



MOUNT LAWLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

LAWLEY UPDATE Term 4 No. 12 2014

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Students and Staff,

I have just this morning attended two fantastic events that between them represent the past, present and future of Mount Lawley Senior High School. Earlier in the day it was my pleasure to welcome the incoming Year 7 students and their families to our school. You could feel the anticipation in the air. Students were very keen to experience what high school has to offer and families were equally keen to listen to the words of wisdom of our 2015 Head Girl, Tiana Ferguson, and Head Boy, Izaak Wesson, as they gave their perspective on what Mt Lawley means to them based on their experiences of the past four years. I am sure that after today's activities our Year 7s will be keener than ever to join us in 2015.

The second event that I attended was the Volunteers' Morning Tea, an annual event that recognises and honours the work of our volunteers. Throughout each school year many volunteers contribute hundreds of hours in support of our students. This ranges across activities as diverse as our Bike Club, Sea Explorers, Community Service, Languages and Music groups, P & C, literacy support, the Art auction and everything in between. It was an absolute privilege to share stories and refreshments with such a diverse and committed group of people.

Recent Student Successes/Achievements

Some of the activities in which our students have been involved include:

- Observance of Remembrance Day with poppies supplied by our local RSL.
- The Year 12 Final assembly organised by the Student Services team and their Year 12 dinner.
- Chaz who has been chosen as one of the 15 students to represent WA at the national Schools Constitutional Convention in Canberra next March.
- The work of the Yearbook committee led by Mark Lynch.
- Monroe is one of 32 students in WA selected for the Premier's ANZAC tour in 2015.
- Ben has been accepted into WAAPA into the Certificate IV in Aboriginal Theatre next year.
- Hosting of our Chinese visitors from No 14 Hangzhou school, one of our sister schools. Our visitors enjoyed the customary Mount Lawley hospitality and a lot of shopping!
- The final student presentation for the Aboriginal Excellence Program.
- The Follow the Dream; Partnerships for Success

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CONGRATULATIONS



Jaymii 9F2 recently won *In one race - Quickest 30', Quickest 60' 2nd Best Package, Red Light*, at WA Drag Racing Championships. Jaymii started drag racing when she was 9 years old. At that age she was racing at 85 km/h, completing the course in 11.9 seconds (1/8 of a mile).

Gradually Jaymii improved her time. Jaymii is currently 14 years old and completes the course in 7.9 seconds at 140 km/h.

In July 2014 Jaymii went to Darwin to compete. The All Around Australia Tour starts in December and goes on until early October in the following year. The tour visits: Perth, Darwin, Adelaide, Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, and a few other smaller cities along the way. The tour involves spending at least one whole day dedicated to racing in each city. Arrival at the track is early in the morning (usually around 7 o'clock). After the 3 qualifying rounds, the races start. All Junior Dragsters compete through approximately six rounds until the finals. All competitors usually leave the track at around 11pm. After the race has ended in that particular city, it's then time to head off to the next round of the tour in a new city.



Next year Jaymii will be travelling around Australia, competing for the number one Australian drag racer. One day, Jaymii hopes to compete internationally.

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graduation for the Outreach program run through our school.

Attendance

Stars in the attendance competition are still our Year 8s with 91.7% attendance. This is a top result. Next year we will continue to focus on attendance, particularly with our incoming Year 7s and Year 8s: good habits formed early are carried throughout school careers.

Buildings

Our new building is well on the way to completion with excellent progress being made this term. "Practical completion" is expected to occur during January. We anticipate moving in on our first school development days.

Feedback

We have received a lovely letter from our colleagues at Mount Lawley Primary School in which the Principal, Mr Don Barba, has commended us on the "phenomenal understanding and consideration shown and given by Mount Lawley Senior High School during our stay at 65 Woodsome Street." He has extended an invitation to all staff members to visit early in 2015 once Mt Lawley Primary School is settled into its new school at 92 Second Avenue.

Voluntary Contributions and Charges

Thank you to all families who have supported our school by paying voluntary contributions and charges. I can assure you that all monies are used for the benefit of our students, your children.

Year 12

The Awards Ceremony held on 20 November at the Hyatt Regency Hotel acknowledged the efforts of all Year 12 students and highlighted some truly outstanding achievements. It was certainly a night to remember with so many distinguished guests in attendance. Mr Vince Garreffa (a former student of Mount Lawley SHS) was a very memorable guest speaker who encouraged students to persevere, remain connected with each other and to give back to the community. Thank you to all of our guest presenters. Thank you also to all staff involved in the preparation and execution of the event in particular Mr Andrew Ruck, our Year 12 Coordinator, the Student Services team and the Year 12 form teachers.

2015

Students return to school on Monday, 2 February. School development days in 2015 are scheduled for:

Term 1: 29 and 30 January

Term 2: 20 April

Term 3: 20 July

Term 4: 12 October and 18 December

CONGRATULATIONS



Madi 8M4

has been selected for the West Australian Under 15s Girls State Softball team who will compete in Adelaide mid-January. Congratulations to Madi.

Finally

It has been an absolute honour and privilege to serve as principal of Mt Lawley SHS in 2014. I have felt most grateful for the positive way in which I was welcomed and have very much enjoyed learning together with members of our school community. Thank you to the wonderful staff for all of their support and commitment to our students. I will always look on with special interest at the progress of Mt Lawley SHS as it continues to provide outstanding opportunities to its students and staff.

Have a wonderful Christmas break.

Lea Fairfoul-Hutcheon, Principal

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MOUNT LAWLEY SHS OFFICE

The office will reopen Tuesday 27 January 2015 for payment of voluntary contributions and charges and completion of Secondary Assistance Scheme applications.

FINAL REMINDER – OUTSTANDING CHARGES MUST BE PAID BY 18 DECEMBER 2014

Compulsory charges remaining outstanding after 18 December will be forwarded to our debt collection agency. Please contact the Finance Officer urgently to either pay outstanding charges or arrange a payment plan.



The Confucius Institute
at The University of Western Australia
西澳大利亚大学

2015 CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE'S STUDY IN CHINA EASTER CAMP FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS

Duration: 5-14 April 2015

Eligibility: students between age of 14 – 17, who have enrolled at secondary schools in WA.

Applicants should meet the following requirements:

- (1) Non-Chinese nationality
- (2) Show great interest in Chinese culture and language
- (3) Enthusiastic, sociable and well suited to group activities for the program
- (4) With permission of students' parents or guardians
- (5) Recommended by school principals and/or Chinese teachers.

Programme

- (1) Duration: 5 April–14 April 2015
- (2) Number of participants: 60 funded places exclude international flight, visa, insurance & personal spending money
- (3) Content of study:
 - (3a) Chinese language (Mandarin), calligraphy, martial arts, Chinese culture and history, Chinese songs, aspects of China from both traditional and modern perspectives through courses, lectures, visits and learning hands-on experiences
 - (3b) Shanghai and Hangzhou sightseeing and excursions
 - (3c) Discussion with young Chinese people
- (4) Accommodation: Students will stay in the dormitory on the campus of Zhejiang University

Application Deadline: 8 March 2015

For more details including program and application, please see Mrs Chong and Ms Tee for an application form.

Korean Day



Date: Friday, 12 December 2014
Time: 3.00 pm - 6.00pm
Location: Mount Lawley Senior High School
Cost: Free
Contact: Mount Lawley SHS 9471 0300



MOUNT LAWLEY SHS - UNIFORM SHOP

DURING TERM 4 2014

All new students are required to make an appointment with the uniform shop for a fitting from Tuesday 14 October to Thursday 11 December. Appointment days are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 9am – 2pm. Please contact Carole at the uniform shop on 9270 4663 as soon as possible to ensure availability. Email address: mountlawleyshs@uc.ubd.net.au

The Uniform shop will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.00am to 11.30am for any current students requiring uniforms.

JANUARY - BACK TO SCHOOL 2015 – UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

Date 2015	Opening Times
Thursday 22 January	9.00am – 4.00pm
Wednesday 28 January	9.00am – 4.00pm
Friday 30 January	9.00am – 2.00pm

WEEK ONE, TERM ONE 2015 – UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

Date 2015	Opening Times
Monday 2 February	8.00am – 11.30am
Tuesday 3 February	8.00am – 3.30pm
Thursday 5 February	8.00am – 11.30am

FEBRUARY 2015 - UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

February 2015	Opening times
Tuesdays	8.00am -3.30pm
Thursdays	8.00am – 11.30am

From Tue 3 March 2015 the uniform shop will open Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.00am - 11.30am

SECONDARY

Parent Focus Article

MIDDLE – COMMUNICATION AND CONVERSATIONS

SENIOR – COMMUNICATION AND CONVERSATIONS

Learning Intentions/Goals - at the end of this week students should leave with:

- A raised mindfulness of the time they are spending on social networking sites, texting and tweeting, the warning signs that they are isolating themselves and an acceptance of the need to cultivate and nurture relationships with their families and friends in person.
- A proactive attitude to use Listening with Understanding and Empathy and Communicating with Clarity and Precision Habits of Mind and the Exploring Habits of Mind and Learning Jigsaw Thinking Tools to sharpen their thinking, enabling them to be self-monitoring.
- A proactive attitude to use the weekly *Habits of Mind* and *Thinking Tools* to strive, thrive and flourish in their living, learning and thinking.

Value for Life – *Attentiveness*: Identify three positive behaviours which show *Attentiveness* at home, then at school and then in the community.

Wellbeing Focus: The 21st century has seen the advent of more and more mediums of communication which have reduced our opportunities for conversations in person. The virtual world seems to be taking over at the expense of in-person relationships. We need to be vigilant that our students aren't spending a disproportionate amount of their time communicating electronically.

Nearly everything that we will achieve in life will be through people, with people and by people. Healthy relationships are the cornerstones to a well-functioning world and as such we need to focus on cultivating in our students the skills to communicate effectively, such as:

- Reading and using body language messages
- Recognising inference, bias and emphasis in conversations
- Developing relationships through dialogue and conversation
- Learning to listen with their eyes, their ears and their hearts
- Valuing and considering other peoples' opinions and points of view
- Being present and mindful in each and every moment

As parents and teachers it is crucial that we raise our awareness as to whether our students are slipping more and more into the virtual world and communicating less and less face to face. A conscious effort to ensure that we provide numerous opportunities for students to engage in conversations in person will assist them to develop high quality relationships.

Let's role model the CARE principle when we have conversations:

C – Communicate – be open and honest

A – Achieve – aim for win – win conversations

R – Respect – listen with our eyes, our ears and our hearts

E – Expect – give more of ourselves to get more back

“The greatest motivational act one person can do for another is to listen.” Ray Moody

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SECONDARY

Parent Focus Article

MIDDLE – HOLIDAYS

SENIOR – HOLIDAYS

Learning Intentions/Goals - at the end of this week students should leave with:

- An acceptance that to develop and improve in any areas of their lives that they need to regularly reflect on and self-assess their efforts and for senior students a willingness to plan a balanced holiday program of quality leisure, structured revision and self-assessment of their learning in the previous term.
- A proactive attitude to use Persisting and Finding Humour Habits of Mind and the Exploring Habits of Mind and Think, Pair, Share Thinking Tools to sharpen their thinking, enabling them to be self-managing.
- A proactive attitude to use the weekly *Habits of Mind* and *Thinking Tools* to strive, thrive and flourish in their living, learning and thinking.

Value for Life – *Originality*: Identify three positive behaviours which show *Originality* at home, then at school and then in the community.

Wellbeing Focus: Holidays are wonderful times for students to relax and enjoy with their families and friends as well as their own company. For all students holidays are also an excellent opportunity to read, exercise more and pursue their hobbies.

For senior students, while holidays are a time to rest, revive and survive, they are also valuable opportunities to revise the previous term's learning. The reality is if they don't revise then, it won't happen. As we learned in 'Remembering a Smarter Way', should students not regularly revisit what they have learned then it is lost from their long term memories forever.

The cultivating of positive reflective habits in our students to enable them to take stock and then make any necessary changes is essential for them to flourish. To achieve this we need to present regular opportunities for students to reflect on their progress, they won't just pick these habits up implicitly along the way.

Senior students need to be coached to be resourceful and plan both a relaxing holiday period and an effective revision program; there are focuses in the planners to nurture these habits. Students are always encouraged to plan, but have they ever been taught explicitly how to? Planning their holidays presents an ideal opportunity to teach them.

“The future is something which everyone reaches at the rate of sixty minutes an hour, whatever he does, whoever he is.” C.S.Lewis

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IT'S REVISION TIME

2015 SCHOOL CHANGES

In response to transitioning Year 7 students to high school in 2015, we are making changes to the school services network to offer the best possible service across the network.

Students intending to travel to school via public transport should:

- Check transperth.wa.gov.au for information. Please note that as services change the website information will be updated so check closer to the start of term.
- Plan your journey prior to the start of school. The JourneyPlanner will be updated with the new school services **two weeks prior to the start of school**. Remember to change the date in JourneyPlanner to the first day of school
- Not every school will be undergoing changes, however, everyone should plan their journey prior to the first day of school.

For Assistance:
 Website: transperth.wa.gov.au
 Transperth InfoLine 13 62 13 (TIS: 13 14 50)
 Hearing or speech impaired? Call via NRS 133 677




Cat Haven needs you!

Have you considered becoming a foster care family these summer holidays?

Our foster care program is an integral part of the Cat Havens operations and we strive to make the experience as enjoyable and easy as possible! We provide food, bedding, kitty litter, food bowls etc., all we ask is that you provide them with space to keep them and some love and attention!

Fostering is extremely rewarding, and anyone can become a foster carer. There are a variety of reasons why cats and kittens may need to be placed in foster. It could be that we have a litter of kittens who are too small to be adopted, so need to be placed in a foster home until they are they right age. We also have many adult cats that need space to stretch their legs for a little while. We do also receive cats and kittens that may have mild illnesses such as flu, so in order to prevent this from spreading to the many other cats here, we try and place them in a foster home so they can get a little bit of extra TLC.

Whilst we do receive a high number of kittens, we are always in need of carers for adult cats. Whereas kittens need a little more time and attention, adult cats are relatively easy to care for and often just need a place to stretch their legs for a little while.

Anyone can become a foster carer, and because of the many diverse and unique reasons why a cat or kitten would be placed into foster care, there will always be a cat or kitten for you! With school holidays just around the corner, this makes it an ideal time for your family to have your own 'holiday entertainment' to keep yourselves busy. If you are interested in saving lives and experiencing the joy becoming one of our valued foster carers, please contact us on 9442 3633, or e-mail us at fostercare@cathaven.com.au.



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MAYLANDS YACHT CLUB

Mon 19 Jan - Thurs 22 Jan 2015

8am - 1pm



For more information contact
 Junior Development Coach: Matt Clark-Massera
 Ph: 0421 364 208 Email: mattcm9@gmail.com

MT LAWLEY SCHOOL HOLIDAY CRICKET CAMP

Give the kids 4 days of cricket from the 12th to the 15th of January this school holidays at the Breckler Park Cricket ground, Cornwall St in Dianella. Starting at 9am and finishing at 1pm senior players and Level 2 coaches will be coaching plus there will be special visits from Western Warrior players.

To take advantage of a 20% early bird discount offer register now at <http://www.mtlawleyhawks.com/content.aspx?file=531|43531w> or

contact David Virgo at info@cycd.com.au or 0439091418





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The ConocoPhillips Science Experience is taking place at ECU Joondalup from 20-23 January 2015.

ECU is offering four days of interactive hands-on workshops. A welcoming team of scientists and engineers will expose students to the following science disciplines/careers:



1. Engineering (includes Motorsport, Robotics, Physics, Civil and Chemical Engineering)
2. Sport and Health Science (Sport Analysis, Coaching, Nutrition)
3. Medical science (Nursing, Paramedic, Biomedical science techniques)
4. Environmental Science (Astronomy, Chemical Forensics, Reptiles and Animals)
5. Social Science (Psychology).



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This event is suitable for **current Year 8, 9 or 10 students** who want to be exposed to science careers or have an interest in science. There are no interviews or entry tests as advanced science ability is not required.

The program costs \$150. You can register online or call the ConocoPhillips Science Experience office on the number below.

Not familiar with the ConocoPhillips Science Experience?

Watch our YouTube video by searching "Science Experience ECU" where you will find a video showcasing our 2014 event.

Feel free to visit the science experience website for all the information you may need, including costs and sponsorship at www.scienceexperience.com.au

If you would like to contact the ConocoPhillips Science Experience office, please call (03) 8288 1001.

EXTRA EFFORT GETS REWARDED

COURSE DATES 2015

January Preparation Program
19/01/2015 to 24/01/2015

April Revision Program
Second week of the holidays
13/04/2015 to 17/04/2015

July Revision Program
Second week of the holidays
13/07/2015 to 17/07/2015

October Revision Program
Second week of the holidays
5/10/2015 to 9/10/2015

CONTACT
For more information about any of our courses, including the upcoming master classes, contact WACE Plus to discuss your child's particular needs.

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SIZZLING 2015 JANUARY PROGRAMS

Keep their brains active over the long holiday break!

Tuesday 23rd December 2014		
HOME-MADE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS A special fun-filled workshop for children to make presents and wrap them up for Christmas. Ages 5 - 13	2-5	\$70 for the session (Discounts for more than 1 child)
January 2015 BRAIN BOOSTERS	Day/Time	Investment
ACADEMIC BOOST (Years 1 -12) Designed to help kids "catch up" academically and get them all powered up for the next academic year. Each child is tested and placed on individualised programs to maximise strengths and overcome weaknesses.	9:30-12:30 and 1-4:00 5,6,7,8,9 12,13,14,15,16 19,20,21,22,23 27,28,29,30	\$75 per 3-hour session or \$140 for full day (Discounts for multiple sessions)
SAIL STUDY SKILLS (Study and accelerated intensive learning) Time management, motivation, information gathering techniques, mind-mapping, essay writing, effective note-taking and much more. Based on the latest research into brain-compatible learning.	(9:30-12:30) 12, 13, 14, 15, 16	\$420 for 5x3-hour sessions
CREATIVE COURSES SCIENCE EXPLORERS WRITING THROUGH ART MATHS AND LANGUAGE GAMES AUSSIE ART	9:30-4:30 9 January 9:30-4:30 13 January 9:30-4:30 22 January 9:30-4:30 28 January	\$140 each day, \$130 if attending for more than 1 day
TRANSITION TO FORMAL LEARNING Fun, multi-sensory ways to improve phonics, reading & early writing skills, and hands-on maths skills to help ensure a smooth, successful transition to formal learning for K-Grade 1 children.	9:30-12:30 19, 20, 21, 22, 23	\$375 for 5x3-hour sessions
EQ4KIDS Ages 6 – 13 years This researched backed, practical and popular course will give your children confidence, help them to discover their strengths, develop resilience, deal with bullies, develop motivation and develop a more positive outlook on life.	1pm to 4pm 5,6,7,8,9	\$480 including parent workshops

All bookings MUST be accompanied by deposit. Call now on 9271 4200 or email iceinfo@iinet.net.au

WE WILL HELP YOUR CHILD ACHIEVE SUCCESS IN 2015

WE BELIEVE THAT ALL KIDS ARE SMART!

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