# YEAR 7 BULLETIN Term 3 Week 2



#### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

18 <sup>th</sup> August	Friday	National Day of Action against Bullying & Violence
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Wednesday	Wear it Purple Day
25 <sup>th</sup> August	Friday	Adjusted Curriculum Day (Westfield Kotara)
1 <sup>st</sup> September	Friday	Book Week Celebration
8 <sup>th</sup> September	Friday	Muru Bulbi Shield
22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Friday	Last day of Term Three

#### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR YEAR ADVISOR

What a great way to finish our GHS NAIDOC Week with our inaugural NAIDOC Fair. On Monday, we opened the week with a NAIDOC Assembly and smoking ceremony to share with students and staff what this year's theme "For our Elders" means to some of our students. We had two performances from students from Gorokan Primary School, well supported by our Aboriginal Didge group and Junior AECG members. It was truly a spectacular way to begin the week. Students engaged in mini-lessons throughout the week to gain a deeper understanding of valuable Elders in our community. We then capped off the week with the NAIDOC Fair on Friday with music performances, a BBQ and bake sale, disco, art, and Koori games, ending with all students sitting on the oval to witness the Indigenous All Stars vs All Stars touch football match.

During the week, we also hosted the Tutankhamun Roadshow, where students got to explore ancient Egypt through a fun interactive experience. More photos will be posted on the school's Facebook page.

Our four attendance reward winners for this week were: Elizabeth B, William R, Logan P and Jasmine W.

I hope you have a fantastic weekend, and we look forward to another great week here at GHS with plenty more opportunities to come.

Sincerely,

Mr Mark Finlayson

#### Adjusted Curriculum Day 25th August

On Friday the 25th of August (Week 6), GHS will be conducting the third day of the adjusted curriculum days. This term will see Year 7 students travel to Westfield Kotara for a fun-filled day. Please respond via the online consent form sent through School Bytes for your child/ward to attend. There is no cost involved for students. Permission responses are due by Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> of August.

#### **UNIFORM**

Students have had two terms to organise and equip themselves with the appropriate school uniform. This term and ongoing, we will be holding students more accountable for wearing their correct school uniforms. A welfare approach will be taken first, then disciplinary if a student chooses not to comply with our uniform policy.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Please inform the school if your child/ward is absent from school. It allows the school to record the absences as justified absences, as well as allow me a quick insight into the absence so that I can reach out to offer support from a school point of view.

- 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.

#### **SCHOOL CONTACT**

If you have any updates, concerns or feedback following the holidays, please email me and I will get back to you at the earliest opportunity.

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/

### **PBL Assembly Prize Draw Winners**

Congratulations to Skye D and Angel W for being the Year 7 winners in this fortnight's PBL Prize Draw. Students are encouraged to continue earning and handing in Goro Golds to secure their place at the End-of-Semester Rewards Excursion to Raging Waters, Sydney.



#### **Tutankhamun Roadshow**





## **NAIDOC Fair**







