



Narrandera High School

Issue 18 Week 6 Term 4

Tuesday 17th November 2020

Dear NHS Families,

This week we have moved into our new academic year. This happens in Week 6, Term 4 for many schools that operate under the compressed curriculum model. Families are reminded that it is imperative that all students are at school every day unless in the case of illness or other urgent leave.

Our last day school day for students is Wednesday December 16.

New Staff

This week we welcome Mr Jeremy Leggett to Narrandera High School teaching Music and Art and Mr Mark Coraci back to our school teaching Languages (Italian), HSIE and English. Welcome Jeremy and Mark.

Year 12 Formal

This Thursday November 19 we will farewell our Year 12, 2020 class at our Year 12 Formal at Narrandera Golf Club. It is wonderful to now be able to include parents as part of this celebration. Congratulations and best wishes Year 12.

Presentation Day – Friday December 11

Due to the requirements around the 4 square metre rule that apply to end of year presentations, we are only able to fit a limited number in our hall. With this in mind, we have moved our end of year presentation to a day event where award winners and supervising staff only will be present (in line with the 4 square metre rule). We will however have the ceremony professionally livestreamed to our entire school community. The date for this event is Friday 11 December, with a 11.15am start. Thank you for your understanding around the changes made as a result of NSW Department of Education COVID procedures.

Narrandera High School NAIDOC Day – This Friday November 20

Due to the number of students out of the school last week as a result of Year 10 Work Experience and HSC Exams, our entire school community will participate in our School NAIDOC Day this Friday November 20. Normal classes will operate periods 1 and 2 with alternative events taking place between periods 3-6. These activities will involve all students participating in activities including Aboriginal art, games and cultural conversations.



We will also provide a BBQ lunch and a selection of traditional Aboriginal desserts for students and staff. **All students are requested to wear their sports uniform all day.** The weather is forecast to be hot. Students will need to ensure that they wear a hat and bring a refillable drink bottle on the day.

Kind Regards,
Marni Milne
Principal

QUOTE

Never trust your fears they don't know your strength

Athena Singh

ATTENDANCE REWARDS



Students that have **100% attendance during weeks 4-9 inclusive** will go into the draw for a set of Apple Air pods. We have two sets to giveaway

BUSH TUCKER GARDEN

The bush tucker garden has been long talked about at Narrandera High with interest initially coming from many faculties including Hospitality, Science and Agriculture. In these areas there is a requirement to study the influence of Indigenous culture on our understanding of what we have and what we are doing now.



With the guidance of Dave Marwood and the Clontarf Academy the school has come up with a design for the garden and classes from several faculties are working towards the establishment of the "Bush Tucker Garden" in the Agriculture Plot. It takes pride of place at the entrance to the Ag Plot on the right hand side and includes a path in the shape of a Diamond Python weaving up the hill from the shed towards the Olive Grove. Students have used recycled pavers to outline the shape of the snake and a first planting has

taken place including Raspbery Jam Wattle (*Acacia acuminata*), Native River Mint (*Mentha australis*), Sea Celery (*Apium annuum*, Native Gardenia (*Atractocarpus fitzalanii*), Midyim Berries (*Austromyrtus dulcis*) and Sea Parsley (*Apium prostratum* var. *prostratum*). All plants were supplied by Annie and Quintin from Shady Gum Nursery, Pine Hill. Wood chips have been placed over the area to act as a mulch



for the plants allowing them a better chance of establishment over the hotter summer months.

This project is ongoing with further planting planned when suitable species are found to build on the first stage completed recently.

Culture Camp to Hay NSW year 7/8

Narrandera Clontarf Academy headed off to Hay for a camp that they will never forget.

The camp was for the academy members that were hitting their goals with attendance, behaviour also their engagement in the Clontarf room. The Camp focused on culture, giving these young academy members the education and also a taste of their own history and background.

The academy members learnt how to identify, on a small scale, aboriginal sites, artefacts and bush tucker. They learnt respect for the land also their own well being and each other. The camp took these boys out of their comfort zone, away from their games, from their families and their friends. It taught them resilience, leadership and how to survive.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROTARY CLUB OF NARRANDERA INC



Lil Mills Tertiary Scholarship



Narrandera Rotary Club is once again offering the Lil Mills Tertiary Scholarship of \$1500 for 2021.

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.

Application forms are available from Narrandera High School, Close Pharmacy and Narrandera Bendigo Bank.

Closing date for applications is Friday 11th December 2020 and interviews will be conducted on Wednesday 3rd February 2021.

Safer Drivers Course at Narrandera

Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd November

9:30am—12:30pm

@ Narrandera Shire Library Youth Space

For more information contact NRMA Safer Driving—Wagga Wagga on 0439 006 762 or email sarah.wardman@iag.com.au

5 HOURS = 20 LOG BOOK HOURS

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Tennis Coaching

When: 7th, 14th, 28th November & 5th December – 4 weeks

Cost: Membership* \$30.00 per player plus
5-8years 30 mins lesson \$10/lesson
9+ years 45 mins lesson \$15/lesson

Time: 9am or later depending on age group, you will be notified

Where: Narrandera Tennis Courts, Jonsen Street

Coach: Megan Polkinghorne from Griffith

Racquets provided

* Membership is for 12 months to Narrandera Tennis Club

Contact Allison Foster 0457248809 to register your interest.