



# NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

INNOVATION, EXCELLENCE, OPPORTUNITIES & SUCCESS

*Pakil kiya-thu ngini Ngurrampaa Wangaaypuwan wara-nha*

THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER, 2022

TERM 4 WEEK 10

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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*

**Friday 16th December**  
Last Day of school for students

**Monday 19th December**  
**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS COMMENCE**

## 2023 School Commencement Dates

**Tuesday 7th February**  
Years 7, 11, & 12 commence

**Wednesday 8th February**  
Years 8, 9, & 10 commence

## NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL

**"Integrity"**

### *Student of the Term 4*



Archie Black - Year 7



Macy Griffiths - Year 8



Lily Francis - Year 9



Grace Williams - Year 10



Tianyue Tang - Year 11

### *Sportspersons - Term 4*



Chloe McCarthy



Tyson Deebank



## **Principal Report**

Dear School Community

There is a saying, “the more things change, the more they stay the same”. I can’t help but think of this when sitting down to pen this final newsletter report for 2022. There has been substantial staff change, educational change, deteriorating weather, changing initiatives and seasonal change; yet there is a constant at Nyngan High School that I could not be any more proud of... the fantastic community of students and families that make up our school.

I am exceptionally proud to be the Principal of Nyngan High School, we have dedicated students, dedicated staff, supportive parents and caregivers and a supportive community who create opportunities for our kids that has to be admired. The resilience of enthusiasm is infectious, students keep coming back for more, to do more and to take on more opportunities. Yes, sometimes we need coercion, persuasion, and patience but that is all part of growing our young people, taking safe risks, trying something new and yes sometimes failing. This resilience to keep coming back for more is the aspect of our community that I am most proud of and look forward to seeing where we end up in the coming years.

And in a similar light, I hope that when each student and family looks back on their year, it’s important to reflect on what opportunities you grabbed with both hands and what things you passed up or maybe gave up on. I hope you took some great opportunities and had a chance to grow as a person or take on a new challenge and succeed at something you previously maybe feared.

I have witnessed many highlights which make me proud to be associated with Nyngan High School, but this isn’t about me this is about what opportunities our students have taken across the whole year. We have such a diverse school which shows strength in all areas: academia, sport, culture, creative and performing arts, career development, community engagement and leadership.

### ***Some of these highlights include:***

- ◆ The swimming and athletics carnivals- seeing our enthusiastic students participating to the absolute best of their abilities.
- ◆ Attendance and leadership from school members at important community events such as ANZAC day, Harmony Day, NAIDOC Week, Nyngan Show
- ◆ Our SRC and junior AECG working tirelessly to run school events like Positive Ed games, celebration BBQ’s and regularly advocating for others.
- ◆ Seeing our kids have opportunities to grow through programs like Duke of Ed, Brospeak, Sista Speak, Aboriginal dance, Drumbeats, Art workshops and representative sport.
- ◆ Our first 95%+ excursion had 26 students attend, I hope this grows into the future.
- ◆ We worked on our literacy and numeracy in a structured and specific approach, which led to improved results, curriculum and extra curricular, our HSC students obtained results that reflected their individual and collective work, our Stage 5 electives led to many great opportunities and we had more School based trainees than ever before.

### **Reminder for the Start of 2022**

Whilst our school staff return to duty on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2023, students commence on the following days:

***Years 7, 11 and 12 students return on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February***

***Years 8,9 and 10 students will return on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February***

An SMS and Facebook reminder will be sent out early next year.

### **School & Community Partners**

I would like to thank our two major partner associations for their ongoing support of our school and a continued commitment to helping provide an environment which supports kids at all times.

The **Nyngan Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group**, led by Mrs Marea Johnson, is an asset of our community; who continually advocate for the best interest of our Aboriginal students, which is beneficial for all students. With the support of the AECG we have been able to offer a magnificent array of cultural experiences for our students and many opportunities for our community to embrace Aboriginal culture in a significant way. I encourage all school community members to come along and get involved with the AECG to help provide great opportunities and education for our kids.

The **Nyngan High School Parents & Citizens Association**, led by Mrs Neralie Quarmby, has been a very welcoming and hard-working group this year. They have again taken up the challenge to fundraise on behalf of our school and provide financial support and moral guidance for school decisions. Our P&C is a vital cog in the wheel as our school moves forward to provide a better educational and learning environment for all students. I would like to encourage all parents and carers to join our P&C to provide their voice in our school.

Major decisions in all capacities of our school are made in consultation with both of these community bodies, to influence the direction of the school, joining these bodies is the best way to have your voice heard.

## **Farewell to Staff**

As with every school year, we farewell some staff members who are moving onto new adventures in many ways. This year we are only losing one of our team in a permanent capacity and one is taking an opportunity elsewhere in the community.

Mr Partridge has gained himself a incentive transfer and is moving to Oxley High School. Rick has proven to be a wonderful staff member, who strives to have his students achieving highly in the English faculty and I thank him for his commitment to students across the school.

Mr Partridge has been an asset to our school community and the wider community during his time here. We are exceptionally proud of Rick and wish him the best in the future.

Mrs Partridge is also heading to Oxley High School for 2023. We thank her for her service and particular dedication to leading the Science and Support faculty as Head Teacher. Her demeanour and energy will be missed around the school and I am sure you will join with me to wish the Partridge's well in their new life in Tamworth. We have thoroughly appreciated Emma's approach and application to making our school the great place it is.

## **Thank you for 2022**

Finally I thank you all for your efforts this year and wish you a safe and enjoyable Christmas break. I look forward to what the 2023 school year brings.

*Kind regards,  
Benn Wright  
Principal*



## **Bailee Griffiths DUX Nyngan High School for 2021**



## **Shelley Lane Memorial Award - Ashton Deebank**



**Nyngan High School - Presentation Morning - Monday 12th December**

**Year 7 Subject Awards**



**Year 8 Subject Awards**



**Year 9 Subject Awards**



### Year 10 Subject Awards



### Year 11 Subject Awards



### Sportspersons for 2022



### Premier's Sporting Challenge



### Mark Leonard Memorial Award



### P & C All Rounder Awards



### CAPA Award



### Book Awards



### Student Voice Leadership Awards



### AECG Cultural Integrity Awards



### AECG Integrity Awards



### AECG Encouragement Awards



### Premier's Reading Challenge Awards



**Aurora College Award**



**Arthur J Johnston Rotary Club of Nyngan Award**



**State Representation Awards**



**95% Attendance Awards**



## William Rubensohn Foundation Scholarship Awards



## Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Award



## Australian Defence Force Future Innovators Award



## Students of the Year



## **Deputy Principal Report**

In the final newsletter for 2022, I would like to acknowledge the Traditional owners of this Country, the Wongaibon people, and pay my respect to the Elders – past, present and emerging, and celebrate the diversity of Aboriginal people and their ongoing cultures and connections to the lands and waters.

I would like to thank the students, staff and parents/caregivers of Nyngan High School; this is the reason why I love coming to work everyday and sharing in your journey of how to learn, live and engage in our fantastic community. All of us have been thrown challenges throughout 2022, but through these challenges we have learnt to be more resourceful, compassionate and resilient; qualities I personally admire in people and qualities the Positive Education Award recipients all possess:

### **Year 7**

Dominic Burley- Dominic is a cheerful and positive student who oozes self confidence. His animated nature makes him a lively member of the class where he encourages his classmates to have a go at everything. He demonstrated admirable leadership qualities this term, especially during practical activities where he throws himself in 100%. Dominic makes an effort to thank teachers before leaving a lesson which is noticed and appreciated. He should be proud of his first year of High School.

### **Year 8**

Isabella Jackson - Isabella approached the term with dedication, consistency, and perseverance and made amazing progress across all of her subjects. She's a role model of the Positive Education values, and I congratulate Isabella on her success this term.

### **Year 9**

Roxy Robb - Roxy has been an enthusiastic learner this term. She continued to mature and took every class as an opportunity to learn and extend her skillset. Roxy is a friend to all and is the student to go to if you need a helping hand or a shoulder to lean on.

### **Year 10**

Joseph Healey - Joe you have so many wonderful attributes that you effortlessly bring daily to brighten those around you. What makes this special is you are not aware of the positive influence you have on others. From your wicked sense of humour to the wise head on your shoulders. You have blossomed into a fun loving, caring, and compassionate young man.

### **Year 11**

Connor Burley - Connor you are honest, thoughtful, and confident with a healthy touch of humour. You represent yourself and your school with pride and sincerity. You have taken on the responsibility as School Captain with confidence and your ability to speak up for yourself and your peers is to be commended. Never doubt yourself, you are more than capable of achieving your goals.

Our attendance focus of students attending school 95%+ has been a massive success; culminating in 26 of our students attending the all expenses paid excursion to the Penrith area. A big thank you to Mrs Mudford and Mr Matheson for organising the excursion and accompanying the students. **The 100% attendance for Term 4 are:**

Tianyue Tang, Joseph Healey, Ida Gibson, Chloe Fanning, Ashton Deebank, Dominic Burley, Dakodah Booty, Jayden Smith

Please use the holidays to ensure you have all necessary uniform requirements; this includes a navy and white top to be worn everyday except Wednesday where the navy and yellow sports shirt is to be worn. Leather shoes are a WHS requirement for students to participate in practical subjects and students have the option of wearing black or white socks, however, white socks need to be worn when representing the school. Please ensure socks and navy shorts or tracksuit pants do not have big branding designs.



Please make the time in the holidays to spend time every day exercising and having fun with friends and family in the outdoors with nature, on the beautiful Wangaaypuwan Country, and you will feel full of energy and be healthy.

Thank you for entrusting your children in our care and for your support in 2022. Enjoy precious time with your family and friends and return revitalised in 2023 to challenge yourself to learn new and exciting things.

*Tanya Buchanan*  
*Deputy Principal*



## **P and C News**

A big thank you to all those who volunteered to assist the P and C this year. From manning the Nyngan Senior Rugby League gates and to attending our meetings, your help and time was greatly appreciated.

I would also like to sincerely thank Mr Wright and Mrs Buchanan for their invaluable guidance and time to our P and C this year.

A big thank you to Donna Smith – Vice President, Tanya Buchanan – Secretary and Noelene Walsh – Treasurer for their time and assistance, they certainly make my role easier.

I wish you all a happy and relaxing time over the holidays.

**“May your Christmas sparkle with love, laughter and goodwill. And may the next year ahead be full of contentment and happiness”**

Thank you

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

  
***Merry Christmas***  
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR



## Science / Special Ed News

I can't believe that this is the last newsletter for the year! How time flies. The second half of term four has been very busy, with students completing their Yearly Examinations and receiving feedback. Some students showed significant improvement on their Half Yearly results and are to be commended on their diligence and effort in class. It was wonderful to celebrate the hard work of our students at our Presentation Morning on Monday 12th December. Congratulations to all our award recipients.

Year 11 Biology have now completed their first HSC assessment task and are well into their HSC course. Well done to those students.

With Year 10 out on work experience, the Science faculty took time to explore practical activities and STEM challenges with the remaining Year 9 students. It is often challenging to fit some of these activities into the busy and full science curriculum, however, they are valuable activities for problem solving, team building and collaboration.

With these activities such a hit with the students, the Science faculty have continued the various pracs into our last week of school with activities such as polymer slime making, rocket building and launching, planet and moon viewing through our new telescopes along with some confectionary and cosmetic production.

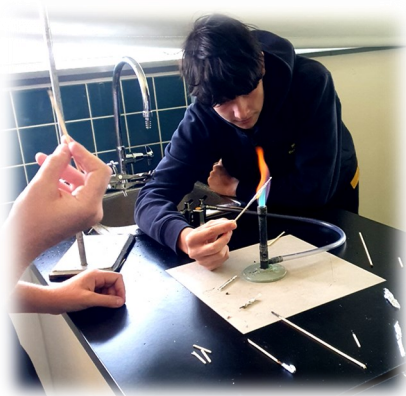
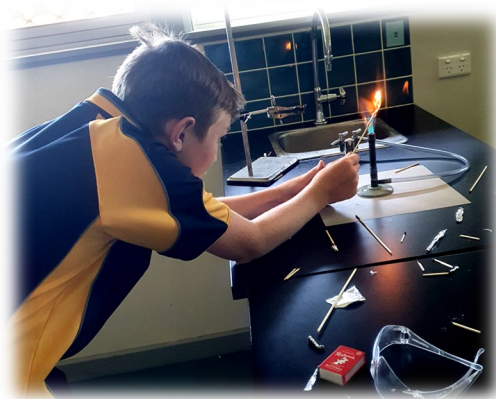
As the year comes to a close I would like to thank my team for their hard work with our students and the enthusiasm which they bring every day. Congratulations to Mrs Milligan on her permanent appointment to the MC classes at Nyngan High and to Mr Casley and Mr Arnall to the Sciences.

Along with this being the last newsletter for the year, after 6 years at Nyngan High School, this is also my last newsletter ever as Head Teacher Science/Special Ed, as my family make the move to Tamworth and I will be taking a position at Oxley High School. I would like to thank the staff, students, parents and the wider Nyngan community for all the opportunities and friendships which we have had in our time in Nyngan. It really is a special place and we will always reflect fondly on our time here. Best Wishes to Mr Arnall as he steps into relieving Head Teacher Science/HSIE position, and I know he will be in good hands.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe Holiday.

**Emma Partridge**

**Head Teacher Science/Special Ed**



## TAS FACULTY REPORT

Where has the year gone? It has been a very busy term and I am very proud of my faculty and the awesome opportunities we have provided the students with.

Congratulations to Year 12. HSC results come out this week and we wish every student every happiness and success in their chosen path. Thank you to all our supporting businesses for their support of our Work Experience program. Each year it gets more exciting with many more students taking the opportunity to have a taste of the real world.

A big thank you to my amazing TAS/PDHPE staff: Mrs Waterhouse, Mrs Smith, Ms Paton, Ms Strachan along with Ms Booth and Mr Casley who both taught TAS subjects in 2022. A big shout out to Kiero who is always there to support every venture we tackle. Wishing everyone a safe holiday.

Regards

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



Merry Christmas





## NYNGAN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY 2022

**On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December Nyngan High celebrated the achievements of 2022 awarding over 190 certificates and over 50 trophies.**

In his Principal address Mr Wright looked back on the year and highlighted the support the high school receives from such a caring and supportive community. He acknowledged the hard work of all the Nyngan High School staff and the extensive opportunities made available to our students. Mr Wright concluded by saying how very proud he was to be able to celebrate the success of our students in many areas including academic, cultural, and sporting achievements.

Mr Wright then went on to announce the Dux of 2021 Bailee Griffiths. Bailee is currently studying a double degree Psychology and Criminology at the University of Newcastle. Unfortunately, Bailee could not make it to the assembly but her very proud mother accepted the award of her behalf.

### ***Awards presented included:***

Sportswoman of the Year Chelsey Fitzalan

Sportsman of the Year Ashton Deebank

Mark Leonard Memorial award Chelsey Fitzalan

Premiers Sporting Challenge Joseph Healey and Dimity Smith

The P and C all-rounder award is awarded to a student who succeeds in a number of areas including leadership, service, sport, attitude and conduct.

### ***The 2022 P and C All Rounder awards were awarded to:***

Stage 4 Ashton Deebank

Stage 5 Shania Dutschke

The CAPA creative and performing arts award is given each year to a student who actively participated in the many creative and performing activities and curriculum offered at Nyngan High school. The 2022 CAPA Stage 5 award went to Jasmine Bourke and the Stage 6 award to Shannon Bourke. Mr Roy Butler MP member for Barwon has donated a book to be awarded to a student for their hard work and commitment to learning in 2022. The award in 2022 went to Lily Crosland. The second book award is awarded to a student who reads consistently in CARE and shows a deep appreciation and love of reading. This award went to Ida Gibson.

Nyngan High school is very proud of its student voice which includes the SRC and Junior AECG. The elected student representatives over the year have developed their leadership skills by running meetings, speaking at various school events and participating in fundraisers. In 2022 the group has shown their capacity to represent Nyngan High School to be strong leaders and no doubt will continue to enhance their skills to become the leaders of tomorrow.

The student voice leadership awards for Stage 4 were: Tasimbiswa Dhedheya and Jayden Smith, Stage 5: Meg Meldrum and Julian McDougall and Stage 6: Connor Burley and Siarra Chatfield.

### ***AECG Cultural Integrity Awards***

#### ***Stage 4***

Georgia McDougall, Ryan Dutton

#### ***Stage 5***

Julian McDougall, Roxy Robb

#### ***Stage 6***

Billie-Rae Kearns, Siarra Chatfield

### ***AECG Encouragement Awards***

#### ***Stage 4***

Callum Bartley, Halle Donohue

#### ***Stage 5***

Takayaliah Dixon, Bradley Henry

#### ***Stage 6***

Ella Rose, Ashleigh Hall

AECG - Cultural Integrity awards for their contributions to NAIDOC celebrations - singing the Ngiyampaa Wangaaypuwan National Anthem: Brooke Cadrakilagi, Mia Hancock, Jayden Smith, Elizabeth Healey, Ashton Deebank, Tasi Dhedheya

***Premiers Reading Challenge : Ida Gibson, Chloe Fanning and Pranali Shulka***

At Nyngan High School we strongly value our core values and believe in our merit system. The following students have achieved the highest award Diamond for 2022: Archie Black, Jameson Bush, Grace Boland, Dakodah Booty, Dominic Burley, Ashton Deebank, Chloe Fanning, Ida Gibson, Fraser Cox, Tasi Dhedheya, Elizabeth Healey, Macy Griffiths, Pranali Shukla, Dimity Smith, Caitlin Bunting, Bradley Fitzalan, Jasmine Bourke, Joseph Healey, Meg Meldrum, Samuel Milligan, Brie Taylor, Connor Burley, Tyson Deebank, Brydie Hoare and Tianyue Tang.

The Student of the Year award is very prestigious. This is voted on by staff from the students who have received student of the term for the current year. This student displays qualities that make them a role model for Nyngan High School and follow our core values. The 2022 students of the year are : Year 7 Ashton Deebank, Year 8 Pranali Shukla, Year 9 Shania Dutschke, Year 10 Meg Richards and Year 11 Kearah Dutschke.

The Shelley Lane award is funded by the P and C and awarded to a student for positivity, kindness and empathy towards others in honour of Shelley Lane. The 2022 award goes to: Ashton Deebank.

The Australian Defence Force and Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork awards were first presented in 2011. To encourage the development of behaviours and attributes considered critical in Australia's leaders of tomorrow.

The Australian Defence awards are presented to students for their ability to demonstrate leadership and their appreciation and valuing of the contribution everyone makes to a team. The 2022 Year 10 Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award goes to: Meg Meldrum.

The Australian Defence Force also offers the Future Innovators award. This is to encourage the next generation of innovators, critical thinkers and problem solvers – bright Australian students who are succeeding in **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). The 2022 award goes to: Meg Richards.

The Arthur J Johnstone Rotary Club of Nyngan Student Encouragement award is awarded to a student who displays commitment to their learning and the capability to be a successful senior student. The 2022 award goes to: Meg Richards.

The Perpetual RSL of Australia Nyngan Sub Branch award is given to a student who displays integrity and is consistently a positive role model for students at Nyngan High School. The 2022 award goes to: Tyson Deebank.

In 2016 Nyngan High School began its partnership with the William Rubensohn Foundation. The foundation was established in 2002 in remembrance of William Rubensohn a entrepreneurial businessman based in Sydney. Each year two Year 8 students are recognised and awarded the scholarship which provides financial support for the student during their next four years of schooling at Nyngan High School. The 2022 scholarships are awarded to: Elizabeth Healey and Jayden Smith.

Nyngan High school values sport and recognises the benefit of sport participation in the school environment in terms of physical fitness, health benefits, cognitive development, personal wellbeing, and social integration. The following students have represented Nyngan High School at State level and we are very proud to be able to recognise their achievements.

In Swimming: Kate Partridge, Elizabeth Healey, Charli Selfe

In Swimming and Gymnastics: Chelsey Fitzalan

In Athletics: Ashton Deebank, Eric Morgan, Jayden Smith and Dominic Burley

In Cricket: Tyson Deebank

In Lawn Bowls: Shelby Powell

In Cross Country: Chloe Fanning

### **Subject awards**

#### **Year 7 2022**

Ashton Deebank Academic Excellence in English, PDHPE, Drama, LOTE and Music

Callum Bartley Academic Encouragement in Technology Mandatory

Archie Black Academic Achievement in Visual Arts, PDHPE and Academic Achievement in Geography/ History

Dakoda Booty Academic Achievement in Science and Music

Dominic Burley Academic Achievement in Science and Academic Encouragement in PDHPE

Chelsey Fitzalan Academic Achievement Geography/ History, Technology Mandatory, Academic Encouragement in Mathematics, and English

Oscar Fitzalan Academic Achievement in Mathematics

Chloe Fanning Academic Excellence in Mathematics, Science and Academic Achievement in Technology Mandatory

Ida Gibson Academic Excellence in Geography/ History

Sasha Minko Academic Excellence in Visual Arts

Dominic Radford Academic Encouragement in Mathematics and English

Sophie Richards Academic Achievement in English

**Overall Academic Excellence Year 7 2022 is Chloe Fanning**

**Overall Academic Achievement Year 7 2022 is Ida Gibson and Ashton Deebank**

#### **Year 8**

Connor Bulloch Academic Encouragement in English and Mathematics

Fraser Cox Academic Excellence in PDHPE

Bernard Dixon Academic Encouragement in Science

Macy Griffiths Academic Achievement in Science and PDHPE

Mia Hancock Academic Excellence in Music  
Elizabeth Healey Academic Achievement in Visual Arts  
Rubie-Lee Hicks Academic Encouragement in Geography/ History  
Isabella Jackson Academic Achievement in Geography/ History and English, Academic Encouragement in PDHPE  
Jed Montgomery Academic Achievement in Technology Mandatory  
Katherine Partridge Academic Excellence in Science, Visual Arts, Music and Academic Achievement in Mathematics  
Pranali Shukla Academic Excellence English, Mathematics, Geography/History, Drama, LOTE, Music and Academic Achievement in Technology Mandatory  
Dimity Smith Academic Achievement in Technology Mandatory  
Steven Whaley Academic Achievement in Science

**Overall Academic Excellence Year 8 2022 is Pranali Shukla**

**Overall Academic Achievement Year 8 2022 is Katherine Partridge**

### **Year 9**

Gemma Boland Academic Achievement in Mathematics  
Caitlin Bunting Academic Achievement in PDHPE  
Hayden Burley Academic Achievement in Mathematics  
Shania Dutschke Academic Excellence English, PASS and Food Technology  
Ray Ernst Academic Encouragement in Visual Arts  
Bradley Fitzalan Academic Excellence in Music  
Oliver Fitzalan Academic Excellence in PDHPE, Science and Academic Achievement in Industrial Technology Metal  
Lily Francis Academic Achievement in English, Academic Excellence in Drama and Geography/History  
Maddisyn McCarthy Academic Achievement in Science  
Roxy Robb Academic Achievement in PDHPE and Geography/ History, Academic Achievement in English  
Will Mudford Academic Excellence in Mathematics and Academic Achievement in Industrial Technology Timber  
Linkon Sinclair Academic Achievement in Geography/ History  
Hollie Smith Academic Achievement in Science

**Overall Academic Excellence Year 9 2022 is Shania Dutschke**

**Overall Academic Achievement Year 9 2022 is Oliver Fitzalan**

### **Year 10**

Jasmine Bourke Academic Excellence in Music  
Joseph Healey Academic Achievement in Industrial Technology Timber  
Jacob Martin Academic Achievement in Mathematics  
Meg Meldrum Academic Achievement in English, PDHPE and Academic Excellence in Food Technology and PASS  
Elle Montgomery Academic Excellence in PDHPE  
Shelby Powell Academic Achievement in Geography/ History, Mathematics and Science  
Megan Richards Academic Excellence English, Science, Geography/History, Drama and Visual Arts  
Claire Robb Academic Achievement in Geography/ History and PDHPE  
Brie Taylor Academic Achievement in Science, English, Agrifoods and TAFE Automotive  
Grace Williams Academic Excellence in Mathematics

**Overall Academic Excellence Year 10 2022 is Megan Richards**

**Overall Academic Achievement Year 10 2022 is Elle Montgomery**

### **Year 11**

Connor Burley Academic Achievement in TAFE Automotive  
Sonny Calton First in English Studies and Academic Achievement in Primary Industries and Manufacturing and Engineering  
Tyson Deebank Academic Achievement in Sport Coaching  
Kearah Dutschke First in Community and Family Studies, Biology, Mathematics Standard, Standard English, Music 1 and Academic Achievement in Hospitality  
Brydie Hoare Academic Achievement in Hospitality  
Charlie Kelly Academic Achievement in Manufacturing and Engineering  
Jack Melchior Academic Achievement in Information and Digital Technology  
Ella Rose First in PDHPE  
Angela Tang First in Drama, Advanced English, Modern History, Visual arts, Mathematics Extension 1 and Mathematics Advanced

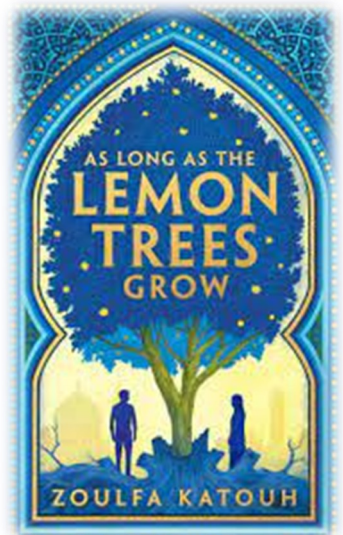
**Overall Academic Excellence Year 11 2022 in Angela Tang**

**Overall Academic Achievement Year 11 2022 is Kearah Dutschke**

Someone, somewhere has written a book

# New Books

Yr 9 up



### The Society for Soulless Girls by Laura Steven

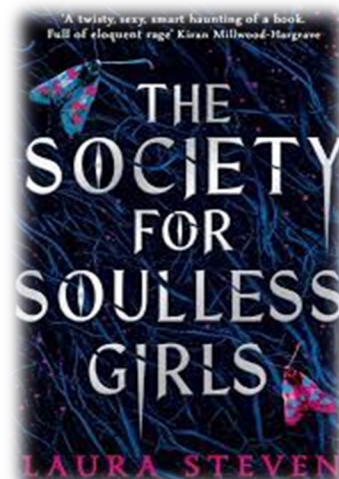
Ten years ago, four students lost their lives in the infamous North Tower murders at the elite Carvel College of Arts, forcing Carvell to close its doors. Now Carvell is reopening, and fearless student Lottie is determined to find out what really happened.

But when her roommate, Alice, stumbles upon a soul-splitting ritual hidden in the library and the North Tower claims another victim—time starts running out.

FOUR DEAD STUDENTS. TWO HAUNTED GIRLS. ONE CHILLING SECRET TO DESTROY THEM ALL!

Can Lottie and Alice uncover the truth before the centuries-old curse consumes them both.

Yr 8 up



### Unnecessary Drama by Nina Kenwood

When Brooke arrives in her share house to begin her new life as a uni student, she's ready and organised, anxiously armed with lists and apps for every situation. What she hasn't prepared for is a distinct lack of rules—or for one of her housemates to be her friend-turned-enemy from high school, Jesse. Determined to avoid any unnecessary drama, Brooke vows to simply stay out of his way.

But ignoring Jesse turns out to be a lot harder than she thought.

*Laugh-out-loud funny, Unnecessary Drama is a heart-warming romance and joyful coming of age story about leaving home, dealing with the unexpected complications of life and yet somehow finding exactly what you need.*

Yr 9 up

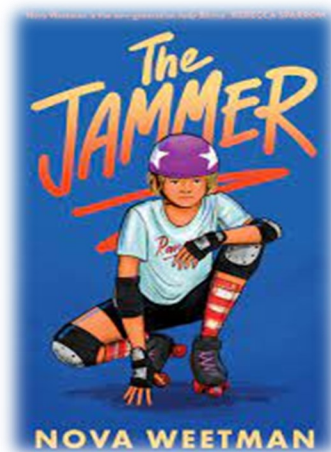
### The Killing Code by Ellie Marney

1943. WWII is raging across Europe and the Pacific. Kit Sutherland is hiding a huge secret when she is unexpectedly recruited to work as a code breaker at Arlington Hall, a US Signals Intelligence facility.

When Kit's roommate doesn't return home from a dance, it sparks a search that ends in a gruesome discovery. Soon it turns into a horrifying pattern: Government girls are being murdered in Washington, DC.

Kit joins forces with three other girl codebreakers, Dottie, Moya, and Violet, and as they work to crack the killer's code, two things become terrifyingly clear: the murderer they're hunting is getting closer every moment...and Kit's own secret could put her in more jeopardy than she ever imagined.

Yr 9 up



### The Jammer by Nova Weetman

Fred has moved around her whole life, but as long as she had her family and roller derby; on the track she was Fred or Dead, the star jammer, a gun at smashing through a line of bodies and scoring. But now her life has fallen apart. After moving to Melbourne with her dad, Fred meets a bunch of people who think they know what's best for her. And although she tries to avoid it, Roller Derby has a way of barging back into her life. What do you do when the one thing that could save you, hurts the most?

## The Stand In by A. J. Rushby

When new girl Millie shows up at Lena's boarding school, she arrives with a *question*.

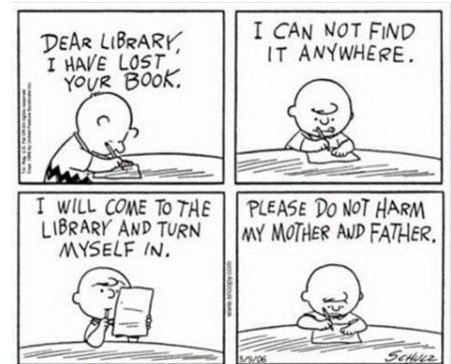
Why is Lena *pretending* to be someone she's not? Lena ignores her. Until Millie shows her photo after photo of someone who looks like her. *Exactly like her*. Intrigued, Lena agrees to meet her look-alike, Saskia.

Saskia is *Wild*. And *Rich*. And money is something Lena desperately needs if her mother is to stay in the care home she currently lives in. So when Saskia offers Lena cold, hard, cash to stand in for her at family events, Lena finds she can't say no.

Sometimes, she doesn't want to say no—to the weekends away, the beautiful clothes, the amazing food and Saskia's on-again-off-again boyfriend, Rhys.

Until, of course, she agrees to one last job. The one she definitely should have said no to. Because that job might be the last thing she ever does.

Yr 8 up



**'EVERY BOOK,  
EVERY VOLUME  
HAS A SOUL. THE  
SOUL OF THE PERSON  
WHO WROTE IT  
AND OF THOSE  
WHO READ IT AND  
LIVED AND DREAMED  
WITH IT. EVERY  
TIME A BOOK CHANGES  
HANDS, EVERY  
TIME SOMEONE  
RUNS HIS EYES  
DOWN ITS PAGES,  
ITS SPIRIT GROWS  
AND STRENGTHENS.'**

Carlos Ruiz Zafón

***Dream Big  
Work Hard  
&  
Make It  
Happen***



