Students in Years 7-10 are currently sitting their mid course exams. These exams will continue until Friday this week. Staff will then be involved in marking and collating assessment information prior to preparing reports. Parent teacher evenings will follow. The senior student parent teacher evening is currently set for Tuesday 14 June. The Year 7-10 parent teacher evening is in the last week of term on Tuesday 28 June.

For the next two weeks the school welfare committee has organised a variety of welfare activities. Monday 6 June girls in Years 9 and 10 will be involved in a Girls Welfare Day to be held at the Leeton Soldiers Club. The girls will be involved in activities throughout the day including cyber safety and women’s health. We are very fortunate to have the services of renowned speaker Nina Funnell. Nina will be working with the students during the day. In the evening Nina has arranged to meet with parents and community members to discuss one of the most topical issues for teenagers, that of cyber bullying and sexting.

Tuesday through to Friday 7-10 June all Year 7, 8 and 9 students will be participating in cyber bullying workshops run by Senior Constable Jane McInnes, the School Liaison Police Officer for High Schools across this part of the Riverina. The welfare committee is trying to be proactive and help educate all students on this increasing issue in our community.

During the week 14-17 June each Year 10 class will be involved in a wonderful program called “Love Bites”. This program is free and is run by Relationships Australia. This is an early intervention program looking at respectful relationships, domestic violence and sexual assault.

I urge all parents, caregivers and friends to come along to the Leeton High School production gLeeton “Don’t Stop Believing”. Tickets go on sale this week for performances from 30 June until 2 July. (see advertisement later in the newsletter)

Greg Horton, Principal

In the last newsletter an anti-bullying flowchart was attached. Since then the committee has expanded and they are going to review the procedures. The school community will of course be informed of any changes.

Attached to this newsletter is the reviewed “Rights and Responsibilities” of students. As shown at the bottom it was reviewed by students in 2009 and endorsed last year. If you have any questions please fell free to contact me at the school.

It is still very pleasing to see that students are still earning Silver and Gold Diplomas. What is more pleasing is the increasing number of students earning multiple Gold Diplomas.

The following students are to be congratulated on earning their awards.
Silver Diplomas: Jake Johnson, Cody Peet, James Chilby, Jack Robbie (all Year 7) and Amanda Hodge (Year 9).
Gold Diplomas: Mackenzie Saddler, Hannah Boardman, Kyle McVittie (all Year 7), Anna Poulsen, Rhys Wilesmith (Year 9), Jasmin Sahota , Jessica Catlin (Year 10) and Demi Reeves (Year 11).
Double Gold Eligibility Certificate: Corey Graham (Year 8).

Executive Awards were received by: Danyon Arnold, Makayla Boots (Year 8), Jessica Savini, Darcy Single, Bianca Green (Year 9), Courtney Arnold, Jessica Catlin, Benjamin Marks, Molly Giddings, Mchaela Ridge (Year 10), Lauren Valenta, Gabrielle Ramponi (Year 11), Amani Choudhury, Nathan Walsh & Megan Trolldahl (Year 12).

It is expected a Double Gold Jacket will be presented within the next two weeks.

Scott White, Deputy Principal

On Tuesday 17 May all students attended a performance of “Burnt” in the MPC by Zeal Productions. This was a sensitive and engaging look at rural life, especially in the drought period and its effects on families, communities and individuals. LHS students are to be congratulated on their excellent behaviour throughout the 90minute show.

Jen White, Deputy Principal
A workshop was then conducted for Drama and gLeeton students run by Dean from the Sydney Theatre Company. The workshop included a range of vocal and physical warm ups, leading to a student performance of group devised drama. Students also attended a workshop run by the Belvoir Street Theatre last week and are extremely pleased with their drama and performance opportunities this last month.

**DIABETES WORKSHOP**

On Tuesday 24th May, 20 year 7 students travelled out to the Murrumbidgee Rural Studies Centre to participate in a workshop designed to promote Diabetes awareness. Students learnt about the dangers of diabetes and the risk factors surrounding this condition. They were then treated to a performance by talented Indigenous dancers and musicians from Sydney. The students were broken into groups following this and participated in workshops on Indigenous Dance, Hip Hop Dance and Rap Music. The groups then performed for their teachers and support crew. All students thoroughly enjoyed this experience and were able to learn more about Indigenous Culture, Dance and Music.

**SPEC 2011 and OTHER Performing Arts News**

The school dance and vocal ensembles found out this week that they have been successful in gaining a place in the 2011 Schools Spectacular yet again. Both groups sent away audition DVDs mid Term 1 and are thrilled with their acceptance. They will travel to Sydney again in November this year to be part of the amazing Schools Spectaculars.

Congratulations to Gareth Ryan of Year 12 and Anthony Nardi of Year 10 for being accepted into the next phase of Featured Artist auditions for Spec this year. Gareth and Anthony submitted video auditions earlier in the year and were successful in moving through to the next stage. They will travel to Sydney on 9th June to participate in the first round of live auditions for the 2011 Schools Spectacular.

In other performing arts news, Gareth Ryan and Wesley Henderson have recently returned from a trip to Sydney where they were members of the Riverina Secondary Schools Choir who participated in “Voices In Performance – Secondary Choral 2011”. VIP allows secondary students from Government Schools across New South Wales to unite in song. The VIP, Combined Secondary Schools Choir, joined forces with The Arts Unit’s premiere Instrumental Music Ensembles to present: In Concert at the Sydney Town Hall on May 9th. The concert was hailed as an amazing choral and instrumental music showcase.

**gLeeton Show and Tickets Sales**

**gLeeton High Presents**

*DON’T STOP BELIEVING*

**Matinee Shows**
When: Thursday 30th June & Friday 1st July
Time: 10am
Cost: Adult $10 Concession $5

**Evening Shows**
When: Friday 1st July & Saturday 2nd July
Time: 6pm
Cost: Gallery – No Meal Adult $15 Concession $10
Show & Meal* Adult $25 Concession $20

*Meal served during intermission

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Mon 30th May – 3rd June – Final Week - Yr 7-Yr10 Exams
Thurs 9th June – SW Athletics Carnival
Thurs 30th June & Fri 1st July – gLeeton Matinee
Fri 1st July & Sat 2nd July – gLeeton
Tues 14 June - Seniors Parent/Teacher Night
Tues 28 June – Yr 7-10 Parent/Teacher Night
20th-24th June – Yr 10 Work Experience

Meet Nina Funnell
Cyber safety, cyber bullying, sexting expert.
6pm at The Leeton Visitors Centre
Gold coin donation