



# NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

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MONDAY 15TH OCTOBER, 2012

TERM 4 WEEK 2

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DATE/EVENTS

## UP COMING DATES

**15th October** - HSC Exams commence

**Friday 19th October** - P&C Dinner Nyngan High School 6.30pm—over 18's only. \$35 per head

**Friday 9th November & Monday 12th November**  
**MID TERM BREAK**

**SCHOOL PHOTO GROUPS** are available from the front office for re-ordering please call in and view them - you can collect an order form from the office.

Homework Centre every Monday and Wednesday afternoon from 3.30pm to 5.30pm - Nyngan High School Library & Senior Study Evening Year 11 & 12 students Mondays from 7pm to 9pm

## Western Culinary Cooking Challenge



Pictured above with Hospitality Teacher, Miss Malee Lipman, are Nyngan High students who attended the Western Culinary Cooking Challenge in Bathurst last week. They are from L to R: Miss Lipman (teacher), Tamara Brook, Chelsea Ribaux, Cassie Bartley, Briana Wardman, Bethany Young and Emma Bailey Steeden. They all cooked extremely well and were great ambassadors for Nyngan High School. Well done !!

## **Principal's Report**

It is with great pleasure that I announce to our school community that our Deputy Principal, Mrs Nicole Hunt has been successful in her application for the Principal's position at Nyngan High School for 2013 and beyond. As I move on to Canobolas High School, I am very confident that Mrs Hunt will continue to manage our wonderful school in the same direction that we are currently headed. Together Mrs Hunt and I will now work on ensuring we have a full complement of staff to begin the school year next year. I look forward to hearing of the future successes of Nyngan High School students under her leadership.

I wish all of our Year 12 students the very best of luck for their first week of exams. I'm sure you will do your best.

Our six Tongling Delegates, Mrs Underwood and I are currently enjoying a wonderful time in China. All of the students have been trying new food, and learning about the Chinese culture. Whilst we are all looking forward to being home, we are certainly having a great time. We will be home after school Thursday.

Hope everything is going well back in Australia.

*With my best regards,*

*Chad Bliss*

*Principal*

## **Deputy Principal's Report**

### **P&C Dinner**

Nyngan High School P&C Association will be holding a fundraising dinner on the grounds of the High School on FRIDAY 19th October at 6.30pm. Those over the age of 18 are invited to attend. Cost will be \$35 per head for a 3 course meal, catered for by the Nyngan High School Hospitality Classes and Miss Lipman. Entertainment will be provided by the High School music students and Schools Spectacular Dancers. Numbers will be limited and tickets are available from Steph Waterhouse or Melissa Salter by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October. All proceeds go towards the purchase of a new school bus.

### **Year 11 Students and Sport**

As Year 11 students have now moved into Year 12, please be advised that Year 11/12 students will not be required to do Sport on a Tuesday afternoon this term. Students will sign out through the front office at the end of their last scheduled period on this day. The expectation is that students use this time wisely in completing assignment or studying either in the Library or at home.

### **HSC Begins**

The long wait is finally over for our Year 12 students who will

begin their HSC exams this week. The exams for this week will be:

Monday 1:50-4pm Standard English Paper 1

Wednesday 9:25- 11:30 Standard English Paper 2

Wednesday 12:40-2:15pm Industrial Technology

Friday 9:25-12:30pm Biology

We hope our students are well prepared, and ready to do their best work. We wish them the very best of luck!

### **Homework Centre and Senior Study Evening**

A reminder that Homework Centre will be operating 3:30-5pm Monday and Wednesday, and Senior Study Evening 7-9pm on Monday. All students are welcome to access professional tutoring with our wonderful teachers.

### **Positions Vacant**

Tim Mackey, our Technology Support Officer finished working at Nyngan High School last Wednesday. Tim has moved to Canberra where he secured a position working for the Department of Aboriginal Affairs in their technology support. We wish Tim the best for his future career.

We will need to fill Tim's position with a replacement as soon as possible. The following information related to those interested in applying for the position:

Applications are invited for the upcoming vacancy of -

### **Technology Support Officer at Nyngan High School**

This position requires someone with administrative, organisational, communication, logical thinking and teamwork skills to coordinate the Digital Education Revolution Laptop Program at Nyngan High School. The role also supports the school's technology generally. All necessary training will be supplied, with no prior experience in technology necessary. This position is for 35 hours per week full time or part time, job share situation for more than one person totalling 35 hours combined. Additional hours may be worked every week to allow the new TSO to have holidays during school holidays. Alternatively, 7 hours per day with 4 weeks holidays per year. The pay scale is General Clerk and may vary. Applications close Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October. Enquiries to Nicole Hunt 6832 1004.

Interested people are encouraged to register with Talent International <http://www.talentinternational.com.au/>. Please send a Resume to Talent International who will fill this position for Nyngan High School.

This advertisement appears on the Nyngan High School website <http://www.nyngan-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/positions-vacant>.

## **Swimming For Survival**

Help keep your child safe this summer at Swim and Survive programs for all levels. The programs – taught by experienced, AUSTSWIM-qualified instructors – run November to February throughout NSW. <http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive/>

## **Moving Into High School**

Starting High School means a new location, new friends and teachers, and new routines. In this video teachers talk about how you can help to make your child's move into High School less daunting. <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/starting-year-7>

## **Selective Schools**

Are you already thinking about your child's Year 7 placement in a selective school in 2014? Online application and information regarding the process will be available from Tuesday 16 October 2012.

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/shsplacement/index.php>

## **Trades for Girls**

AUSGRID, with the support of Women NSW, is running a work experience week for high school-aged girls who may be interested in taking up a trade. The week is open to young women 15 years of age or older, currently enrolled in school or TAFE and who want to try their hand at an electrical trade. [http://www.women.nsw.gov.au/news/items/aus-grid\\_joins\\_campaign\\_to\\_boost\\_the\\_number\\_of\\_women\\_in\\_trades](http://www.women.nsw.gov.au/news/items/aus-grid_joins_campaign_to_boost_the_number_of_women_in_trades)

## **Degrees at TAFE**

If your son or daughter is planning on getting a degree at TAFE, they will need to get their applications in by October. Find out about TAFE higher education courses and how to apply: <http://www.highered.tafensw.edu.au/degrees-at-tafe/courses/index.html#.UHZeJ65Nt8E>

## **Vocational Courses**

If your child is in Year 10 or 11 next year they may be keen to take up a vocational course while at school. Watch the video to hear Worldskills medal winners talk about how their VETiS courses have worked for them. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bV4dhWEN50M>

*Best wishes for a great week,*

*Nicole Hunt*

*Deputy Principal*

## **P&C News**

Hi Everyone. Just a quick note to remind you about the P&C Dinner this Friday night. It is being held on the High School grounds and will be \$35 per head for a three course meal catered for by the Hospitality class and Miss Lipman. Entertainment will also be provided by the High School Bands and School Spectacular Dancers and a couple of special guests. You need to have paid for your ticket from Melissa Salter or myself by Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> October at the latest as food and drink needs to be purchased. So please get in and buy your tickets as soon as possible. Anyone who went to the last one in April will tell you what a great night we all had and it gives you a chance to support your P&C and in turn your school.

Thanks for listening and for your support. Our next P&C meeting will be Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 5.45pm.

*Stephanie Waterhouse*

*Nyngan High School P&C Association*

*President*

## **Year 11 Term 4 Focus Areas**

During Term 4 our Year 11 students will be embarking on a schedule which will enable them to become more familiar with the specific subject requirements in their HSC subjects.

A summary of the schedule is outlined below. As discussed at our parent meeting last Tuesday, we would encourage you to discuss what this means with your child.

### **Week 2**

Candidates need to be aware that the marks allocated to the question and the answer space (where this is provided on the examination paper) are guides to the length of the required response. A longer response will not in itself lead to higher marks. Writing in excess of the space allocated may reduce the time available for answering other questions.

### **Week 3**

Candidates need to be familiar with the Board's [Glossary of Key Words](#), which contains some terms commonly used in examination questions. However, candidates should also be aware that not all questions will start with, or contain, one of the key words from the glossary. Questions such as 'how?', 'why?' or 'to what extent?' may be asked, or verbs may be used that are not included in the glossary, such as 'design', 'translate' or 'list'.

### Weeks 4 & 5

Concentrate on answering extended response questions.

### Week 6

Concentrate on the General Comments advice provided from the 2011 HSC Notes from the Marking Centre which is relevant for each subject.

### Week 7

Candidates demonstrated a clear understanding of the length required for each question and this translated into more effective responses across the paper as a whole.

### Week 8

Construct a time management plan.

### Weeks 9 & 10

Concentrate on the 2011 HSC Exam and the specific advice given from the 2011 HSC Notes from the Marking Centre. As also discussed at our meeting, starting Week 4, I will make contact with families to see if there is anything we can do to assist their child with their HSC preparations and future career paths.

*Tanya Buchanan*  
*Year 11 Advisor*

Science News

## Mark the Date!

**On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November there will be a southern hemisphere sunrises total eclipse of the sun.**

The next sunrise total eclipse will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2066.

Total eclipses will be seen in Cairns and Port Douglas. We will see a partial eclipse here at Nyngan. For Sydney viewers, and therefore around the same for Nyngan, the eclipse will begin at 7:07:13am and the maximum eclipse of 67% coverage at 8:0s:44am. The sun will be about 27° above the horizon.

### **Stage 4**

This term will see stage 4 students heading to the river to collect macro invertebrates. These delightful little creatures, or the lack of, will give us an indication of the health of our water way. Notes will be issued to let you know when this will occur.

### **Stage 5**

Stage 5 are delving into renewable energy sources and climatic issues through the STELR program. (Science and Technology Education Leveraging Relevance). Looking forward to some

### *Yarning Circle*

Aboriginal Men and Boys Group  
Aboriginal Men and Boys of all ages are invited to attend a Yarning Circle  
When: Wednesday 17th October, 2012  
Where: Nyngan High School  
Time: 1.40pm—3pm  
Lunch will be provided  
Graham Parker—PACE Co-ordinator  
Phone: 0417915280

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### *Have You Written your Family Story Yet ??*

We would like to publish stories of the families that make Nyngan the great little town it is today and we need your help. Please write a brief family history and return it to school, or the museum by the end of November.

Remember to include the names of grandparents, parents, siblings and children. Attach copies of photos you would like included, and such things as: Why did you come, Who came, When and where did you come from etc., All stories are welcome. For further information please contact the museum.

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## CANTEEN

### NEW SUMMER MENU

WE HAVE SLUSHIES, ICE  
COFFEE, CHICKEN & CORN  
ROLLS, AND SALAD SUBS  
JUST TO NAME A FEW!

### SPECIAL

SEAFOOD BASKETS \$6.00 OR  
SEAFOOD BASKET  
AND SALAD \$10.00

THANKYOU  
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# CAREERS TERM 4

Hi all. This is a very busy term with the HSC starting today.

Year 10 Work Experience is approaching us soon and by now I should have all the forms in. Students who have not yet submitted their forms are encouraged to discuss their options with me prior to the start of Week 3.

This week Jared Ribaux and Joshua Nolan begin their “Sparkies” course in Dubbo. I wish them the very best and know it will be a very interesting couple of days for them.

On Friday, Kelsie Thompson begins her work placement with Essential Energy in Nyngan. I am sure Kelsie will find this a very rewarding experience.

I would also like to make mention of the Stage 5 students completing the TAFE “Men at Work” program each Friday. All reports back are very positive and I encourage you all to keep up the good work.

*Until next week.*

*Mrs Walsh*

*Head Teacher TAS / Careers*

Parents and Caregivers of Year 10 and 11 students are invited to attend a meeting on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 4pm in the Library.** In attendance will be **Rebecca Morgan from Charles Sturt University.** Rebecca will speak on university entrance and early entry specific to CSU.

**Mrs Walsh will also speak about UAC**

**(University Admissions Centre).**

**No need to RSVP, just come along and bring your questions with you.**

## Art News

Hello Everyone! As some of you may know, Year 11 Photographic and Digital Media students participated in the St Josephs Art and Craft Exhibition to raise money to buy the required materials to study wet photography this term. The students photographed Nyngan and produced some beautiful images as a result. They were able to raise \$202.00 from sales at the exhibition but there are some artworks left. These are being displayed in the Main Office and are available for purchase, with most priced at just \$16 including framing. They would make a great gift for someone or even to take pride of place in your own home. Come down and have a look!!

Lastly, a big thank you to St Josephs for letting us be part of their exhibition.

*Miss H Byrne – Creative Arts Teacher*



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Nyngan Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) Committee will be holding an AGM on:

When: 31st October, 2012

Where: Nyngan Local Aboriginal Lands Council

Time: 1.00pm

Please note only fully financial members are eligible to vote

Thank you

***Marea Johnson***

***Secretary***

## Western Culinary Competition

Last Thursday, students from the Hospitality and Food Technology class travelled to Bathurst to compete in the Western Culinary Cooking Competition. Tayla Martin, Imogen Wardman, Beth Young, Chelsea Ribaux, Tamara Brook, Emma Bailey Steeden, Cassie Bartley and Brianna Wardman, battled against around ten different schools in the area. Students had a list of ingredients to choose, and from that list, then had to prepare and present two portions of a main or entrée and a dessert of their own choice. Two serves of each dish was presented, with one used for judging purposes and the other for display on the main presentation competitor area for public viewing. All meals were presented on an 8 inch and 12 inch white round plate with no food or elevation props used. The four judge's criteria included their written workflow plan, hygiene, presentation, creativity, cooking techniques, portioning & plating and maintenance of work preparation area. Just like ready, steady, cook the students had only 50 minutes to cook and present their dishes.

All the girls cooked to the best of their ability and I'll tell you this for free, they made Nyngan High proud! It was very stressful with the time ticking, but they were focused cutting, dicing and slicing with a dash of fun!!

It was an incredible culinary challenge and by participating and experiencing this great event, students have developed their culinary standards.

A very big thank you to Catherine Brook who drove to Bathurst with us, it was greatly appreciated and a pleasure to have you there!

*A friend got some vinegar in his ear, now he suffers from pickled hearing.*

Miss Lipman



# NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

## P&C ASSOCIATION

Fund Raising Dinner

High School Grounds

FRIDAY 19th October 6.30PM

OVER 18'S ONLY.

\$35 PER HEAD FOR 3 COURSE MEAL.

CATERED FOR BY THE NYNGAN HIGH

SCHOOL HOSPITALITY CLASS AND

MISS LIPMAN.

ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY THE

HIGH SCHOOL BAND AND

SCHOOL SPECTACULAR DANCERS.

ALCOHOL WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUR-

CHASE AND WE WILL BE LICENCED BY THE

NYNGAN RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB.

NUMBERS WILL BE LIMITED SO FIRST IN BEST DRESSED. ALL NUM-

BERS AND MONEY TO BE IN TO STEPH WATERHOUSE OR MELISSA

SALTER BY MONDAY 15th October.

ALL PROCEEDS TO GO TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF A

NEW SCHOOL BUS