

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Norwood Secondary College provides a vibrant teaching and learning environment

TERM 2
NUMBER 6
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

TERM 2, 2022

Tuesday, 10 May

Year 7 and 9 NAPLAN - Starts

Wednesday, 11 May

Year 12 Presentation

Year 11 Elevate Education

Thursday, 12 May

Full Day Rehearsal NSC Production

Friday, 13 May

Year 7 and 9 NAPLAN - Finishes

Wednesday, 18 May

Year 11 Maroondah Youth Presentation

COLLEGE PRINCIPAL REPORT

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2

I trust that families had some time to relax together over the school break. Easter gives many family members some time off work and we were blessed with some beautiful weather if we chose to get out and about. This term is a relatively short one (9 weeks with a couple of public holidays and two days on which students are not to attend school – see Jackie Harris’s report on page 3) and staff are very conscious that with exams at the end of term and the completion of Unit 1 and Unit 3 courses in Year 11 and 12 respectively, there is a need to plunge straight back into coursework. Parent encouragement for our senior students to maintain their study focus and not drop off the pace set in class, will be greatly appreciated.

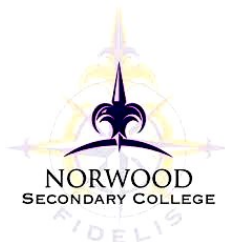


One of the great joys of the lifting of many of the restrictions on activities is that the College is now able to run events that are important to our culture. In the past two weeks we have been able to hold Anzac Assemblies for the Senior and Junior Schools and an Open Night for prospective students and parents for the 2023 Year 7 intake.

ANZAC ASSEMBLIES

With the softening of guidelines for groups of students being able to gather in spaces in the latest Operations Guide from DE&T, we were able to hold ANZAC Assemblies for Senior then Junior Schools in the Gymnasium. The Gym can hold over 1000 people seated so with appropriate spacing being observed we were able to run our formal ANZAC commemoration, as in past years.

We were fortunate, again, to have a member of the Australian Defence Forces to participate in the events. Flight Lieutenant David Fraser (from the Royal Australian Air Force) led the formal components of our Assembly and gave the address to each Assembly. FLT LT Fraser was very engaging with what he spoke of. He ensured there was no glorification of armed conflict but spoke of the manner in which Australian and New Zealand soldiers dealt with the disastrous Gallipoli campaign. He noted the resilience and ingenuity of the soldiers and how important the culture of ‘mateship’ was (and still is) in the defence forces. He also spoke of the roles for the defence forces in a modern world – briefly



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mentioning the current conflict in Ukraine. He also spoke of his involvement in the RAAF – starting in the Reserve after 20 years in the workforce and choosing to become a full-time officer 6 years later. FLT LT Fraser works in Joint Logistics Command at Victoria Barracks in St Kilda Road, in town, and he has moved quite significantly in terms of vocation from his early days as a graduate of Applied Sciences to assisting the Defence Force involvement in Bushfire Assist, Flood Assist, Ukraine Assist and more. It was, aside from his contribution to the ANZAC Assembly, a fascinating story of career progression in a context where most of our current students could change jobs on multiple occasions through their lives.

Particular mention needs to be made of the contribution of several students.

Winners of the ‘Spirit of the ANZAC Prize’ in 2021 (Mia Brice and Layla Kieft) spoke of their prize-winning creations – the applause they received reflected the understanding of our students of how significant their work was.

College Captains, Caitlin Weatherburn and Evan Barjac and Vice-Captain Grace Jenkin were involved in both Assemblies and led the program and presented very capably.

Thank you, also, to SRC Prefect Rica Poole, College Vice-Captain Grace Jenkin and College Captain Caitlin Weatherburn who represented Norwood SC at the Ringwood RSL Dawn Service on ANZAC Day. Their presence on a public holiday and so early in the morning, along with Year 12 Level Coordinator Mel Cherry, was very much appreciated.

OPEN NIGHT

Open Night for prospective 2023 Year 7 enrolments was held this week. It has always been an event that complements our small group Tours but provides an opportunity for parents and Grade 6 students to hear from class teachers about various subjects and course, speak with teachers and students. This year we felt we could not run our classroom activities with the numbers of visitors we usually get. We were conscious of the need to run a COVID-safe evening, so after our formal presentations from students and senior staff, we introduced our staff Leadership Team and key program managers and invited those present to remain behind to ask any questions that they had.

Many did choose to speak with individual staff and we felt that the alternative was welcomed by our visitors.

We will continue to run Tours for another week, after which families must submit their secondary school preferences to their primary schools and, once the primary schools and DE&T have processed them, we will be informed who has requested a placement at Norwood from 2023.

MASTER PLAN – STAGE 1

The builders have now commenced preparation for demolition of the ‘ends’ of B and C corridors, in order to clear the space required for construction of Stage 1 to commence.

Andrew Sloane, College Principal



UNIFORM MATTERS

Families are reminded that the changeover date to winter uniform has been extended until the end of Week 3. Students will have the choice to choose to wear either the summer or winter uniform for the first 3 weeks of Term 2. This will therefore mean that Monday, 16 May will be the first day of official winter uniform.

Please ensure that hemlines are checked and adjustments for students who have grown taller are made in the holiday period. This applies to both skirts and trousers. Please check the College Website for Uniform Shop hours and online purchasing options. If you are ordering online, please ensure that when you login to the Dobson's website that you then follow the link to the Norwood Shop to ensure you are accessing Norwood SC uniform.

On another note, students are reminded that undershirts are an optional uniform item. Students not complying with wearing this item correctly will lose the privilege. Undershirts can only be plain white in colour and are not to hang below College shirts.

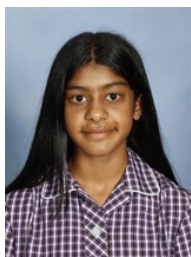
Finally, it is important to note that students are not permitted to wear additional layers, other than College jumpers and College jackets. Any student wearing hoodies/windcheaters, will have these confiscated. Students are expected to wear College uniform to and from school, not just within the school grounds. We appreciate your support with these issues.

Jackie Harris, Senior School Principal

SRC NEWS

YEAR 7 SRC REPORT

On the last day of Term 1, Year 7 students held a fundraiser for the Good Friday Appeal. All students were invited to wear free dress and contribute a gold coin donation, raising \$759.35. All of the donations from the College went to the Royal Children's Hospital. This money will go towards helping with funding for medical equipment for sick or ill patients. There were lots of smiles and it was a wonderful way to celebrate the end of term.

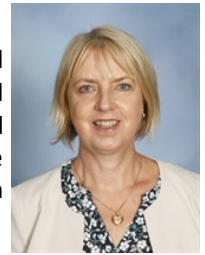


Zetara B, 7C SRC Member

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

ADVANCE NOTICE TO FAMILIES

Please be aware that Friday, 17 June is a Correction and Report Writing Day, therefore it is one of the annual designated Pupil Free Days. Additionally, families need to be aware of another day this term that will be considered a Professional Practice Day for teachers on Friday, 27 May.



Each teacher is entitled to one day per term (four days per year) release from their scheduled duties, including teaching, to focus on the improved delivery of high quality teaching and learning. These days are in addition to existing Pupil Free Days and pro-rata for a teacher employed part-time. Usually, Professional Practice Days occur throughout the term and classes for a small number of teachers are covered by replacement teachers.

With the COVID staffing challenges that schools are currently experiencing, the Department of Education & Training has recommended that all State Schools hold their first Professional Practice Day on the same day for all staff in Term 2 to minimise disruption to classes throughout the term. After consideration of the academic and Co-curricular program, the Norwood Professional Practice Day will be Friday, 27 May.

Please make arrangements for both Friday, 27 May and Friday, 17 June as days where students will not be in attendance at school. Thank you for your support of our teachers and the professional work that they do to support our students.

OUR ANZAC ASSEMBLIES WERE AMAZING

Our first day back in Term 2 began with two commemorative assemblies to give thanks and to show our respect for the ANZAC tradition of our country. At these assemblies we remember 25 April as the anniversary of the first major military action in 1915 fought by the Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War.



At these assemblies, alongside a representative from the Australian Defence Force, we pause to reflect on its meaning for each and every one of us. We also acknowledge and recognise the contributions of more than 1000 Indigenous Australians, who willingly enrolled out of a strong sense of patriotism and duty, although they were exempt from Military Service. We remember the spirit, tradition, courage, endurance and sacrifice of the ANZACs.

As a College, we are immensely proud of our students for leading these assemblies, particularly our College Captains for their Address and reading of the poem, 'In Flanders Fields'. The assemblies commenced with a short clip of the ANZACS marching and whistling to the tune of 'Waltzing Matilda': <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WWqmQISScI0>

Every member of the Student Representative Council played a role, including the raising and lowering of the Australian flag and the laying of wreaths. We would like to thank one of our Instrumental Music teachers, Lauren Innes, for her fine performance of The Last Post and Reveille. We know that the assemblies were appreciated by all students who showed great respect for those who have served and continue to serve.

Lest we forget.

Jackie Harris, Senior School Principal

HEADSPACE KNOX

Headspace Knox is running 'Paws for Thought', an animal therapy group for anyone aged between 12-25 years, every Thursday 4-5.30pm at Headspace Knox (2 Capital City Blvd, Wantirna). Being around animals has a positive impact on mental health, and their therapy dogs love a pat, a cuddle and a chat!



IDAHOBIT DAY

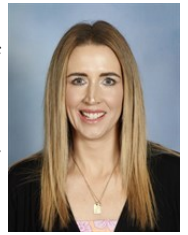
This IDAHOBIT Day, Maroondah City Council Youth Services and Yarra Ranges Youth Services are teaming up to present 'Pop-up Pride' at the Friendship Ninja Zone, Eastland Level 2. From 3-5pm on Tuesday, 17 May, you can drop by to celebrate LGBTIQA+ young people with free rainbow donuts, a glitter makeup station, drag artists, and more!



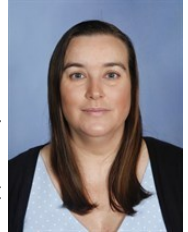
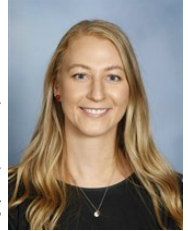
STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS

FEELING ANXIOUS VS ANXIETY

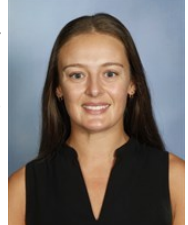
Most young people today experience feelings of anxiousness or worry at some point in their life, especially with changes like readjusting back to school after holidays, or reacquainting with friends after an illness absence, or challenging school assessments.



The language used when discussing uncomfortable feelings with students is very important. Feeling anxious is a normal response to stressful situations, and is not always a bad thing. Sometimes that slight rush of anxiousness or worry that occurs prior to an exam or sporting event can enhance both cognitive or physical performance. Other times, anxiousness can be overwhelming and young people may need someone to help validate and clarify how they are feeling. For these situations, it is helpful to identify that experiencing anxiousness is a feeling (and not part of a person's personality), and that it will pass (for example, "I can see that this is a tricky feeling for you" or "I can see you don't feel back to normal just yet"). Validation is important, however strategies and support moving forward are the most valuable part of this process.



When anxiousness or worry gets to be uncontrollable or excessive to the point where it affects quality of life, this may be indicative of an anxiety disorder. This requires diagnosis from a health professional, which will aid with future treatments and supports. For more information, navigate to Headspace's page on anxiety – [found here](#).



EACH AND THE CYBER SAFETY PROJECT

A huge number of our students are gamers and love to jump online daily to chat with mates, strategise during games and to relax/unwind. EACH are hosting a free online session for anyone working in the youth space to understand the benefits and the pitfalls of gaming.

When: Thursday, 19 May, 2pm - 3pm

How: Free session, register to attend - <https://bit.ly/19MAY2022>

What: Online Webinar presented by EACH and Cyber Safety Project, focussing on:

- Gaming trends for children and tweens
- The psychology behind games
- Gambling in games, addiction and help seeking
- How to foster healthy gaming habits
- Establishing positive relationships with young gamers
- Cyberbullying in games and help seeking
- How to report online abuse

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



YEAR 9 NEWS



COMMUNITY COACHING AT MULLUM PRIMARY

During Term 1, the Year 9 Advance Camp students worked on developing teamwork, communication and leadership. Through peer teaching practice on their camp, and dedication to reflecting on and refining their lesson plans, the students were able to successfully run a range of activities for Mullum Primary School students this week. The students showed great enthusiasm and lead activities that were engaging and most importantly fun. We look forward to continuing community partnerships throughout the course of the year!



April Glare, Head of Health and Physical Education

YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY YARRA RANGES FIELDWORK

Earlier this term, four Geography classes undertook fieldwork in the Yarra Ranges. The classes, 9A, 9C, 9E and 9G travelled to Warburton, the Redwoods Forest and the Rainforest Gallery. Students were required to look at the use and management of the Redwoods Forest and Rainforest Gallery and make suggestions for improvements to the sites. The best liked site was Redwoods Forest with students enjoying the calm and relaxing atmosphere of the giant Californian redwoods.



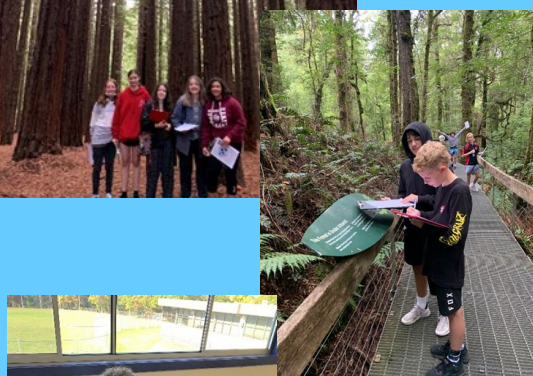
Warburton was also a great place to have lunch with friends with the bakery being a big hit. The weather for the two days was great and overall the feedback was very positive. The students worked hard on their fieldwork booklet and are to be commended for their excellent attitude. Also, a big thank you to Mr Jono Flack and Mr Adam Given for helping out with the excursion.



YEAR 9 PALM OIL TASTE TEST

In Year 9 Geography, students in 9A, 9C, 9E and 9G have been investigating the impact of palm oil on rainforest biomes, particularly in South East Asia. At the end of Term 1, students in the four classes conducted a taste test of products containing palm oil and products which were palm oil free. Students were asked to rate the taste, texture, smell, and appearance of each product. While there was debate about whether the Cadbury or Whitakers chocolate tasted better, students (and teachers) overwhelmingly preferred Nutella (palm oil) to Nuttvia (palm oil free).

Susan Marshallsea (9C and 9E) and Simone Genovese (9A and 9G), Geography Teachers



SCIENCE NEWS

YEAR 10 BIOCHEMICAL SCIENCE - HOW MUCH BASE IS IN HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS?

Year 10 Biochemical Science students have been introduced to reactions of acids and bases and titration experiment, together with stoichiometry. They performed a volumetric analysis between an acid and a common household cleaner which is a base (Nifti and Homebrand) to determine which brand contained more base.



Students were able to use a concept known as “stoichiometry” to calculate concentrations of how much base was present in Nifti and Homebrand. Introducing students to this concept earlier on is fundamental to Chemistry. Students had spent a few lessons prior to the investigation, designing their experiment and writing out a methodology for their experiment.

I am really proud of the patience all the students showed whilst trying to get the right colour change to indicate that end point had been established. The data they have collected from the investigation will allow them to perform the necessary calculations and determine if it is worthwhile paying more for Nifti rather than Homebrand.

Students learnt some really good skills during the investigation which they will be able to apply to other sciences.

Shalini Singh, Head of Science



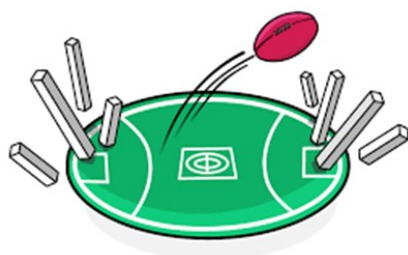
SPORT NEWS

SENIOR GIRLS' FOOTBALL

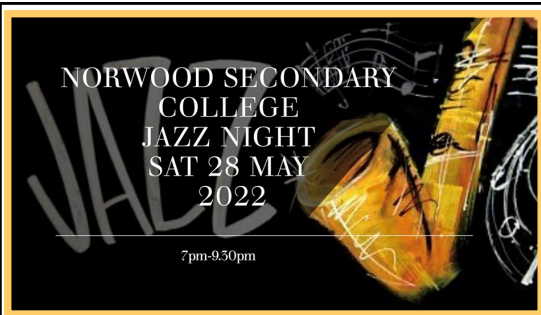
On Tuesday, 3 May, our Senior Girls' Footy team played against Ringwood Secondary College. The event was special for many of the girls as it was their last chance to represent Norwood playing footy. Despite not getting the win – the game was played in outstanding spirits. The coaches are super proud of the efforts the girls showed throughout the entire game and enjoyed watching the girls from both teams run around with smiles on their faces. Go Norwood!



April Glare, Head of Health and Physical Education

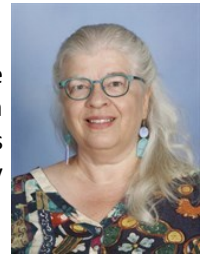


MUSIC NEWS



JAZZ NIGHT SATURDAY, 28 MAY 2022

It has been planned for 2 years and THIS year we are finally able to run our fabulous Jazz Night. We have a number of Norwood students performing jazz numbers with the Plan B Big Band. Rehearsals are well underway every Thursday evening.



Open Night 2022

Norwood ensembles performing so far are: combined Inter and Concert Band, Senior String Ensemble and Chorale. All of these ensembles are required to attend. Students performing do not require a ticket. Chairs and tables are provided for performers. (Details on Compass Event)

Families are invited to bring supper hampers and refreshments. Table bookings are essential.

Time: 7pm-9.30pm
Venue: NSC Performing Arts Centre - (Hall)
Tickets: \$10 per head



Tickets available at <https://www.trybooking.com/BZDEW>

OPEN NIGHT

String Ensemble and combined Inter/Concert Band now known as "Performance Band" are to be congratulated for their performances at Open Night. For many students, this was their first performance in 2 years. These ensembles worked very hard in rehearsals to learn their pieces. Well done!

Jo Dema, Instrumental Music Coordinator



Year 7s exploring student compositions in class



NORWOOD'S CLUBS NEWS

If you are looking for a hobby or to make new social connections, Norwood SC has a range of clubs running throughout the week at lunchtime. Please see the poster for the types of clubs and their running days.



Meg Kelly, Year 7 Mentor Teacher



CRAFT CLUB NEWS

AUTUMN AND WINTER KNITTING/CROCHET PROJECTS 2022

Once again, Norwood is planning on contributing to the KOGO organisation to continue our yearly tradition. In the recent extract below from KOGO Newsletter you will see the 2022 requests.

If we could be so bold as to ask.....

KOGO are so grateful for all donations.

For this month...

We need:

- children's scarves
- indigenous scarves, beanies, blankets, gloves in all sizes

We have enough:

- baby beanies

We don't have the capacity to run in the ends of knitted garments so please send items without loose threads. (Note: this does not include blanket squares - we use the tails on our granny squares to sew the blankets together).



Please feel free to use the link below to be inspired by the free patterns. <https://www.kogo.org.au/patterns>. All knitted items can be dropped off at the General Office and will be forwarded to KOGO on behalf of our Norwood Community. Happy Knitting or Crocheting!

Lisa-Jane Walmsley, Craft Club Coordinator

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

Jenny McKenzie,

Dobsons Uniform Shop Coordinator

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

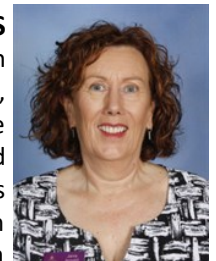
TERM 4, 2022

3 October to 20 December 2022

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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WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2

It's been great to have your students back on board our services and we're delighted that students have returned to face-to-face learning this year. Here's a few tips to share with your students about catching the bus to school.

HOLD ON!

Winter is approaching and with it comes wet weather.

Students can stay safe by holding on tight to overhead handles, poles or seat handles in case the bus needs to make a sudden stop. Remember, if there is a seat available, they should sit down.

Your students can help by leaving aisles clear of bags, sports equipment and musical instruments.

TAP ON AND BE COUNTED

All students must travel with a valid myki. Students must touch ON and OFF to ensure they are counted on our service.

MASK UP

Despite eased COVID restrictions masks are still required on public transport.

By wearing a fitted face mask covering their nose and mouth your students are protecting themselves and others.

RESPECT OUR DRIVERS

Recently, there have been a number of incidents involving inappropriate student behaviour on our services.

We want the journey to and from school to be pleasant for everyone. Please remind your students about appropriate behaviour when travelling to and from school.

Our drivers need to focus on the road and getting your students to school safely. To help them do their jobs, students should be respectful, and if seated, remain in their seats. If they need to speak to the driver please wait until the bus has stopped.

LOST SOMETHING ON THE BUS?

Our customer experience team receive all sorts of lost items from AirPods right through to instruments and assignments which are collected from our school services.

We'll do our best to get it back to the owner. If your students leave something behind they can call us on (03) 9492 2200 or contact the PTV Call Centre on 1800 800 007.

See you on board again soon.

Kinetic Melbourne Schools Team

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FEMALE SOCCER PLAYERS WANTED NOW!!!

Players wanted for our senior women's team (14 years old and upwards).
Discount Fees at **\$000** (includes kit). We except players at all abilities. Games played on Saturdays



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