# Narrandera High School

Wednesday 26th May 2021

#### Issue 8 Week 6 Term 2

Dear NHS Families,

Term 2 is certainly progressing very quickly. We have had a busy last fortnight with NAPLAN testing taking place for Years 7 and 9 and a number of sporting teams in action. As always, it has also been pleasing to see the vast majority of our students actively engaged in their classes as respectful and responsible learners.

#### School Spectacular 2021

This week our combined Narrandera High and Narrandera Public School dance group have submitted their online audition for School Spectacular. We are very excited to be part of this process as a school group for the first time ever. I will continue to keep our school community updated about the progress of this audition process.

#### Stage 6 Reports & Parent Teacher Interviews

Stage 6 reports have been released to families via email and also handed to students in hard copy form. Reports for students in Years 7-10 will be distributed soon.

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 parent- teacher interviews:

- Stage 6 This Thursday May 27 (after school)
- Stage 4 and 5 Thursday June 17 (after school)

Interviews will be held in the hall. All bookings will be made online through the School Online Booking System (SOBS). The SOBS booking process for Stage 6 families has been sent out. Please contact the school office if you require any support or assistance to make these bookings. Bookings for Stage 4 and 5 will open once reports are completed and sent home.

#### Student Uniform

With the onset of the cooler weather, we have noticed that a number of students are not wearing correct winter uniform. Hoodies, tracksuit pants or black leggings are not part of our uniform. Black leather shoes are also a requirement for work, health and safety reasons, particularly in practical classes. If families need support to access the winter uniform, please contact your child's Year Advisor, an AEO or Mrs Langley, Deputy Principal.





We are more than happy to assist with the purchase of uniform items to support our students and families.

#### Student Attendance and Rewards

Student attendance is a key priority for the NSW Department of Education and Narrandera High School. 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.

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. 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.

To further assist with improving student attendance, and in line with our Strategic Improvement Plan activities for term 2, the following attendance reward initiatives will be happening throughout the remainder of this term:

- Shared BBQ lunch- Students with at or above 90% attendance over weeks 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 will enjoy a shared BBQ lunch on Thursday 24th June. More details will follow closer to the time.
- Attendance Champions- The year group with the best percentage attendance over the previous week will be let out 10 minutes early at recess every Monday.
- Individual Case-Managed Rewards Year Advisors and members of the senior executive will be working with individual students to improve their attendance. Individual goals will be set and reaching goals will result in a canteen voucher reward for targeted students.

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 attendance improvement. Our data does suggest that student attendance decreases on a Friday. The expectation is that students are at school every day, including every Friday, unless in the case of illness or other urgent leave. Your support in relation to this priority is greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards, Marni Milne Principal

### CALENDAR

#### Week 6

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#### Thursday 27th May

- Stage 6 Parent/Teacher Evening
- Life Skills Cooking

#### Week 7

#### Tuesday 1st June

• Youth Mental Health Forum

#### Thursday 3rd June

- North West Equestrian Expo
- Life Skills Cooking

#### Friday 4th June

• North West Equestrian Expo

#### Week 8

#### Monday 7th June

• North West Equestrian Expo

#### Tuesday 8th June

- North West Equestrian Expo
- SCHOOL PHOTOS

#### Thursday 10th June

- Schools Cup Netball—Albury
- Life Skills Cooking
- Stage 6 ITT/ITM Task 2 Due

#### Friday 11th June

- Year 10 Visual Arts Task 2 due
- Stage 6 Photography Task 2 due
- Year 9 Visual Arts task 2 due
- Riverina Cross Country @ Gundagai

#### Week 9

#### Monday 14th June

QUEENS BIRTHDAY LONG WEEKEND

#### Wednesday 16th June

• Swan Shield AFL @ Leeton

#### Thursday 17th June

- Stage 4&5 Parent/Teacher Night
- Life Skills Cooking

#### Friday 18th June

- Year 7 Visual Arts task 2 due
- Stage 6 English studies Task 2 due
- Stage 6 PDHPE Core 1 due

#### Week 10

#### Monday 21st June

• Year 10 Work Experience

#### **Tuesday 22nd June**

• Year 10 Work Experience

#### Wednesday 23rd June

• Year 10 Work Experience

#### Thursday 24th June

- Year 10 Work Experience
- Life Skills cooking

#### Friday 25th June

- Year 10 Work Experience
- Year 8 History task 1 due
- Stage 6 Work Studies task 1 due
- Stage 6 Legal task 2 due
- Stage 6 Business Studies task 2 due
- Last day Term 2

### LIBRARY



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#### WELCOME to Narrandera High School's ePlatform ....

#### ....where students and staff may BORROW and READ eBOOKS....OR even listen to an AUDIOBOOK ....

#### on any Digital Device of their choosing!!

ePlatform by Wheelers is a 'high popularity' Platform where the school body may borrow up to 2 ebooks per person, for 2 weeks each book. Our school may ONLY have ONE copy of each book out on LOAN at a time (just like normal hard copies) so if it is unavailable please use the RESERVATION process to ensure you are first in line for the book when it is returned (within 2 weeks) NOTE: Parents, please monitor what your child is choosing to read from this ePlatform

SIMPLY .... TRY any ONE of these 3 steps ....

1. GO TO-> the NHS OLIVER LIBRARY HOMEPAGE , logged in under your STUDENT /STAFF PORTAL, and search as you would normally for a book of your choice, clicking on the BORROW button when you find an eBook you wish to Borrow.

NB. The eBook ICON ...next to eBooks in the Catalogue... looks like this -> NB. You can also use the Other Searches TAB -> Lists -> and look at the Wheelers ePlatform Reading List to see ALL the eBooks available.

NB. TO READ your book - > Go to -> Current Loans-> Electronic Loans -> OPEN the book @ Title OR the VIEW Icon 🧹

#### OR

2. Go TO -> the Wheelers Platform site for NHS -> ie, URL (Google it)

https://narranderahighschool.wheelers.co/

and log in using your DET USERNAIME and DET PASSWORD and begin borrowing.

#### OR



3. GO TO -> the APP store, Search ePlatforms and download the ePlatform by Wheelers

APP, INSTALL, Search for Narrandera High School, Log in using your DET Username and Password (Only needed once as the APP remembers you) Borrow (STORE OFFLINE to save internet use) and

Read - anywhere, anytime, any device!



### LIBRARY

#### THE LIBRARY has GONE GENRE!!!

This year the NHS Library has organised all the Fiction resources into GENRES, and we are encouraging students and staff to read in the Genre they enjoy, but then also, to try something that is perhaps not quite what they usually read! Small gifts have been offered for each Genre of the Month, if you borrow in the featured area, and this has proven rather popular. Each



month the TL announces on the assembly the featured Genre (much to the school body's dismay sometimes, as her outfits can be a little 'startling') and Library displays have highlighted the particular Genre for that month. So far, we have featured the Romance Genre, Fantasy, Science Fiction and Historical Genres. Coming up are the Genres of Family and Relationships, Contemporary, SPORT and War. Well done to those who have *Gone Genre* and borrowed out of their comfort zone.....any read is a good read!!!



# 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:

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# 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.

### **ZONE CROSS COUNTRY**

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Our Zone Cross country team travelled to Hillston recently for the annual zone carnival. Everyone ran well with some terrific team and individual results. The boys team finished 1st, the girls 4th and the School finished 3rd overall. On an individual level SIX students came away with age champions titles. Jasmine, Ellie, Jasmin, Brooke, Sam and Ky were all age champions in their respective divisions. Another team highlight was the 14yr boys who filled the top four places of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th in their age group. All runners who finished in the top 6 now qualify for the regional carnival in Gundagai on Friday 11th June. Congratulations everyone!!

## **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Our Open Girls basketball team took on Westfield Sports High School on Tuesday 25th May for a spot in the state knockout final. NHS shot out to a 5-0 lead at the start of the match, but that quickly came to an end once Westfield found their feet. Unfortunately Westfield were too good, finishing the game with a 61-27 point winners.

Our team won the Riverina division and this was a great result considering the team is made up of mostly Year 10 and one Year 9 student. Most teams in the Opens competition field teams of Year 11 & 12 girls.

A huge thank you goes to coach Kerry and Mrs Chappell.



### **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



### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

