



From the Principal ...

As we move towards the final weeks of 2020, I have taken comfort in Shannon L. Alder's words -

"The most important thing is this: to sacrifice what you are now for what you can become tomorrow."

As a school and community, we have had to place everything in 2020 that we see and do as expected on hold. Every time we have almost been out of the horrid landscape Covid-19 has painted, I feel we have been thrown back down the rabbit hole. I would like to say thank you to all our parents and caregivers for your patience and understanding as we have tried our best to provide your sons and daughters with a world-class education.

I want to say well done to all our students, for working so hard when all the niceties like camps, sporting activities and excursions had been removed. Thank you to all our Year 12 students, who in their final year have had to endure so much and I am so thrilled you will finally get your Celebration Ball. Most of all I would like to say thank you to all the teachers and support staff for your hard work in such a challenging year. You make our school a wonderful place to be.

We will have a staggered start at the beginning of next year: Years 8 and Year 12 will begin on Wednesday 27 January and Years 9, 10 and 11 will commence on Thursday 28 January 2021.

Currently, we are in the process of finalising our staffing for next year. As always, this includes the list of staff that won't be with us next year. I would like to wish Hillary Trotter, Berlinda Carroll, Tony Hill, Michael King, Bhumika Soni, Douglas Fraser, Mel Hutchesson and Brad Keast all the best for the future and thank them for their contributions to our school and its students and wish them well for the future. Linda Currie will also be taking 12 months leave, and we wish her all the best.

I would like to acknowledge our students who represented our School at the Remembrance Day Service. It was beautiful to hear our School Captains readings and I would also like to thank all staff who supported students on the day and the efforts of the SGC.



SCHOOL DIARY DATES

TERM 4

December

- 1st - 20th Quaranteen Exhibition - Naracoorte Art Gallery
- 2nd Finance meeting 6pm Governing Council 6.30pm
- 3rd Year 12 Celebration Ball - Naracoorte Town Hall
- 8th Presentation Assembly 10.30 am - Williamson Hall (students and presenters only)
- 9th Yr 8,9 and 10 Girls Cricket
- 11th End of Term 4 - Early dismissal - 2.20pm

January 2021

- 27th Year 8 & 12 students commence
- 28th Year 9,10 & 11 students commence



Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas, see you in 2021.

Regards,
John Harris, Principal



NARACOORTE HIGH SCHOOL

CANTEEN MANAGER VACANCY

***APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THIS
POSITION WHICH WILL COMMENCE IN
JANUARY 2021***

***Please contact Margaret Rishworth on
8762 1333 for a copy of the Job and Person
specifications***

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE 4PM
MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2020**



CANTEEN NEWS

Please be advised of the change of days
for the Canteen being Open/Closed:

The Canteen will be closed on
Wednesday 2/12/20.

The Canteen will be open on Thursday
3/12/20 and Friday 4/12/20.

The Canteen will be closed for the last
week of term – Monday 7/12/20 to
Friday 11/12/20.

FINANCE NEWS

MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGE (M&SC) 2021

We wish to inform the school community that the recent Poll conducted about the M&SC 2021 was successful. The invoice for \$480.00 will be issued mid-January via post.

Payments for your invoices can be made by instalments with cash, cheque, eftpos, (debit your credit card, savings or cheque account) Centrepay or direct credit to the School's bank account Naracoorte High School, BSB 105-043, Account No. 185012140, quote the student's name as the reference.

School Card assistance (allowance of \$325.00) is available to eligible families to use against their M&SC invoices, and will be released soon, please view and apply at sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school at any time if you have any further questions.

KNOCKOUT TENNIS

On Friday 13th November, the Year 8/9 Boy's Tennis team headed off to Adelaide after stealing a win in Mount Gambier two weeks prior.

The boys faced tough competition against the Adelaide schools, all of which have their own specialist tennis programs.

Round One was against Henley High School. Notable games for the round were played by Sid and Brayden in their respective singles, both boys losing 6-3.

In Round Two, the boys played Marryatville High School, who would go on to win the day. The boys were gracious in defeat. They rallied around Sid who scored a game off Marryatville's No. 1 in the singles.

The final round of the day, the boys faced Trinity College Gawler. The boys all saw more success

in their respective games, however, they could not quite break through for a win. Match of the day saw George take his single to a tiebreaker. He played well against some unethical tactics just losing 7-5 in the tiebreak.



Results – NHS: Fourth Place

HHS (6 sets, 36 games) defeated NHS (0 sets, 9 games)

MHS (6 sets, 36 games) defeated NHS (0 sets 2 games)

TC (6 sets, 36 games) defeated NHS (0 sets, 19 games)

Miss Schulz would like to thank the families of all the boys for their support in taking the boys to Adelaide to play.

Sid Malone, George Malone, Lachlan Edwards, Brayden Stewart and Max Midwinter



Yr 8/9 5-a-side Soccer

On Monday 9th November a group of Year 8 & 9 students travelled to Grant High School to participate in the 5-A-Side Soccer competition as part of the celebration for Physical Education week. The day is about promoting fair play, inclusivity and physical activity. It is a great opportunity for our students to engage with other schools and play a modified format of soccer.

We had four teams in total that competed – two girl's teams and two boy's teams.

Some students had never played soccer before, and this was a great opportunity for them to experience not only a new sport, but be a part of a team.

All of our teams performed very well having some great games that were often echoed with laughter and sportsmanship.



Each team had to self-manage their time and field allocations, in order to be ready for the central timer at the beginning of games. It was fantastic to see how independent our students were and how supportive each team was to their fellow school mates.

*Karen Justin
PE Teacher*

Speak Off Competition

On Tuesday 10th November, 9 students competed in the Naracoorte High School Public Speaking Competition Speak Off sponsored by The Naracoorte News. This night was the culmination of work undertaken in Years 8,9 and 10 classes this term, where each student prepared and presented a persuasive speech on one of four topics - In the Spotlight, A Cause That Matters, The Most Inspirational Person Of My Generation and A School Issue. The winners of each class progressed to the competition night.

The final competitors were

YEAR 10:

HAYDEN TRUSSELL

CHARLIE WAKEFIELD

ZOE BROWN

YEAR 9

ELLA LONGBOTTOM

SAM PRIDHAM

CHELSEA DURAND

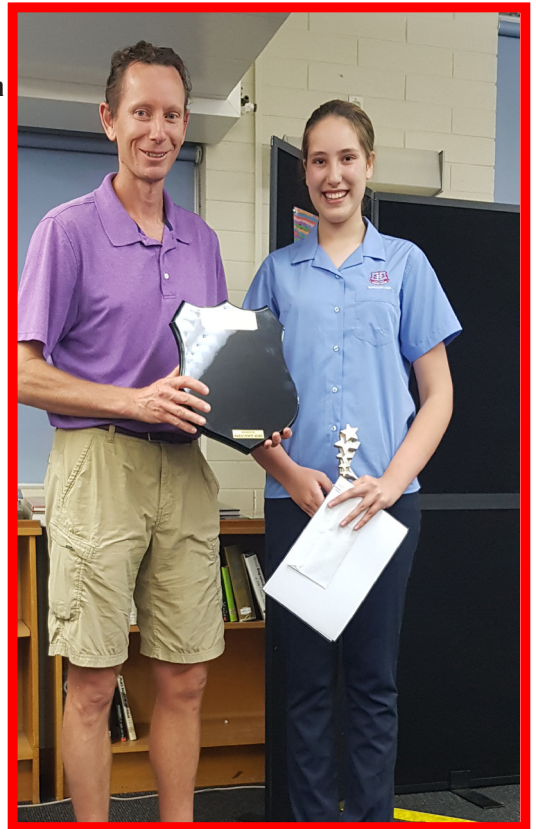
YEAR 8

INDIE SCHROEDER

ELIZA BULL

ASTRID HONG

SIENNA CHAMBERLAIN



We were fortunate to have Mayor Vickery and Michael Waite, our Sponsor from the Naracoorte News and Mr John Probert from CFS as our judges for the evening. The judges were impressed by the standard of the competitors and the passion that they displayed during their presentations. The winners of the night were Sienna Chamberlain, Sam Pridham and Charlie Wakefield. The overall Best Speaker Award was won by Charlie Wakefield, who received a trophy and her name on the Inaugural Public Speaking Shield.



A big thank you to Jasmin Ireland who did a fantastic job of MC for the evening and to all the parents and teachers who came along to support the students. The night was a great experience for students with many keen to compete again next year.

*Nicola Chant
English/HASS
Coordinator*

Knockout Basketball



Our 8/9 Girls Basketball team competed in the South East Zone Competition Pool B on the 20th of October in Naracoorte and then progressed to the next round, which was the Adelaide State finals on the 11th of November. The first game was against Kadina winning 10-14, then winning against Balaklava 6-13. Coming into finals winning against Kildare 35- 5 in the semi and

Caritas in the grand, having a 9 point win to finish the day.



From the girls travelling up to the game and back, they built a strong bond with each other that kept their heads held high during the challenging games. Through having both the Year 8s and Year 9s together, it showed true teamwork and sportsmanship with people they wouldn't usually associate with. Before game day, the girls were treated with a fun dinner and a walk down on the beach, taking in the beautiful summer storm. The girls had great support from parents, assistant coach, coach Caz and our very own Mrs Sears.

Taya Brunt, Mykaela Walker
Year 9

Knockout Basketball



The Statewide Schools Basketball Competition finals were held in Adelaide on Thursday 12th November. After winning at the regional competition the Naracoorte High Boys made it through to the finals. We headed to Adelaide on Wednesday 11th November and stayed at the Warradale Urban Camp overnight. The boys used their life skills to navigate our way through Adelaide. An enjoyable meal was consumed at the Warradale Hotel Bistro where more life skills were developed. After tea it was back to the camp for nerf wars and ice cream. The next morning the boys woke to the smell of bacon

and eggs - thanks Tim. After fueling up for the day, the boys all packed themselves lunch and we headed to The Lights Community and Sports Centre.

Our first game we started slow and we didn't score in the first half against Hallett Cove, but the boys redeemed themselves and settled to outscore them in the second half by 11 points. In the end, we went down by 2 points. Our second game was against Charles Campbell College. The boys played a good team game, but lost by 6 points. Our third game was up against the highly fancied, undefeated Kadina side. This was possibly the most enjoyable game of the day, according to the boys, as some good fun basketball was played by both sides, with great sportsmanship. Despite the score blowing out and Naracoorte being defeated by the team that eventually won the State final, the boys had a great game. This put us into the Consolation Final against Hallett Cove again. It was pleasing that we scored more in the first half of this extended game than we did in the whole first game we played them. The game was very even from beginning to end, but the Naracoorte boys just couldn't edge in front, going down by 4 points. A fantastic full on day of basketball as weary bodies headed to the bus and we made the long trip home, stopping for KFC and connecting with others on the way. A truly fantastic trip. The boys did Naracoorte High School, their families and themselves proud. Thanks to Tim for scoring and supporting us throughout the journey and to Nadia for her behind the scenes work.

Tammy Schinckel
Coach

Library Resource Centre

Please remember that all student loans need to be returned by Friday 4th December. Please assist with checking for books at home and encourage your student/s to return their items as soon as possible.

There are still a few sports uniforms outstanding from earlier this term, these will be invoiced for shortly if not returned.

For any other lost or unreturned items, leavers will have invoices sent out over the next week, other students will be invoiced at the start of Term 1, 2021.



Have a Merry Christmas
and
a Happy New Year.



PREMIER'S READING Challenge

Congratulations!

Congratulations to all the NHS students who successfully completed this year's Premier's Reading Challenge in what has been a challenging year.

Certificate (1st year)	Sadia Mohebi & Hafizullah Fatehi
Silver Medal (3rd year)	Murtaza Hussaini
Gold Medal (4th year)	Farishta Akbari
Reader for Life 9	Eliza Bull
Reader for Life 10	Rachel Shepherd
Reader for Life 12	Poppy Moyle-Read
Reader for Life 13	Marcie Flynn

The medals and certificates were presented this week.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2020

Orders are now being taken for this year's School Magazine. It will be neatly bound and in full colour.

Last years magazine was a resounding success, so order yours NOW!

The cost for this magazine will be \$21.00 and orders must be forwarded to the school with money, using this form.

Student Name.....

Home Group

Payment can be made by Cash, Credit Card or EFT