

# HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

"Respect, Responsibility & Tolerance"

Narrogin Senior High School



Issue 7 2024

## Clontarf Award Night

By Londa Finlayson



On November 21st, the Clontarf Foundation celebrated its end-of-year Awards Night in the Narrogin Senior High School Performing Arts Centre. The evening was a formal and welcoming event.

The ceremony was attended by several distinguished guests, including Clontarf CEO Gerard Neesham (via video link), Clint Ernst (Clontarf Regional Manager - WA Southern), John Shepard (CBH Group), Shane Wynne (Department of Education Coordinator, Regional Services), Sandii Stankovic (Narrogin SHS Principal), Lisa Nelson (Narrogin SHS Associate Principal), Craig Davies (Clontarf NSHS Director), Scott Beament (Clontarf NSHS), along with families, friends, and community members.

A special mention goes to the MC for the event, Beau Flood, whose delivery of the formalities were smooth, engaging, and professional. Craig Davies and Scott Beament also played key roles in presenting the awards, in a personal and meaningful way, while highlighting the achievements of the Clontarf Narrogin group.

The event included inspiring speeches from key guests, which left the students with valuable lessons and motivation for the upcoming year. Among the standout speakers were John Shepard, Shane Wynne, and Clint Ernst, who shared powerful messages that encouraged the boys to return to the academy in 2025 with even greater enthusiasm and commitment.

*"I would like to congratulate the Narrogin Clontarf Academy team on a tremendous night and seeing the community come together to celebrate the achievements of their students on a successful year also the award winners and especially the 3 graduating year 12's; Well done". - Shane Wynne - (Department of Education Coordinator Regional Services).*

*"It was a pleasure being there as CBH committed to our partnership, good to see consistency of young men being graduated with good values and commitment to program" - John Shepard (CBH Group).*

*"On behalf of Clontarf and as the WA Regional Manager, I am proud to celebrate the achievements of our Year 12 students and all award recipients at the 2024 Narrogin Clontarf Awards Night. A heartfelt thank you to the parents, school and the community for your ongoing partnership, dedication, and support in empowering these young men to reach their full potential." Clint Ernst (Clontarf Regional Manager).*

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The Staff at Narrogin Senior High School wish everyone a bright and hopeful New Year ahead.

## Clontarf Awards continued

The award recipients were also applauded for their thoughtful acceptance speeches, where they reflected on their personal journeys and expressed gratitude to the Clontarf Foundation for the opportunities of the past year.

One of the highlights of the evening was hearing from 2024 graduate Tyler Kickett, who spoke about his experience as a mentor and role model. Tyler's words resonated with his peers, as he shared the importance of putting in 110% effort, staying dedicated to education, and the rewards that come from hard work and commitment. His speech was an inspiring example of leadership and perseverance.

The night was a fitting celebration of the hard work and achievements of the Clontarf students, and it left everyone looking forward to another successful year in 2025.

### Award Winners

#### 80% Attendance

Jacob Day, James Kickett, Tyler Kickett, Kaylab Maley, Jacob McDonald, Lucas Bransby, Jarrah Carter, Tenokye Winmar, Blaise Reeves, Shelton Winmar, Elias McPherson, Laurence Parfitt, Beau Flood, Zechariah Ford, Lakyn Lawrence.

<b>Attendance Awards:</b>	Laurence Parfitt.
<b>Academic Award:</b>	Jacob McDonald.
<b>2024 Driving Award:</b>	Tyler Kickett.
<b>Employment Award:</b>	Beau Flood.
<b>2024 Most Improved:</b>	Jacob Day.
<b>2024 Junior Sports Award:</b>	Blaise Reeves.
<b>2024 Senior Sports Award:</b>	Kaylab Maley.
<b>2024 Junior Clontarf Spirit Award:</b>	James Kickett
<b>2024 Senior Clontarf Spirit Award:</b>	Tyler Kickett
<b>Class of 2024:</b>	Jacob Day, Jaxon Derich, Tyler Kickett.

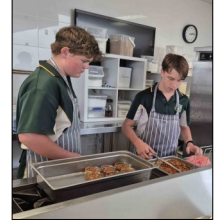
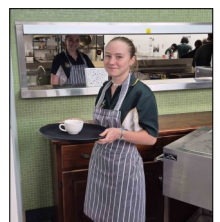
## Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

By Susan Pattullo

Mrs Pattullo's Year 8 Food Science Technology classes recently held our annual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea to raise money for cancer research. The class cooked and served some delicious food to family, friends, and staff in the schools Trade Training Centre (Hilltop Café).

The Year 8 morning teas have been a tradition at Narrogin Senior High School for 25 plus years and have been a fundraiser for the Cancer Council for over 20 years.

The students were pleased to be able to serve their family, friends, staff and the visiting teachers from Indonesia. They would like to thank everyone for the support they received.





## Message from the Principal

By Sandii Stankovic

As we close out this remarkable year, I want to reflect on the incredible progress and accomplishments that have defined our school community. Together, we have built momentum in key areas, laying a strong foundation for even greater success in the years to come.

This year has been filled with challenges that tested our resilience and milestones that celebrated our achievements. From the enthusiasm in our classrooms to the triumphs on the field (the first since 1991), and beyond, every student, parent, teacher, and staff member has contributed to our school's progress and success.

This year has been a turning point in **instructional leadership**. Our teachers and staff have embraced innovative strategies, fostering a culture of excellence and continuous learning. Professional development initiatives and collaborative planning have empowered our leaders to refine their role and build staff capacity to engage in greater things.

Our **student council** has also been a shining example of leadership and advocacy, amplifying student voices in impactful ways. We congratulate **Mia Ewen** who will continue to hold the flame for NSHS as a WA Student Council member. We will continue thoughtful initiatives and community/ school - focused projects, to strengthen school spirit and make positive changes that reflect the needs and ideas of our students. Their dedication reminds us of the power young leaders possess in shaping the future.

Additionally, this has been a year of outstanding **accolades and achievements**. From our NAPLAN, predicted ATAR, maths competitions to artistic showcases, and community service representation, our students have excelled across a wide range of endeavours. These accomplishments are a testament to their hard work, talent, and the unwavering support of our staff and families.

We bid farewell to some staff members and welcome more. We also thank our School Board chair **Fred Steer** who has been with us for several years and has been our greatest advocate. We thank Fred and always welcome him to be part of our future school celebrations.

As we celebrate these milestones, we also look ahead with excitement to the opportunities of the coming year. Together, we will continue to nurture a culture of learning, leadership, care and achievement that empowers every member of our school community.

Thank you for being an essential part of our journey. Wishing you and your family a joyful holiday season and a successful start to the new year!

## Staff Versus Students to a Soccer Match

By Jordan Heil

The afternoon of Wednesday 27 November saw Narrogin SHS teachers challenge our soccer club students to a friendly match.

Although the students were young and spirited, Mr Hortin refused to let any goals through.

The score went the way of the teachers 1-0. Great work all!



## MacqLit Awards Afternoon

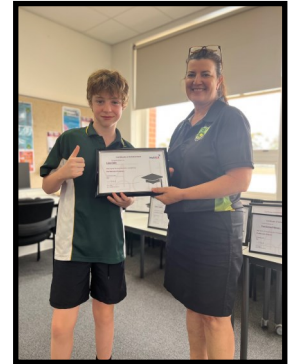
By Jill Warner

This year has seen seventeen students complete the Literacy Programme, MacqLit, at Narrogin Senior High School.

On Friday 29 November, we celebrated the student's success by hosting a certificate ceremony, and an afternoon tea in the staffroom.

Parents and guardians joined us in congratulating the students on their efforts throughout the year. Ms Sandii Stankovic awarded the student's their Certificates of Completion and then we all enjoyed an afternoon tea.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Booth, Mrs Woodford and Ms Hill for assisting me with delivering the MacqLit Programme this year.



## Work Placement

By Nan Steer



Desiree at  
Wagin Huggle Bears



Calvin at  
McDougall Weldments

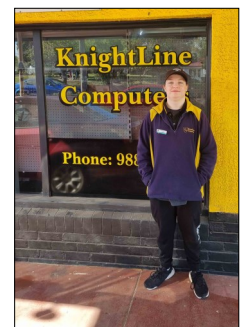


Jonathon and Calvin at  
Ian Raworth Construction

A number of our students were fortunate to get the chance to participate in Work Place Learning with local businesses. This is an amazing opportunity that could not happen without the continued support of these employers. For some students this year, this has resulted in offers of apprenticeships or helped guide the students in deciding what pathway they wish to pursue upon leaving Narrogin Senior High School.

Thank you to the following business for their support this year:

Wagin Huggle Bears Daycare	Wickein Primary School
Wagin District High School	Sam's Boutique Salon
Narrogin Primary School	Ian Raworth Construction
East Narrogin PS	McIntosh & Sons
McDougall Weldments	BKS Electrical
Knightline Computers	JW & BE Logie Contracting
Minding Auto Electrics	Narrogin Betta Home
RJ Smith Engineering	Narrogin Leisure Centre
REED Inc Narrogin	Residency by Dillons
M&V Ranieri	BMR Mechanical PL
Dept of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions	



Blake at Knightline  
Computers



Hannah at  
Wagin District High



# Prefect Camp 2024

By Kate, Tabitha and Tamzin

On the 23-25 November, the Prefect group attended Leadership Camp at Swan Valley Adventure Centre. We were tested as a team as we tried to solve multiple leadership challenges including Da Vinci's bridge and tarp turnover. Later we learnt multiple knotting styles in preparation for raft building and racing, ending with a close victory. River canoeing included multiple capsizes and mud fights. The night ended with 2025 School Ball planning and lots of laughs on the floor.

Day two started off with dare devil zip lining followed by high ropes courses in the searing heat (quenched by frozen juice boxes). Team encouragement helped to push people out of their comfort zones and grow as a collective. Catapult building proved that the female brain is sometimes stronger than the male brawn, later cooling down in the pool before heading off to Karrinyup. This was again proven as the girls blitzed through the casino escape room while the boys left the murder room shaking with fear. Sushi train left Rik defeated in a bet war with Mr Daley to determine who could eat the most sushi. Late night comedic first aid scenarios proved that Cadel would never pursue a job in nursing and Rik possibly a career in acting.

On our final day after cleaning and packing up, we went to Kings Park to read prepared speeches before voting on Head Boy and Girl.

Mr Daley's pretty princess birthday cake was a hit, and we visited the memorial in the park. The ride home consisted of Maccas and deep slumber.



Mr Daley with his birthday cake.





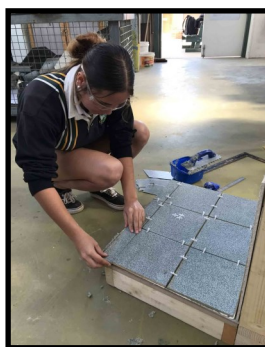
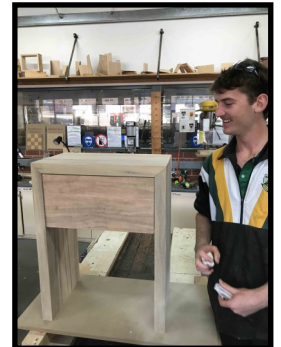
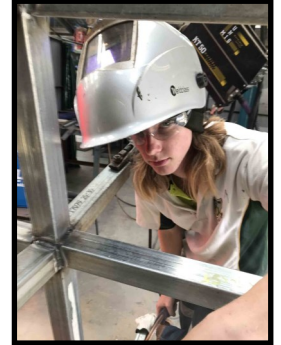
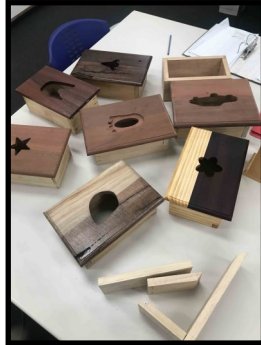
# Students Shine in Design and Technology

By Ms Marga Felipe

**B**uilding and Construction, Metals and Wood are highly specialised courses where students thrive with a sense of achievement once the final product is made. From the initial idea, students draw and use programs to refine measurements and details in the design features. They plan materials, resources and equipment to be used in the making process. Once accomplished, students reflect and evaluate their work. Congratulations to all students for their effort and hard work this year, and Mr Robins for his continued passion to ensure students succeed in Design and Technology pathways.







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# Top Student Awards

## Year 7

**Ebony Johnson** Art  
**Eden Stott** Health Education  
**Gretel Tinley** Digital Citizenship  
**Logan Pike** Physical Education  
**Lucy Sands** Aboriginal Language and Culture  
*Ma Sophia Margareth David* Humanities and Social Sciences  
 Indonesian  
 Mathematics  
 Science  
 English  
**Sophia Birrell** Food, Science & Technology



Year 7 Award Winners

## Year 10

**Cassie Coppock** Trade Workshop  
**Hayley Forsythe** Health Education  
 Digital Citizenship  
 Physical Recreation  
 English  
**Janelle Manio** Visual Arts  
**Jasleen Bajwa** Physical Education  
**Jax Moffatt** Humanities and Social Sciences  
**Millie Wilkins** Photography  
 Metal Design  
 Mathematics  
 Science  
**Rory Sands** Automated Systems  
**Scott Tyson**



Year 9 Award Winners

## Year 8

**Clancy Shepherd** Mathematics  
**Clancy Shepherd** Science  
**Clancy Shepherd** Indonesian  
**Henry Synnot** Physical Education  
**Lily Crocker** Food, Science & Technology  
**Olivia Dewing** Drama  
 Health Education  
 Humanities and Social Sciences  
 Indonesian  
 Food, Science & Technology  
 English

**Bella Corrales** English  
 Year 9 Mathematics  
 Science  
**Hunter Finlayson** Physical Education  
**Kacey Johnson** Automated Systems  
**Lily Hams** Visual Arts  
**Mia Ewen** Digital Citizenship  
 Photography  
 Metal Design  
 Wood Design  
**Pippa van der Riet** Food, Science & Technology  
**Rosie Hastings** Health Education  
**Zoran Vukomanovic** Humanities and Social Sciences  
 STEM  
 Photography

## Year 9



Year 10 Award Winners



Year 8 Award Winners





Night at the Museum



Night at the Museum



Student Council Awards



Student Council Years 7 -10



WA Student Council Member - Mia Ewen



Telstra Tech Awards



Long Tan and Future Innovators



Athletics Carnival Winners

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**By Sandii Stankovic**

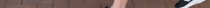
What a wonderful day we had on Friday – which could not happen without the leadership, collaboration and energy from a large team of people.

The purpose for the day is to ensure student feel comfortable in commencing high school next year. We asked the students at the end of the day and at least 90% of the students put their hand up to let us know they feel good about starting in 2025.

Big thank you to all the staff that supported, assisted and took part in the day. The vibe was definitely positive throughout the day, I do hope you all enjoyed this too.



Well done to all the staff that took classes – you all made an impression on the students as they loved their day. Well done to **Marga Felipe, John Johnson, David Fung, Brook Rintoul, Leanne Inglis, Student Services, Christine Davis, Mary Milbourn, Andrew Pratt, Sarah Hennessey** for taking the Year 6s through the pace of a lesson at the high school.

 Well done also to **Ellie Sheridan and Jean D'Cruz** who coordinated the Senior School Transition Program for the day – they definitely had their work cut out and the students felt at home by the end of the day. Not easy doing Years 8 – 12 all in one go and they did this with gusto.

Thank you to **Jill Warner** and her team for ensuring our student with needs were catered for. Jill was always there to lend a hand.

Big Thank you to **Lisa Nelson** who came back for the day to ensure all her good work continued. For someone that has come in to a school for less than 3 terms and been able to pick up the entire Transition program (and Canberra among other things) is admirable.

The parents were also provided with an information session, school tour (by our wonderful staff – also ex students, **Steven Durell, Londa Finlayson and Amy Ferguson**) followed by morning tea with the students.

The feedback was very positive and many parents thanked us for including them in the day. I think we also gained some board member nominations.

Another example of great staff working together for our students!





# Student Services Team

By Maxine Clark

We have had a fantastic time working with students and have enjoyed organising fun activities through the year.

We finished the year with Transition Day for students starting at Narrogin in 2025, Year 7 Dodgeball and our Adventure World reward excursion to celebrate all the students who have demonstrated our core values of Respect, Responsibility and Tolerance.

We would like to thank the Year Leaders Mr Daley, Mr D'cruz and Ms Meldrum who are leaving us at the end of the year. They will be remembered fondly by all staff and students for their contribution to the Student Services team

We are excited to announce our Year Leaders for 2025.

<b>Year 7</b>	<b><i>Ms Erin Kickett</i></b>
<b>Year 8</b>	<b><i>Mrs Leanne Inglis</i></b>
<b>Year 9</b>	<b><i>Mr David Budd</i></b>
<b>Year 10</b>	<b><i>Mr Jamie Perry</i></b>
<b>Year 11</b>	<b><i>Mr Kris McDonald</i></b>
<b>Year 12</b>	<b><i>Ms Ellie Sheridan</i></b>

Next year Narrogin Senior High School will embark on a new journey and become part of the Wellio Program. We know happy students can better engage in learning and that modern challenges are impacting the wellbeing of our students. The Student Services team and staff at NSHS are up for the challenge and will be using Wellio, a digital platform to implement a creative pro-active program to ensure we are delivering lessons with confidence and point of need.

[https://www.wellioeducation.com/en\\_au/](https://www.wellioeducation.com/en_au/)

The Student Services team would like to wish students and families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2025.





# Sports Carnival

On Thursday 11 October we held our first athletics carnival since 1991. Students competed in the following six events. 100m/1500m/Triple jump/ Long Jump/ Discus/ Shot Put. Congratulation to all students who qualified and competed for their house group. Leo were runaway winners with 4700 points.

Below are the individual champions.

Gender/ Year group	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Champion Boy	Jathan Revilla	Henry Synnot	Dylan Mulcahy	Neme Ezeorakwe
Runner up Boy	Matthew George	Blaise Reeves	Darcy Kokich	Kaylab Maley
Champion Girl	Lucy Sands	Bailee Pike	Samantha Armstrong	Isabella Budby
Runner up Girl	Gretel Tinley	Olivia Dewing	Hope Hayes	Horriekeesha Williams

Championship Leader Board									
Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10		Total	Place
Leo	2000.00	Leo	1060.00	Leo	1020.00	Leo	620.00	4700	1st
Taurus	320.00	Taurus	240.00	Taurus	680.00	Taurus	180.00	1420	4th
Scorpio	660.00	Scorpio	600.00	Scorpio	600.00	Scorpio	1860.00	3720	2nd
Pisces	380.00	Pisces	1280.00	Pisces	380.00	Pisces	480.00	2520	3rd







## 2025 JANUARY JUMP-START PROGRAM

Tuition for all students Entering Year 7 to 12  
Including NAPLAN & OLNA

13 January to 18 January 2025

### Venues

- Christ Church Grammar School
- Hale School

The January Preparation Program aims to prepare students for Term 1 (2025) before the academic year begins. The classes will revise those important components from the 2024 syllabus that are vital for success in the new year. The program will also preview what students can expect in their courses in 2025.

**\*20% school discount per subject\***

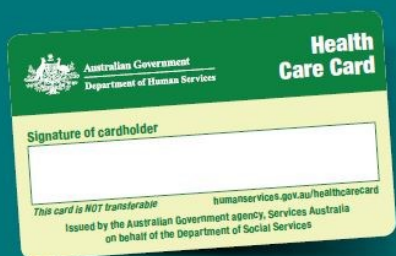
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## SCHOOLWORK DURING THE HOLIDAYS: HOW TO BALANCE REST AND READINESS

*The holidays are the perfect opportunity to hit reset—relax, recharge, and enjoy yourself. But while rest is essential, it doesn't mean you should completely ignore schoolwork. A bit of thoughtful planning can set you up for a smooth and successful return to school next year. Here are some ideas to consider for the holidays.*

### TIDY UP AND SET GOALS

- **Organise your space:**  
Transform your study area into a productive environment. Declutter, rearrange, and make it a place where you feel comfortable and focused.
- **Sort and simplify your materials:**  
Go through your school supplies, digital files, and notes. Keep what's essential, organise everything logically, and set up systems to make studying easier next year.
- **Plan ahead:**
  - Create term planners for the upcoming year to mark key dates when school starts.
  - Plan a weekly study timetable for next year to build good habits and stay on top of your workload.
  - If you can, find out any of the novels you will be studying in the coming year, read them over the holidays.
- **Focus on weak spots:**  
Identify tricky areas from last term, such as math concepts, grammar, foreign languages, or literacy skills, and dedicate some time to improving them. A little effort now can make a big difference later.

### STRETCH AND GROW YOUR SKILLS

- **Learn something new:**  
Challenge your brain by picking up a new skill or activity. Whether it's Sudoku, learning touch typing, starting a new sport, or trying out a new hobby, the holidays are a perfect time to push your boundaries and build new neural pathways.
- **Explore study resources:**  
Check out the Study Skills Handbook for tips on boosting your study habits, memory, or even your understanding of how your brain works. Start with the *Your Brain and Memory* unit for inspiration. Choose units to work on that will build your skills in areas of weakness.

### SPECIFICALLY FOR SENIOR STUDENTS:

- **Download and review syllabuses:**  
Familiarise yourself with course materials for the upcoming year so you can hit the ground running.
- **Tackle early assignments:**  
If you have assignments due early in the term, plan to complete them during the holidays. Starting strong gives you breathing room for other priorities.
- **Prepare for exams:**
  - Update your study notes and create summaries for major topics.
  - If exams are early in the term, dedicate regular time to study sessions.
  - For significant post-holiday exams, prioritise intensive preparation.

### HOLIDAY TIPS FOR A HEALTHY BALANCE

- **Set a schedule:** Block out specific times for schoolwork so you can enjoy guilt-free downtime.
- **Prioritise rest:** Catch up on sleep, enjoy hobbies, and take breaks to recharge your mind.
- **Stay active:** Physical activity, even a daily walk or stretch, can do wonders for your mental clarity.
- **Reconnect:** Spend quality time with family and friends to create meaningful memories.

Your holiday is a chance to rest and reset, but a little preparation can go a long way. Whether it's catching up on weak areas, planning ahead, or tackling major projects, balancing productivity with relaxation will help you return to school feeling refreshed and ready to succeed.

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