As the end of the year fast approaches we are still very busy finalising staffing, reports and preparing for the 2017 school year. Our current Year 11’s have begun their Year 12 studies, our Year 9 students are on camp and students in Years 10 and 11 have finalised their exams. Our Duke of Edinburgh students are preparing for their final journey of the year to Rocklands.

WEEK 9 ARRANGEMENTS
Assessment for all Middle School subjects will finish on Tuesday week 9 (13/12/16) to enable marks to be collated and reports to be written. For the remainder of the week students will have a modified program where no formal assessment will take place. School will finish at 2.30pm on Friday 16th December. Our Presentation Assembly will be held next Tuesday night at the Williamson Hall beginning at 7.30pm and I would encourage all students and parents to attend this as we celebrate the achievements of our school and the students for the 2016 year. All students attending Presentaion Assembly are to be in School uniform.

If students are to be absent during this week it is important that parents follow the normal process, which is contacting the school or providing a note to the Home Group teacher.

A REMINDER FOR THE BEGINNING OF 2017
Year 8 and Year 12 will begin on Monday 30th January, 2017 and Years 9, 10 and 11 will begin on Tuesday 31st January, 2017.

STAFFING
Currently we are in the process of finalising our staffing for next year. We have a small number of staff leaving us at this stage including: Dani Mahoney, Romy Bennett, Lara Parkinson and Daniel Hallett. Larry Byrne will also be leaving us, to take up a position in Adelaide. Larry has been a valued member of staff for many years teaching a range of subjects as well as actively involving himself in many extra curricula activities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their contributions to our school and its students and wish them well for the future.
Also of particular note, Trevor Barnett will be retiring at the end of this year and I would like to take this opportunity to thank him on behalf of the school community for his services to the students, staff and parents over approximately 22 years. It is hard to imagine Naracoorte High School without thinking of Trevor Barnett, our School Chaplain. The parents, staff and students of our school greatly respect Trev and are very appreciative of the effort he puts in and of the care he shows. He will be greatly missed. Trev will be the keynote speaker at our Presentation Assembly next Tuesday night where he will no doubt provide us with many anecdotes and experiences he has had in his role.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas as well as thank the staff, students and parents for their support and hard work during 2016.

Regards

Kym Grant
Principal

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**Naracoorte High School**

invites
parents, students and staff
to attend the
2016 Presentation Assembly
in the
Williamson Hall
on Tuesday 13th December
7:30 pm start

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***SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2016***

2016 School Magazine
Orders are now being taken for this year’s School Magazine. It will be neatly bound with approximately 70 pages and in full colour. Last year’s magazine was a resounding success, so order yours NOW!
The cost for this magazine will be $25.00 and orders must be forwarded to the school with money using this order form.

Student Name: .............................................
Home Group: ................

Payment can be made by Cash, Credit Card or EFT.
As a part of the pre Year 12 Visual Arts process the current Year 11 Art students visited the Naracoorte Regional Art Gallery, to view the 2016 Visual Arts, Photography and Technology Exhibition. The focus of this excursion was for the students to develop a broader understanding of the expectations of the Stage 2 course and to develop a better understanding of the assessment process of this subject.

Whilst at the Art Gallery the students participated in discussions about the marking process and took an in-depth look at the assessment criteria of the practical components of Stage 2 Visual Arts. The students then worked in groups to develop an informed opinion about the current work and its assessment standard.

“It was enlightening to see the finished products after watching so much work being put into them from the Year 12’s during the year. The experience really brought to life what was achieved and demonstrated the effort and persistence that I will need to complete next year to reach their standard.” Nikita McHugh.

Overall, this activity was a successful lead into the pre Year 12 session our students are about to undertake.

Vanita Hutchinson
Arts Coordinator

A huge thank you to Kerry and Hamish Probert for planting a School community herb garden near our Science block. The Proberts implemented this fantastic initiative recently to support the Home Economics cooking classes and for the Canteen’s use as well. We greatly appreciate their amazing generosity and support.
In Week 5 the Year 11 Outdoor Education class travelled to Middleton to complete a SACE surfing program run by Victor Harbor aquatics instructors. This program focussed on surfing techniques, wave selection and beach safety. The students were keen to get into the surf and all showed great improvement over the three days. By the last day all students were standing up and riding waves, with some showing a natural ability in the activity and a desire to continue with the sport. The students loved the surfing and the great weather we had after several cold and wet camps this year. They were outstanding both on and off the water. This was the last school camp for some of these students, whilst others will take on the challenge of the Self-Reliant camp in Year 12 Outdoor Education next year.

Nick Lang
Outdoor Education Teacher
YR 11 OUTDOOR ED SURF CAMP
Jason Smith has had his hard work recognised at the Automotive Industry Group South East Automotive Industry Apprentice Awards Presentation in Mount Gambier on the 5th of December. For the past year, Jason has been travelling to Mount Gambier High School once a week for an Automotive course, and he has certainly made an impression. Jason won the award for Mount Gambier High School - Most Outstanding Student - Skill Centre Based for his enthusiastic approach to the Skill Centre based training. Jason's high academic grade average of 94% in the course was also highlighted, with this being the top in the class. Congratulations Jason!

Michelle Gasparini
VET Coordinator

The DECD Parent Information on Bushfire Management Brochure has been developed to provide advice and support to parents and caregivers on how to prepare for the fire danger season, and what to do if a bushfire is burning near their child's school or preschool.


There are printed copies available from the Front Office at Naracoorte High School if you would like a copy.
Last Thursday afternoon Naracoorte shoppers were treated to an hour of live music by the Music students in the Sound Shell. Thanks to Kayleigh Meyers and Rachael McKay for organising the sound. Performers were Nikita Lawrie, Amber Nisbett, Joel Carroll, Randy Salo, Jonah Matthews, Jairus Amonoy, Andrea Cauilan, Imogen Bates, Zaneesha Meyers, Zoe Foster, Kelly Apor, Rachael McKay and Kayleigh Meyers.

Meredith Schinckel
Music Teacher
In Week 6, eleven Year 10 students had the opportunity to discover Adelaide University for three days. The trip consisted of workshops, lectures and just a little bit of shopping in Rundle Mall. Students were involved in a number of faculties including Medicine and Engineering. Activities included viewing and discussing different human organs to try and work out the diseases attached to them, a Dental workshop and an introduction to Architecture through the use of city planning. The trip was a huge success with many of the students gaining an idea of what their futures entailed.

Daniel Hallett
Physical Education/HASS Teacher
As we get closer to the end of another school year it is time for students to return all the library resources that they have borrowed.

All year 11 textbooks should have been returned by Friday 2\textsuperscript{nd} December, before these students started their pre-year 12 classes.

All resources for the other year levels need to be returned by Friday 9\textsuperscript{th} December. Please assist with checking for books at home and encourage your student/s to return their items as soon as possible.

Any lost or unreturned items will be invoiced for in 2017.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Congratulations to all the NHS students who successfully completed this year’s challenge.

Legend Medal (6 years)       Jessica Reed
Hall of Fame Medal (7 years)   Miu Speed
Hall of Fame Reader for Life Award (8 years) Atefa Alizada
Reader for Life Bronze Award (9 years) Codey Lusher, Georgia Reuter, Eliza Moorhouse, Joe Ellis, Marcie Flynn, Shakira Elmer, Stacey Hayes
Reader for Life Silver Award (10 years) Jessica Dempster, Sarah Sims, Karlee Meyer, Thomas Moyle-Read
Reader for Life Gold Award (11 years) Laurel Lees, Aaron Hagarty
Reader for Life Champion Award (12 years) Kelsie Moyle-Read, Acacia McLachlan

The medals and certificates were presented to students in a recent assembly.

Anita Miles
Library Manager
NARACOORTE HIGH SCHOOL
CANTEEN ROSTER
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CANTEEN DUTY ROSTER TIMES

Normal Shift
Mon–Fri 9.30am – 2.15pm

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful volunteers in the canteen this year. Without your help the canteen would not run as smoothly as it does. We are always looking for more helpers so please put your name down next year and give it a try!

I look forward to working with and meeting new parents in 2017 and hope you all have a wonderful Christmas.

Cheers,
Deb Gill
Canteen Manager
OUTDOOR CINEMA

Start your Taste Festival with a film your whole family will enjoy

Tickets at the gate. Movie commences on dark.
Adults $10, Children U/12 $5, Family of four $25
Sausage Sizzle, Movie Snacks and drinks available for sale.
Strictly no food or drinks to be brought into the grounds.
BYO chairs and blankets.

Friday 10th Feb
Naracoorte Show Grounds
Gates Open 6.30pm

Lots of family fun
Apex Train
Face Painting
Jumping Castle

Major fundraiser of the Naracoorte North Kindy