HOTEL FOR BEES
I congratulate Year 12 on the completion of the mid-course examinations. These exams can be a difficult hurdle for students – as they realise the rigorous nature of the HSC courses. Students at Lithgow High School can be confident that they have highly experienced teachers with a long history of excellent achievement. I can assure you that the staff is working hard to support Year 12 achievement in all courses.

The reality is that HSC candidates seeking a high ATAR need to study for a MINIMUM of 4 hours per 2 unit subject per week. From the beginning of the HSC course in Term 4 2014 Lithgow High School has put in a range of strategies to support HSC students. Elevate education has delivered study skills sessions for students, tuition support is available in the library. All Year 12 students have a study during Period 6 on Thursdays and staff are available to lend support. Mrs Cross is developing a collection of HSC workbooks for students use – to ensure all have access, these are for in library use only. The school has a subscription to an online study skills site which all students can access. See Mrs Cross for more information. I strongly urge Year 12 students to use the library resources in any study periods.

I recognise that the HSC course is rigorous and challenging and we seek to work in partnership with students and parents to maximise the results of our HSC candidates in 2015. Year 12 parent teacher night is on April 28th, I strongly recommend that all Year 12 students and parents attend. Please use the online booking system to arrange appointments.

Congratulations to all the staff that have put themselves out to organise and supervise a range of inspiring excursions and extracurricular activities this term. I know parents appreciate how our staff put in the extra effort for all students at Lithgow High School.

I wish the whole school community a restful holiday and look forward to Term 2. School students return on Tuesday 21st April.

Ms Ann Caro - Principal

Next P & C Meeting is at 6.00pm on Monday, 4th May in the Hall Foyer
You are all very welcome to attend,
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL ORGANISATION

Bring Your Own Device - Throughout Term 1 I have been very impressed with the number of rich learning activities currently being implemented across the school. A focus for the school has been on the successful transition and implementation of the Bring Your Own Device policy. Mr Brownlow and his team have prioritised a number of support structures in the school to ensure success and positive learning outcomes for students. These supports have included, Professional Learning for staff, an audit/allocation of resources to support infrastructure and the implementation of policies to ensure that 21st learning strategies are embraced in the school.

Part of the implementation included a parent workshop on the 24th of March that included a demonstration of key technologies used in the classroom.

Bullying knows no bounds - During Week 9 the school held a number of student led activities designed to promote Anti bullying in the school. The Year 11 leadership team and a number of students from Years 7-10 successfully facilitated the following activities:
- presented on assembly,
- completed a student competition
- created a mural in the Jenolan Quad to promote the National Day of Action Against Bullying and violence on Friday 20th of March.
- All students were issued with wrist band that read Bullying No Way! Take a stand together.

When cyber bullying hits home - Because most cyber bullying happens in the home, parents need to be aware of the technology that young people are using.

School Social
The SRC organised a School Social to occur in week 8 as part of the fundraising initiatives in the school. Unfortunately there was not enough interest in the school to run the social. Students were offered a second opportunity to purchase tickets and once again students did not take up the offer. If students have any other ideas about how student leadership can raise funds please contact Mr Langfield.

No Hooded Tops
As the cooler weather approaches, a reminder that the school has a warm jumper with no hood, that is part of the school uniform. This top, and other styles, are available through the school uniform shop. No hooded top is to be worn to school. The school will provide alternate jumpers for any student wearing a hooded top.

Lockdown and Evacuation Drill
We had our first combined Lockdown and Evacuation drill in Week 6. Students were well behaved and followed all procedures correctly. A few minor amendments have been made to the policy as a result of the drill.

Matthew Quirk

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CURRICULUM
Assessment Schedules
The schools assessment schedules are published on the school website. To access them please Google Lithgow High School. On the website on the blue bar along the top of the home page typed in white are the words “quick links”. Click on “quick links” and the links to all of the assessment schedules appear. Please access them so that our students can work out when their assessment tasks are due for the year.

If you are unable to access the assessment schedules from the internet/school website please contact the school and we will print a copy of the relevant policy and post it home.

The Aboriginal Parents Advisory Group (APAG)
The Aboriginal Parents Advisory Group will be meeting on Monday night 27th April 2015 (Week 2 Term 2) at 6pm dinner and childcare is available. We are scheduled to discuss and work through all of the schools Assessment Schedules, anybody is welcome. If you wish to learn how the Assessment Schedules work please ring the school and claim a spot on the night regardless of whether you have an Aboriginal heritage or not.

Uniform
If families have any pieces of uniform that their children have outgrown the school would appreciate the donation of such garments for the clothing pool.

Phillipa Byrne
The Year 7 Enrichment class enjoyed a unique hands-on learning experience on Thursday 19th March in the Gawaymbanha Ngurambang garden. **Dr Megan Halcroft**, an expert on solitary native bees, gave a fascinating talk on the importance of native bees and pollination in our environment. Bees are critical to food crops and natural ecosystems, but the abundance and diversity of bees are declining in many areas across the world, including Australia, due to the use of pesticides and chemicals and the loss of bee habitats.

Solitary bees need a safe place to build nests and lay eggs to ensure their survival. Dr Halcroft taught staff and students how to make bee habitats for the bees out of natural materials, such as blackberry, bamboo and lantana stems; flat rocks, bark and aged gum branches. The students were able to use these materials to create a variety of habitats within the new ‘bee hotel’. The hotel was constructed by the Year 9 and 10 gardening students with the expert help of **Sarah Hill** from Bunnings and her husband Jason. Lithgow High School is very grateful to Bunnings for their generous donation of tools, skills, materials and ongoing support.

The garden students are also creating a ‘straw bale garden’ around the hotel that will be planted with flowering plants to attract the solo native bees to the hotel.

Dr Halcroft will be returning in the warmer months to monitor and identify the residents of our new hotel with 7A. Any community members who would be interested in being a part of this unique project are welcome to participate. Please contact Rosie Galloway on 6352 1422

**Rosie Galloway - Norta Norta Teacher**
Lithgow High School victorious in mock trial against Katoomba High

Lithgow’s team of Barristers Max Arkey-Smith, Zyrell Puddle ably instructed by solicitor Matthew Palmer, steamrolled the Katoomba prosecution of our defendant Brittany Menzies on murder charges supported by witness Jarod Inzitari and court officer Amy Capaldi. The defendant was found not guilty beyond reasonable doubt and but there was no doubt who better argued the case with Lithgow clearly winning over traditional rivals Katoomba High who were coached by a familiar face Mr Gasparre.

Great work Lithgow High School!!

Ian Morrison – HSIE Teacher
**Book Review by Maia Michell**

**Press Club**

**Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children**

**By Ransom Riggs**

Growing up, Jacob Portman’s grandfather told him stories of magical children hiding from nightmarish monsters on an enchanted island protected by “The Bird”. Now sixteen, Jacob’s decided that his grandfather made the stories up and the peculiar photos were just fakes. That is, until he sees his grandfather murdered by monsters that no one else seems able to see. Haunted by nightmares, Jacob travels from America to a tiny island in Europe where his grandfather lived after fleeing Germany in WW2. It is there that he discovers that maybe the stories weren’t made up. Maybe his grandfather was telling the truth and maybe the children are still alive.

This book is a spellbinding mix of history, fantasy and horror made even creepier by the haunting old photographs bought and borrowed from photo collectors. I recommend this book to anyone who loves a mysterious and chilling book. A film based on the book will be directed by Tim Burton.
VIRTUAL SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL

This year the NSW Department of Education opened their first Virtual Selective High School for Gifted and Talented students who live in rural and remote areas. Two students from Lithgow High school have secured a place in this ground breaking school. **Kasey Cross** (Year 8) and **Emma Cross** (Year 9) have both commenced with Aurora College in 2015.

Emma and Kasey along with 158 Aurora students from all over rural NSW attend their lessons in Maths, English and Science connecting online with their teachers and classmates through a virtual learning environment. Both girls then attend all other subjects at their home school - Lithgow High School.

**Mr Horton-James** from the Lithgow High School Science Department has been recruited as a teacher for the Aurora College.

Both Kasey and Mr Horton-James were part of the Xsel provisional school in 2014, which catered to Gifted and Talented students in the Western Region. Aurora College has been developed based on the outstanding success of the Xsel Provisional School.

*Kasey with the Year 8 Aurora College Class*
When asked what they enjoy about being a part of Aurora College, Kasey responded, “it provides me with an alternate way of learning and it is a way to communicate and learn with students my age from all over NSW.” Emma replied, “although the work load is immense, it pushes you to better yourself and develop skills which carry over into all subjects.”

As a requirement of attending Aurora College students must attend two residential schools per year.

Recently, Emma and Kasey along with Mr Horton-James attended a 4 day residential school at Hurlstone Agriculture College in Sydney. The program was full of learning opportunities, excursions and team building activities.

The highlight of the residential school was the night excursion to the Sydney Observatory, where students were guided in depth about the science of Astronomy.

More information about Aurora College can be found at [http://www.vss.nsw.edu.au/](http://www.vss.nsw.edu.au/)
Year 7 recently attended a play with the aim of promoting discussion and understanding about bullying amongst high school students. The play was aimed particularly at bullying which incorporates technology such as internet, websites and mobile phone text messages. The play was performed by two actors who played three different characters.

All students enjoyed the dramatic performance helping them become more aware of and deal with serious bullying issues. The play offered many strategies to deal with these growing technology problems. All students were able to discuss the issues the play raised in an informal, friendly and open forum with the actors.
COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

IMPORTANT NOTICE – Year 12 PARENT TEACHER EVENING

On Tuesday 28th April, (Week 2, Term 2), Lithgow High School will be hosting the Year 12 Parent/Teacher evening for 2015. The night will commence at 4.00pm and conclude at 7.00pm.

Full School Parent teacher evening is scheduled for Tuesday 23rd June, 2015 further information to come closer to the date.

The Millennium online booking system was introduced for parents to book their own appointments last year, this will be the same procedure for 2015. Millennium appointment bookings opened from Monday 30th March, login and passwords were re-sent last week.

Millennium is an online data base we use to mark rolls, record student behaviour and awards. Using Millennium will allow parents to access and view your child’s information.

If you don’t already have access to Millennium to book your Parent/Teacher appointments, please provide the school with your current email address. We will send you a unique login code username and password via email to enable you access to the Millennium’s system. You will be able to track your child’s progress in classes, behaviour and attendance, which are just a few of the benefits of the Millennium system and print timetables and reports as you require.

Don’t forget to check out our facebook page! Stay up to date with notifications, announcements and organisation of our school.

Please like and share our page with anyone who has children attending Lithgow High School.

We will endeavour to build a facebook community to ensure that school information is quick and effective for all parents.

Sam Luchetti – CLO
Lithgow High School was honoured to receive the NSW Tidy Towns Environmental Education Award. In Term 4 of 2014 the award was presented to Ms Caro, by Sue Graves and Kathleen Compton, for the school’s amazing work with the Aboriginal garden, which has brought students and teachers alike together in respect of the Wiradjuri people and their culture.

This garden involves all students from Year 7 to 12 and involves hands-on learning of literacy, ICT, Numeracy, Cooking and Sustainable Living Skills. Most importantly, the program helps the Aboriginal students reconnect with their Aboriginal ancestry and teaches the non-Aboriginal students about this amazing culture.

We were very proud to receive this award and in 2015 we hope to expand on this great work.

Sarah Dawson Year 10 - Gamillaroi Woman

Uniform Update

The school has a well endorsed, community supported, student/staff and parent selected uniform. There can be no variations. However circumstances may require students to be out of uniform for a day, in which case a parental note must be sent in. Students are required to see the Head Teacher on duty at the SRC desk before 9.00am.

The follow items of clothing are totally unacceptable, and parent will be contacted to bring in more suitable clothing.

- Gym tights or tight stretch jeans
- Jeans (denim)
- Ugg Boots
- Short denim shorts, black gym shorts or frayed legged shorts
- Football shorts or board shorts

**Canterbury’s, shorts or track pants are UNACCEPTABLE as our school uniform, even if they are navy blue**
QUICKSMART PROGRAM

The Quicksmart Numeracy and Literacy programs aims to increase fluency in basic Mathematics and Literacy skills for middle school (Years 5-8) students. The program is called Quicksmart to encourage students to become “Quick” in their response speed and “Smart” in their strategy use when learning the basic skills required in numeracy. Quicksmart Literacy focuses on improving skills in reading, comprehension and word understanding. Ultimately Quicksmart aims to free up the working memory of students so that they can engage meaningfully in demanding school activities like problem solving, multiple computations, reading and comprehension.

The students undertake three thirty minute sessions a week, for 30 weeks. We currently have 30 Year 7 & 8 and students involved in the program. Both the literacy and numeracy sessions follow a structured lesson sequence. Teaching and learning strategies include explicit strategy instruction, instructor and peer modelling, discussion, questioning, guided practice and appropriate feedback.

A large number of staff has completed the Quicksmart training for both Literacy and Numeracy. The response from students has been very encouraging, with students very keen to participate.

Rebecca Hamment - Teacher / Welfare Coordinator
 PRIMARY TRANSITION PROGRAMS

Mrs Lee Middleton and myself (Ross Guihot) are both Science teachers at Lithgow High School. We regularly visit many of the primary schools within our Western Gateway Educational Community (WGEC) region.

Our visits involve staging; hands on Science shows for the Stage 3 students, mainly Year 6. Our aim is to provide a bridge between Year 6 and Year 7 that helps their transition into High School. We provide experiences in Science to help build on their understanding of scientific concepts, ideas and terminology in Science. Making the prospect of Science in High School a less scary and more interesting proposition for the future.

Our visits also provide the Year 6 students with two familiar faces in the teaching staff of Lithgow High School so the transition into Year 7 at Lithgow High School is a less formidable experience.

The images here show a visit to Zig Zag Public School where we studied energy with a particular emphasis on sound energy. The enthusiasm shown by the students in the activities will hopefully encourage them in their future studies in Science at High School.

 Ross Guihot - Science Teacher
Evans Crown Horse Sports Day

On the 9th March, 118 riders from schools all across the state took part in the annual “Evans Crown Horse Sports Day” held at the Lithgow Pony Club grounds.

The event started with an early morning, with the grand parade beginning at 8.30am.

After the schools were judged on presentation in the parade, riders split into age groups ranging from 8yrs-16yrs and over, and the hacking events were ready to start. In the hacking, riders were judged on their mount, themselves as a rider and also in pairs.

Followed by the scare of a Brown Snake which was quickly relocated, the sporting events began. There was around 8 different sporting activities Ranging from Barrel, Western Bending and Keyhole, to “Rider in Action”.

To finish things off riders untacked their horses and sat in for a presentation where all the awards won on the day were handed out to very much deserving winners.

Overall the day was a huge success and everyone rode really well and had an amazing day as always.

Thank you to Mr Abbott for organising the Lithgow combined team for this year.

Brooklyn Mackie - Press Club
Press Club Pages!

What’s Trending???

APPS
1. Stick texting
2. iTube PRO
3. Minecraft-Pocket
4. Heads Up
5. TripView Sydney

PAID...

MOVIES
1. MOKINGJAY-PART 1
2. JOHN WICK
3. TWO NIGHT STAND
4. THIS IS WHERE I LEAVE YOU
5. THE BEST OF ME

BOOKS
1. Divergent-Veronica Roth
2. I Am Number Four- Pittacus Lore
3. Allegiant-Veronica Roth
4. The Selection-Kiera Cass
5. Insurgent-Veronica Roth

MUSIC
1. Love Me Like You Do- Ellie Goulding
2. Four Five Seconds- Rihanna+Kanye
3. Uptown Funk- Bruno Mars Ft Mark Ronson
4. Cheerleader-OMI
5. Take Me To Church- Hozier

Alannah Stoneley and Brooklyn Mackie-Press Club
This Week’s Reviews…..

The X-Men

In this movie all the X-men come together in the past and present to destroy the robots that have been formed by mutant DNA. The only way is to go into the past and change the future to save the mutants from being killed and keep under cover. The X-men are all mutants and they have different powers like being able to read someone’s mind, to controls metal, create a storm, put someone in the past, to change into anyone and many more. Watch and see if they destroy the robots and save the mutants.

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We give ‘The X-men’ 3/5 smileys.

The Fault in our Stars

After the world loved John Green novel, it was made into a movie. Hazel Grace has cancer in her lungs and is depressed about everything until she meets Augustus at cancer group. He turns her life around, when they fall in love and figure out why life is worth living. This movie is full of romance, laughter and tragedy. As a girl’s life is turned around but will it end in disaster? *We recommend reading the book before seeing the film.

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We Give ‘The Fault in our stars’ 4/5 smileys.

By Miranda Swift, Lauren Trounce, Kiah Walsh & Kasey Cross
Q: Why was the math book sad?
A: It had too many problems

I don’t care if it’s the same...
It’s a new apple product so I have to buy it!

Q: Why was the boy sitting on his watch?
A: Because he wanted to be on time.

Do not be racist; be like Mario. He’s an Italian plumber, who was made by the Japanese, speaks English, looks like a Mexican, jumps like a black man, and grabs coins like a Jew!

Wife: "How would you describe me?"
Husband: "ABCDEFGHJK."
Wife: "What does that mean?"
Husband: "Adorable, beautiful, cute, delightful, elegant, fashionable, gorgeous, and hot."
Wife: "Aw, thank you, but what about IJK?"
Husband: "I'm just kidding"

Matilda Café and Kellsey Charlton
HELP REQUIRED
If you have any old school uniform and would like to donate it to our clothing pool, please leave articles at the front office. Many students benefit from your kind donations.

Up Close With MR LLOYD

Full Name: Tim Lloyd
What is your role at Lithgow High? Head Teacher HSIE
What is your favourite colour? Black
What schools did you go to? Berkeley High School in Wollongong
What are your hobbies? Reading, music, playing/coaching/watching soccer & video games
Describe yourself in three words:
1. Patient
2. Thoughtful
3. Determined
What did you want to be when you were a kid? Professional Cricketer or soccer player
Do you have any nicknames? Lloydy
How long have you been teaching? 11 years
Rate yourself on the following (1-10)
Driving: 5
Sport: 6
Shopping: -50

Amy Muir, Alya Shaw and Kaitlyn Trounce – Press Club
NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION

Lithgow High School became active participants in the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence with all years "Making A Stand Together" with a chalk mural depicting their ideas creatively in the playground (Jenolan Quad).

The messages were loud and clear "Bullying no Way"!" and demonstrated the importance of the active bystander and how they can support those being bullied and isolated.

Leanne Walding – Student Support Officer
SPORT REPORT

GIRLS and BOYS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to Rhiannon Cowie, Year 11 who has recently been named in the Western Region Schools Basketball team. Rhiannon will represent LHS and the Western Region at the CHS knockout competition in Albury from the 21st – 23rd May. We wish you the best of luck in the championships.

Open Boys and Girls Basketball (First Round)

On 7th March the both open teams ventured to Orange for the first round of Western Region. These carnival days are difficult for players as they have a number of games in a short period of time. For the first time in a number of years the girls’ team didn’t progress to the next round. The girls played Orange first, who were too tall for our team, outplaying us early and leading by 16. The girls fought back in the second half going down by 9. For the second game we lost three players to the opens touch football and fought hard to overcome Oberon by 23 points. For the girls to advance we had to beat Canowindra. After a long day the girls weren’t able to muster the energy to beat them going down by 7.

The boys, defending Western Champions, made it through the day with little trouble. Our toughest pool game was against Orange winning by 40. It was a similar story in the remaining pool games beating Oberon and Canowindra by large margins. Progressing to the cross overs with boys played a familiar opponent in Bathurst. The boys were focused on a big win and looking to make a statement to those teams watching. Out of blocks early the boys applied the pressure leading 23-3 in the first half. From there they were never headed winning out 48-21.

In the second round the teams travelled to results are as follows:

Boys - Lithgow v Canobolas lost 29 – 43, Lithgow v Dubbo lost 37 - 51
Girls - Lithgow v Orange won 24 – 16, Lithgow v Forbes won 22 - 18
Lithgow v Dubbo lost 24 – 50, Lithgow v Bathurst lost 28 - 32

Both teams have now been knocked out of the competition. Girls losing narrowly to Bathurst in the playoffs.
WESTERN SWIMMING

On the 5th March 9 students ventured off to Dubbo to test out their aquatic speeds against some of the best swimmers in the Western Region. Starting the morning with the most difficult stroke, Butterfly, Lithgow swimmers performed the stroke with grace and style. All students took to the pool for freestyle, with many of them earning a spot on the Western Region team for this stroke. Backstroke was hotly contested against all swimmers for each school, yet a number of our swimmers once again securing another place in the representative team. Breaststrokers glided through the water with precision making the stroke look effortless. Then came the Individual Medley where swimmers perform all four strokes in the one race. A great amount of stamina and skill is needed to perform this race with speed and accuracy.

Congratulations to Griffin Houston, Cassie Houston, Brody McManus, Logan McManus, Kory Pringle, Ethan Pringle, Jarrad Pringle, Ebony Seymour and Blake Holmes for all the hard work, training and on their success for the day. Good Luck to Brody and Logan McManus, Cassie and Griffin Houston, Jarrod Pringle, Blake Holmes who will be competing in the State Swimming Carnival at Sydney Olympic Aquatics Centre on the 26th-28th March.

Liz Savovski - Rep Sport Coordinator
WESTERN HOCKEY

Six representative players were recently selected into the Open School Western Region Hockey Team. The girls had to trial against many other Western Schools, a huge representation from one school.

The girls will be a dominant part of the team right through the field from the Goalkeeper, Midfielder to the striker forward line. The girls will contest the CHS Open State Championships in Albury from the 19th – 22nd of May.

Amy Dewar, Keely Newham, Bonnie Goodsell, Clare Bosman, Jessie Luchetti (group photo) Tiana Anderson

The LHS Boys open hockey team crowned Western Region Champions after the knockout competition last Monday in Bathurst.

The super LHS team played defeated Canobolas 12-0 in the first game then winning in a tough match against Orange HS 5-1 placed them in the finals. They played Bathurst and were winning 6-1 when play was suspended due to a Bathurst injury.

At the conclusion of the competition the Western Region Open Boys Hockey Team was announced and four talented LHS boys to Jordan Smith, Lachlan Sharp, Samuel Gray and Brandon Lloyd were selected to represent Western Region at the CHS knockout in Bathurst from the 26th - 28th May.

Congratulations on your selection into the Western Teams and we wish you the best of luck in the Championships.
FOOTBALL GIRLS

Tayla Lloyd, Year 10 and Chloe Anlezark, Year 9 recently travelled to Orange along with 45 other girls from the Western Region to trial for selection into the Western Region Girls CHS Open Football Team.

With Tayla’s attacking skills and speed, and with Chloe’s strong defensive and team leadership skills in the backs made the girls an easy selection into the team. Both the girls have worked hard to be at the top in their sport at district representative levels. The both currently play for Western Central Coast Mariners in Premier League. The girls will travel to Bathurst where they will represent the Western Region playing CHS Championships from the 28th - 30th May.

Congratulations girls on your selection into the Western Region team, we wish you luck at the State Championships.
Netball

It began with an early morning start and a trip to Orange for our campaign in the Western Region Knockout Competition. The girls started the day with closely fought games against Kelso High and Canowindra High. As the day wore on and the temperature crept over 30 degrees the team took on Orange High and held their own against the team who went on to win the days’ competition. After three games in the heat the girls soldier on and played a full game against Oberon High and finished the day on a high with a convincing win of 34-12.

A big congratulations to **Kirrily Beutel, Keira McDonald, Jasmine Beltran, Caitlin Young, Beth Thurlow, Catherine Barbour, Emily Milton, Alannah Stoneley-Sykakis, Bonnie Sutherland and Amy Muir** for great team work and constant work ethic throughout the day.

**Beth Flynn** must also be thanked for taking on the tough job of umpiring all games on the day.
LHS girls Open girls Touch Football and Soccer teams played Oberon in the CHS knockout hosted on home soil on the LHS oval.

The first match took place was the girls Touch Football, the girls played extremely well and were unlucky to be defeated.

In the Soccer the girl’s game finished with a 1-1 draw. Extra time was played with the scores still deadlocked, and then it came down to a penalty shootout. The girls narrowly missed out and unfortunately will not progress to the next round. All the girls would like to thank Mr Dunn for all the time he is putting into managing the team as he is doing a great job.
Game two was to see the Boys also take on Oberon. Like the girls, it was a very tough game and when the final bell sounded it was 2-2. Outstanding teamwork and communication was definitely a factor in this game. The team rarely let the ball over the half trapping Kandos in their half for the majority of the game. The boys would like to thank Mr George for all the support he was gave to the team during the game and for all the time he is putting into the squad. In the touch football the LHS team were victorious.
THE CHUCK EXPERIENCE

On Tuesday the 24th of February, Lithgow High students in Year’s 11 and 12 Art classes were offered the amazing opportunity to experience the Chuck Close exhibition at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Sydney.

The students travelled to Circular Quay by train before spending time looking through the amazing exhibition. The students were inspired by the works; the techniques he has used to create them were amazing.

Chuck Close is a famous American artist who was severely paralysed in the middle of his career yet continued to create amazing works.

All students that went loved the day. A big thank you must go to Mr Bawden and Mr O’Keeffe for giving us this fabulous opportunity.

Beth Flynn - Press Club
RYDA ROAD SAFETY – CROSSROADS PROGRAM

Thanks to many sponsors, Year 11 travelled to Bathurst to take part in the RYDA Road Safety and Training Course which occurred on the iconic Mount Panorama.

On the day, we learned a number of things, there were 6 activities, 5 were in the classroom, and one was outdoors.

For the outdoor activity, they showed us how fast a car can break at different speeds, and how just a little 5 kilometres can save a life.

For the indoor classroom, they spread awareness on what can affect you driving, such as drowsiness or medication. They showed us how we should be aware of our surroundings and how they can be unnoticeable until it’s too late.

The biggest impact was probably the story telling part of the day, the Cross-Roads had a guest speaker who was a mother, and her story told us how her son, with such a bright future, and a good career, was taken from her in a car accident, he was in a car with someone he knew who had consumed alcohol, was affected by tiredness and it was also raining, three biggest road hazards. These three things caused the car to crash and took her son’s life instantly.

From the whole, RYDA Road Safety told us about the dangers of driving and the road and how we can reduce the risk of having fatal car crashes, it expanded our knowledge and understanding and hopefully from this experience, this could reduce road risks and make sure everyone stays safer.

Sponsors of the Road Safety RYDA day included:

**Rotary** organisers of RYDA, and the collective **Bathurst Rotary Club** offered to partially fund the bus trip. **Panorama Road Safety**, who offer RMS/PCYC Safer Drivers Course, and driving lessons, in Lithgow.

**Bathurst Kia and Kia Australia** provided the vehicles for the ‘Stopping Distances’ demonstrations.

**Reliance Credit Union** (Maritime Mining & Power Credit Union) through the Reliance Community Support Fund, offered to go halves in the bus transport subsidy with Rotary, amounting to around $400 for the Credit Union and $400 for Rotary. Reliance also presented the ‘My Wheels’ session at RYDA.

**Zach Palmer – Press Club**
Lithgow High, Scoops the pool with their show entries and the Young Farmers Challenge!

Our school was victorious in many sections of the local show. The Food Technology and Support Faculties both received many ribbons and prizes for their entries including: Most Successful Exhibitor, in the Girls and Boys sections.

A new category was formed last year between the local schools, it was called “The Young Farmers Challenge”, once again LHS were victorious.

Congratulations to everyone who entered, well done, a tremendous representation of our wonderful school.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED IN OUR CANTEEN

We need Volunteers to help in our Canteen. You can put your name on the roster once a month or just when you have a spare few hours. The hours are 10.45am – 1.45pm.

Our volunteers don’t have to handle the money or know the price of our items.

All profit is donated by the P&C back to the school.

If you can help, please ring Debbie or Yvonne on 6351 2308.
NSW Spectacles Program and eligibility requirements

What is the NSW Spectacles Program?
The NSW Spectacles Program (the Program) assists financially disadvantaged people in NSW by providing free spectacles and other optical appliances to improve their vision and avoid preventable decline in eye health.

The Program provides funding to participating optometrists and optical dispensers to supply spectacles and other optical appliances to eligible clients free of charge.

The Program is funded by the NSW government and administered by Vision Australia.

What does the Program provide?
If you meet the Program eligibility criteria you are entitled to, in any two-year period to receive:

- One pair of single vision spectacles; or
- One pair of bifocal spectacles.

If you have particular clinical conditions, you may be entitled to other items including contact lenses, tinted lenses or low vision aids.

These items are provided free of charge through the Program. You can choose to pay an additional fee for items that are not available through the Program (such as multifocal or progressive lenses and non-standard frames).

Who is eligible to access the Program?
The Program is available to low income earners who meet the eligibility criteria:

Most providers participating in the Program are optometrists who can conduct your eye examination. Vision Australia’s website (www.visionaustralia.org/spectacles) lists all participating providers across NSW.

Where can I get further information?
For further information on the NSW Spectacles Program, visit the Vision Australia website www.visionaustralia.org/spectacles

Or contact Vision Australia on:
Phone: 1300 84 74 66
Email: info@visionaustralia.org
NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

**In NSW public schools students are expected to:**

- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers
- Strive for the highest standards in learning
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly
- Comply with the school’s uniform policy or dress code
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Respect all property
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.
Behaviour Code for Students: Actions

Promoting the learning, wellbeing and safety of all students in NSW Public Schools is a high priority for the Department of Education and Communities.

We implement teaching and learning approaches to support the development of skills needed by students to meet our high standards for respectful, safe and engaged behaviour.

Respect

- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code
- Take care with property

Safety

- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct
- Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy
- Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions
- Care for self and others
- Avoid dangerous behavior and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour

Engagement

- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Arrive at school and class on time
- Be prepared for every lesson
- Actively participate in learning
- Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning

The principal and school staff, using their professional judgment, are best placed to maintain discipline and provide safe, supportive and responsive learning environments. The department provides a policy framework and resources such as Legal Issues Bulletins, access to specialist advice, and professional learning to guide principals and their staff in exercising their professional judgment. In this context the NSW Government and the Department of Education and Communities will back the authority and judgment of principals and school staff at the local level.
UNIFORM

Alinta Apparel is open for purchasing the school uniform and accessories. An added advantage to purchasing your uniform from the Uniform shop is the financial benefit that the school receives. This allows the school to help many struggling families, providing them with the necessary uniform.

The on-campus shop provides the benefits of the latest in retail service and technology including a full range of payments and on-line shopping options and an on-line appointment booking system.

The Uniform Shop’s phone number, email address, opening times and information on how to make a fitting appointment will be advertised in future newsletters. Please check online at www.alintapparel.com.au for updates on stock arrivals and to view the price.

The Uniform Shop
(02) 6352 3494

Uniform Shop business hours during school terms are:

Tuesday and Thursday Mornings 8.00am – 10.00am

The uniform shop can be contacted outside of business hours by email - lithgowhigh@alinta.com.au.

Payments can be made direct to Alinta Apparel on the day of purchase. Alinta will take payments in the form of cash, credit card, or debit card.

Uniform price list & online shopping available at: www.alintaapparel.com.au
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School fees may now be paid on line direct debit to:
Westpac, Lithgow High School,
BSB No: 032-001
Account No: 15-3857.
It is imperative that you put your student’s full name, Student ID number or both when paying fees in this manner.

If your child has represented at a high level of achievement in any vocation and you would like it acknowledge through Lithgow High School, please email the school on: Lithgow-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au with the relevant information.
In the Community

Don’t wait! APPLY NOW for the 2014-2015 Family Energy Rebate and save up to $150 on your energy costs. Just 2 minutes to apply online from a desktop computer, smartphone or tablet device. Click goo.gl/hXyHvy for details and application form. Let your friends and family know too!
IRONFEST will be held at Lithgow Showground on 18th and 19th April 2015

Aiming to educate through entertainment, Ironfest features historical events over these days - jousting, and the annual colonial battle re-enactment event entitled ‘The Battle of Lithgow’. Both events depict accurately extremely interesting periods in history. The re-enactments are very dramatic, featuring artillery, cavalry and infantry, and there is a fully authentic military encampment, hospital and blacksmith’s workshop. Lots of roving entertainers, music, dance, woodturning demonstrations, as well as Australian made goods on sale at the stalls.

Saturday 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Sunday 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
Tickets at gate: One day - Adult $35; Conc. $30; Child $25; Family $95.
2 Day Weekend - Adult $55; Conc. $45; Child $35; Family $140.
For more information you can visit the Ironfest website at www.ironfest.net.au

JACKEROO RANCH

Jackeroo Ranch (est 54 Years) and recently relocated to Bingletree station at Upper Turon, are again running their popular horse riding camps in the Autumn Holidays

1st Week: Saturday 4th April – Saturday 11th April
2nd Week: Saturday 11th April – Sunday 19th April
*Shorter stays are possible if camps are not fully booked

These camps are for “horse-mad” children aged 6 to 16 years. Five to six hours per day are devoted to horse activities including a one hour lesson and three hours trail riding in the beautiful Turon Valley – with tuition still being given. As well, campers are taught grooming, saddling, haltering, catching a horse, safety aspects and many other facets of horsemanship.

No experience necessary!
This is “not just a camp” – it’s a wonderful farm experience your child will treasure forever.
Enquiries: Mrs Pattie Hudson. Phone 63377173 – nights are best!
The Lithgow City Band

PRESENTS

1915 – A PRODUCTION COMMEMORATING THE ANZAC CENTENARY

The inaugural performance of a play that re-imagines an essential episode in Lithgow’s ANZAC story and features ‘The Lads From Lithgow’, a musical score for brass by Australian composer Ian Munro.

ONLY THREE PERFORMANCES
Friday 17 April – 8pm
Saturday 18 April – 2pm
Saturday 18 April – 8pm

UNION THEATRE - BRIDGE STREET, LITHGOW

TICKET PRICING
Adult $15  Concession / Child $10  Family (2 Adults & 2 Children) $40

TICKET SALES
High Street Music, 165A Main Street, Lithgow. Ph: 6352 4290
Youth Week 2015
It starts with us!

Photo Competition

Capture the essence of Youth Week!
Show us what you will be doing during youth week and the school holidays; camping, motorbike riding, hanging out with friends, skateboarding, bushwalking anything you like.

- Competition is open 10 - 24 April to young people aged 11 – 24 years living in the Lithgow Local government area.
- Take a picture on your camera, smartphone, iPad or tablet!
- Email it, along with 1. permission to use the photos in publications and online and 2. permission forms of any people in the photos to melanie.jones@lithgow.nsw.gov.au.

Note: Employees of Council or their immediate family cannot enter this competition.

Judging

The most popular image wins
All eligible entries received will be placed on Council’s website and the Lithgow Youth Council Facebook page.
Online voting will be held over 2 weeks from 27 April to 10 May.

Great prizes to be won!
1st prize
GoPro Camera
2nd Prize
iPad Mini
3rd Prize
$200 Harvey Norman Voucher

For information call Council’s Community Development Officer, Melanie Jones on 63549999 or go to www.council.lithgow.com or www.facebook.com/LithgowYouth.

Disclaimer: Lithgow High School will, as a service to parents, advertise community news, events & services, which may be of interest. LHS does not necessarily endorse the events and services, and accepts no responsibility for their management, organisation or quality.
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