PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Congratulations to the students who have been elected by the school community to be Leeton High School leaders for 2012. The 2012 Captains are Vicki Wang and Thomas Meline; Vice Captains are Gabrielle Ramponi and Lachlan Hurst; Prefects are Keira McCallum, Lauren Valenta, Alicia Boardman, Joeleen Nikoro, Mitchell Lourigan, Daniel Furness. The leaders were announced at a formal assembly with students, staff, parents and friends in attendance. Captains and Vice Captains will commence their duties in earnest over the next two weeks with a number of key events.

Vick Wang (Captain), Thomas Meline (Captain) Gabrielle Ramponi (Vice Captain) Joeleen Nikoro, Mitchell Lourigan, Daniel Furness, Alicia Boardman, Keira McCallum, Lauren Valenta (Lachlan Hurst, Vice Captain, at CHS Athletics)

Year 10 students who have been involved in the LYNKS program conclude their work placement next week. The LYNKS program concludes with an official presentation evening at the Leeton Soldiers Club on Wednesday 21 September. The program has been running for many years now and each year students gain valuable career and work readiness skills.

Leeton High School had a number of outstanding sporting achievements over the past week. Congratulations to Rhys Wilesmith and Daniel Keith on winning silver medals at the CHS State Athletics in Homebush (see article for details), Madeline Warburton finished 4th in her discus event. Also in Sydney last week the Boys Netball team finished 7th in the CHS State Knockout after playing the final series at Sutherland. Well done to all students.

Greg Horton, Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

A Student Assistance Program is currently administered by the school to provide financial assistance for families experiencing difficulty. The funds provided are subject to audit by the Auditor-Generals Department and hence have relatively strict guidelines as to their dispersal and the type of assistance offered.

The types of items/activities for which assistance may be given are:
- Subject materials contribution
- School uniforms
- Stationary needs

To apply for assistance, please complete the Application form and return it to me. Each application will be considered by the Student Assistance Committee and confidentiality is maintained. If you are not prepared to provide in writing the information we request, you are invited to contact the school to arrange an interview with the Principal to discuss your needs personally. These forms can be collected from myself or the Front Office of the school.

The school will contact the parent/caregiver when the application has been processed.

Congratulations to the following students on earning awards:

Gold Diploma: Coen Lourigan, Cody Peet, Mackenzie Saddler (Year 7), John Polsen (Year 9), Anthony Nardi, Stephanie Hanlon (Year 10).

Executive Awards: Ruth Korovata, Morgan Wilesmith (Year 7), Corey Graham (Year 8), John Polsen, Hayley Reynolds (Year 9), Nicola Frost, Benjamin Schuette, Benjimun Nakubuwai, Rian Smith, Lindsay Dodds, Emma Millar, Shelbie Nuku (Year 10), Joeleen Nikoro, Samantha Scalora, Karly Potter (Year 11) and Mathew Grundy (Year 12).

As this is the last newsletter for the term I would like to wish all students and their families a happy and safe holiday.

Scott White, Deputy Principal
SCHOOL SPORTS

STATE ATHLETICS

Nine athletes represented Riverina at the CHS State Athletics at Homebush over 3 days, Thursday 8th Sept to Saturday 10th September. These athletes were:- Shaylah Elwin (Year 9) – Javelin, Lachlan Hurst (Year 11) - 800m, Daniel Keith (Year 12) – 800m, Triple Jump and Hurdles, Madeline Warburton (Year 7) – Discus and Javelin, Rhys Wilesmith (Year 9) – Discus and Shot-put, Jonte Schmetzer (Year 7) – 1500m Walk, Laura Brindley, Shaylah Elwin, Ann Poulsen (Year 9) and Madeline Warburton (Year 7) – Girls 4x100m relay.

Results
Madeline Warburton – Discus 4th 27.11m, Javelin 10th 26.06m
Rhys Wilesmith – Discus 4th 45.18m, Shot-put 2nd 14.07m
Shayla Elwin – Javelin 16th 20.42m
Daniel Keith – Hurdles 2nd 15.62sec, 800m 10th in heat 2.06.69,
Triple Jump 13th 12.03m
Lachlan Hurst – 800m 11th in heat 2.09.81
Jonte Schmetzer – 1500m Walk 11th 9.24.54sec
Girls 4x100 relay – 15th 56.06sec

SCHOOL NEWS

LEETON IDOL

Leeton Idol was held again as part of LHS Fest on 31 August and was a huge success. With 18 acts in Solo, Duo/Trio and Group categories the judges and audience really had their work cut out for them in choosing a winner in each category. The Judges decisions were given at the end of the show:
“Jar Of Hearts” by Will Evans and Hayden Golz of Year 10 won the Duo/Trio category; “Your Song” by Alice Johnson of Year 10 was awarded the winner in the solo section; while “The Pretender” performed by resident rock band ‘Freefall’ were awarded the group prize.

The winners and runners up in the much coveted audience vote were announced on Tuesday 6 September at the school’s Assembly.

Solo Category: 1st – Joeleen Nikoro, Runner Up – Anthony Nardi
Duo/Trio Category: 1st Esther Deeves and Matt Mitchell (Hallelujah), Runner up – Hannah Keith, Sam Pianca and Paris Jennings (Black Illusion)
Group Category: 1st Freefall (Alex Stewart, David Mitchell, Nim Sundaram Mitchell Lourigan and Matt Mitchell), Runner Up – 3aside3 (Joeleen, Tereapii and Josh Nikoro).

Leeton Idol really was an epic afternoon of entertainment. Thank you and congratulations to all 45 students involved in the show – it’s a shame we can’t give you all a prize.

Alice Johnson
Esther Deeves & Matt Mitchell

LHS FEST 2011

What a great day. Perfect weather, SRC, student, teacher participation, wonderful helpers and great behaviour by students. What more could we ask for? Awesome fundraiser, in excess of $3,600 raised. A big thank you to all of those people who contributed to the success of the day, Tom Elwin, Glen Saddler, Greg Newham, Sylvia Saddler, Lara Poulsen, Michele Dibert, Margaret Turton, Belinda Petrie, Marg Brindley, Cathy Ramponi, Carrie Stewart, Ruth Warren, Jo Gale, Mrs Kerry Hardie, Sonia Riznic, Cheryl Butler, Sheree Wilesmith, Garry Wilesmith, Steve Purtill, Peter Fell, Leeton Public School, Leeton Rotary Club, Greg Horton, Front Office & Outdoor Staff, Teachers, Teachers Aides, LHS P&C Committee members and the many Leeton Business houses who donated prized for the Hoop-la. LHS Fest is the one day where the students of Leeton High can have some fun and considerable funds are raised to put back into our wonderful school. Congratulations and thank you all for your ongoing support.

Sharon Elwin
LHS Fest Co-ordinator 2011

DATES TO REMEMBER

12th-23rd Sept – Yr 11 Preliminary Final Exams
Tues 20th Sept – P&C Meeting – 7.30 Library
Fri 23rd Sept – Yr 12 Presentation Assembly 10.30am
Fri 23rd Sept – Yr 12 Graduation Dinner
Fri 23rd Sept – Last Day of Term 3
Mon 10th Oct – Students & Staff Return to School