



**COMING EVENTS**

**29th of October**

- Early Dismissal
- Last Day of Term 3

**16th of October**

- Term 4 Commences

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Term 3 has been another very busy term, with many outstanding achievements and initiatives taking place. I was fortunate enough to have my role as Principal extended for the remainder of this year, which I am continuing to thoroughly enjoy. I can also announce that with the support of our Governing Council, I will continue in this role for the whole of 2024, with the intention of it being advertised mid next year for a 5-year tenure. In saying that, I am about to embark on a previously planned overseas holiday for 9 weeks with my daughter. David Thompson will be stepping into the role of Principal in my absence and Amy Holmes will be the Kurra Community Leader. I will be back in Week 7 of Term 4, to finish the year off and finalise staffing for 2024. The travel bug doesn't stop with me, Paul Frost will also be taking leave for Term 4 to enjoy a family holiday.

**Staffing for 2024**

We have been extremely busy running panels for various teaching and SSO positions for 2024 and beyond. Below is an outline of the positions that have been confirmed for 2024.

SSO's:

- Social Worker – Chris Patzel
- Kurang Wellbeing Manager – Meg Malseed
- IT Manager – James Braddy

- Lab Manager – TBC
- SSO1 Classroom Support – TBC
- SSO2 Behaviour Support – TBC
- Teaching:
- Math/Science – Jacob Reeves
- English/HASS – Sarah Dent
- Math/HASS – Jasmine Boisvert
- Specialist Math – Kirsty Chalker
- Arts/Home Ec – Debby Mansell
- HPE/Outdoor Ed – Sallyanne Morgan
- Special Options – Lance Pedlow
- Math/Science – TBC

Leadership:

- Principal – Caroline Wakefield
- Kurang Community Leader – Sarah McCarthy
- Kabir Community Leader – Jackie Poumako
- Marma Community Leader – TBC
- Triyn Community Leader – Laura Hunt
- Career Pathways and Development – Patrick Rudd
- English Coordinator – Shay Merrett
- HASS Coordinator – TBC
- HPE Coordinator – Ben Papps
- Mathematics Coordinator – Kelly Albanese
- Science Coordinator – Andrew McGregor
- SASSTA Coordinator – TBC

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ABSENTEE LINE**

**For all absentees**

**Phone 87263105**

Please leave your child's name, homegroup, your name and the reason for the absence. Thank you.

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 Department for Education and Child Development

# PRINCIPAL'S ARTICLE

## Demountable Buildings

Many of you will have noticed the building work that has commenced near the Home Ec buildings. The students certainly enjoyed watching the demolition of the old bike shed and bus shelter. In their place we will have four new classrooms for general teaching purposes in the form of two demountable buildings, which have been funded by the Department due to our growing enrolments. These are due to be delivered during the school holidays for a November completion.

## R & R Space

Late in Term 1, Matt Kurzman and myself attended the Stronger Connections Conference, which focused on Trauma Informed Practices. As a result of the outstanding sessions at the conference, Matt and I organised site visits with two schools who are leading the way in Trauma Informed Practices. Based on the information gained, we had a number of ideas that we would like to implement here at Grant High School, starting with the implementation of a co-regulation room.

This term has seen the implementation of the Reset and Return (R&R) space, a non-punitive space to help students manage their Zones (feelings/energy/states of alertness). This space has been set up in CO3 and is currently staffed by three SSO2's, Kylie Schultz, Helyn Young and Judith Praolini. Only one of them are in the room at any given time, but their role is to support students with regulating their emotions so they can successfully return to the classroom ready to learn.

Any student is eligible to access the R & R Space and may do so during lesson time only. Staff are encouraged to gently recommend the use of the R & R Space for students who appear unregulated or are not in the learning zone. Students may also self-refer to the R & R Space if they are feeling the need to access support. The R&R room is being utilised successfully. Feedback from staff and students has been

positive and we are seeing some of our most at-risk students developing beneficial strategies to regulate so they can be more engaged with their learning.

## Knockout Sport

This term we have participated in numerous local rounds of Knockout Sports. Our Year 9/10 Girls Netball team were fortunate enough to win the local round and advance to the finals in Adelaide. With the support of Amelia Redman and parent volunteer, Melissa Russell, the team played a stellar competition, earning the title of State Runner-Up's, a fantastic achievement they should be very proud of. Congratulations to Penny Coleman, Gracie Dalton, Georgia Gentile, Eadie Mustart, Chloe Peacock, Shayden Russell, Imogen McGregor and Macy Pearson on their outstanding efforts.

Early next term our Year 9/10 Boys and Girls Basketball Teams will be advancing to Adelaide for the state Knockout final, again supported by Melissa Russell. I would like to personally thank Melissa for her time and expertise.

As I previously mentioned Term 3 has been another very busy term. I would like to acknowledge and thank everyone for their dedication and support for the term and wish all staff, students and families a safe and relaxing holiday.

*Caroline Wakefield*

*Principal*

## EARLY DISMISSAL

### END OF TERM *Early Dismissal*

Please be reminded that Friday 29th of September, last day of Term 3, is an early dismissal day.

Students with early dismissal authorisation will be able to leave school at 2.15pm. Students remaining will be supervised in the Hub

Please be advised that buses will run at the earlier time of 2.15pm.

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## EAST GAMBIER CRICKET CLUB

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JUNIOR TRAINING STARTS

SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER AT 10AM

 EAST GAMBIER CRICKET NETS

TRAININGS TO CONTINUE SUNDAY OCT 1ST - 10AM  
& WEDNESDAY OCT 4TH - 4PM THEN EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 4PM

LOOKING FOR PLAYERS IN  
UNDER 12, UNDER 14 AND  
UNDER 17 AGE GROUPS

EVERYONE WELCOME  
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY  
ALL GEAR CAN BE PROVIDED IF NEEDED

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# 2024 SCHOOL CAPTAINS



Congratulations to the outstanding individuals who have been chosen as the 2024 school captains: Tanisha McNair, Ella Matheson, Milla Prowse, and Zoey Norman! Your dedication, leadership, and commitment to our school community have not gone unnoticed. We have no doubt that under your guidance, our school will flourish. Best wishes for a successful and transformative year ahead!

## OCTOBER HOLIDAYS REVISION SESSIONS

### October School Holidays

#### Revision sessions

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Stage 2 General Maths Ms Hodson 1:00-3:10 SA3  Stage 2 Visual Arts Mrs Ziakas 10:00-3:00 Art Rooms	Stage 2 Visual Arts Mrs Ziakas 10:00-3:00 Art Rooms	Stage 2 Accounting Mrs Albanese 9:00-Noon SA3  Stage 2 Biology Mr Spedding 10:00-1:00 HUB	Stage 2 Physics/Methods Mrs Fisher 9:00-11:00 SC6	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Stage 2 Chemistry Ms Fryar 11:30 - 3:00 Hub/Jnr Floor  Stage 2 Accounting Mrs Albanese 9:00-11:00 SA3	Stage 2 Physics Trial Exam Mrs Fisher 8:45-11:15 SA1	Stage 2 General Maths Ms Hodson 1:00-3:10 SA3  Stage 2 Math Methods Trial Exam Mrs Fisher 8:45-11:15 SA1	Stage 1/2 Tourism Mrs Houston 9:00-12:00 Hub  Stage 2 Biology Mr Spedding 10:00-1:00 HUB	Stage 1/2 Tourism Mrs Houston 9:00-12:00 Hub  Stage 2 Psychology Practice Exam Ms Redman 9:30-11:30 Jnr Floor  Stage 2 Visual Arts Mrs Ziakas 10:00-3:00 Art Rooms	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

# SCHOOL SPORT—9/10 KO BASKETBALL

Congratulations to both year 9/10 boys' and girls' basketball team on making it through to the finals in Adelaide in early term 4. Both teams showed great teamwork and communication throughout the day. The boys managed to go through undefeated. The girls grouped together after a 1-point loss in their first game to win the final against Mount Gambier High School in a convincing manner. We wish them the best for the finals.

**Written By Ben Papps,  
Outdoor Ed & PE Teacher.**



## 9/10 KO NETBALL

Congratulations to our 9/10 KO Netball Team for becoming State Runner-Up Champions! They topped their pool in the minor rounds with wins against Loreto College, Nuriootpa High School, and Kadina High School. The Grand Final against St. Francis De Sales College was intense, and despite a power outage, our girls showed strong defense and teamwork. St. Francis eventually secured an 8-goal win, but our girls should be proud of their dedication and conduct. Special thanks to parent volunteer Melissa Russell for her support.



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# SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

On Wednesday 16th August the annual Science and Engineering Challenge was hosted by Newcastle University at Wulanda Recreation Centre. Seven schools, including Grant High School, were invited to participate in a variety of activities encouraging out-of-the-box thinking around the topic of STEM. Students constructed bridges from popsicle sticks to withstand over ten times their weight, designed towers that could remain intact in an earthquake simulator while carrying weight, and built suspension systems for miniature Mars Rover prototypes. The competition saw frustration, exhilaration, and fierce competitiveness, and after a nail-biting reveal of placings, Grant High School was announced the Regional Champion School, topping the six other schools from the region. Grant finished second in the state overall, missing out on the chance to compete in the national competition by a mere 71 points. Despite the close defeat, the team celebrated with icecreams purchased by Mr McGregor afterward.

**Written by Asiah Earl-Yeates**

**Science and Engineering Challenge Participant.**



## SA ROAD TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION—HEAVY VEHICLE SIMULATOR

Many Grant High School and Independent Learning Centre students experienced an introduction to truck driving last week thanks to the South Australian Road Transport Association's Heavy Vehicle Simulator. All students thoroughly enjoyed the experience, with most considering a pathway into the automotive, agricultural or forestry industries.

With thanks to Corey and Murray from the South Australian Road Transport Association, Wendy Fennell from Fennell Forestry, and Josh Praolini from Green Triangle Forestry Industries for bringing this opportunity to our school.

**Written by  
Kelly Albanese**



# STAGE 1 CANOE CAMP

In week 8, one of our Stage 1 Outdoor Ed classes travelled to the Glenelg River where they participated in a 3-day canoe camp.

The weather conditions were perfect, and students loved taking part in canoeing with a total distance of 35km travelled over the 3-day experience. It was great to see the students work together and develop their skills and knowledge of the outdoors, including cooking on a Trangia and minimal impact strategies.

Thanks to Paestan Canoe Hire for allowing the camp to be successful.

Thanks also to Mrs Merrett, Mr Gibbs and Shelby for their assistance.

**Written By Shay Merrett**  
**Outdoor Ed Teacher**



# UNISA MOD EXPERIENCE



# Mount Gambier Show



## OCTOBER 20 & 21, 2023

Proudly sponsored by Gambier Earth Movers

### FEATURING:

- FACTORY FMX
- SCOOT THE JUGGLER
- RYAN RAZI
- WICKED WILDLIFE
- BURRUNGLE PARK LASER TAG
- AG LEARNING CENTRE
- SES DEMOS
- BUNNINGS ACTIVITY CENTRE
- BARREL RACING
- MARISMA EQUINE ENTERTAINMENT
- FIREWORKS



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Plus...trade sites, horses in action, livestock judging, arts, crafts and horticulture displays, cookery, dog show, log chop, sideshows, cars on display, vintage engines and much more!



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# MOUNT GAMBIER A&H SOCIETY FORM

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**NOTICE TO EXHIBITOR**

Attention is directed to Schedules for times of receiving Exhibits at and removing Exhibits from Showgrounds. These times will be strictly adhered to. The list below gives the entry numbers of your exhibits. This slip must be produced when removing your Exhibits.



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A description of the Class for which entry is made must be correctly given by the Exhibitor in the space below. Use a separate line for each Exhibit. Use a separate form for each Section. All fees must accompany this form. **LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED, ENTRIES CLOSE 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPT 2023**

<b>SCHOOL ENTRANT</b>	
OPEN	<input type="checkbox"/>
JUNIOR	<input type="checkbox"/>

Student Name	Description of Class	For Office Use Only	Section Letter & Class No.	For Office Use Only	Section Letter & Class No.	Student Name	Description of Class	Entry Fees

**TOTAL FEES \$** \_\_\_\_\_



The Mount Gambier A & H Society Inc. shall not be responsible for any errors that may occur in any entry form filled in by an official of the Society. I hereby acknowledge that I have read the Rules and Regulations and Conditions set out in the Schedule and affirm that my exhibits comply in all respects with such Rules and Regulations and Conditions, and I expressly agree to be bound by such Rules and Regulations and Conditions.

**PLEASE USE SEPARATE ENTRY FORMS FOR EACH SECTION**

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

DATE RECEIVED	RECEIPT NO	AMOUNT

<p>School _____</p> <p>Class _____</p> <p>Teacher _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p>	<p>School _____</p> <p>Class _____</p> <p>Teacher _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p>
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# 2024 BENDIGO BANK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



**APPLY  
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## Need help with the costs of study?

Applications are invited from eligible students who require assistance with educational costs in 2024.

**Applications close 31 January 2024.**

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# 2024 BENDIGO BANK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Community Bank  
Mt Gambier & District



14 September 2023

## 2024 Bendigo Bank Community Bank Mt Gambier & District Scholarship Programs

From 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 applications open for the 2024 Bendigo Bank Mt Gambier & District scholarship programs.

Scholarships are available to academically outstanding students whose financial or social circumstances limit their tertiary aspirations.

A scholarship helps cover study and accommodation costs that rural and regional students face in their first years of tertiary education.

We'd love your help to spread the word among your Year 12 students.

I've enclosed information detailing the scholarship criteria which includes student academic achievement, community involvement, leadership roles and details of their financial and/or social disadvantage. For the first time we are also offering an open scholarship to people who are not immediate school leavers and are undertaking tertiary study for the first time.

Applications close on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024. To apply, visit [bendigobank.com.au/scholarships](https://bendigobank.com.au/scholarships).

Feel free to contact the branch on 8726 3200 or at [info.mgdfs@gmail.com](mailto:info.mgdfs@gmail.com) to discuss our scholarship program further.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Horrigan  
Branch Manager  
Community Bank Mt Gambier & District

# 2024 BENDIGO BANK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

## Community Bank Mt Gambier & District - School Leavers Scholarship

# Scholarship for Uni students 2024

### Scholarship Snapshot

<b>Overview</b>	The scholarship aims to assist high achieving and highly motivated local students who have been offered a full-time place at an Australian university, TAFE institute or college for the first time to study an <b>undergraduate bachelor's degree first year level</b> and are experiencing financial and/or social challenges.
<b>Faculty</b>	All
<b>Study area</b>	All
<b>Scholarship type</b>	Need based, Merit based
<b>Year of study</b>	<b>First year undergraduate bachelor's degree</b>
<b>Duration</b>	One year only
<b>Intention of Scholarship</b>	Study related expenses including accommodation and course costs, study related materials/equipment, text books, tutoring and/or educational related travel (within Australia)
<b>Award Value</b>	\$6,000 (per annum) per student
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>To be eligible the student must meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>+ must reside in, or have attended a secondary school in, postcodes 5290, 5291 or 5280</li><li>+ must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident</li><li>+ must be a first-time, <b>first year undergraduate</b> in 2024 (first attendance at an Australian University or TAFE at bachelor's degree level)</li><li>+ must be <b>studying a full-time bachelor's degree</b> on campus at an Australian university, TAFE Institute or college (in an approved Australian course)</li><li>+ must have completed Year 12</li><li>+ must be aged 20 years or younger as at <b>29 January 2024</b></li><li>+ should be able to demonstrate community involvement</li><li>+ should be able to demonstrate the challenges (financial and/or social) which are hindering the student's ability to undertake further study</li><li>+ should be academically motivated.</li></ul>
<b>Nationality</b>	Australian citizen or permanent resident
<b>Application dates</b>	<b>OPEN: 1st October 2023 CLOSE: 31st January 2024</b>
<b>How to apply</b>	Applications are invited from <b>1st October 2023</b> and can only be submitted online. Please visit <b><a href="https://bendigobank.com.au/scholarships">bendigobank.com.au/scholarships</a></b> for more information from this date.
<b>Criteria</b>	<p>Scholarships will be awarded on the recommendation of a selection committee and will be based on how an applicant addresses the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>+ Academic achievement</li><li>+ Financial and/or social challenges</li><li>+ Evidence of leadership and citizenship within their communities</li></ul>
<b>Further Information</b>	The website will contain full information from <b>1st October 2023</b> . If you still have a query, please contact Community Bank Mt Gambier & District on phone <b>08 8726 3200</b>

The summary above is intended to provide you with a quick snapshot only. Please ensure you review all information provided on the website (during the application open period) thoroughly before you consider applying.



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