



MOUNT LAWLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL LAWLEY UPDATE Term 1 March 2012 No. 4

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In the last fortnight school work continued, however, I guess if any Year 12 student was asked as to the highlight, the chorus would be the "School Ball". Held last Friday, many Year 12 students, partners and staff enjoyed the social highlight of the year.

The ball was conducted at the Hyatt Hotel and attended by over 400. Thanks to Year 12 Co-ordinator, Mr Andy Outten for planning, managing and leading the event.

The staff at the Hyatt were complimentary with regard to the conduct of the students. This is also a factor of the expectations of the school and the value set of families. Congratulations to all students for their conduct at the School Ball, 2012.

Congratulations to the Belle and Beau of the Ball – Hollie and Eilia. Congratulations also to the "Cutest Couple" – Jade and Dennis, the "Best Dancer" – Matthew and the "Best Dressed" – Christian.

Over the forthcoming holiday period, two groups of students will undertake Foreign tours. A Languages group is travelling to Italy and the SVAPA/Music group will visit France and England. Thanks to parents who have assisted in the management of these events through completing forms, paying invoices and attending meetings. The students will no doubt have an enjoyable and informative study tour. Thanks to the staff for their assistance with the tours, especially the leaders, Mr Camilleri and Dr Irving. Both of these tours have now been approved through the Department's formal processes.

Parent nights for prospective parents of the GATE Languages and SVAPA programs have also been held. For the Jazz Music program, it is not my intent to conduct meetings and such like due to the small number of available places. This will most likely be promoted later in the year when enrolments are called for 2013.

Elections for the School Board have also been decided. Thanks to those parents nominating and to all those who voted. Dr Jenny Fay has been elected as a parent representative for the next two years. The two student places will be held by Teleah (Year 11 – one year term) and Georgia (Year 10 – two year term). The staff have elected Mr Outten for the 2012-2013 period.

A THOUGHT

*Devx ex machina
(God from the machine)*

Traditional Saying which relates to the sudden resolution of a conflict .

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MIDDLE SCHOOL (YRS 8-9)

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CONGRATULATIONS



Paras 9F2, has been selected for to compete in the upcoming Australian National Swimming Championships.

Paras recently returned from Wellington N.Z. after winning gold in the 1500 metres (14yrs age group) at the N.Z National Age Group Swimming Championships.



Kaity 9F1, has selected to compete in the U15 National Athletics in Combined Events. The events' are Long Jump, 200m, High Jump, 90m Hurdles, Shot Put, Javelin and 800m which occur over a 2 day period.



Cody 11H1 has been selected for the State Team to compete in the Junior National Cycling Competition in Melbourne

OFFICE WORK AVAILABLE

The school has an office with a variety of positions. There are times when we need relief staff when staff are sick, on courses or undertaking other duties. Relief work may well suit some parents. There are a range of skills such as operating office equipment, data entry, typing and general clerical duties. A Working with Children Card is required and if you do not hold one, this can be managed.

If you would like to register your name or seek further information, please speak with Ms Millea Ph 9471 0300.

EVENTS CALENDAR

- March 19 Monday** School Board Meeting
- March 21 Wednesday** Whole School Arts Festival Day PM
- March 23 Friday** Photo Catch Up MORNING ONLY
- March 25-27** Bush Ranger Cadet Camp Wellington
- March 26 Monday** P & C Meeting, Yr 12 Drama Production - The Visit
- March 29 Thursday** Yr8-12 Interim Report Parents Night 4-7pm
- April 1 Saturday** Italian Cultural Study Tour starts
- April 4 Wednesday** SVAPA UK/Paris Tour starts, LAST DAY OF TERM
- April 5 Good Friday** PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- April 26 Thursday** Students start School Term 2



Congratulations to all new members of the Mount Lawley SHS School Board.

Mr Glenn Scott will continue as a community member and Mr Don Rowe, who has completed his term as a parent representative has likewise agreed to join as a community representative. Their continuing commitment is welcomed.

Attendance has been discussed in each Update this year. For the first month of the 2012 school year Years 8 – 10 all achieved a 90% attendance result – Year 10 just, however, the desired outcome was achieved. However, it is disappointing that both Year 11 and Year 12 fell below this benchmark. For Year 12 students, many preparing for WACE examinations, this attendance position is difficult to understand. Attending school is important and parents are asked to stress this point to their children.

There are also a number of students with outstanding notes. It is a legal requirement for parents to provide an explanation for an absence. Whilst absences should be minimised, when students are away, an explanation is required. This may be from a note, telephone call, SMS, email or personal explanation. These matters are important and I would ask that parents give attendance issues due consideration.

Milton Butcher, Principal.

ONLINE GAMING ADDICTION IN ADOLESCENTS

Online gaming is the fastest growing form of internet addiction. Adolescents can spend hours immersed in a virtual world. The impact of this issue can become widespread and can result in interruption to sleep patterns, physical health problems, social isolation and relationship breakdowns with family and peers.

Some of the warning signs are a preoccupation with gaming, lying about or hiding gaming use, loss of interest in other activities, and social withdrawal.

Recently I have been engaging students who have found that gaming is interfering with their abilities to focus on their schooling.

I am keen to work to address this gaming addiction with a small group of boys whose parents feel that their sons may be experiencing issues associated with gaming.

I have been approached by two university students who have developed a strength and fitness training program for students at Mt Lawley Senior High School. The boys would be guided through a variety of basic strength and fitness exercises designed to challenge and motivate them. Each week the training advances so as to give the students a sense of accomplishment. The purpose of the program is to enhance self-esteem and confidence whilst providing the physical benefits of regular exercise. One of the students is a final year Law/Arts student at UWA and the other is a qualified personal trainer.

The program would run for 1 hour a week during school time. The outcomes would be centred on developing a healthy lifestyle, engaging the physical and mental benefits of a regular exercise program, and a chance to engage positively with others in a social context.

If any parents are interested in engaging their sons in this program, please ring my direct line at the school on 9471 0314 and I will contact you to talk about being part of the program.

David Greeshaw
Senior School Psychologist

OPEN MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD 19 MARCH 2012, AT 6:30PM

The annual open meeting of the Mount Lawley SHS School Board will be held on Monday, 19 March 2012. This is also the AGM and commences at 6:30pm. All parents are members of the community are welcomed to attend. It will be held in the Conference Room.

**ANY PARENTS
WHO MIGHT
HAVE ARTS'
IDEAS, TALENT**



ARTS FESTIVAL DAY ON WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH

Any parents who might have arts' ideas, talent and would like to be involved.

**Contact Dr Dale Irving. 94710342
or Dale.Irving@det.wa.edu.au**



BUS SMARTRIDERS

All Smart Riders have now been issued to ALL Year 8 students, any student who has not received one, please come to the Main Admin Building at **Lunch 1 or Lunch 2** to order one.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

A reminder for those students who were absent on School PHOTO DAY there will be a catch up on the morning on FRIDAY 23rd March.

It is only a MORNING SESSION and photographers will be leaving straight after lunch 2.

The Photographers will be in the Main Administration Staff Room and student will need to enter by the outside stairs.

A reminder also that the school group photographs will be taken during this time.

ALL NON SPORT Student Groups will need to have WHITE SHIRTS for the photographs.

The following groups will be photographed at the following times:

- 8.35 Debating Teams
- 8.45 Volleyball Teams
- 8.55 Head Boy & Head Girl
- 9.05 Councillors – 9 - 12
- 9.15 Prefects – 12
- 9.25 House Captains - 4
- 9.35 Year 10 GATE Class
- 9.45 Aboriginal Excellence
- 9.55 Follow the Dream Program
- 10.05 Basketball - Boys
- 10.15 Basketball - Girls
- 10.25 Netball one team...
- 10.35 Mock Trials Group

Parents will be given the opportunity to purchase these photographs with a special order form which will be given to students when the photographs are ready.

UNIFORM SHOP

Even though summer seems to be going on forever, the chilly mornings are not far away.

Beat the rush, order your winter uniform now.

Jumpers, jackets & long pants are in stock now.

Why not add not some style to your uniform with a lovely warm scarf, check it out at the Uniform Shop.

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HOLIDAYS
2012



CHINA
JOIN THE
SCHOOL
TOUR !





COMMUNITY NOTICES

Enjoy a day playing Laser Corp in the Swan Valley with lunch included!

Date: 11 April 2012
Time: 9.45am - 2pm
Where: Swan Valley
(Please meet at the Loftus Recreation Centre at 9am)
Depart 9.45am via bus returning at 2pm

Vincent residents:
Age: 12 - 17
Cost: \$10 per person
Lunch included

Places are limited so early bookings are essential.
Book on 9273 6564 or events@vincent.wa.gov.au

NYOONGAR MAGIC

FOOTY CLINICS - Age 12-15
 Open to all skill levels with opportunities for talent identification
 Nyoongar Sports Association will be doing multi sports activities for under 12s

Des Penman Reserve Caroola St Nollamara 4.00 - 5.00pm
 Every Thursday from 15 till 29 March 2012
 All participants are eligible to play in the Twilight Game
 Saturday March 31 4.00 - 6.00pm

Chance to WIN a signed Subiaco FC jumper.
 Meet and train with AFL & WAFL stars.
 Free Sausage Sizzle for participants

For more information please contact Family Services on 9345 8555 or email familyservices@stirling.wa.gov.au

Proudly Supported By:
 City of Stirling Family Services, Subiaco Football Club, Nyoongar Sports Association, Edmund Rice Youth Leadership Program, Nollamara IGA, Stirling Lions Club, West Metropolitan Crime Prevention Office

I wish to enrol in Master Mind Australia's Study Skills and/or April Revision Program:

CARINE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL (Everingham St, Carine)

Monday April 9 to Friday April 13
 Choose one subject per timeslot

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| Time: 8.30am to 9.30am | Time: 2.10pm to 4.10pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Study Skills
- Exam Techniques | <input type="checkbox"/> Economics 3AB
<input type="checkbox"/> Math 2CD |
| Time: 9.30am to 11.30am | <input type="checkbox"/> Math 3AB
<input type="checkbox"/> Math 3CD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry 2AB | Time: 4.20pm to 6.20pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English 2AB | <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English 3AB | <input type="checkbox"/> English 2AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geography 3AB | <input type="checkbox"/> English 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human Biological Science 3AB | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature 2AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math year 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physics 3AB | <input type="checkbox"/> Math Specialist 3CD |
| Time: 11.40am to 1.40pm | <input type="checkbox"/> Phys Ed Studies 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biology 3AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry 3AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English year 10 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math 2AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math 3AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physics 2AB | |

WILLETTON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL (120-124 Pinetree Gully Rd, Willetton)

Monday April 16 to Friday April 20
 Choose one subject per timeslot

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| Time: 8.30am to 9.30am | Time: 2.10pm to 4.10pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Study Skills
- Exam Techniques | <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry 2AB
<input type="checkbox"/> Human Biological Science 3AB |
| Time: 9.30am to 11.30am | <input type="checkbox"/> Math year 10
<input type="checkbox"/> Physics 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economics 3AB | Time: 4.20pm to 6.20pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English 3AB | <input type="checkbox"/> Biology 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English 2AB | <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math 2CD | <input type="checkbox"/> Math 2AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math 3AB | <input type="checkbox"/> Politics and Law 3AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math 3CD | <input type="checkbox"/> Physics 2AB |
| Time: 11.40am to 1.40pm | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting 3AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English 2AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English 3AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English Year 10 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Literature 2AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Literature 3AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math 3AB | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math Specialist 3CD | |

Application:

Student's name: _____
 Address: _____
 Postcode: _____
 School: _____ Year in 2012: _____
 Parent/Guardian's email: _____
 Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____
 (mobile) _____

I enclose/authorise full payment of

\$225 for the 10 hour April Revision program.
 \$112 for the 5 hour Study Skills program.

A cheque/money order is enclosed.

OR

EFT Account name: Master Mind Australia
 BSB: 306 044
 Account No.: 0437415
 Description: Master Classes Student's Last Name

OR

Please debit my Visa/Mastercard.

Card type: Visa Mastercard

Cardholder's name: _____
 Card number: _____
 Signature: _____ Expiry date: ____/____/____



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Limited class size.
Unlimited Potential.

Our April Revision program is aimed at strengthening students' knowledge and understanding of the syllabus. The classes will prepare students to perform better in their first semester exams early in term 2. To facilitate this success class numbers are kept low.

BENEFIT FROM EXPERIENCE.
 Our teachers are dedicated professionals who understand the requirements needed for success in their chosen subject and are experienced at preparing students for examinations.

A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM
 These classes work. Statistics show that students who attend our programs are more confident with their subject, experience less anxiety at examination times and perform better in all areas of assessment.

EXAM TECHNIQUES AND STRATEGIES
 This five hour Study Skills program will focus on teaching strategies and procedures that students should implement both when preparing for exams and during the examination.

10% EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT AVAILABLE

ENROL NOW:
 By completing this enrolment form and posting it to:
 Master Mind Australia
 PO Box 1734
 West Perth 6827

WACE April Revision Program

- ✓ Will prepare students for First Semester Exams
- ✓ Available for Year 10, 11 and 12 students.
- ✓ Small group classes
- ✓ Individual attention
- 10 hrs per subject (2 hrs per subject per day)

Course includes:
 Exam Preparation
 Revision of the Syllabus
 Exam Techniques and Strategies (Study Skills)

"These courses are designed to boost students' classroom confidence and improve exam results."

For more information call Dr Robert Hallam on:
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WACE April Revision

ENROL NOW:
 First Semester Exam Preparation

Subject Revision | Study Skills | Exam Preparation

ACADEMIC TASK FORCE - WACE REVISION COURSES APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Study Skills, Essay Writing and subject courses for years 11 and 12.

For the first time we will also be running a Skills Development Program for years 6 to 10. Venues North and South of the river Small groups, expert teachers, individual help

For more information contact ACADEMIC TASK FORCE. Phone 9314 9500