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 this year that have come from your ideas and responses through the feedback sheets. We look forward to working with you all this year and hope that we can win our third National title in a row this year.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS CUP 2013:
Congratulations to Heathfield High School for winning the Australian Schools Cup for the second consecutive year!

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 feedback sheets 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 close 5 set thriller. Our support for each other was fantastic. Thank you to the senior players in taking charge and leading this culture through the whole year.

Melbourne Report 2013:
A fantastic result for the squad with the hard work for the year being rewarded with outstanding results and the title of Champion School!! This result was not decided until the very last game with the Open Honour Boys fighting out a victory over Rossmoyne 15-10 in the fifth set. A colosseum type atmosphere was created with over 300 people cheering the boys on, who were also determined to turn around a 0-3 minor round result. Simon Gray dominated the match with 29 kills for the match with 7 in the last set and he was named MVP for the Open Honours division. The U16 Boys overcome plenty of hurdles before the competition as well as some illness during the week but battled through every match to remain undefeated to gain GOLD defeating Mazenod. MVP was Jack Phelan who had an amazing week.

U17 Honour boys came up against a fired up Rossmoyne who played superbly to defeat a gallant Heathfield team finishing with a Silver medal.

The U15 Honour Girls played with true grit to defeat Brighton to get into the grand final but came up against a very polished Nambour team to also finish with a Silver medal.

U15 Honour boys also had to fight hard for every point in every match starting the week with 3 five setters in a row. They worked their way into the bronze medal match and defeated Mazenod to finish with a crucial Bronze medal. Gold medals were won in Division 1 with the U15GIRLS and U16BOYS and the Open Boys won Silver, showing the depth of the squad runs through all age groups.

The AVF have created this year a Cup for Boys and Girls Champions with Heathfield winning the Boys Cup and Brighton won the Girls Cup so the overall Schools Cup was always going to be very tight and the announcement that Heathfield won was met with an almighty roar.

A huge thank you to the Volleyball staff Lachy Abbott, Mia Heikkonen, Mark Nielsen and Peter Giannes and to all the coaches and managers who make the week work so well. A special thanks to Davo for his energy managing all of the logistics for the week.

Stuart Scott SIV Program Manager

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS CUP CHAMPIONS 2013!!
15 Div 1 Girls Gold Medallists

16 Div 1 Boys Gold Medallists

Open Div 1 Boys Silver Medallists

15 Honour Boys Bronze Medallists

15 Honour Girls Silver Medallists

17 Honour Boys Silver Medallists

Grand Final MVP winners Simon Gray (OHB) and Jack Phelan (16HB)

Life Members:
Congratulations also to the coaches who were granted “2013 Life Membership” of the Heathfield High School volleyball program. These people were Henry Breen, Alice Holmberg, Amy Wood, Ben Pohl, Brodie McDougall and Luke Huiskamp. We thank them for their 8 years as a player and coach and hope that they are with us for many years to come!
South Australia has again triumphed in the Australian Junior Beach Volleyball Championships winning the Andy Burdin Shield for the best performed state for the second consecutive year. The recent championships held at Glenelg Beach from January 13th – January 16th showcased the best junior beach Volleyballers in the country and South Australia’s victory was helped by the contributions of a number of Heathfield High School volleyball students and staff. The tournament returned to its spiritual home of Glenelg Beach and players were forced to endure scorching hot temperatures and testing conditions during Adelaide’s 40’ heatwave. Due to the extreme heat the tournament organisers were forced to shorten the length of matches and begin play at 6am each morning, break during the middle part of the day and then re-start at 7pm and play until dark. Heathfield Volleyball program provided 11 players, 1 coach and 1 team manager to the successful South Australian Beach Team.

Malachi Murch teamed up with Russell Moore to claim Gold over fellow SA team Anstey/Moore in the U23 Men’s division. The U19 Men’s division produced 3 South Australian teams all making the Semi Finals. Heathfield student Regan Fathers teamed up with Max Guehrer to play some outstanding volleyball throughout the tournament and claim the National Title. Simon Gray finished 4th.

Mark Nielsen finished the week with a very successful coaching resume, guiding the SA U23 Men’s teams to Gold and Silver medals and the U19 Men’s teams to Gold, Bronze and 4th position. AIS Beach athlete Sam Boehm also provided valuable experience and guidance throughout the tournament, giving up his time in between his elite training schedule.

Georgie Rowe made a successful return to beach volleyball teaming up with Mt Lofty volleyball player Bonnie McKenzie to claim a well-deserved silver medal in the U23 Women’s division.

The U15 division again created much interest with the format allowing 4 players per side compared to the usual 2 players. Jayden Fathers and Lucas Mark-Seymour were a crucial part of the Gold Medal winning SA team whilst up and coming stars Henry Ambagtsheer and Royce Cotter gained valuable experience in SA’s second side coming away with a Bronze Medal.

Lucy Ambagtsheer made it a family affair also claiming the bronze medal in the U15 Girls division. Maddy Mark-Seymour and Ben Williamson were also part of the successful South Australian team competing throughout tough conditions in the U17 age divisions. Expect to see more of these two in the future.

Heathfield ex Volleyballer Peter Giannes gave up his time to assist with the management of the SA U19 Women’s teams whilst a large number of supportive parents also contributed to the success of the tournament.

Overall South Australia claimed 3 gold medals, 3 silver medals and 4 bronze medals to win the state shield over Queensland by 4 points.

**Important Dates Term 1:**
- 6th February – Year 8 Parent Night
- 2nd March – Norwood Challenge
- 5th March – Bombora night
- 7th – 10th March – Warnambool Senior Trip
- 15th – 16th March – Gold Ball Weekend
- 15th – 16th March – State Trials (U17’s,19’s & 23’s)
- 22nd – 23rd March – State Trials (U17’s,19’s & 23’s)
- 30th March – JL Grading Day (1)
- 6th April – JL Grading Day (2)
- 11th April – End of Term 1
- 13th-18th April – Albury Under 15’s Trip

**For planning purposes:**

**State Cup – 1st, 2nd and 3rd of August**

**AVSC (Melbourne) – 7th/13th December**

**Uniforms**

We have some very good deals regarding our volleyball uniform this term!

We have a volleyball playing top with the stripes slightly in the wrong spot. So we are selling them as a training top for $15 each! This is the exact same as the playing tops that all students have that they play in at State Cup and Melbourne which normally costs $50!!! So be quick as we only have around 20 shirts in both size 12 and 14.

**Heathfield Bags & Socks**

If you would like a Heathfield High School Volleyball Bag please see Peter in the Sports Centre. The bags are $45.00 and include your name and Heathfield Logo on them. They are fantastic for using at the many tournaments that you play in.

The socks are also fantastic coming with the Heathfield Logo on them. They are very comfy and perfect for Volleyballers always on their feet. They are $9.00 a pair or $5.00 for 6.

If you would like any of these items please pay at the cashier and bring your receipt down to Peter to receive your uniform!

**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 and one sent to their personal email address at school. We have already put this process into practice last year and it seemed to work. Feel free to email Peter about any issues or questions that you have through the year at peter.giannes33@schools.sa.edu.au.
Heathfield High School
SIV Program
2014 Team App

Stay up to date with what is happening this year in the Heathfield High School Volleyball Program 2014 by downloading the FREE iPhone/Android App. Check out event times, results, draws, photos, news and more!

How to download:

- Go to the App Store on your smartphone.
- Search for & install “TEAM APP“
- Select TEAM APP SIGN UP
- Enter information required and follow the prompts *make sure that you can access the email account you use in the login process.
- You must now confirm your account. An email will be sent to the email address that you provided—it will provide a link that you must activate.
- After you have activated your account, Go back into the “Team App” application and sign in with your email and password.
- As a supporter you will not have any access to the application. You must follow the steps below to gain access.
- In the top right hand corner, press the “+” and Search for “HHS SIV Program 2014”
- To gain further access — Go to SETTINGS — SET ACCESS LEVEL Login — Set ACCESS LEVEL to whichever is relevant to you. Players will select the “Year 8,9,10,11 or 12 players group” and parents the “year 8,9,10,11 or 12 parents group”. *If you want any information YOU MUST DO THIS!
- SEND REQUEST. This process (although slightly tedious) allows us to screen the access of information in order to protect the privacy of our athletes.
- In the description box, please include your name, child’s name, child’s birthdate and volleyball teacher. This must be done as a precaution to again protect our athletes. *If this isn’t done, your application wont be accepted*

If you have any questions about the application, please see Peter in the Sports Centre or email Peter on peter.giannes33@schools.sa.edu.au.