



Narrandera High School

Issue 19 Week 8 Term 4

Tuesday 3rd December 2019

The last fortnight has been a busy one at Narrandera High with students involved in a number of academic, cultural and sporting pursuits.

Whilst Narrandera High School has made significant progress in many areas over the last few years, it is extremely important that we are always working towards ways to further improve student engagement and achievement. With this in mind, our executive team have been working on setting milestones and areas of focus for the last year of our 2018-2020 School Plan. Our whole staff will also be working on fine tuning these areas of focus for 2020 at our whole staff meeting next week. We are committed to ensuring every student at our school is making gains in learning and that school is a place where each and every student is known, valued and cared for. Our 2020 priorities include:

- A dedicated focus on improving student results in reading and numeracy. This will include specific focus on these areas as our students prepare for NAPLAN in May with the aim of increasing the numbers of students in the top two bands and students achieving and exceeding expected growth.
- Increasing the number of Aboriginal students completing their HSC.
- Continued priority on improving student attendance rates. This will include the introduction of attendance rewards initiatives in 2020. Student attendance has improved dramatically in 2019 and we are committed to further improvement in 2020.
- A relentless focus on student improvement through the individual tracking of student achievement and the use of interventions based on this data analysis. This will include a priority on moving students in the middle NAPLAN bands to the top two bands.
- Ensuring that every teacher and every leader improves every year by ensuring that all staff engage in quality, whole school professional learning. Our Teacher Learning Community (TLC) model will continue with an increased focus on modelling and sharing best practice. An ALARM (Writing) Coach will work with staff in their classrooms to continue our focus on improving student writing and critical thinking. Dedicated instructional leaders will also work with staff, in classrooms, on a regular basis.
- Our focus on strong community links will remain a priority for 2020.
- Extending our student personalised learning goals and conversations to include communication of student learning goals with parents and carers.



I will continue to share information with families as we work towards achieving these goals and adjusting and adding others.

We are looking forward to celebrating student achievement and progress at our end of year Presentation Night on Tuesday 10 December. Invitations have been sent to the families of students receiving awards. All members of our wider school community are also warmly invited to attend.

This Thursday December 5 some members of our teaching staff will be involved in a stop work meeting being led by the Teachers Federation. As a result, classes will not operate during period 1. Normal classes should resume period 2. Supervision will be provided in the playground for 7-10 students and in the library for Stage 6 during this time.

Kind Regards
Marni Milne
Relieving Principal

YEAR 6 TRANSITION

Year 6 to Year 7 2020 transition days will be held on:



Wednesday 4th December

CALENDAR

Term 4

Week 8

Wednesday 4th December

- Year 6 Transition Day

Thursday 5th December

- 10SS Surfing Excursion
- Yr 9/10 Angora Goat Show

Friday 6th December

- 10SS Surfing Excursion

Week 9

Monday 9th December

- Year 10 Science Task 1 due
- Modern History Task 1 due

Tuesday 10th December

- Presentation Evening 6:30pm
- 11 Maths Standard In-class assessment

Thursday 12th December

- 8TM Assessment

Friday 13th December

- Yr 11 Invest. Science Depth Study due
- Visual Art Task 1 due
- 11 English Studies Due
- 11 English Standard Due
- 11 English Advanced Due

Monday 16th December

- Crossroads
- Chemistry Practical Task 1

Tuesday 17th December

- Crossroads
- Work Studies Task 1 Due

Wednesday 18th December

- Students last day 2019.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Thursday 5th—Friday 6th December

- 10 Sports Studies Surfing Excursion

Tuesday 10th December

- Presentation Evening—6:30pm

Friday 13th December

- Yr 11 Investigative Science Depth Study Due
 - Visual Art Task 1 Due
 - 11 English Studies Due
 - 11 English Standard Due
 - 11 English Advanced Due

Monday 16th December

- Chemistry Practical Task 1

Monday 16th—Tuesday 17th December

- Crossroads

Wednesday 18th December

- Last Day for Students - Activities at the Pool



STUDENT INFORMATION



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NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS AND CARERS

INDUSTRIAL ACTION THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2019

Dear Parents and carers

The New South Wales Teachers Federation has called upon its members to stop work on Thursday 5 December 2019 commencing at 8:45am in order to hear the latest reports from the Presidential Officers on salary negotiations.

Narrandera High School will be open, however we are only able to provide minimal supervision for students until approx. 10:00am. No classes will be taught during this time. Students attending during this time should report to the COLA where they will be supervised. Stage 6 students will be supervised in the Library.

It is anticipated that normal classes will resume at approximately 10:00am.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Yours faithfully

Marni Milne
Principal (Rel)

YALBILINYA MAARUNG

Uncle Col Ingram dropped into yalbilinya maarung during week 7 to spend time with our budding musicians as part of our marramaldhaany program. Whilst here, Uncle Col donated a beautiful new acoustic guitar to the Aboriginal Learning Centre. Thank you Uncle Col.



SCHOOL RETURNS 2020

Wednesday 29th January 2020

Year 7, 11 & 12 return

Thursday 30th January 2020

Year 8, 9 & 10 return

YEAR 10 YEAR DAY



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Narrandera Rotary Club is once again offering the Lil Mills Tertiary Scholarship of \$1500 for 2020.

As students leave home and embark on the next stage of their life, they are often faced with many new financial expenses not previously encountered.

This can include things like living expenses, board, text books costs, transport expenses and course fees to mention just a few.

The purpose of the Rotary Scholarship is to assist these students to make the transition in their first year.

To be eligible, students must be completing their last year of formal schooling, reside in Narrandera Shire and be planning to embark on some form of Tertiary Studies through a University, TAFE, apprenticeship or other recognised Tertiary Institution within the next twelve months.

The Scholarship is in memory of Lil Mills who was a local woman who worked tirelessly for the community through a number of different voluntary organisations.

Growing up on a farm, Lil always wanted to be a teacher but due to the economic climate of the time and rural isolation, she was unable to follow this dream.

Application forms are available from Narrandera High School, Close Pharmacy and Narrandera Bendigo Bank. Forms can be returned to Close Pharmacy.

Closing date for applications is Friday 13th December 2019 and interviews will be conducted on Wednesday 29th January 2020.

A blue rectangular advertisement with a black border. The text is in white and yellow. At the top, "ATTENTION!" is written in a large, yellow, hand-drawn font. Below it, "FREE DYSLEXIA SEMINAR" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font. Underneath, the registration website "www.dyslexia.com.au/register" and email "support@dyslexia.com.au" are listed in yellow. The date and time "Thursday 5 DEC 7pm - 8:30" and location "@Narrandera Exies Club" are in white. At the bottom, the letters "ABCDEFGHIJKLM" are written in a white, hand-drawn font.

FREE ATTENTION!
DYSLEXIA SEMINAR
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