

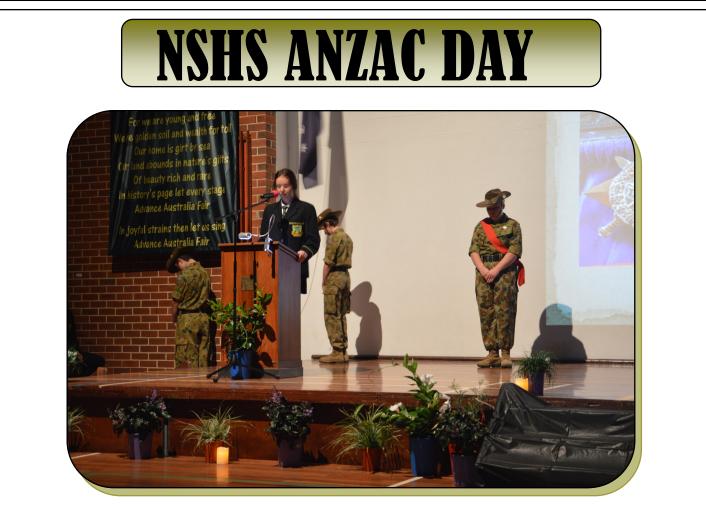
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### Narrogin Senior High School

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Year 12 student Rachel Trefort delivering a moving address.

he ANZAC memory was once again proudly honoured by the students at Narrogin Senior High School.

Our service was held in the High School Gymnasium with our focus on the Light Horse Regiment, a special thank you to Damion Johnson who was MC for the service.

Year 12 student Rachel Trefort delivered a moving address on local dentist, Arthur Charles Niquet Olden. Lieutenant Colonel Olden (a Major at the time), became known as the "First of the British Army" to enter Damascus and was honoured with receiving the surrender of Damascus on 1 October 1918, from the Governor Emir Said, two hours before the arrival of Sir Lawrence of Arabia. A special thank you to his grandson Mr Brad Olden, for the memorabilia which was featured in the PowerPoint presentation.

Year 12 students Kyle Haydock and Tayla Douglass performed a beautiful rendition of Taylor Swift's "Safe and Sound", before the RSL, Prefects, Student Councillors and special guests placed candles and wreaths in memory of the fallen. Thank you must also go to the 512 Army Cadet Unit and the NSHS School Band for their contribution to this service, and the special guests who attended from the local RSL and community. Thank you to the students who compiled a PowerPoint presentation on their visit to the War Memorial during their trip to Canberra last year and all the staff and students who contributed to our ever increasing tribute to family and friends who have served or currently serve in the armed forces.

NSHS students were also involved with the Combined Schools ANZAC Service and the Narrogin Town ANZAC Service. Thank you to Renee Sieber who recited a poem at the Combined Service.

Mrs Nanette Steer



## Principal

Narrogin Senior High School is committed to providing a safe and inclusive learning environment to maximise student educational outcomes, by creating an atmosphere where students are actively engaged in the curriculum, feel valued, and have a sense of belonging. Our values of Responsibility, Respect and Tolerance form the basis of our positive school.

We have a comprehensive school behaviour policy that includes an extensive reward system and a committed staff. We have good news stories about academic and sporting achievements happening all the time.

On Tuesday 3 May, there was a critical incident at our school. Narrogin students know that it is not okay to behave in this manner. Physical violence has never been the best way to deal with conflict. Education programs, year meetings and assemblies will continue to focus on appropriate strategies and support for students. Students who initiate physical aggression will be suspended.

By the time our community receives this newsletter our Year 11 and 12 ATAR students will be in the midst of their Semester 1 examinations. A lot of hard work has gone into the preparations for the challenge. Many students have attended the revision courses based at Narrogin SHS that have been available after school. Others have attended revision courses run by private companies in Perth. Twelve students attended the AHEAD Camp during the April holidays which included university visits and subject revision courses. Students who have prepared well will be rewarded with results. For others it will be a reminder that an established study routine is essential. The exams are an opportunity to demonstrate understanding of the courses and areas of strength and areas that need to improve.

For the first time our students studying General subjects are required to complete a Set Task. This is a task that is common to all students in Western Australia studying each course. Students have been prepared for the task by completing sample tasks and learning the skills and developing the understandings necessary to complete it.

I wish all our ATAR and General students the best of luck during Week 5.

We have just received the OLNA results from Term 1 and our Year 7 and 9 students have just completed NAPLAN testing. Thank you to all our students who completed the tests so responsibly.

Finally what a fantastic weekend of hockey in Narrogin. The opportunity to see the Kookaburras and Great Britain in action last weekend put Narrogin on the map. The local hockey community are to be commended for the fantastic organisation and with up to 2,000 spectators attending each day, despite the adverse weather conditions, it shows the depth of character and commitment of the rural population.

# Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in the South Fremantle Rams Program:

Phil Agnew Djuarne Smith Sam Licence Malachi Bolton Cailem Narkle Darryl Anderson Joharnan Bolton Arthur Penny





## **Senior School Deputy**

Years 11 and 12 ATAR students are sitting their exams that started today. The exams will run over this week. SIDE exams will be delivered in Week 6. I know students have been preparing for the exams, and I am impressed by their approach to the assessments. I do wish that all students do well in their assessments over the next fortnight.

OLNA results have been provided to the school. Students will receive notification on their results throughout the next few weeks. Year 12s will receive a certificate if they have achieved their OLNA. Students who have yet to pass OLNA will be provided with information that may assist them in their next round. I suggest that students take heed of this information, which will be passed onto staff.

Year 10 to 11 subject selections for 2017 will commence in a fortnight. In the meantime we have scheduled two Parent Information sessions. These sessions are the same so you will only need to attend one.

The sessions will be held on:

**Tuesday 31 May 6.30pm at the Hilltop Café & Friday 3 June 1.30pm at the Narrogin Residential College.** If you do attend it would be ideal that your child accompanies you. There have been significant changes to the Western Australian Certificate of Education, so these information sessions are ideal. We will also be providing you with access in making appointments for 2017 subject selections.

Mr Quartermaine mentioned a critical incident that occurred recently. The staff and great majority of our students are dedicated in making this school a great school. In the past week I have been blown away with some of the fantastic display of behaviour by some students. I mentioned one student's Good Samaritan deed recently at the assembly. I think at times we need to remind ourselves that paying attention to the positive behaviour does us all proud, and that positive behaviour is demonstrated throughout the school by students.

There is information in regards to Andrew Fuller – can I just say he is fantastic. I have seen Andrew at conferences and workshops and he definitely makes an impact on his audience. He will be doing some sessions with the students following this evening. Andrew is from the eastern states so it is not often that we have access to someone so renowned and known to be described as "interesting mixture of Billy Connolly, Tim Winton and Frasier Crane". I know you will not be disappointed if you do come along to his presentation.



A few students took the opportunity to vote for their favourite teachers whilst ordering their booklist through Officemax. Ms Joan Armstrong and Mr Clyde Goodenough were both nominated for the Officemax 2015 A Day Made Better award. Both teachers were not only thrilled but also received a certificate and a souvenir for their nomination. Congratulations to you both and well done to the students that voted.

Ms Armstrong and Mr Goodenough with their Day Made Better Nominations.

#### Mr Andrew Symington

### **Lower School Deputy**

Well, NAPLAN is over for another year and I am sure that our Year 7 and 9 cohorts breathed a huge sigh of relief on Thursday once it was over. It was also great to see students who had been away for some of the tests, come forward to do their catchups. The behaviour throughout the tests was very commendable and everyone had listened to where they were



meant to be, as there was almost no-one running around at the last minute trying to find their room. It was also great to see that almost all of our students had a calculator on the Thursday Maths tests – excellent work. As you can see from the picture, Mr Potts and Mr Vause put on a good spread during Friday lunch, as they cooked up a sausage sizzle for all the students that participated in the three days of brain draining assessments. It won't be until September that the school will get the results back and then be able to make further adjustments to individual students' work packages.

The Year 7 Swimming Packs went out this week for the 5x1 hour swimming lessons that will be held down at the Leisure Centre during Country Week (Week 10). The cost is minimal to all Year 7 students (\$12.50 for 5 lessons) and I would strongly urge all students to take up the offer to continue to learn about their strokes, and safety and survival strategies. Unfortunately, too many of our youngsters die each year in Australia because they don't have the requisite skills to deal with unforeseen circumstances which may arise when utilising our water resources. This is the perfect opportunity to continue to develop these excellent life skills.

It is fantastic to see that Avon Youth are continuing their involvement with Narrogin Senior High School in the form of some engagement classes. Shane Malek, together with various members of the South West Health Campus, come up every day to work with various students, in order to help their attendance at school improve and also work towards improving the skills needed to survive at school. Thank you Shane.

Some of our Aboriginal students are beginning their trips to Perth as part of AIME (Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience), and like in previous years, I hope that they will be good ambassadors for our school and come away from the sessions with more strategies to do well at school and beyond.

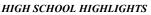
It was fantastic to be a part of the inaugural Aboriginal Basketball mini carnival between Katanning SHS and Northam SHS on Wednesday, May 18. It was a short round robin affair, with each team playing the other two schools, with boys and girls teams participating. The boy's team was comprised of Jo Bolton, Justin Indich,

Richard Long, Darryl Anderson, Kynan Collard, Malachi Bolton and Cade Bolton. The girls were Kelly Ugle, Shakera Lee, Chante Kickett, Stephanie Yarran, Telisha Kickett and Martika Ugle. In Game A, the girls beat Katanning 58-47, and the boys won, 85-20. In the other game, both of which were very close affairs, the girls drew, 33-33 and the boys were narrowly defeated in the final seconds 52-54. Richard Long received a good sportsman cap as he teamed up for Katanning who were a man down, and Darryl Anderson received the MVP from the boy's side for outstanding play throughout. Chante also umpired the middle girl's game between Northam and Katanning. It was excellent to see that all teams had fun, showed brilliant sportsmanship and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



I hope everyone continues to have a safe and successful term as we lead up to reports and the end of Semester One.









## Science

Mrs Kristy Johnson's Year 11 Physics students designed an experiment to test the efficiency of an electric motor.



James Smith, Daniel Forward & Pierce Fishlock



Year 8 Science have been studying states of matter. Students Microscope picture of crystals that students 'grew'.



Junya Ohashi and William Toms



Year 8 Science students use chemical reactions to make colours of their favourite footy teams.



David Hallam, Pippa Bairstow and Ruben Scheepers



Year 8 students collect water from transpiration of leaves.





Faith Pollard-Chambers & Jemma Isaacs



Katelyn Beard, Jasmine Ozanne and Jade Hutton



Nicole Taylor & Emily Stevenson



Mr Johnson's Discovery Science students and their Plane Fuselage Project.

Lleyton Whitely-Yzerman

Russell Cowcher & Nathan Spooner



## Mrs Pattullo's Yr 11 Childcare

On April 6 2016, Pre-Primary students from East Narrogin Primary School came up to Narrogin Senior High School to visit Mrs. Pattullo's Year 11 Childcare class. This term in Childcare, we have been focusing on child development. Through the experience of having the Pre-Primary students spend time with us, we were able to plan and perform activities in groups to perceive how simple tasks contribute to a child's development and teach them extremely important everyday skills. These skills include the development of fine and large motor skills, their creative, cognative, emotional, moral and spiritual thinking, and social and physical development. Not *only* did the children have fun participating in the activities, but the Year 11 girls also had a blast planning and setting up the tasks, and were thoroughly entertained by the children and their determination to complete and learn from each activity.

On the 6 April, Mrs Ford from East Narrogin Primary School brought up the pre-primary kids to participate in some fun activities that the year 11 Child, Family and Community class had prepared. In class we studied child development and made an activity book. We put the kids into groups of twos and threes and each gave them a passport for each activity they went too, these activities include: pasta necklaces, potato stamps, egg carton turtles, hopscotch, skipping, and egg and spoon race. The kids really enjoyed themselves and so did our class and we hope they come back again really soon.

On the 6th of April the East Narrogin pre-primaries made a visit up to Narrogin Senior High School to participate in a number of activities that our year 11 children family and community class set out. We made them each a passport which had each group and activity displayed on and as each child participated in the activity they received a sticker or two. They participated in a number of activities such as; egg and spoon race, skipping, hop scotch, potato stamps, pasta necklaces, and egg carton turtle making. Getting smiles all round from little happy faces after they receive their stickers. On behalf of the children, family and community class we would like to thank Mrs Pattullo for organising the pre-primaries to come up and participate in our activities with us and to Mrs Ford for bringing the pre-primaries up to Narrogin Senior High School. *Kirra Simmons* 









On April 6 2016, East Narrogin Primary School Pre-Primary students came up to Narrogin Senior High School to spend time with Mrs. Pattullo's Year 11 Childcare class. I was in a group with Gene and Brittany. We made up our minds very quickly that we wanted to make pasta necklaces, as it would help the children develop fine motor skills.

On Tuesday, the day before the children came up, we set up everything we needed as well as dyeing the pasta a variety of different colours.

When the children came to the high school, they were extremely excited to create the pasta necklaces. Although Brittany did not attend school that day, Gene and I were easily able to attend to the kids when they needed help. Some children were extremely good at weaving the pasta and beads onto the string, while others found it difficult and needed assistance. Some children made their own choices with what colours they had in mind to use, while others merely wanted to copy the display necklace that I was wearing.

Gene did an exceptional job in demonstrating to the children how to thread the pasta onto the necklace. She was also extremely caring by giving Mrs. Ford, (the Pre-Primary teacher), pasta necklace materials to take back to her class to ensure that the kids who missed out on making one would have the opportunity to.

While the children were making their necklaces, I asked them many relevant questions such as:

Does your necklace have a pattern? If so, what does your pattern look like?

How many beads and pasta pieces do you put on your necklace?

What colours did you decide to use? Why?

To improve, we should have bigger groups of children and fewer activities, as some children got upset when they didn't have the opportunity to participate in certain activities. This way, they would all participate in the same ones. Georgia Earnshaw

#### **Home Economics**

owards the end of last term, students in all Year 8 Food classes were required to plan and produce a healthy breakfast that was suitable for a busy teenager.

The students had lots of fun making their breakfasts and came up with a variety of delicious and healthy options. They are now looking forward to being part of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea which will be held in late May.

#### Mrs Susan Pattullo



Malachi Bolton





Cade Bolton

#### **Netball Specialist Tournament**

n Tuesday April 5 we took two teams (one Year 9 and one Year 10 team) to participate in the Netball Specialist Tournament hosted by Aranmore Catholic College in Wanneroo. It was destined to be a long day leaving at 6am, however, with two parents coaching, Jo Drayton and Holli Hanson, and 19 students attending, we had a great day out. The students display of netball skill, sportsmanship and behaviour was outstanding. Although not a competition, rather participation in netball games, the girls demonstrated a high level of skills, a credit to their participation in Netball Academy and the school. Getting back to school just after



5.30pm, it was a long but very successful day.

Thank you to the girls and to Jo Drayton and Holli Hanson for their help.

Mrs E Wlkie

#### **BENDIGO COMMUNITY BANK'S HIGH SCHOOL NETBALL CARNIVAL**



n Thursday the May 5, four teams from the Narrogin SHS Netball Academy attended the Bendigo Community Bank's High School Netball Carnival in Katanning. Fifteen schools from across the region participated and 50 teams were nominated to play in all levels of competition. Two teams from year 7 and year 8 played in the lower school girl's competition and two teams from year 9 and 10 played in the middle school girl's





competition.

The year 7 team consisted of Elizabeth Dyke, Eliza Coppock, Shaylee Annear, Katelyn Beard, Ava Rawlings, Melita Davey, Lesley Yarran, Jasmyn Oats and Camryn Furphy. Thank you to Jane Dyke for coaching and to Jessica Coppock for being the team umpire.

The year 8 team consisted of Lucy Palumbo, Caitlynn Blechynden, Georgina Jensen, Imogen Morgan, Nouan Tupuhi-Smith, Breanna Page, Kaitlyn O'Neill,



Stephanie Yarran and Piper Edwards. Thank you to India Edwards for being the team umpire and Sharon Palumbo for coaching. This team had a very successful day. They drew one game and won the rest of their games, finishing top of their division. They then competed in the grand final against Albany SHS but lost the game 21-12. They finished the day runners-up in the Lower School Girls competition which was a great achievement.

The year 9 team consisted of Abbi Battley, Sarah Poultney, Chloe Hanson, Elli Bishop, Alana Maiolo, Jaelyn Ranieri, Katie Chivell, Kara Smith, Shakira Buck and Kate Dyson. Thank you to Holli Hanson for coaching and Kirra Simmons for being the team umpire. This team won the majority of their games, losing only two games by less than 5 goals.

The year 10 team consisted of Erikah Cowcher, Milla Curtis, Brooklyn Drayton, Georgia Dawes, Faith McNab, Anri van Nierkerk, Johanna Reynders, Lili Palumbo and Ashtyn Steer. They won all of

their games, finishing top of their division. They then played in the grand final against North Albany. Scores were level at half time but the girls fought back to win the game 14-9. Thank you to Jo Drayton for coaching the team and to Mrs Wilkie for umpiring throughout the day.

#### **Mrs Sarah Corner Netball Academy Co-ordinator**



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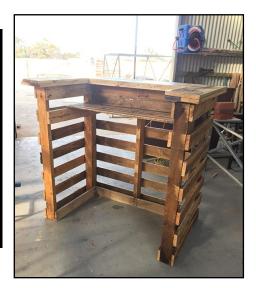


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## **Mr Dyson's Woodwork Class**



Certificate II Construction students are working on a recycling task using pallets destined for the skip bin. Students have designed bars and used nothing but pallets and the nails in them to construct another item of furniture.









### Write4fun – Poetry and Short Story Competition 2016

Congratulations to Jodie Martin who has entered a short story titled "The Locket" and has made it through to the final round of judging. This means her short story will be published in a compilation book titled "Top Secret". The winners will be announced on May 25.

Mrs Leah Russell



Jodie Martin

## **Technology & Enterprise**

#### Year 10 Wood Technology



In recognition of the importance of community spirit at Narrogin Senior High School, Mr Robins and his Year 10 Students will have the opportunity to complete a team project for the school or community. Our initial efforts have been directed towards making our Year 7 students feel at home by making a small selection of games available to them. As part of this project Darryl Anderson and Joharnan Bolton made a wooden template and

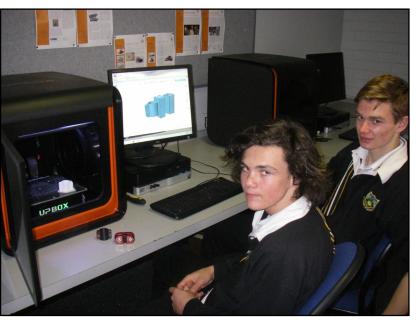


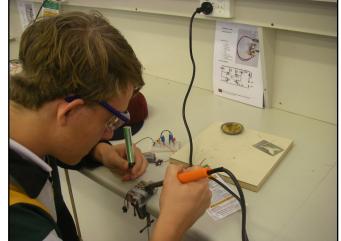
painted several new square ball courts at the Year 7 area for all to enjoy.

#### **Automated Systems**

Narrogin Senior High School recognizes the importance of student's access to emerging technology and has introduced a new course called Automated Systems to facilitate students who wish to investigate product design through the use of 3D printing, CNC cutting, electronics and microprocessors.

Students have already learned how to use 3D modelling software to generate prototypes of products and are currently learning basic electronic circuits. In current tasks students will be able to combine all aspects of their learning to generate functioning models of products such as the bike light and Buzz wire games pictured in this article.



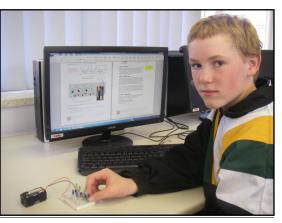


As well as a large investment in Computing Technology the remodelling of the room has allowed our trade students firsthand experience in fabricating many aspects of the room.

A big thankyou goes out to all staff who have participated in ordering, installation of computers and managing the trade students during the construction phase of this project, all classes including the Furnishing students and Building and Engineering students who contributed to the manufacture and installation of bench frames, bookcases, assembly of bench tops and the construction of stud walls, plastering and hanging doors.







HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS



### $\Rightarrow$ ACT-BELONG-COMMIT 'CAN YOU SEE MY MIND?' ART EXHIBITION $\Leftrightarrow$



'Can You See My Mind' is the creative vision of Author/Artist Megan Henry and Photographer Melanie English of Wagin. The two artists will exhibit their work along side students from Narrogin, Katanning and Wagin. Our year 8 students will be exploring mental health and creating mixed media self-portrait collages (similar to the centre image) for the exhibition. It is open to all students so please see Miss Quartermaine if you would like more information!

### $\Rightarrow$ THE YEAR 11 AND 12 SEMESTER ONE ARTWORKS $\Leftrightarrow$



The Year 11 and 12 General Art students have been working exceptionally hard on their studio artworks over the Semester. Their originality, talent and willingness to explore new mediums and techniques has blown us away and we are looking forward to putting on a whole school Visual Art and Media Exhibition to showcase their artworks in Term 3. Featured above are Year 11 students Jessica Elms's 'Innocence' and Kaitlyn Cant's 'Untitled'. As well as Year 12 student Callum Tucker's photo-manipulation.

### $\Rightarrow$ some of our fantastic year 7 and 8 paintings $\in$



Pictured above is Emily Jones, Taylah Licence, Blade Carter and Austin Shotter's Year 7 Pop Art 'Hero' paintings. As well as Xavier Windsor, Nouan Smith, Lucy Palumbo and James Chaplin's Year 8 abstract animal paintings.

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#### **NSHS Uniform shop**

NSHS Uniform shop now has a full supply of all winter garments

Tracksuit Tops and Jackets.

### **Opening hours for Term 2**

Tues & Wed 8.15 to 11.15

Term 3 Tuesday only 8.15 to 11.15

The uniform shop will be closed Tuesday 7th June due to SDD

### Hosting French Students in July (17 July-16 August)

For the last 8 years a programme has been in place offering the opportunity to young French students aged 14-17 years to discover Australia and its education system.

We are looking for families willing to host students for the four weeks of their visit. They will travel to and from school with your children.



The purpose of the programme is for these French students to experience living with an Australian family, to see how an Australian school operates, to improve their English language

skills through this full immersion and to create a strong friendship with their Anglophone peers. The programme is highly successful and both Australian and French students greatly enjoy the exchange.

Many families still keep in touch with each other.

The students are fully briefed about the school rules, are not to leave the school premises and will attend classes daily. They will be fully covered by appropriate insurance.



Host families will be visited prior to the arrival by the organiser to explain the programme. We believe such an exchange is also highly beneficial for our Modern Languages students, opening their eyes (and ears!) to similarly minded students for an extended period. Please contact **Martine Floyd**, email : martine.floyd@iinet.net.au,

mob: 0403 019 609 if you are interested in hosting.

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