

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Narrogin Senior High School Issue 8 2021



Launch of Voices from the Hill

On Thursday December 9 the launch of the inaugural literary and visual arts book, Voices from the Hill, was held in the Performing Arts Centre at Narrogin Senior High School.

This was a collaboration between the English Department and the Visual Arts Department. Students were invited to submit their work and are to be commended for the quality of what they submitted.

There was generous support from the Narrogin Lions Club, and Mr Fred Steer, President of the P and C who presented the prizes to the winners in each category.

The winners were:

Upper School Fiction
Upper School Non Fiction
Lower School Fiction
Lower School Non Fiction
Lower School Poetry

Creative Illustration Jodie Higgs Creative Illustration Highly Commended

Annie Robbins
Gabrielle Cousins
Lourisse Asuncion
Abby Dewing
Lilli Beresford and
Abby Dewing
Jodie Higgs
Commended
Imani Thornton

Visual Language Photography

Valedictory Speech Leiyah Butler
Darcy Andrews

All students who contribute were presented with a copy of the anthology.

The quality of the writing and visual arts are very high and all the students who contributed should be very proud of their achievements.

> Mrs Bishop HOLA English



Annie Robins





Principal Sandii Stankovic

So we bid 2021 farewell – it has been a marathon of some kind especially since the last edition of the Newsletter.

What has been great about this time of the year is being able to acknowledge the great work students have achieved and the support provided by the staff to assist the students success. The best thing about this job is I get invited to all of these events and sit proud amongst the parents, caregivers, peers and staff.

The Voices from the Hill: A Literary & Arts Anthology The launch entailed students reading their work to the audience of which were very impressed with their literary achievements as well as their public presentation skills. The art work from students used to complement the book was an added bonus. Students that had their work published received a copy. For any additional copies they are available from the front office for \$15.00.



The NSHS Sports Academy had a great presentation afternoon last Friday. Peter Bell addressed the audience with stories of his past, his journey through sport and life along with his purpose in life. I hope the students found this as inspiring as I did. We are so lucky at NSHS to be able to have these type of events. I cannot remember a time at any other school whereby we have had the above and; Prefect Camp, Follow the Dream presentation, Clontarf Presentation, Shooting Stars Presentation, Performing Arts



Concert, Night at the Museum, Room 30 Afternoon Tea, and Top Student Assembly in the last few weeks of school. We certainly are sprinting to the finish line.

Year 6 Graduation took place this week. I had the fantastic pleasure of attending both Narrogin Primary School and East Narrogin Primary School. What great community events these are. I am in awe of how ENPS and NPS have nurtured the Year 6s into capable and aspiring students. We certainly have our work cut out here and we are ready to continue their educational endeavours. I took note of the aspirations of students and we have developed a whole school advocate program to assist with the Transition – so we are ready. I am pleased to see that 100% of ENPS and over 80% of NPS students are enrolled here at Narrogin Senior High School. We are really looking forward to 2022.





Kynan Spenser and Eliza Coppock (2021 NSHS Head Prefects) provided an insight to the wonders of high school for the transitioning Year 6s - praising the staff on providing many opportunities for all students.

2022 Transition coordinated by Ms Thomas and Ms Chapman saw over 110 Year 7 students join us for the day. Parents of Year 7 also attended the day. Following the presentation a tour of the school and morning tea was arranged. The students engaged in an array of activities to assist with their transition to high school. I spoke with the students in regards to expectations and asked what they took away for their first day of high school. Cooking seemed to be the big winner.



One of the two groups of parents engaged in the tour of the school



Enjoying Transition Day

We say farewell to Ms Borthwick (PHE), Mr Grey (Music) Ms Armstrong (Music), Mr Terzi (Science), Ms Edwards (Science), Mr McWilliams (English) and Ms Ryder (Science). Ms Sophie Bult our school psych is also leaving. We wish you all the best on your endeavours. Ms Pense (on LSL for 6 months) and Ms Martin (English - transfer for 12 months) and we also wish them all the best for 2022.

To our extended school community – I would like to take this opportunity for the wonderful support you have provided the school and look forward to an even bigger year in 2022.

Stay safe and happy these holidays and will see you on the other side.

Maxine Clark Associate Principal

It has been a privilege to be the Associate Principal in charge of Year 9 and 10 and see the growth and development of students during 2021. Students have had the opportunity to take part in many exciting and informative activities. It was fantastic to hear the positive feedback from students who attended the Career Day excursions and to dance the night away at our School Social.

A big thank you to Mr D'Cruz and Ms Williams for all their enthusiasm, energy and support throughout the year and the school councillors who have organised activities to ensure we all had fun. I am looking forward to seeing you all continue to develop into Responsible and Tolerant young adults.

I would also like to thank the parents and carers for all their support throughout the year. One of my favourite proverbs is, "It takes a village to raise a child". I thank you for letting Narrogin Senior High School support you in developing young adults who strive for excellence and make a positive difference to our community.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

All the best for 2022!!!

Top Student Assembly



Dance Entertainment



Student Councillor Award Recipients



Year 7 Top Students



Year 9 Top Students



Year 10 Top Students

Subject Top Students

Year 7

Darcy Copeland Scott Tyson Rowan Bradford Isabella Budby Rory Sands Emily Kulker Hannah Furphy Carly Thompson Jasleen Bajwa Caitlyn Gill

Year 8

Denby Young
Kate Corner
Kate Cousins
Emma Graham
Beau Flood
Tabitha Pederick
Jacob Oats
Isabel Koster
Xavier de Gruchy
Tamzin Pederick
Rik Nulla
Molly Wilton
Heidi Ackland
Ryland Paice

Year 9

Abby Dewing
Lilli Beresford
Harley Heywood
Beau Readhead
Amelia Corasaniti
Noah Logie
Noah Bowen-Zoccoli
Sophie Parsons
Lourisse Asuncion
Abby Dewing
Lilli Beresford
Abby Dewing
Talise Rogers-Bouffler
Nicholas Bowman

Year 10

Anisha Babic
Gabrielle Cousins
Leila Pederick
Hanna Jagan
Liberty Tullett
Mike Brillo
Tye Kemp
Isabella Marsh
Jacob Spencer
Matilda Carvey
Connor Logie
Ella Hann

Prefect Camp 2021

Over the weekend of 27 – 29 November, our group of 2022 Prefects travelled to Perth, along with Mrs Johnson, Mrs Steer and Mr Potts. Over the course of the weekend, we took part in a number of activities, which Ms Stankovic joined in when she came to visit. These activities tested our leadership skills, our teamwork, and our trust in one another.

The start of our weekend was an early one, leaving the school at 7am. The bus trip was fun, with us blasting music from the back, whilst I'm sure the teachers were trying to block the music out. Our first activity once arriving at the site was a number of leadership challenges that required each of us to individually test our leadership skills. After lunch we participated in what was everyone's favourite activities, the raft building and canoeing. For the raft building we were split in two teams, and let's just say we got very competitive... the canoeing was also a similar outcome. We played a number of games as we travelled down the river, and I'm sure no one can forget how Pottsie managed to tip his canoe before he had even left the bank. After dinner we had the opportunity to go on the 100m flying fox... in the dark! We were doing different tricks like the inverted tabletop or trust fall. It's fair to say, however, that Mrs Johnson was the queen of the flying fox. By the end of day one it was safe to say we were all exhausted.

On day two we did some challenging and sometimes slightly terrifying activities designed to further test our leadership abilities. Everyone did amazing, giving all activities a shot even when it meant overcoming their fears. After lunch it had become quite warm so we had a challenge to run the gauntlet, which resulted in everyone becoming saturated, Mrs Steer and Ms Stankovic more so than others, so we definitely cooled down after that. That night we went out and had a lovely dinner at Grill'd in Midland, with San Churro for dessert, and finished off the night with some intense ball planning.

On our final day of prefect camp, we travelled to Kings Park where we chilled for a while, admiring the war memorial and the view of Perth city, before setting off on the Treetop walk through the park. This camp truly strengthened our ties with one another, and we promise we will continue to adapt these leadership skills we have learnt on the camp to ensure we can be the most engaging and effective representatives we can be.









Chloe Bertuola

Night at the Museum



William Finlayson



Hannah Furphy



Hannah Furphy



Justice Dale



William Finlayson



Marley Chapman

The 4th annual Night at the Museum was held in Week 10 to display the amazing artefacts created by Year 7 and 8 students studying a significant individual from Ancient and Medieval History in HASS.

Congratulations to our People's Choice Award winners, generously sponsored by Narrogin Amcal Chemist.

Year 7 Winner Hannah Furphy Year 7 Runner-Up Harley Chapman Year 8 Winner William Finlayson Year 8 Runner-Up Justice Dale

What talented students we have here at Narrogin SHS!

Transition Day

On Friday 10 December, Year Six students who will be joining us in 2022 came to our Transition Day to get a taste of high school life.

Having visited for half day transitions, students were already confident in finding their way around and were excited to experience a variety of classes. They made fruit kebabs in Cooking, completed PAT Testing in Mathematics, got creative in Art, joined in amazing experiments in Science, enjoyed an English class and expanded their knowledge around our school values of respect, responsibility and tolerance.

It was a fantastic opportunity for students to ease their way into high school, to get to know the teachers and make new friends.

Already we have gotten to know many of the wonderful personalities among the group and we are looking forward to welcoming them all back in the next year as they begin their journeys at Narrogin Senior High School.

Ms Kristy Chapman













Year 9 and 10 NAEP Classes Visit Murdoch University –Regional Mathematics Day







On Tuesday the 30 November, 43 students from the Year 9 and 10 travelled to Murdoch University to participate in the Regional Mathematics Day. The three workshops extend students' understanding of the applications of mathematical concepts in the real world.

In Secret Agent Breakout Box workshop, students were asked to work together to solve puzzles and unlock the different types of locks within a given time. This activity further develops students' teamwork and communication skills.

During the business game, our students learnt about the effects of the economy. The game has provided our students a deeper understanding of business management especially on how to start up a business, manage product supply chains and bookkeeping.

Last activity was Find My Phone. In this workshop, students began by developing a picture model to represent the relationship between the phone tower, phone and its pinged distance, and then use this knowledge to pinpoint the location of the phone as it pings to different cell phone towers. Students will visually represent their calculated distances on a scaled map, and then propose the route they believe their phone has travelled.

The excursion provided an opportunity for our students to take a sneak peek around the Murdoch University. In addition, it encouraged students to pursue further study in the STEM subjects using a cross-curricular approach.

> Mr David Fung HoLA Mathematics



Primary Band Workshop

On Thursday December 2, 31 primary students from Narrogin Primary School, East Narrogin Primary School, St. Matthew's Primary School and Williams Primary School attended Narrogin Senior High School for a Primary Band Workshop.

For many students, this was their first experience playing in a full concert band. The students participated in team building activities, section rehearsals and full band rehearsals under the guidance of Mrs Wendy Armstrong and visiting specialist teachers Mrs Karen Niedermeyer (woodwind) and Ms Nicole Turner (Head of Percussion – Instrumental Music School Services). The day culminated in a short performance for parents, carers and friend.

The students focused well all day, participated in all activities, were fabulous ambassadors for each school and, I'm sure, were very tired yet happy by the end of the day. Many of the students returned to Narrogin Senior High School to perform for the End of Year Concert on Friday December 3. Some played in ensembles and all performed admirably in the finale to the concert, within the combined bands. They are to be congratulated on their achievements.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your wonderful support over the last three years, during my time back in Narrogin. Without your support our Instrumental Music programs couldn't be successful and provide such an important opportunity to students.

A huge thank you to your deputies and teachers too. I really appreciate all you have done and wish you well for the end of the year and a happy holiday.

Mrs Wendy Armstrong
Music











Dance and Music Showcase

The annual end of year showcase for the dance and music programs was held on Friday 3 December in the Performing Arts Theatre.

Students from Year 8, 9 and 12 dance performed their pieces learnt throughout the year in Jazz, Musical Theatre, and Contemporary dance styles.

The end of the dance section concluded with a surprise act performed by our staff tap troupe.

Students from years 5-12 from all Narrogin schools and Williams performed solo ensembles and band works as a culmination to the year of hard practice.

Congratulations to all students, parents and staff who were involved in making this event a great success.

A special thanks to the Year 12 students who returned to school to rehearse for and perform on the night.

We are proud of each and everyone of you.

Ms Meldrum, Mrs Armstrong and the Arts Team





















CLONTARF Academy Awards











The Narrogin Clontarf Academy recently hosted its first Awards night on the 11 November 2021 at the Narrogin Senior High School Trade Training Centre.

The night was the first of hopefully many that are going to occur over the years now that the Academy has been established at Narrogin Senior High School.

Over 80 guests attended and there was a great show of support from the community.

The inaugural graduating class of five year 12s are now Clontarf Graduates who will hopefully serve as an example to incoming and current students.

A big thanks to the Parents, Narrogin Senior High School Staff, Clontarf Partners and the Academy boys for making the night a success.

Attendance Awards

Year 7
Taylym Farmer
Year 8
Jacob McDonald
Year 9
Noah Bowen- Zoccoli
Senior Attendance
Taaj Furniss

Year 12 Graduates

Jerrimah Thorne Ethan Bennell Lorrence Bennell Jarrod Cunningham Taaj Furniss

Academic Awards

Year 7
Matthew Garlett
Year 8
Lochlan Mickle
Year 9
Tyler Kickett
Senior Academic
Jerrimiah Thorne

Clontarf Spírít

Year 7
Robert Galvin
Year 8
Ethan Long
Year 9
Jaxon Derich
Senior
Kevin Isaacs

Sports Awards

Year 7
Cameron Jetta and Kayel
Cameron
Year 8
Beau Flood
Year 9
Kyson Hill
Senior Sport

Jock Abraham

