

# LEETON HIGH SCHOOL

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RESPECTFUL~RESPONSIBLE ~ LEARNERS

# PRINCIPAL REPORT

Another busy fortnight has gone by since our last newsletter. We farewelled Mr. David Killen, after 18 years of service at Leeton High School. Mr. Killen has made the move to be closer to family in the north and we wish him every success in his new role and thank him for his amazing work at our school over many years. He is certainly a great loss and is fondly regarded by both students and staff. Mr. Kurt Schwab will join our HSIE faculty later this month from Rutherford Technology High School in the Hunter region. We warmly welcome Mr. Schwab and his family to our school community and look forward to him sharing his knowledge and expertise.

Thank you to all parents, carers and Year 6 students who joined us for a School Tour on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May. A flyer has bee attached regarding the enrolment process for Year 7 2026.

#### Athletics Carnival

The carnival kicked off on Thursday afternoon with the 3000m races and an early start on Friday with the strong contingent of 1500m runners marshalled at 7:50am. Friday continued with the full gamut of events and beautiful weather to match with some thrilling action shots captured on the track on our Facebook page. A big congratulations to all students who participated in individual and team events for personal and team achievement and to earn points for their houses. Stay tuned for the announcement of house and age champions in the coming week. Students who qualified and are eligible to participate in the South West Zone will be notified shortly.













# Celebrating Reconciliation Week

We celebrated Reconciliation Week with our Cultural Dance Group visiting our friends at Assumption Villa to share culture and history. A heartfelt thank you to everyone at Assumption Villa for their warm welcome and willingness to share this meaningful experience with us.



### LHS Lego Robotics Returns

We're thrilled to announce that LHS Lego Robotics is back for 2025! Our students are diving into fun creative challenges and mentoring younger team members as we prepare for the new FIRST Lego League Challenge starting in August. If your child is interested in coding, creating, problem-solving, and teamwork, please reach out to Mrs Doig for more information.



#### Riverina Dance Festival

We are fortunate enough to have two ensembles performing at the Riverina Dance Festival next week. Both troupes have been working hard polishing their routines and applying finishing touches.





#### Cross Country Success



#### Swimming Highlights

Our swimmers continued with impressive performances over the NSW All-Schools Swimming Championships. Ruby Miller shone brightly, taking home a bronze medal in the 100m Fly and securing 4th place in the 50m backstroke. Maddy Ford-Lillee placed 7th in both the 100m breaststroke and 200m freestyle, while Alexis Ford-Lillee finished 8th in the 100m breaststroke. Well done to all three girls, especially Ruby, who now holds 2 NSW All-Schools Medals including Ruby's Gold Medal win in the 16 and Over MC 4x50 Mixed Freestyle Relay. Congratulations to Ruby on this fantastic achievement! Congratulations also to Maddy and Alexis for their relay finishes and Alexis for her 6th place in the individual 200m IM swim.



## Congratulations, Tim Radovu!



Tim Radovu has recently competed in the U15
Presidents Team contesting the NSW CHS Rugby League
Championships.
Well done to Tim for reaching this elite level of sport.



A special thank you to SunRice for their generous donation of SunRice Mini Bites for our students. We appreciate your continued support



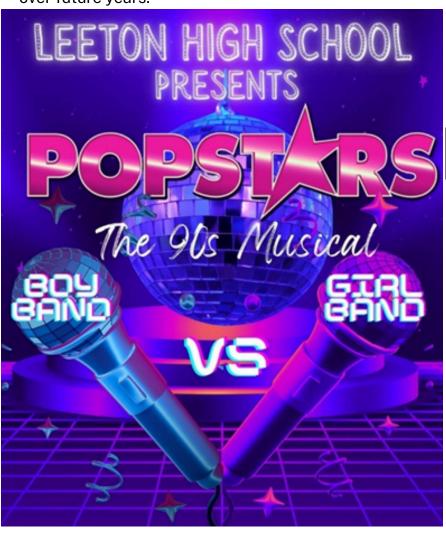
### Leeton High School Wellbeing Day

With the generous involvement of the Rapid Relief Team, Leeton High School recently celebrated an incredible morning filled with personal stories of challenge and resilience, engaging discussions, fantastic dance, a great BBQ, and lovely friends which really made our Wellbeing Day a great success.



#### Youth Council – Anna Woodlands

Congratulations to our very own Youth Councillor Anna Woodlands on her work with her peers in encouraging the voice of our young people to help shape the focus and spending of the Shire Council over future years.





#### Popstars the Musical!

7 Weeks to go – Save the date!
Popstars the Musical
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.
Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Don't miss of talent! You can book through this link:
<a href="https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/137152">https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/137152</a>



#### Contacting the School

The following list provides details on who to contact in the first instance with any questions or concerns you may have.

# Leeton High School Staff List and Contacts 2025



#### **RESPECTFUL~RESPONSIBLE~LEARNERS**

Subject content/ Assessment	Teacher Head Teacher	Principal Mrs. Meagan Crelley	
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Concerns/Queries	Teacher Year Adviser Subject Head Teacher Deputy Principal Principal	Mr. Damian Bush Mrs. Alison Dahlenburg English/ CAPA Faculty Head Teacher: Ms. Casey Co Teachers: J. Nicholl, B Smith C. Mitchell, R. Van Den Heuv. Science/PDHPE Faculty Head Teacher: Mr. Matthew Teachers: L. DiSalvia, S. Doig K. Goman, J. Storer, J. Stark.	
Student Progress	Teacher Subject Head Teacher Year Adviser Deputy Principal Principal		
Learning Support	Teacher Subject Head Teacher Head Teacher Teaching and Learning Learning and Support Teacher EAL/D Teacher	Mathematics Faculty Head Teacher: Ms. Rochelle Tr Teachers: M. Doyle, H. Smout, HSIE/LOTE Faculty Head Teacher: Mrs. Louise Joh Teachers: T. Sillis, C. Morgan-L A. Morschel N.Cox, (Librarian)	
Student Leadership	Year Advisers Student Leader Mentor Head Teacher Welfare	TAS Faculty Head Teacher: Mrs. Lisa Schm Teachers: S. Stout, D. Killen, R. A. Rolls (Careers) TAS Assistan	
Merit System	Year Adviser Deputy Principal Principal	Teacher and Learning and Wel Head Teacher: Ms. Tracey Byrr Teachers: J. Tannahill-Irons (L	
Wellbeing	Year Adviser Head Teacher Welfare School Counsellor Deputy Principal Principal	Teacher), S. Di Salvia (Support class), E. Gillespie (Support cla G. (Joey) Longford (Engageme Dundon (Student Support Offi (Wellbeing Health In-reach Nu Student Learning and Support	
Sport/Carnivals/ Representative Sport/Teams	Sports Co-ordinator Mr. J Storer, Mrs K. Goman	Mercuri, M. Frazer, T. Hoffman Single, M. Robertson, L. Tongs, Ingram.	
Uniform	Office Deputy Principal Principal	Mrs Sandra Richardson  Aboriginal Education Officer  Mrs. Deseleen Morgan	
Fees/Excursion payment/General Information/Messages/ Medicines/Health Care documents	Office Staff 2025 Business Manager: Mrs S. Camm Mrs L. Polsen Mrs T. Graham Mrs. J. Dowling Mrs. S. Franco Mrs. A. Wells Mrs. K Ryan	Year Advisers 2025 Year 7 S. Moore Year 8 L. Johnstone Year 9 K. Deaves Year 10 S. Kennedy Year 11 C. Connell Year 12 H. Smout Student Leader Mentor 2025 Ms. T. Byrne	

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Principal			
Mrs. Meagan Crelley			
Deputy Principals			
Mr. Damian Bush			
Mrs. Alison Dahlenburg			
English/ CAPA Faculty			
Head Teacher: Ms. Casey Connell			
Teachers: J. Nicholl, B Smith, S. Moore, K. Deaves,			
C. Mitchell, R. Van Den Heuval, J. Smith, S Robertson.			
Science/PDHPE Faculty			
Head Teacher: Mr. Matthew Boardman			
Teachers: L. DiSalvia, S. Doig, S. Kennedy, M. Slavin,			
K. Goman, J. Storer, J. Stark. Science Assistant – B. Bailey			
Mathematics Faculty			
Head Teacher: Ms. Rochelle Trembath			
Teachers: M. Doyle, H. Smout, T. Chikotie, M. Saglam.			
HSIE/LOTE Faculty			
Head Teacher: Mrs. Louise Johnstone			
Teachers: T. Sillis, C. Morgan-Leheny, L. Mbugua, S. Kelly,			
A. Morschel N.Cox, (Librarian)			
TAS Faculty			
Head Teacher: Mrs. Lisa Schmetzer			
Teachers: S. Stout, D. Killen, R. Emerson, C. Clark, R. Lange,			
A. Rolls (Careers) TAS Assistants – L. Mitchell, K. Ryan			
Teacher and Learning and Wellbeing Faculty			
Head Teacher: Ms. Tracey Byrne			
Teachers: J. Tannahill-Irons (Learning and Support			
Teacher), S. Di Salvia (Support class), L. Booth (Support			
class), E. Gillespie (Support class), J. Gaussen (EAL/D), Mr.			
G. (Joey) Longford (Engagement Programs), Ms. Jannette Dundon (Student Support Officer), Mrs. T. O'Brien			
(Wellbeing Health In-reach Nurse)			
Student Learning and Support Officers: N. Deaton, R.			
Mercuri, M. Frazer, T. Hoffman, L. Kingsbury, S. Violi, D.			
Single, M. Robertson, L. Tongs, E. Langley, M. White, M.			
Ingram.			
Counsellors			
Mrs Sandra Richardson			
Aboriginal Education Officer			
Mrs. Deseleen Morgan			
Year Advisers 2025			
Year 7 S. Moore			
Year 8 L. Johnstone			
Year 9 K. Deaves			
Year 10 S. Kennedy			
Year 11 C. Connell			
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## Picking up Students Early

To ensure the safety of all students, parents/ carers are to present to the front office prior students being signed out before the end of the day.



# NSW Public Schools Survey

The NSW Public Schools Surveys (NPSS) is a new suite of surveys designed to gather insights from students, parents and teachers about their experiences at school. Insights from NPSS help school leaders understand what's working well and where improvements can be made. The student survey will launch in 2025, with the parent and teacher surveys following in 2026.

Leeton High School will be administering the Student Survey this term. An Opt-Out form is attached to the newsletter if you do not want your child to participate. Please return the Opt-Out form to the front office by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

#### About the survey

- The NSW Public Schools Student Survey asks students about their experiences at school. Key topics in the survey include sense of belonging, teaching practices and engagement. See below.
- Participating students will be given a unique login to complete the survey online.
- Students will complete the survey at school during school hours. The survey will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes.
- Participating in the survey is voluntary. Opting not to participate will not impact your child's school experience.
   Your child can choose to stop the survey at any time and they can skip any questions that they prefer not to answer.

The student survey asks questions related to student engagement, learning experiences and wellbeing at school. Core questions are the same from year to year. Rotating questions will shift based on the department's priorities and the needs of public school students of NSW. Some questions will vary depending on the age and year level of the student taking the survey. The table below provides an overview of the topics covered in the student survey:

Core questions	Rotating questions
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander perspectives and inclusivity	confidence achieving post-school goals
aspirations and pathways	cultural background
bullying	influences on aspirations and pathways
classroom management	mobile phone ban
connectedness	personalised learning pathway (only for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students)
discrimination	vaping ban
engagement	
explicit teaching	
extracurricular activities	
feedback	
high expectations	
inclusion	
motivation	



Core questions	Rotating questions
sense of belonging	
student voice	
supportive adult at school	
transitions	

Your child's responses are confidential, which means the school and their teachers will not know how they have answered.

Please encourage your child to answer as honestly as they can. There are no right or wrong answers. The school wants to hear what students think, and responses will help to improve their school and better understand student needs.

If your child doesn't understand a question, they can ask their teacher for help.

Your child can skip any question they don't want to answer.

If your child feels distressed while completing the survey, they can speak to their teacher or the school counsellor/psychologist. At the end of the survey, there is also the contact information for the Kids Helpline (1800 55 1800) and a link to make a report to the Report online harm | eSafety Commissioner | if your child is experiencing cyberbullying.

For more information about the survey, please access this link: Your child's participation

#### Breakfast Club

Our FREE Breakfast Club is operational from 8.30am Tuesday to Friday thanks to our volunteer students,



teachers, and our Student Support Officer Jannette. We appreciate the donations from Golden Apple, Foodbank, Rapid Relief Team and Sunrice. All students are encouraged to grab some toast and hot Milo to fuel a productive day of learning.

#### Leeton High School Canteen – The Hungry Hut

Just a reminder – with the introduction of YONDR pouches students will not be able to access PayWave on their mobile phones. Our canteen has an online ordering facility which can be accessed here <a href="https://leeton-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/what-we-offer/canteen.html">https://leeton-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/what-we-offer/canteen.html</a> or alternately students can bring their key card (not kept with their phones) or cash to school for purchasing at the canteen.

Leeton High School values the importance of communication between home and school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school on 69532122. Stay in touch with events and information via our Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/LeetonHS">https://www.facebook.com/LeetonHS</a> and the school website <a href="http://www.leeton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/">https://www.leeton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/</a>

Principal

**Meagan Crelley** 



#### **NSW Public Schools Student Survey**

#### Information and opt-out form

Dear parents and carers

In Term 2, our school is taking part in the NSW Public Schools Student Survey. The survey is being conducted by the NSW Department of Education (the department) and invites students to provide valuable feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them.

The survey will allow the department to conduct analysis and research into student wellbeing and engagement to drive improvement for all NSW public schools.

#### What you need to know

• Participating students will be given a unique login to

complete the survey online.

- Students will complete the survey at school during school hours. The survey will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes.
- Participating in the survey is voluntary. Opting not to participate will not impact your child's school experience.
   Your child can choose to stop the survey at any time and they can skip any questions that they prefer not to answer.
- More information about the survey and the research is available at education.nsw.gov.au/npss.

#### What information is collected and why

The department will collect personal information from your child including, but not limited to, information relating to their gender, cultural background, and their opinions on matters such as their school experience. Information will be held and managed by the NSW Department of Education, 105 Phillip Street, Parramatta NSW 2150. This information is collected to support every student to achieve their educational potential, and for other directly related purposes including but not limited to:

- implementing programs that meet student educational and support needs
- maintaining the good order and management of schools
- assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of programs and their impact on student educational outcomes
- conducting lawful research and compiling statistics relating to the education and wellbeing of students and student performance
- operational and administrative purposes.

#### How the department may use the information

Survey results may be used locally at schools to help inform planning and decision-making. Your child's school will receive a report once surveys are completed, but school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. At least 5 students need to have answered the question in the same way for that data to be included in the results.

The department's analysis of the data will involve linking students' responses to their student reference number (SRN). Responses may then be linked with other information the department may hold, such as students' scholastic year, gender, Aboriginal status, cultural background, migrant status and whether they are a person with a disability. This will allow the department to group the results for analysis and research purposes.

The department does not intend to give you a copy of your child's responses, or the opportunity to amend them. You may contact the department to request access to the survey responses, and your request will be considered in light of the department's obligations under law.

For more information about how the department will protect your child's information, visit education.nsw.gov.au/npss.

Opting out

If you do not want your child/children to take part in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to your child's school by:
If you do not return the attached form, the school will assume that you consent to your child/children's participation. Principal
School





#### **NSW Public Schools Student Survey**

#### **Opt-out form**

If you do not want your child to participate in thand return it to the school by:	ne student feedback survey, please sign this form
do not give consent for my child/children to pa	articipate in the NSW Public Schools Student Survey.
Name of student 1	Roll class of student 1
Name of student 2	Roll class of student 2
Name of student 3	Roll class of student 3
Name of student 4	Roll class of student 4
Name of parent/carer	Date
Signature of parent/carer	





# Western Riverina Tertiary Tafe & Trade

**Tertiary Tafe & Trade** 

# Careers Expo

LEETON HIGH SCHOOL

A range of exhibitors from Universities, Private Colleges, UAC, Employment Agencies and Local and Regional Employers.





# LEETON HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

# POPSTRS The 90s Musical



#### **TICKETS**

Under 5 (Seated) \$5
Concession \$15
Adult \$20
Family \$55
(2 x adults 2 x children)

Tickets

on sale

1st May!

(02) 6953/2122

#### MATINEE PERFORMANCES

Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd July 11am (Doors open at 10.30am)

#### **EVENING PERFORMANCES**

Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd July 7pm (Doors open at 6.30pm)

**@LEETON HIGH SCHOOL MPC**