



HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Narrogin Senior High School

Issue 4 2018

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**NARROGIN SENIOR HIGH
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10 am - 3 pm SATURDAY
8th SEPTEMBER 2018

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Stalls

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Ms Melissa Walker



I have had a wonderful first semester at Narrogin Senior High School and am very excited to see the successes of our students in many contexts. Our motto, *Advance with Integrity*, is a true reflection of the culture we have and continue to enhance at our school.

By the end of this term all parents and carers will have access to their child's report for semester one. This is a summative report of how your child has performed in the first half of the 2018 school year. Mid-year reports provide a great opportunity for students and their parents to identify where students are progressing well and areas that need further focus and improvement throughout the remainder of the school year. It is important that parents make the time to sit with their child and celebrate progress made and develop strategies of support for improvement. If you have questions about your child's report, please make an appointment to meet with their teachers at the Parent-Teacher Interviews on Thursday 19 July. Contact the front office if you need help in making an appointment.

Throughout the past two weeks I, with some of our student leaders from Year 7 and Mrs Renee Browne: Narrogin Residential College Manager, have been visiting the local primary schools to present information to the Year 6 students about enrolling at Narrogin Senior High School. The Year 7 leaders talked with the students about the differences between Primary School and High School and gave some practical hints on how to make the transition smoother. Parents who have children enrolling into Narrogin Senior High School as the 2019 Year 7 cohort are asked to complete the enrolment packages and submit to your primary school by Friday 29 June or to the front office at Narrogin Senior High School by Friday 20 July. If you need support in completing the documentation, please contact the Narrogin Senior High School front office to speak with one of the administration officers who will gladly help you through the process.

Mr Steve and Mrs Di Quartermaine have been taking on acting roles within the school for the second part of Term 2. On behalf of the school community I would like to thank Steve and Di for their continued contribution to our school.

In 2019 we are going to make some changes to the timetable structure at Narrogin Senior High School.

The school will be moving to a 5 period structure. Many secondary schools across the state have already moved to this structure. The school leadership team in consultation with all staff have planned the new structure to be as follows:

Period 1 & 2	Please note: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A decision has not yet been made about when form class will take place.• The bell times have not yet been determined.• These details will be communicated with parents as soon as they have been finalised.
Lunch 1	
Period 3 & 4	
Lunch 2	
Period 5	

To support our students progress in literacy we are developing a strategy to implement the MULTILIT program (Making up for Lost Time in Literacy). Mrs Jill Warner and Mrs Natalie Seward have been up-skilled in the implementation of Macqlit, one of the reading programs to improve student reading progress. They will be working with 2 groups of students throughout semester two this year. To be a student selected to be a part of the Macqlit program at Narrogin Senior High School students need to have demonstrated commitment to learning by attending school regularly and engaging in each class.

In the last week of term two, we have about 125 of our students competing in Country Week. In 2018 we have teams representing our school in: Volleyball, AFL, Basketball, Netball, Speech and Debate, Hockey and Soccer. Country Week is a great opportunity for rural students to not only compete in sport, but to socialise with other country school students from across the state. We wish all the coaches and competitors all the best!

Students who are not going to Country Week will remain at school or will be involved in work experience throughout this time. It is really important that students who are not at Country Week are at school. Non-attendance at school has an effect on students' overall attendance percentage. All students who are at school will be engaged in authentic learning opportunities. Year 7s will also be undertaking the 'In School Swimming Program'.

Thank you for a fantastic semester! I look forward to working together to ensure we continue to *Advance with Integrity* throughout the remainder of the 2018 school year.

Senior School Deputy

Mr Steve Quartermaine

It has been great to come back and see all the fantastic things that are happening at Narrogin Senior High School. I have filled in for Andrew Symington who has had a well earned break on Long Service Leave.

Country Week is well under way and I congratulate Kayla Stokes, coaches and managers for getting everything organised and giving up their time to prepare the students for a week of competition and experiences.

Four of our students recently participated in the Commissioner for Children and Young People's Aboriginal Leadership Cross-Cultural Solutions Program. Shaneall Bennell, Montana Jackson, Dirk Du Plessis and Ryan Blechynden met with representatives of the Commissioner for Children and Young People in a three hour workshop. Our students will be involved in two more workshops and a week-long camp in Perth.

The Rising Leaders Program is providing opportunities for our Year 11 Aboriginal students and worked with the AFL class in partnership with Clontarf Katanning, and the Stephen Michael Foundation to hold an AFL coaching clinic at Narrogin Primary School. The Rising Leaders also officiated at the Local Primary Schools' Sports Carnival. Shooting Stars is establishing itself as a very valuable addition to the school.

Latoya Bolton-Black and Jordan Heil are to be commended for the work they have done to establish and build these programs and to developing productive relationships with their students. Jordan gave up his time to take the Year 9-12 Aboriginal students to the AIME program in Perth. I would also like to thank Chadd Kickett, Janice Kickett and Carole Kickett for their efforts. Carole is retiring at the end of term. She has been a fantastic AIEO at Narrogin and her contribution has helped the school and its students to grow and improve our understanding of Noongar Culture.

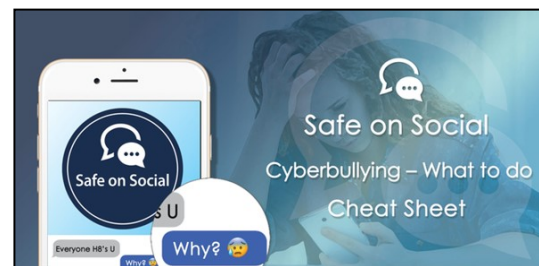
Semester One reports are available on connect. If you would like a written copy, then please contact the front office. I enjoyed checking the reports, catching up on student progress and reading the teacher comments. Narrogin SHS has some very talented students who are performing well and I encourage every student to work hard to improve their results.

Year 11 and Year 12 students have been given their WACE tracker which tells them whether or not they are satisfying the requirements for graduation. Prema Sexton and Kristy Johnson are interviewing students and assisting them to understand what they need to do to meet the requirements. Kristy and Prema do a great job tracking our students and providing them with strategies to improve.

Year 10 students have begun their selections for Year 11 in 2019. Parents have been accompanying their students to meetings with our counselling team to make very important decisions about the next phase of their child's education. Once the Year 11 selections are in the timetabling process for 2019 will begin.

I wish all the students, staff, parents and carers all the very best for the rest of the year and thank you for the warm welcome we received.

Cyberbullying – What to do



Determine if it is truly serious and if it is more emotional for you than for your child. Is it happening repeatedly, and is it more than kids teasing each other or just being mean once?

If you can identify the bully, notify the school as it is more than likely happening at school as well.

Remind your child that they are loved and supported so they know that they can speak up when things go wrong online and feel safe doing so.

Make sure your child knows not to retaliate in any way as their bully is waiting for a bite back from them. By not retaliating they are taking the power away from their bully.

Encourage your child to take a break from being online to reduce stress and anxiety.

Make sure you know how to help your child block their bully and how to report the abuse to the app or site that it is happening on. Facebook allows you to block or unfriend in the app, Instagram allows you to hide inappropriate comments and block followers in the app. This way the negative comments will be filtered before it is even seen, and the bully will not get the response that they are hoping for. There is no way to report Snapchat bullying or harassment via the app you have to fill out a form on the Snapchat website, <https://support.snapchat.com/en-US/i-need-help>

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Take screenshots, date and time stamp them, report the abuse to the site that the offending content is posted on. If the offending content is not removed within 24-48hrs file a complaint at www.esafety.gov.au

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If the bullying contains threats of harm or child pornography, report immediately to your local Police. Make sure that you ask them to document your complaint and ask for the "Event number" a number they will write on a little card for you. If you have reported to General Duties Police make an appointment to speak to the Youth Liaison Officer at the earliest opportunity – they will ask for the event number so they can follow up.



Remind your child only to connect with people that are friends in real life and check to make sure their social media apps are set to private so they have complete control over who is connected to them.

If you have any questions please get in touch:

wecanhelp@safeonsocial.com

English Department News

What a term it has been in English! Our Year 7s and 9s sat their NAPLAN, we received positive OLNA results, the Year 12 General students sat their Externally Set Tasks, and our ATAR students sat their Semester One exams. We've also welcomed Mrs Linda Bishop as our interim HOLA.

Writing Competition

"Come Stand Tall!" Arts Narrogin Prose Writing Competition will be launched in August with entries due by the end of Term 3. Get involved and get writing to grab your share of the cash. Prize winners will be announced Term 4.

Ms Denise Lavan.

Year 12 ATAR Excursion

In Week 2, our Year 12 ATAR English students had the privilege to see Ray Lawler's play, *The Summer of the Seventeenth Doll* at the Heath Ledger Theatre in Perth run by the Black Swan Theatre Company. The Year 12 ATAR students studied the Australian classic in class. Experiencing a live drama production is recommended for all ATAR students as it solidifies student's learning of the genre and improves their understanding of the play. Students who attended enjoyed Adam Mitchell's interpretation of Lawler's play, with the main character Roo being cast by Kelton Pell, a renowned Western Australian actor, as well as the representation of minority groups in the play.



ATAR Seminars

Students have also been attending seminars that are held once a week for the Year 11 and 12 ATAR students. We focus on techniques to help pass the exam, such as analysing questions, writing an effective introduction and the best practises for each section of the exam.

Good Answers

A reminder that the ETAWA Good Answers 2017 English book is available for all Year 12 ATAR English students at the English office. This book was on the book list and it provides exemplars that the WACE examiners felt were the best essays from the exam. Every English examination candidate should have a copy of Good Answers as part of their course and revision program.

Year 12 General Panel Discussions

In Weeks 2 and 3, our Year 12 General students presented a panel discussion to their peers focusing on workplace issues. Students presented their information clearly and with confidence - it was awesome to see students so passionate about their chosen issue.



Eaden Woodford and Courtney Perkins team up against Albertus Meyer and Lochlan Horobin-Lavan to discuss gender equality in the workplace, with Jordan Tonkin facilitating.

Kelli Hobson
English Teacher



WA NDIS - First Steps Workshops

Parents and carers of children with disability are invited to come along to this free workshop that will give them more information about the **National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)** and how it can benefit their child.

If you are a parent or carer the workshop will help you understand:

- What the NDIS is
- How early intervention fits in the NDIS
- All the supports your child currently receives
- Which supports are working for your child, which supports don't work and why
- How to pinpoint support you might want for your child
- How the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) can support you

Workshop Details

- **Date:** Thursday 28th June 2018
- **Location:** NARROGIN – John Higgins Community Centre, West Hall
- **Time:** 9:30am – 11:00am presentation followed by a 15 minute morning tea.
- **RSVP:** to casey.barendrecht@abilitycentre.com.au or (08) 9443 0224



This program is funded by the **Australian Government Department of Social Services**. It is coordinated by the **First Step Alliance**.

Attendance

School Attendance – Truancy

Truancy is when children leave home for school, but then do not attend or they skip a lesson of school. Children who are truant may be trying to impress their friends, trying to gain attention, or they may be angry because of school or home problems. Truancy may occur when there are learning problems or conflict at school. Children who truant usually try to hide it from their parents.

What parents can do about truancy

Parents/caregivers have an obligation to see that their child attends school, and can use the following as a guide.

- If your child has just started to truant, try to find a cause. Think about what else was happening in the child's life when it started.
- Parents can talk to Student Services if their child is truanting.
- Let the child know that you believe that going to school is really important.
- If truancy continues, there needs to be a meeting at school to address the issue
- If your child is skipping lessons, certain days or certain teachers, Student Services can help to see what pattern is emerging, and put strategies into place to minimise the risk of truancy occurring.
- If your child is not going to attend school, please let the school know by calling **98819300** or sending an SMS to **0409 085 994**. These are the numbers to use to contact the school if you are concerned about your students attendance.
- If they miss a day, it is important you talk with their teachers to find out how you can help them catch up.



Principal Melissa Walker and Deputy Sandii Stankovic with Sharon Ward serving "Food for the Soul" breakfast.



Student Services Manager Louise Davidson playing host at the "Food for the Soul" breakfast

Improving Attendance

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success – both in school and in life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child achieve better grades, develop healthy life habits, avoid negative behavior and have a better chance of graduating from high school. We want to make sure your child has the best education possible which is why attending school every day is so important. Western Australian law states that schooling is compulsory for children and young people aged from 6 -17 years.

This table highlights the impact of missing school.

PERIOD OF ABSENCE FROM YEARS 11-10	RATE OF ATTENDANCE	EQUIVALENT SCHOOLING MISSED	LEVEL OF EDUCATION RISK
Average of 5 days per term	90 %	1 Year	Regular Attendance
1 day per week	80 %	2 Years	Indicated Risk
1.5 days per week	70 %	3 Years	Moderate Risk
2 days per week	60 %	4 Years	Moderate Risk
3 days per week	40 %	6 Years	Severe Risk
5 weeks a term	50 %	5 Years	Severe Risk

We are encouraging our students to attend school, especially for those students who are not attending Country Week. It is still school as usual. There are standard classes for Years 7-10 and collapsed classes with work packages for students in Years 11-12 for both General and ATAR students. It is compulsory to attend this week.

To encourage students to attend, we have a guest speaker talking to the Years 8-10s on Monday. We have 'Milo on the Hill' on Wednesday, where we will greet the students with a warm milo on their way to class, Thursday the upper school students who have attended Monday through to Wednesday have the possibility of watching some of the finals at Country Week and to finish off our week, we will have a sausage sizzle on Friday.

If your child is not going to attend school, please let us know by calling 9881 9300 and if they miss a day it is important you talk with their teachers to find out how you can help them.

*Louise Davidson
Program Coordinator
Student Services*

Country 15s Carnival

The Rams Academy is the South Fremantle Football Club/Upper Great Southern Football League Junior Talent Academy with two levels, 15s and under and Colts which is 18s and under.

The Rams 15s are going to play in a Country 15s Carnival on 6, 7 and 8 July in Perth against other Country/WAFL affiliated areas such as Claremont/Great Southern Storm and East Fremantle/Midwest Shark Pack.

Congratulations to these NSHS boys who have been selected.

Mitchell Brown	Cade Turner-Reid
Riley Forbes	Damian Maiolo
Joseph Ramshaw	Oliver McLure
Darcy Andrews	Jeremiah Thorne
Damon Penny	Liam Smith
Thomas Munns	Jydan Lanciano
Lachlan Tulley	Cade Bolton
Clynton Culbong	Austin Shotter
Declin Mumby	Callum Giles-Morton
Dwayne Riley	

Country 15s Carnival Games

Friday 6 July - 5:30pm at Fremantle oval - East Fremantle/Midwest

Saturday 7 July - 5:30pm venue to be confirmed (possibly Joondalup Arena) - Perth/Midland

Sunday 8 July - 10.00am-12.30pm - Davilak Reserve - Hamilton Hill - both Claremont/Great Southern and Subiaco/Goldfields in 2 out of 3 games.

*Paul Reid
Regional Development Manager - Wheatbelt
West Australian Football Commission*

NAIDOC Celebrations 2018



On Tuesday 31 August we will be celebrating NAIDOC at Narrogin Senior High School. The AIEOs: Janice Kickett, Carole Kickett and Chadd Kickett have been working with the Aboriginal parents and community to plan a NAIDOC event that celebrates Noongar culture and the contributions that our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents, students and community members make to our school and community. Mrs Latoya Bolton-Black, Shooting Stars Program Coordinator, has been working with the Shooting Stars girls to organise performances that acknowledge the significance of the 2018 theme: *Because of her, we can.*

HAPPY RETIREMENT – MS CAROLE KICKETT

At the end of this term our long standing AIEO, Mrs Carole Kickett will be retiring. Carole has been an integral member of our Student Services team as an influential AIEO. Carole was a student at Narrogin Senior High School and returned to the school as the AIEO in February 2006. Affectionately known by many of our students as Aunty or Nan Carole, she has been an important role model and mentor for our Aboriginal Youth and a wonderful support for our Aboriginal families and community. We wish Carole all the best in her retirement.

Amanda Young Foundation Leadership Camp

Jessica Coppock was nominated and accepted to attend a leadership camp in Perth during the last school holidays

The Amanda Young Foundation is a non-profit community organisation dedicated to reducing deaths in WA from meningococcal disease. Every year the foundation offers a leadership camp for year eleven students all around the state, and this year I was lucky enough to be accepted. The camp is a 4 day leadership development programme which had a large focus on health and prevention of the meningococcal virus.

The first 4 days of my Easter holidays were spent in Penrhos college with 40 complete strangers. On the first day I was thrown into the deep end and put completely out of my comfort zone, I had to make new friends, though it didn't take long for people to start forming friendship groups. The leadership team who were hosting the camp had one main goal for everyone, and that was to make 40 new friends before we had to go home.

Each day we had new and exciting activities to participate in, these were often challenges that made the participants work hard as a team and see who the natural leaders were by watching who took control in a stressful situation. Whilst the activities throughout the day were engaging and fun the best part of the day was when we had an hours free time before dinner to go into the school's gym and play volley ball. It was during this time where you got to see what everyone was like in a not 'forced' situation and you got to know them on a personal level.

Over the four days we had many guest speakers come to talk to the group including a meningococcal survivor who unfortunately had lost all four limbs to the disease, every single person in the room was touched by what she had to say and how positive her outlook on life was. The camp had a great impact on my perception of leadership and in doing that has made me into a better person. Quite possibly my greatest achievement was on the last day, when I walked to my car knowing that I had made 40 new friends.

*Jessica Coppock
Year 11*



2019 PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

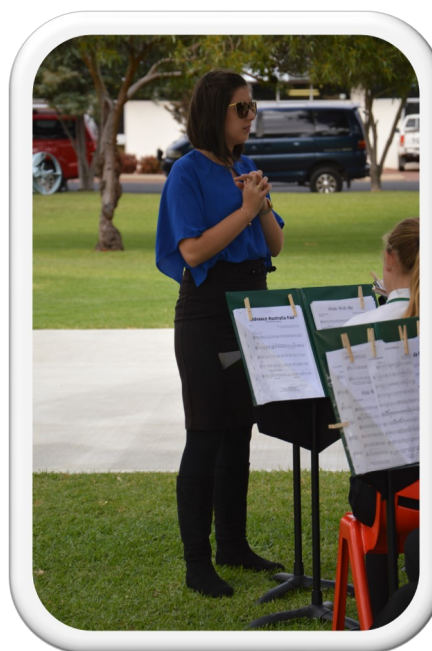
APPLY NOW

We're delighted to announce that full details of the Australian Youth Orchestra's 2019 programs are now available! We have some fantastic opportunities lined up for the year ahead – so many, in fact, that it hasn't been easy to keep it under our hats! **Applications for 2019 programs are open until 29 June.**

- For **musicians aged 12–17**, our [2019 AYO Young Symphonists](#) program offers the opportunity to work with esteemed music educator, Richard Gill AO, in a week-long program in Mount Eliza.
- [2019 AYO National Music Camp](#) is set to be held at Adelaide's magnificent Elder Conservatorium, and is tailored for **musicians, composers and aspiring arts administrators aged 14–22**.
- Our flagship ensemble, the [Australian Youth Orchestra](#), is made up of Australia's finest young **musicians aged 25 and under**. Next year will see the orchestra embarking on a musical venture across the globe, performing in prestigious venues in Europe and Asia as part of AYO's 2019 International Tour.

If you know a young musician who might be interested in joining the Australian Youth Orchestra we would love to them at auditions this year!

Discover more about our exciting 2019 programs here: <http://www.ayo.com.au/content/2019-programs/gk9bjk>



*Music teacher
Mrs Stephanie Whitting*

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Notices

JULY HOLIDAY REVISION PROGRAMS

Master Mind Australia's

**OLNA – Study Skills – Essay Writing – Subject Revision &
Exam Preparation**

For all students in Year 7 – 12

The July Revision Program offers comprehensive subject revision and prepares students for their final Semester Exams.

Course will be conducted at:

First Week - Christ Church Grammar School, Guildford Grammar School, Wesley College

Second Week - Hale School, Mindarie Senior College/
Peter Moyes Anglican Community School

**For further information contact Dr. Robert Hallam at
Master Mind Australia on 9486 1377**

Or visit www.mastermindaustralia.com.au

Free Mathematics Tutoring

Currently, free mathematics tutoring is available in the following time:

Monday 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Room 10 Yr 7 to 12

Tuesday Lunch time Room 10 Yr 7 to 10

Thursday 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Room 10
Mathematics

Specialists

All students will be supervised by Narrogin mathematics teachers. All Narrogin Senior High School students are welcome.

Help will be given for classwork, homework, investigations and test preparation for all mathematics courses. (*Internet access available*).

David Fung
HoLA Mathematics

Soft drinks, fruit juices and cordials

Did you know that soft drinks, fruit juices and cordials are strongly linked to being overweight in children?

In our modern society, very few children use up enough energy to take on the extra calories of 'treat' foods and drinks. Research shows there is a very strong link between consumption of 'treat' drinks (soft drinks and other sweet drinks) and being overweight in children.

Provide water for children as the standard, everyday drink and offer soft drinks only on special occasions. Give children fresh fruit instead of fruit juice.

Find out the facts about sugary drinks by visiting
LiveLighter: <https://livelighter.com.au/The-Facts/About-Sugary-Drinks>



Quick Tip

Plain tap **water** is the best drink choice. It's cheap, quenches your thirst and has no kilojoules. Buy a plastic water bottle so you can take your own water everywhere you go. Keep water in the fridge so you can have cold water to drink whenever you're thirsty.

Recipe Link

<https://livelighter.com.au/Recipe/510/frozen-fruit-ice-cubes>

Dryandra Archery Club Inc.

Dryandra Archery Club would like to invite you to come and join us on the school holidays at the YMCA oval to test your skill and strength with some fun games of Archery.

1:00pm - 3:00pm Monday to Friday

Light refreshments provided.

For ages 8 and about but children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Please book as there are only 15 positions each day.

\$5.00 under 16

\$10.00 Adults

Contact Nick Klaasseen - 0437 700 068