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# NUMURKAH

# SECONDARY COLLEGE

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## Principal's Report

Dear NSC families,

Welcome back to Term 2. Talking to our students on return, it is clear many enjoyed their break and the opportunities to travel and spend time with families.

Over the next term we will have **2 pupil free** days and while these will come up on the calendar, I know it can be helpful for parents to have as much notice as possible. A staff Professional Development day will be held on Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup> and a Curriculum Day will be held on Tuesday June 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Semester 2 subject

Counselling for Years 8 to 10 will take place Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup>. Several families collected booklets outlining subject options at Parent Teacher interviews. There will also be a notice on Compass with a link for parents to access a PDF copy of the booklet. We encourage parents to discuss options with students and support them in making their selections. All students will be given individual counselling on Thursday to ensure they are confident in making their subject selections. This is the first step in the process as class sizes and staffing will then be considered. Students will select a first and second preference in each subject area. Please feel free to contact me or Deanne Dewar if you would like more information about subject selection.

### ANZAC Day

I was very proud of our school leaders, Felicity Tickell, Rhiannon Jose and Mia Ruggi in their leadership of the ANZAC ceremony. School flag bearers were Cooper Hampton-Archer, Ebony Giddens, Oliver Masters and Tom Mohr. The manner in which our students went about this duty was outstanding and I congratulate them on the respect they demonstrated. NSC students from year 7 to year 12 were also involved, distributing programs and taking up the collection. Well done to all who participated and to those who came and joined the march with the school group. The local RSL members do an amazing job preparing the many events of this day and we appreciate the opportunity they give our students to be involved.

### School Assembly

It was wonderful to have a number of guests attend the assembly on Friday, run by a student leaders. This assembly acknowledged students for their achievements during Term 1.

### COVID update

#### Screening requirements

Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, now do not need to undertake rapid antigen test (RAT) screening for 12 weeks after their release from isolation. This was previously 8 weeks.

#### Household contacts

Students and staff who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are no longer required to quarantine. They can return to school as long as they undertake rapid antigen tests (RAT) 5 times within their 7-day period and wear face masks indoors if they are aged 8 and above unless they have a valid exemption. If any household contact returns a positive RAT result during this period, they must isolate for 7 days and not attend school.

We have plenty of test kits available from the office and we encourage student to ensure they have kits at home to test when required.

### **Tertiary Information session**

Our senior students are attending this event on Monday in Shepparton. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to investigate future pathways they are not aware of until they are provided with information. In the changing world of industry and employment it is important we continue to expose our students to these events.

### **Uniform**

**As the weather cools down please ensure that students have the required uniform pants, jumpers and jackets. Our school shorts, tracksuit pants and dress pants are navy. Black sports shorts and leggings are not part of our uniform and should not be worn to school. The PE uniforms does not include skins.**

Students wearing non-school jumpers and caps will be asked to remove them. We are planning to introduce a school beanie, until these are available beanies are not to be worn.

**For students attending excursions it is a requirement that they are in correct school uniform.**

If you are finding it difficult to meet uniform costs, please contact the school so we can support you. All uniform items can be purchased from McPherson's Mensland in Numurkah who are well stocked with all requirements. School jackets can be purchased from the school office.



Cate Eddy  
Principal

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Follow the Numurkah Secondary College Facebook page for photos of our students attending excursions, updates, and fun activities at NSC.

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Kathleen Newby (President), Kelly Bloomfield (Vice President),  
Cate Eddy (Executive Officer), Deanne Dewar, Louise Moss,  
Peter Smyth, Chris Deitch, Peta Russo, Angela Joy,  
Rachel Bonham

Next meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> May 6:00pm

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **May 2022:**

2<sup>nd</sup> May: Yr 11 & Yr 12 Tertiary info session in Shepparton  
10<sup>th</sup> May: NSC Discovery Night  
17<sup>th</sup> May: Senior Winter Sports  
18<sup>th</sup> May: Careers Day Out – Yr.10  
25<sup>th</sup> May: Pupil Free Day, Saff Professional Development  
31<sup>st</sup> May: Junior Winter Sports

### **June 2022:**

13<sup>th</sup> June: Queen's Birthday – Public Holiday  
14<sup>th</sup> June: Curriculum Day: Pupil Free Day





# ANZAC DAY 2022



LEST WE FORGET  
Anzac Day



# The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition

We are very pleased to announce that The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition is now open for submissions with the theme 'Our Commonwealth'. Young people from across the Commonwealth **can now submit their entries** until the closing deadline on 30<sup>th</sup> June.

In 2022, on the occasion of her Platinum Jubilee year, Her Majesty The Queen will celebrate 70 years as the Head of the Commonwealth. The Queen's seven decades of service to the Commonwealth are an inspiring example of the steadfast commitment and important contribution we can all make to our societies. The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition 2022 asks entrants to explore the positive impact that can be achieved through dedication and selfless commitment to our Commonwealth.

For this year's topics and more information on how to enter, please visit: <https://www.royalcwsociety.org/essay-competition>.



THE QUEEN'S  
COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION 2022

The Commonwealth is a voluntary network of 54 countries, based on a shared English language and the key values of democracy, equality, tolerance, human rights and the rule of law.

#### ABOUT THE COMPETITION

The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition is the world's oldest international writing competition for schools, established in 1883. With thousands of young people taking part every year, it is an important way to recognise achievement, elevate youth voices and develop key skills through creative writing.

#### HOW TO ENTER

The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition is open for entries between **15 March and 30 June 2022**. For more information on how to enter the competition please visit, [www.royalcwsociety.org](http://www.royalcwsociety.org)

Follow @RoyalCWSociety on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for writing tips!

Email [competitions@royalcwsociety.org](mailto:competitions@royalcwsociety.org) with any questions.



#### SENIOR CATEGORY

BORN BETWEEN 1 JULY 2003 AND 30 JUNE 2008 (14-18 YEARS OF AGE)

1. Imagine you are a Head of Government delivering a speech to your counterparts at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Rwanda. Write a speech that highlights what you believe should be a priority for collective action within the Commonwealth.
2. Committed to the Commonwealth.
3. Her Majesty The Queen was born in the twentieth century, a period that saw enormous social change driven by visionary and committed leaders. Reflect on an inspirational leader from this period.
4. "Whilst experiences of the last year have been different across the Commonwealth, stirring examples of courage, commitment and selfless dedication to duty have been demonstrated in every Commonwealth nation and territory, notably by those working on the frontline who have been delivering healthcare and other public services in their communities." – Her Majesty The Queen, Commonwealth Day Message 2021. Imagine you are working on the frontline. Write about your experience, explaining why you serve your community and why your service matters.

#### JUNIOR CATEGORY

BORN ON OR AFTER 1 JULY 2008 (UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE)

1. Imagine you are a grandparent in 2022. Tell your grandchildren a bedtime story about an inspirational person.
2. What are the best ways for young people to serve the Commonwealth in your view?
3. Our Commonwealth community.
4. Write a job description for a superhero needed to solve a problem in your community.



ROYAL COMMONWEALTH SOCIETY



The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition is supported by the Lagos State Government.

# NSC Career's News

Numurkah Secondary College would like to extend an expression of interest to your child to participate in gaining their **White Card**.

A White Card is a mandatory work card required in Australia Numurkah Secondary College would like to extend an expression of interest to your child to participate in gaining their White Card.

To be able to participate in this training, students must have the following –

- A USI (unique student identification, this can be obtained by applying online)
- Be able to attend on a Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May, 9am – 3pm at Numurkah

There may be a small fee required, this will be dependent on the amount of participants involved.

If you would like your child to attend, please make contact with the school by 10<sup>th</sup> of May.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

In order to participate in any type of work experience, documents must be completed, signed and returned to the school before placement can commence.

The work experience arrangement form needs to be signed by the Parent/Carer, Student, Employer and NSC Principal before placement can commence.

Please click the link to view a Work experience Arrangement form

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/teachers/teachingresources/careers/work/WEarrangeframeended.pdf>

Also, a link to: Parent/Carers guide to Work Experience

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/students/beyond/wltworkexp.pdf>



**Careers Week is Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May**

**Careers Day Out** - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Years 9 & 10

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Years 11 & 12

**Trades Fit – Young Women in Trades & Tech** - May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Melbourne Exhibition and Convention centre.

**Food & Fibre Expo** - 27<sup>th</sup> May Melbourne University Dookie College Campus

Numurkah Secondary College Careers website aims to provide you with all the latest information that will help your child decide about their future career and their life beyond school [www.numurkahcareers.com](http://www.numurkahcareers.com)

Career targets on the website can be a fun family activity to see what level of qualifications are needed for the type of job your child may wish to achieve. <https://www.numurkahcareers.com/career-targets/14>

If you have any questions about careers, work experience and or pathways please send a message or call

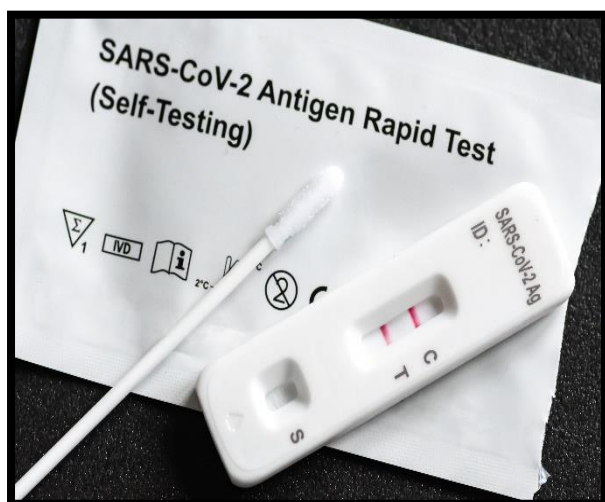
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## REMINDER TO FAMILIES—R.A.T. Kits

Rapid Antigen Test Kits are available for students attending NSC who wish to undertake Covid testing at home. Parents are asked to contact the NSC General Office and we will arrange for a kit to be sent home with your child at the end of the day. There is no cost and involvement is completely voluntary.

## School Bus Service

Just a reminder to families to make sure you:

- Obtain bus passes from the General Office if you are required to go home with someone else. Some of these buses are at capacity, and you will not be allowed on without a valid bus pass.
- Follow the bus rules of following instructions from the Driver / Captain.
- Stay seated at all times,
- No eating,
- No roudy behaviour.

Remember travelling on the bus is a *Privilege not a right*.



## 2023 YEAR 7 DISCOVERY NIGHT

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Information sessions commencing at 6.30pm

Tours following at 7.00pm

Concluding with a meet and greet with staff and light refreshments



## NUMURKAH SECONDARY COLLEGE

*Our Kids, Our Community, Our School*

Come along and enjoy this wonderful opportunity to meet staff and tour the College facilities.



To assist with catering numbers, please register your interest by ringing the College on (03) 5862 1088 or scanning the QR code. WALKS INS MOST WELCOME

**Respect, Excellence, Aspiration and Pride**



# Community Information

## 100,000 temp jobs

Most jobs are on election day Saturday 21 May and some are in the weeks before and after the election.



Earn extra money



Training is provided, no experience required

**Register now to work at the 2022 federal election.**

[aec.gov.au/electionjobs](http://aec.gov.au/electionjobs)



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**An invitation is extended to:**

~ all Murray Valley Irrigation District Soldier Settlement Families, especially those associated with the original settlement

## Become a foster carer

A little of your time can change an entire life

### Attend an info session

Tue 15 March 6:00pm: Online via ZOOM

RSVP: email [humefostercare@berrystreet.org.au](mailto:humefostercare@berrystreet.org.au) to register attendance by 12pm on 15th March

We need more foster carers in our community.

If you are over 21, have a spare bedroom and can provide a safe, nurturing home environment - we would love to hear from you.

As a foster carer, you could make a huge difference to a child or young person in need.

For more information please call 03 5822 8100 or visit [berrystreet.org.au](http://berrystreet.org.au)

**BERRY STREET**  
Australian Electoral Commission

### THE APPRENTICESHIP FACTORY

## CURRENT VACANCIES

Updated:  
26.04.2022

### VACANT POSITIONS

Cert 3 in Plumbing - Shepparton (NISO60721)

Cert 3 in Plumbing - Shepparton (CC07121)

Cert 3 in Cabinet Making - Shepparton (CC010222)

Cert 3 in Floor & Wall Tiling - Shepparton (CC150222)

Cert 3 in Business - Echuca (CC150322)

Cert 3 in Business - Echuca (CC260422)

Cert 3 in Business - Shepparton (CC220222)

Cert 3 in Parks & Gardens - Kyabram (CC220222)

Cert 3 in Electrotechnology 4th Year - Shepparton (NISO20222)

Dental Technician Apprenticeship - Diploma of Dental Technology (NISO10322)

Cert 3 in Civil Construction - Kyabram/Shepparton (CC010322)

Cert 3 in Heavy Vehicle Diesel Mechanic 2nd or 3rd year - Shepparton/Lemnos (NISO80322)

Cert 3 in Engineering Fabrication 2nd or 3rd year - Shepparton (NISO80322)



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