

Oh What A Night! A Celebration of Ancient Greece



Belle & Beau Abby Nottle & Darcy Andrews

On Friday 12 March another successful school ball was held

On arrival students walked through the Parthenon along the red carpet.

Abby Nottle and Darcy Andrews were voted Beau and Belle of the Ball.

The arrivals always create a lot of interest for spectators and this year's the honour of best arrival Yr 12 was taken out by Takayla Pence and Jerrimiah Thorne who arrived in a horse drawn carriage and Yr 11 was awarded to Jessica Townsend who arrived on horseback led by her ball partner Rory Heywood.

Prefect Jayeisha Ford was announced Best Groover and Most Dapper in Yr 11 was Cohen Sheridan, Best Couple in Yr 11 was Jake McKay and Jada Lee and in Yr 12, Kynan Spencer and Taylah Licence.

The Prefects and the staff of Narrogin Senior High School would like to thank all of the volunteers and the Narrogin community for their support of this wonderful event.



Principal - John Watters

Term 1, although only 9 weeks, was quite busy and productive. We welcomed 170 new students and families into the School, from 18 different feeder schools. This required a level of adjustment for some, whilst others settled into their learning in a positive and productive manner. With a focus on regular attendance, I am pleased that over 65% of our students attend every day, whilst others are working hard to improve. With a seamless sharing of data from Primary to High School, it must be acknowledged that over 70 students have improved on their overall 2020 attendance which should be celebrated. Likewise, over 92% of our students have stayed within the school expectations on behaviour, honouring our shared values of Respect, Responsibility and Tolerance. These successes were also highlighted through the successful Bunuru Carnival, Harmony Day and Bullying No Way events in the school.



I am well aware that surrounding all schools there is often community rumour and innuendo and my strategy is always to invite people in for a discussion on the actual evidence, as well as listen to their views on the solutions to best support the learning of all students. Usually these comments come from the ill-informed and I firmly believe in evidence-based decision making as the starting point for the discussion. All I ask is that before commenting publicly, model the same principles we encourage from students ie; (a) stop what you are doing, (b) think if it sounds plausible or true, and (c) consider the impact of your response. The open invitation is always there for all parents or community member to discuss any issue as when there is a combined focus, belief and alignment to make our school be the best it can be then genuine improvement can occur.

A reminder that Term 2 recommences on Monday 19 April and all students are expected to return. In Term 2, there will be a renewed focus on our Good Standing Policy, and the need for all students to maintain this status in order to be eligible for excursions and activities that occur. This is particular relevant for students wanting to attend Country Week or reward activities as parents and students need to be informed that participation on an excursions is not a right, but rather a privilege. In order for students to leave the site to represent the school, we need to be clear on the need to maintain regular attendance, sensible behaviours, hand scheduled work tasks in and explain all absences.

COVID-19 Update

While WA has not had any community spread of the virus for some time, we are continuing to plan our response for a range of possible scenarios that may impact on the operation of the school (see below). We will also be continuing with our various health and safety measures to minimise the spread of illness in the school. The Education Department will also be maintaining additional funding for enhanced COVID-19 cleaning in Term 2, 2021.

In the event of a disruption to the school teaching and learning program (such as a lock down due to a COVID 19 outbreak), the school will communicate directly with students, parents and the community through a special Parent Update. This message will be emailed directly to parents and students through CONNECT. This communique will include important information about the nature of the possible disruption and how and when students will be able to access online learning and contact their teachers. Every endeavor will be made to minimize the impact on student learning and both parents and students will be provided with updated information as it comes to hand.

Associate Principal Middle School - Maxine Clark

It has been a busy end of term with many extra curricula activities for our students to enjoy. We have had Bully No Way Day, Harmony Week and Bunuru Awards Carnival.

Congratulations to all the students who remained in Good Standing for the whole of Term 1 and received the awards they earned. In our first round of Good Standing, 458 students received an award. To be in Good Standing students need to attend school at least 90% of the time, ensure all their absences have been explained, and behave in accordance with the school expectations of Respect, Responsibility and Tolerance.



The good news is all students start each term in Good Standing. To ensure they maintain Good Standing it is important we all encourage students to attend school, ensure all absences are explained and assist them to manage their behaviour according to school expectations. Remaining in Good Standing will give your child the opportunity to, receive an award week four, attend the Year 7 to 10 Social planned for week 8, to participate in school excursions throughout the term and take part in Country Week during Week 11.

Term 2 is traditionally a busy time with students working hard to achieve their best. It is going to be a long term so we need to ensure we can all last the distance. Please keep checking in with your child and asking them about assessment tasks and providing the support they need. Please remember if you have any concerns regarding individual subjects contact the relevant teacher, if you have general concerns contact the appropriate year leader or Associate Principal. We are all here to help and support your child. Holidays are a good time to sort out the file and check the pencil case to see what gear needs replacing. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy, restful and safe Easter holiday and look forward to working with you during Term 2.

Rewarding Positive Behaviours

Teachers and staff are always looking to reward students who demonstrate the school's values of **Responsibility, Respect** and **Tolerance**, such as working to the best of their ability, contributing to school activities and are helpful to others. The school's current focus has been rewarding students for arriving to class on time and being ready to learn.

This year, students have already had a share in more than 32,000 Vivo points awarded for 'doing the right thing'. Students rewarded with VIVO points can exchange them for prizes in the 'reward store' including vouchers for the canteen and school events such as the Year 12 Dinner.

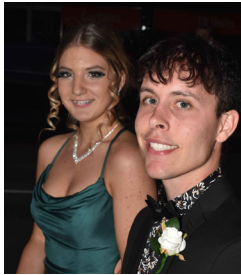
Parents/guardians ask your children to show you how many VIVOS they have collected by going to vivomiles.com.au. If they have forgotten how to log on, they can always ask Ms Penny.



Mrs Wendy Sargeantson

Xavier Ballard, Darcy Copeland and Bella Logie with Ms Penny and the VIVOS Rewards Trolley

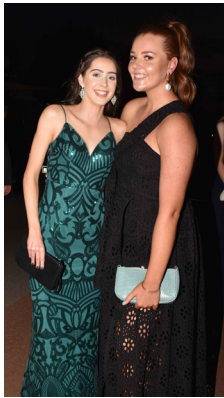
Ball Arrivals



Jessica Townsend &
Rory Haywood
Best arrival Yr 11



Best Year 12 Arrival
Takayla Pence and
Jerrimiah Thorne



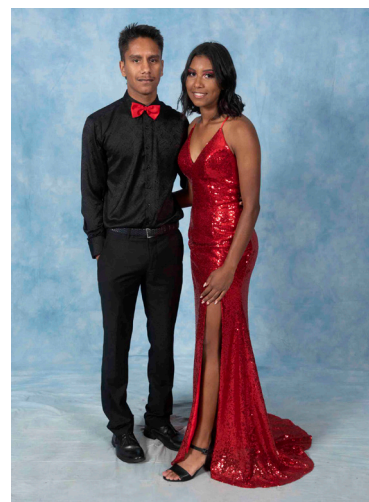
Ball Photos courtesy Bliss Studios



Grace Glynn Nikota Scholz & Mikayla Cooper Yr 12



Ingrid Tipton, Tahlia Edge and Jaida Moore Yr 12



Yr 12s Jeremy Ugle & Aailyah Ugle



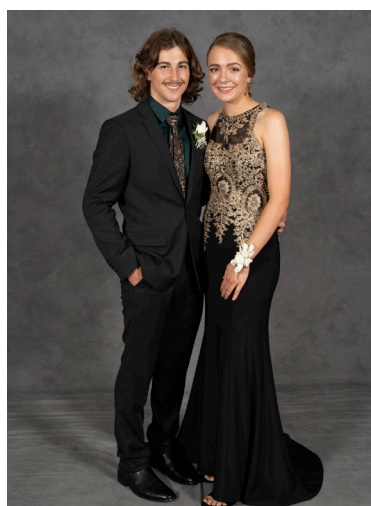
Alistair Potts - Teacher
Dakota Ahrens - Yr 11
Kayla Stokes - Teacher



Ashleigh Erickson - Yr 11
Chloe Bertuola - Yr 11



Twins Rohan & Dylan Annear with
Twins Emma & Katie Phillips



Best Yr 12 Couple
Kynon Spencer Head Boy and
Tayla Licence



Matilda Simpson with
Emerine Niyokwizigira



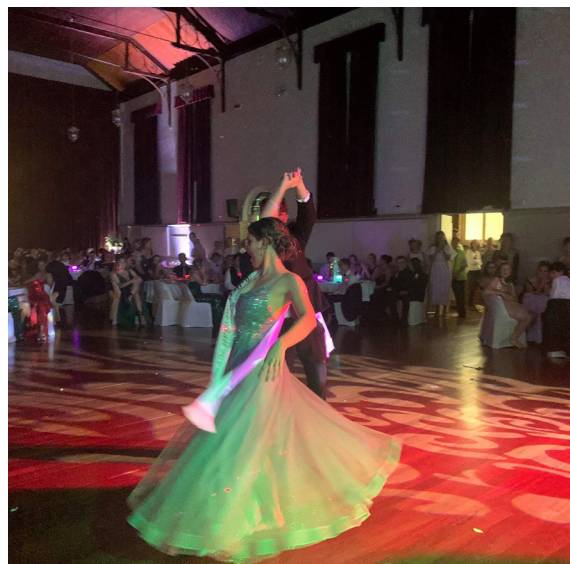
Yr 11 Students
Clare Johnson Courtney Dewing
Mackenzie Williams Caitlin Pratt &
Tayla Battley







Prefect Jayeisha Ford - Best Groover



Belle - Abby Nottle



Staff Flash Mob dance - Zorba the Greek



Zoe Enright, Bree-Anna Pike and Maddison Linaker are helping with ball preparation.



Solar Car Challenge



The Year 8 class (8Sci_1) took part in the Solar Car Challenge Competition.

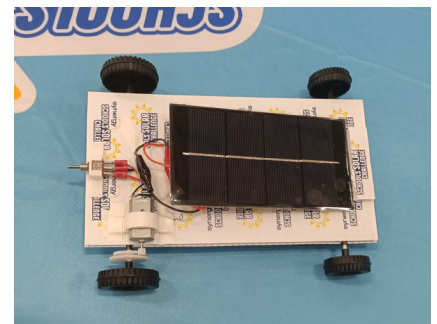
We reached this year's grand final after winning the regional final in Collie with one of our teams, which included Denby Young, Kate Corner, Emily Nottle and Zoe Munns.

The above team had to improvise to harness the power of the sun. They did a great job completing construction of the solar car within 15 minutes of the 45 minutes construction time. They had enough time to test the car and make small modifications.

Then it came to the races and we did well ... so well - that we achieved 2nd place. This year we were the best government school, only losing the final two races by a small margin to Kingsway Christian College.

This is a great achievement for us as this is our first time entering the competition. This achievement is a whole class effort as the team used the mistakes of the rest of the class's solar car constructions and rectified the mistakes.

Mr Jean D'Cruz



Harmony Week



A week long celebration of the diverse cultures and backgrounds of students and staff at Narrogin Senior High School was acknowledged from the 22 - 26 March addressing the theme “Everyone Belongs”.

Mrs Sargeantson’s Year 11 and 12 business students created engaging PowerPoints to educate and quiz students of the purpose and origins of Harmony Week in Advocacy.

Ms Meldrum’s Year 8 dance students performed a Bollywood piece titled “Malhari” for the year meetings.



A special Harmony Week Assembly on the Wednesday 24 March provided an opportunity for students and staff to share some of their migration stories and emotional journeys. The day was celebrated by the wearing of orange to signify social communication and mutual respect. The band played “Wind Dances” by Richard Saucedo.

To celebrate, Student Services organised a Sausage Sizzle for everyone to enjoy.

Thanks to the Harmony Committee, Ms Meldrum, Mr D’Cruz, Ms Penny, Ms Williams, Mr Potts, Ms Clark and Mrs Sargeantson.

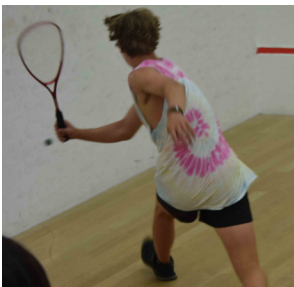


Ms Heather Meldrum



Bunuru Carnival - What a Great Day!





Celebrating High Attenders

Students who attend school regularly have more opportunities to learn. This leads to better results in school, as well as in post-school achievements, compared to those students whose attendance is irregular.



Student should attend more than 90% of the time to optimise their learning. To celebrate those students who had achieved and maintained this attendance target through to week 8 were rewarded with an icy pole at lunchtime.

Mr Stewart along with the other year leaders were delighted to congratulate all the high attending students.

Mrs Wendy Sargeantson



Aiden Rawlings, Casey Jacobs and Mr Stewart sharing in the icy pole treat

Specialised Netball Tournament

On Friday the 26 March, a Year Nine and Year Ten Netball Academy team travelled to Perth to play in some competitive netball games against other Netball Academy specialist schools at the Kingsway Netball Complex in Wanneroo.

The students played against students from Darling Range, John Forrest, Churchlands, Thornlie, Butler, Warwick, Byford and Aranmore.

Players in the year nine team were: Amelia Corasaniti, Abby Dewing, Claire Conlan, Trazine Farmer, Sienna Lanciano, Hayley Page, Sharny Shipway, Tyler Steere and Anieli Turner-Reid.

Players in the year ten team were: Dakoda Bolton-Black, Meka Epworth, Ella Hann, Ella Harrington, Karli Martin, Aikysha Papertalk, Kiana Roser, Christina Smith and Charli Wiese.

Under sweltering conditions, both teams played exceptionally well and won all games in their respective divisions! Thank you very much to Melita Davey, Holli Hanson and Kelly Steere for coaching and umpiring.

Mrs Sarah Corner
Netball Academy



United Nations (UN) Youth State Conference

Over the weekend of 9-21 March, I attended the United Nations (UN) Youth State Conference for 2021. This year's conference discussed the relationship of nationalism vs globalism, and how the two concepts affect both the economic and social factors of all sovereign countries. The conference was run by a group of facilitators all passionate about seeing and supporting change in the world, encouraging the 93 delegates who attended this year to do the same.

Each delegate was allocated a country to complete research on and elected to one of 3 committees to partake in mock debates. These committees included the Human Rights, UN Development Program and Disarmament and International Security committee.

Over the 3 days we had the opportunity to meet several panelists who discussed their views on different issues and offered advice to all delegates.

One of these speakers included Professor Peter Newman, who is an environmental scientist, currently Professor of Sustainability at Curtin University and was awarded an Order of Australia for sustainable transport and urban design in 2014. The facilitators ran several workshops based around what nationalism and globalism are and how they are incorporated into the organisation of a sovereignty/country and how this effects a nations response to global issues. All issues explored were relevant to the current situation of the world, including global crisis' (ie. COVID19) and the execution of political/social movements (ie. BLM, the MeToo movements). We completed different activities included in IPS (Interactive Problem Solving) and ended the conference with an MUN (Model UN) mock debate, where we amended and passed two resolutions: The Question of Globalisation and its Impacts on Human Rights, as well as The Question of Global Threat Response. The experience was overall very inspiring and was a valuable way to improve my public speaking and confidence. I had the opportunity to meet many wonderful and driven delegates and facilitators and I recommend to all student's year 9-12 in the upcoming year to register for the UN Youth State Conference in 2022, as well as any other of UN Youth's events.



Chloe Bertuola

Worlds Greatest Shave



Before the shave.

Jayeisha Ford participated in the Worlds Greatest Shave and has currently raised in excess of \$3,800 for Blood Cancer.

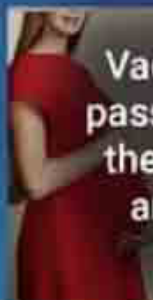
She was well supported by staff and students who raised \$912.70 with a Free Dress Day and donations



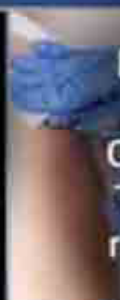
Latoya Bolton-Black with Jayeisha

THIS WEEK IN SCIENCE

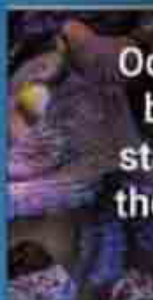
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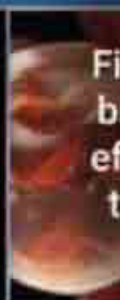
Vaccinated pregnant mothers pass on COVID-19 antibodies to their babies during pregnancy and via breastfeeding, new research reveals



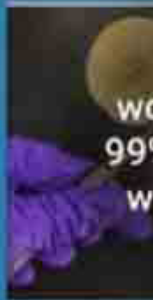
Nearly 528 million people have been vaccinated against COVID-19 across 141 countries. The average global vaccination rate is 13.82 million shots a day



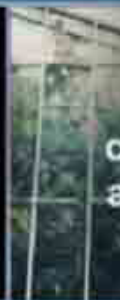
Octopuses, like humans, have both an "active" and "quiet" stage of sleep, indicating that they may have dreams like us, new study finds



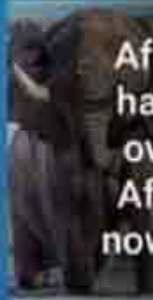
First-ever vaccine for malignant brain tumors reported safe and effective in early trial. It triggers the desired immune response against the tumor cells



Newly developed natural wood-based filters can remove 99% of bacteria in contaminated water, allowing clean water to be more accessible



Greenhouses fitted with semi-transparent solar cells can generate electricity without affecting the growth and health of the plants inside



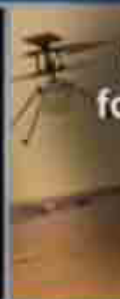
African elephant populations have decreased dramatically over the past decades. Both African elephant species are now endangered, one critically



Scientists genetically engineer immune cells to deliver anticancer signals; preventing cancer from spreading to other tissues and organs of the body



New stunning image of a supermassive black hole reveals mysterious powerful jets blowing matter thousands of light years into space



Ingenuity helicopter prepares for takeoff on Mars. For the first time ever, humans will test powered, controlled flight on another planet



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