

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Norwood Secondary College provides a vibrant teaching and learning environment

TERM 1
NUMBER 3
11 March, 2022

School Email Address: norwood.sc@education.vic.gov.au

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

Principal: Mr Andrew Sloane

Assistant Principals: Mr Kris Johnson and Mrs Jackie Harris

College Council President: Ms Tammie Palmer

College Captains: Caitlin Weatherburn and Evan Barjak

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

TERM 1, 2022

Monday 14 March

Labour Day - Public Holiday

Tuesday 15 March

Year 10 Holocaust Excursion

Wednesday 16 March

Year 9 Advance Camp depart

Year 7 Online Cyber Safety 6pm

Thursday 17 March

Year 10 and 11 Holocaust Excursion

Friday 18 March

Year 9 Advance Camp return

Monday 21 March

Year 12 VCAL Community Project

Year 9 Geography Excursion

Tuesday 22 March

Year 9 Geography Excursion

Year 12 VCAL Community Project

Thursday 24 March

Parent Student Teacher Conferences

No Classes

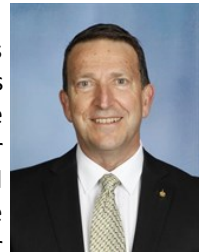
Friday 25 March

VCE Studio Arts Excursion

COLLEGE PRINCIPAL REPORT

INVESTITURE ASSEMBLIES

Senior School and Junior School Investiture Assemblies were held last week. At both Assemblies, students who will have leadership roles in 2022 were announced and presented with their badges. Whether the roles involve College leadership (our Captains and Prefects), Year Level leadership, House leadership, the Student Representative Council or are involved in our various programs (sport, music and drama), we look for ways to develop our leaders' skills and to make their involvement meaningful.



In our Senior School Assembly, we also welcomed back members of the Class of 2021 who had achieved ATAR scores above 90. Whilst a few had commenced their university studies and were unable to join us, it was wonderful to welcome back most of the group and present them with VCE Scholars Awards.

Andrew Sloane, College Principal



Marni, Alisha, Abby and Evie performing at the Investiture Assemblies

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PARENT STUDENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent Student Teacher Conferences will take place from 9:30am – 6:30pm, Thursday, 24 March, 2022. We are pleased to return to the model where parents/carers have the option to meet their child's teachers onsite/in person or virtually using the Microsoft Teams platform.



Please be aware that only parents that are double vaccinated will be able to attend conferences onsite. Parents attending conferences onsite will be required to show their vaccination status at the General Office prior to attending their first Conference booking.

The Conferences provide a great opportunity to meet your child's teachers and discuss their progress to date. We strongly encourage students to attend with their parents/carers, as we believe there is great value in them being a part of the conversation. There will be no scheduled classes running on this day.

Bookings are now open for all students. The booking process will remain the same as previous years using Compass. **Please indicate if you would like the Conference booking to be conducted virtually by clicking on the "Interpreter" dropdown box and select "Online".**

Booking will close for all students at 12 noon, Wednesday, 23 March.

The Conference booking duration will be 10 minutes. The 10 minutes will allow you to have a 6-7min conversation about your child's learning and then prepare for the next Conference. If you are unable to make a booking with a teacher, you are welcome to email the teacher via Compass to request feedback on your child's progress. The teacher will endeavour to respond as soon as possible.

Please contact the General Office if you require assistance making bookings.

Kris Johnson, Junior School Principal



Rica - SRC Prefect, handing Thomas 10F House Captain badge



Jenna Mc - receiving her High Achiever Award for Product and Design Technology



Tommy 7F and Emma 7H receiving their Form Captaincy badges

SRC REPORT

Last Wednesday, the College community came together with past and present students in attendance for the yearly Investiture Assembly. We welcomed back to the College the class of 2021 to receive their awards for their high achievements. To our 2021 College Captain, Olivia Kieft, the College applauds you on your achievement of DUX. Congratulations to all award recipients who have set such a high standard for the College.



Not only were the High Achievers celebrated, but the College's new and upcoming leaders were presented with their badges. Their badges were presented by the Year 12 Leadership Team who are excited to work alongside them throughout the year. Thank you to this year's Music Vice Captain, Joseph L, for his outstanding violin solo performance at the Senior School Assembly.

Our College Captains, Caitlin and Evan, spoke about the significance of leadership throughout the College from not just those who received badges, but everyone within the Norwood community. It is not just about holding a title, but what a person is able to do with the role that makes them a great leader.

It was wonderful to see the College come together for the first time this year to commemorate many significant achievements.

Thank you to the College Captains for running the assembly and to the Prefects for assisting. Here's to 2022!

Natalie V, SRC Prefect



**STUDENT LEADERSHIP
LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR**

In the last newsletter I shared the news that our Year 12 College Captains and Vice Captains were competing in the Lions Youth of the Year Public Speaking Competition. The first round was held on Sunday, 27 February, hosted by the Mooroolbark-Croydon Lions Club. All four students prepared thoroughly for this event and should be commended on their presentations. Their well-crafted speeches were competently delivered about topics passionate to each of them. All who attended were impressed by their presentations and proud of their achievements.



It gives me great pleasure to announce that Caitlin won the Youth of the Year Award at club level, in addition to winning Best Speaker on the day. She will now progress to the Zone Final this Sunday. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Mooroolbark-Croydon Lions Club for this highly regarded student leadership opportunity. We have a long-standing relationship with this club and look forward to participating each year. On behalf of the Norwood community, we wish Caitlin well in furthering her position in this competition.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC)

Now that all student leaders across the College have received their leadership badges, we cannot wait to see the difference they make this year. Whilst there are leadership positions across many aspects of College life, there are important Year Level Leadership Teams that come together fortnightly to discuss issues related specifically to their year level, plan events and discuss fundraising initiatives. Within these groups, two students have been elected to attend SRC. This is a dynamic team that has representation across all year levels, where College matters are discussed. This group then reports back to year level groups and also reports to College Council. I look forward to our first meeting of 2022 which will be early next week.

Congratulations to all students with leadership positions for 2022. We are grateful for your involvement and look forward to your contributions.

Jackie Harris, Senior School Principal

PERFORMING ARTS REPORT

With rehearsals of Shrek the Musical, being well underway, the talented cast and chorus have been involved in learning musical numbers where they have been singing, dancing, and tapping their hearts out. The featured dancers have been producing a dazzling tap number which will no doubt 'wow' our audiences.



Many members within the talented cast have been playing multiple roles and have started bringing to life the vibrant and exciting characters with their brilliant acting abilities. Many of them have already begun the process of 'scene blocking' in Week 2 with Miss Zoe Taylor-Lynch and Ms Lucy Filor.

With the help of Mrs Dema, the cast has begun to build their abilities in creating some beautiful harmonies and the music has allowed the leads to show off their vocal prowess. The fabulous Year 7s have also been welcomed into the fold, getting to finally step into the exciting world of school production at Norwood. With the full cast finally in action, the show is already shaping up to be something really special!

Emily Ball, Performing Arts Prefect

BREAKFAST



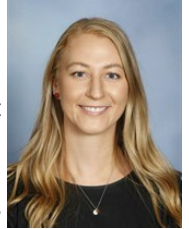
BREAKFAST CLUB

We will be running Breakfast Club for the first time this week! Breakfast Club will be every Friday throughout Term 1 and 2, with food donations we have received from Foodbank. Come down to the Wellbeing Deck at 8am for a chat with some of the members of the Wellbeing team and enjoy some breakfast together!



WORLD EVENTS

There are some currently some world events, both within Australia and world-wide, that are cause of significant concern – the on-going conflict between Russia and the Ukraine, flooding in Queensland and New South Wales and the on-going COVID situation. When bad news breaks, it can be exceptionally difficult to block out or avoid the news cycle – between TV, radio and social media, the constant stream of updates can be fatiguing and disheartening.



If your child is feeling the impact, there are several strategies that can be employed that can assist your child in feeling better through taking a proactive approach:

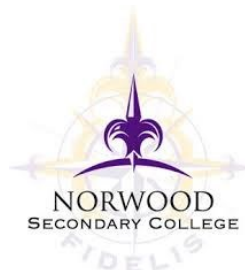


- Having an open, non-judgemental conversation about what is happening. For complex situations like the conflict between Russia and the Ukraine, talking with an adult about what exactly is happening may alleviate any uncertainties and provide a fact-based approach to understanding the situation.
- Switching off. Taking a break from the news cycle (for example, checking the news once a day, at a set time), engaging in self-care in an allotted time (a walk around the block at 5pm) or discussing “news closer to home” (such as three positive things that happened during your child’s school day) are all strategies that can assist in providing distance between the stressful situations and how your child is feeling.
- Advocating, volunteering or donating. If your child has the capacity to help, there are a number of options they can engage in to assist the affected communities.

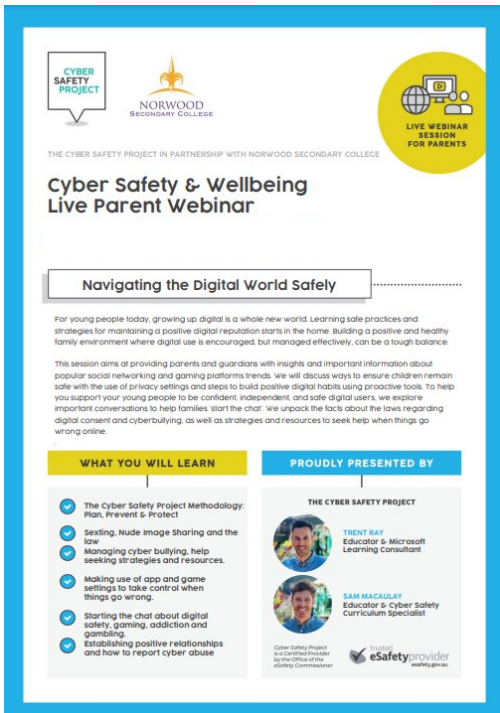


Head to [Reachout.com](https://www.reachout.com) for more information regarding helping your teen cope with bad world news, and other helpful tips.

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



YEAR 7 NEWS



CYBER SAFETY PROJECT
NORWOOD SECONDARY COLLEGE

THE CYBER SAFETY PROJECT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NORWOOD SECONDARY COLLEGE

Cyber Safety & Wellbeing Live Parent Webinar

Navigating the Digital World Safely

For young people today, growing up digital is a whole new world. Learning safe practices and strategies for maintaining a positive digital reputation starts in the home. Building a positive and healthy family environment where digital use is encouraged, but managed effectively, can be a tough balance.

This session aims at providing parents and guardians with insights and important information about popular social networking and gaming platforms trends. We will discuss ways to ensure children remain safe with the use of privacy settings and steps to build positive digital habits using proactive tools. To help you support your young people to be confident, independent, and safe digital users, we explore important conversations to help families 'start the chat'. We unpack the facts about the laws regarding digital consent and cyberbullying, as well as strategies and resources to seek help when things go wrong online.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- ✓ The Cyber Safety Project Methodology: Plan, Prevent & Protect
- ✓ Sexting, Nude Image Sharing and the law
- ✓ Managing cyber bullying, help seeking strategies and resources.
- ✓ Making use of app and game settings to take control when things go wrong.
- ✓ Starting the chat about digital safety, gaming, addiction and gambling.
- ✓ Establishing positive relationships and how to report cyber abuse

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THE CYBER SAFETY PROJECT

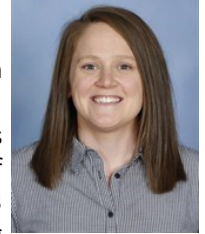
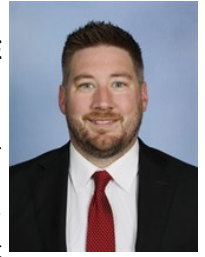
TRENT RAY
Educator & Microsoft Learning Consultant

SAM MACAULAY
Educator & Cyber Safety Curriculum Specialist

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2022 CYBER SAFETY JUNIOR SCHOOL PARENT LIVE WEBINAR – WEDNESDAY, 16 MARCH 6PM

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Topics covered in this session:

- The Cyber Safety Project Methodology: Plan, Prevent and Protect
- Sexting, Nude Image Sharing and the law
- Dealing with unwanted contact
- Cyberbullying and help seeking
- How to report cyber abuse
- Social networking trends for tweens and teens
- Gaming trends, addiction, and gambling
- Establishing positive relationships
- Maintaining a safe digital environment at home

Online Live Webinar Registration Link -

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_N-rsBQVGT4O6ja-LtmUPgQ

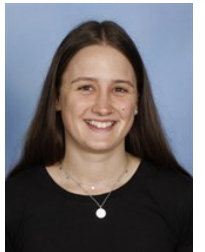
Cameron Cox, Head of Year 7

Nicole Pratt, Year 7 Coordinator



YEAR 7 MATHEMATICS NEWS

7E Math students put their place value knowledge to the test in a whole class card game tournament and a rounding board game. This saw students practising their critical thinking skills as they completed various games. It was fantastic to see so many students stretching their skills and improving their confidence in a low stakes setting.



Meg Kelly, Mathematics Teacher



SCIENCE NEWS

Students in Year 7 STEM are currently exploring what it means to be a team member and preliminary studies in principals in engineering.



Pictured are students working in teams with limited resources to apply principles in engineering such as beam, arch, truss and load sharing to construct tall load bearing structures.

This activity will be a prequel to their construction of their bridge and flood shelters as part of their STEM major design and solution project

Alex Papanotas, Science Teacher

STEM CLUB

STEM Club is back again for 2022 and we were super excited to launch this week! We played Sphero soccer by setting up our pool noodle bumpers and using a Styrofoam ball, and we had a great time using our robots to score goals. The green team triumphed over red with a score of 4-1.

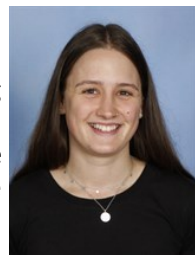


STEM club runs every Tuesday at lunch in S4 in the STEM building, and is open to all students in all year levels. We welcome new ideas for challenges, competitions, and general STEM based fun!

Elisabeth Collins, Head of STEM

YEAR 11 CHEMISTRY

Our Year 11 Chemistry students started the year looking into the properties of metals. Our Lab Technician, Mel Ruddick, gave us an exciting demonstration of the reaction between sodium and water to demonstrate the varying reactivities of metals. The students then completed a practical investigation to observe the vibrant colours of transition metals when they form compounds.



Meg Kelly, Chemistry Teacher





YEAR 10 BIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY

This year we have offered a new Year 10 Science elective "Biological Psychology" and we had special guests in classroom on Tuesday, 8 March. Emily, a Zoologist and Marine Biologist from Wild Action in the Macedon Ranges came to present interesting adaptations and reproductive strategies for a range of Australian native animals. The students got to see some special features of different animals up close, and even got to hold crocodiles, diamond pythons, possums, frogs and turtles! It was a fun session to have the zoo come to the classroom, students and teachers alike really enjoyed the session.



Emily, the presenter, mentioned that Norwood students were the only students in the world who were able to pat the endangered pygmy possum in class.

*Ms Natalie Nejad and Ms Emily Pearsell,
Year 10 Biological Psychology Teachers*



MUSIC DATES FOR 2022

TERM 2

WEEK 7: **JAZZ NIGHT**
SATURDAY, 28 MAY
7PM-9PM
PERFORMING ARTS - NSC

TERM 3

WEEK 2: **MUSIC CAMP**
MONDAY, 18 JULY TO
WEDNESDAY, 20 JULY
TBC
OASIS CAMP
WEEK 10: **MUSIC SHOWCASE 2022**
WEDNESDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER
7PM-9PM
PERFORMING ARTS - NSC

TERM 4

WEEK 2: **SPRING SHOW**
TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER
7.15PM-8.15PM
PERFORMING ARTS - NSC
WEEK 8: **YEAR 7 MUSIC EXPO 2023**
MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER
7PM-8.30PM
MUSIC BLOCK



MUSIC NEWS

INVESTITURE ASSEMBLIES

Congratulations to the Year 8 Clarinet Quartet who performed for the very first time last week at the Junior School Investiture Assembly.



It was such a large audience, and the nerves were visible- but the group performed very well!



Marni B, Alisha A, Abby S and Evie H

YEAR 7 PERCUSSION LESSONS

We are delighted to have 4 Year 7 students learning Band Percussion this year. Here is Denzel playing the snare drum with Mr Dema.



JUNIOR MUSIC

The Junior Music program involves playing boom whackers, keyboard and ukulele. We aim for every class to include some theory, some listening and some practical music making.



INTERMEDIATE BAND

The progress of Intermediate Band in just 3 weeks has been phenomenal. The band has almost finished their first song "Mamma Mia" with conductor Mrs Ruth Barry. Intermediate Band is for Year 8 and 9 students who started instruments over the last 2 years.

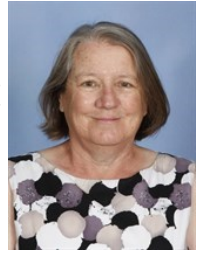
Jo Dema, Instrumental Music Coordinator





GEOGRAPHY YEAR 8 COASTS EXCURSION

This week Year 8 students spent a fieldwork day looking at three coastal environments. They undertook activities looking at the landforms, use and management of Ricketts Point, Hampton Beach and Brighton Beach. The weather was wonderful for the four days of the excursion and the students worked well on the fieldwork activities. Thank you to the staff that went on the fieldtrip and the students are to be congratulated on their excellent behaviour and hard work on the day. Great work.



“On Monday we went on an excursion to Ricketts point, Hampton Beach and Brighton Beach for Geography. We were able to review constructive and destructive waves, erosional landforms, weathering and depositional landforms. This is what we are studying in class at the moment. We really enjoyed seeing Brighton Beach because of the colourful beach shacks, many of us had not seen them before. We also liked learning with friends on site in a different environment. Overall, we enjoyed it.”

Phoebe, Emma, Sarah, Alexa (8C)

Susan Marshallsea, Head of Humanities



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MONDAYS 8.30AM - 11.30AM

THURSDAYS 1.30PM - 4.30PM

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TERM DATES 2022

Term 1, 2022

31 January - Years 7, 10-12

1 February - Years 8-9

to

Friday, 8 April

Term 2, 2022

Anzac Day Monday, 25 April - Public Holiday

Tuesday 26 April to 24 June

Term 3, 2022

11 July to 16 September

Term 4, 2022

3 October to 20 December 2022

CRAFT CLUB NEWS

CRAFT CLUB 2022

Craft club is back for 2022. This week “happy crafters” spent time creating Easter Eggs with sequins. As Term 1 continues, we will hopefully have a colourful Easter Egg display for the library foyer.



Please join us! As the year continues we will have a range of activities. Hope to see you soon.

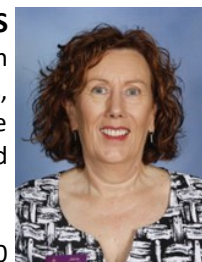
Lisa-Jane Walmsley, Craft Club Coordinator



GENERAL OFFICE NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – COMPASS EVENTS

The process of using ‘Camps, Sports, and Excursion Funds’ (CSEF), and credits held on your family accounts, has recently changed. The option previously available in Compass to “use CSEF for an event” will be removed due to this new process.



Due to the numerous cancelled camps/events in 2020 and 2021, we hold an amount of funds in credit for certain families that can be used towards camps/events in 2022.

The new process is as follows:-

The NSC General Office will now automatically allocate credits and CSEF towards events where applicable. **Please contact the General Office to notify us if you do not want this automatic allocation towards camps/events to occur for your child/children.**

For example:

- An event cost is \$25 and you have a credit or CSEF of \$15, the amount owing for the event will be reduced for your child to \$10, therefore using the credit available to offset the cost of the event
- An event cost is \$25 and you have credit or CSEF greater than \$25, the full amount will be offset against the event and future credits or CSEF will be used in the same way.

Please note that consent **MUST** still be given on Compass for your child to participate in any event.

If you have any questions about this new process, or have a credit and would prefer a refund directly into your bank account, please contact Ms Megha Malhotra, Assistant Business Manager, on 9871 0400.

Jane Arnold, Business Manager



NORWOOD 2022

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.



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Mitcham Junior Football Club is looking for more female players for our teams in the following age groups, and would love you to join us at the Tigers! All new Mitcham players get **free club registration** and a **free Tigers hoody** in their first season!

- U10 Girls (born in 2011 and 2013) Introductory
- U12 Girls (born in 2009 and 2010) Development
- U14 Girls (born in 2007 and 2008) Competition

For further information about joining one of our teams and experiencing the fun of AFL in a supportive and inclusive environment please contact Will Goulding on 0401 141076

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FREE COME AND TRY SESSIONS



EAST RINGWOOD JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB



COME PLAY WITH US

East Ringwood Junior Football Club is seeking new players for Season 2022 in our **Under 18 Girls Team**

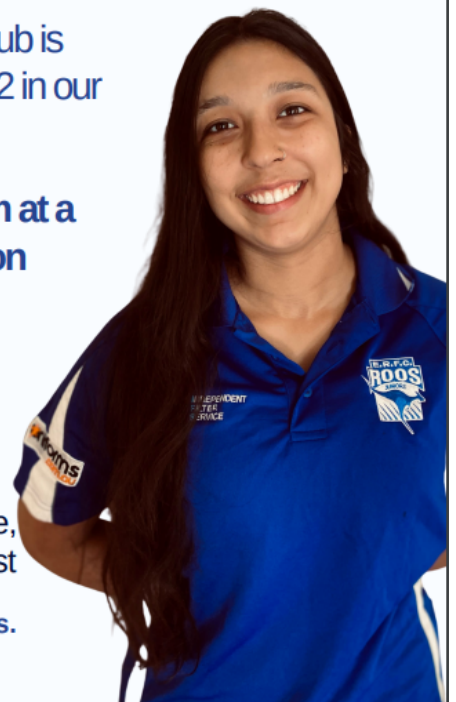
Join Coach Keeley and the team at a Come and Try training session to find out more!

Training Details:

Thursday 10th March
6:00 - 7:30pm

Lower Oval, East Ringwood Reserve,
Mt Dandenong Road, Ringwood East

Contact our Registrar for further details.
GO ROOS!!



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