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NUMURKAH SECONDARY COLLEGE

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Principal's Report

We are now within our last week of classes for our Year 12 VCE students, with all of the internal assessments completed and only the exams ahead for those pursuing an ATAR score. Given that assessments have been completed, our VCE cohort can sleep a little easier knowing that they have secured their Victorian Certificate of Education. Likewise, our Senior VCAL students have now completed their required competencies and have gained their VCAL Certificates.

Congratulations to all of our senior students who have achieved their secondary schooling goals and good luck to all those sitting the exams!

2019 College Captains

The roles of College Captain and College Vice Captain are very prestigious ones and I believe the highest honour that can be bestowed for our students. For that reason, becoming a College Captain is a relatively exhaustive process. Our students must first submit a formal application, outlining why they are suitable for the position. This must be accompanied by two teacher references supporting their application. Applicants must then present to the entire student body and the staff, who follow the presentation by voting for the leader who they believe will best represent them. Following this, applicants then submit to an interview which is led by myself and Ms Willis, the Student Engagement & Wellbeing Leader. At the completion of the process, the selection panel tally the scores from each of the individual parts of the process to determine who will lead their fellow students for 2019.



It is with great pleasure, and enormous confidence, that I announce that Trinity Jose and Adam Mansfield are the 2019 College Captains. Our Vice Captains created some problems for us, as after all of the components of the process were completed and scored, we could not split the top three candidates. So, once again it is with pleasure that I announce that the 2019 Vice Captains are April Phyland, Jamiee Cook and Renee Kennedy.

Student Free Days

A reminder to families that two student free days will take place this term. As has been the case for the last few years, Numurkah Secondary College will conduct professional development days on Numurkah Show day (Wednesday, 24th October) and Melbourne Cup eve (Monday, 5th November).

Our major focus on these days is on developing our capacity to teach literacy skills to students across all learning areas. On Numurkah Show day we have literacy expert Lorna Ward coming to work with us on delivering high impact reading conferences with students.

PAUL TOZER
PRINCIPAL

From the Assistant Principal's Desk

Eastern Goulburn MARC Cluster Day

We had a fantastic time hosting The MARC Library Cluster Day, which saw over 400 primary school students from surrounding primary schools visit our school. With *'Find your Treasure'* as the theme, students came dressed up as their favourite book character. 2019 College Captains Trinity Jose and Adam Mansfield, along with 2019 College Vice-Captains Renee Kennedy, April Phyland and Jaimee Cook had a very hard time choosing winners, as all students put in a great amount of effort to look the part. A highlight of the day was nationally renowned magician Tim Ellis, also known as *'Madison. J Esq'* who entertained the audience with an array of awesome tricks.



Thank you to our wonderful Teacher Librarian Melanie Schols for her joint organisation of the days. We have received great feedback from the 11 primary schools who attended. They were extremely impressed with how friendly, engaging and respectful our student ambassadors were. Thank you to Jake Williams, Cooper Graham, Christina Fuller (Year 7), Emily Codiga, Montana Hill, Sis Coles, Amber Burston, Tracey Crocker, Santino D 'Agostino (Year 8); Shannon Martin, Cheyenne Lujan, Riley Dixon, Alex Hendy-Smith, Jalen Brown, Stacey Tyndall, Ella Holding, Tyana Austin, (Year 9) and Tiara Kelly (Year 10).

Transition News

It was lovely to spend time with 8 of our 2019 Year 7 students, who took part in the *'NSC Small Schools Transition Session'*. The students had a great time making beeswax wraps with Ms Reid, an art session with Ms Winters, followed up with preparing healthy wraps for lunch with Ms Corazza. The students also got to spend time with Ms Willis, Kylie and Stan. Feedback was terrific – and all are looking forward to starting their secondary school journey with us next year.

Our 2019 Year 7 Family information session was very well attended, despite the wild weather of Tuesday Evening! Parents and students learnt about Year 7 through the eyes of our fantastic Year 7 Student Ambassadors – Patrick Millen, Michelle Rore, Kobi Hipwell and Zoe Hook.

15 Mile Creek Camp

Wishing our 24 Year 9 students who are attending the 15 Mile Creek Camp next week a wonderful time. Students thoroughly enjoyed preparation for their 12-day experience with Camp Teachers Matthew and Rhys. I look forward to visiting.

JENNIFER ATTARD
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



SCHOOL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mick Holding (President), Roger Jones (Vice President), Paul Tozer, Jennifer Attard, Peter Smyth, Christine Sigley, Pam McPherson, Jacqui Martin, Andrea Holmes, Donna Grandell and Damien Hipwell.

Next Meeting - 22nd October 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER

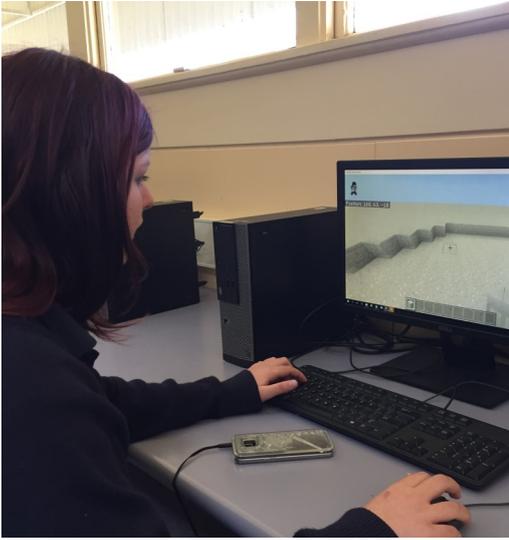
- 22 15 Mile Creek begins
- 24 Numurkah Show—pupil free day
- 31 VCE English exam 9.00am—12.15pm

NOVEMBER

- 5 Pupil Free Day
- 6 Melbourne Cup—Pupil Free Day

Lunchtime Activities

Come along and enjoy some of the many options available to you with our lunchtime activities. Check the timetable to pick your activity.



Mon	Indoor Sports in the Gym with Ms. Meads Equestrian Club in M1 with Ms. Gierveld Art Club in the art rooms with Ms. Winters
Tues	SLC Meetings with Ms Willis in M1. Manga Drawing in the Library with Ms. Schols.
Wed	Board Games in the Library with Ms. Schols Textiles Club in T2 with Miss Reid
Thur	Indoor Sports in the Gym with Ms. Meads Textiles Club in T2 with Miss Reid Minecraft in D1 with Ms. Carruthers Yoga in the Hall with Miss Wood
Fri	Book Club in the Library with Ms. Schols Dance Club in the Hall with Ms. Willis

Hume Region Athletics Carnival

Well done to our students who competed at the Hume Athletics in Albury on 11th October. Everyone was very competitive in their events, well within range of medals.

We had three year 7 students competing in their first Regional competition. Brittney, Clayton and Braidyn were fantastic competitors and are very keen to hone their skills for next year's competitions.

The highlights of the day were a third place medal to Clayton Spriggs, 2 seconds and a third place medal for Jayden Hollands.

Well done to Sarah, Bailey, Fraser, Jayden, Brittney, Braidyn and Clayton for the enthusiasm and team spirit that you displayed.

Peter Smyth
Sports Co-ordinator



Literacy Hub News

It was wonderful to see so many diverse and wonderful costumes during the MARC Cluster day. The Literacy Hub was a hive of activity with the Grade 5 & 6 students experiencing the crazy pirate antics of Miss Schols. After participating in the dedicated reading session held here every day at Numurkah Secondary College the students participated in an Escape Room and played Ship to Shore. It was an honor to host this day on behalf of the MARC Library van.

Here are our winning Escape Room students (Grade 5 & 6):



New books continue to arrive into the library faster than they can be catalogued and covered. Apologies to the many students who are coming in to the Literacy Hub to see if their book is ready, only to be told to try again later. There is one new book that has at least 10 reserves! (I have of course purchased more).

Great to see such a keen interest in reading!

MISS MELANIE SCHOLS
TEACHER LIBRARIAN



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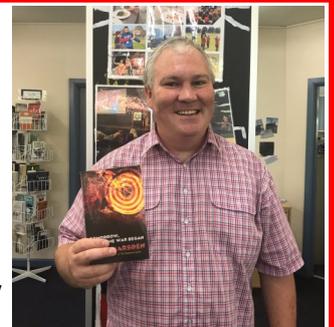
Recommended Reads

Book: Tomorrow When The War Began

Author: John Marsden

When Ellie and her friends return from a camping trip in the Australian bush, they find things hideously wrong — their families are gone. Gradually they begin to comprehend that their country has been invaded and everyone in their town has been taken prisoner. As the reality of the situation hits them, they must make a decision — run and hide, give themselves up and be with their families, or fight back.

We have this novel as a Class Set.



Recommended by: Dave Kelly.



Book: Unearthly

Author: Cynthia Hand

Clara has known she was part-angel ever since she turned fourteen two years ago, but only now is her Purpose - the crucial rite of passage for every part-angel - becoming clear to her. Clara's Purpose leads her family to Wyoming, where, amidst terrifying scenes of a bush inferno, she finds the boy of her visions, Christian. He is everything she could wish for - so why does she also have feelings for her enigmatic classmate Tucker?

Clara discovers that her Purpose is only a small part of a titanic struggle between angels and their destructive counterparts, the Black Wings. And when the fire of her visions erupts and both Christian and Tucker are in danger, who will she choose to save?

Recommended by: Cloie Argue (Yr 9)

This novel can be found in our Fantasy section.

RACV Energy Challenge

Round 4 of the 2018 Victorian Human Powered Vehicle Grand Prix Series took place on Saturday 13th October at Casey Fields. The NSC 2018 RACV Energy Challenge team headed off to complete in this 6 hour event to get a taste of what will be in store for them when they compete in the RACV Energy Breakthrough Maryborough 24 hour marathon. This year's team consists of Jake Beggs, Pat Millen, Cheyenne Ruiz Lujan, Ella Holding, Haydn Wyatt, Darren Patmore and support crew Stacey Tyndall and Tyana Austin. All bar one of the team are new this year and did an amazing job coming 91st in a field of 123 teams of adults and children with much more experience than our team.



Thanks to Keith Ward for his assistance and support for this event.

Only 32 days and counting until we compete in Maryborough.

Stan Thomas
Wellbeing



NSC Facebook Follow the Numurkah Secondary College Facebook page for action shots of our students attending excursions, updates, and sometimes the fun activities your child is having at school!

Moira Shire Council Immunisation Catch-up Session

Following Round 2 of the Secondary School Immunisation program this month the Moira Shire Council Immunisation Team are offering students who have missed doses at the school sessions the opportunity to attend a free after hours catch up session.

The details of these sessions are as follows:

Cobram – 24 October at 5.30pm—Maternal and Child Health Centre—16 Hay Avenue, Cobram

Nathalia – 28 November at 3.30pm—Maternal and Child Health Centre—75 Blake Street, Nathalia

Numurkah – 28 November at 5.30pm—Numurkah Information Centre—99 Melville Street, Numurkah



Students are also welcome to attend Moira Shire Council Infant Immunisation Sessions to receive missed doses. If you have any queries regarding any of this please do not hesitate to contact our Immunisation Team on 5871 9222.

School Garden Project

We are digging it!

NSC VCAL students have been busy designing an extension to the existing veggie garden. The garden has some additional planters installed where carrots and lettuce seeds have been planted. These should be growing well by the end of the term.

In addition, the VCAL students will be erecting a fence to divide the garden into a manageable space and also create a chicken run. This will allow some year 9 students to learn how to look after poultry and collect the eggs. The same Year 9 students, Jayden Hollands, Josh Govers, Kohl Considine, Bailey Ebborn and Darren Patmore, have been busy planting some indigenous plants. These are growing well thanks to the irrigation system they installed. Irrigation has also been installed to our existing fruit trees. They have harvested some of the fruits of their labour including silverbeet, delicious snow peas, radish and rainbow chard. The Food Technology department have been using some of the produce in cooking lessons and in particular have found the continental and curly leaf parsley very useful. We have also been able to supply the canteen with some lettuce

In the next couple of weeks we will have a large crop of silverskin, brown and red onions ready to harvest. In addition there will be a plentiful supply of potatoes as they are currently flowering.

The produce will be available for families to pick up free from the harvest table outside reception. We would like to support our school community in any way we can and see this as an opportunity to give back to the families who are supporting the school. We also have sage, parsley and rosemary which can be picked fresh on request. If you would like to make use of the harvest produce please ring reception to check availability before collecting or asking your child to bring some home.

In the next couple of weeks you will be able to pick up potatoes fresh from the school garden at no cost. On the next pages is a simple recipe using potatoes to make an old Italian favourite gnocchi. Fresh gnocchi with a tomato sauce makes a cheap and delicious meal. Try it some time and let us know what you think.



STEVE FORRESTER
ADOLESCENT HEALTH NURSE
& KITCHEN GARDEN COORDINATOR

Basic Gnocchi

Fresh from the garden: eggs, potatoes

Rolling and cutting fresh, soft gnocchi dough is a wonderfully tactile experience. This simple recipe shows how easy it is.

Note: To save time in class, cook the potatoes in advance. Then have each group prepare potatoes for the next class.

Equipment:

metric measuring scales
and spoons
large heavy-based stockpot with lid
colander
large bowl
potato masher, ricer or Mouli
clean tea towel
chopping board
butter knife
fork
baking tray
slotted spoon

Ingredients:

1 kg large desiree potatoes (about 5 or 6)
350 g plain flour, plus extra for kneading
1 egg
1 tbsp salt



What to do:

1. Place the potatoes in their skins in the stockpot, cover with water and boil until tender.
2. Drain the potatoes and allow them to cool slightly in the colander before peeling. (**Note:** If using a ricer you will not need to peel the potatoes.)
3. Put the potatoes into the large bowl and mash them with your masher until smooth, or pass them through a ricer or Mouli. Do not over-mash or the potato will become sticky and your gnocchi will be heavy.
4. Rinse and refill the stockpot with water and bring it to the boil.
5. Pour the flour onto a clean workbench, reserving 2 tablespoons to use later if required.
6. Put the mashed potatoes on top of the pile of flour. Add the egg.
7. Knead the mixture into a soft dough. If necessary, sprinkle a little extra flour to stop the dough sticking to the workbench.
8. Divide the dough into four, then roll each piece into a 2 cm-wide log.

Season: All

Serves: 30 tasters in the classroom or 6 at home

Basic Gnocchi continued

1. Cut the logs with the butter knife at 0.5 cm intervals to create gnocchi, then lightly use the fork to create ridges on the gnocchi (don't squash them flat!).
2. Dust the gnocchi with a little more flour to stop them from sticking.
3. Dust a baking tray with flour and spread the gnocchi onto the tray.
4. To cook the gnocchi, add a tablespoon of salt to the boiling water, then carefully drop the gnocchi piece by piece into the pot, making sure they do not stick together. Boil them in two batches if necessary to avoid crowding the pot.
5. The gnocchi are cooked when they rise to the surface. Spoon them out with the slotted spoon and place directly into your sauce, or into a serving dish.



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Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Near the Town Hall, Knox Street

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Thursday, 15 November 2018 9 am to 4 pm

A Farm Household Case Officer will be in attendance

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10.30AM FOR 11AM START
NUMURKAH TOWN HALL**

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Guest MC
comedian
Jo Stanley

Jo Stanley rose to fame in 2003
as one half of The Matt & Jo Show, the hilarious
and heartwarming breakfast radio duo on Fox FM,
which enjoyed 10 successful years of breakfast
radio. At their peak, the duo was the most
listened-to radio show in the country, with a
whopping 6 years at number one.

All tickets include

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- Glass of champagne
- Entertainment
- Catering by Bill & Beats
- Raffles



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