



NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

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THURSDAY 12TH APRIL, 2018

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DATE/EVENTS

UP COMING DATES

Homework Centre Mondays 3.30pm to 5.00pm Weeks A & B and Thursdays Week A ONLY

Senior Study Evening 7.00pm to 9.00pm Wednesdays

Thursday 12th April - FORMAL ASSEMBLY

Thursday 3rd May - Tertiary Day in Dubbo

Thursday 3rd & 4th May - Boys/Girls Open Touch Football in Mudgee

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th June - HSC Seminars in Dubbo

School Holidays commence:

Monday 16th April to Friday 27th April, 2018

All students return to school on: Tuesday 1st May, 2018

Saturday 5th May & Sunday 6th May NYNGAN SHOW WEEKEND

Monday 7th May - Half Day Holiday Nyngan Show

Wednesday 16th May - Year 10 & Year 11 Vaccinations

Tuesday 22nd May - SCHOOL PHOTOS

Wednesday 23rd May - Athletics Carnival

Friday 25th May & Monday 28th May - MID TERM BREAK

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NSW Combined High School Swimming Team 2018



Pictured above are the NSW Combined High School Swimming Team consisting of from L to R: Cale Dunn, Rory Quarmby, Xander Wood and Bill Quarmby who competed in the U16's 4x50m Freestyle Relay and Open Medley at Homebush, Sydney. Congratulations from the students and staff of Nyngan High School.

Principals Report

Dear School Community,

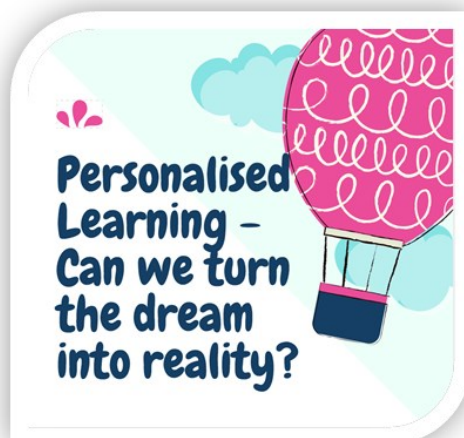
As the first school term of 2018 draws to a close, I can only reflect with amazement on how quickly this period of time has flown by. The school is in 'full-swing' and our Year 7 students are no longer just new additions to the school.

Whilst we have had a very successful and positive start to the year, the job is only just beginning. My goal as a teacher is to provide every student with the pathway to their future; whether it is further study, an apprenticeship, employment or a gap year. As we venture into 2018 some important conversations will be taking place to ensure our staff can guide the students on this pathway and family involvement is crucial to achieving success.

Personalised Learning Plans (PLP's)

A requirement for every Aboriginal student is to have a PLP which helps to guide their learning and a pathway to the future. Last week we held a lovely afternoon BBQ by the river with families and students to yarn about their PLP goals. These meetings are important as we set up a learning environment which supports students, and which also guides teachers in their practice for helping the learning of specific students.

At Nyngan High School we are going one step further. During 2018 we will be ensuring every student has a PLP, which supports their learning and provides them with goals for future pathways. This is just one step we are taking to ensure quality teaching and quality learning environments are key focus areas. Our teachers will be in touch during the year.

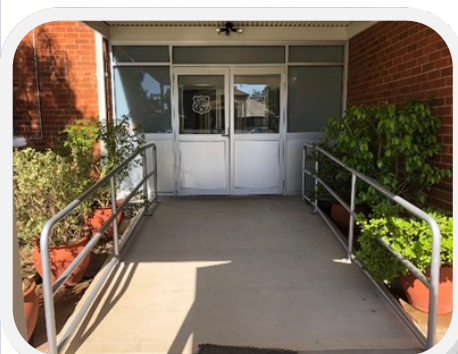


Annual Report for 2017

As a legal requirement, our school has recently completed an Annual Report for 2017. It details our school's performance and achievements for last year. If you would like to view the report, it can be found on the school website www.nyngan-h.schools.nsw.edu.au. Navigate to the 'Our School' section and then select the School Planning & Reporting tab. You will find the report at the bottom of this page.

School Improvement Works

The works on the front of our school are all-but complete. The inside of the foyer has a fresh coat of paint and with the installations of a covered walkway and disabled ramp this year, the new entry doors have been framed beautifully. Look out for a new electronic school sign in the near future.



Year 12 Reflections

As a teacher and as the Principal, I take a personal approach to helping guide our students towards their goals. To this effect we will be personally meeting with each Year 12 student and their parents during the first weeks of Term 2, discuss their current and future learning directions.

During this week I am meeting with Year 12 students to reflect on their progress, their goals and areas of their lives they can adjust to support great learning and goal achievement through school. This information is then fed back to teaching staff, to support specific learning goals and to provide staff with a little further insight into the minds of our students. At times I take a strong stance with the expectations of our senior students, which I temper by helping them work on their individual pathways.

Nyngan High School Facebook page



A great way to stay in touch with school events, news and celebrations is through our school Facebook page.

ANZAC Day

I hope to see our usual, excellent attendance at the ANZAC Day march and commemorations on Wednesday 25th April. This year the day falls in the second week of the school holidays and it would be terrific to see everyone there. Our NHS drummers will be leading the march as always.

This year there will be a commemorative ceremony at the lone pine, in Heritage Park at 10.00am. Following this we will be assembling for the march, at 10.30am, between the Centenary Fountain and Nyngan RSL club.

My best wishes for a relaxing Autumn break and strongest hope for some rain.



Michael Gibson
Principal

NAPLAN 2018

From this year our Year 7 and Year 9 students will complete the NAPLAN testing on-line, on the schools computers. This will take place in Term 2, between 15th - 25th May (Weeks 3 & 4). We have the flexibility to schedule these tests across nine days, instead of the previous three days of paper tests.

Prior to this, our students will complete a mini-practice test in the first week of Term 2, just to test our systems and make sure students are familiar with the testing platform. If you wish to withdraw your child from the NAPLAN testing please contact school before 15th May.

Mid-Term Break

Our Alternate Work Organisation (Mid-Term Break) has been continued in Term 2 of this year, following advice from the Department of Education on 10th April.

The Department is continuing it's negotiations with the NSW Teachers Federation to reach an agreement for schools who currently have an existing AWO to maintain them or apply in a consistent way. Please feel confident that our school, along with Nyngan Public School, will campaign for what best suits our students' education; which is currently having a Mid-Term break. As further news becomes available, I will communicate this to the school community.

Michael Gibson
Principal

P & C News

At our AGM held recently, the following people were re- elected:

Neralie Quarmby – President, Michelle Blake – Vice President and Tanya Buchanan – Secretary.

I wish to thank Michelle and Tanya for their ongoing service to the P & C.

Noelene Walsh is our new Treasurer as Jodi Douglas has retired due to her children completing school. I wish to thank Jodi for her many years of invaluable service and commitment to the P & C and I thank Noelene for taking this position on.

The fantastic news is the P & C are once again manning the gates at Nyngan Senior League home games this season. Once I receive the draw I will be contacting parents and carers to hopefully do a shift or two.

The other exciting news is we have been successful in our tender to man the gates for the Nyngan Show on **Sunday 6th May**. As we have many time slots to fill can you **please ring** or **text me** on 0427322205 and I will put you on an hour shift, or even two if you wish.

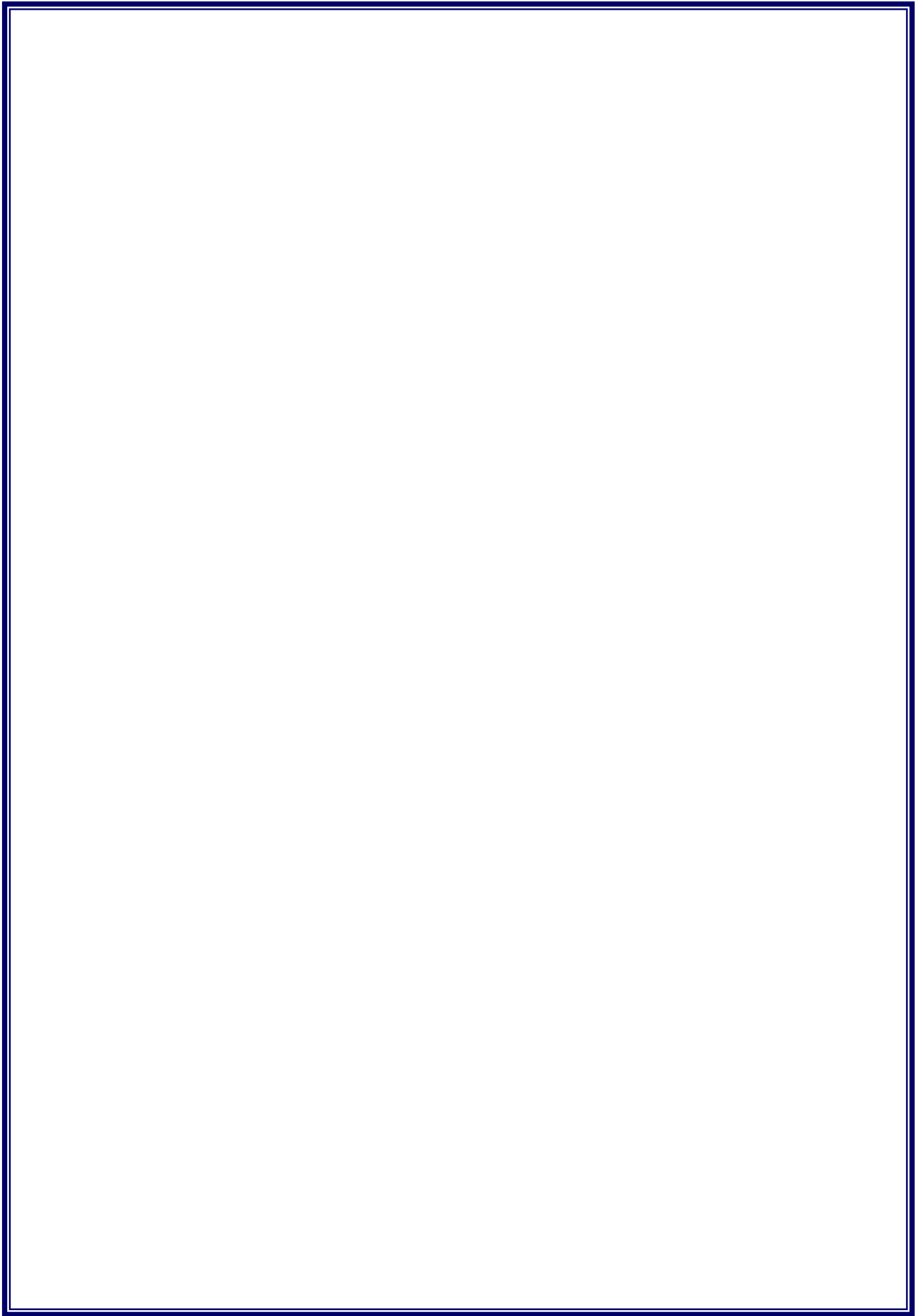
Our next meeting is Monday 14th May at 5:45 pm, please come along.

I look forward to a successful and enthusiastic year.

'You have two hands. One to help yourself, the second to help others'



Neralie Quarmby - President



Deputy Principal News

As we draw to the end the term, it is always a great time for both personal and professional reflection. School terms fly by so quickly and we often don't stop to think about how we are going. It can sometimes take courage as we might not like what we see. Maybe we have not learnt from our mistakes or we haven't taken care of ourselves and others as well as we could. But if we don't reflect on these things we will never change or improve. Courage is something that everybody wants - an attribute of good character that makes us worthy of respect. Yet courage is not just physical bravery. History books tell tales of social activists, such as Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela, who chose to speak out against injustice at great personal risk. Entrepreneurs such as Steve Jobs and Walt Disney, who took financial risks to follow their dreams and innovate are like modern-day knights, exemplifying the rewards and public accolades that courage can bring. Our students also show this courage on a daily basis and these students have been rewarded for exemplifying Positive Education at Nyngan High this term, particularly showing courage.

Year 7 Jamie Galvin

For having the courage to try new experiences and consistently having a positive outlook on life.

Year 8 Toby Palmer

For insightful discussions outlining the core values of positive education and courageously sharing his meaningful advice and views.

Year 9 Carol Lord

One of the most resilient, courageous and positive students you will have ever come across. She has pushed herself to incredible lengths this term and achieved amazing things. Well done Carol, never change.

Year 10 Jordan Sipendi

For the resilience and courage you have shown which has resulted in such a positive transition to Nyngan High School. You are a respected and valued student with a tremendous future. Keep up the good work.

Year 11 Melanie Bodycott

A student who demonstrates her own brand of quiet courage in all that she does. Mel does not hesitate to get involved in a range of pursuits and activities, be it musical performances or school sporting teams. Mel makes thoughtful contributions to discussions and is an advocate and leader for her fellow students through her involvement with the SRC. She is a student who approaches her work with maturity and a strong resolve, and consistently maintains a positive attitude, even in the face of challenges.

Year 12 Chloe Vernon

Chloe is a straight shooter that is not afraid to stand up for her beliefs and values no matter what. She applies herself wholeheartedly to everything she participates in and is not afraid to give up her time for those around her.

Students who have attended school for **100% of Term 1** were also awarded this term. One of the most important things a child can do to achieve academic success is also one of the most basic: *coming to school every day*. Research has shown that a student's attendance record may be one of the biggest factors influencing their academic success.

Congratulations to the following students:

Jack Buchanan
Thomas Gadsby
Tyson Stapleton
Jaidyn Wherrit
Alma Lord
Reuben Stapleton

Thanks to the staff, students and parents/carers who make Nyngan High School the best it can be and continue to work together to improve as we move through our educational journeys. I encourage each and every one of you to take a moment over the holidays to think about your term and what you could do to make improvements, no matter how small.

Have a happy, healthy and safe holiday. I look forward to seeing you again in Term 2.

Angie Bush

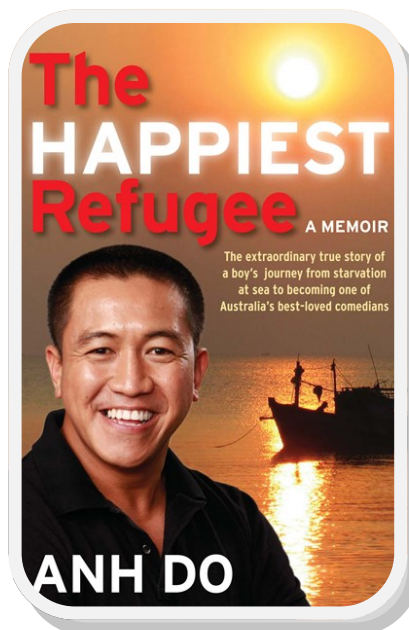
Deputy Principal

English/HSIE Report

Students in English and HSIE have had a busy term, and it's great to see that we are all steadily progressing towards our goals. We have a lot of programs and projects that we're going to run this year, and we can't wait to share them all with you as they come up! As always, we would encourage students to read, write, and view as many texts as they can, in order to develop and practice their skills.

Term 1 has gotten off to a great start with Stage 5 diving into Ahn Do's autobiography *'The Happiest Refugee'* this is the true story of how Ahn and his family fled war torn Vietnam and came to Australia. This memoir has shed light on the treacherous journey Ahn's family took nearly dying on his voyage over to Australia.

Stage 5 has also been introduced to Vietnamese culture through Ahn's TV show, Ahn does Vietnam. This show also has also shown us why he is one of Australia best loved comics.



Stage 4 HSIE - Ancient Egypt

Stage 4 HSIE has been introduced to Ancient Egypt from looking at everything related to Mummification to creating our own Ancient Gods through to creating our own version of the Nile river. Next term we will be finishing up this topic with hopefully trying a few hands-on activities!

Pictured left are Stage 4 creating their own version of the Nile River, adding farming techniques through to creating their own pyramids as well.

We wish everyone safe holidays and look forward to seeing you all back for Term 2!

N Bulmer
English/HSIE

Girls Rugby Sevens

Last Friday 6th April the Girls U18's Rugby Sevens Team travelled to Dubbo to compete in the U18's Rugby Sevens Gala Day.

The had to play two games each against both Dubbo Senior Campus and Dubbo St John's. Their first game was against Senior Campus and the girls started strongly jumping out to a 14-0 lead before the curse of Dubbo struck us again - this time claiming Alahna with a broken nose!

While Alahna and Mrs Robb made the all too familiar journey to Dubbo Base Hospital, the rest of the girls dug deep and went on to win the game 24-14.

The prospect of not having Alahna's leadership for the rest of the day could have really rocked the girls' confidence but to their credit every single player stepped up and played out of their skins.

The second game was against St John's and the girls scored a comfortable win 27-5.

The third game was against Senior campus, for the second time. This game was a see-sawing affair with both teams displaying fatigue in the hot conditions. But in the end the Nyngan High girls showed a lot of heart to come out with a win 26-21.

The fourth and final game was against St John's again. The girls were all class finishing off the day with another win 26-14.

This team has gone from strength to strength and has now won their way through to the CHS State Championships for the second year in a row! These games will be played in Sydney later this year.

I would like to congratulate every single player: Alahna Ryan, Brittany Robb, Petria Quarmby, Ella Meldrum, Shianne Klante, Emma Teale, Rachael Forrest, Melanie Bodycott, Harley Yeomans, Karlie Stephens and Olivia Ashton for displaying exemplary sportsmanship and conducting themselves in their usual fabulous fashion. It was an absolute pleasure to take these girls away.

I would also like to thank all of the parents and family members who came to Dubbo to support the girls. Your cheering and encouragement was invaluable. Thanks also to Wendy Robb for all of her organisation and help. Both at the ground and at Dubbo Base Hospital (for 3.5 hrs).

Bring on Sydney!!!

C Smith
PDHPE

English Faculty Report

Advice for NAPLAN 'success' – the writing section

With Year 7 and Year 9 NAPLAN only weeks away, Dr. Les Perelman, a retired education professor from the illustrious MIT has produced a paper on how to do well in the writing section. Although not the be all and end all of schooling, decent NAPLAN marks are valued by some people. Have a look at this list of handy tips heading into the exams:

Dr Perelman's guide to a top-scoring NAPLAN essay

1. Memorise the list of Difficult and Challenging Spelling Words and sprinkle them throughout the paper. Feel free to repeat them, and do not worry very much about the meaning.
2. If you are not sure how to spell a word, do not use it.
3. Repeat the language and ideas in the Writing Task throughout the paper.
4. Begin at least one sentence with the structure, 'Although x (sentence), y (sentence).' For example: 'Although these instructions are stupid, they will produce a high mark on the NAPLAN essay.'
5. Master the five-paragraph form.
 - a) Have a minimum of four paragraphs, preferably five.
 - b) Each paragraph, except the last one, should have a minimum of four sentences. Do not worry about repeating ideas.
 - c) The first paragraph should end with your thesis sentence.
 - d) The next-to-last paragraph should modify your thesis sentence by taking the other side of the issue in special cases.
 - e) The last paragraph should begin with 'In conclusion' and then repeat the thesis sentence from the first paragraph. Then just repeat two or three ideas from the other paragraphs.
6. Increase your score on the 'Audience' and 'Persuasive Devices' categories by addressing the reader using 'you' and ask questions. For example: 'So you think you wouldn't mind writing a stupid essay?'
7. Use connective (Velcro) words such as 'Moreover,' 'However,' 'In addition,' 'On the other hand' at the beginning of sentences.
8. Begin sentences with phrases such as 'In my opinion,' 'I believe that,' 'I think that' etc.
9. Repeat words and phrases throughout your paper.
10. Employ the passive voice frequently throughout your paper.
11. Use referential pronouns, such as 'this', without a reference noun following it. For example, 'This will make the marker think you are a coherent writer'.
12. Make arguments using forms such as 'We all believe that we should do X' or 'We all know that Y is harmful'.
13. Always have at least one, preferably two adjectives next to nouns. Thus, not 'the dog' but the 'frisky and playful dog'.
14. If you are writing a narrative essay, think quickly if there is a television program, movie, or story that you know that fits the requirements of the narrative writing task.

If there is one use it as your narrative, embellishing it or changing it as much as you want. Markers are explicitly instructed to ignore if they recognise any stories or plots and mark the script on its own merits as if it was original.
15. Never write like this except for essay tests like the NAPLAN

Good luck in the exams, which are after the holidays.

Toby Miles

Head Teacher English/HSIE

TAS Report

As first term draws to an end it is time to start thinking about what skills have I learnt. Everyday we are learning new skills often without knowing it. Recently my Mandatory Technology class were given the task of growing bean seeds. This seems a simple task but took dedication and responsibility. The seeds did not water themselves. I was very impressed with how seriously the class completed this task. My Year 10 Work Education have been learning about managing finances. Again an important and vital life skill. As Careers Advisor I encourage everyone to go to the website and follow the directions to the careers page. I would love to get your feedback.

Over the next few weeks a number of students will be completing work placement with local businesses. We are very fortunate to have such wonderful local support. Next term Year 12 will be attending the annual Tertiary day in Dubbo which allows them to speak to prospective employers and universities about their future. Later in the term some of them will also be attending the HSC seminars which gives the students valuable support for their study in specific subjects. Congratulations to those senior students who attend senior study on a Wednesday night. It is awesome to see the students take the opportunity to work in a supportive environment.

This week Mrs Orchard and some hard working students will cater for the seniors morning tea. It is a pleasure to see our students involved in this wonderful week of celebrations. It has been a busy term for sport and next term looks even more hectic. Congratulations to Mr Dal Forno for his organisation and the many staff members who take on the roles as coaches. I would also like to say thank you to Mr Dal Forno and Miss Rixon for relieving as Head Teacher this term.

I wish everyone a wonderful break and hope you are all recharged for term 2 which is sure to be full of many more exciting learning opportunities.

Congratulations to Shianne Klante who has just been signed up as a School Based Trainee with Western Rivers Vet and to Caroline Walsh for starting her School Based Traineeship with JH Walsh, Watullo, Nyngan. These young ladies are very busy fitting in TAFE and working with the employer while completing their study. It is great to see students follow their dreams.

Mrs Walsh

Head Teacher TAS/PDHPE/Careers

NSW CHS Swimming Championships 2018

As always it is an absolute pleasure to report on our swimming success. Congratulations to Rory who completed in two individual events this week 14 boys 50 meter freestyle and 100 meter freestyle. Rory then joined Bill, Xander and Cale to make the Nyngan's own awesome foursome. This team competed in the boys 16 years 200 meter free relay and the boys open 200 meter medley relay.

They performed well in both relays and in particular worthy of a mention was their freestyle relay where they beat their entry time by 4.71 seconds. This is great result. We are very proud of the boys and excited to watch and see them continue to perform in the future. Then boys will be formally recognised at our presentation evening later in the year.

Mrs Walsh

Head Teacher TAS/PDHPE/Careers

SRC Report

As we approach the end of Term One, the SRC have well and truly reached their full stride. The SRC have been elected and roles have been assigned. Elections for executive positions will be announced at the Term One special assembly, so watch this space!

Harmony Day

As the first major responsibility for the year, the SRC organised Harmony Day celebrations on March 21st. Harmony Day is a day to celebrate Australian multiculturalism. It is a day that celebrates inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural background. Held every year on this date, the day coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. The celebrations included daily messages about inclusiveness, a BBQ lunch and a ceremony. Nyngan High School students Tsitsi Dhedheya, Jesse Gonzalez and Carol Lord shared aspects of their lives and cultures. They all spoke extremely well and should be very proud of themselves. A huge thank you also, to guest speaker, John Sipendi, who spoke with eloquence, passion and humour about his experiences as an Australian with Papua New Guinean heritage. Without the work of many SRC members behind the scenes, these events would not have taken place. Their contributions are appreciated. Overall, Harmony Day was a great success, leaving all involved much to reflect upon.

Rick Partridge

English/SRC Coordinator

Science/Learning Support

Term 1 has been a very productive term, but it's hard to believe that it is done for 2018!

Stage 4 have started learning about Chemistry and difference between elements, mixtures and compounds.

Stage 5 have been learning about Scientific Methods to support them in their preparation for their Independent Research Task which is their semester one assessment task. This task is due after the holidays. Please feel free to

contact your child's science teacher if you would like to know how to best support your child in completing this task.

Year 11 have been enjoying the new science syllabus' challenges which involves much more investigative science.

Year 12 will be receiving their examination results this week, it is time for them to take their feedback on board, use their examinations as a learning experience, and refocus with fresh goals for the next term.

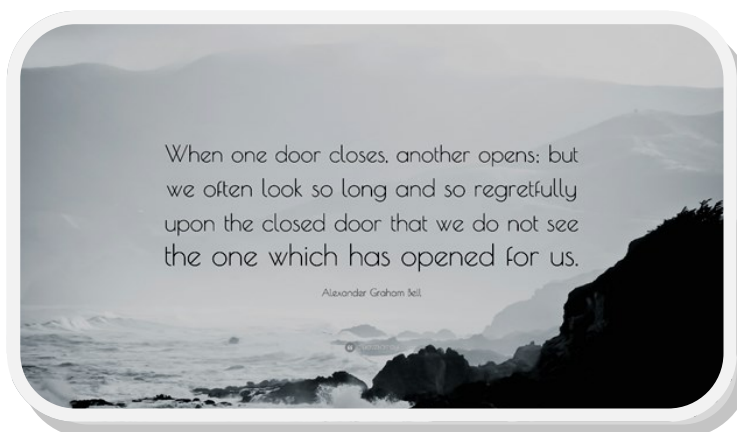
Stage 5 Agriculture have now completed a unit on poultry and are enjoying the arrival of the new steers. These students along with the newly formed cattle team are doing well with quietening the "boys" down and are looking forward to showing them off at the show after the holidays. Thank you to the Robb and Gadsby families for their support of the cattle program.

The Learning Support team have had a very smooth and settled start to the year as we welcomed two new students into the unit. There will be a few changes to the structure of the unit next term as we have recently received the sad news that Anne Lupton, who holds the LST position, will be leaving us for sunny Sawtell with her husband Peter. Anne has been one of those quiet achievers around the school who has made a huge impact to the lives of many of our students. She will be greatly missed and we wish Anne and Peter all the best with their move. Due to Anne's departure, Michael Walsh will be filling the LST position and we welcome Cora Milligan to the Learning Support team. Both have been working hard over the last two weeks to ensure a smooth transition and very little disruption.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday and I look forward to seeing you back refreshed and ready to go next term.

Emma Partridge

Head Teacher Science/special Ed.



Mathematics

Stage 4 have been having fun with the topic of probability where they have been tossing coins and comparing experimental to theoretical probability...just in time for 2 up on ANZAC Day!

Year 9 started their new topic of algebraic manipulation recently and although to many students, algebra seems like a dreaded topic they are enjoying the challenge. Mr Lennon has been very impressed with how quickly his class are picking up the concepts.

Stage 5 finished their work on Pythagoras and trigonometry performing quite well during class considering it was a completely new concept. They are going to complete their last lesson for the term using trigonometry in a practical application by determining the height of large objects using a clinometer.

Year 10 students have immersed themselves into the Trigonometry topic where they can find the size of an angle or a missing length in a right angled triangle. This is a timely reminder for those students who do not have a calculator to purchase one in the holidays so they can be totally prepared for each lesson.

Year 11 students are delving deeper into the equations world and solving some tricky questions. Equations is one of those topics where you can never do enough questions.

Year 12 students have received their Half Yearly Examinations including feedback. It is imperative they use this valuable information to improve their current practice and determine how they may need to alter how they revise in preparation for future tasks. If any student needs assistance with any revision program they are encouraged to talk to their teacher.

Music



In the Music realm, we have just seen another successful skills development workshop from the Moorambilla crew. The workshop was held on Thursday the 28th of April in the gym with students from Years 7-12 participating. The main focus in this years workshop was the voice and Taiko drumming. Students were given the opportunity to showcase their vocal skills and learn about the cultural influence and spirituality of Japanese Taiko drums.

Moorambilla's choral music, dance and creative arts program offers primary and high school children a unique chance to develop their own capacity in an outstanding creative environment.

Each year the program collaborates and is in turn inspired by regional landmark sites of both Indigenous and European significance.

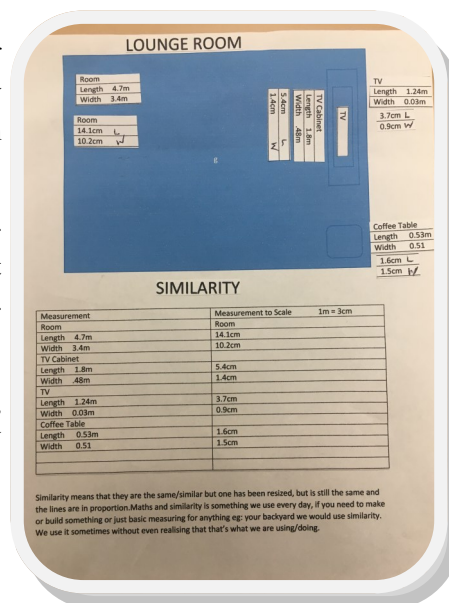
Congratulations to Melanie Bodycott and Ella Meldrum who were 2 out of 20 students from around the western region who were selected to be a part of a special performance event that will hit the road and be travelling from Dubbo to Sydney to perform at the Sydney Convention centre and continuing onto Melbourne to perform for Hilary Clinton.

Visual Arts

In Visual arts **stage 4** have completing contour line drawings of a person of their choice who is esteemed in the arts, sports, literacy, politics or science. They drew their chosen person using one line, without taking their pencils off the page and then used watercolour paints to colour their images.

Stage 5 have completed their reverse portraits successfully and should be congratulated on their hard work and determination. They used grid drawings to sketch out their outline and placement of hair, then used a variety of techniques to create realistic texture within their hair.

Year 11 worked extremely hard to create realistic portraits of their classmates, whilst learning about Picasso and his artwork 'Guernica'. They have explored how an artist practice can be influenced by their thoughts, feelings and experiences.



Maths problem

We had no takers for last week’s problem so I hope Mandy Martin, Matthew Wales and Dave and Abbey Buchanan clear their schedules and tackle this problem:

The blank squares below should be filled with whole numbers between 1 and 30 inclusive, any of which may occur more than once, or not at all.

The numbers in every horizontal row add up to the totals on the right, as do the two long diagonal lines; whilst those in every vertical column add up to the totals along the bottom.

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Pass on your solutions to any member of the Maths/CAPA faculty; we have some chocolates waiting for anyone who gets it correct.

T Buchanan
Head Teacher Maths/CAPA



Sports News

CHS Lawn Bowls

The Nyngan High School CHS Lawn Bowls triples team consisting of: Trae Smith, Terrance Ryan and Tim Walsh successfully defeated warren Central in the first round of the knockout competition. Warren Central were a fairly new side who tried hard but the experienced Nyngan trio were far too strong, winning the tie 29-5 in the warm conditions. Trae led from the front with some accurate bowling close to the jack and Terrance just kept adding to the tally. Tim showed his class with some excellent conversion shots to wrap things up each end.

Our team will head to Orange to participate in the Western Region Gala Day and hopefully qualify again for the State finals later in the term. We came 5th in the state last year and are looking to, firstly make the state finals, and to then aim for a top three finish.

Best and Fairest

Tim Walsh - 3 points

Terrance Ryan - 2 points

Trae Smith - 1 point

M Walsh

Lawn Bowls Coach

Open Boys Cricket

A nicely balanced team headed to Gulgong last week to compete in the Alan Davidson Shield competition; a fair way to travel for a game so early in the knockout comp.

A good mix of all rounders and youth and experience meant the boys were fairly confident of success. It was not to be however, with a distinct lack of runs always going to be the problem.

Winning the toss, the skipper Tim Walsh had no hesitation in batting and strolled out to open the batting with Jedd Smith. What awaited them, however, was a pretty serious Gulgong opening bowling pair who moved the ball both ways from the start. In the wake of recent events, eyebrows were raised, but having inspected the ball personally, I can confirm that there was no foul play at hand! Jedd was bowled and was followed soon after by the top six, none of whom could register double figures.

Tyler Martin added a bit of starch to the middle order, but it was Trae and Tyson who displayed maturity beyond their years to get the side up to 88. At 8-50, this didn't seem likely but the two young lads got in behind some pretty quick bowling, ran hard between wickets and batted with an intelligence that will serve them well moving forward.

Early wickets would be the key to defending this score, but they didn't really come. Nyngan struggled to make inroads into the Gulgong lineup, who punished erratic bowling. After drinks, the ball was thrown to young leggy Deebank who tossed the ball up nicely, encouraging some adventurous batting from Gulgong that saw Nyngan take some late wickets. Eventually the score was passed for the loss of seven wickets with Deebank, cooper Ryan and Roy Herbert bowling well.

The lads were disappointed to go out early in the shield, but with such a young team we can only presume that good things lie ahead. Cheers to the lads and to Mr Dal Forno for driving the bus.

Best and Fairest

Tyson Deebank - 3 points

Trae Smith - 2 points

Tyler Martin - 1 point

Open Girls Netball

On Thursday 29th March, Nyngan High School Open Girls Netball team played a gala day in Dubbo. All girls played extremely well and showed great maturity and sportsmanship. Throughout the day the girls showed great morale and played fast paced games. The girls battled well with the heat and its great to see their enthusiasm for netball continue to grow. Sadly we walked away with no wins, however, their Nyngan spirit did not waver and they had a great day! Congratulations to the girls and it was a great start to the season, I'm looking forward to many more exciting games. A special thank you to Janine who did a fabulous job umpiring, we wouldn't have been able to compete without you!



Miss Bulmer



Science/Ag Plot Photos

