



MOUNT LAWLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

LAWLEY UPDATE Term 3 September 2010 No. 12

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Whilst the Government provides a grant to operate the school, classroom operations are very much enhanced by funds provided by parents. In Years 8-10 parents are asked to pay a Voluntary Contribution and for certain elective choices, Approved Charges. In Years 11/12 all subjects carry an Approved Charge. Approved Charges are compulsory and must be paid. In lower school, where an Approved Charge is not paid, a student can be denied a place in a course. In upper-school students may be refused a place in very high cost options.

At this school, we enjoy great support from many parents in that these payments are made. All funds provided by parents are allocated to the respective learning areas and these are not used for administrative purposes. The support of the many families in making payments is appreciated and enables Mount Lawley Senior High School to provide opportunities for students.

Unfortunately there are some families that do not pay Approved Charges. In these cases enrolment in courses may be refused, especially, very high cost options. Invoices are sent to families and the Business Manager, Ms Scott, is always prepared to make arrangements to assist payment where families face financial difficulties. School Council has endorsed the use of debt collectors to assist the school collect compulsory subject charges.

If you have yet to pay Approved Charges it is requested that you make arrangements with the school for these to be paid. As stated above, all of these monies are allocated to student learning programs.

School Council has also approved a range of other approved requests that support school programs. These include the School Chaplain, the Literacy Fund and IT Fund. These support valuable programs that assist student well being and learning. This year, a new program was introduced: the Healthy Active Program. Many families have supported this program and to this point of the year, \$24,000 has been raised. This generous support from parents means that we can continue to offer a range of health, fitness and well being options to the students. Mrs Barnes has conducted a number of activities this year and is looking to run several more in Term 4 (when the weather improves). The Healthy Active Program will also be able to be continued into Term 1 2011. The programs are enjoyed by many students and a number report improved fitness and better lifestyle choices. The program is commended to all families and its continued support is welcomed.

A THOUGHT

Under promise; over deliver
Tom Peters

HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

COMPULSORY SCHOOL DAY FOR ALL STUDENTS

DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
TIME: 8.30AM – 3.00PM
WHO: YEARS 8 – 12
WHERE: HAMER PARK, MT LAWLEY
CLOTHES: PE UNIFORM OR HOUSE COLOURS
FOOD: CAFÉ OPEN ON THE OVAL FROM 11.00AM – 1.00PM
EVENTS: TRACK, FIELD AND NOVELTY



Mt Lawley SHS Athletics House Captains

EVENTS CALENDAR

Tuesday 7th September Year 9 Parent Information Evening 7.30pm Main Admin Building (Blue Building) Upstairs
Tuesday 7th September Parent Language Group Meeting 7.30pm
Saturday 11 September Senior School Concert (WAAPA)
Saturday 11 September SVAPA workshop 10-3pm
Tuesday 14 September Whole School Athletics Carnival (All Day)
Wednesday 15 September Music Year 12 Showcase -Music 3
Monday 20 September China Tour Departs
Monday 20 September School Council Meeting, Yr 11 & 12 Recital
Tuesday 21 September Yr 12 Cruise Night, Ellington Performance
Friday 24 September Last day of Term 3, Year 12 Performance Exams
Second week (holidays) - Year 12 Mock Exams
Tuesday 12 October Term 4 starts for all students
Tuesday 12 October Leaver's Program
Wednesday 20 October Yr 12 Breakfast & Final assembly Yr 12
Wednesday 27 October Awards night
Friday 19 November Yr 12 Graduation Dinner
Monday 1 November TEE/WACE begins
Thursday 25 November Yr 12 Clearance Day



At the last meeting of the P & C, members noted the positive return to the Association from the operator of the Uniform Shop and from sales of clothing items when the P & C operated the shop. (When parents purchase school uniform items, the supplier provides a contribution to the P & C). The P & C uses funds raised to support student programs and to provide amenities that can not be funded by the school. In previous years the P & C has funded a Middle School Reading Room, table tennis tables and benches in the yard for student seating. The P & C has called for submissions from parents and staff for projects that will be considered for support. Parents on the P & C mailing list will have received an email on this from Mr Pryor. Further information is on the P & C website.

Attending school is a legal requirement and where students are late or absent, a legitimate reason must be provided. This can be by letter, email, verbal message to a teacher or telephone call. The support of parents in providing a reason promptly is appreciated.

Students arriving late to school disrupt their own learning and that of others. There are often genuine reasons for being late - dental appointments and such like, however, some students have no legitimate reason and are deliberately late. This is not acceptable and to counter this disruption to learning, students arriving late without a legitimate reason will receive detention. Parents are requested to remind students that they should get to school on time. Leaving the school grounds during the day without a lawful reason is also unacceptable and students will likewise be placed on detention.

The last few weeks have seen a number of activities. The annual Prefects quiz night was a great success with over \$1,300 raised. The Year 8 SVAPA group's performance of "A Mid Summer Night's Dream" was also highly acclaimed. Students are also preparing for the forth coming Athletics Carnival on Tuesday, 14 September 2010. Parents are welcome to attend and watch events.

The delegation from the Istituto D'Istruzione Superiore "B. Pinchetti" school in Italy arrives on Wednesday, 8 September 2010. This is a reciprocal visit to the one made by Mount Lawley SHS earlier this year. This visit has been made possible because a number of our families are hosting a student or staff member. Thankyou for this support to our Italian Program. I am sure that the benefits from the hosting will be joint and beneficial.

Milton Butcher
Principal

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS – SAVE YOUR VOUCHERS!

Starting on September 2nd to Oct 31st, Coles Supermarkets will present shoppers with a voucher for every \$10 spent. These vouchers will be collected by your school and then traded for sports equipment.

Please save your vouchers and students can bring them to school. There will be a collection box in Student Services.

All vouchers gratefully received so ask your friends and family to collect for your school.





NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2010 Sunday 5 September to Saturday 11 September 2010

Find out how you can keep your child safe in cyber space at a free public presentation with Dr Julian Dooley, a cyber safety expert and senior research fellow at Edith Cowan University, who will share with parents safety tips for children.

Keep your child safe in cyber space

Wednesday 8 September 2 times are available Session 1 – 12.00pm to 1.00pm Session 2 - 1.00pm to 2.00pm Murray Street Mall, Perth (near City Arcade Entrance)

Here are some simple tips for keeping your child safe when using the internet:

-  Keep computers in shared spaces.
-  Have an agreement with your children about their use of the internet.
-  Explain why it is important to be careful about what information is shared online.
-  Discuss why your children's offline friends should be their only friends online.

Visit www.internetsafety.wa.edu.au to find out where you can go for more information on cyber safety and your child.

This event is brought to you by the Department for Child Protection, Department of Health, Department of Education and WA Police.

SCALEXTRICS FOR ORPHANAGE

In 2009 families at Mt Lawley SHS were very generous in giving LEGO to be taken to the NFO Orphanage in Cambodia, Then again in early 2010, multiple pieces of clothing came in. In all 35 kilos of LEGO and 47 kilos of clothing was taken to the orphanage. These are tremendous efforts. Now the call is out again - Scalextrics- is the need. The project is seeking to support the establishment of a small business in Phnom Penh. It will be a model car racing venue for young adolescence to meet and play. The profits generated will be used to fund the NFO orphanage in Cambodia. If you have any old items of scalextrics at home, in the back shed, we would greatly appreciate it. You can be assured it will be going to a worthy cause. If you can help please email lynne.noack@lawley.wa.edu.au.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT



FOSTER CARE INFORMATION EVENINGS- WANSLEA FAMILY SERVICES

Children all over WA need foster carers for a period of nights, weeks, months or years.
You might be married, single, working or not working, with or without children.
Do you have room in your heart and home for a child in need?

If you would like to find out more about fostering with Wanslea, please come along to one of our Foster Care Information Evenings. Details are as follows:

Tuesday 14 September, 2010 7pm-9pm
The Gowrie, 275 Abernethy Road, Belmont

Tuesday 16 November, 2010 7pm-9pm
Wanslea Family Services, 110 Scarborough Beach Road
(Cnr. Deanmore Rd), Scarborough

Light refreshments provided

To RSVP and for more information please call 9245 2441 or email support@wanslea.asn.au

Check us out online: www.fosternow.com.au



Mt Lawley Jazz @ The Ellington!

Featuring senior jazz
ensembles:

Big Band 1

Year 12 Cert IV Jazz Combo

Year 11 Cert IV Jazz Combo



Tues 21st Sept
6:30pm doors open

The Ellington Jazz Club
191 Beaufort St, Perth

\$20 – Table

\$15 - Bar

Tix available @

www.ellingtonjazz.com.au