



Narromine High School Newsletter

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*We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians on whose land our school stands.
 We also respectfully acknowledge the elders both past and present and from where our students come.*



Above - NHS Show Team - Wazowski, Lachlan, Justin, Randall, Elissa, Sully, Joann and Thomas



Above - Lachlan, Justin and Tayah in Melbourne

WHAT'S COMING UP?

SEPTEMBER

- 17 - Merit Assembly – 11:30am
Reading for Life
- 23 & 24 - State 7's Carnival – Newcastle
- 24 - Yr 12 Social Reading for Life
- 26 - Yr 12 Formal Assembly – 11:30am
- 27 - Term 3 ends

HOLIDAYS – SATURDAY 5 OCTOBER

**NHS
 50TH ANNIVERSARY
 10AM – 12PM
 AT OUR SCHOOL**

OCTOBER

- 14 - Term 4 commences
- 17 – Nov 11 HSC exams commence
- 17 - Yr 7 vaccinations
- 22-25 - Yr 11 PDHPE Outdoor Rec trip
- 23 - Yr 6 Transition Open Night – 5-7pm
- 29 & 31 - Yr 10 Minimum Standards Testing
- 30 - Yr 6 Transition Sports Gala Day

**P&C MEETING
 TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER
 AT 6.30 PM - ENQUIRIES
 PHIL SIMMONS
 6869 7264**

YEAR ADVISERS

Year 7 - Ms Mrowka	Year 8 - Ms Googe
Year 9 - Ms Althofer	Year 10 - Mrs Geyer
Year 11 - Mrs Davison	Year 12 - Ms Goodhand

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Three of our students were lucky enough to have competed in the **Young Change Agents Entrepreneurial challenge** which was held in Melbourne recently. This was an amazing experience for our students, presenting their ideas to multiple leading industry experts and sharing their concepts with others to challenge ideals and broaden perspectives. Our school was well represented by Year 9 students Lachlan Devlin and Justin Walsh and Year 11 student Tayah Turnbull. We would also like to thank Mr Greenwood for the mentoring and support prior to the trip and escorting the students to Melbourne and to Mr Chris Tan for allowing our students to participate and experience this opportunity.

At the beginning of this term Narromine High hosted a **Year 6 into 7 evening** for parents and carers and **Year 10 into 11 subject selection and information evening**. Both evenings gave all involved relevant information about programs and school structures for 2020. In particular, the information relating to the HSC course gave students, parents and carers the opportunity to receive relevant information relating to NESA course requirements. To further support 2020 subject selection, Year 10 students have had an interview with our Careers Adviser, Mrs Jan Davison. This increases the support to our students and parents by identifying the subjects and pattern of study students need to consider to obtain their chosen career path. In the event that parents are seeking further information and support, please contact the school to make an appointment to discuss any relevant information.

Now that the **HSC Trials** are complete there is always the danger of students becoming complacent and not working as hard as they should. Just remember, the HSC is a marathon, not a sprint. Keep working consistently and the period after the trials is a crucial time to consolidate their learning and making good notes.

The **Sentral Parent Portal** and our school **Facebook** page are two platforms which we urge parents to register for and use. As a school, we are trying to consolidate the communication to our parents in a format that is accessible and timely. If you require registration information, please contact our office staff on 6889 1499 to obtain your registration code. This code will allow you to access your child's information on the portal to keep you informed.

We continue to have a strong and consistent core of keen, **hard-working staff** which I am very proud to be leading as Principal and it is important that our values at school and home support each other and our students. I am asking all of our parent community to please support the school's procedures and ensure your child follows the school and uniform expectations. I continually thank our parent community for their continued support with our school values, it does make a considerable difference. If you require support to purchase school items, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

If you are enrolling your child and need **enrolment information** contact the school to make an appointment.

If there is something you would like to see from our school please do not hesitate to contact me on 6889 1499.

Philip Rufus
Principal

TAS/PDHPE FACULTY NEWS

It has been a busy few weeks in the TAS/PDHPE Faculty. We have had students represent the school on a number of occasions such as the Ronnie Gibbs 7's in Bourke and the NHS Show Team

at the Narromine Agricultural Show. We have also had a number of opportunities for students to showcase their talents within lessons such as the Stage 5 Cupcake Decorating assessment task with Miss Googe. More can be read about these opportunities below. Although Term 3 might be coming to an end, there is still lots happening within the faculty. We had Gilgandra Gala Day on Thursday 12 September and are looking forward to Rugby State 7's in Newcastle from the 23 - 24 September and the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza early next term.

With the weather heating up, it is important that students remember to bring the appropriate equipment for PDHPE lessons and sport which is a hat, water bottle and sunscreen.

SHOW TEAM NEWS

Our Show team recently exhibited four steers at the Narromine Agricultural Show. Their results were outstanding considering the current season.

Results -

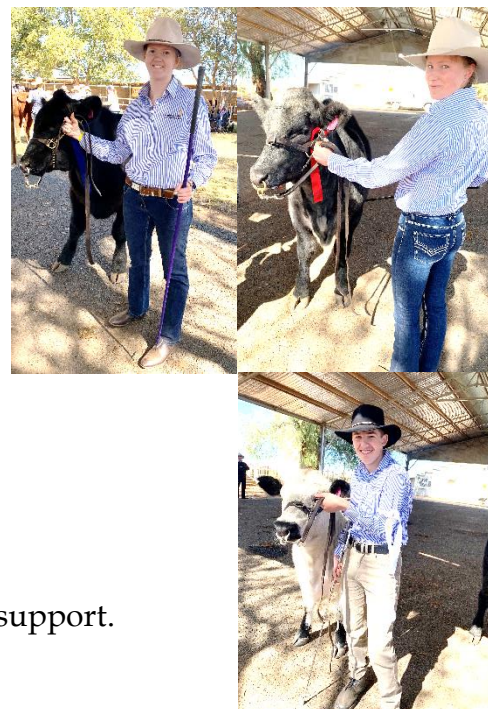
- 1st place commercial unled steer - Turbo
- 1st place led commercial steer - Randall
- 2nd place led commercial steer - Sully
- 3rd place led commercial steer - Wazowski

Parading:

- Thomas Rose - 2nd in 13 years
- Lachlan Devlin - 5th in 14 years
- Joann Fidock - 3rd in 15 years
- Justin Walsh - 4th in 15 years

Junior Judging:

- Thomas Rose - 6th in 13 and under
- Justin Walsh - 5th in 14 and over



The Show team would like to thank Chris Walsh for his continued support.

Ms Mrowka

Ag Teacher and Show team coordinator

RONNIE GIBBS SEVENS AT BOURKE

Wow what a day. On the bus at 5:30am arrived at Bourke 8:45 then onto the fields and into it. We brought two girls netball sides who played hard against some tall timber from the bush. The boys under 14's had success over Bourke, Walgett and Trangie, then went down narrowly to Nyngan in the final. Standout player for the boys was Elias Kennedy who scored about 20 tries on the day.

Our students behaved beautifully and played with respect and sportsmanship.

A lot of lollies and hot chips were eaten on the day, but all in all it was a fantastic day, with staff (Mr McCabe, Ms Piccolo, Mrs Middleton and Ms Payne) and students having a great time. We're invited back for next year's 25th Ronnie Gibbs Sevens Tournament and we look forward to going.

Lance McCabe

PDHPE/ Maths





Even more students are experiencing the benefits of QuickSmart at Narromine High School. Students are working through fun literacy activities to develop their vocabulary and improve their reading skills. More staff are being trained to tutor students in the program thanks to Mrs Geyer and Mrs Flinn.

ENGLISH, HISTORY, READING & NETBALL WITH MISS A

4.4 (7 & 8) English



4.4 Students have just completed an assessment on 'Displaced People'. The students conducted research around the myths and facts of refugees, how many refugees are located in Australia and where the largest refugee camp is in the world.

Don't forget students can jump onto Literacy Planet at home to improve their literacy skills.

5.1 (9 & 10) English

Currently 5.1 students are working through the program 'Australia's Voice in the World' where students look at famous speeches, their importance to our nation and the impacts. They are also encouraged to explore notions of Australian identity within the global context. They will also consider current issues in Australia. The assessment for this topic is a two minute speech. The speech can be recorded, presented in front of the class or a small selection of class members.

Assessment Task:

- a) Choose a significant day of celebration/event for all Australians (eg. Anzac Day; Australia Day; NAIDOC day; etc.). Present the official speech for the day, expressing its importance and your vision for all Australians on the day.
- b) Prepare a speech about an important issue in Australia today. In your speech, give your considered opinion about the issue, why you think it's important for Australia and what you believe should/should not be done.
- c) You are giving the Welcome speech to a group of newly declared Australian citizens from a range of backgrounds. What do you tell them about what is important to Australians and their role in Australian society?

11 English Studies

Year 11 English studies are wrapping up their final topic for Year 11. They have submitted a portfolio task and will need to keep these items as they progress into Year 12. In term 4 they will start the HSC course, commencing with Texts and Human Experiences.

12 Standard English

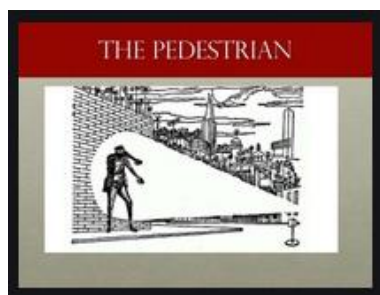
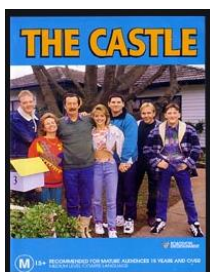
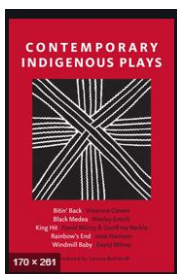
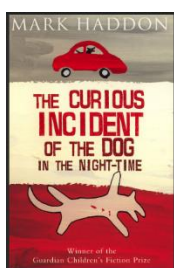
Good luck Year 12 English Standard class. Complete revision and create detailed notes including techniques. Also, it would be a great idea to complete timed HSC style questions. I will be available before your English exams to read responses or assist you with your preparation.



Common Module: Texts and Human Experiences	"Rainbow's End" written by Jane Harrison
Module A: Language, Culture and Identity	"The Castle" directed by Rob Sitch
Module B: Close Study of Literature	"The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time"
Module C: Craft of Writing	"The Pedestrian" by Ray Bradbury J.K.Rowlings "The Fringe Benefits of Failure, and the Importance of Imagination"

All HSC English rubrics can be accessed on the NESA website.

<http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/stage-6-english>



J.K. Rowling's "The Fringe Benefits of Failure, and the Importance of Imagination"

12 Modern History

Best wishes to Year 12 Modern History in their preparation for the HSC exam. Put the time into your preparation.

Modern History
Core Study: Power and Authority in the Modern World 1919–1946
National Studies
Peace and Conflict
Change in the Modern World



Wide Reading

WHY IS READING IMPORTANT?

"Almost half (46%) of Australians over 15 lack the literacy skills they need to meet the demands of everyday life and work."

Literacy is one of the most important foundations for success in school and life. It is well documented that an individual's literacy levels affect their opportunities in life for education, employment, income and wellbeing"

<http://www.letsread.com.au/About/Why-Is-Reading-Important>

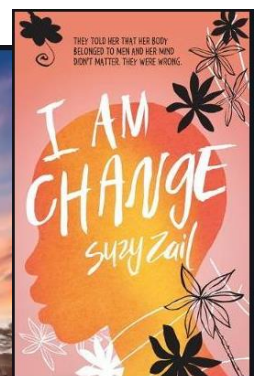
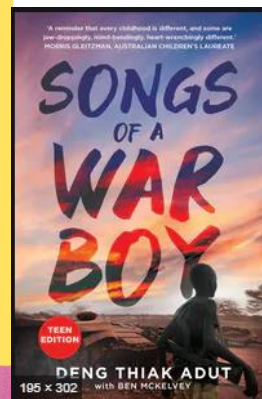
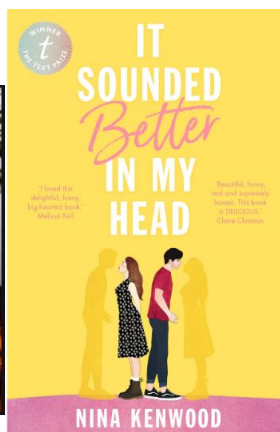
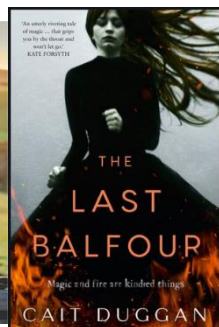
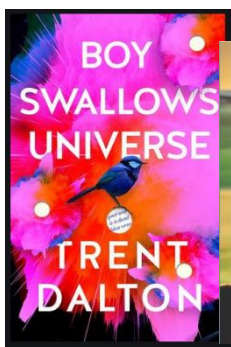
There's numerous books in the English storeroom and the library. Pick up a different book today and if you need help selecting a novel see your English teacher.

100 REASONS TO READ

naturalbeachliving.com

1. Helps you learn new things
2. Go on an adventure without leaving your house
3. Expand your vocabulary
4. Learn from someone else
5. Sharpens your brain
6. Helps you grow
7. Relaxes you
8. You can try different genres
9. Helps your spelling
10. Makes you happier
11. Increases worldview
12. Helps you dream big
13. Makes you think
14. Helps increase emotional intelligence
15. Lets you learn about new people
16. Kills boredom
17. Shows you a new perspective
18. Challenges your perspective
19. Helps improve your writing
20. Shows you what's possible
21. Helps you focus
22. Improves conversational skills
23. Inspires you
24. Makes you a better leader
25. Gives you fresh ideas
26. Increases attention span
27. Helps you learn a new skill
28. Makes history easier to remember
29. Helps problem solving skills
30. It's fun
31. Helps spend time off electronics
32. Increases reading speed
33. Teaches you fun facts
34. Inexpensive
35. Helps you appreciate new things
36. To explore new places
37. You get to visit the library more
38. Encourages you to think
39. Travel back in time
40. Travel forward in time
41. Travel to a new world!
42. Increases concentration
43. Helps with development
44. Develop empathy
45. Gives you something to do
46. Boosts brain power
47. Helps you in school
48. Takes you on a journey
49. Relieves stress
50. Temporarily escape reality
51. Variety of options
52. Keeps your brain busy
53. Can be great for bonding time
54. Helps you speak better
55. Improves critical thinking
56. Helps you feel smarter
57. Learn something new
58. Great for all age ranges
59. Easily portable
60. Helps you sleep before bed
61. Find inspiration
62. Helps your grammar
63. Improves your brain
64. Builds self confidence
65. Inspires you to try something new
66. Brightens your day
67. Shows you more than the movie
68. Learn about your country's history
69. Gives you something to think about
70. Makes you wonder
71. Experience another culture
72. Keeps you busy
73. Builds self esteem
74. It's entertaining
75. Stimulate your brain
76. Great for self improvement
77. Helps your communication
78. Can make you feel any emotion
79. Gives you something to discuss
80. Makes you feel good
81. Can help you meet new people
82. You can do it anywhere
83. Improve language skills
84. Increases comprehension
85. Helps with story telling
86. Learn how the world works
87. Fuels your imagination
88. Makes you curious
89. Improves your memory
90. Learn more about language
91. Read at your own pace
92. Challenges you
93. Boosts creativity
94. Helps you tell stories better
95. Gives you something to talk about
96. You can read aloud
97. You can read with a friend
98. You can read by yourself
99. There are so many good books
100. Because you can!

New books in the library:



Netball

CHS Netball U15's 2020 competition coming up Week 2 Term 4.

Ms Althofer

English/History/Reading/Netball



HSC minimum standard - from 2020

Students need to meet the HSC minimum standard to receive the HSC.

To show they meet the standard students need to:

- achieve Level 3 or 4 in the online reading test and
- achieve Level 3 or 4 in the online writing test and
- achieve Level 3 or 4 in the online numeracy test.



This level of achievement will also be expected by TAFE as a minimum.

We are preparing students in Years 10 and 11 for these tests over the next few weeks. Students will sit the online tests TWICE in Term 4 in an effort to achieve the standard prior to the HSC or leaving school.

For more information contact Cathy Reynolds at the High School or go to the website

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/hsc-minimum-standard>

YEARS 7 & 8 PHOTOGRAPHY PROGRAM - "THROUGH OUR EYES"



The Photography Program ("through our eyes") commenced Week 2, Term 3.

This program is aimed at Years 7 & 8. It focuses on providing the girls with the skills to see things differently through taking photographs. It also assists our girls with their emotional and mental wellbeing. Erin our DO, Sandy (SLSO) and Crystal (AEO) deliver this program every second Tuesday during period 1. The girls are enjoying this program and look forward to their photography sessions.

The students have been busy taking photos around the community and are looking forward to exhibiting and displaying their photographs in Term 4 when Narromine High School hosts our Community Evening on Wednesday 23 October from 5-7pm.

SATURDAY
5 OCTOBER

13 Merilba St
NARRROMINE 2821

Narromine High School
Respect, Responsibility & Care



Celebrating 50 Years

6889 1499

Come along on Saturday 5 October to
help us celebrate.

10am to 12pm

Open classrooms

Tree planting

Gold coin Morning Tea

Catch up with past students and staff!

Contact the
school for
more details
or follow us
on Facebook

FARMER

wants a Dress / Suit

Farming kids are doing it tough with the drought effecting every part of their lives.

Give them a night to remember by donating to Farmer wants a dress/suit, a charity that provides formal wear to country kids for their school formal so that their families are spared the financial burden.

Funds raised will go toward hiring the truck that will take this roaming boutique to communities in need.

For more information visit their Facebook page

www.gofundme.com/f/farmer-wants-a-dressuit

formal4drought@gmail.com ABN 93871 390 505 Ph 0429200391



A MATTER OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE
Aerosol cans are not to be brought to school
This is because we have people on site who have
severe life threatening reactions to aerosol sprays
Students have been advised of this policy
Failure to comply with it may result in suspension



LIKE NARROMINE HIGH SCHOOL ON FACEBOOK
AND STAY UP TO DATE WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING!



PARENTS ARE REQUESTED TO PLEASE NOTIFY
THE SCHOOL WHEN THEY CHANGE ADDRESS
AND/OR PHONE CONTACT NUMBERS

THANK YOU

RUOK DAY WAS CELEBRATED WITH A FUN AFTERNOON @ NHS!



RUOK?