*For excellence in English*

*Donated by the Hooke family in memory of Leone Hooke, former teacher at Gloucester High School*

**Jessica Kernahan &  
Julius Hollingsworth**

P&C Ag Sub-Committee Agricultural All Rounder Award

*For Commitment and Application to Agriculture*

**Daphne Wilkes**

Turner Freeman Award

*For achievement in Business Studies*

*Donated by Turner Freeman Lawyers*

**Macy McMillan**

Mid Coast Connect Vocation Education and Training (VET) Award

*Displays excellence in Vocational Education and Training.*

*Donated by Mid Coast Connect*

**Tanai O'Brien**

NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge Medal

*For Commitment and contribution to sport and physical activity programs*



**Emma Elder**



**Anita Jackson**



**Macy McMillan**



**Julius Hollingsworth  
& Jessica Kernahan**



**Tanai O'Brien**

## Year 12 Academic Awards

**Laura Stone**

**First in Year 12**

**First in:**

Biology

English Advanced

Investigating Science

PDHPE

**Second in:**

Mathematics Advanced



**Daphne Wilkes**

**Second in Year 12**

**First in:**

Business Studies

English Standard

Visual Arts

**Second in:**

Investigating Science

**Third in:**

Biology

Mathematics Advanced



**Anita Jackson**

**Third in Year 12**

**First in:**

Drama

English Extension

**Second in:**

English Advanced

Visual Arts

**Third in:**

Mathematics Standard



Bronwyn Battle	Third in English Studies
James Breakwell	First in English Studies
	First in Industrial Technology
Hayley Connell	First in Hospitality
	Second in English Standard
Emma Elder	Second in English Studies
Melia Gauci-Mulder	First in Mathematics Standard
	Second in Hospitality
	Second in Legal Studies
Cooper Harrod	First in Mathematics Advanced
	First in Mathematics Extension
	Second in Biology
	Third in Investigating Science
Lynelle Hester	Second in PDHPE
	Third in Drama
Bailey Hughes	Third in Business Studies
Jessica Kernahan	First in Primary Industries
Macy McMillan	Second in Mathematics Standard
	Second in Business Studies
	Third in English Standard
	Third in Hospitality
	Third in PDHPE
Haden Rae	Second in Industrial Technology
Georgia Schultz	Third in Legal Studies
Anna-Rose Seale	Second in Drama
Brooke Willis	First in Legal Studies
	Third in English Advanced
	Third in Visual Arts

## YEAR 12 STUDENTS WHO HAVE ACHIEVED CERTIFICATES/QUALIFICATIONS EXTERNAL TO GHS

Tanai O'Brien	School based traineeship at the Gloucester Soldiers Memorial Hospital in Human Services (Nursing)
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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## Farewell Year 12

We farewelled our Year 12 students on Wednesday beginning with a breakfast for Year 12 students, their family and staff. This was then followed by the Year 12 Graduation Assembly (further details in this newsletter). After the graduation assembly, Year 12 Year Adviser, Mr Kingston and Miss Maggie Falla travelled out of town for celebrational activities of paintball and dinner. On behalf of students and staff we wish Year 12 well in the HSC examinations and their future endeavours.



## Spirit Day

Today House Spirit Day was celebrated. Students dressed in their house colours and competed in novelty activities aimed to lift spirit's and contribute to positive school culture. With assistance from SRC Coordinator, Ms Renee Berger, this was a student co-ordinated event. Congratulations to the SRC students for their positive contribution.

## Communication

I would like to mention the communication systems that we use to keep parents and carers informed:

- Fortnightly newsletters are emailed to parents, are available in the school foyer and distributed to organisations in town
- The electronic sign promotes events, students success' and weekly school expectations
- The SENTRAL Student Portal includes daily notices and individual student timetables
- The SENTRAL Parent Portal is active for parents to view the notices that are issued to students daily in roll call, view your child's attendance records, view your child's current timetable, view previous issued Academic Reports, request amendments to your contact details and emergency contacts. The portal is also available as Parent App which links into the parent portal. Instructions on how to do this are on the SENTRAL Parent Portal site and on our website under the parent channel.
- Daily SMS messages to parents for non-attendance and change of dates or times for events or return from excursions
- Written notes sent home with students (subject/course specific, excursions etc.)
- Emails to students with class work (seniors for revision, students on extended holidays, students with long term illness, students on suspension)
- Phone calls to parents informing them of student improvement or concerns
- The schools generic email [gloucester-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:gloucester-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au). This is read each day and the email will be forwarded to the appropriate teacher

A reminder to parents and carers to keep our office staff informed of any changes to your details please. This assists the school to keep you up to date with events.

I wish you all a very safe and relaxing holiday with family and friends.

**Mrs Trudi Edman, Principal**



## STUDENTS REPRESENT AT STATE ATHLETICS

We had 5 athletes represent at State level at Homebush Athletic Centre in Sydney this year. Ed Hollingsworth represented Hunter region in multiple multi-cat events. He participated in some track and field events and had some great results finishing just outside the top 3 in most events. Edward has great ability and has done the school and region proud with his efforts.

Our girls' relay team had a great day. The team came together and beat their best time by 3 seconds, narrowly falling short of qualifying for the finals. Massive thanks to all parents who took their students and best wishes to our athletes for next year's state event.

Below are some words of thanks from some of our athletes.

**Mr Mik Wisely, Deputy Principal**

"As a 13-year-old participating in a 15-year girls' race, it was such an incredible experience, and meeting so many new, nice girls. It was a long way to travel just for one race, but it was worth it. Running on that track felt so amazing and I would go back if I could. When I first got there, I was scared out of my skin but as it got closer to my race, I knew I was so excited to do this, and just could not wait to get onto that track and run my heart out. I enjoyed it so much and thanks Mr Schneider, for helping and training us we would not have made our personal best without him, and I would also like to thank Mr Wisely for helping us get to the stage we did and organising us throughout this experience". **Nylah Wisely**

"The day would not have gone ahead without Mr Schneider's help, coaching us and getting us ready for the day. The girls ran amazing, smashing our zone time by 3 seconds. The experience of the day was amazing, definitely a great memory I will forever have". **Emily Beggs**

"Going to state for the relay was a day that I will never forget. I would like to say a huge thanks to Julian for coaching us and teaching us new skills so we could do our best. Also, a huge thanks to Mr Wisely and Mr Cameron for letting us train at school and giving us the opportunity to attend state. We were told we had 3 rules to tick off. The third rule was to beat our hunter time which we did by 3 seconds. The second rule was to not drop the baton which we also ticked and as Julian said that the most important rule and the number one rule with any sport is to smile and have fun which we all did. Congratulations and a huge thanks to Jess, Nylah and Emily for running an amazing race and making the day amazing". **Kaitlyn Beggs**.



**U15 Girls Relay team: Jessica Howard, Nylah Wisely, Kaitlyn Beggs & Emily Beggs**



**Ed Hollingsworth with Shaun from New Lambton H.S. who assisted Ed to events over the two days**



## SPIRIT DAY 2022

While the wet weather today did limit the Spirit Day activities that could go ahead, that didn't put a damper on our school spirit! Spirit Day was a great way to send off the school term. Thanks to everyone that participated and represented your house and congratulations to the winning house - **BELBORA**





## SPIRIT DAY 2022 continued...





## MC CLASS PICNIC

On Monday 19 September the Multi-Categorical (MC) students met up with new friends from Taree High School. We met up at Billabong Park, we had fun getting to know each other and we enjoyed a picnic together. We can't wait until we travel over to Taree to meet up again next term.

The MC Class





## PIX FROM THE STIX

A number of students entered work into this year's 'Pix from the Stix' competition. Entries were exhibited in Gloucester Gallery and judged by Manning River Times photographer Scott Calvin. Pictured is Year 11 student Lachlan Gorton with his 3 entries, one of which received a special commendation. Mia Sharples from Year 10 also achieved a wonderful result, a 2nd place with one of her photographs of a magnolia.



## MATHS CORNER QUESTION (for students and parents)

### Question:

A rectangular area 20 m by 15 m is to be covered with rectangular tiles each 15 cm by 20 cm. The minimum number of tiles required will be

- A. 100      B. 1,000      C. 10,000      D. 100,000      E. 1,000,000

### Previous Answer:

Since the average remains at 4.5 when two extra numbers are added, their average must also be 4.5, hence their sum is 9, **hence the answer is B**

\* Maths corner questions have been provided courtesy of 'Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiads (APSMO) Inc' an advanced problem solving course currently being undertaken by some of our Year 7 & 8 students.



## YEAR 8 AG - TERM 3

With spring in the air (and in their step!), the Year 8 Ag class have been busy down in the Garden.



**Brad and Loch propagating Bana Grass**



**Brad and Loch watering their veggies**



**Watering trees in our koala corridor**



**Protecting trees in our koala corridor**



**Will, Brad and Kobi mount the newest nesting hollow**



## YEAR 8 AG - TERM 3 continued...



Mulching the orchard



Seth and Kobi spreading mulch



Kobi admiring Seth's veggies



Chon and Troy pruning



Preparing beds



## TREATING PARRAMATTA GRASS

On Friday 9 September, Jamie Andrews lent the school his spray rig so the Year 12 Primary Industries students could treat the schools infestation of Paramatta Grass with 'Soil Trooper' fungus. A big thanks to Jamie for giving us this opportunity to allow students to do this on our farm to try to get on top of the weed. It ties in well with their chemicals topic in their course.







## THANK YOU CBA

We would like to say a big thank you to Commonwealth Bank for choosing Gloucester High School as recipient of their latest Community Donation, which will go towards the installation of covered outdoor furniture near our playing fields.

## MIDCOAST COUNCIL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

### Free workshops for young people aged 12 – 24.

In the first week we have Movement and Choreography workshops with Kristina Chan. These workshops are for both young people with and without dance experience, that have a keen interest in movement, choreography and performance skills and will take place in Tuncurry, Taree, Gloucester and Tea Gardens. For more information and to register, please visit here:

<https://www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/Events/Movement-and-Choreography-workshops-with-Kristina-Chan>

In the second week of holidays, we have Koala and Nature Journaling workshops with Scott and Liesl Colyer from Living Strong, supported by Council's Senior Ecologist, Mat Bell. Participants will learn about complex interactions in nature which affect koalas, understand the habitat required by koalas, look for bush signs (tracks and scats) to indicate koala use, understand some of the importance and connection of Aboriginal people to the koala and learn about some local bush tucker along the way. These will take place in Wingham, Gloucester, Pacific Palms and Hawks Nest. For more information and to register, please visit here:

<https://www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/Events/Koala-and-Nature-Journaling-Workshops-with-Scott-Liesl-Colyer>

## CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG AT THE MEC

### FAMILY FUN these SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

With only days left to use your **NSW PARENTS VOUCHERS**, come and share some SCHOOL HOLIDAY excitement at the MEC with the family!

**WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER**  
**AT 3PM & 6.30PM**

This joyous production, of the story we all love, will be performed by some of the best young performers, aged 13-18yrs, from throughout the Mid North Coast.

A magical YOUTH touring production that's set to fly into the MEC for one day only before driving out of the region and up to Tenterfield, with its touring company of over 40 performers and crew - ALL FROM THIS REGION!

Performers and technical crew are from Port Macquarie, Taree, Forster and Gloucester.

There is no limit on the amount of **NSW PARENTS VOUCHERS** that can be used for each ticket purchase, so cash them in now before they expire 9 October!

## TELL THEM FROM ME

Tell Them From Me is a suite of surveys (for students, parents and teachers) for measuring student engagement and wellbeing. The surveys can be used to capture student, parent and teacher voices, providing reliable evidence for schools to use in identifying strengths and areas for improvement to support students at our school.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The surveys will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete, although the student survey is a little longer and may take 20 minutes, and is completely confidential.

Students will participate in the survey at school early in Term 4 (although we will try and get Year 12 students to participate before they leave at the end of Term 3)

Parents will have been sent information about the survey and also information on how they too can participate in the surveys. The parent survey is open from Monday 5th September until Friday the 4th November.

The results of the surveys are completely anonymous and confidential. The school will receive only aggregated data, which means we will not see individual responses from any participant.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary but the more responses we receive the better picture we have about how the school is operating and what areas we need to focus on to build a better school community.

If you want more information on these surveys you can go to [education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm](https://education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm) or contact Mr McInerney at the school.

We encourage you to participate in this survey.

## Gloucester Show 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> October

### Fine Arts Section

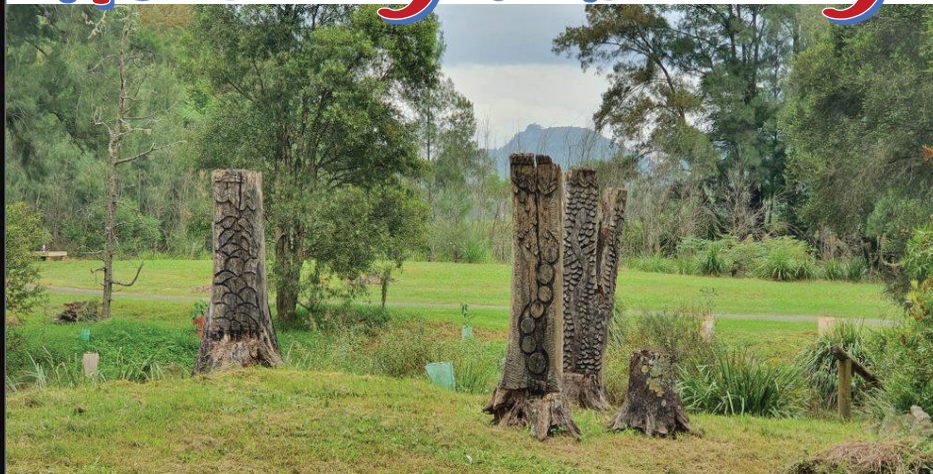
### There is a class for Student Works Get your paint and pencils out

Any medium, any subject, by artist who is a school student. This is an Open Entry, not part of the Junior Section. Entry fee is \$1. All entries are to be made at the pavilion entries office at the Showground, weekdays from Monday 17th until Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October, between 10am until 4pm. Note: Entries in this section close on Tuesday to enable hanging on Wednesday. All works are to be delivered to the stewards between 12 noon and 1pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October with competitor's ticket attached. All exhibits must be suitably framed with hooks and wires and be of a standard suitable to hang. Works will be hung at the discretion of the stewards. Exhibits for sale must have the price on the back of the work. Commission of 20% of marked price goes to Gloucester AH & P. All entries are to be collected and signed out on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October between 9am and 10am. No entries can be collected on Saturday evening.



# **Minimbah Gardens**

## **Holiday Fun Day**



**10am – 2pm**

**Tuesday 27 September**

**Minimbah Gardens**

(If wet weather, please check BWNG Facebook page on the day)

**Bush Tucker Gardening**

**Hair weaves**

**Kid's games and sport**

**Clay workshop**

**Face Painting**

**Treasure Hunt**

**Snake bite kits and demonstration**

**Boomerang throwing**

**Arts and Crafts**

**Sausage Sizzle**

**Face painting**

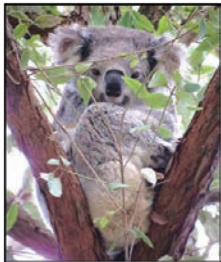
Please note BWNG organising event only, parent/adult supervision is required

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## Do you have isolated paddock trees and want to do more to support koalas and other wildlife?

There are many ARKS (Area of Regional Koala Significance) in the Mid Coast area where koalas are active: Kiwarrak, Barrington, Wang Wauk, Wallingat, Khappinghat, Crowdy Bay and Comboyne. Are you in or near one of these?

You can participate in the Koala Paddock Tree Regeneration Project now!

### DID YOU KNOW?

- ❖ Paddock trees provide shade and shelter for livestock, prevent erosion, store carbon, and are essential food and habitat for wildlife, including koalas and birds.
- ❖ Koalas and other wildlife use these trees as “stepping stones” across the agricultural landscape as part of their home range, but especially in the breeding season.
- ❖ When isolated paddock trees die, there are no younger trees there to replace them.



### WHAT DOES THE PROJECT INVOLVE?

- ❖ An electric fence around a selected paddock tree, limiting access by livestock, but allowing wildlife access. Fencing design and layout will be co-designed with landholders, with all materials supplied by Landcare.
- ❖ Landowners are expected to erect and maintain the fence and submit photos of the natural regeneration at the site annually over a three-year period.
- ❖ Some sites will be selected for more intensive monitoring for changes in biodiversity.

### WHAT DO WE WANT TO ACHIEVE?

- ❖ Collect data on natural regrowth versus planting; examine the impact of excluding livestock; create a small patch of bushland to act as a safe refuge for koalas and other animals; improve existing wildlife corridors; and ultimately grow trees which will replace the paddock tree when it dies.
- ❖ Once the patch of bush is mature enough, the fence can be removed, or you may wish to protect the area permanently.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact: Project Officer - Lauren Booth on 0402 131 674 or to register your interest, please email [Lauren@midcoast2topslandcare.org](mailto:Lauren@midcoast2topslandcare.org)

**Midcoast 2 Tops Landcare Connection** <https://midcoast2tops.org.au/>

This project has been supported by Hunter Local Land Services through funding from the Australian Government's Bushfire Recovery Program for Wildlife and their Habitat.



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**24TH SEPTEMBER  
2 - 4PM**

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**FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT ROBYN:**

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### 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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