YEAR 7 BULLETINTerm 2 Week 5



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

2 nd June	Friday	Year Group Excursion (Ninja Parc, Newcastle)
13 th June	Tuesday	Parent/Carer and Teacher Meetings
23 rd June	Friday	Pink Day at GHS
27 th June	Tuesday	PBL Semester One Formal Presentation Assembly
28 th June	Wednesday	PBL End of Semester Excursion
29 th June		Uni Steps – On Campus Discovery Day
	Thursday	(University of Newcastle – Ourimbah Campus)
		20 invited students

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR YEAR ADVISOR

Well done to Year 7 who have recently been completing assessments ahead of their Semester One reports and Parent/Carer and Teacher meetings. It really is a term where I encourage all families to engage with the school staff to see where their child/children are currently sitting in their educational journey and to set goals to work towards in partnership in the second half of the year. I look forward to seeing many of you again on Tuesday 13th of June as you meet with teachers.

Well done to Laura G, Romeo C, Harry H and Nate O for being this week's four winners for the attendance draw and for achieving 100% attendance for the previous week! If you are experiencing challenges with your child/ward's attendance, please reach out as we can try to provide support to reduce the barriers. As always, it is much appreciated that all absences are explained to the school via reply SMS or by calling the school to let us know.

Sincerely,

Mr Mark Finlayson

ADJUSTED CURRICULUM DAY

A final reminder that permission notes and hard-copy waivers need to be signed and returned to the school. Some families have completed the online consent on School Bytes. This is not enough as the safety waiver for the Ninja Parc needs to be completed separately. The excursion is next Friday the 2nd of June. Students who have not had the waivers completed will not be able to attend the excursion.



Local Aboriginal Curriculum Excursion to Bulgandry

On Tuesday, Year 7 students had the fantastic opportunity of an 'On Country' experience with local Aboriginal Elders sharing their knowledge and histories with our students at the Bulgandry Aboriginal Site. I will try to add some photos in next week's edition.

PBL Focus of the Fortnight

The Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Focus of the Fortnight is on our Core Values in the stairs and corridors.

The expectations in the stairs and corridors are:

RESPECT: Hands to yourself

RESPONSIBILITY: Move safely

PERSONAL BEST: Arrive on time

Selective Class Placement Test - Year 8

Students already in the Selective Class in Year 7 currently will not have to apply and sit the test for Year 8. This is for students who have missed out and would like to apply for a place starting in Year 8. Applications are expected to open on 20 June and close on 21 July 2023. The test will be on Friday 18th of August 2023.

Once applications are open, students and families can access the application on the following site, or the school website: https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-highschools-and-opportunity-classes/years-8-to-12

UNIFORM

Please see the following link for the school's uniform policy and online ordering. With the colder months upon us, it is important for students to wear the correct winter uniform. If there are any clothing issues, please write a note and have your child/ward bring this to me in my staffroom, G1.11, in the morning.

https://gorokan-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/uniform.html

SCHOOL CONTACT

Please call the school on 4393 7000 or email me at 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 regarding assessment, wellbeing, news and more: https://gorokan-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/