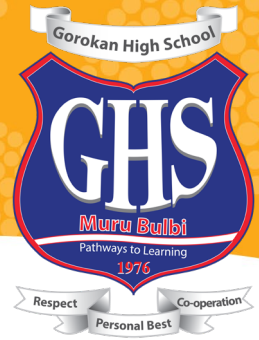


# YEAR 7 BULLETIN

## Term 1 Week 8



### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

|                        |                |   |
|------------------------|----------------|---|
| 27 <sup>th</sup> March | Monday         | GHS Athletics Carnival                            |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> March | Wednesday      | Year 7 LAC Excursion to Bulgandry Aboriginal Site |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> March | Wednesday 6 pm | P&C Annual General Meeting                        |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> April  | Thursday       | Last day of Term One                              |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> April | Tuesday        | ANZAC Day   |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> April | Wednesday      | First day of Term Two                             |

### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR YEAR ADVISOR

What an exciting week was had by Year 7! One hundred and fifteen Year 7 students departed Gorokan on Wednesday for the annual Year 7 camp at The Great Aussie Bush Camp in Tea Gardens. All one hundred and fifteen students returned safely on Friday. It was a fantastic experience that many students will be talking about with their peers for some time and reflecting on in the years to come. More on the camp below.

Our award recipients for students who had 100% attendance for Week 7 went to Noah R, Kylan F, Rebecca K and Fallon B. Well done to all students who continue to maintain high levels of attendance. This allows you the best opportunity to achieve success.

I encourage all students to continue working to their personal best as we close the term with many assessment tasks. Students will need to be organised to ensure they complete each task to the best of their ability. Then, we will have a short holiday before we build the momentum into Term 2.

Sincerely,

Mr Mark Finlayson

### LEARNING SUPPORT

Students who would like additional guidance with their classwork and assessment tasks may access the Learning Support Centre (LSC) at Lunch. There are staff who can provide feedback and support to assist students to understand their learning.

Additionally, the Mathematics Faculty provide a classroom space (R2.08) on Tuesday afternoon from 2:30-3:30 pm for students to access support from Mathematics teachers.

Lastly, Lake Haven Library will be initially making one meeting room available after school to students for study purposes. The room will be available on Monday afternoon from 3 pm to 4:45 pm. Students will need to see staff at the counter to gain entrance to the room. Students are required to be courteous towards each other and other library users. Group discussion is allowed.

## ATTENDANCE

- A response as to why the student is absent is required by return SMS or contact the school office on 4393 7000 within 7 days.
- More than two consecutive sick days require a doctor's certificate.
- Extended leave needs to be approved by the Deputy Principal for events such as holidays.

## YEAR 7 CAMP – The Great Aussie Bush Camp (photos below)

There were many highs and lows experienced on camp by our students. Students were challenged physically with activities that required strength, balance, and coordination. Students were challenged mentally with activities requiring them to think strategically or overcome their mind's fear of danger. Students were challenged emotionally to be aware of themselves and others in group and teambuilding situations, as well as manage their emotions being away from their home and loved ones, whilst navigating living with people who may have very different routines to theirs.



I refer to my favourite poem, *Invictus*, which means unconquerable in Latin. Our students demonstrated that even when they were faced with difficulties and challenges, they found a way to control what they could and be brave to come out the other side of it. Well done to all students who achieved this at various points of the camp!

If your child/ward has forgotten to collect an item from the buses on Friday, I will have a Lost-and-Found in my staffroom. Students may see me to collect any missing items. Additionally, if your child/ward has accidentally picked up another person's belongings, they can return them to my staffroom also.

## SCHOOL CONTACT

Please call the school on 4393 7000 or email me at [mark.finlayson9@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mark.finlayson9@det.nsw.edu.au) with any questions, concerns, or feedback you have.

Additionally, please look at our school's website to find more information about what is available at Gorokan High School. <https://gorokan-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



# YEAR 7 CAMP PHOTOS



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