



LeFevre High School



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From the Principal

2014 Term dates:

Term 1
28th January - 11th April

Term 2
28th April - 4th July

Term 3
21st July - 26th September

Term 4
13th October - 12th December

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Coming events:

Mon 13 Oct
Term 4 Begins

Wed 15 Oct
Laos/Cambodia Meeting

Mon 20 Oct
Governing Council

Wed 22 Oct
Immunisations

Mon 3 Nov
Yr 12 Exams Commence

Mon 17 Nov
Yr 11 Exams Commence

Fri 21 Nov
Yr 11 Transition

Fri 28 Nov
Pupil Free Day

Wed 3 Dec
Yr 12 Graduation Ceremony



Staffing: Jean Perry is continuing on LSL in the UK for all of Term 4 and I extend my congratulations to Alastair Lupton who has again been appointed to the acting Assistant

Principal role.

Yanny Kwok will also continue in the role as acting Sciences Coordinator.

- Lina Ruggiero has had further surgery on her knee and we are looking forward to her return at the start of Term 4.

- Congratulations to Eddie Grzeskowiak who has been appointed as Technology Coordinator for the next 5 years.

- The Student Counsellor Panel has been completed but is not yet announced.

- The SACE Coordinator position will be advertised before the end of the term and the panel conducted next term so that will complete our leadership positions for the next few years.

- Similarly the two advertised teacher positions in Work Education/Humanities and English/History have been finalised. Ms Andee Kalatzis is appointed to the Work Education/Humanities role and we are awaiting the announcement of the other position.

- **International activities:** The visit of the Mongolian teacher, Ms Enkhstesteg (Enkhee) Banzragch was very successful and many of our staff and students had the opportunity to work with her. She has invited us to nominate a LFHS staff member to visit School #45 next year which will be an exciting opportunity for one of our staff if they choose to take up the offer.

- We are also looking forward to our first group of international full fee paying Japanese students to be enrolled with us from next year.

- **Indonesian incoming visit:** Due to the new DCSI requirements for all members of host families aged over 18 to have a current DCSI police screening it seems we will need to delay the arrival

of our anticipated visitors from Sekolah Pilar Indonesia until next March. The backlog in screenings is making it impossible to have this in place in the timeframe available. Our sister school staff understand that this matter is beyond our control.

- We have approximately 14 students for the trip to Laos and Cambodia next year and the first parent and student meeting was a few weeks ago. Another one is coming up on the first Wednesday of Term 4 on 15th October at 7.00pm and arrangements will then start to come together for this wonderful opportunity. I spoke to the Port Adelaide Rotary Club two weeks ago about some of our international activities along with Andrew Renfrey who has two children in our school and who is very committed to international linkages through the *Hands Across the Water* organisation which supports orphaned children in South East Asia. It was great to be invited by such an enthusiastic parent to join this presentation. What a great role model of Community Service the Renfrey family provide in our school community

- **Facilities:** Discussions with DECD and our Spotless facilities manager have brought us to a new position on planning for facilities. We are now planning to do an upgrade of the P1 building closest to the staffroom, with a major refit internally, some external cladding, the building of an additional meeting room on back of the staffroom area for some much needed larger meeting spaces, and possibly refurbish some of the Science laboratories over the coming years. We will again also submit a School Care Plan to seek further building upgrades via DECD funding.

- **Kaurna Activities:** Rhonda Brown and Corey Mancini had another Kaurna public speaking event this time at Alberton Oval for two citizenship ceremonies on Wednesday 17th September. They are such wonderful Ambassadors for our school.

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Child Development



From the Principal cont

- We have at last managed to recruit a Kurna language teacher for the commencement of 2015! His name is Kaiya Agius. He is a fluent speaker and has been working in Port Augusta until recently so now he is back in Adelaide we have a great opportunity for our students next year to attend a Kurna language program by negotiation with staff.
 - We have also begun filming a webisode to be used in DECD schools and at the languages conference I am speaking at in New Caledonia entitled: Kurna Language and Culture, the Le Fevre story.
 - **NAPLAN:** student results should be available to be distributed with reports at the end of term.
 - **SEDA Soccer and Cricket Academy:** negotiations are still proceeding with DECD and the Minister over the arrangements for us and Windsor Vocational College to be the nominal host sites for off campus programs. I have attended a number of meetings with DECD procurement and the Sports Manager of DECD and the Ministers office staff. We are expecting this program will commence in 2016.
 - **Student Free Day report:** Feedback from staff has been very positive about the opportunity to work with their colleagues on an overview of the 2015 version of the IBMYP programs and then have a good amount of time to actually write up unit plans and details. SSO staff undertook a range of Work Health and Safety information and training sessions related to their work with colleagues at Ocean View College.
 - **Drama Production:** The senior Drama students put on a very successful and challenging piece last Wednesday and Thursday. Congratulations to Rita Papillo and Anne Cheel and all those involved in this event.
 - **2015 Course Selection and Subject Offerings:** The course counselling day went very smoothly and we had a very high rate of attendance by students with a family member. The data entry was smooth but a lot of work went on behind the scenes on the part of Alastair Lupton, Troy Barker, the IT team and Nicole Roach to make this all happen. This is much appreciated by all staff and families in the process. Alastair is now working with learning area coordinators to finalise which subjects have sufficient enrolments and so on.
- Subs in Schools Project:** We had a wonderful presentation regarding this exciting project on Tuesday 16th September at which Thierry Herman outlined the details of the project. Also present at the event organized by Alastair Lupton were representatives of ASC and BP who presented the school with a \$5000 cheque which paid for our very large water experimental tank for this project.



Regards

Rob Shepherd

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Pupil Free Day Staff Training

The IBMYP is changing with new streamlined approaches to curriculum construction and assessment. This change process will be ongoing from now until 2017. Earlier in the year, thirteen staff from Le Fevre and Ocean View went to Melbourne and were trained in the new subject guides. These people took on the challenge of being our 'Next Chapter' facilitators and we thank them for their outstanding professional effort. On the Pupil Free Day, staff worked in Learning Area teams with the facilitators to become familiar with the updated requirements as part of the Next Chapter of the MYP. They all worked with the process of writing units of work that deliver Australian Curriculum content through the MYP framework, ready for the first teaching of the Next Chapter in 2015. This curriculum writing work will continue through Term 4 and we will provide further information via the newsletter about the changes to the IBMYP.

Troy Barker
Assistant Principal



Photo Gallery



Advanced Manufacturing

This term we received our new 3D Printer which will enhance our current advanced technology/manufacturing equipment within the school. The 3D printer will allow students to develop skills and knowledge in the use of this rapidly evolving technology. Used by major manufacturers around the world, 3D printing is revolutionizing the development and prototyping of new products and engineering methods.

DIPP6 Program

Le Fevre High School has been fortunate in being able to offer students access to this highly sought after course. The course is supported by ASC and is designed to promote advanced engineering skills and STEM based skills that will be required for future career pathways within the defence/manufacturing industry. The course has a focus on 3D modelling and 3D printing. Students gain 10 SACE Stage 1 credits from this course. Places in this course are limited and students who wish to be considered for courses in 2015 should register their interest with Mr Grzeskowiak.

Certificate 1 Maritime Engineering VET

The success stories from this course continue to grow with a considerable number of students gaining apprenticeship/traineeships and school based apprenticeships as a direct result of their involvement in this course. The skills gained through this course are not simply aligned to the engineering fields but provide competencies, knowledge and skills that can be applied to a broad range of career pathways. Congratulations must go to Mr Chrisakis for nurturing and preparing the students to undertake career pathways. Together with the work of Mr. Rod Hunter who establishes contact with local maritime based industries, Le Fevre is well placed to give students a well-rounded understanding of this field of engineering. Lachlan Miller, the latest graduate from this class was also a member of the DIPP program. Students interested in undertaking this course should register their interest with Mr Chrisakis as the course is filling fast.

The Design and Technology Faculty is committed to providing a broad and diverse curriculum blending together traditional and modern technologies. Together with our industry partnerships we strive to maintain currency within the maritime sector providing our students with the skills required to participate in future career pathways.

Eddie Grzeskowiak

Co-ordinator Technologies



The Chess Tournament

This year, we hosted a chess tournament at lunchtimes in the library from the end of term 2 through to the beginning of term 3. There was a lot of interest in the tournament, and many participated, which was exciting to see. A combination of teachers and students from year 8 to year 12 joined in.

We held a cup tournament and a plate tournament, so that everyone had at least 2 games. The cup tournament contestants were unfortunate in the first round, but rallied to participate in plate tournament.

Each round saw some fierce competition, with Mr. Bullen consistently leading in the cup tournament. He faced Nattapol in the finals. Mr. Bullen won the day... As the last student standing, however, Nattapol was awarded first prize – an elegant oak chess set.

The plate tournament was hotly contested by many, with George and Alex reaching the final. Their final was a closely fought battle of attrition, spanning several lunchtimes. Alex managed to nab George's queen, and slowly gained ground. Alex at length won the game, and so the second prize – a fine oak chess set.

A big thanks to all who helped make this chess tournament possible – the teachers who sacrificed their lunchtimes, the students who were willing to give it a go, and special thanks to Josh for helping set up the tournament.

We hope to have another competition next year, so start honing those chess skills now...

Rachel McLaine

Year 10 Maths Experience

Jacob and Alanna were given the opportunity to spend a day at the Uni SA Mawson Lakes campus, where they spent a rewarding day at the Maths Experience.

They were introduced to fun and games, maths style. They had an opportunity to look at TREV, the solar powered car, and spent time viewing our galaxy and its neighbours at the Planetarium.

The students were made aware of the many and varied careers that involve maths, for example, business, psychology, meteorology and geoscience.

They also met five professionals who discussed their profession and how maths has taken them to where they are now: a computer systems engineer, an electrical engineer, a software engineer, a defense scientist and a pilot.

Take some time to look into how much fun mathematics can be and how it can help you in the future.



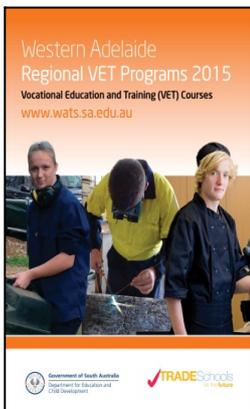
Course Counselling

– Why is it so important in School based Apprenticeships and Traineeships?

Students who will be seeking a school based apprenticeship or traineeship as part of their South Australian Certificate of Education will require ‘evidence of commitment’ at interviews with employers.

This evidence, depending on the vocation they are pursuing, will be to show that they have an understanding of the environment, the conditions and the ability to cope with the study of units of competencies for the vocation.

As part of course counselling, students may select relevant subjects and ideally will elect to complete a Vocational Education & Training (VET) course to demonstrate they really **want to commit** to this sort of work.



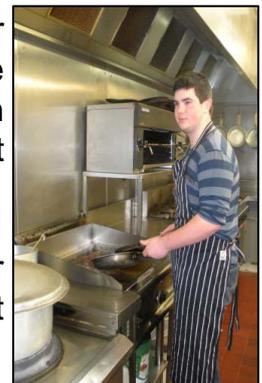
e.g. *Certificate I in Engineering* for welding or mechanical fitting trades, *Certificate I in Automotive* for heavy or light vehicle mechanics or a *Certificate II in Community Services* for aged, child or disability vocations.

For more information on the 65 choices of VET Courses available, see Mr Carey for a copy of the Western Adelaide Regional VET Programs 2015 booklet or visit www.wats.sa.edu.au

Studies in Woodwork, Metalwork and Computing CNC Machining are extremely useful for students interested in manual work like carpentry or welding. They are useful for learning skills and knowledge of the practical work and appropriate tools and equipment. Those students interested in becoming chefs, bakers or butchers should be continuing Home Ec or Food & Hospitality studies as examples.

The opportunity for relevant work experience should never be taken for granted. It can have the benefit of putting the student in the right place at the right time for employment opportunities. It also assists students in gaining awareness in the tasks undertaken, the workplace environment and if there is a sense of job satisfaction in what they do.

For more information about school based apprenticeships or traineeships, see Nicole at Student Services to make an appointment with your Apprenticeship Broker, Vicki Bryant.



PLEASE NOTE: The event advertised below is not school operated but operated by an outside agency using school facilities. The school cannot guarantee the safety of students participating in the event, parents are responsible for the safety of their children at all times.

Largs North Kindergarten Spring Fair!

Saturday October 18th

10am -3pm

Including Face Painting, Market Stalls, Jumpy Castle,

Food Stalls, Sausage Sizzle and more!

Free Entry and fun for the whole family!

21 Kybunga Tce Largs North
ph 8248 1353

Gem & Mineral Show

The Adelaide Gem and Mineral Club Inc.
Annual Gem and Mineral Show

October 11th and 12th 2014

Payneham Library Complex
Cnr O.G. Road & Turner Street
Felixstow

Open: Saturday 10.00am to 5.00pm
Sunday 10.00am to 4.00pm

Cost: Adults \$3.00
Pensioner/Concession \$2.00
Children **FREE** under 12 with an adult

Emergency Service Speed Zones

will come into effect when the new Section 83 of the Road Traffic Act commences on 1 September 2014. This legislation drops the speed limit to 25 kph from 40 kph in two circumstances:-

(a) in the immediate vicinity of an emergency vehicle that has stopped on the road and is displaying a flashing blue or red light (whether or not it is also displaying other lights); or

(b) between 2 sets of flashing blue or red lights that have been placed by an emergency worker at either end of a length of road on which an emergency vehicle has stopped.

Note that the zone does not apply if the person is driving on a road that is divided by a median strip and the emergency service speed zone is on the other side of the road beyond the median strip.

This legislation is designed to protect our fire, police, ambulance and emergency services personnel at the scenes of emergencies.

A full explanation of the new legislation can be accessed by using the following link: -

http://www.sapolice.sa.gov.au/sapol/road_safety/road_safety_section_newsletters/special_editions.jsp

Junior Soccer Clinic

During the second week of the October school holidays FFSA in partnership with Adelaide Olympic Football Club will be conducting soccer coaching clinics for U7-U16 age group from 9am-3pm Tues 7th to Fri 10th at senior grounds, 1 Perth Street, Ferryden Park.

To apply to attend the soccer clinic, please contact Kimmy Pham Soe

juniordirector@aofc.com.au

Cost \$130.

10% discount (\$117) applies for health care card holders.



OVERDUE TEXT/LIBRARY BOOKS

Text and Library books are valuable school resources. We ask that families search for any overdue books and return them to the school as soon as possible.



SMS SYSTEMS

Please be advised that the **NEW** SMS phone number for advising of **STUDENT ABSENCES** is **0427 186 710**.



FIRST AID AND MEDICAL SUPPORT

STUDENTS WITH A MEDICAL CONDITION REQUIRE A HEALTH CARE PLAN

These are specific to the student's medical condition i.e., Asthma, Epilepsy, Anaphylaxis etc. These Plans can be obtained from Student Services and must be completed by the parent and signed off by the Doctor.

STUDENTS ON MEDICATION Students must not administer their own medication, it should be given to Student Services in the original chemist packaging stating dosage information along with written consent from the parent.



2014 SCHOOL CARD GRANT

School Card Grant – Applications can be made for this grant until the end of October (a new application must be made each year). Please apply if you think you may be eligible. Please bring your Centrelink Concession Card with you when making the application. Our Finance Department will be happy to assist you with your enquiry.

2014 MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGE

Payment of school accounts can be made in cash, by cheque or by using Visa or Master Card credit facility (in person or over the phone or by completing the credit card details on the statement and returning to school with your child), by EFTPOS or by using Bizgate (Visa & Master Card payments online via the school's website www.lefevrehs.sa.edu.au)

Prompt payment of your account would be appreciated. Please contact the school if you have any questions related to the above, we will be happy to assist.

LE FEVRE HIGH SCHOOL
CREDIT CARD PAYMENT AUTHORISATION
ABN 46 522 360 921
2014 MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGE
\$410.00

Card No: _____

Verification: ___

Expiry Date:/.....

Card Holder's Name:

Amount: \$ 410.00

Signature:

Please Tick One:

Payment for: 2014 M & S CHARGE

MasterCard:

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Visa Card: