# HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

"Respect, Responsibility & Tolerance"





**Issue 2 2025** 

#### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

nother successful Parent/ Caregivers/Teacher Interviews evening was held on Tuesday 25 March at Narrogin Senior High in both the Library and the Trade Training Centre.

Parents were invited to book a ten minute time slot with their child's teachers to discuss progress.

Over 55 parents took this opportunity to be informed by their child's subject teacher on how they were doing.



Those Parents/Caregivers who couldn't get an appointment took the opportunity to phone the school to speak to the teacher and make an appointment outside of school hours.

Mrs Regan along with Student Services had informative displays

around the Library. The photography students also showcased some of their work.











### Top Marks!



Abby Dewing adding her ATAR score of 99.5 to our 90+ ATAR Honour Board.

## Word of the Week (WoW) By David Budd

This is a new initiative that has been running at the school since the beginning of term. It has been created to expand the vocabulary of students and staff.

Each week a word is selected and sent out to all staff. When students either use the word in their work or use it conversation with a member of staff they are rewarded with 5 compass points. When a student uses the word in a highly effective way, the member of staff will email David Budd and will nominate them for the Literacy Legend award.

On a Monday morning, the new word is read out over the PA system, along with its meaning and the previous weeks Literacy Legend. Each weekly winner receives a small prize (this term it has been an Easter egg) and can boast of their Literacy Legend status. Many students and staff have been participating with this initiative, and it has really engaged the students to grow their vocabularies.

Words so far this term:

Democracy, Serendipitous, Discombobulated, Rejuvenate, Illustrious, Harmonious and Quintessential.

#### Term 1 Year 9 By Mr David Budd

It has been an incredibly busy and exciting start to the new school year for our Year 9 students, and they have demonstrated remarkable readiness and resilience in all they have undertaken. From navigating NAPLAN and subject assessments to participating in a range of enriching events, the year 9s have consistently embodied the school's core values with dedication and care.

As we approach the well-earned Easter break, I want to take a moment to celebrate two standout events in which our Year 9s truly shone: Burn Bright and the Hawaiian Ride for Youth. Their enthusiasm and commitment to these initiatives have been inspiring, and we couldn't be prouder of their efforts.

#### **Burn Bright**

The Burn Bright event was a powerful experience, highlighting how our students' respect and responsibility served as their foundation throughout the day. Led by Jackson, who delivered an inspiring program of self-discovery, every student engaged wholeheartedly, reflecting on who they are, who they aspire to become, and how they want to be seen by others.





A standout moment for me and the team was the 'Line of Truth', a simple taped line that students stepped forward to if they resonated with profoundly personal and emotional statements. Witnessing their courage and honesty was genuinely moving. As they stepped forward, they realised they were not alone in facing specific pressures or challenges, fostering a powerful sense of connection and support among them. Seeing our Year 9s embrace this experience with such openness was incredible, setting the stage for personal growth in the years ahead.

Our students' behaviour was outstanding, and their respect for the Burn Bright team was commendable. The feedback we received from the facilitators was overwhelmingly positive. They expressed how deeply impressed they were by our school and students, so much so that they hope to return next year to deliver the program to the next cohort.



The day concluded on a heartfelt note, with a message of gratitude led by Harry Marsh. Standing before his peers, he thanked the Burn Bright team for their time and effort, especially for traveling all the way from Sydney. He shared how much the experience had made the students reflect on their futures, leaving a lasting impact on everyone involved.

#### Hawaiian Ride for Youth

It was an absolute privilege to welcome Seth, Rachel, and the 40+ riders and their support team to our school. Watching them ride up the driveway to the Hilltop Café was truly magical, as they arrived for a well-deserved break to refuel and rehydrate.

Following lunch, I had the honour of escorting the riders to the residential college, where they spoke with our Year 9 students. I could not have been prouder of our students, who lined the pathway, cheering, clapping, and high-fiving the riders as they made their way through the school. Their energy, enthusiasm, and deep respect for the team who had just completed two gruelling cycling days were incredible. The riders were left speechless by the warmth of their welcome and spoke highly of both our school and students.

A particularly proud moment came when Blaise Reeves stepped forward to deliver the Acknowledgement of Country. This was his first time doing so, and he stood before 80 adults and 90 of his peers, without a script, to respectfully acknowledge the Wilman Noongar people before the event began. His confidence and sincerity were inspiring, reflecting the values we uphold at Narrogin Senior High School. I am immensely proud of Blaise and all our students for showcasing the strength of our school community and the bright future ahead.

#### Enjoy your well-deserved break

#### **Making ANZAC Biscuits**

By Holly Seery

This week, our Year 9 students baked ANZAC biscuits as part of their Food Design class. While following the traditional recipe, they took the time to reflect on the significance of ANZAC Day and what it means today.

This practical activity allowed students to engage with an enduring tradition while developing their baking skills.

A great effort by all!











#### Making Parfaits By Holly Seery







The Year 11 Food Science and Technology students took a hands on approach to food preparation, creating yoghurt parfaits from scratch. They made their own granola, and prepared a fresh berry compote to complement the dish.



This reinforced key concepts of food science, including nutrition, food styling, and the impact of homemade ingredients on taste and quality.

#### Easter Egg Hunt By David Budd

ear 9 spent their final extended advocacy of Term 1 completing an Easter activity. This began with a trivia quiz, themed to Easter and school subjects. We then all met on the Oval for a spirited Egg and Spoon Race.



This was a reward for the hard work and good







behaviour shown by the students this term. We had a lot of fun and competition prizes will be handed out this morning in Advocacy time.

#### Senior First Aid By Kristy Johnson

ear 12 Students have been completing their Senior First Aid qualification during Advocacy. First Aid is a great example of a skill that prepares students for life beyond high school, it is a great addition to their resume and giving students the confidence to help

students the confidence to help others in need.

Thanks to Mr Heil for giving his time to deliver this qualification.













#### Hawaiian Ride For Youth By Londa Finlayson

n behalf of the students and staff at Narrogin Senior High School, we extended our heartfelt gratitude to the courageous riders of the Hawaiian Ride for Youth who visited us on March 27. Their dedication, resilience, and commitment to raising awareness for better mental health are truly inspiring.

Undertaking a 700km journey is no small feat, and their efforts to support youth mental health and wellbeing are deeply appreciated by our school community. Their visit not only highlighted the importance of mental health but also encouraged our students to have meaningful conversations and seek support when needed.

We admired their strength, passion, and the positive impact they are making, and we wished them all the best for the rest of their journey.





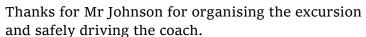






#### ATAR Students Experience Uni Life By Kristy Johnson

ear 11 and 12 ATAR students visited Curtin University for a day in the life of a tertiary student. In addition to campus and accommodation facilities, students participated in a Physics/STEM laboratory activity and met with past students from Narrogin SHS who are currently studying at Curtin. They learned about pathways and flexible course options, how to apply and some tips for study success.











#### Junior Induction and Cecil Andrew's Cup By Craig Davies



First full team from Narrogin Academy



Finals hype from the Assistant Coach



Showing respect at the end of the game

The Narrogin Clontarf Academy held an induction sleepover at the school for our junior boys. We used this as a tool to set the tone for the year and outline our expectations for behaviour in the Clontarf room and at Clontarf events. We started the afternoon with a brainstorming session with the boys about Clontarf 101 and what being a good bloke looks like. We then discussed the Cecil Andrews Cup, explained how the carnival would run, and outlined our expectations for the boys on the day.

After the brainstorming session, we took the boys out to the oval, where some senior boys ran a training session in preparation for the carnival. After the session, the boys enjoyed a BBQ dinner in the academy room. In Clontarf, we have a saying: 'Leave it better than you found it.' This was an opportunity for the boys to ensure the dishes were cleaned, tables were wiped, chairs were pushed in, and equipment was packed away. Following the tidy-up, 2024 graduate Tyler Kickett joined us for a chat about his Clontarf experiences and highlights.

The next day, we got the boys up at 5 a.m. to have their showers and breakfast before departing for the Cecil Andrews Cup at Gwynn Park in Armadale. On arrival, the boys were briefed by Clontarf staff before getting the carnival underway. Throughout the day, the boys represented both the school and the academy to the highest standard through their teamwork, fair play, and high-quality footballing ability. This resulted in the Narrogin Academy winning the Division 2 Grand Final at the end of the day.



Accepting the Grand Final Cup

#### Narrogin SHS vs WACoA 20/20 Cricket Game By Jordan Heil

eek 9, Wednesday, presented perfect temperatures for our Annual 20/20 Cricket match against Narrogin Agricultural College. Narrogin SHS's gardener, Michael Bathos, rolled the pitch once again, and the turf wicket was in great condition. Jax Moffatt won the toss and elected to bowl first.



Quick wickets had the college in doubt until Alex Fury made 56. Cody Heywood took 3 wickets for 15, and Jax, Tyson Ford, and Fletcher Parsons all had 2 wickets for less than 6 runs. At the end of the innings, Narrogin SHS needed 82 runs to win.

Cody proved himself worthy again with a top score of 26 runs before being caught in the outfield. The game came down to our last wicket. Lorenzo and TJ required 1 run to retain the shield. In a very close run-out call, Lorenzo made the run, and Narrogin SHS won with 1 wicket to spare.

Thank you to Mr. Stajic and Mr. Hough for umpiring, and Sandra Moffatt and Charlie Blechynden for scoring.



























# Small changes, UPDATED big differences.





# Teen Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Seminar Series For Parents of Pre-teens and Teenagers (Year 5 +)

#### Seminar One: Raising Responsible Teenagers

Find out what makes teenagers tick! You will come away with new ideas to encourage your teenager to make good decisions, be respectful, considerate, reliable and involved in family life.

DATE: Tuesday 25th March 2025

TIME: 6.15 pm

#### Seminar Two: Raising Competent Teenagers

Set your teenager up for life by helping your child get the most out of their school years. Find out how to help them communicate well, develop self-discipline and good routines, follow rules and solve problems.

DATE: Tuesday 6th May 2025

TIME: 6.30 pm

#### Seminar Three: Getting Teenagers Connected

Help your teenager develop good, supportive friendships. You will learn ways to build their confidence, encourage their social skills, help them to plan and meet commitments and encourage them to care of others.

DATE: Tuesday 5th August 2025

TIME: 6.15 pm

#### INFORMATION AND BOOKING

All seminars are FREE. At each seminar, you will be given a tip sheet to take home to remind you of the great ideas you've heard.

This is also a great opportunity to connect with other caregivers.

VENUE: Narrogin Senior High School Staff

Room

PRESENTER: Yvette Le Tessier

Each seminar lasts approximately 1.5 hours, and you can do one, two, or all three in the series. Please register your attendance by clicking the respective seminar title or search for the sessions by location (Narrogin) at

www.triplep-parenting.net.au/wa.

These seminars will be delivered after Parent/Teacher evenings and the Night at the Museum event. Come along and make a night of it!

#### **TERM 2**

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	W/E
April	28	29	30	1 May	2	3/4
1	SDD	• Assembly	• Yr 10 Immunisation  Clontarf - Yr 1	2 Leadership Camp	Prim Sch Umpiring     9-11 Netball     Yr 9 Library/     Museum Trip	
May	5	6	7	8	9	10/11
2	XXXX60AX	Police Talks - Think     U Know Yr 9      Wrifing Year 10 & 11	•			
		OLNA Numeracy & Reading Year 10 & 11				
May	12	13	14	15	16	17/18
3		Night at the     Museum	A Numeracy & Reading Ye	• Grt Sth Netball Cup Yr 7-12	***************************************	
May	19	20	21	22	23	24/25
4	• Sports Academy Meeting			• Albany BB- Clontarf		
4			Clonta FST & Vr. 12 Exame	arf - Albany Camp		
May	26	27	28	29	30	31/1
5	• School Board Meeting • Triple P 6:00pm			• Zoo Primates Exc	• Cheesies on the Hill	

