

# NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

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## DATE/EVENTS

#### UP COMING DATES

Homework Centre Monday and Wednesdays 3.30pm 5pm

Senior Study Evening 7.00pm to 9.00pm Wednesdays

Monday 26th October - Stage 4 Exams Commence

Monday 2nd November - Stage 5 exams Commence

Friday 6th November Monday 9th November MID TERM BREAK

Tuesday 10th November - Year 7 Vaccinations

## NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

Good Luck to Year 12
2015



The students and staff of Nyngan High School would like to wish our 'finishing' Year 12 for 2015, Good Luck and Best Wishes for the next phase of their lives.

#### Newsletter

#### **Principal's Report**

#### Whooping Cough Alert

A message from NSW Health:

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.

Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for information for childcare and schools about whooping cough.

This information is also available on the NSW Health website:

http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/whoopingcough/Pages/Information-for-childcare- and-schools .aspx

#### State Drama Festival

Congratulations to Ellita Hunt who performed last week at the State Drama Festival as part of the State Drama Ensemble. Following rehearsals in the holidays at the Arts Unit in Sydney, Ellita worked as part of a group of 24 students to devise a play in the theme of absurdist theatre. Often dramatic works have political messages and this one was a social message relating to the experiences of refugees from other countries and their trip on the boat to Australia.

### **State Hip Hop Ensemble Rehearsals**

Jarrod Blake continues to rehearse in Sydney this week as part of the State Hip Hop Ensemble. The group will be working towards learning the choreography for their upcoming Schools Spectacular performance.

#### **State 4 Examinations**

Stage 4 students will be involved in exams during normal class times for this week and next. Students are encouraged to revise their work and do their best for these exams.

#### **Stage 5 Examinations**

Stage 5 students will be involved in yearly examinations for two weeks starting next week. Students are encouraged to listen carefully to their teachers in the lead up to the exam weeks to maximise their chance for success.

#### **Student Information**

Parents, please find attached to the newsletter a Student Information sheet that we require you to complete and return to the front office as soon as possible. This is to keep our records up to date with the most current details on each student in the school. We thank you for your support in this and if you require any further information please contact the school on 68 321004.

#### **HSC Timetable**

The second last week of Year 12 Higher School Certificate Examinations begins this week. The timetable is as follows:

	<u> 2015</u>	HSC 1	imet	able	<ul><li>Wee</li></ul>	k 3				
	Monday 26 October HSC Day 11		Tuesday 27 October HSC Day 12		Wednesday 28 October HSC Day 13		Thursday 29 October HSC Day 14		Friday 30 October  HSC Day 15	
AM	Modern History	9.25am — 12.30pm	Physics	9.25am — 12.30pm	Business Studies	9.25am — 12.30pm	Studies of Religion I Studies of Religion I		Industrial Technologi Automotive Technologie Bectronics Technologies Graphics Technologies Metals and Engineering Multimedia Technologie Timber Products and Fu Chinese Extension Heritage Chinese	is Technologies is
PM	Entertainment Industry (VET) Mathematics Extension 1	1.55pm – 4.00pm 1.55pm – 4.00pm	Construction (VET) Classical Greek Extension	1.55pm - 4.00pm 2.00pm - 4.00pm	Textiles and Design Information and Dig Technology (VET) Digital animation Network and hardwar Web and software app Metal and Engineer (VET)	1.55pm – 4.00pm E lications	Electrotechnology (VET) Italian Beginners Italian Continuers	1.55pm – 4.00pm 2.00pm – 4.40pm 2.00pm – 5.00pm	Human Services (VEI) French Beginners French Continuers Modern Greek Beginners Modern Greek Continuers	1.55pm - 4.00pm 2.00pm - 4.40pm 2.00pm - 5.00pm 2.00pm - 4.40pm 2.00pm - 5.00pm

### **Aboriginal Student Leadership Network**

Aboriginal student leaders from Dubbo travelled to Nyngan today to speak to our students on a range of topics relating to real life. It is hoped that the experience of workshopping with students from a bigger town will inspire our students to aim high and set goals for themselves.

#### **Day for Daniel**

This Friday is 'Day for Daniel'. Our students will be doing various activities during DEAR time on Friday 30th November, in support of Day for Daniel Morcombe.

#### Good Guys Week

Next week is Good Buys Week which is a chance for teacher to recognise those students who are consistently following our core values. Students may be given a merit certificate and can collect a reward from the Deputy Principal.

Have a great week!

Kind regards,

Mrs Nicole Hunt

#### What's Happening in October / November!!

Monday 26th October - Stage 4 Exams Commence

Monday 2nd November - Stage 5 Exams Commence

Friday 6th November & Monday 9th November - MID TERM BREAK

**CANTEEN - Special this week** 

Doner Kebab

Lamb or Chicken - \$7.50

#### **P&C** News

Hi everyone, thanks to those who attended the P&C meeting last Monday. We discussed many things, in particular we gave our support to the school for their application to continue the mid-term break and the School Chaplain Program. We also voted to contribute up to \$21,500 towards the purchase of the new school bus. Due to this, and our recent purchase of new netball uniforms and football uniforms, we need to do some fundraising to try and get some funds back in the bank.

We decided to do a raffle for \$300 Open Order which will be drawn on Presentation Night. I am sending tickets home with every newsletter today and anyone who thinks they can sell more please contact me and I will arrange more for you. This is a great prize coming up to Christmas, so please return tickets and money as soon as possible. Tickets will be \$2 each and I am sending 5 tickets home per family.

If anyone has any other ideas to help raise funds, your ideas would be greatly appreciated.

Our next meeting will be our Christmas meeting, which will be held Monday of Week 9, when we will go for dinner. I will let you know where in a later newsletter. However, it will be a chance to get together and farewell our Principal, Mrs Hunt, at her last P&C meeting. If you would like to come along, please let me know so that I can organise numbers—Phone: 0428739426.

Thanks for listening. Please get your tickets and money back in to school as soon as possible.

Stephanie Waterhouse Nyngan High School P&C Association President

#### **Drama Excursion to Sydney**

Last week sixteen lucky Drama students travelled to Sydney on Thursday and Friday on a special excursion. Stage 5 and 6 Drama (and 3 lucky Stage 4s) left Nyngan at 6am on Thursday morning and arrived in Sydney just before 4pm. After a few hours cruising Broadway shopping centre, we headed off to Newtown to see Tom Stoppard's 'The Real Thing' at the New Theatre. The next morning students were up bright and early to attend a Drama Workshop run by the NSW Arts Unit on characterisation and costume. All students participated excellently and some quirky characters were born. We then attended the matinee of the State Drama Festival which showcased some of the strongest performers in the state, including our very own Ellita Hunt, who was successful in auditioning for the NSW State Drama Ensemble. The performances were fabulous, as were our students, who represented Nyngan High School wonderfully. Congratulations to Ellita for your success and participation at such a high level of performance and a big thank you to all students who attended this excellent excursion.

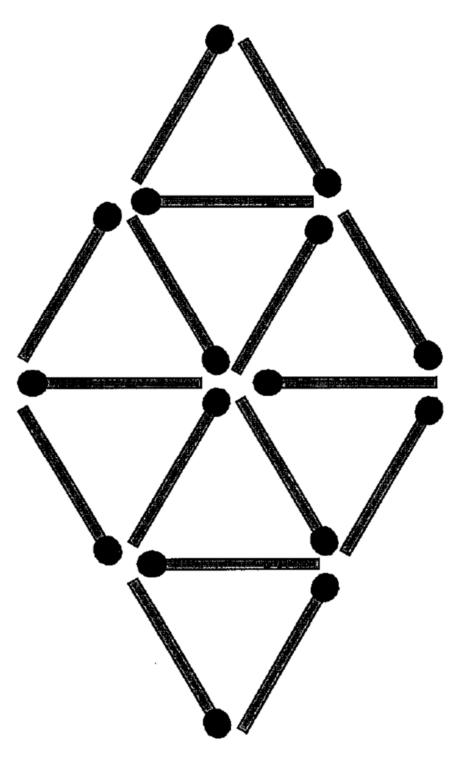


## **Numeracy Report**

Congratulations to Reuben Stapleton who was the winner of the special addition square. The square was based on adding numbers together and the answer was the time in 24 hour time!

The next challenge is called 'Missing Matches':

Remove just 4 matches to leave 4 equilateral triangles – they must be all the same size!



Submit your answer to Mrs Buchanan in the Maths staffroom.