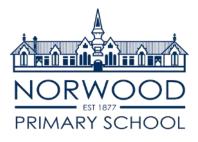
# NEWSLETTER



#### Issue Number 14 26th November 2021

#### DIARY DATES NOVEMBER

Friday 26th Assembly 9am

Monday 29th Governing Council Mtg 7pm

#### DECEMBER

Monday 6th END OF YEAR CONCERT



Wednesday 8th Year 6/7 Graduation



Thursday 9th

- 'STEP-UP DAY'
- Reports Go Home

• Year 6/7 Beach House Visit

FRIDAY 10th LAST DAY TERM 4 EARLY DISMISSAL 2:15pm

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### **Dear Families**,

As the end of term draws near we are preparing for our end of school events, organising staffing for 2022 and beginning our farewells to staff.

**Farewells** — this year we will be farewelling Alex Lisle who has been at our school for the past 16 years. Alex has had a number of roles within the school including PE and classroom teacher, with the last 3 years teaching Year 6/7 students. Alex leaves us as part of the Year 7s to High School Transition program taking up a position at Adelaide High School. Having worked here for many years we have valued her teaching skills and the relationships she has built with staff, students and families. We thank her for her service and know that she will be missed amongst our school community. Brooke Webster (Year 6/7 teacher) has won a permanent position at Riverbanks School, Connor Mclean (PE teacher) has won a permanent position at Craigmore High School in PE and Stefanie Angelini (Italian teacher) has won a permanent position as Italian teacher at Riverbanks School. We congratulate them on winning permanency and know that their new schools will thrive having them there. We also farewell Katherine Guttridge (Year 6 teacher) who will be on maternity leave in 2022. We are still finalising our other teaching positions and this information will be shared in our final newsletter for the year.

**School Concert** - We are looking forward to our End of Year Concert in week 9 to celebrate the end of the year. Our event will be held on the basketball court. To ensure a safe event we will require adults to check in with the QR codes as they enter school grounds, practice social distancing and safe hand hygiene protocols, wear masks If they are unable to socially distance and stay at home if unwell. We all want to remain COVID free for the holidays and thank you in advance for following these health requirements. The Concert starts at 6pm. Students have had information sent home via Seesaw with their requirements for the night. We can't wait to showcase our Performing Arts skills and be entertained by our students.

**Kids Matter Day -** Our Kids Matter Day celebration was a great success this year with students dressing in bright rainbow colours to create a 'learning community rainbow' in Mulberry Hall. Classes participated in buddy activities and had a shared eating time together, supporting positive and respectful relationships at school. We hope you enjoy the photos on our Wellbeing page.

**Food Bank Donations** – Thank you to everyone who has provided donations for Food Bank, the Front Office is bursting at the seams with food items! Food Bank will be collecting our donations in week 8, so there is still some time left to bring in any last-minute items.

**Parent Engagement Meeting** – On Wednesday evening the Governing Council held a Parent Engagement Evening in Mulberry Hall to discuss opportunities for our families to connect with events at school. It was great to see members of our community coming to share ideas and learn more about the functions of our Governing Council.

**Year 6 & 7 Transition to High School** - We are preparing to say goodbye to our Year 6 & 7 students as they embark on the next stage of their learning journey and begin 2022 at their new high schools. Transition visits to the high schools have begun and we look forward to hearing the students tell us how they went. Preparations are underway for the graduation ceremony to be held at Prince Alfred College in Week 9 and we know the students are looking forward to celebrating their time at NPS.

Kind regards, Melissa

#### Reports

The teachers are finalising student assessments and completing school reports which inform you of your child's achievement against the Australian Curriculum standard of achievement. Reports will be sent home on Thursday 9th December, the last week of term.

The Australian Curriculum achievement standards form the basis for assessing and reporting on learning. The standards describe what students should typically be able to do, know and understand at the completion of a subject at each year level. When

assessing student learning, teachers must consider the achievement standards in their entirety, and consider the student's broad development of understandings and skills, rather than focussing on the achievement of individual elements of the curriculum.

The end-of-year report summarises a student's achievement across the whole year with a grade from A to E. At an A level, students are demonstrating their learning to: a high, deep, or outstanding level. Students receiving a C means that they are demonstrating outcomes that are expected for their year level, completing task to the achievement standard. At level E, students are showing a: beginning, initial or limited level of understanding. As the assessment of learning is compared to an achievement standard that consists of several very different elements, the achieved grade must take into consideration all of these components.

#### **Class Placements**

Staff have been busily preparing the classes for 2022 and students will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher in Week 9, on Thursday, for Step Up Day. Some students can struggle with change, and this can be a daunting time for them. To support your child through this experience, remind yourself to try and trust the process. There are multiple layers to how class placements are allocated that involve a range of factors. Teachers and the leadership team put in huge amounts of thought into student personalities,

learning styles, teaching styles, class sizes, friendship groups and much more that is happening behind the scenes, all of which will impact on the dynamics of each class to create and maintain the best learning environment for all students. We ensure students are placed with a friend and know that continually developing new friends for some can be challenging, however, teachers are there to support a classroom environment where everyone works together to ensure learning growth and further develop social skills for wellbeing.

#### Site Improvement Plan

Our Site Improvement Plan (SIP) guides our work in continually improving the teaching and learning at NPS and our staff and the leadership team are currently updating our plan and setting new goals for the next three years. The SIP will guide the focus of professional learning and development and teaching and learning programs as we move towards continual school improvement. We have 2 challenges of practice which will be our focus for next year whilst embedding our teaching practices that we have already developed.

Challenge of Practice 1—If we explicitly teach the skills and functionality of writing we will have all students accelerating their writing achievement.

Challenge of Practice 2— if we explicitly teach mathematics with an intentional focus on the understanding and reasoning proficiencies we will have all students accelerating their mathematics achievement.









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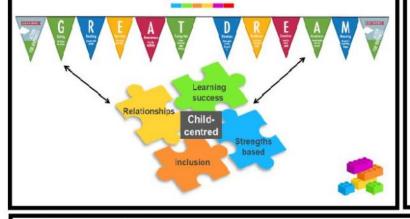
# Wellbeing @ NPS

By Lisa Conroy on behalf of the Kids Matter Team





Wellbeing at Norwood PS



We create a positive school culture through empowering children's positive wellbeing and focusing on building respectful relationships and resilience. Our school beliefs and values are embedded into classroom expectations.

### **Kids Matter Day**

celebrates our inclusive, positive school culture.



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Ты столкнулся с домашним насилием? Школа - это место, где можно попросить о помощи без опасений.



## **REMEMBRANCE DAY 2021**

Lest we forget.....







The Appreciation

Guns shoot, bullets fly blood splashes on my face. As my most dearest friend begins his endless sleep. I hold onto my gun tightly, wanting to avenge my friend. The next second I know We've won the war! On the other side of the battle field, a white flag appears. The Germans surrender. Not many people shout with joy, leaving families and friends, Cry for the dead.

#### Years have passed, poppies grow. Where the war happened years ago. Every year on November the Eleventh, at this very time we go silent, remembering and thanking the soldiers that died for us. For they have protected the countries, we love, they love.

By Hei Lam

#### Remembrance Day

Across the battlefield, left long ago, extinct. Fallen soldiers, fallen comrades, my heart begins to sink. Abandoning homes and their lives, unaware of their fate. No turning back now, no retreating, as of now it is too late.

Bullets soaring, gunfire roaring, working their way through war. Work-load full, after the day's wreckage, all are tired and sore. Calloused hands along with uniform soiled. Homesick and lonely, all emotions toiled.

All these pointless battles, leaving nothing but dread. Fields are red stained with dedicated soldiers laying dead. Poppies blooming in these graveyards, giving hope to those who fall.

All those nurses, pilots, soldiers, we remember you all.

Lest we forget.

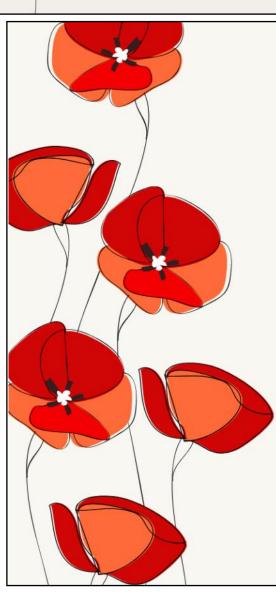
Madeline & Lainey



# A soldiers wisdom

The cold and bedraggled soldiers sprint to camp, away from the remorseless enemies. Arrows and bullets piercing skin, ripping tissue. Grief and sorrow settles in. Ground turns red as it starts to shower. "Guns down!" soldiers cry, smiles widen. Darting upon Flanders Field, Bodies lay cold. buried in flowers. Crosses everywhere, worship and prayers. poppies bloom, birds sing, a gush of wind comforts a brave heart. Eyes forever closed, wounded bodies finally at rest. Traumatised families find hope. These are our heroes, the ones that saved our country.

lest we forget.



# END OF YEAR CONCERT

<u>Monday December 6</u> <u>@NPS basketball court</u>

5:45pm children arrive and go to classrooms for roll call
6pm Start

7:15pm (approx) pack up

We are still nagivating COVID restrictions. Please stay tuned for more information around audience numbers.



# Library News

It has been another busy year in our Library. Students are enjoying reading and have been able to find books to their liking and reading abilities.

In week 4 we held our annual Scholastic Book Fair. Thank you to all the families and students who purchased books at the fair. An amazing **\$3,935** was raised and **\$1300** went towards books for our Library. Thank you to the parents and student helpers over the 3 day fair. Hillary Cree has organised this event for the past 5 years. This is Hillary's last year and Hillary, we sincerely thank you and salute you for all your hard work and dedication.

Once again, we had 100% student participation and completion of the Premier's Reading Challenge with students receiving their awards soon.

Week 6 will be the LAST borrowing week for the year. Stocktaking will then take place. Please assist me by encouraging your children to return Library books promptly.

Have a safe and wonderful end of year!



### Happy Reading!

# Mayor's Christmas Card Competition

Each year children are invited to draw or paint a Christmas scene that they feel captures the spririt of the Festive season.

The entries are judged by NPSP Mayor Robert Bria and awarded first, second and third prizes from each year level in addition to an overall winner.

NPSP Council would like to congratulate all of the children who participated in the competition.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following talented NPS students for their wonderful winning entries.



First Place—Year 1 DISHANI



First Place—Year 6 **REBECCA** 



Second Place—Reception FRANKIE \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas......



NPS along with other local schools are once again participating in the Norwood, Payneham, St Peters Council '**Festival Gallery on Osmond**'.

Come along and have a look at the wonderful wooden trees and gift boxes on display for everyone to enjoy.

Photos are also on the City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters Facebook page where you can vote for your favourite display.

The tree and present with the most 'likes' by 12 noon on Tuesday 4 January 2021, will win a \$\$250 voucher to Dillons Norwood Bookshop for the school or childcare centre, plus \$500 to a charity of choice, that was kindly donated by the Norwood Parade Precinct Committee.



### **Music News**

It was wonderful to see so many keen and talented performers in Mulberry Hall for our music concert – 37 soloists! Congratulations to all the students, you played with confidence, with many performing for the first time. What a special afternoon of music-making. Thank you to the parents and caregivers that created such a supportive audience and continually encourage practice at home.



#### New enrolments for 2022

 Students interested in starting to learn an instrument at the school with Michael Beare or Melissa Burrows during Term 1 next year are invited to enquire/enrol now to secure a place.
We offer lessons for piano, keyboard, flute, clarinet, saxophone/jSax, trombone and recorder.
Our yellow information/enrolment brochures are available at the front office, or alternatively please contact Michael 0403004733 <u>michaelbeare@adam.com.au</u> or Melissa 0422667261 <u>mburrows@adam.com.au</u> for more information

### TERM 4 PLANNER 2021

Please note, due to COVID, events are subject to change.



TERM DATES

Term 1

Term 2

Term 3

Term 4

27/01/21 - 09/04/21 27/04/21 - 02/07/21 19/07/21 - 24/09/21 11/10/21 - 10/12/21

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	11/10	12/10	13/10	14/10	15/10 Assembly 9am
2	18/10	19/10	20/10	21/10	22/10
3	25/10 Governing Council Mtg 7pm	26/10	27/10	28/10 SCHOOL PHOTOS	29/10 PUPIL FREE DAY
	01/11	02/11	03/11	04/11	05/11
4	BOOK FAIR				Transition Visit New Receptions
5	08/11	09/11	10/11	11/11 Remembrance Day Assembly Children's University Graduation 5-7.30pm	12/11 Assembly 9am Transition Visit New Receptions
6	15/11	16/11	17/11	18/11	19/11 Transition Visit New Receptions
7	22/11	23/11	24/11 Kidsmatter Day & SRC Fundraiser Parent Evening 5:30pm	25/11 White Ribbon Day	26/11 Assembly 9am
8	29/11 Governing Council Mtg 7pm	30/11	01/12	02/12	03/12
9	06/12 END OF YEAR CONCERT	07/12	08/12 Year 6/7 Graduation	09/12 STEP-UP DAY REPORTS GO HOME Yr 6/7 Beach House Visit	10/12 LAST DAY OF TERM EARLY DISMISSAL 2:15PM

# YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL IN 2022



### **Parent Update** Week 6, Term 4 – 2021

### High school advice from high school students

Year 6 and 7 students at public schools across the state are about to begin their transition visits to high school, if they have not already done so.

So we thought it would be a great time to share some of the advice from students who have already made the move from primary to high school.

We visited SA high schools that already have year 7s and asked them what they would like to tell other students making the move.

Here's what they had to say.

### Making friends

'Make sure you stay in touch with your old primary school friends, ask lots of questions if you are not sure (and) don't be afraid to be yourself.'

'Have fun, enjoy it while you can. Challenge yourself to make friends from different schools. It will be difficult but you will get through it and enjoy it.'

'Sit next to someone in class that you feel comfortable with, or mix it up and sit with someone that you don't know and get to know them.'

### Being around older students

'I really did think (older students) were scary but after a while they're literally just like everyone else. So they may be older, but then they are just as nice as everyone else, which is a really good thing.'

You get a lot of role models in high school and they're really supportive here.'

'Peer leaders guided us through things and answered all our questions and made us feel a bit better.'

### Wellbeing and support

'High school isn't as bad or scary as you'd think from watching TV shows and movies.'

'Don't be scared, there will be a lot of people that will help you out.'

'On my first day I realised there's nothing to actually worry about and your teachers are there to help you and they really helped me through the process.'



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# YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL IN 2022



### **Parent Update** Week 6, Term 4 – 2021

### Learning

'Do your work and hand everything in on time.'

'Some of the subjects are kind of easy and they are also fun.'

### Self confidence

'Be confident, believe in yourself and follow your dreams.'

'Put yourself out there, be kind, and have fun. You're going to make friends. Don't be afraid to ask questions or for help, it's the only way you're going to find out.'

'Just be you. Once you're settled in, you will be fine.'

### Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS.

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: <u>Year7toHS@sa.gov.au</u>.



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# YEAR 7 TO HIGH School IN 2022



### Countdown to high school in 2022

With the end of this school year in sight, we thought we would take a look at what year 6 and 7 students and their families can do now and over the holidays to prepare for high school.

These tips are based on feedback from our year 7 pilot program, which involved three SA high schools that started welcoming year 7s in 2020.

We have also drawn on some resources from our public school counterparts interstate, which already have year 7s in high school.

### Make transition a priority

We've said it before and we'll say it again – transition is important!

#### To do:

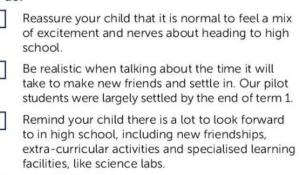
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child's high school.	

Look out for school communication about other transition and orientation events late this year and early next year, like family evenings, bring your own device nights and possibly school camps.

#### Chat about the year ahead

Moving from primary to high school is a big step. Check in with your child to see how they are feeling about the year ahead.

#### To do:



You might like to chat to your child about some of your own memories of starting high school.

#### Look online

The Department for Education website includes a section on the 7 to high school move, including short videos.

#### To do:

Look through the <u>7 to high school</u> pages of our website with your child. Be sure to check out the information for students page.

Find and bookmark your new high school's website.

'Like' the school on Facebook if they have a page set up.

Sign up for your school's newsletter. Check with your school to find out how it is distributed.



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## YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL IN 2022

### Consider materials your child will need for high school

Your high school will let you know what your child will need in terms of uniform and learning materials. If you are unsure, ask.

#### To do:

Involve your child in uniform shopping and deciding on the best options according to your family's circumstances.

Make sure all your child's belongings are named.

#### Plan your journey

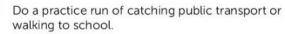
The more prepared you are, the smoother your child's first few weeks of high school are likely to be.

#### To do:

Chat to your child about how they will get to high school, what time they will need to get up and when they need to leave the house.

Consider whether your child will need a key and a mobile phone if they are getting to and from school on their own.

Discuss how your child can make the journey safely if the weather is hot. For example, by packing iced water and being sun smart.



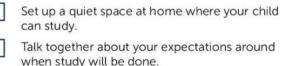
Visit the <u>Adelaide Metro</u> site to check services and apps your child can use to plan their journey.

Plan and discuss with them what they can do if they miss their bus of get off at the wrong stop.

#### Set up a quiet learning space

Your child's learning will continue beyond the classroom as they progress through high school.

#### To do:



Remind them that teachers will help them to succeed with high school assignments and it is OK to ask for help.

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# A MESSAGE TO PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS FROM

Professor Nicola Spurrier, Chief Public Health Officer



#### Dear parents and caregivers,

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a worrying time for all of us.

The Delta COVID-19 variant is twice as infectious as the original COVID-19 strain and there are now more cases in children and young people.

Vaccination is the best way to protect you, your family, and your friends from getting sick, and reduce the risk of outbreaks and school closures.

I encourage everyone aged 12 years and over in your household to get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as possible.

COVID-19 vaccines in Australia are safe and many millions of Australians are already protected.

The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) has recommended both the Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for people aged 12 years and over in Australia.

Consent from a parent/caregiver for COVID-19 vaccination is required for anyone under the age of 16.

To find a location to get vaccinated and book, visit covidvaccine.sa.gov.au

SA Health has lots of information to help answer questions, including videos, fact sheets and a range of other resources. For more information, visit <u>covidvaccine.sa.gov.au</u>

Thank you for keeping South Australia COVID safe. Please join me in being a fully vaccinated family.

Yours sincerely

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PROFESSOR NICOLA SPURRIER Chief Public Health Officer Health Regulation and Protection











13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2021

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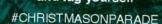
# Christmas ON PARADE

# Watch your favourite Christmas friends come to life on The Parade!

Using the **free CreativiTek app**, scan the footpath decal at 8 locations along The Parade and watch what happens.

3-24 December 2021.









### Get colouring this Christmas!

#### Download | Print | Colour in | Come alive

Colour in the full sized image, use the free CreativiTek app, scan the picture and watch them come alive! From 13 December 2021 until 11 January 2022, experience the best of Augumented Reality.

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For the full list of locations and to find out more, visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au





City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

# • Walkerville Netball Club Juniors Come and Try

Walkerville Netball Club is excited to announce we will be running a FREE Come and Try training for the following aged players (Boys and Girls)

> Primary- DOB 2011-2012 GO-DOB 2013-2014 Net/Set-DOB 2015-2016

Location-SAUCNA Courts ANZAC Highway Please head to the WNC flag Day- Monday 29th November Time- opm check in for a 6.15pm start

There will be an opportunity to express interest in the upcoming Winter 2022 season at this time

Register via Google forms- https://forms.gle/K52yUeHmnsqCAcgh8

Any questions please contact Liz on wncjuniorsegmail.com



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