



MOUNT LAWLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL LAWLEY UPDATE Term 2 May 2012 No. 7

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations are extended to James (Year 11), Billy (Year 12), and Jackson (Year 12) for being awarded Defence Technical Scholarships. This is a prestigious award and provides \$2,000 In Year 11 and \$3,000 In Year 12 to support students with their studies. To apply, students must be undertaking a course with a focus on information technology, trades or technical studies. Applications for the scholarships in 2013 will open later this year. Mrs Smith is the staff member who co-ordinates the program for the school.

Year 9 students have now completed the NAPLAN regime for 2012. It is noted that the tests have attracted media comment as to their place in schooling. The Middle School teachers have achieved a suitable balance between preparing students so that they have confidence in sitting the tests and ensuring that the core curriculum is delivered. NAPLAN is not the driver of Middle School operations – the Western Australian Curriculum Framework is, until it is replaced by the Australian Curriculum over the next few years.

I also note that with NAPLAN tests on Spelling and Grammar and Punctuation, Middle School teachers have observed a better focus on the conventions of English. With the school focus on writing as a vital learning tool and skill for later life, improved student understanding of our language is a positive attribute for later life.

Year 9 students will receive their NAPLAN report later in the year. The school's results, of course, are used on the My School website as a piece of information on which parents may compare school performance. As this is a reality I do have an expectation that students will be prepared for NAPLAN so they can achieve to their ability level. It is also an opportunity to prepare students for examinations – something they must undergo if they pursue a university pathway in the senior years.

Students in the Senior School commence Semester 1 examinations next week. Unlike NAPLAN, these do have a bearing on their subject performance and grade. Teachers have prepared their classes for examinations and all wish students the best. For students in Year 11 these examinations are their first and they should seek to add 2% each examination. Good luck to all.

A THOUGHT

*In attempts to improve your character,
know what is in your power and what is beyond it*
Frances Thompson

CONGRATULATIONS



Andrej 10M1 has been selected in two different basketball events to represent WA in June and July.

One competition is an Australian Basketball Nationals in Tamworth (Andrej was selected for WA State team under 16's) and another competition is Oceanic Tournament in Coffs Harbour (Andrej represents WA in 3 x 3 tournament).

EVENTS CALENDAR

- Monday 21 May-Friday 1 June** Year 11 & 12 Exams
- Monday 28 May-Friday 1 June** Year 10 Exams
- Monday 21 May** School Board Meeting
- Thursday 24 May** Year 5/6/7 Primary School Information Evening 7pm
- Monday 28 May-Wednesday 30 May**
Bush Ranger Cadet Climate Change Camp
- Monday 28 May** P & C Meeting
- Monday 4 June** PUBLIC HOLIDAY Foundation/WA Day
- Wednesday 6 June** SVAPA Parent's Meeting 7pm
- Friday 8 June** School Music Concert WAPPA
- Monday 11 June** Year 10 Parent Information Evening 7.30pm
- Wednesday 13 June** Year 9 Carnival
- Saturday 16 June** Mt Lawley SHS Community Art Auction
- Monday 18 June** School Board Meeting
- Tuesday 19 June** Language Parents Meeting 7.30pm
- Monday 25 June** P & C Meeting
- Monday 2 July** Opus Concert
- Thursday 5 July** Career Expo Day
- Thursday 5 July** Whole school Reporting Night
- Friday 6 July** End of Term 2
- Tuesday 24 July** Students start Term 3



Mount Lawley SHS is a Gifted and Talented Languages school and I am pleased to advise parents that Mrs Grace Costa has now commenced duties as the Curriculum Leader in Languages. Mrs Costa has many years of experience in teaching Italian and she is looking forward to the challenges of curriculum leadership at Mount Lawley SHS. She is warmly welcomed.

As with the last few years, Mount Lawley SHS has supported the Indigenous War Veterans ceremony in Kings Park. This year the Junior Concert Band and Choir members will attend. This year His Excellency, the Governor of Western Australia, Malcolm McCusker AC, CVO, QC will attend, as will representatives of government. This is a wonderful opportunity for the Junior Concert Band, composed mainly, of Middle School students, to perform in public. Ms Gallagher, Mr Manning and Choir director, Mr Clarke, are working to prepare them. They will do credit to their school.

Parents have an opportunity to hear the school's many outstanding music students at the concert on Thursday, 7 June 2012. This will be held, as usual, at WAAPA. Both Junior and Senior concerts will take place and parents may purchase tickets for one or both concerts. As usual the hard working Parent Music Support Committee will be providing refreshments. The students always play and sing marvellously well and it is thoroughly recommended as an excellent night's entertainment.

We have had to schedule the Aboriginal Excellence Program welcome to 2012 on the same night (Thursday, 7 June 2012) to meet diary requirements of participants. Independence Group NL has again agreed to provide some funds to support the participating students. Dr Paioff, the program manager, will be inviting parents and students to the function, which will be held at school from 6:00pm. Staff and mentors from ECU will also attend.

Milton Butcher, Principal

Community Art Auction 2012

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to profile your business to the local community *and* join the cool set...

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Community Art Auction coordinated by the Mount Lawley P&C
Music and SVAPA Support Groups



CONGRATULATIONS DEFENCE TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIPS



James Year 11



Billy Year 12



Jackson Year 12

COMMUNITY NOTICES

NOTRE DAME INFORMATION EVENING

The University of Notre Dame is holding a Course Information Evening on Tuesday 29th May, 5.30 courses expo, 6pm presentation in Tannock Hall of Education, Cnr of Cliff & Croke Street, Fremantle – follow the signs along Mouat Street. This evening is an ideal opportunity to speak with University staff and gather the most up-to-date information on courses, alternative pathways and admission into Notre Dame. Please go to www.nd.edu.au or contact 9433 0533 for more information . parking available off Croke Street.

ACADEMIC SEMINARS

Several companies are advertising revision seminars. These are placed for the information of parents and are not endorsed by the school. In the July holidays there will be some revision classes offered at this school. They will be free to parents and a result of the sister school relationship with Hedland Senior High School.



Whether you are a high flyer looking for that extra edge to your results, or would like additional support in reaching your potential, **Academic Task Force** can help you get the results you deserve.

With 25 years experience in providing academic support to WA students, **Academic Task Force** has a team of dedicated, experienced teachers ready to work with you to maximise your academic performance.

Master Classes: Starting April 29th to July 5th

Power your way to excellence in the WACE exams! Be inspired by expert teachers, gain fresh insights into subject concepts and polish your performance. These small group classes follow a specific teaching program and are available on various days at our Applecross Centre, Scotch College, Swanbourne and Perth Modern School, Subiaco.

WACE Help Weekend Classes: From April 28th to July 1st

Get the help you need each week in these small tutorial groups! Taught by experienced teachers dedicated to improving your academic performance, these small group sessions allow you to ask questions, get individual support and strengthen your understanding. Saturday classes are available at Rossmoyne SHS and Churchlands SHS, Sunday classes available at Perth Modern School.

Yr 7, 8, 9, & 10 Saturday Classes: From April 28th to June 30th

Keep up to date with your work and get extra help in English and/or Maths. Experienced teachers will work with you to build your skills and understanding in a small group. English and Maths classes are available at Rossmoyne SHS and Churchlands SHS.

For more information and enrolment contact **Academic Task Force**

Ph: 9314 9500, email: learn@academictaskforce.com.au, or visit www.academictaskforce.com.au

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T.E.E. Consultants July 2012 Courses at U.W.A.

The intensive courses conducted by T.E.E. Consultants are based on the current WACE syllabus and are designed to improve student performances both at school and in the final tertiary entrance examination.

While emphasis will be on the course content, special attention will be paid to examination technique, methods of eliminating careless errors and how work should be presented to gain maximum marks. Students attending the course will receive a workbook for each session.

T.E.E. Consultants offers full board accommodation at U.W.A. Colleges, subsidised when enrolled in 3 or more subjects.

Students enrolled for **History** will have the choice of two of the Australian topics offered and either Russian Revolution or Europe/Cold War. **Specify choice of booklets when enrolling.**

DETAILS OF PROGRAMME

Dates: Monday 9th July to Friday 13th July 2012

Times: Chemistry 3A/B	<u>OR</u>	Economics 3A/B	<u>OR</u>	Biology 3A/B	8.30am
Physics 3A/B	<u>OR</u>	Human Biology 3A/B	<u>OR</u>	Accounting/Finance 3A/B	10.45am
Mathematics 3C/D	<u>OR</u>	Mathematics 3A/B	<u>OR</u>	Mathematics 2C/D	<u>OR</u> Political & Legal
English	<u>OR</u>	Literature	<u>OR</u>	Mathematics 3C/D specialist	3.15pm
English (Repeat)	<u>OR</u>	History	<u>OR</u>	Geography 3A/B	5.30pm

Venue: University of Western Australia, Nedlands

Cost: \$150 per subject (2 hours per day, total 10 hours)

Accommodation: \$220 (4 subjects) or \$270 (3 subjects) **in addition to course fees.**

Full board at colleges is from Sunday afternoon 8th July to Friday afternoon 13th July 2012.

To enrol, detach the form below and return it with the appropriate enrolment fee and accommodation fee where required.

Accommodation students please enclose completed 3 pages Terms & Conditions available via internet:
www.teeconsultants.com.au

Cheque or postal orders made out to: T.E.E. Consultants
PO Box 329
Floreat WA 6014
Phone: (08) 9387 2106

Mr / Miss First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Street / PO Box: _____ Home Tel: _____

Town/Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Email: _____ School: _____

Subjects in which you wish to enrol (Please tick): (*Tick only **one** English session*)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CHEMISTRY 3A/B | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS 3A/B | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOLOGY 3A/B | 8.30AM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICS 3A/B | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> HUMAN BIOLOGY 3A/B | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> ACCOUNTING/FINANCE 3A/B | 10.45AM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MATHS 3C/D | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> MATHS 3A/B | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> MATHS 2C/D | <u>OR</u> POLITICAL & LEGAL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ENGLISH | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> MATHS 3C/D SPECIALIST | 3.15PM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ENGLISH (REPEAT) | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> HISTORY* | <u>OR</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> GEOGRAPHY 3A/B | 5.30PM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> UWA COLLEGE ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED | | | | | |

***Specify choice of booklets:** Australia 1920-1950 OR Australia 1950-2000
and Russian Revolution OR Europe/Cold War

Areas in which I am having most difficulty: _____

HOW I LEARNT ABOUT THE COURSE: SCHOOL ADVERTISEMENT OTHER _____