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TERM 4 WEEK 6

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DATE/EVENTS

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

*Senior Study Evening 7.00pm to 9.00pm
Wednesdays*

Sunday 17th November to Sunday 24th November - Schools Spectacular in Sydney

Monday 25th to Friday 29th November - Western Sydney University Rural Indigenous excursion to Sydney University

Monday 25th to Friday 29th November - Tongling Delegation visit Nyngan High School and Community

Tuesday 3rd December - Formal Assembly

Thursday 5th December - Discover Dubbo Excursion Rooms 1 & 2

Monday 9th December - PRESENTATION EVENING

NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

Congratulations

Jade Wye



All School Athletics Championships

Jade Wye recently competed in the All Schools Athletics Championships (this was all of NSW schools) in Discus and Shotput. Discus was a close comp. with not much between the 6 top finishers whilst throwing a PB in the Shotput event. Jade finished with a 5th in Discus with a PB and a 9th in Shotput. Well done.

Principals Report

Dear School Community,

Welcome back from the mid-term break to our students, staff and community. I am very excited and thankful for all the hard work and dedication that has occurred this week. We have so many activities running to give excellent opportunities to all our students, it makes me proud to lead such a dedicated team.

I wish all the students participating in the School Spectacular all the best, I look forward to watching the show when it is broadcast later in the year. I thank the numerous staff members and parents who coordinated the logistics of this tremendous experience, the students would not have had this opportunity without you all.

We are all set for our Tongling Exchange for 2019, we will be picking up 13 staff and students on Sunday evening and bringing them to Nyngan. They will be in the community until the following Friday so please come and say hello if you see us around visiting and doing activities. More photos and a full report in the next newsletter.

On Monday 11th November, we paused for Remembrance Day. I asked all students to reflect on all people who have sacrificed something for them. I asked them to honour and remember the fallen and those whom served our country, along with those closer to them who give, work, prepare and ensure their safety every day. We are very lucky to live where we do.

Staff are busily finishing up examinations and assessment tasks with students. If your student has outstanding assessment tasks please support them to complete these as soon as possible. This support could be in the form of support at home or calling through and speaking to the teacher about opportunities for staff to work further with the students.

I look forward to seeing you all out and about in the coming weeks with the multitude of events happening in the community.

Kind regards,

Benn Wright
Principal

STAGE 4 EXAM TIMETABLE—Week 6 TERM 4

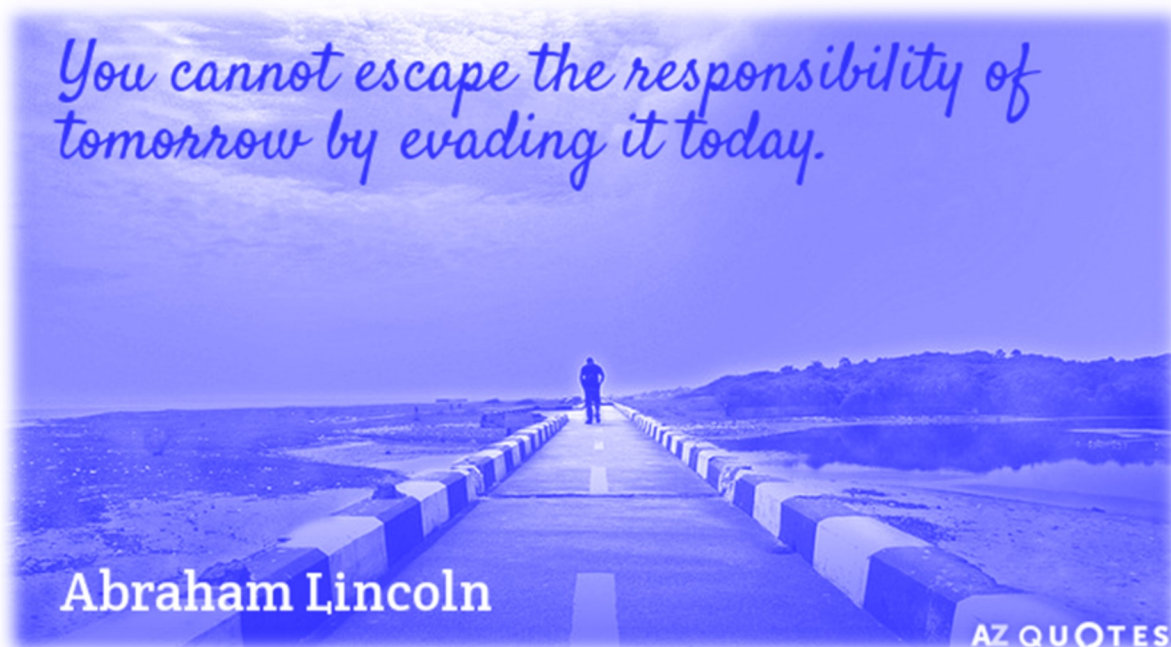
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Deputy Principal Report

We are now half way through the term and our Christmas holidays loom close. This is not a time to slack off, in fact the opposite. Our Evidence Based Learning practices are in Phase 4, which means teachers are utilising new strategies to engage students and improve both teaching and learning. We are moving this forward in 2020 to a whole school focus which will provide consistency to all classrooms. Sometimes it is easy to lose steam at this time of year, but we have renewed focus and purpose to keep this strong and it will be gratifying to see the changes occurring across classrooms.

This is also a time when students decide on employment for the New Year and participate in TAFE programs and work experience. These are valuable opportunities which develop life and employment skills for our students. Please make the most of these valued experiences as the more opportunities you take the wider your aspirations can become in the future. A big congratulations to those students who have been successful in recent job applications, many of our senior boys will be missed greatly but we know they will be engaged and active citizens in their new roles and the community of Nyngan. It is an exciting time ahead for these young men.

Our positive education this week is about not procrastinating. There are always excuses of other things we need to do, but let's not put off the inevitable. Particularly at this busy time of year, we need to support each other and have empathy and understanding for others.



Term 4 is always a busy time of planning for the following year as well as celebrating the achievements of the year that was. It can be very hectic for staff, students and parents so please take care of each other.

Have you made someone feel better today?

Ange Bush
Deputy Principal

Science/Special Ed

I hope everyone had an enjoyable mid-term break and ready for the whirlwind that is the last half of term 4!
Good luck to Stage 4 as they sit their End of Year Examinations in Science this week.

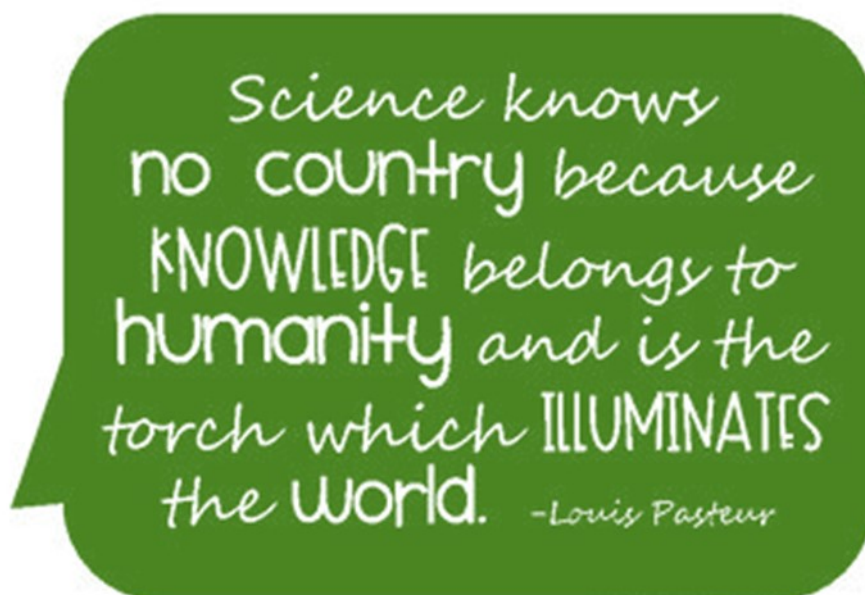
Stage 5 should be receiving their End of Year Examinations back, these students are encouraged to take on the feedback given so that they may improve and continue to grow in Science both this year and into the future, regardless if they are continuing to take a Science into Stage 6.

Stage 6 Chemistry and Biology are fast approaching the end of their first HSC module and will be starting their first assessment task, which will be a research task for both courses.

The MC class have been starting to plan for their Dubbo excursion and are getting very excited about their day out, so please keep an eye out for further information on their day.

Till next time, happy discovering!

Emma Partridge
Science/Special Ed. Head Teacher



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Maths/CAPA News

As the school year draws ever closer to a close, **Maths/CAPA** has remained quite busy, with yearly exams and school spectacular performances keeping us on our toes.

Stage 4 Maths are currently in the process of completing their exams, nervously remembering key formulas in an effort to impress **Mr. Lennon** and **Mrs. Buchanan**. I have been reliably informed that **Darcy Yeomans** and **Connor Burley** were up until 2 am cramming the night before their exam. Great commitment boys. Well done! I hope your marks mirror the effort you put in and that we won't find later that you were on the Mountain Dew's playing Fortnite again.

Stage 5 Maths have put their exams in the rear-view mirror with my guys, **5A**, performing quite well. **Trae Smith** and **Ebony Martin** have been the standouts all year, consistently focusing and putting tremendous effort in, in an attempt to master their craft. Thankfully, their hard work was reflected in their exam results, with both students obtaining rock-solid grades. You both should be most proud of yourselves.

Year 12 have transitioned into their new arrangements quite well this term. **Mr. Lennon** was relieved to see his cohort cut in half as he could now get down to the nitty-gritty of teaching his true passion. My class has been great, with several different personalities combining to create an enjoyable melting pot of learning. Sadly, with traineeships and apprenticeships in the works, I may be losing a few, which is difficult to cope with, but all positive as the boys will move on to bigger and better things and become key cogs of the Nyngan community.

Miss Hughan has been loving life, with her classes doing a solid job of producing various forms of art. I have been told that the 2019 Nyngan High cohort has the potential to be the most artistic and creative cohort to walk these halls since the halcyon days of 3:1 and Ellie Smith.

Miss Collier has her music students humming along like a well-lubricated machine, performing amazing pieces of music, whilst at the same time completing exams to a high standard. Some of the bass and treble clefs I saw today were of an amazing standard. I have a feeling her art background has rubbed off on some of her students, most notably **Joe Healey** and **Sonny Calton**. Special mention must go to **Chad Giles**, a young man I knew was talented, but not that talented, if you know what I mean? Chad is like a young Eric Clapton on guitar, playing a vast array of rock classics with skill and precision. He even goes alright vocally. Well done!

I've also heard nothing but good things about School Spec for 2019, so well done to all involved.

L Matheson
Maths/CAPA



English News

What's happening in the faculty of reading and writing?

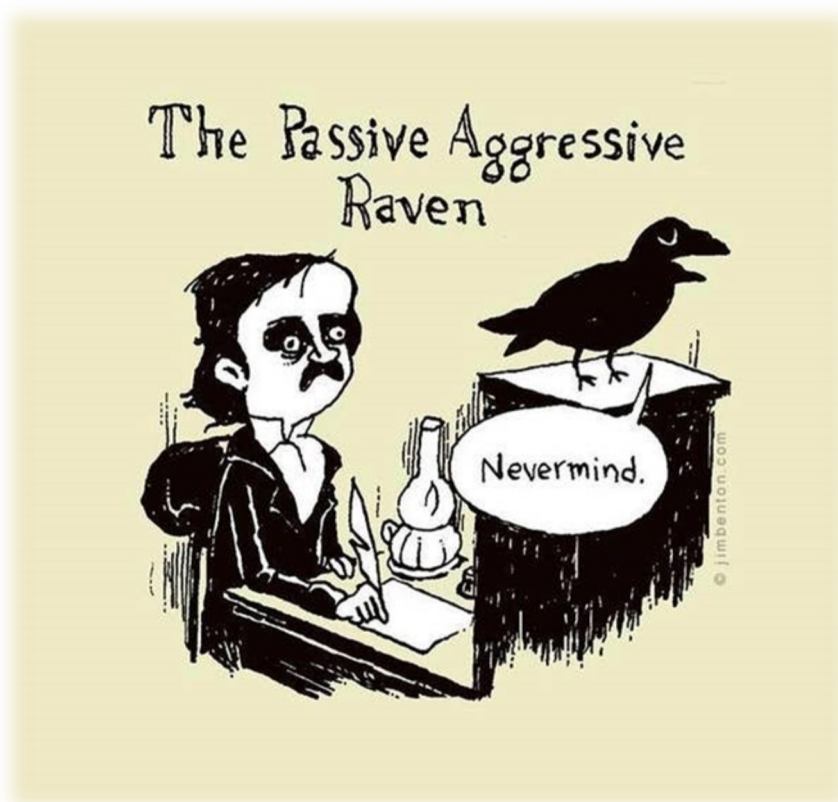


We welcome with open arms Mr David Arnall to the English faculty for the remainder of the year. David joins us fresh out of uni and is being 'Miss Rixon' for the remainder of this year before heading across the playground to the Science faculty. David's affinity for learning new things has already come to the fore and he is loving teaching the humanities.

We wish Miss Rixon a speedy recovery and hope she can still make the Christmas party.

Miss Scott and Mr Miles have been HSC marking last week and this week. It has been an awesome experience and will benefit Nyngan kids greatly with this experience under our belt. Miss Boyden and Mr Partridge are going as strong as ever and will be eagerly waiting for the results of their recent Year 12 English students.

A joke about literature:



T Miles
English/HSIE Head Teacher

LOST and SURPLUS CLOTHING

Are you maybe missing a jacket or blue polo shirt - well it could be “hiding out” in the front office.

At the moment we have a large number of jackets and blue polo shirts that seem to have lost their “persons”, so if you would like to call in to the front office and have a look who knows you may find one of your own!!!

If these items are not claimed in the next couple of weeks then they will be given to St Vincents

Please feel free to come in any time and have a browse through the clothing

Thanks

Nyngan High School Office Staff



School Spectacular Group Photos



**Nyngan High School Spectacular
Dance Groups**

**Pictured above: the Combined
Dance Ensemble and to the Left: the
Aboriginal Dance Ensemble**

Welcome to Week 6 in the world of TAS/PDHPE!

We have such a busy first half of the term but the fun is not over yet. We have had students off to Sydney to participate in the Schools Spectacular and as I am sure Mrs Buchanan has mentioned, we are incredibly grateful for Miss Collier, Mr Webb, Mr Dal Forno, Raylene Weldon and Donna Smith for taking our students all the way to Sydney.

Students from Year 9 and 10 are participating in the YES program this week in partnership with the Nyngan TAFE. From all accounts they are enjoying their time and have been exploring tertiary study opportunities in Animal Studies, Automotive, Construction, Civil Construction and Welding. A massive thank you to Stacey Korn from Nyngan TAFE for making this possible.

