

Narooma High School NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 10 2019

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Walawaani Njindiwan and welcome to the last Newsletter for 2019.

It has been an incredible year with each student continuing to build on their capacity, in preparation for the world beyond. I thank all our supporters, our parents and community who take the time to work with us. Your support of our students has more power than you know. We take every opportunity to recognise and celebrate the excellence of our students across all areas of their achievements. We thank you for your ongoing advocacy for our school and our students. I wish to extend my upmost sincere thank you to the P&C for your enthusiasm, dedication and your confidence in our school. I am excited about the up and coming projects.

I also extend my sincerest thank you to all staff. I thank them for their dedication and opportunities they create for the students. We are a privileged community to have such dedicated professionals to ensure the very best for our students. A community is strong when it has great schools; we all benefit and soar.

I wish to congratulate each one of our students on their outstanding efforts, their growth and mindset to improve. Our current state of existence or achievement is not set and with practice, perseverance and good old-fashioned hard work, any student can achieve anything. I want every student to know that if you have attended school, engaged in your learning, lived our school values, made connections and have improved in any area then you have succeeded. Now you need to reset your goals for next year and strive further. DREAM BIGGER and DO BIGGER.

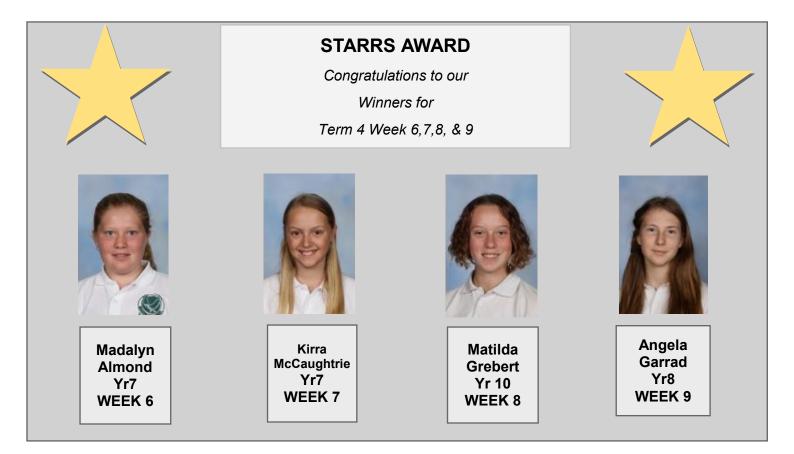
We have finished the year in spectacular fashion with the most wonderful musical. We have so many talented students and many thanks to them for their dedication to their rehearsals to ensure the success of the show. Many thanks to Dan Efraemson and Rob Rogers and all staff and Parents/Carers that assisted to make this happen for our students.

Lastly, congratulations to all our Year 12 graduates on their fabulous HSC results. We had some outstanding results with notably Rory Spurgeon's ATAR, Rory made the schools merit list for Chemistry, Maths Extension 1 and Physics. Other students to make the merit list were Emma Arnold and Luca Potts for History Extension, and Maggie Lee for PDHPE. Our top performing subjects were Hospitality, Community and Family Studies, Drama, Society and Culture, Agriculture and History Extension. I, however, wish to congratulate all our students that have achieved their post schooling option, whether that be University, gaining an apprenticeship or traineeship or successful in gaining employment. You have achieved your goals with your work ethic. Congratulations and enjoy the next road in your journey.

I am sincerely humble, to be the principal of this fabulous school. I am looking forward to working alongside you all in 2020 and beyond. Have a happy and safe break and *TOGETHER WE SOAR*.

Fiona Jackson Principal







IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday 29 January 2020 ~ SCHOOL COMMENCES FOR YEARS 7, 11, & 12

Thursday 30 January 2020 ~ SCHOOL COMMENCES FOR YEARS 8, 9 & 10

WEP EXCHANGE

Tamzin McCue in Year 10 is currently on exchange in Italy with the WEP program. After hearing about the experience from Caitlin Reid in Year 11 who went to Canada last year, Tamzin approached her Year Advisor about going on exchange herself. Initially interested in Germany, but not speaking the language, Tamzin decided on Italy.

Tamzin had an orientation day in Sydney early in September to meet with the other students going on exchange. Students from all over Australia have the opportunity to participate in the exchange and can choose to stay for 3 months, 6 months or 12 months and can go to Europe, Canada or America.

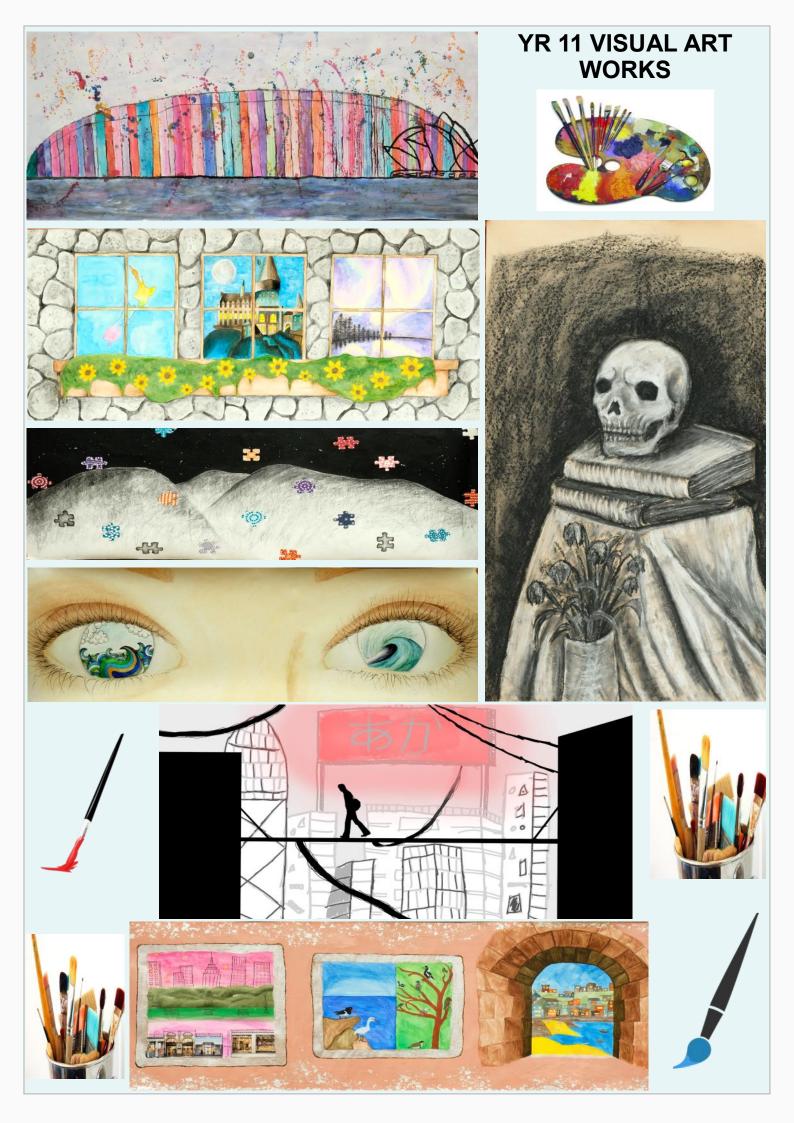
Tamzin left in early October and since being in Italy she has visited Venice, Rome, Florence and Pisa. Some of these trips have been organised by WEP so the Australian Exchange students can come together and talk about how their exchange is going. Tamzin has kept in contact with Narooma High letting us all know about her experience. Her first day at school in Italy was very interesting for Tamzin as many of the students and teachers did not speak English. In the subjects where English was spoken she became a bit of a star with both teachers and students wanting to listen to her speak. Tamzin said all the students were interested in getting to know her and tried their best to help her settle in. The main differences from school in Australia being that the students stayed in the same class and the teacher, who they call professors, moved to them. Also school starts at 8am and finishes at 1pm, but they do go to school for the morning on Saturdays.

Tamzin said that this exchange has been the best thing she has ever done, meeting lots of new lifelong friends as well as experiencing life in another country. Tamzin is excited about having Christmas in Italy and going snowboarding in the Alps as well as visiting Milan. As Tamzin says "this is so surreal"



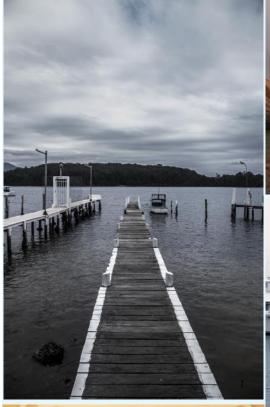






YEAR 12 MAJOR WORKS

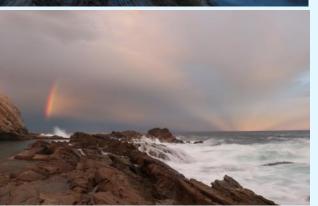






























YR 9 FOOD TECH CHRISTMAS PICINIC





YEAR 7 JAPANESE 2019 – A GASTRONOMICAL JOURNEY

Throughout 2019, we have been very lucky to host multiple Japanese Assistant Teachers. We have learned how to make some truly cool Origami, cooked some sensational food and learned many things about life in Japan. Not to mention some Japanese Language. Mrs Rowland's highlight for the year definitely has to be marking the ABSOLUTELY FANTASTIC Masterchef Nihon food videos made by Year 7 this year. They are by far the best assignments that have been submitted to her in many years and were so much fun to watch.

Mrs Rowland said: "I have had a blast in 2019".....Here is a pictorial of the year in review:-



WOODWORK

Ethan Reakes Yr 7 and his acoustic speaker

Ruben Colom-Davis Yr9



Erin Harvey-Mauger Yr9







Bridie Cotton Yr9





YR 12 FORMAL 2019









Congratulations year 12 2019



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YEAR 11 HOSPITALITY 2019 PRESENTATION LUNCHEON















Thank you to the amazing support of Woolworths Narooma, NHS Chaplain Mrs Phoebe Adams and Mrs Rowland are delighted to advise that Breakfast Club will be available starting week 8.

WHERE: Narooma High School Common Room,

WHEN: The facility will be open from 8.15 to 8.45 Tuesday to Friday and from 8.10-8.30 on Monday mornings (as staff require common room Monday mornings)

WHS: Anyone who missed the most important meal of the day. Brains need fuel to run, just like a car. We need fuel in our tanks to run to our best capacity.

WHET: cereal selection, toast with a selection of toppings, milk, tea, milo - and the odd surprise...

Breakfast Class RVLES: You make it, you eat it, you clean it....

YOU ARE WELCOME Narooma High School BREAK-FAST CLUB, because

"TOGETHER WE SOAR" Eat a Healthy Breakfast Your Brain will have energy to be more focused in class!



WE WANT YOUR LIDS

A "Lids 4 kids" collection point.

Now it's even easier to join many organisations across Australia in turning plastic lids destined for landfill into prosthetic limbs for children. A reused A4 box is available at Narooma High School for people to drop off plastic bottle tops that more often than not, end up in landfill.

Lids that are accepted are plastic bottle top lids from soft drink and milk/juice cartons/bottles. They are generally up the size of a credit card (or smaller) and too small to be recycled as a stand-alone hard plastic item in our kerbside collection.

To drop off...They need to be clean and have the white waxy liner (if it has one) flicked out of it (this can be done easily with a pen or fingernail).

When the box is full (with around 900 lids) it will be sent to Envision in Melbourne. They have a target of 2 million lids to meet! Once the lids get to Envision, they are colour sorted and made into pellets that are fed into a 3D printer that produces prosthetic limbs for children.

It's a great initiative with good social and environmental outcomes.

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