



# HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Narrogin Senior High School

Issue 5 2020

## Narrogin Senior High School Students Go To The Polls



With the assistance of the WA Electoral Commission, Narrogin SHS held their annual Student Council Elections.

Kristy from the WAEC spent the day at Narrogin SHS, dividing her time between the classroom and the Polling Place. She brought with her polling booths, ballot boxes, officials vests and the WAEC Polling place banner. Prefects and Year 11 Student Councillors assisted with the set up and in no time the Year 7 Assembly lawn was transformed into a Polling Place complete with music, balloons and banners. The Year 12 Prefects and Year 11 Student Councillors acted as Electoral Officials on the day, checking off names as students flowed through to vote.

Students became very involved and voting numbers were high amongst staff and students.

*Mrs Susan Castle*

*Workplace Learning Co-ordinator/Student Events Co-ordinator*



*A good turn out for Election Day*



*Principal Janine Keall casting her vote.*



*Staff members  
Mrs Sarah Corner &  
Ms Natalie Edwards  
showing their support*



*Students at the Polling Booth*



## Mrs Karen Thomas - Senior School Deputy

Term 3 is always a busy term for staff and students. Year 9 students have completed OLNA testing which was run in lieu of NAPLAN testing this year. I was very proud of the Year 9's mature approach to this new testing format and look forward to reviewing their achievement later on in the year. OLNA testing for Year 10, 11 and 12 students is drawing to a conclusion. Achievement of a Category 3 for Reading, Writing and Numeracy is required for students to achieve a WACE at the end of year 12. Year 12 exams are running during Week 10 and we wish all our ATAR students the very best in this final preparation for their final exams in November.

Student Council elections were held on the 27 August and I would like to congratulate all students who were successful in being selected for the Student Council. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Prefects for 2021. We have a tremendous group of young people leading the student body and I wish them every success in their leadership roles.

Student excursions have resumed and students have participated in a range of offsite activities. The Shooting Stars have participated in a Netball camp in Meekatharra and a Junior Leadership camp in Broome which has resulted in a growing sense of confidence within our Aboriginal girls. A reward excursion is planned for Week 10. The Science Learning Area has been busy with Year 9 students participating in the Toolibin Science excursion and Year 10 & 11 Physics students exploring Physics at Adventure World. Year 11 Geography students spent a day in Perth doing Fieldwork. The Year 11 and 12 Building and Construction students worked with a local builder to build a retaining wall in the school grounds as part of their practical work.

As the term draws to a close, our Year 12 students are preparing to complete their formal schooling. Year 12 statements of results are currently being finalised and, for those students who are not sitting exams, there is little time left to submit those final pieces of work and complete courses and certificates. A big thank you to all our staff who have supported our students in becoming competent young adults who are fully equipped to face the world after school. This is a closing chapter for the Year 12 students and the beginning of a bright and exciting future. I am looking forward to the Year 12 Farewell Dinner and then seeing all of the students at our Presentation Night on the 23 October 2020. This is truly a celebration for staff, students and parents and is the culmination of years of hard work. The last day for Year 12 General students is the 19 October. ATAR students are expected to attend school until the 29 October where teachers will be preparing students for their final exams. ATAR students must wear school uniform and will be required to sign in and out of school on their arrival and departure.

As the school holidays approach I trust that staff and students will have a refreshing break and return safely next term, hopefully to some warmer weather.

## CLONTARF

We are very excited to welcome Henry Papertalk and his family to Narrogin. Henry will be running the Clontarf program at the school.



Clontarf officially commences in Term 4 and Henry has spent the last three weeks getting to know the students and make connections within the community. He will be approaching families regarding enrolments into Clontarf over the next few weeks. The Clontarf buildings are currently being installed and will be ready for use at the start of Term 4.





## Our Newly Elected Student Council Members

Once voting was complete, Kristy from the WAEC collected the Ballot boxes and took them back to the commission in Perth where she carried out the formal Preferential Count to work out who the successful candidates were.



Please congratulate the following students who have been elected to the Narrogin Senior High School 2020/2021 Student Council:

### Prefects

Darcy Andrews, Eliza Coppock, Melita Davey, Jayiesha Ford, Jydan Lanciano, Taylah Licence, Ricky Linklater, Nikota Scholz, Kynan Spencer, Jerrimiah Thorne

### Student Councillors

#### Yr 10

Anton Hanson, Heath Turner-Reid, Chelsea Mulcahy, Amy Mulcahy, Emerine Niyokwizigira, Cherokee Ford

#### Yr 9

Dakoda Bolton-Black, Georgia Furphy, Makenna Batt, Josephine Gibb, Olivia Hendry

#### Yr 8

Beau Readhead, Kele Readhead, Jesse Nyssen, Lilli Beresford, Jorja Hill, Sarah Raye

#### Yr 7

Oliver Draper, Xavier de Gruchy, Lochlan Mickle, Lakkari Kickett, Skye Beary, Marjorie Ugle

## Workplace Learning at NSHS

This year 54 Yr 11 and Yr 12 students at Narrogin SHS have been engaged in Workplace Learning organised through the school. Students are placed in varying work places throughout the Region. Some attend one day a week, others in weekly blocks. Some do it as part of their School Based Traineeship, or their School Based Pre Apprenticeship, as it is a requirement of their Certificate Course and others do it independently to investigate what a particular career path might be like or as a trial for an apprenticeship for example. We also have a number of students who have had their casual paid work approved as Work Placement. All students recorded hours may count towards the achievement of their WACE if they complete the required Logbook and Skills Journal.

Narrogin SHS would like to thank businesses and workplaces in the region for their ongoing support of this very successful program.

*Mrs Susan Castle*

*Workplace Learning Co-ordinator/Student Events Co-ordinator*



**Nicole Taylor**  
School Based Traineeship  
with NAB.



**Piper Edwards**  
Work Place Learning  
Narrogin Primary  
School



**Natashia Goedhart**  
Work Place Learning  
Narrogin Takeaway and  
Café Bar



**Taleirah Seaman**  
School Based Traineeship with  
Amcal Narrogin.



**Brandon Kemp**  
Work Place Learning  
Narrogin Toyota



**Chantè Kickett**  
School Based Traineeship  
with the ANZ Bank



## Year 9 Toolibin Excursion

The Year 9 Science classes have been learning about Eco-systems this term so to enhance their understanding they attended the Lake Toolibin Field Trip.

Students participated in five different activities. They used field keys to identify eight plants for plant bingo and the first group to fully complete their card won.

They also examined scats and tracks and identified different types of organisms that live at Toolibin Lake. They found evidence of echidnas, kangaroos, possums, foxes and spiders.

Spotting local bird life was also enjoyed and students managed to spot red capped robins, white brow babbblers, Tawney Helmeted Honey Eaters, Dusky Wood Swallows, Mistletoe bird, Pardalote and the Restless fly catcher.



Maria Lee from Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attraction spoke to each group about the ecological significance of Toolibin. It is the last remaining fresh lake in the Wheatbelt. Students examined groundwater pumps and measured the depth of ground water under the lake, which was 12 meters below the surface.

This year we were privileged to have Mr Francis Bolton who shared his Noongar cultural knowledge with the student. He brought along his didgeridoos and tapping sticks and shared

his knowledge of how native plants can be used for bush tucker and for used for healing purposes. Having really enjoyed the activities the students kept gravitating back to Mr Bolton and his cultural tools.



A big thank you to Mr D'Cruz, Mrs Bee and the science team for ensuring the days went as planned.

*Ms Maxine Clark  
Science Teacher*



*Funnel Web Spider*





## Human Biology Students Visit the Zoo

The Year 12 Human Biology students recently attended Perth Zoo and participated in the Primates, Past and Present workshop.

This gave students the opportunity to handle a range of primate skulls including; Lemurs, Gibbons and Gorillas and discuss trends in Primate Evolution.

They also viewed the primates in their exhibits and observed how each type of primate is uniquely adapted to its environments. The students enjoyed observing the gibbon family (mum, dad and baby) interacting with each other. All of us were struck with the similarities to humans.



I would just like to thank the Year 12 students for their outstanding behaviour throughout the excursion.

Also a big thank you to Ms Edwards and Mr Cherry for ensuring all went smoothly throughout the day.

*Ms Maxine Clark  
Science Teacher*



## Library Book Fair



A huge Thank you to the staff and students for supporting our school's Scholastic Book Fair which was held in the Library last week.

We were able to purchase 68 new books from the percentage of sales, supporting the Macqlit Program and our school Library.

*Ms Narelle Penny  
School Librarian*



## Follow the Dream



Term 3 has been busy with students and tutors working hard to ensure students are on track. Senior students and Year 9 students have all been completing OLNA testing during this term.

I would like to acknowledge the students for their outstanding attendance to tutoring during this term.

Year 11, 10 and 9 students are being rewarded with a Follow the Dream camp to UWA this week. We are looking forward to hearing about their adventures when they return.



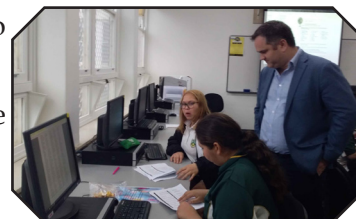
*Ms Natalie Edwards*

The Year 7 and 8 students are looking forward to their reward activity next term.

A big thank you to the tutors and Shooting Stars team for all their help to ensure Follow the Dream students achieve their dreams.

Wishing all participants a happy and well-earned rest during the term break.

*Ms Maxine Clark - Science Teacher*



*Mr Hayden McWilliams*

## Science Week

The theme for National Science Week 2020 was Deep Blue: Innovations for the future of our oceans.

Students from Year 7 to Year 10 participated in a range of hands on activities.



Year 7 students participated in a sail boat challenge, they had to design a boat that could travel 1 meter using a fan for wind energy. The winner was Lakkari Kickett and Hannah Cronin.

Year 8 students designed an ocean based research laboratory powered by alternative forms of energy or an offshore oil rig using everyday items. Each model was subjected to vigorous testing to ensure they could survive oceanic conditions.



Congratulations to all the students for demonstrating outstanding problem solving skills, effective communication strategies and a high level of engagement.

Both staff and students enjoyed the challenges proposed, the photos show many innovative models.

*Ms Maxine Clark  
Science Teacher*



*Casey and Xander*



*Zarli and Sienna*

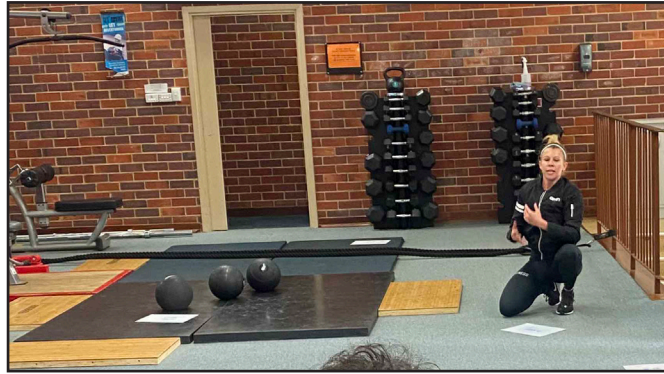


*Grace and Chloe*



*Xavier and Jacob*

# Health and Physical Education



Michele Corasaniti from Be Alive Fitness, has worked with the schools Certificate II Sport & Recreation Students this year.

Real work for students, from real practitioners under pins the HPE Learning Areas VET qualification.

*Mr A Corner  
HoLA H&PE*

## Keys For Life Program

As part of their Year 10 Health program students participate in the Keys for Life Program.

Thank you to Kim Dybing from Paraplegic Benefit Fund for presenting to our students.

Preparing young people for safer driving is an important component of the Western Australian road safety strategy as each year young drivers are over-represented in road crash statistics.

This road safety program culminates with successful students completing their Learners Certificate at no cost.

*Mr A Corner  
HoLA H&PE*





*Just a Reminder*

Better choices = healthy lifestyle

Because it matters



Julie-Ann Carter

**NSHS HEALTH AND WELLBEING EXPO**

16th October

Gym, Library, PAC

## Change of School Dental Clinic Location

As you may be aware the school dental service offers free dental treatment to students aged 5-17.

Previously, the school dental clinic was based out of the Narrogin Primary School. From Term 4 2020 this location will be changing.

All appointments for students enrolled at St Matthews Primary school, East Narrogin Primary School, Narrogin Senior High School and WA College of Agriculture Narrogin will now be seen at our new facility located within the Narrogin District Hospital.

Students will receive appointment slips in the mail as they have previously. Our phone number will be the same, only the location of the clinic will change.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions in place at the Narrogin District Hospital, we ask that only a parent/guardian and the child due for the dental appointment are to attend.

Narrogin Government Dental Clinic  
43-55 Williams Road  
NARROGIN WA 6312  
Phone: 0428 984 100  
Kind regards,  
Narrogin Dental Staff



## Living on Campus at UWA Info Session

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