



### Welcome:

Well, what a great start to the year! We have a great new bunch of year 8's and some new senior students who have joined the school and our volleyball squad. Welcome to you all! We have a lot of new and exciting ideas that will be implemented as a result of the 2015 surveys. We look forward to working with you all and hope that we can regain the National title this year.

### NATIONAL SCHOOLS CUP 2015:

**Congratulations to Heathfield High School for earning 2<sup>nd</sup> place the Australian Schools Cup in 2015.**

**MASSIVE** thanks to all the players, coaches, school staff and supporters during the Nationals in Melbourne. Once again we had a trouble free week and we played some great volleyball. Your survey results show you enjoyed the week, the accommodation and that you look forward to going back to "Hogwarts" (Ormond College) later this year.

It was also great to see the Heathfield "BIG TEAM" back in action, supporting our own teams in some huge battles during the week. The OHB grand final was something to watch as the Heathfield army came into action and helped our boys win a brilliant game against Brighton. Our support for each other was fantastic. Thank you to the senior players for taking charge and leading this culture through the whole year.

### Melbourne Report 2015:

Another amazing week for the 24 Heathfield teams that played in the 2015 Australian Volleyball Schools Cup, 10 teams making it to medal games, our best result for many years. Open Hon boys, U15 Hon boys and U17 Hon girls all went straight into the grand finals and the U16 Hon girls and U16 Hon boys played fantastic semi-finals to make the Grand finals.

It has been a long time since Heathfield has had 5 teams in Honours grand finals with wins in Open Boys and U15 Boys.

The Open Boys grand final match had everything including an hour of a blackout with a full evacuation from the stadium in the middle of the match. A classic battle of two talented sides went right down to the wire with the Heathfield boys holding their nerve to win 18-16 in the fifth. Isaac Binder was named MVP for the grand final after dominating at the net with 15 kills and only 3 errors for the match.

Open Girls played superbly in their bronze medal match to defeat the strong Billanook unit. The girls showed their dominance through the middle winning many points which allowed the outside hitters a free space to win points. This was backed up with strong and consistent passing and tactical serving.

The U17 girls went down in a heartbreaking 16-14 in the fifth set in an extremely high quality match against Nambour who have been undefeated for 3 years.

The U16 Boys and Girls both won semi-finals Friday morning to go through to play Brighton in the Grand Finals. Both Heathfield teams continued their form from the semi-final wins that morning taking out the first set. Great volleyball was played but Brighton came out just in front winning both Grand Finals in 4 sets.

The U15 Boys played with amazing control to dominate their Grand Final match to win 3-0. All the boys played superbly all week but in particular the Bryars twins had an outstanding week, with Alec being awarded MVP for the Grand Final.

Add to that a bronze in U17 div 1 girls, silver in U14 girls and a 4th in U17 hon boys and U16 div 1 boys. The scores were again very close with

Heathfield 610 points to Brighton 625points. Both SA Schools completely dominating the competition.

Thanks must be made to all coaches and managers and in particular the help from Jason Potts, Malachi Murch and Indra Reinpoo for their expert advice during the week. Special thanks to Physio's Matt Clarke and Michael Wilson for taking a week out of their busy schedule and keeping the players performing at their best. Thanks to Volleyball staff Lachlan Abbott, Mia Heikkonen and Peter Giannes for their tireless work all year.

**Stuart Scott (SIV Manager)**







**For planning purposes:**

State Cup – 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> of August  
 AVSC (Melbourne) – 3<sup>rd</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> December

**Life Members:**

Congratulations also to the coaches and managers who were granted “2015 Life Membership” of the Heathfield High School volleyball program. These people were Aaron Potts, Grace Love, Cliff Sayer, Peter Giannes, Malachi Murch, Maxime Voorhoeve, Matilda Fagan-Schmidt and Sana Schulz. We thank them for their 8 years as a player and coach and hope that they are with us for many years to come!

**Service Awards:**

Stuart was presented at the opening ceremony with his 30 years of service award for work at the National Schools Cup. With 21 years at Renmark and 9 at Heathfield, Stuart has clearly shown dedication to this event and deserves this accolade. Receiving 10 year service awards this year were Amy Wood, Jason Potts and Henry Breen. We thank them all for the hours of dedication that they have put in over the years at the National Schools Cup and Heathfield Volleyball Program.

**Important Dates Term 1:**

- 11<sup>th</sup> February – Year 8 Parent Night
- 8<sup>th</sup> February – Year 12 Lunch
- 28<sup>th</sup> February – Norwood Challenge
- 4<sup>th</sup> March – Bombora night
- 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> March – Warrnambool Senior Trip
- Sports Day – 18<sup>th</sup> March
- 25<sup>th</sup> March – Good Friday
- 28<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Monday
- 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> April – JL Grading Days
- 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> April – State Beach Volleyball Competition
- 13<sup>th</sup> April – SANTOS Athletics
- 15<sup>th</sup> April – End of Term 1

**Heathfield Bags, Socks & Water bottles**

If you would like a Heathfield High School Volleyball Bag please see Peter in the Sports Centre. The bags are \$50.00 and include your name and Heathfield. They are fantastic for the many tournaments that you play in.

The comfy high quality socks with the Heathfield logo are also fantastic. Socks and water Bottles are also \$9.00 each. If you would like any of these items please pay at the cashier and bring your receipt down to Peter to receive your item!

**Email Communication:**

We have now begun to use an email system to help communication between the Heathfield Volleyball program and parents. Notes will now be given to students like usual but also a copy sent to your email and Team App. The emails that have been supplied to the school will be the ones used. If you don't have an email, a hard copy will still be given to your child. This practice worked well last year. Feel free to email the Volleyball staff about any issues or questions that you have through the year. Stuart – [stuart.scott94@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:stuart.scott94@schools.sa.edu.au)  
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