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Principal's Report



Farewell Year 12

I would like to thank Year 12 as they prepare for their final week, for their service to the school, their goodwill and their humour. This is a special group of students who have a great deal of potential. More than that, they have endeared themselves to the GRC Oatley family.

The completion of Year 12 marks an important milestone for Year 12. Some have triumphed over particularly difficult personal challenges to reach this point. Their life will be very different from now on – now is a time for them to take a few moments to reflect on the things they have done to this point, and celebrate the great things that they have accomplished. Not all year groups are described by their teachers as witty, articulate, compassionate, motivated and intelligent. These words were used because, through their actions, they have demonstrated these qualities. Whether it be as part of the Creative and Performing Arts, the Industrial Arts, technology or computing sphere, linguistic ambassadors, authors, researchers, budding titration experts, the sporting arena or the magnificent service given by the leadership team. Collectively they have built the school spirit which makes it such a pleasure to be a part of GRC Oatley Senior Campus.

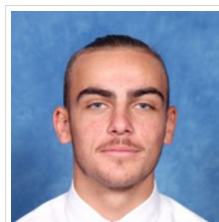
They are truly a credit to both their parents and the school.

2018 Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards

It was with immense pride and excitement that students, family members, teachers, Aboriginal Education staff and special guests entered The Great Hall of the University of Technology on Friday 7th September to celebrate the successes of students at the 2018 Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards.

A big congratulations goes to Tallis Brown (Year 11) who was awarded a Deadly Kids Doing Well Award. Tallis was also

chosen to co-host the event, which is a once in a lifetime experience. The awards are a highlight of the Public Schools NSW Aboriginal Education calendar each year. They celebrate the academic achievements, leadership skills and attendance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in NSW public schools.



Year 12 (2019) SRC Induction Ceremony

This term we welcomed parents into our school for our SRC Induction Ceremony. Student leadership at GRC Oatley Senior truly reflects the quality of students we have in our school. At our school, student leadership is expected and practised on a daily basis. The quality of this leadership, especially that demonstrated by the Captains, Vice Captains, SRC Presidents and the SRC, is a critical determinant in creating loyalty, pride and ethics within our school. Student leadership is about giving respect, not demanding respect. It's about respecting the human rights or everyone, of other people and your own.

On behalf of the school community, I congratulate our outgoing Student Representative Council on their wonderful achievements. They have excelled at ensuring that high quality student leadership, founded on the school's values of Respect, Responsibility and Excellence, underpins our school's ethos, and I thank them on behalf of the GRC Oatley community for their outstanding leadership of the student body over the last twelve months.

I am extremely confident that our incoming 2019 SRC will rise to the challenge and build on the strong legacy that this year's student leadership team have left. They will be charged with successfully implementing changes to structures within the school from a student perspective, as well as being the sounding board when students' views on issues relating to their school are required.

I wish that many more people could have sat on the Selection Panel with me as we listened to the pride with which the students, who were inducted into Student Executive positions, spoke about their school. The desire to serve and give back to our school was a very humbling thing for a Principal to listen to and a credit to each and every one of them. All of the students demonstrated heightened levels of commitment, care and compassion for others and the responsibility that comes with decision-making that has the potential to impact on so many.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Hook for her enthusiasm and hard work in leading the SRC and for her commitment to student leadership. She has committed a tremendous amount of time and energy into ensuring that student ideas and initiatives not only come to fruition but are successful in achieving what students set out to do.

It is with pleasure and great pride that I announce the following students as the 2019 senior leaders:

2019 SCHOOL CAPTAINS		
		
<i>Jack Appleby</i>	<i>Claire Larkin</i>	
2019 VICE CAPTAINS		
		
<i>Rithysak Yous</i>	<i>Ella-Rose Liasides</i>	
2019 SRC PRESIDENT	2019 SRC VICE PRESIDENT	
		
<i>Koy Silachan</i>	<i>Michelle Ding</i>	
2019 Year 12 Student Representative Council		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danish Baig • Ashley Beitelis • Hassan Baydoun • Fatima Bazzi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jayden Danes • Kristopher Diskoros • Vicky He 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian Hwang • Vivian Liang • Mikashen Pillay

Thank you to Jeremy Alysandratos (Year 11) who was our photographer for the ceremony.



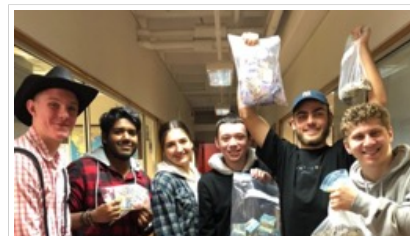
'Fiver for a farmer'

Georges River College Oatley Senior Campus prides itself on instilling the values of **"Respect, Responsibility and Excellence"**. This week we put these values into practice as our school community banded together to help rural communities across Australia. We wanted to show our farmers and their communities that we care and that the GRC Oatley Senior Campus community was willing to help create a better future for all Australians.

Following record dry conditions, farmers in rural Australia are in a horror situation. As costs spiral and conditions worsen, even putting food on the table is becoming too hard for some families. Properties are too dry to produce any feed of their own and livestock are starving. Farmers have been forced to shoot thousands of animals. Farmers are revealing that this is the worst drought they have experienced in their lifetimes. Despite the urgent need for help, as a school we made the decision to help farmers overcome anxiety, fear and hardship and assist in building the resilience of all Australians.

On Tuesday the 4th of September, we held a mufti day to celebrate our rural communities and asked every member of a school community to donate a 'Fiver (\$5) for a farmer'. Staff and students wore their jeans and flannelette shirt and raised an outstanding amount of \$2650.

\$2650 allowed the school to purchase **100 bales of hay** and **13 hampers** for much needed families. Thank you to our school community for helping us to make a difference.



SASS Recognition Week

Last week was SASS recognition week. We are fortunate to be supported by 17 wonderful administrative and support staff who do everything from managing finances, enrolments, rolls and attendance, answering phones to helping teachers, parents and visitors, supporting students with learning difficulties, tending to the gardens and maintenance, managing building projects, assisting in Science labs, the kitchen and the

library.... and the list goes on. We simply could not function without them.

SASS Staff are a dedicated group of professional workers who are often overlooked in the school setting. Recognition Week gives the whole school the opportunity to demonstrate to them that they are valued members of the school community and to recognise them for their hard work and dedication.

In honour of their work, a lunch was held to celebrate with, and thank, this terrific group of people.

HSC Examinations

The Higher School Certificate Examinations begin on Thursday 18th October. Many students have already experienced the HSC due to major works being submitted for marking. We wish Year 12 great success for these examinations.

Term 4

As this is the last newsletter for Term 3, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their support throughout the term and to the staff for their ongoing commitment to the students at GRC Oatley. Term 3 is an extremely hard term on teachers as we prepared students for HSC Trials, HSC examinations and major works not to mention report writing, Year 12 references, Year 12 graduation and formal.

Anna Girginis
Principal

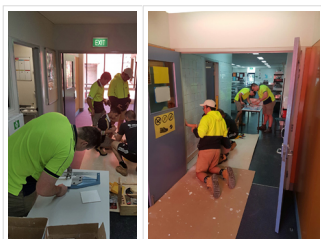
VET Faculty Report

Throughout the course of studying a VET subject, students are required to complete mandatory work placement. At GRC Oatley Senior Campus we use Southern Sydney Business Education Network to coordinate work placement for Students.



Congratulations to Angela Wu who received the 2018 Vet Work Placement Excellence Award.

Over the last few weeks, Year 12 Construction students have been working hard to complete their last unit of study – Wall and floor tiling. The kitchen now has a fully tiled wall. Thank you to the students for all the hard work.



Rebecca Jamieson
HT VET

TAS Faculty Report

Our HSC Industrial Technology Timber Product major works were on display this term for Parents, Students and Teachers. There is no better way to feel uplifted then to see work produced by students that has been done with conviction, effort and love. Congratulations to Mr Sands for his hard work and guidance leading up to submission of these projects.



TAS Teachers