



Narrandera High School

Issue 16 Week 2 Term 4

Tuesday 20th October 2020

We have had a busy but very positive start to Term 4 with the Year 12 Final Formal Assembly and new Student Leaders Induction at the end of last week as well as HSC Exams commencing today.

Year 12 Final Assembly and New School Leaders Induction

We said farewell to Year 12 last Friday, 16 October. It was great to be able to livestream this formal assembly to families and to celebrate on site with Stage 6 students and staff. The Year 12 Class of 2020 will be remembered very fondly due to

their kindness, resourcefulness, compassion and resilience. Part of this assembly involved the presentation of a cheque to Narrandera CanAssist for \$12,337.05. Congratulations to Year 12 for raising such a phenomenal amount of money for such a worthwhile local cause. It was also great to witness Mr Rowlings undertake the 'big shave' as a result of Year 12 exceeding their \$10,000 target. Thank you to both Year 12 and Mr Rowlings for supporting this wonderful charity.



This assembly also included the announcement and badging of our 2021 student leaders. Congratulations to the following students:

Captains: Alyssa Sanders and Heath Chappell

Vice Captains: Kate Langley and Connor Smith

Prefects: Hannah Barnes, Isabella Beaumont, Amelia Gillespie, Zara Hands and Maddie Rainbird.

I am looking forward to working with all of these students leading Narrandera High School.



HSC Exam Period

HSC Exams commenced today with English. **All Stage 6 students are only required to attend school on their designated exam days.** Full School uniform must be worn for all HSC Exams. Year 11 students will rollover to Year 12 and resume normal classes in Week 6, Monday 16 November. Students are able to access support from their teachers during the HSC Exam period. They are also able to study in the library if they would prefer. Stage 6 families should also ensure they are familiar with the COVID arrangements surrounding HSC Exams. All families were sent an email that details this information at the end of last term.

All Year 12 students are reminded to RSVP for the formal as soon as possible by letting the ladies in the office know they are attending. Invitations were included in the portfolios given to each student last Friday.

External Validation at Narrandera High School

Each year, a group of NSW Department of Education schools are nominated to participate in an external validation process. The external validation process provides an assurance to our school and system that the progress being made aligns with the expectations articulated in the School Excellence Framework (SEF). Once in a five year cycle each school undergoes an external validation of the evidence of their school's self-assessment of progress by an independent panel. This panel includes a peer Principal and a Principal (School Leadership) from outside our network.

The Narrandera High School External Validation panel meeting will take place next Tuesday, 27 October. I will provide feedback to the Narrandera High community on the findings of the panel on our next newsletter. I would like to extend a huge thank you to our executive team and Miss Emily Brooke for their assistance in preparing our extensive and detailed External Validation submission.

We want your feedback!

Seeking feedback from our community is important to us at Narrandera High. All parents and carers are invited to complete the 'Tell Them From Me' survey by clicking on the link below. Data from this survey will help decide our future directions by giving the school leadership team a snapshot of what we are doing well and what we can do even better. This survey also allows families to provide feedback on their COVID learning from home experience.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/6sg63>

Kind Regards,

Marni Milne

Principal

QUOTE

Trust yourself. You know more than you think you do.

Dr Spock

YEARLY EXAMINATIONS

Year 7

Week 3

Monday 26th October—
Friday 30th October

Year 8

Week 3 & 4

Monday 26th October—
Monday 2nd November

Year 9

Week 3 & 4

Tuesday 27th October—
Friday 6th November

Year 10

Week 3 & 4

Monday 26th October—
Thursday 5th November

ATTENDANCE REWARDS

On the last day of Term 3, we held the draw for our attendance incentive. Isaac Kschenka was the lucky winner of a surface pro computer for his 100% attendance during the latter half of term 3.

Congratulations to all students (below) who also had perfect attendance records. These students enjoyed a special lunch last Wednesday provided by the school canteen.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Narrandera Sportsperson Committee

The Narrandera Sportsperson Committee is inviting nominations for the 2020 Sportsperson Competition. Nominations are being requested in the following categories—Senior sportsperson, junior sportsperson and team of the year.

Resumes on sporting performances for 2020 should be sent to Helen McDermott at helenmcdermott99@hotmail.com or Gayle Murphy at mkr@iinet.net.au or PO Box 454, Narrandera, 2700. Nominations will close on Friday 9th November 2020.

Presentation of awards will be made on Australia Day.

NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure

Works notification

6 October 2020

Dear community member,

The Department of Education Compliance & Safety team is conducting state-wide inspections as part of the Asbestos Resurvey Program. Round 1 of this program is scheduled for October 2020 and involves a total of 102 schools across NSW.

This is a proactive inspection program to verify the presence and condition of asbestos containing material on school sites and update the Asbestos Register accordingly.

During October you may see contractors at your local school wearing protective clothing such as high visibility vests, coveralls, gloves and footwear which are a regulatory requirement. The health, safety, and well-being of the school and the local community is our highest priority. Please be assured these inspections will not pose a risk to the local community.

The community will be notified if an area requires attention or remediation.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

For more information contact:

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