Narrandera High School



Tuesday 11th May 2021

Dear NHS Families,

Students have been very busy over the last fortnight engaging in a variety of academic, cultural and sporting endeavours. Stage 6 have progressed into HSC Courses, whilst Year 8 students have recently completed 'check in' assessments in reading and numeracy. This data will be used by teachers to monitor student progress and plan accordingly.

Students in Years 7 and 9 also commenced NAPLAN testing today.

NAPLAN 2021

It is important that all students are at school on NAPLAN days except in the case of illness. It is also important that all students try their best. Teachers will use this data to monitor student progress and plan teaching and learning activities at a school, class and individual level. Student results will also be shared with parents. NAPLAN is scheduled to take place on the following days at Narrandera High:

Week 4 – Tuesday 11 May – Reading for Years 7 and 9

Week 4 – Thursday 13 May – Writing for Years 7 and 9

Week 5 – Monday 17 May – Conventions of Language Years 7 and 9

Week 5- Tuesday 18 May – Numeracy for Years 7 and 9

Hands On High School

Last Tuesday, 4 May, we hosted our first Hands On High School Evening. The numbers attending were simply fantastic with over 150 people joining us on the night. Families heard an introduction about our school, followed by 'hands on' lessons in Science and Art before engaging in supper and a school tour.

We are looking forward to welcoming another large Year 7 cohort in 2022. Our second Hands On High School night will be held in August. All families wishing to enrol for 2022 are reminded to ensure they have completed an expression of interest form. Thank you to the families who have already submitted this paperwork.

Stage 6 Reports & Parent Teacher Interviews

Stage 6 reports will be released to families later this week. Reports will be emailed to parents in addition to hard copies being distributed. Reading the reports, it was pleasing to see the vast majority of students working hard in preparation for the HSC. I urge all students to access our after-school Stage 6 Tutorial Centre as often as possible.

This term we are fortunate to be able to go back to face to face interviews between parents, students and teachers. The following dates have been set for Narrandera High School Newsletter



parent- teacher interviews:

Stage 6 – Thursday May 27 (after school)

Stage 4 and 5 – Thursday June 17 (after school)

Interviews will be held in the hall. Booking details will be made available as student reports are released. All bookings will be made online through the School Online Booking System (SOBS).

Student Attendance

Student attendance is a key priority for the NSW Department of Education and Narrandera High School. A focus on improving and maintaining high attendance rates reflects the findings of Australian and international research that demonstrates a strong correlation between student learning, attendance at school and improved life outcomes.

Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve educational success, and increase their career and life options.

At Narrandera High, we are working to increase the percentage of students with an attendance rate above 90% to ensure the educational outcomes for our students are not at risk.

Poor patterns of attendance place students at risk of not achieving their educational, social and psychological potential and disadvantage them in the quality of choices they are able to make in later life situations.

Communities benefit from students who regularly attend school and are achieving. These benefits include greater student safety, community wellbeing, and a sense of connectedness for all.

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Schools, families, and communities can work together to send a strong collective message about the importance of going to school. The Department of Education have set a student attendance rate of above 90% as the expectation. If your child's attendance rate is below 90% your child's Year Advisor or a member of the senior executive (Ms Walsh, Mrs Langley or myself) will contact students and families, with the focus on working together to ensure increased attendance. Your support in relation to this priority is greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards, Marni Milne Principal

CALENDAR

Week 4

Thursday 13th May

- Stage 6 Timber/Metal Task 1 due
- NAPLAN Writing Yr 7 & Yr 9
- Life skills cooking

Friday 14th May

- Zone Cross Country @ Hillston
- Year 7 Science report due
- Stage 6 Drama Excursion

Week 5

Monday 17th May

- NAPLAN Conventions Yr 7 & Yr 9
- Year 8 Italian task

Tuesday 18th May

• NAPLAN Numeracy Yr 7 & Yr 9

Thursday 20th May

- Under 15's Boys/Girls AFL Gala Day
- Stage 6 Maths 2 in class task
- Stage 6 Maths 1 in class task
- Life skills cooking

Friday 21st May

- Stage 6 Work Studies task due
- Year 10 History Elective task due
- Year 7 History task due
- Year 8 LOTE task due
- Stage 6 Business Studies task due
- English St/studies task due
- Photography task 1 due

Week 6

Monday 24th May

• U15's Girls Riverina AFL @ Albury

Tuesday 25th May

• Stage 6 SLR task due

Wednesday 26th May

• Zone Athletics @ Griffith

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

The expectation is that students attend school every day. Schools, parents and carers work together to address the needs of students to get them attending school on a regular basis. Any absence needs to be explained.

If your child's attendance drops below 90%, a member of staff will telephone and alert you to this drop in attendance.

Regular attendance helps students to:

- develop a sense of belonging
- develop and maintain friendships
- be more engaged at school
- progress with their learning
- be more aware of career and life options.

When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

HANDS ON HIGH SCHOOL





LST COOKING

Students from the Learning Support class have been participating in weekly cooking classes. Cooking is an essential living skill and for students with disabilities it provides an opportunity to engage in school, create independence and promote school and community participation. Our group have joined with Narrandera Indigenous Womens' Group providing morning teas under the guidance of Miss O'Hara and Mr Gawne.

The students continue to improve their culinary skills with a focus on high quality hygiene, whilst also preparing and tasting foods from all over the globe.

Walking together, Working together.



SCHOOL PHOTOS—TUESDAY 8TH JUNE

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by **Advancedlife.** Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at **www.advancedlife.com.au** Use the code below.

Sibling orders must be placed on-line no later than the day before photo day. Sibling photos will only be taken if an order has been placed.

ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code:

939 RQP 369



SCHOOL FEES

Statements were recently sent out to families for 2021 school fees.

Payment of school fees helps provide classroom resources for students and also materials for practical subjects i.e. Cooking, Woodwork.

Did you know that you can make payments on-line?

The online payment portal linked to the school's website makes it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This secure payment page in hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students

How?

https://narrandera-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/

Log onto School site. Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

STATE BASKETBALL

Last week, Year 10 student Jasmin competed with the Riverina side at the CHS Basketball state championships in Maitland.



U14'S BUCKLEY SHIELD RUGBY

The under 14's boys rugby league players headed over to Yanco Agricultural High School last week, playing against Yanco Ag and Leeton High Schools. We came away with one win and a loss.





STATE SWIMMING

U13's Girls Relay team who competed at the State Swimming Championships at Homebush recently. They finished 22nd in the state.

A wonderful achievement to make it to state level, but also a great experience to swim at Homebush.

Thank you parents for taking the girls.

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CROSS COUNTRY

		Name	House
	CHAMPION	PILARA HAWKINS	M
12 Year Girls	Runner Up	Isabelle Gillespie	G
	Third	Syvannah Ford	G
	CHAMPION	JASMINE FRASER	G
13 Year Girls	Runner Up	Rhianna Hocking	G
	Third	Chelsea Cottom	В
	CHAMPION	MILLIE SMITH	U
14 Year Girls	Runner Up	Matilda Mahy	M
GIIIS	Third	Zayley Brewer	В
	CHAMPION	ELLIE HALL	G
15 Year Girls	Runner Up	Leah Smith	U
	Third	Lily Sergeant	G
	CHAMPION	JASMIN GILMOUR	G
16 Year Girls	Runner Up	Katelyn Johnson	U
	Third	Charlie Warren-Porteous	U
	CHAMPION	BROOKE HALL	G
17+ Year Girls	Runner Up	Mahlei Gilmour	G
	Third	Kate Langley	U

12 Year Boys	CHAMPION	CHANCE BIGGS	М
	Runner Up	Zavier Keyzer	G
	Third	Charlie Beauchamp	В
13 Year	CHAMPION	BELJOHN ATKINSON-JOHNSON	В
	Runner Up	Jye Winnell	U
Boys	Third	Noah Tait	U
	CHAMPION	SAM WILLIAMSON	U
14 Year Boys	Runner Up	Alex Wright	U
	Third	Tye Keyzer	G
15 Year Boys	CHAMPION	KY BLOOMFIELD	В
	Runner Up	Harvey Odgers	U
	Third	Joseph Foley	G
16 Year Boys	CHAMPION	CAMPBELL LYONS	G
	Runner Up	Camillo Gonzales Monardes	G
	Third	Louis Deen	В
17+ Year Boys	CHAMPION	CONNOR SMITH	U
	Runner Up	Andrew Tunks	М
	Third	Heath Chappell	М

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Below: Age champions



NHS CANTEEN MENU

Fresh food daily

HOTMEALS	6.00
Homemade hot meals - changes daily available 5 days a week	
CHICKEN BURGERS	6.00
Chicken burger, lettuce, cheese & Mayo available 5 days a week	
SALAD ROLLS/SANDWICHES	4.00
your choice of ham, poached chicken, tomato, beetroot, carrot, cucumber, lettuce, spanish onion, cheese & mayo	
TOASTIES	3.00
your choice of ham, chicken, cheese, tomato, avocado, onion etc - all toasties served on grain bread	
ASSORTED WRAPS	6.00
made on 10" tortilla	
SUSHI	4.00
ASSORTED FOCCACCIAS	6.00
made on a 130gm Turkish roll	
SALADS	6.00
Available in summer 5 days a week	
SOUPS	5.00
available in winter 5 days a week	
Fruit	
FRESH PIECES OF FRUIT	1.00
FRUIT SALAD	4.00
450ml container of seasonal fruit	

NHS Canteen

Drinks

0	600ML WATER	2.00
	1 LITRE WATER	3.00
	250ML JUICE	2.50
0	250ML LITE FLAVOURED MILK	2.50
	JUICE BOMBS	2.50
0	SMOOTHIES	4.00

Snacks

QUELCH ICEBLOCKS	0.50
POPCORN	0.50
RED ROCK DELI CHIPS	1.50
FOUR & TWENTY PIES	4.50
MRS MACS LITE SAUSAGE ROLL	3.50



LED LIGHTING UPGRADE

The **LED Lighting Upgrade Program** (LED LUP) commits \$157.8 million to replace inefficient lights with new LED lights, in up to 1,000 public schools across NSW over a two-year period. This is expected to reduce operating costs for schools as well as deliver over 1,200 jobs in for NSW.

Schools have been selected and prioritised according to factors such as greatest impact on savings, educational outcomes and other benefits, and our school has been included in the first tranche of the program.

The benefits of LED lighting include:

- Energy saving reduced electricity usage and lower bills over the long term by replacing inefficient fluorescent lights with efficient LEDs.
- 2. Lower maintenance and repair costs when compared with fluorescent lights.
- 3. Improved learning outcomes in the classroom as a result of improved lighting.

The LED Lighting Upgrade Program will be planned to minimise interruption to school classes or learning. The installation will be planned outside school hours where possible and a typical installation program is expected to be completed within 4 to 8 weeks. We'll let you know as soon as we know more.



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Address: 117-119 Audley Street, Narrandera NSW 2700