

Narrogin Senior High School

# High School Highlights



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# NSHS STUDENTS TRY THEIR HAND AT MEDICINE



Yr 11 Student, Shannon Wallace said "The Medicine and Dentistry Seminar really helped me to get a better idea of the kind of career I'd like to pursue and the different pathways available to me as a rural student."

#### **Entry Requirements - Rural School Leaver Pathway**

- Minimum Australian Tertiary Admission Ranking (ATAR) of 96 or equivalent
- Suitable UMAT
- Structured interview
- Manual dexterity and spatial awareness admission tests (DMD only)
- Rural eligibility requirement (your principal home address is an Australian Standard Geographical Remoteness Area (ASGC-RA) 2 -5 for a minimum of five years (consecutive or cumulative) from the commencement of primary school.

Apply through TISC

It is interesting to note that Narrogin Senior High School has had a long association with UWA through this program, with many Ex Narrogin Senior High School students going on to become very successful Medical Practitioners. A recent graduate (with honours), **Taya Carter** said, "I didn't decide to study medicine until after I had finished high school. I was fortunate that the education I received at NSHS allowed me to choose the

Plaster casts and suturing were all par for the course on Thursday when the UWA Rural Student Recruitment Team visited Narrogin Senior High School to run an Information Session and Workshop for Year 10, 11 and 12 students interested in a career in Medicine or Dentistry at UWA. ten students were in attendance.

UWA Representative, Sue Pougnault, explained the process for entry to Medicine at UWA via the **Rural School Leaver Pathway**. All applicants offered a place in the Rural School Leaver Pathway to study medicine and dentistry at UWA will have to complete one of five UWA Undergraduate bachelor degrees before completing the new (4 year) postgraduate qualifications Doctor of Medicine (MD) or Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD).



degree I wanted to do. I would encourage anyone who is considering medicine or dentistry from the country to give it a go. I studied at UWA which had a fantastic incentive program for country students, including information and advice about various scholarships available."

# **Principal's Report**

# **Digital Education Revolution**

The National Secondary School Computer Fund commenced in early 2008.

At the commencement of this Fund, State and Territory Governments were already investing in ICT in their schools. At that time it was estimated that nationally 30 per cent of the number of computers required to reach a computer to student ratio of 1:1 was already in existence. The Commonwealth were required to

fund the remaining 70 per cent of investment to reach the 1:1 ratio and to maintain it into the future.

Funding Agreements for were established with State and Territory education authorities. The latest agreement expires on 30 June 2013. Through this Agreement, the Parties committed to achieving a 1:1 ratio of computers to students in Years 9-12.

Every secondary school in Australia was required to make provision for each student in Years 9 -12 to have access to ICT to enable them to engage with educational tools of the 21st Century and provide equity of access.

This funding agreement provided us with the resources to trial the use of individual Macbook computers for students in Years 9 & 10 in 2012. This integration of MacBook computers, and supporting information technology equipment into the classroom, represented an exciting era at Narrogin Senior High School. This project provided a wealth of rich educational resources and tools that, when used effectively, can deliver very positive teaching and learning outcomes.

A wireless network system has been established at the School. The MacBooks link to a campus wide wireless network providing access to the internet, curriculum materials and printing services as well as enabling communication between students.

In 2011 Narrogin SHS invested \$273 000 to provide our 2012 Year 9 and Year 10 students with the Macbook computers. Subject to certain guidelines, the students are able to take the MacBooks home to complete homework and assignments.

At present, the trial MacBook program is running on a year by year basis and the students may be asked to return the MacBooks at any time. However, it is likely that students will have their MacBooks rolled over from year to year and they will have access to the same MacBook for an extended period of time. Students must return the MacBooks to the school prior to terminating enrolment.

Unfortunately, the Federal government is no longer continuing to fund this program and consequently there is no current funding agreement between the Commonwealth and State education authorities that will enable us to continue with this trial beyond this year.

Consequently at Narrogin Senior High School, we have decided to continue with the Macbook program for our current Year 10 and Year 11 students only.

To allow computer access to students in all other years who are not participating in the trial MacBook program, we have decided to establish another class ICT lab and to provide two trolleys of MacBooks that will be strategically placed in the school for general use. Of course our current labs and all other computers will still be available for normal class work.

#### **Semester Exams**

Our Senior School students commence exams on Thursday 30 May. Many students find this stressful and it is important that they receive support from everyone at this time.

#### **School Development Day**

We are conducting our Term 2 School Development (Pupil Free) Day on Tuesday 4 June following Western Australia Day, formerly Foundation Day. Students are required to attend from Wednesday 6 June.

#### **Congratulations and Best Wishes**

Congratulations to Shaun McKay who has been selected for the Under 18 Western Australian Hockey team that will compete in the Australian Championships, during July, in Newcastle, NSW.

Congratulations to Year 12 student, Joel Martin who has been selected to attend the International Science School in Sydney in July.

Best wishes to the six Year 11 and 12 students who are representing our school at the Model ASEAN Summit in Singapore, during 5 – 8 June.

#### **Parent Uniform Survey**

Please complete enclosed uniform survey and return to school by Friday June 14.

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**Narrogin Senior High School** has become one of one hundred Australian schools to form an Australia-Asia partnership by creating closer ties with **Madrasah Aliyah Negeri** within the city of Jakarta, Indonesia, – known locally as **MAN4**. The aim of the **sister school arrangement** is to build relationships between our two schools through intercultural dialogue and a growing engagement – hence the term **BRIDGE**.

Two teachers from MAN4 have recently spent 12 days within Narrogin Senior High School, including visits to the other schools that form a local **Asian Hub** (*Narrogin Primary, East Narrogin Primary, and Wickepin Primary & Boddington District High School*). Their visit was primarily to experience the cultural differences and similarities between our two schools and to develop a better understanding of how we can work together.

The impression our guests have given is that the staff and students at MAN4 are **committed to improving relationships** between our schools and indeed our two nations. Narrogin Senior High School is equally committed to this partnership, with the aim to encourage inter-school visits in the not too distant future.

Watch this space for more information about our sister school, MAN4, and the developing relationship between our communities.





On Thursday May 23 the Year 10 students were involved with this year's Beacon Charter Signing. Local businesses and hospitality representatives were present, along with the schools Beacon representative Tony Newland and the special guest speaker for the day Ian Hooper. Ian talked about his life and the pathways he travelled to get to where he is today, he also spoke on what the Beacon Foundation is all about. The students were entertained by Ian's speech but also engaged with the serious message which was masked by his humour. One of the year 10 students, Robert Kain, sang the song 'Grenade' as a solo piece for some entertainment. This was very

brave of Robert to get up in front of his peers and sing alone. He did a tremendous job, it was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present.

The Beacon charter signing is all about the students committing to stay in education and follow the best pathway to set them up for when they leave school. Whether it be ATAR or TAFE or a traineeship, it is about finding out what students want and selecting the best option for how to get there. This all links with the Year 10 students making subject selections for next year very soon. The students will be taking part in some more Beacon activities in Term 3 and once again, this is all about helping them with pathways and options for their education in the future.

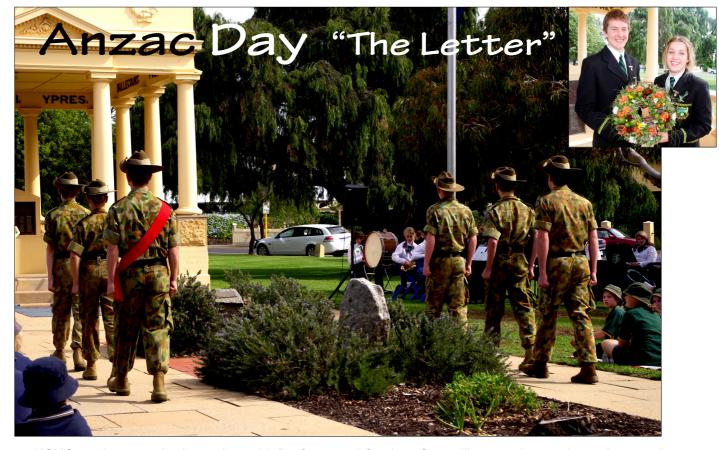


I would like to thank the Beacon Ambassadors for their efforts so far this year in helping to prepare for this event. I would also like to thank Mr Davis for all his hard work in preparing everything for the Charter Signing.

Mr K McDonald



High School Highlights



**This** year NSHS students worked together with Prefects and Student Councillors to give students, in attendance at the NSHS ANZAC Assembly, some insight into how our local communities were affected by war.

Year 9 Drama students set the scene. These students wrote and performed a production of "the Letter" with the storyline being that of a WWI soldier who had written a letter home, just prior to being killed in action. Year 9 Students, Brianna Watt and Shae-Lee Thompson performed a beautiful a cappella version of "The Travelling Soldier". Year 12 student, Tayla Mason, linked this theme with her address. She spoke about at an article which was printed in the West Australian a few weeks before ANZAC Day which had touched her. It told the story of a woman from Kalgoorlie who had four sons, all who had volunteered to go war in WW1. The war took its toll on her family and after notification of the death of three of her sons, she wrote to the government and asked that her fourth son be released from the army and sent home. She felt her sacrifice for the war effort had been too much and her request was granted. Tayla asked the students to imagine what this would be like;, to put themselves in this position and imagine how it would feel to lose brothers, cousins and friends and to imagine how this loss must have changed their communities then and now. She asked them to appreciate this great sacrifice and give thanks and honour to these brave men and women.



Prefects would also like to thank the Narrogin Cadet Corp for forming the catafalque guard; the NSHS Senior Band; Year 10 student, Emily Ballantyne who played the Last Post and members of the RSL and local community who attended.

This service was once again a memorable one and Deputy, Mr Quartermaine, who has taught in several other schools and is new to our school this year, commented that he thought Narrogin Senior High School's ANZAC service/assembly was one of the most memorable he had attended.

NSHS Prefects and Student Councillors, Senior Ensemble members and Emily Ballantyne as bugle player also attended the Narrogin Combined Schools ANZAC Service in Memorial Park on Friday.

A special mention must go to Eleanor White, a Year 9 student, who upon invitation from the local RSL wrote and presented an address on ANZAC Day for the Narrogin RSL service. Eleanor spoke of "The 70 Year Anniversary of the Thai Burma Railway". She gave a very informative and powerful address.

Mrs Susan Castle

# From the Senior School Deputy



# Subject selections for Year 11 in 2014

It is very important that Year 10 students achieve the best results possible, as their grade for S:emester 1 will influence their ability to achieve success in Year 11.

An extensive counselling program will take place before the final selections are made. The best predictor of student success is work ethic, followed closely by grades achieved in Year 10, NAPLAN results from Year 9 and grades from earlier years.

The selection process is very important as choosing inappropriate subjects results in poor student performance. Narrogin SHS prides itself on student attainment. It is our aim for every student to attain an ATAR (University entrance score) of 55 or above and/or complete a Certificate II.

We recommend that every student includes at least one course that leads to the achievement of a Certificate II.

The Year 10 to 11 in 2014 selection process is outlined below.

- Information sessions for parents
   31 May at the Hostel Recreation Room 1.45-3.15pm and
   5 June at the NSHS Trade Training Centre 6.30 7.45pm.
- 2. Information sessions for students during Society, Environment and Languages Studies (SELS) lessons. These will occur in Week 6 of Term 2.
- 3. Distribution of subject selection handbooks and selection forms. These will also be available on the school website.
- 4. Interviews with students, parents and a member of the school counselling team. These will take place during Weeks 2 and 3 in Term 3. Students will be allocated to a counsellor and parents will be invited to make appointments at a suitable time during these two weeks.
- **5.** Student selection forms will be submitted at this meeting.
- 6. Student preferences will be entered and decisions made on viable subjects.
- 7. Re-counselling of affected students
- **8.** Final subject allocation at the beginning of Week 3, Term 4.

#### Year 11 and 12 Examinations

First semester exams will begin on Thursday 30 May for the majority of students and continue until Friday 7 June. A schedule of the examinations has been given to students.

Students who are unable to sit an exam must provide a doctors certificate to cover their absence. Please refer to the Year 11 and 12 Assessment Policy for more information.

Students who do not qualify as ATAR students (studying less than 4 ATAR subjects) must attend normal classes during the examinations. It is essential that students who do not have four ATAR subjects attend as it is a legal requirement. Normal classes will occur and it gives the students the opportunity to catch up, consolidate or get a head start on next semester.

I wish our students the best of luck for the upcoming exams and look forward to discussing their excellent results with them.

Mr Steve Quartermaine

# **Singapore Tour - 2013 Model ASEAN Summit**

Watch this space......

Six students, with Mr Barr and Miss Rintoul, will depart Australia bound for Singapore on June 4 and return on June 9. The six students have been busy preparing position papers and packing for the tour. Please see next Newsletter for a full report.

Miss Rintoul

# A chance to win an Ipad - Winners

The three lucky families drawn as winners of the ipads were: Shepherd family, Page family and Simmons family.

Congratulations



# **Attendance Records**

The principal of a school must maintain records of attendance for all students. If your child is not at school, please let the school know within **three** days why you child was absent. You can do this by sending a note with your child to give to their form teacher. At NSHS we also have a SMS notification system. If your child does not attend form and you have registered for SMS notification, you will receive a text saying your child is absent.

# It is important that all students attend form.

At a Senior High School, attendance is recorded period by period. The table below is an example of a students attendance record for one week. In the example the student attended school every day but failed to attend Period 1 on Wednesday and Period 5 and 6 on Thursday. This has been recorded as a U, meaning an unexplained absence. If, through investigation, the school found that the student deliberately skipped class, the U would be changed to a T meaning truant.

Letters are sent home to inform parents of unexplained absences. If you receive a letter, please discuss the recorded absences with your child and return the form to the front office. Thank you for your assistance in this matter as it is important we have accurate records.

## **Weekly Attendance**

Day	Form	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6
Monday	/	/	/	/	/	/	/
Tuesday	/	/	/	/	/	/	/
Wednesday	/	U	/	/	/	/	/
Thursday	/	/	/	/	/	U	U
Friday	/	/	/	/	/	/	/

# Key

Present U Unexplained absence

T Truant M Medical reason

Reasonable Excuse E Educational Excursion

N Notified as sick

T	Year 11/12 Exams Commence	30 May	
Е	Year 10 Parent Information Talks – NRC	31 May	
E	CLOSED WEEKEND	1-2 June	
R	Western Australia Day - Public Holiday		
M	Student Free Day	4 June	
	Dunman SHS Model ASEAN Summit Trip to Singapore	4-7 June	
2	Year 11/12 Exams Finish	7 June	
	P & C Meeting	12 June	
<b>D</b>	Year 10 Parent Information Talks – TTC	12 June	
P	Lower School Football at Wagin – Narrogin vs Katanning	12 June	
L	School Council Meeting	17 June	
A	HPV Immunisations Year 8-10 Boys	18 June	
3.7	CHAT Day (all school)	19 June	
N	Assembly – Top Student	25 June	
N	Country Week Assembly – P6	28 June	
- ·	Country Week	1 – 5 July	
E	Produce, Perform & Evaluate Hospitality Excursion – Perth	2-4 July	
R	Last Day of School	5 July	

# Technology & Enterprise

The Trade Training Centre Hospitality students have been very busy fundraising for the Prepare, Produce, Provide excursion to Perth during Week 9 of this term. Students have been busy baking for the upcoming cake stalls. A wood raffle was held last Saturday morning by Rotary to help towards this worthy cause. A total of \$500 was raised from this raffle. Thanks must go to Mrs Sivyer and Rotary for this wonderful donation.

On the 30 May, a function will be held in the Trade Training Centre to celebrate Narrogin and East Narrogin Primary Schools becoming Independent Public Schools. Our students will be serving canapés and making mocktails on the night for this very special occasion.

Mr Erickson's Materials Design & Technology classes in Year 11 & 12 have been busy making signs out of metal for the Design and Technology office. Another seat of boys are constructing entrance gates for the outside bricklaying area. The Trade Training Centre has also requested benches for some equipment to be placed on.

As you can see, we are set for another very busy term in the Technology & enterprise area!

Diane Quartermaine Hola of Technology & Enterprise





# In The Year 9 Corner with Mr Dyson

Name: Bonnie Blight Favourite: Mrs Haythornthwaite

Why: Because she's really nice and funny.

Favourite Football Team: Eagles

Favourite Song: Stay

Favourite thing about Yr 9: Friends & Rebecca Harris

Name: Brianna Watt Favourite Teacher: Ms Biswas

**Why:** Because she's so friendly and fun to be around.

Favourite Football Team: West Coast Eagles
Favourite Song: I Won't Let You Go - James Morrison
Favourite thing about Yr 9: My friends and not

being the babies of the school

Name: Shae-Lee Thompson

Favourite Teacher: Mr Erickson

Why: Because he is a great teacher, he explains things

very well

**Favourite Football Team**: Dockers **Favourite Song**: Haunted by Taylor Swift

Favourite thing about Year 9: Sports carnivals.

Name: Bec Harris
Favourite Teacher: Mr Dyson

Why: Because he is really tall and really

intimidating. I find him funny

**Favourite Song**: Wings - Little Mix **Favourite thing about Yr 9**: Bonnie Blight

# Fabulous Fundraising

Rotary is a community organisation which is committed to our local youth. Recently, the Rotary Club of Narrogin organised a wood raffle to raise funds for the Hospitality students to go to Perth. The plan is to work with some other schools to cook 5000 meals in a day at the Crown Casino, Burswood to support FoodBank. Miss Campbell also encouraged some of her Hospitality students to sell the raffle tickets with some Rotary members. Kaitlyn, Maekara, Juwan and Quinton did a great job and asked Emma to draw the raffle. \$655 was raised which is a wood raffle record! This money will be added to other donations and fundraising efforts to ensure all students, who wish to go to Perth, can get there.

Mrs Sivyer



# **Bendigo Cup Netball Tournament**



On Thursday afternoon 9 May, three teams from the Narrogin Netball Academy travelled down to Albany to play in the Bendigo Cup Netball Carnival. We stayed overnight in the Albany SHS gym with girls from Wagin DHS and Governer Stirling

SHS. We got up early and had a big breakfast at the Country Manor Bar and Grill in preparation for the big day of netball competition. After numerous pep talks from Mr Dyson, the girls were then inspired to beat the competition. The competition included teams from Albany, Governer Stirling, Denmark, Katanning, Mt Barker, Lake Grace, Wagin and Kojonup.

The Tear 8 team went through the competition undefeated and won their respective division. They then played off in the sem-final which they lost to Katanning by 8 goals. The Katanning team was made up of Year 9 students, so the girls did really well against the older



girls and learnt a lot from the experience. They had a good balance of games and all of the girls supported each other really well. Thank you to Mr Dyson for coaching the team, the Van Wyk family for travelling down from Narrogin to support the team and to Shenae Davies who was the team umpire.



The Year 9 team won four and lost two by really small margins. Thank you to Mrs Wendy Bubb for coaching the team and to Jainna Buck for being the team umpire.

The year 10 team had one draw and three losses. The Year 10s played in the upper school division

against mainly Year 11 and Year 12 students. It was a great experience for the girls and they held their own against bigger, stronger competitors. Thanks to Mrs

Corner for coaching and Thalia Davidson for being the team umpire.

Sarah Corner Netball Academy Co-ordinator



# **Combined Schools Netball Tournament**



On Wednesday 17 April, five Netball Academy teams travelled to Perth to participate in the Combined Schools Netball Tournament held at the Kingsway Netball Centre, Wanneroo. The teams included one Year 8 team, two

Year 9 teams and two Year 10 teams.

The teams played against other Netball Academy

Schools from Perth. These schools included Darling Range, Aranmore Governer Stirling, Churchlands. Warwick, John Forrest, Frederick Melville. The Irwin and standard of competition was very high in all year levels. All of the Narrogin teams improved throughout the day and learnt a lot from the experience.





The Year 8s had two wins, one draw and three losses. Thank you to Ms Suzanne O'Neill for coaching the team

The Year 9s had two teams involved in the competition. One team won all of their games and the second

team won four out of their six games. Thank you to Miss Brodie Melchiorre and Mrs Meagan Daniels for coaching the teams.

The Year 10s also had two teams involved. They both won a few of their games and had some narrow losses. Thank you to Mrs Evelyn Wilkie and Mrs Jo Drayton for coaching the teams.

Sarah Corner Netball Academy Co-ordinator

# Australia's Biggest Morning Tea more than just a cuppa and scone



n Wednesday 22 May, the Narrogin SHS gymnasium was transformed into a café selling delicious homemade cakes, biscuits, slices, sausage rolls, scones and cupcakes as part of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea fundraiser for the Cancer Council of WA.

As part of their assessment task, Mrs Shepherd and Ms Pattullo's fabulous Year 12 Food Technology class, organised, advertised, prepared and executed a beautiful morning tea for all staff and students at the school with gorgeously

presented food, crisp tablecloths and flowers. For the paltry price of \$2, participants were able to purchase a plate of home baked goodies whilst at the same time, contribute to the very worthwhile cause of cancer research.

Thanks must go to Mrs Shepherd's and Ms Pattullo and their team of budding chefs, the wonderful Home Ec ladies and to all those staff and students who attended the day and supported this worthwhile cause.

### DID YOU KNOW????

- ◆ Cancer is the second leading cause of death, accounting for 29.2% of all Australian deaths. In 2008, 40,287 Australians died of cancer, that's more than 770 people per week. This is followed by respiratory disease and accidents.
- ♦ In 2009, there were 10,805 new cases of cancer in Western Australia. More males than females were diagnosed with cancer; 6,291 cases in males or 58% and 4,514 cases in females or 42%.
- At least half of all cancers can be prevented with a healthy lifestyle. Along with other lifestyle behaviours, being physically active can reduce your chances of developing cancer and is a vital factor in the fight against this disease.
- Drinking alcohol is a cause of cancer. Even small amounts of alcohol increase your risk of cancer. The more you drink and the more often you drink, the greater your risk
- Western Australia has the second highest rate of skin cancer in Australia. 1 in 2 Australians get some kind of skin cancer. Sun damage before the age of 20 is the main cause of melanoma. You can get sunburnt in a little as 10 minutes.
- Breast cancer and gynaecological cancers are not the only types of cancers that affect women. After breast cancer, the most common types of cancers that affect women living in Western Australia are bowel cancer, melanoma and lung cancer.
- Even though less than half of the Australian population are men, more men than women are diagnosed with cancer each year. Prostate cancer and testicular cancer are not the only cancers that affect men.
- ◆ Testicular cancer is a rare form of cancer but it is one of the most common cancers in men aged between 15 and 45 years.
- Bowel cancer (or colorectal cancer) is the most common internal cancer in Western Australia and, after lung cancer, is the second leading cause of cancer death in men and women.









# THE COLD AND FLU SEASON IS COMING!!!

Influenza and colds are highly contagious and spreads by droplets produces when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

#### STOP THE SPREAD OF COLDS AND FLU BY:

- Covering your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the bin.
- If no tissue cough or sneeze into your bent elbow and away from others.
- Practice good hand hygiene by washing your hands well with soap after you sneeze or cough, before you eat, before you handle others property and of course after you use the toilet.
- Avoid sharing personal items.
- Stay home if infectious.
- Practise good health habits including adequate sleep, eating nutritious food and keeping physically active.

Symptoms of flu include fever, cough, sore throat, headache, chills, muscles aches, tiredness and vomiting. It is generally a more severe illness than the common cold and lasts much longer. See GP if symptoms persist.

For more info: www.public.health.wa.gov.au



Wash hands



Lather



Rinse



**Dry hands** 

#### **HPV IMMUNISATION SECOND ROUND**

For Boys Yrs 8, 9 and 10 who have had first immunisation.

**DATE:** 18 June 2013

# HIGH SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

CLINIC TIMES: MON-THURS - before/after school

- recess and lunch times

<u>AIM</u> – To promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential.

#### WHAT SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE:

- Provide information and support to students (and their families) to help them make informed decisions about their health, wellbeing and development.
- Carry out health assessments for vision, hearing and general development issues.
- Refer to other health professionals for further assessment or treatment, such as GP, speech therapy, dietician, counsellors, dentist, sexual health services, chaplain.
- Plan and deliver school immunisation programs.
- Work with teachers to support health educations sessions.
- Run student health and wellbeing programs.
- Help school staff and parents to develop health care plans for students with specific health needs.
- Offer parenting advice.
- Provide an easy first point of contact to health care for students.

#### SPECIFIC SERVICES FOR ADOLESCENT SUDENTS:

coping with illness

-mental health and wellbeing

culture or racism issues

-loss and grief

feeling anxious, stressed or unhappy

-problems at home

healthy eating or nutrition

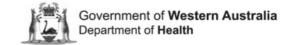
-relationships

healthy weight and body image

-smoking, alcohol and drug use

sexual health

Dona or Jo are available on 9881 9330 Mon – Thurs.



# **NOTICES**

#### FOLLOW THE DREAM

A tutoring program supporting aspiring Indigenous students is calling for more participants.

On every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

For more information, see Mr Daniel Wheeler in the SELs Office. Or call 9881 9336

# Urgent !! Host Family Needed

"Chika arrived on the 8th February and will be here until approximately Dec 20.

Due to our hectic family commitments over the next few months or so, it would be in Chika's best interests if she could stay with other host families over the next four months, from June to October. Chika is welcome to come back and stay with us if she so wishes from October to December.

As she has already established herself in Narrogin with friends, subjects and uniform etc it's also in her best interest to stay at her present school if possible.

She is a friendly, helpful young girl and has been brought up to appreciate the little things. We are enjoying having her stay with us."

Lucy Mercuri - 9861 2580



The Committee of the Narrogin Spring Festival is seeking volunteers to participate in and contribute to the organising and staging of the annual Spring Festival, held on the last weekend in October each year. Volunteers are asked to contribute approximately 3-6hrs of their time per month, with more hours required prior to the Spring Festival and at the various fundraising activities throughout the year. Access to a computer and the internet and a telephone are important.

It is envisaged that young volunteers will be mentored and nurtured with a view to taking up future positions on the Committee, taking on responsibilities and organisational roles within the group, this practice will help ensure the long term viability of the Narrogin Spring Festival.

Interested persons are invited to forward their expression of interest to

The Secretary
Narrogin Spring Festival
E:narroginspringfestival@gmail.com

#### **DID YOU KNOW??**

Your Medicare Teen Dental Plan Vouchers are welcomed at the Narrogin Dental Therapy Center/ Mobile.

These vouchers greatly assist the School Dental Service by providing us with better materials, more staff and recent technology. If your child is enrolled with the School Dental Service please bring your voucher with you to your next check up appointment. There is no need for you to have your child checked twice a year (once with a private dentist and once with us) but if you choose to do so, please use your vouchers with us. The funding is vital to the continuation of our service. We offer all our treatment for FREE, unlike private dentists, and without this funding our service may not be around for the next generation.

# Year 12 - SCSA Forms

Year 12 Western Australian School Curriculum and Standards Authority Student permission, verification of details and acknowledgment form.

Please be aware that all Year 12 students have recently completed the 2013 Student permission, verification of details and acknowledgment form. The purpose and content of this form is to confirm student details are correct and make decisions on the release of personal details to the media in the event of receiving an award, to career agencies for further information and the use of their examination responses and school work completed in 2013.

If you would like any further information regarding these forms or your students progress, please do not hesitate to contact myself on 9881 9300.

Evelyn Wilkie Yr 12 Year Leader

#### **Congratulations Peter!!!**

Peter Forrest who drives the Narrogin - Boddington School Bus has won the Driver of the Year Award.

Parents please ensure your child's school jacket is named as they are often removed in class and left behind.

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It is difficult to match jacket with child when jacket is lost/found.

If undeliverable return to
Narrogin Senior High School
Private Bag 2
Narrogin WA 6312
PRINT POST APPROVED
639656100013

# SURFACE MAIL

POSTAGE PAID NARROGIN

# RECONCILIATION WEEK STREET BANNER SCHOOL COMPETITION 27 MAY - 3 JUNE

Each year National Reconciliation Week celebrates the culture and history of Aboriginal people.

Students in Year 8 Integrated Arts worked together to think about the concept of reconciliation and what it means to them and our society.

To raise awareness of this occasion, street banners will be on display through the City of Perth to celebrate and recognise the importance of Reconciliation Week. Five schools were offered the opportunity to have their own unique reconciliation message displayed with the school logo on a banner, and it is with great pleasure that Narrogin Senior High School has been chosen as one of the five schools. The reconciliation message reads,

"Australians sharing the dream as one with respect, responsibility and tolerance."

Other quotes included,

"We are all in this together." Kirsten Putland

"Let everyone join in; don't leave anyone out." Brittany Jensen

"We all come in different sizes, shapes and colours, so let everyone in!" Lilly Simkins

"Live as one. Be as one. Act as one...because we are one."

Sophie Trefort

"Together as a country we stand proud...We are one, but we are many." Kaitee Evans

The winning quote reflects Narrogin Senior's school wide positive behaviour core values of Respect, Responsibility and Tolerance. Well done to Ms Felipe and the Year 8 for participating in this important competition.

Representatives from our school will be attending an official launch of Reconciliation Week to be held at Government House on Monday 27 May. Congratulations to Year 8 students and their insightful ideas.

What does reconciliation mean to you?



**Bronson Scott** 



Jasmine McDonald



**Catherine Demiris** 



Kaitee Evans

