

## VISTA & SSSSA Athletics Carnivals 2019

Towards the end of last term, two of the largest school sporting events for the year, the VISTA Zone and SSSSA Athletics Carnivals, were held at Athletics SA Stadium.

### VISTA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The first and bigger of the two events saw GGHS take 94 students to compete against other schools from the North East Vista School Zone. In previous years, Golden Grove High School has been a dominant force at this carnival, winning 4 of the last 6 times. Unfortunately, due to a number of students not rocking up in the morning, the team had to be reshuffled. It's important to acknowledge the athletes who filled the places so readily so as to not let the team down. Well done!

We had some fantastic individual and team performances across the day. Most notably were the achievements of our Year 8, 9 and Senior Girls teams who all won their respective divisions. This put us in a strong position overall, and supported by some solid performances by the Boys teams, we knew that we were in with a good chance.

This year the competition was again neck and neck right up until the very end of the day. As the scores were read out, it was Modbury High School who were victorious by only a small margin. Imagine what could have happened if we had our full-strength team! This was a fantastic team effort by all involved.

### SSSSA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The second event was the Secondary School Sport South Australia Statewide Knockout Athletics Carnival. This carnival is comprised of schools from all over South Australia and represents an extremely high standard of competition. Golden Grove High School competes in Division B1, which is the third highest level of competition in the state. All students who went to this event again represented the school with magnificent spirit.

Overall, our Boys Team finished 7<sup>th</sup>, our Girls team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and Golden Grove High ended up finishing 4<sup>th</sup> for the day. This is a phenomenal effort considering the very high standard that we were competing at.

Individually, several of our students achieved a "standard," which indicates the top 5% of all competition within the state. These students are as follows:

Student	Event	Result
Emilaya	Open Girls 100m	12.77s
	Open Girls Long Jump	5.72m
	Open Girls Triple Jump	12.45m *NEW RECORD*
	Open Girls 4 x 100m Relay	52.65s
	Tamsyn	U16 Girls 200m
	U16 Girls High Jump	1.58m
Liam	U14 Boys High Jump	1.69m
Taylor	U15 Girls Shot Put	9.71m
Tayla	Open Girls 4 x 100m Relay	52.65s
Isabella	Open Girls 4 x 100m Relay	52.65s
Jess	Open Girls 4 x 100m Relay	52.65s

Congratulations to all students who participated and worked as officials at these carnivals and a big thank you to all the staff who made the events possible.

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