



## ICCES Winter Tour success

### GVGS wins Independent Country Coeducational Schools (ICCES) Winter Tour

GVGS was delighted to host the annual ICCES Winter Tour from June 21-22. This year approximately 800 students from six schools participated in the two-day carnival held at Shepparton Sports precinct. The competition events included Basketball, Hockey, Netball and Soccer. The ICCES schools involved were:

- Bacchus Marsh Grammar School
- Braemar College (Woodend)
- Girton Grammar School (Bendigo)
- Goulburn Valley Grammar School
- The Hamilton and Alexandra College (Hamilton)
- Highview College (Maryborough)

The Shepparton Sports Precinct features an excellent design with all the competition venues only a short walk away from each other. The City of Greater Shepparton council's investment in the expansion of the facilities in recent years has only enhanced the venue even more. The ICCES association continues to view the Shepparton facility as the best location for such a competition.

This is the 9th year the carnival has been hosted by GVGS. Once again the event was a wonderful success. The clear weather was a highlight for players, spectators and officials alike. Both days were perfect with sunny skies and no wind.

The event was only possible due to the excellent organisation by GVGS staff particularly Mr Greg Reynoldson, Carnival Coordinator. Mr Reynoldson was given great assistance by many GVGS staff and particularly our 2018 Sports Trainees Kayla and Kristian. Thank you also to the many GVGS staff coaches and managers over the two days.



After a drought lasting back to 2013, GVGS claimed the ICCES Winter Tour aggregate trophy. The competition has become stronger each year and 2018 was no exception with 4 points separating 1st and 3rd. GVGS won by only 1 point. The result was a triumph of all round consistency by GVGS teams. Congratulations to all our competitors on their positivity and competitive team spirit.

*Sport Prefects  
Edward Adams and  
Lucy Eishold with  
the ICCES Winter  
Tour trophy.*

More important than any final result was the spirit in which the whole competition was played. All school team managers commented on the very positive nature of the competition and the respectful way teams competed against each other. Overall the two day round robin event was a great success in all respects.