Week 2 has been an exciting and productive week for the Senior Campus. Tuesday 22 October was the North Canberra Athletics Carnival at the AIS. We sent a number of our students to represent Gold Creek School.

The School Leadership Team met Wednesday 23 October for a planning day to discuss the direction of the school for 2014. We look forward to communicating this with you later this term.

Thursday 24 October we had a delegation of Japanese teachers and students visit our school and participate in classes and a special assembly. The Principal of Nara University School exchanged gifts with Linda Baird and some uniform items were presented to Nara students. Thank you to Ms Barber for all her efforts in organising this visit.

The Year 9/10 “Singspiration” class presented a showcase style event after school, thank you Ms Barnes. The whole school met Friday 25 October to participate in a Yarn Bombing activity, well done to Ms Thomas and Ms Borg for their efforts in organising this cross campus event.

Japan Nara University High School
Welcome Assembly
Gold Creek Senior Site held the welcome assembly for the Nara University High School delegation on Thursday 24th October. The Principal, Mr Sakai and other 4 teachers visited Gold Creek and attended the assembly. Approximately 50 Nara students and teachers arrived in Canberra on Wednesday evening for their annual visit to Canberra. 9 students have been hosted by families from Gold Creek School until Saturday 26th October.

Prior to the assembly, Mrs Baird and Mr Haigh welcomed the delegation with a morning tea. Mrs Baird met Mr Sakai for the first time and exchanged pleasantries. Mr Haigh presented Gold Creek shirts to Nara students and folders with Gold Creek goods to teachers. The assembly was entertained by the Nara students’ song, Gold Creek Japan Trip photos and participants stories.

Both Mrs Baird and Mr Sakai look forward to seeing each other again and to continuing relationships for the future.

Mrs Barber (Japanese Teacher)
**Senior Site Bites**

**Gordian Knot**

The Gordian Knot is a legend of Phrygian Gordium associated with Alexander the Great. It is often used as a metaphor for an intractable problem (disentangling an “impossible” knot) solved easily by “thinking outside the box” (“cutting the Gordian knot”):

Here at Gold Creek School during 2013, the Gordian Knot has become the channel for puzzle solvers and mathematicians to demonstrate their brain power and problem solving skill.

This Semester, we will be offering great prizes to two people in the Year 7-10 Division and two in the Year K-6 Division who regularly enter the Gordian Knot Problem and solve it each fortnight. There are five problems for each division remaining.

To be in contention for a prize you will need to enter at least two. The first two problem links are below. Good luck!

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**Sports News**

On Tuesday 22nd October, 35 students from the senior site represented Gold Creek School at the North Side Athletics Carnival. The students that attended the day were a credit to the school, and acquitted themselves well despite less than ideal conditions. Twelve students were successful in being selected for the ACT carnival. Notable results include Jez Baron winning the 16 boys High Jump (photo below), Joseph Looby winning the 15 years boys high jump, Luke Bush winning the 15 boys Javelin, and Cara Gare 1st in the 3000 m for her age.

We wish them all the best at the ACT Carnival in Week 4.

Stephanie Johnston

**Chilada Store Wide Sale—Gold Creek School Uniforms, Clothing and Shoes more ...**

In celebration of Chilada’s 7 year anniversary, Chilada stores are offering store wide sale for 7 days starting on Thursday 24 October! 30% off store wide, including Gold Creek School uniforms, shoes, clothing, accessories and more.