



# NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

**INNOVATION, EXCELLENCE, OPPORTUNITIES & SUCCESS**

**THURSDAY 10TH MAY, 2018**

**TERM 2 WEEK 2**

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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 10th May** - Under 15's and Opens Rugby League Far West Trophy - Cobar

**Friday 11th May** - Middle School commences

**Monday 14th May** - P&C Meeting 5.45pm

**Wednesday 16th May** - Year 10 & Year 11 Vaccinations

**Monday 21st May** - AECG Meeting

**Tuesday 22nd May** - SCHOOL PHOTOS

**Friday 1st June & Monday 4th June** - MID TERM BREAK

**Wednesday 6th June** - Athletics Carnival

## NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

### Nyngan High School Cattle Team



Pictured below are Jaidyn Wherritt who placed first as overall champion parader and Anastasia Walsh who placed second.



## **Principals Report**

Dear School Community,

What a hectic start to Term 2! These first weeks are extremely busy across the school and I continue to be impressed by the great work and attitude of our students and staff.

In the coming weeks a plethora of events will keep our school rolling along including sporting competitions, NAPLAN, Work-placement, Athletics Carnival, assessment tasks and school photos. We are also placing a heavy focus on our core business of teaching and learning every day, with a current focus on the area of ***high expectations and explicit teaching*** in our classrooms and school events.

### **Nyngan Show**

A huge congratulations to our amazing students and committed staff, for their displays and competitive spirit at this year's show.

Watching our students compete in a wide variety of events, act as stewards across many areas of the show, present their creative bodies of work and conduct themselves in a manner befitting our high expectations, filled me with pride. I was in awe of our students leading and caring for cattle which have only been in our pens for a few weeks; inspired by our students in the show jumping; humbled by the magnitude of our school display and the number of entries across the Wye Pavilion; proud of our staff who gave up their time to lead our students; grateful for our students in their roles as stewards and show ambassadors.

Thank you for the great work. I know I'm already looking forward to the 2019 show.



***Check out our Nyngan High School Facebook page for updates, information and great pictures from school events. Did you see the great photos from the Nyngan Show?***

### **NAPLAN Online**

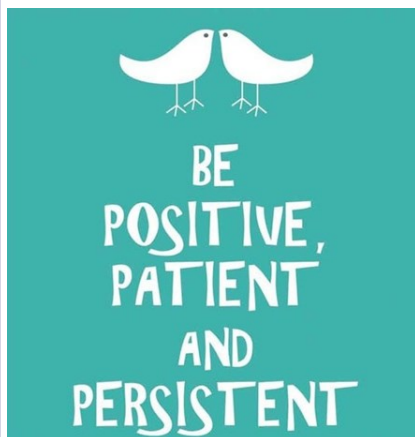
This year our students are completing their NAPLAN testing online. You will find later in the newsletter a full outline and timetable of the testing.

If you have any concerns please contact me at school.

***Too often in life, people or groups will try to bring us down when we are doing something right which they may not like.***

***It is often harder to do what is right, rather than what is easy.***

***This is when we build our character. Character is like a muscle; you must keep working it, to make it strong.***



***When you stay strong in your character, the negatives and negative people will float away.***

***Stay positive, patient and persistent.***

Have a great fortnight.

***Michael Gibson  
Principal***

## **P & C Report**

The P&C have been very busy over the past month with manning the gates for Nyngan Senior Rugby League games and the Nyngan Show.

### ***I wish to thank the following people for donating their time:***

Loretta Pears, Sonia Black, Kirsty Burley, Donna Smith, Noelene Walsh, Lorraine and Matthew Wales, Amie Taylor, Nikki Russell, Amanda Piper, Karen Jones, Bev Bush, Leah McClelland, Jo Deebank, Mark Wherritt, Peter and Jaime Bailey, Mandy Martin, Louise Shone, Teressa Rose, Michelle Hall, Oz Gonzalez, Narelle Fisk, Katie Sinclair, Di Dunn, Camilla Sibbald, Tanya and Dave Buchanan, Steve Eckhart, Justin Webb, Trish Orchard, Steve Bodycott, Belinda Waterhouse, Chantelle Finlay, Laura Boland, Mansi Patel, Kelly Donohoe, Kellie Smith, Elvina Hugan, Deb Tremain, Katie Vernon, Marina Kennedy, Deanna Stephens, Alison Kennedy and Cathy Hoare.

### ***Nyngan Senior Ruby League has the following home games:***

27<sup>th</sup> May, 17<sup>th</sup> June, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 8<sup>th</sup> July, 15<sup>th</sup> July and 5<sup>th</sup> August.

**Shift times are:**

9:30 am	to	11:30 am
11:30 am	to	1:30 pm
1:30 pm	to	3:30 pm

Please ring me on 0427322205 to do a shift; this saves us a lot of time instead of us having to contact parents and carers.



I look forward to a busy and rewarding Term 2.

Thank you

***Neralie Quarmby***  
***P&C President***

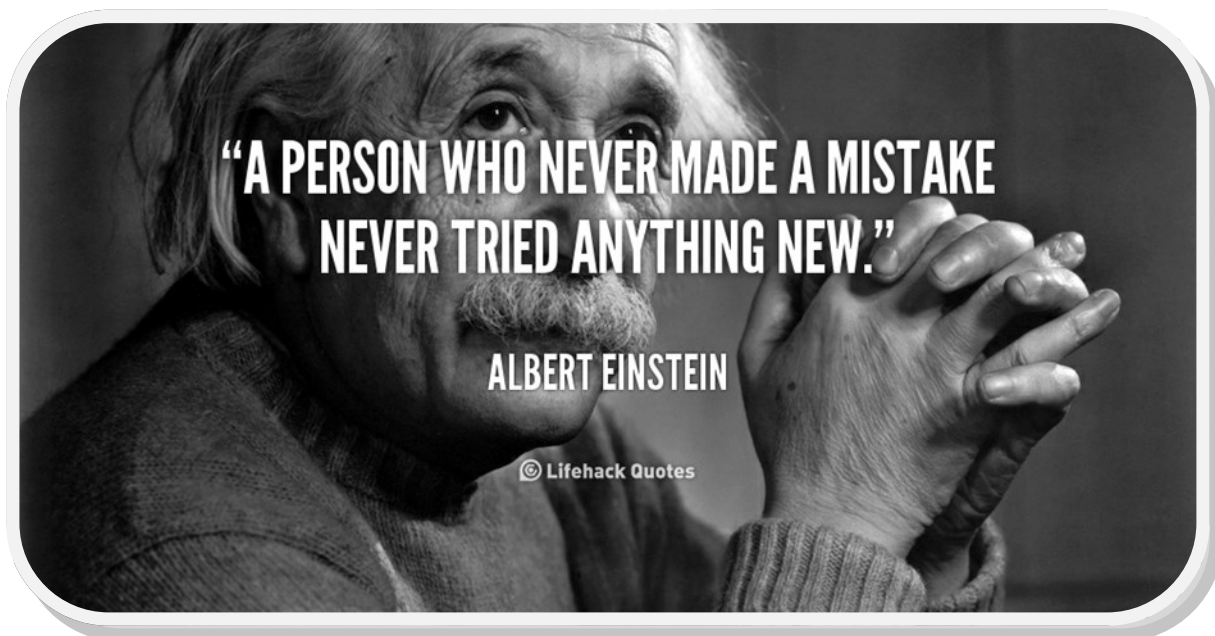


### **Deputy Principal Report**

Welcome to Term 2, often the busier of the school calendar both academically and with extra-curricular activities. Students need to be motivated and dedicated to doing their best to get the best possible results and school reports. School reports are not only for parents but potential employers, universities and scholarships, so are a very important document.

This leads in to our Positive Education focus for the term, which is wisdom. Wisdom involves an integration of knowledge, experience, and deep understanding that incorporates tolerance for the uncertainties of life as well as its ups and downs. There's an awareness of how things play out over time, and it confers a sense of balance. It can be acquired only through experience, but by itself, experience does not automatically confer wisdom.

Wise people generally share an optimism that life's problems can be solved and experience a certain amount of calm in facing difficult decisions. Wisdom incorporates the character strengths of curiosity, perspective, judgment and a love of learning which we will be trying to foster amongst our staff and students this term by encouraging stepping out of the comfort zone and trying new things.



This Positive Education focus is in line with our core value of Do Your Best. This is line with all aspects of the school community, whether it is in the classroom, in the playground or representing the school in the community.

This core value was displayed at our recent Nyngan Show and ANZAC march where our students were outstanding participants. These are moments that make me very proud to be part of Nyngan High School.

What will you do new this week to continue to build your wisdom and step out of your comfort zone?

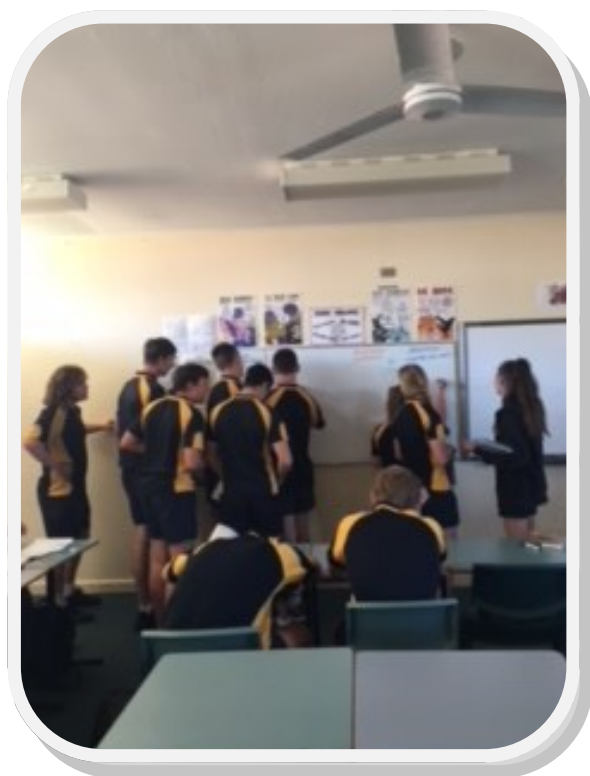
***Angie Bush***  
***Deputy Principal***

## **English Faculty Report**

It has been a hectic start to the term in the English faculty with students absolutely champing at the bit to get stuck back into some meaningful work. Here's what's happening in Rooms 3, 4, 5, 9 and 10:

**Stage 4 English:** Are finishing their unit on children in WW2. This is culminating in a speech the students are delivering in class on Morris Gleitzman's novel. The students have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the effects of discrimination against Jewish people and wondering how it could have come about.

**Stage 5 English:** Have read Ahn Do's The Happiest Refugee and are also testing their speaking skills for their assessment task. Here's they are brainstorming:



**Stage 5 HSIE:** Are looking at wetlands and will be keen for a trip to the Macquarie Marshes.

**LOTE:** Have been busy looking at the significance of hands in Aboriginal art. There is a chance for a few of the students to visit the small schools in our district – Marra, Girilambone and Hermidale to teach the young ones a bit of the local dialect.

**Modern History, Society and Culture, Legal Studies, Drama and Senior English:** Are all getting to the pointy end, practice essays are the order of the day. Big test of character for these kids, particularly Year 12's as we see the way they apply themselves and show resilience.

**Junior Drama:** Exploring the ways they express themselves through games and workshops. There is some real talent in these classes, particularly the boys who don't mind the sounds of their own voice.

**Stage 5 Drama:** Are doing some group performances and finding that working as a group is a very worthwhile skill to develop. We are looking forward to seeing what the class comes up with.

*Toby Miles*  
*English Head Teacher*

## TAS/PDHPE Faculty Report

Welcome back to Term Two. This is my first newsletter since arriving at Nyngan High School. Settling in has been an interesting journey so far, but one that I have enjoyed. It is a busy time ahead with our students being involved in many different activities across the curriculum.

**Primary Industries** are learning the valuable craft of fencing by replacing a fence in the Ag plot. Students are being supervised under the expertise of Mrs Walsh. **Hospitality** is continuing a unit on Preparing Salads and Appetisers and the Safe Handling of Food.

**Stage 5 Food Technology** is starting a unit on Food for Special Occasions which will also incorporate catering for Bogan Shire Council lunch-time meal. This is a regular event for Nyngan High School and one which gives the opportunity for Councillors to meet the students and staff.

**Mr Webb's Stage 4 Technology Mandatory** class are working on their bridge building challenge while Stage 5 is completing their fold-up stools and coffee tables. **Stage 6 Metals and Engineering** are currently working on their Rocket Stoves.

**Mrs Robb's Stage 4 PDHPE** is working on an advertising campaign to encourage Homer Simpson to become more active. Good luck with that task Stage 4! **Stage 5 Dance** is studying modern dance choreographers while **Stage 6** is continuing work on their Core Compositions. **Stage 5 PASS** is working on a Coaching Procedures unit with the aim of encouraging students to take up the challenging task of becoming future referees. Without the development of coaching skills in our community, sport would not exist as we know it into the future.

### Seniors Morning Tea

Recently Stage 5 Food Technology and Stage 6 Hospitality had the pleasure to cater for the Seniors Morning Tea held annually by Bogan Shire Council. The Hospitality students did the catering side of the event 10 students from Food Technology did the serving of the food and attending to the needs of the guests. Cameron was very much in demand as the only male student in the group and was tasked with serving tea and coffee, refilling many cups a number of times. I was very proud and honoured to be supervising this group of students who represented Nyngan High admirably.





## Maths/CAPA Report

**Stage 4** have completed the topic Probability this week and will be embarking on Equations next.

**Year 10** students are still working on Trigonometry. Currently they are deciphering the different ways in which bearings may be written. This is another reminder for those students who do not have a calculator to purchase one so they can be totally prepared for each lesson.

**Year 11** students have finally finished with Equations and the next topic will be Geometry. During Geometry they will build upon the content presented in Stage 5.

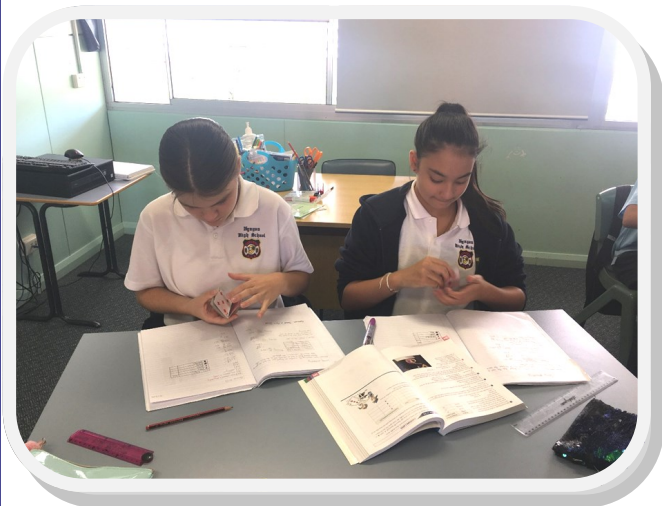
**Year 12** students are motoring along well since receiving feedback from the Half Yearly Examinations last term and this week they will start on Exponentials and Logarithms. Year 12 are encouraged to incorporate revision of previous topics into their homework/study routine regularly.

Below are some of the biased dice 4E made in class.

4V playing 31



Ella & Kearah hard at work

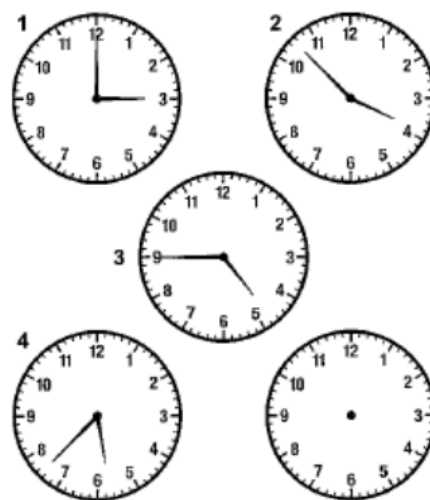


The winners of last week's puzzle were Reuben and Abbey, where they individually used organised trial and error and refinement of trials.

This fortnight's puzzle involves you drawing in the missing hands on the final clock. Please hand in your responses to the Maths/CAPA staffroom.

**Tanya Buchanan**

**Head Teacher Mathematics/CAPA**



### **Tertiary Day**

Congratulations to the senior students who attended the tertiary day in Dubbo last Wednesday. The students left Nyngan bright and early at 7am and when we arrived at Dubbo Senior College we were given an intensive and long talk from UAC (Universities Admissions Centre). We then went along to the hall where students had the opportunity to see and chat with numerous University and TAFE providers along with many well known and respected businesses about future employment.

Hopefully the day ignited some conversations with students and their families about what pathway they will take in 2019. Thank you to Keiro for taking us. I would like to urge all parents to keep up with what opportunities Year 12 are being presented with by reminding them to check their school emails on a regular basis. I have so much come across my desk that I send on to them.

Thanks.

***Mrs Noelene Walsh***  
***Careers Advisor***

### **Nyngan Show**

What a great start to the term. I am very impressed with the student's contribution to the 125<sup>th</sup> annual Nyngan Show and their success is an added bonus. I am a big supporter of the show and love to see the students enter as many competitions as possible to expand their learning opportunities. Our annual show allows us to showcase our town and district. The youth of today are the show leaders of tomorrow, so it is important to nurture and support their growth in this area. It was wonderful once again to be in charge of the junior stewards at the Nyngan Show.

This year I had 8 students assist in areas from the wool pavilion, sheep, cooking, horse and needlework to name a few.

Congratulations to all the students: Brynn, Jed, Anne, Caroline, Robbie, Naite, Anastasia and Brydie. I am very appreciative of your community spirit and contribution to the show.

It was a pleasure to watch the cattle parading and judging and see the student's confidence and ability progress each year. Well done to Mrs Partridge for her contribution to the show and the work leading up to it.

As always I am amazed with the creativity of Miss Hugnan. Her artwork display is always perfect and I would like to acknowledge her hard work and commitment each year to Nyngan High School.

***Mrs Noelene Walsh***  
***TAS/PDHPE/Careers Head Teacher***





## Nyngan High School - Images from Nyngan Show



## Science/Learning Support

What a fantastic start to Term 2 we have had! Mr Walsh has settled into the LST position well and we have welcomed Mrs Milligan to the team in Room 1. In addition we also have Miss Hogg from the University of New England who is doing her final prac. for her Masters in Education. Miss Hogg is teaching Science and Agriculture.

Classes have hit the ground running, Stage 4 are learning about Chemistry, Stage 5 have started a biology topic on Co-ordination and Control, Stage 5 have also just completed their Independent Research Project. If your child has not handed their task in yet, please remind them that it is compulsory and they need to submit it ASAP. Please encourage them to see their teacher if there are any problems.

On Tuesday Mr White and Miss Hogg travelled to Cobar for the Science and Engineering Challenge with some of our finest Stage 5 students. The teams performed well and their behaviour was exemplary. They placed a commendable 5<sup>th</sup> place, which was fantastic given our small team. Congratulations to all involved.

Year 11 Chemistry and Physics students are working towards their first assessment task, while Year 12 should have now all received feedback from their examinations and be working on the next topic.

We have just had a big weekend with the Nyngan Show. Mrs Hamblin's class did a wonderful job with their scarecrow to win the scariest scarecrow class. Thank you to Mr Walsh for taking the scarecrow over to the show. The students very much enjoyed hot chips which were bought with their prize money as a treat on Monday!

Stage 5 were very successful with their vegetables in the produce section, particularly with the beans and cucumbers. Thank you to Mrs Walsh for entering the produce for the class.

The cattle were fantastic, particularly given how little time the steers have been with us. Students turned up for training everyday for the last and first week of the terms to ensure that they were ready which was a huge effort.

In the under 15 years paraders, Jaidyn Wherritt placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> to Jayden Robb and 3<sup>rd</sup> went to Lilly Meldrum. Caroline Walsh won the over 15 years paraders class, with Jaidyn Wherritt taking out the overall champion parader of the show. In the junior judging, they judged a class of heifers. Once again Jaidyn Wherritt took out first place, with Anastasia Walsh placing second.

The cattle team also returned again on Monday and participated in the grand parade at the show, parading their animals with pride. Congratulations to all the students involved, they have done their school proud.



**I HAVE LEARNED THAT SUCCESS  
IS TO BE MEASURED NOT SO MUCH  
BY THE POSITION THAT ONE HAS  
REACHED IN LIFE AS BY THE  
OBSTACLES WHICH HE HAS HAD TO  
OVERCOME WHILE TRYING TO SUCCEED.**

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*Mrs Emma Partridge*

*Science/Learning Support Head Teacher*



### **Mudgee Touch Football Competition 2018**

Nyngan High School took part in the Mudgee touch football completion which saw Harry Blake, Cale Dunn, Bill Quarmby, Cooper Ryan, Terry Ryan, Jacob Shone, Toby Smith, Liam Wherritt, Xander Wood, Brittany Robb, Alanhna Ryan, Petria Quarmby, Rahni Bodanski, Lucy Buchanan, Bailee Griffiths, Emma Teale, Mia Taylor all take part in the knock out rounds.

The boys won against Lithgow for their first game 6-3. They were unlucky and lost the next two games. Parkes 6-3 and Cano-bolas 5-3. Even though the boys lost their last two games they showed excellent form and was an awesome effort from all the boys.

The girls made it to the semi-finals with two games ending in golden points. They won against Lithgow in golden point 4-3. Next up was Parkes which went into golden point again with the score ending in 4-3. The semi-final came around with the girls sadly missing out and the final score being 5-1.

All students played fantastic games. Well done. A big thank you goes to Mr Dal Forno for driving the bus and Mr Matheson for his excellent coaching skills which are second to none.

This was a great start to the footy season!

***Miss Natalie Bulmer***  
***Touch Football Organiser***





## **Sports – Report**

### ***From the sports desk***

Term 2 is well and truly under way with many sports events occurring at Nyngan high School.

So far, students have been involved in:

- ◆ Touch Football gala day in the fairly chilly town of Mudgee.
- ◆ Boys Tom Kemp Rugby League where we were successful in defeating Gilgandra and now progress through to the next round
- ◆ Annual Far West Trophy Rugby League gala day in Cobar where Nyngan are reigning 15s and OPENs champions

### ***Coming up this term we have:***

- ⇒ 14s Buckley Shield Rugby League in Dubbo
- ⇒ Small Schools Rugby League gala day
- ⇒ NSW Netball cup where Nyngan will be represented by 2 Year 7/8 and 2 Year 9/10 teams

There may be other events coming up and student simply need to listen out for announcements for these.

## **House Cup**

The house cup resumes again this term. The house cup is in conjunction with the premiers sporting challenge and a chance for students to represent their house in various activities and be rewarded for this through the premiers sporting challenge program. Details for each event are in the morning announcements so stay tuned!

## **Athletics Carnival**

***The 2018 Athletics Carnival will be held in Week 6 of this term – 6<sup>th</sup> June.*** This is always a great day of fun competition where students get to showcase their talents and skills.

Students are encouraged to turn up in their house colours and have a go at all events to help their house become house champions.

There will be a canteen on the day for students as well but please bring plenty of water, snacks and sun protection.

***Week 3 and 4 will see pre carnival events held during Wednesday sports periods.***

### **They include:**

High Jump – All ages

Long Jump – 12, 13, 14 years

These events will not be available on the day so any student wishing to attempt these events need to register their interest with Mr Dal Forno. The more people who enter, the more points for your houses, and who knows, you may just qualify for regional.

Thank you also to everyone, staff and community members for your continued support of sport at Nyngan High School.

Cheers and have a great day!

***Mr Tristan Dal Forno***

***Sports Coordinator***

