

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Norwood Secondary College provides a vibrant teaching and learning environment

TERM 2
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College Phone No. 9871 0400 **Student Absence Line:** 9871 0401

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Assistant Principals: Mr Kris Johnson and Mrs Jackie Harris

College Council President: Ms Tammie Palmer

College Captains: Olivia Kieffe and Samuel Ball

School Web Address: www.norwood.vic.edu.au

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

TERM 2, 2021

Monday 17 May

Health and Wellbeing Week

Wednesday 19 May

Year 10 Immunisations

Tuesday 25 May

Division X Country

Thursday 27 May

Whole School Free Dress Day

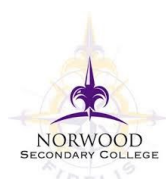
Fundraiser - Royal Flying Doctors Service

Saturday 29 May

Jazz Night 7pm - 9.30pm

Performing Arts Centre - NSC

<https://www.trybooking.com/BQWKY>



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

The 2020 Annual Report was presented to College Council and ratified at the recent Council meeting (27 April). The Report is published on our website (norwood.vic.edu.au/annual-reports/) and it offers a wealth of information about the College's achievements and progress. The Department of Education and Training (DE&T) provides schools with various data to be included in the Annual Report. There is a leaner offering in this Annual Report as a consequence of 2020 being impacted by COVID and remote learning: NAPLAN testing was not done and the Student and Parent Surveys were also not completed. However, the Staff Survey data and several areas of student achievement have been included and they make interesting reading. Please take a few minutes to visit our website and have a read of our progress through one of the most extraordinary years in memory.



A HEALTH CONCERN

Parents and carers may have seen some coverage in the media of the rise of 'vaping' amongst teenagers. It appears that although there are restrictions on the availability of vaping canisters containing nicotine, they are increasingly being sourced by young people. Research in the US has identified that vaping has a 'gateway effect' to smoking cigarettes – as have recent studies by the Cancer Council in Australia. With nicotine being highly addictive, any use of vaping canisters/e-cigarettes etc could lead to a resurgence of cigarette smoking....along with the many well documented health risks. There is also emerging evidence that e-cigarettes, themselves, can cause lung disease. Consequently, at Norwood Secondary College, we will deal with any possible use of e-cigarettes as we would deal with cigarettes – that is, they are illegal for young people to purchase or use (for good reason). I suspect many of our parents will remember the days when some students at schools would hide in various corners of school grounds to 'have a smoke' at recess/lunch...it seems like a long time ago that school staff 'helped students recognise the inadvisability of smoking'. It would be very sad for there to be a return to such days with e-cigarettes and I ask parents to support our stance that vaping is not only an illegal activity for teenagers, but also a risky and unhealthy activity – one that we should actively discourage amongst our young.

Andrew Sloane, College Principal



Royal Flying Doctor Service



COLLEGE CAPTAIN NEWS

COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT

Term 2 so far has definitely been eventful, and there is only more busyness and excitement to come! Already we have held our College Open Night. It was great to see so many students and parents excited about their potential futures as a part of the Norwood community. Helping out on the night, I felt very proud showing future parents and students around the school and watching them experience and learn about the array of opportunities Norwood SC has to offer. It was an excellent event thanks to the dedication of all the teachers and student helpers involved in organising and running the night.



Term 2 is packed with fun events for Year 12 students. A helpful one was the Careers Expo held on Friday, 30 April. We attended Caulfield Race Course where various career/University stalls were set up. It was great to learn about so many different career pathways and have the opportunity to collect more information to help us with deciding what path we want to take in the future. Our next 'Dress-up Day' is fast approaching - we will all be dressed in outfits from decades of our choice in Week 5. I can not wait to see the range of groovy costumes to come!

On the topic of dressing up, coming up soon is our formal, probably the biggest event for Year 12 students. We are all so excited to get dressed up and spend a special night together as a cohort. However, although Term 2 is full of fun activities, it can also be a stressful time with many SACs and not to mention mid-year exams as well. Therefore, I wanted to take this opportunity to remind my fellow Year 12s (and of course any other students who may be feeling overwhelmed) that your wellbeing remains the top priority - make sure to take care of your mental health at all times! Take breaks, get outside and check in with your friends.

Olivia K, College Captain

YEAR 11 NEWS

FUNDRAISER FOR THE ROYAL FLYING DOCTORS SERVICE

The Royal Flying Doctors Service (RFDS) is a not-for-profit organisation which provides emergency and primary health care services for those living in rural regions of Australia who cannot easily access a hospital. Relying heavily on donations for supplies and operation, each year the RFDS helps thousands of Australians in need and is one of the largest aeromedical organisations in the world.



To support this inspiring service, on Thursday, 27 May the Year 11 Leadership Team will be hosting a 'Free Dress Day' and a lunchtime Sausage Sizzle. All proceeds made on the day will be delivered directly to the foundation by the members of the year level attending the Central Australia Tour. Norwood SC has been supporting the RFDS for over a decade, raising annual contributions of over two thousand dollars. With last year's fund disrupted by the lockdown, this year, as a community we aim to raise as much money as possible. Therefore, any and all donations are welcome for families willing to help out in the attempt to assist this crucial foundation in any way we can. So do not forget to bring your gold coin donation, along with money for a sausage and lunchtime activities to do your part in contributing to this incredible organisation.

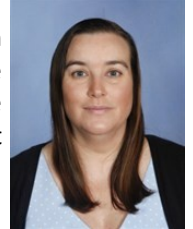
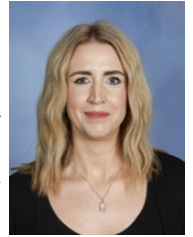
Caitlin W and Evan B, Year 11 SRC Leaders



STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS

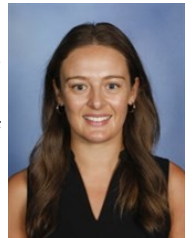
YEAR 8 – MAROONDAH YOUTH SERVICES

MeKayla and Rachelle came out to present to our Year 8 students last week during Mentoring, with a focus on Fixed Mindset vs Growth Mindset. A number of our students have done work regarding Growth Mindset in primary school, and this was a fantastic reminder for students about the importance of seeing challenges as an opportunity to stretch existing abilities, and failure as an avenue to grow. MeKayla and Rachelle were both engaging and informative with their presentation to the students, and were able to involve the students in some hands-on activities. Check out all of what they do at <http://www.maroondahyouth.com.au/Home> or @maroondahyouth on Instagram.



YEAR 12 – STRESS MONSTER

A small group of Year 12 students participated in a 2 hour workshop called "Stress Monster". The program aims to help identify triggers of stress and effective methods of managing what can be a difficult year. Feedback showed that all our students were extremely satisfied with what the program had to offer, and we look forward to running it again next year!



STUDENT WELLBEING COMMITTEE

Our Student Wellbeing committee is headed by our Student Wellbeing Prefects, they will be engaging in leadership training with Maroondah Youth Services starting next week. Students are lucky enough to be engaging in four sessions over Terms 2 and 3, with the aim to foster a sense of teamwork and aspiration amongst the Committee. It will be a fantastic opportunity for students to develop leadership skills and take time to critically reflect on their values, personal leadership style, and opportunities for growth.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club is up and running on the Wellbeing Deck! On Wednesdays and Fridays, the Student Wellbeing Team and Student Wellbeing Committee will be serving up hot Milo, cereal, toast, toasted sandwiches and other delicious food so all Norwood students can start the day with full stomachs. Come down to the Wellbeing Deck at 8am for a chat and to enjoy some delicious food!

Jacki Landy, Annie Hearne and Chayna Dight-Stone
Student Wellbeing Team





PRODUCTION NEWS

WIND IN THE WILLOWS

On Open Night, The Production Team and members of our core cast welcomed visitors to view our Open Production Rehearsal of this year's show, *The Wind in the Willows*. The cast and crew are very excited to perform the full show in all its splendour to audiences this August at the Karralyka Centre!



Zoe Taylor-Lynch, Production Producer



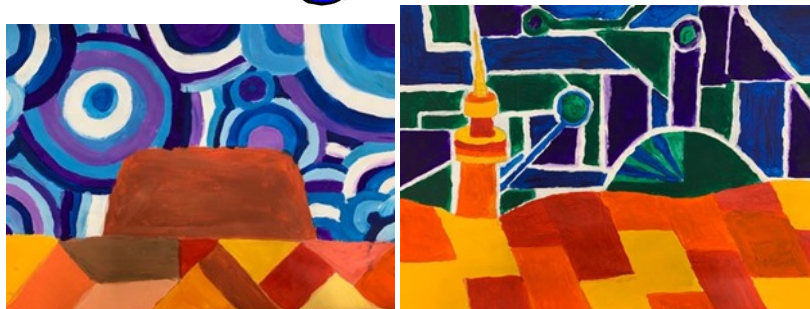
ART NEWS

YEAR 8 ART

Year 8 students have created abstract artworks inspired by artist Robert Delaunay. Students investigated the artist's techniques and developed design ideas before producing excellent paintings that explore contrasting colours, and geometric shapes and a famous landmark.



Melissa Cherry, Art Teacher



MUSIC CALENDAR

TERM 2

JUNIOR BAND Mondays 8am in D7

JAZZ NIGHT REHEARSALS

Commence every Thursday
(6.30pm-8.30pm in D7)

JAZZ NIGHT

Saturday, 29 May
7pm - 9.30pm
Performing Arts Centre

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Wednesday, 2 June
6pm in D7

TERM 3

MUSIC CAMP

Monday, 19 July to
Wednesday, 21 July



ANNUAL MUSIC CAMP

Information will be coming home next week regarding the Annual Music Camp. This is a huge highlight of the year as all ensembles get the opportunity for intensive rehearsals combined with team building/trust activities. Some of the fun activities will be reptile handling, candle making, flying fox, rock climbing and more plus a special evening of hands-on entertainment with an African Drumming Group visiting. All dietary requirements are catered for and the bunk houses are heated and include an ensuite. It is expected that all ensemble members will attend.

Date: Monday, 19 July to
Wednesday, 21 July
Venue: Oasis Camp, Mt Evelyn

Ensembles attending:

Junior Band, Junior Strings, String Ensemble, Concert Band, Chorale and Acappella.

JAZZ NIGHT - SATURDAY, 29 MAY

Jazz Night rehearsals are in full swing! We are delighted to have some Norwood Music Staff in the band this year including Ms Lauren Innes (Brass), Mr Sean Smyth (Brass), and Mr Mat Robb (Guitar). We also have the following ensembles performing: Concert Band, Jazz Band, String Ensemble, Chorale and Acappella. (No Junior Ensembles required).



Sam N rehearsing with 'Plan B Big Band' last week

Six of our amazing Senior Voice students will be performing with 'Plan B Big Band', we can not wait to hear Jason S, Sam N, Chris T, Rachael S, Rica P and Ella S. Be quick as seats are selling fast - see the Trybooking link on page 7.

Jo Dema, Music Coordinator



CLASSROOM MUSIC COMPOSING AND CONDUCTING

Below are our Year 7 students writing “soundscapes” and conducting, achieving wonderful results. Soundscapes are when we use sound and music to create the atmosphere of a story being told. These sounds can be background noises, sound effects, or musical instruments that sounds like what is happening (e.g. using a maraca to sound like rain).



The Norwood SC Music students and staff cannot wait to welcome you to
our first BIG night of Music for 2021

NORWOOD SECONDARY COLLEGE 2021



Cancelled in 2020, but WE ARE BACK!

Featuring David Farrell's fab Plan B Big Band

With our Senior Singers and Ensembles

Enjoy Jazz and Rock hits such as:

*Almost Like Being in Love, Sway, Jailhouse Rock, Come Rain or Come Shine,
L-O-V-E, This madness called love and MORE!*

Date: Saturday, 29 May

Venue: Performing Arts Centre Norwood SC

Time: 7pm-9.30pm

BYO: Supper hamper/refreshments

Table bookings available

<https://www.trybooking.com/BQWKY>

Tickets: \$10 flat rate per seat. Performers - free

Note: This is a reduced cost for Adult tickets from previous years - No other concessions

Funds raised going towards a new trumpet and clarinet

COMMUNITY NEWS

WINTER COMMUNITY KNITTING/CROCHET PROJECT

Dear College Community,
As Winter draws nearer it is time to start Knitting or Crocheting. This year we will once again contribute our efforts to the KOGO organisation.



Please feel free to visit their website for inspiration and patterns.

<https://www.kogo.org.au/welcome>

Scarves are always welcome – with a request this year to knit in Indigenous colours of red, yellow, black. There is also a special request for fingerless gloves.

EVERY knitted/crocheted item collected will be forwarded to this worthy cause. For sample patterns visit the web site above and make your choice! Thank you for your support. All items can be dropped off at our General Office. Keep knitting!

Lisa-Jane Walmsley, Craft Coordinator



TERM DATES 2021

Term 1

27 January (Teachers Only) to 1 April 2021

Thursday, 28 January 2021

Years 7, 10 - 12

Friday, 29 January 2021

Years 8 - 9

Term 2

19 April to 25 June 2021

Term 3

12 July to 17 September 2021

Term 4

4 October to 17 December 2021

GENERAL OFFICE NEWS

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUNDING (CSEF)

Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding is again available in 2021. We encourage all families holding a valid means tested concession card to apply now. An application form is available via the link, applications will be accepted until the last day of Term 2.



The CSEF payment cannot be used towards voluntary school charges, books, stationery, school uniforms, Music lessons, etc. Each time you wish to use your CSEF for an event, please print out the excursion form from Compass Education and write "pay with CSEF". If you have any questions, please call the General Office on 9871 0400.

<https://www.norwood.vic.edu.au/community/>

Jane Arnold, Business Manager

UNIFORM SHOP

SHOP HOURS:

MONDAYS 8.30AM-11.30AM
THURSDAYS 1.30PM - 4.30PM



DOBSONS ONLINE (CLICK AND COLLECT):

Please visit: www.dobsons.com.au

Navigate to **SHOP** in toolbar

Click - Norwood Secondary College Logo

DELIVER TO HOME OR OFFICE:

Metro Melbourne: Within 24 - 72 hours - \$10 Flat Rate

Jenny McKenzie, Dobsons Uniform Shop Coordinator

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

FOR SALE

If you have secondhand uniforms you would like to sell:

- Ensure they are clean and in good condition
- Email the Uniform Shop for a sellers form
- Complete the sellers form and make arrangements with the Uniform Shop to hand in.

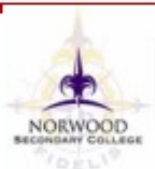


FOR DONATION

All uniforms being donated to our Student Wellbeing Centre are to be handed in to the General Office only. Please ensure they are clean and in good condition.

Thank you

Student Wellbeing Centre



YEAR 11 VCAL 2021

BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS



Please join us in our efforts to collect bread tags - tags collected will be recycled to fund wheelchairs in South Africa.



Bread tags are collected Australia wide and recycled into a range of products. See the website below for more information.



Re-made in Robe!



What can I do?

It's easy save your bread tags for a while and then drop off at the General Office - Norwood Secondary College.



ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au

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Park Orchards Market

Saturday 15th May
10AM - 2PM

Venue: Bowmore Avenue, Park Orchards



Come and Try Day – Tuesday 25 May 2021

The Mullum Netball Club would like to invite you to a training session with our current teams in preparation for our Spring Season which begins in Term 3.

Contact the Club on mullumnetballclub@gmail.com for training times.

Training takes place at either Mullum Primary School or Norwood Secondary College on Tuesday afternoons or Eastwood Primary School on Thursday afternoons.



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 Central Ringwood
Community Centre Inc

"Speaking our Souls"

Thursday 27th May

4:00pm - 6:30pm

\$15.00

Afternoon Tea Provided

Poetry

with Amy Bodossian

Acclaimed, published Poet running a special
poetry class for youth in years 9 to 12.

Bookings via: www.crcinc.org.au/programs