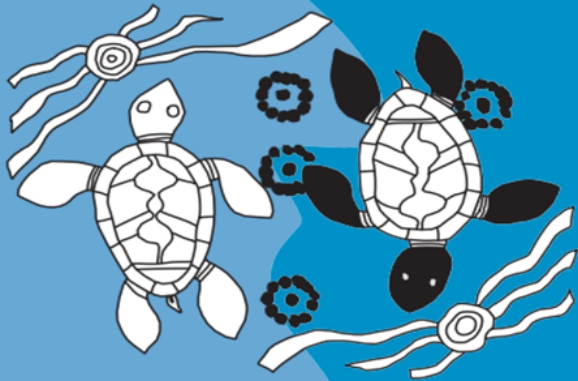


Grafton High School

Newsletter

Week 3, Term 3, 2022



Artist: Tyreece Daley

NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Year 7 were welcomed to Bundjalung Country by Uncle Dean, with a smoking ceremony and a message about the importance of protecting the land we live on. The Year 11 Aboriginal Studies class then introduced them to some traditional Aboriginal games. Thank you to Uncle Dean and Year 11!



NAIDOC WEEK PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Grafton High School sent four representatives to compete at the NAIDOC Week Public Speaking Competition at Westlawn Public School. Ruby Martin entered the Stage 4 competition speaking on the topic 'Why languages matter' and Elanah Dunstan, Makayla Shipway and Phoebe-Rose Collins spoke in the senior competition on the topic 'Get up! Stand up! Show up!'. All students spoke beautifully and were given high praise from the adjudicators. Ruby took out the Stage 4 competition and Elanah won a hotly contested senior division. Congratulations to all students who represented the school proudly.



NAIDOC TOUCH FOOTY

We ended our celebrations with an awesome day of touch footy, bbq, bake sale and some weaving. Thank you to all of the teams and community members who joined us here at GHS. Congratulations to the GHS Seniors who were the winning team on the day!



BUNDJALUNG LANGUAGE NAMES FOR GHS SPORTING HOUSES

I am a Year 12 Aboriginal Studies student and I came up with the idea to develop signage for our school's sports house, that also included an animal and its traditional Bundjalung name. I thought that this was a positive way for students and staff to get closer to our local Aboriginal culture.

The process I undertook included creating a survey form for Aboriginal students to select which animal should be considered for which house; and researching the Bundjalung names of the animals with the guidance of Dion Donnelly.

The results from the survey decided Cameron to be Jahrag (Frog), Davies as Garhgan (Kookaburra), Page as Yoodaging (Dingo) and Smith as Gurraman (Kangaroo). With the help of a local artist Micheal Duroux, I designed the signs. The signs were then produced by a local South Grafton company, Valley Signs And Printing.

I am still amazed at how prominent the signs are above the roller doors on the HPC and how easy the house signs will be seen on sports carnival days.

Tyreece Duroux - Year 12 Aboriginal Studies





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DAVIES



JAHRANY
CAMERON

GRAFTON HIGH CAREERS: INDUSTRY TRAINING HUB

Grafton High School students participated in the Industry Training Hub's "Creative Industries Masterclass". This masterclass was delivered by Simon Hunter, CEO of Sydney Film School and Waterloo Studios. Students learned about pathways into the film industry and how to create a short film.



Year 10 Northern Rivers Careers Expo

On Tuesday July 26, 50 Year 10 students attended the Northern Rivers Careers Expo in Lismore. Students were given the opportunity to speak with representatives from various Universities, TAFE, Employers, Apprenticeship networks and more! Students were also able to "Try a Trade" to get some hands-on experience in various industries.

Year 12 Post School Options Expo

On Wednesday July 27 Year 12 students attended the Coffs Harbour Post Schools

Options expo where they were able to engage with various Universities, TAFE, Apprenticeship networks, Employers, the Defence Force, the Police Force and more! It was a great day and students received a lot of useful information.

LET'S HANG IT! ART COMPETITION



The winners of the 2022 UNESAP Let's Hang it! have been announced!

Congratulations to Nadia on her first place win in the Senior Secondary category with her painting 'Peter and Julie's'. And congratulations to Sunni, who received the Director's Choice Award for her painting 'Pomegranate and Mask'. Well done, Nadia and Sunni!



YEAR 8 JAPANESE

The Year 8 Japanese class enjoyed using their skills to draw a hiragana symbol using chalk on the concrete. Once this was done, the hiragana were used to play a game to see who knew all of them. Everyone had a lot of fun getting out of the classroom. Well done!



HOCKEY

Congratulations to Joey Nilon, for being part of the CHS team who won the NSW All Schools boys hockey Tri Series in Sydney!



YEAR 12 FUNDRAISING

Year 12 had a great night with one of their last fundraisers for the year to help fund their end of year activities, such as the Formal, and a gift to the school. Congratulations to the winning team 'The Can't Stand Yas', who took home the big prize, and a huge thank you to our TAS hospitality department who catered for the night. We would like to extend our thanks to all the sponsoring businesses who made the night possible, including: **Bunnings, Harvey's Jewellers, The GDSC, Junction Hill BP, The Coffee Club, BCF, Australis and Woolworths.**



Tea for a Tree Day

Last year, in NSW alone, we cleared over half a million hectares of forest, which is a vital habitat for our wildlife. As part of our desire to make a difference, Week 3 Friday, as part of National Tree Day Celebrations, the Enviro Club sold native trees for a gold coin donation. Students were treated to have a cup of tea or hot chocolate, and left with an awesome native seedling. Students are all encouraged to join the GHS Enviro Club and take part in many works happening around the school.



P&C NEWS



Hoodies have arrived at the canteen and can be purchased using the flood relief funds.

A lot of the funds raised by the P&C come from canteen sales. The ladies in the canteen are very busy and welcome volunteers to help. If you can lend a hand in the canteen please contact the school and ask to speak to the canteen manager. We will be having a meeting on August 25th, all are welcome to attend, pizza will be provided.

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