



Naracoorte High School Newsletter

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Minister for Education visits Naracoorte!

The Minister for Education, Training and Skills the Hon Blair Boyer tours Naracoorte High

On Thursday 26th of October, we were delighted to welcome the Minister for Education, Training and Skills, the Hon Blair Boyer MP to Naracoorte High School.

Mr Boyer combined his visit to Naracoorte for the Country Cabinet Meeting, with the opportunity to visit a number of schools within our region. Mr Boyer spent his time at Naracoorte High visiting different areas of our school and engaging with our students about their learning.

Senior school students, Eliza Bull, Ryan O'Shaughnessy and Bradley Ludwig took Mr Boyer on a school tour showcasing our Agriculture Department. Here they shared of our Steer Teams' recent success at the Royal Adelaide and Melbourne shows, as well as the new fence build that was recently completed by our students along the front of the Ag block.

Bradley also shared an insight into his school based apprenticeship where he is currently studying Certificate 3 in Rural Operations.



WHAT'S INSIDE?





Minister Boyer



Eliza, Ryan and Bradley shared our five year plan for the Ag Bock, in which Mr Boyer was extremely impressed with the plans for the future.

Mr Boyer went on to visit Mr Rechner's Year 9 Design and Tech students where they showcased their CO2 Dragsters they have been working on.

Finally, Mr Boyer called in to visit the FIP students on their final day of their course. The students really

enjoyed showing Minister Boyer their skills and demonstrating their knowledge in the industry, and took great delight in teaching him how to cut tiles!

Thank you to Minister Boyer for taking the time to visit Naracoorte High School and chat with our students about Ag, Tech and everything inbetween. A visit thoroughly enjoyed by all!





NARACOORTE HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR
ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION

TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER, 2023

AWARDS COMMENCING AT 7.30PM
WILLIAMSON HALL, NARACOORTE HIGH SCHOOL



Events Calendar

SCHOOL EVENT DATES TERM #4

>> NOVEMBER

1 st –3 rd	Year 11 Sports Studies Camp
6 th	General Maths & Maths Methods Exams
6 th –8 th	Year 11 Outdoor Ed Surf Camp
7 th	Chemistry Exam
8 th	Essential Maths Exam
8 th	Governing Council
9 th	Physics Exam
10 th	Biology Exam
13 th	Speak Off Competition
13 th	Flinders Uni Test
14 th	Year 6 -7 Conferences
16 th	Year 12 Celebration Ball
17 th	Student Free Day
20 th – 24 th	Year 7 Aquatics Camp
22 nd	Stage 1 Drama Performance



EXPLAINING STUDENT ABSENCES



As per DE requirements all student absences need to be explained. Any absences 5 days or more requires an exemption form. These need to be approved by the year level coordinator, so please allow adequate time for this to be processed. Please contact the school to explain your student's unexplained absences.

This can be done in the following ways:

>> Skoolbag App

>> Sentral Parent Portal

>> dl.0786.absence@schools.sa.edu.au

>> Telephone 8762 1333

Please note the first session of the day begins at 8.45am, students need to ensure they are arriving by 8.40am to start the day on time.

ONLINE PAYMENTS



When making a payment via direct deposit, please make sure you are using your family code or student name as the reference.

Thank you!



We acknowledge the traditional custodians the Meintangk/Moandik people whose land we gather on today for they hold the memories, traditions and culture of Aboriginal people.
We pay our respects to ancestors and elders past, present and emerging
and respect their continuing connection to land, waters and community.
May we continue to walk, feel, hear, touch and learn through this land
as they have for thousands of years.



Naracoorte High School

Presentation Assembly

TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER, 2023

The following criteria is for Awards for both Senior and Junior school students. We invite members of the school community to nominate students for these awards. The Presentation Assembly Committee will be judging nominations based on the following criteria:

>> CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

These are awarded to students who have contributed more than an average amount to the school and community and who are respected by their fellow students, teachers and those they work with within the community.

THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED:

- INITIATIVE AND ENERGY IN HELPING OTHERS
- LEADERSHIP QUALITIES
- PERSONAL CONDUCT, BEHAVIOUR & APPEARANCE OF MERIT
- WILLINGNESS TO TACKLE STUDIES, SPORT & OTHER ACTIVITIES
- RESPONSIBILITY & HONESTY

>> SERVICE AWARDS

These are awarded for service to the school in which the student has shown involvement, commitment, support and assistance usually in one particular area.

We ask that you supply your name and reasons for nomination. The Presentation Assembly Committee will then select the successful recipients.

Nomination forms are to be collected from the Student Services Office and returned no later than Monday 27th November, 2023.



Integrated Learning



During the recent school holidays, The Year 12 Integrated Learning class headed to Cambodia as part of their subject

Departing Naracoorte High School on the last day of term, the group made their way to Adelaide in preparation for an early flight to Singapore Saturday morning. Arriving in Singapore Saturday afternoon the group undertook a City tour of Singapore before settling in at the Transit hotel in the Airport. On the Sunday it was another early start as we departed Singapore for Siem Reap – Cambodia.

Sunday was welcome day and the group checked into their accommodation for the week before a swim in the pool and a beautiful lunch. Students made their last calls home before they handed over their mobile phones to be locked away for the week, with the idea of disconnecting to reconnect and be present in the moment and experiences that lay ahead. After lunch the group headed out on a walking tour of Siem Reap where they visited a Buddhist monastery, and had a fish pedicure or foot massage and exploration of the riverbank and old marketplace.

Monday's theme was Grounding and Intention setting, where students started on Task 6 of their Year 12 Integrated learning subject. This is a task about Tribe, a self-development program where students get to explore themselves and the unique gifts they can bring to the world. They participated in a Khmer language and cultural awareness session before a tour of Siem Reap district by Tuk Tuks, stopping at many local market stalls and trying many different food delicacies



Integrated Learning



along the way. Monday evening the group were treated to a dinner at Apsara Theatre which included a meal and cultural show.

Tuesday's theme was Honour the Journey – Exploring the secrets of Cambodia's past. The group were up at 4.30am to make their way to Angkor Wat in anticipation of a beautiful sunrise. This did not eventuate, but students enjoyed a comprehensive tour of the Temple by a wonderful guide who incidentally also provided a tour to the Clintons and Obamas previously. After the disappointment of no sunrise it was back to the accommodation for breakfast before heading out again to explore Bayon Temple, Neak Pean and Preah Khan Temple.

Wednesday we headed to Treak Community Centre. With a theme of Giving Back, the group assisted students and staff at Treak with English lessons, listening to students read, and undertaking craft activities. During break time, the students played football and basketball with the students. At lunchtime the group got to meet Brak Sopanna, a famous Cambodian musician who recently performed at the opening ceremony of the Para games. After lunch the group headed to Vuthy's in laws where they started work on Task 5 for integrated learning. This was a group task where the students had to work in groups to produce a number of cakes to be sold at the local markets in the morning. With the language barrier and recipes only partly translated this proved a challenging but enjoyable task for the students, pushing them outside their comfort zones. We also had traditional tea with the family that included the opportunity to try frogs, crickets and silk worms. A late night of cooking and dancing before we made our way back to our accommodation for a good night's sleep.

Thursday's theme was Community Awareness – Exploring the Cultural Riches of Cambodian Lifestyle traditions – students were up early and eager to meet up with the family that they cooked cakes with again. After breakfast we headed out to the local markets. With hundreds of stalls side by side and motorbikes zipping around everyone this is a very different experience. Combine this with no one (except us) speaking English, and you are setting up for an interesting morning. But our amazing students took it all in their stride. The second part to Task 5 was to sell baskets of the cakes they had prepared the night before to market goers and stall holders. Students worked in their groups to sell the cakes, having to speak Khmer and manage foreign currency. A great learning experience that took them well outside their comfort zone. After selling over 400 pieces of cake, and donating the money back to the family,



we set off on our next adventure, lunch at Footprints. Footprints is a social enterprise café where they employ local people and provide training and sustainable practices. Following lunch the group headed out to the floating village of Kompong, Khleang stopping at sticky rice village on the way. At the village built on stilts, we heard about life as a fishing family, and some of the trials and tribulations faced by these families. After visiting a local house, and village, we did a boat tour around the largest lake in South East Asia – Tonle Sap – the great lake, before hearing the story of Tevy and then going to Tevy's for tea.



Friday's theme – Unfolding the Truth – Uncovering Cambodia's



Integrated Learning

hidden past: A tour of hidden war sites. We started the day with Tribe and setting intentions before heading off to Apopo. Apopo is a place that is used to train scent detection animals nicknamed HeroRATS in the hope of ridding the world of landmines, returning safe land back to communities for development. Following the tour and demonstration where everyone got to cuddle a HeroRAT – Jenny, we headed to Wat Thmei – The killing fields. We heard stories of Cambodians recent tumultuous Cambodian history. After lunch at Tevy's again, we headed to the War Museum where Moun Sinath shared his story of losing his whole family to the war and his wife 6 years ago from stepping on a land mine. Despite walking with a prosthetic leg and a body full of shrapnel, Moun considers himself a lucky man. After a debrief and freshen up, it was off to the Phare Circus.



The Phare artists are students and graduates from Phare Ponleu Selpak's vocational training centre in Battambang. The association was formed in 1994 by 9 young men coming home from a refugee camp after the Khmer Rouge regime. They were greatly helped during that time by an art teacher using drawing classes as therapy and wanted to share this new skill among the poor, socially deprived and troubled youngsters in Battambang. They founded an art school and public school followed to offer free education. A music school and theatre school were next and finally, for the kids who wanted more, the circus school. Today more than 1,200 pupils attend the public school daily and 500 attend the alternative schools. Phare Ponleu Selpak also has extensive outreach programs, trying to help with the problems highlighted in their own tales. Phare the Cambodian Circus offers these students and graduates somewhere to hone their skills and a place to earn a decent wage. Money that will take them out of poverty and give them self-respect and freedom.

Saturday's theme – Gratitude the Journey – After breakfast the group caught the trusty Tuk Tuks to the Lotus farm where they participated in a special Tribe session with a focus on reflection and inspiration. Students reflected on what they were grateful for and people who had inspired them, and who they have inspired. Onto lunch at the Muffin Man another social enterprise café in Siem Reap and then back to our Cambodian family's house for a sewing lesson. Students worked in groups to produce three different shirts that are made and sold at the markets, gaining a greater understanding of some of the jobs that people do in Cambodia.





Sunday's theme – Refresh for the final phase – An extended Tribe for Task 6 was held where students wrote gratitude letters and shared their learnings of the past week. They received a Monk blessing for safe travel and happiness before a final lunch at Tevy's. Students then explored the markets, collected a few souvenirs and gifts for loved ones before heading back to our accommodation for a swim and a good night's sleep before we started our journey back home. The heavens opened and a true monsoonal downpour was experienced by all.

Monday's theme- Farewell Day – Up early for breakfast and check out before many hugs and tears as everyone farewelled our Cambodian friends. A flight back to Singapore and a 7 hour layover gave plenty of time to explore Singapore airport before catching a flight back to Adelaide at 11.30pm to arrive in Adelaide at 8.30 in the morning and a four hour bus trip home.

Students then spent Friday back at school (last day of the holidays) working on their assignments for this Year 12 Integrated Learning subject, before settling back into normal school routine on the Monday, where they started the term with a presentation to the students and staff at the High School.



The group that attended were:

Charli Schroder	Elise Barker
Jack Steadman	Ram Austria
Scarlett Fergusson	Lily Larder
John Flint	Tammy Schinckel

Abbie Michael
Russell Uyanguren
Lily Watson

Krystal Miller
Evie Modra-Ryan
Charlene Grant



Some of
our 2023
Yr 12s as
Yr 8's

Farewell to our 2023 Year 12s!

This term we farewell our current Year 12 students. The library staff would like to wish them all good luck for their exams/final assessments and best wishes for their future careers as they head out into the big wide world.

A reminder that all Year 12 loans should be returned to the library after the student's last exam or final assignment is complete.

Thank you!

Two sentence Scary Story Library Competition!



During the first two weeks of this term the Library held a "Two Sentence Scary Story" competition. Some great entries were received, 19 in total. There is a display of all entries up in the library.

Our winner was Jess Frick, congratulations Jess!

"I cant move, breath or speak it's so dark in here. I try to knock as I listen to my own funeral."



Our runner up was Jake Stewart, congratulations Jake!

"As I opened the hefty glass door and walked into the room, I saw the greatest horror of my life. There it was, the 2023 Stage 2 Chemistry Exam."

ANITA MILES
Library Manager



End of Year Library Returns

As we get closer to the end of another school year it is time for students to start returning the library resources that they have borrowed.

All **Year 12** loans should be returned to the library after the student's last exam or final assignment is complete along with their school laptop, charger and bag. Invoices will be issued for any unreturned Year 12 items after Friday 24th November.

Year 11 loans should be returned by Friday 1st December, before these students start their pre-year 12 classes.

Year 10 loans also need to be returned by Friday 1st December due to camp in week 8.

Year 7, 8 and Year 9 loans need to be returned by Friday 8th December.

Please assist with checking for books at home and encourage your student/s to return their items as soon as possible.

Any lost, damaged or unreturned items will be invoiced for at the start of 2024, apart from leavers who will be invoiced in December.

**Library
Lunchtime
Activities!**



STAFFING UPDATE

At the end of last week we farewelled our Canteen Manager, Yvonne Richardson.

Thank you for your service throughout the year Von, we wish you the best in your future endeavours.

Thank You Von!



Year 12 Celebration Week





CO2 Dragsters in Year 9 Design & Tech!

Students have been investigating for the properties of materials which can be combined with force, motion and energy to create engineered solutions.

Students are given a set of constraints and challenged to design and produce dragsters that are either compliant or non-compliant to race in either category for looks and speed.

Racetrack is 20m long and dragsters run off a single CO2 cannister, fired from our custom launcher.

Winners of this semester's categories were:

Fastest Compliant:

Sid Tierney & Will Krieger - 1.03 seconds (NHS Record)

Fastest Non-Compliant:

Bernie Watson - 0.86 seconds - (NHS Record)

Best Looking Compliant:

Sharif Ahmadi & Ahmad Karimi

Best Looking Non-Compliant:

Jasmine Tidy & Lilyana Soderlund

TOM RECHNER

Design & Technology





House Captains Report

At the conclusion of Term 3, we saw our Senior Students take on the Teachers in Speedball!

Thank you to Mr Murray, Mrs Slottegraaf, Bron, Miss Stott, Miss M, Ash, Mrs Phillips, Mr Braendler and any other teachers who played on the day.

Also, a big thank you to our senior students who turned up to play against our teachers and Mr Elliot Johnson our commentator for the event. Congratulations to the teachers who beat the students, 9-7.

Throughout Term 3, we ran table tennis at lunch times. This was a big hit with both students and staff, creating more engagement between senior and junior students as well as staff and students.

In Term 3, we also started planning our Run Club which was suggested to us from one of our surveys we put out to the staff and students earlier in the

year. The response from the staff and students was popular, with many of the staff members keen to come out early on a Friday morning for a loop walk.

Fast forward to Friday week 1, the House Captains were at school bright and early, with seven staff members and one student turning up, we considered it popular within the staff.

Stay tuned for more of our ideas and events throughout the term!

2023 HOUSE CAPTAINS

Lily Pape, Lachlan McKenzie & Ashley Miles (Flynn)
Eliza Bull & Henry Boord (Murdoch) Mia Grady, Remi Brown & Hamish McLachlan (Carter)



NHS RUN CLUB

Walk, run, jog

Challenge yourself!



**Join us, your
friends, peers & teachers
for a 3km loop**

Fridays 7.15am for a 7.20am start

Meeting @ NHS P.E Change Rooms





Flexible Industry Pathways

Throughout 2023 a number of students have undertaken a variety of Flexible Industry Pathway subjects

A FIP contains three parts, Contextualized SACE, Industry immersions and a Certificate Course.

All students completed 20 SACE stage 1 credits in Workplace Learning throughout the year, as the contextualized SACE component of their FIP. They have participated in either work placement or Pathways to a Pay Packet or both as part of their Industry immersion, and then they have been working on a specific Certificate Course related to their industry of choice.

Students have work on the following Certificates throughout 2023 as part of their studies.

Certificate III in Screen and Media

Certificate III in IT

Certificate III in Early Education and Care

Certificate III in Agriculture

Certificate II in Automotive Servicing Technology

Certificate II in Hospitality

Certificate II in Construction Pathways

Naracoorte High School is the host school for the Construction Pathways course, and we have partnered with TAFE SA, MADEC and Marden Senior College and RST to provide these opportunities for our students.

The process for FIP's for 2024 is nearing completion, with expressions of interest submitted and VETRO (Literacy and numeracy tests) currently being undertaken.

"I have liked that I could fit personal interests into my schooling curriculum" "My FIP has led me to an Apprenticeship Pathway" I feel well equipped to move forward beyond school" – Abbie

"FIPs provide something for everyone, you can study any area that you may be interested in. I have enjoyed learning in this way and feel well set up for my future" – Lily

"I wanted to leave school, but having my FIP course convinced me that I could do school that was relevant to me and I am now planning on returning to school in 2024 to complete other Year 12 subjects, despite already getting enough credits to complete my SACE through my certificate course" – George

TAMMY SCHINCKEL

Flexible Delivery





All Schools Athletics success!

A huge congratulations to Paige Rasheed & Harry Clark who competed in the Viva South Australian All School Athletics Championships in Adelaide last weekend. Both Harry & Paige represented our school extremely well and finished with some incredible results!

Paige: 3000m (2nd), 1500m (4th), 800m (4th PB).

Harry: High Jump (1st), Triple Jump (2nd), Long Jump (3rd) with PB's in all of these events.

Harry also made final of the 200m, finishing 6th overall.

With their 1st and 2nd placings, Paige and Harry now qualify for the SA State Team to compete in the Viva Australian All School Athletics Championships, which will be held in Perth in December.

A fantastic achievement, well done to you both!

Raising the Bar

Free online workshop for parents

Post-school transition planning for students living with disabilities involves students, parents and teachers.

Join us to learn about inclusive education, good practice for post school transition planning, your role in the process, and ways to enhance the 'One Plan' process.

This free workshop is aimed at parents/caregivers with a child living with a disability in Years 9 to 12.

Register your attendance for one workshop via Eventbrite

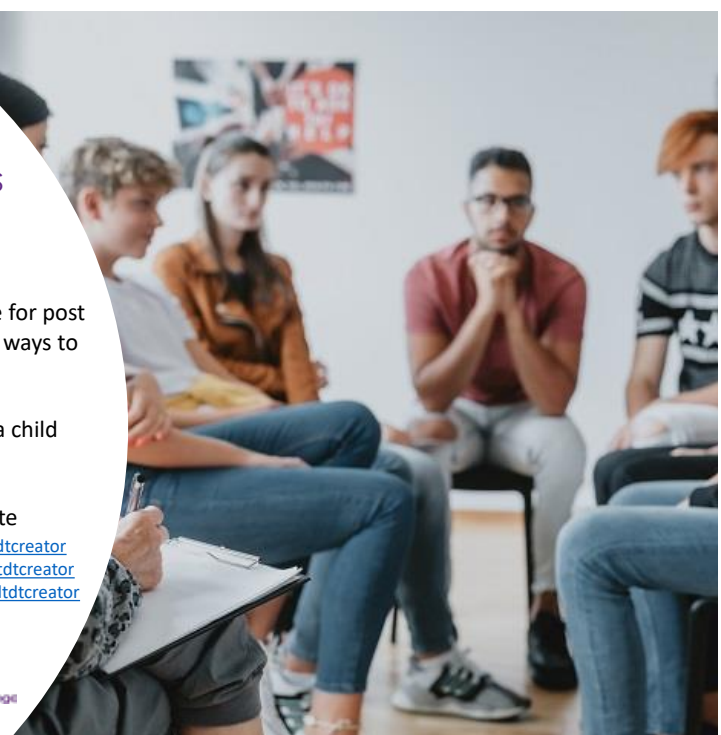
23rd October <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/735140915267?aff=oddtcreator>

8th November <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/735174104537?aff=oddtcreator>

16th November <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/735175779547?aff=oddtcreator>

For more information please contact Ewa Lamont
EwaL@purpleorange.org.au or phone 8373 8388

Road to Employment is funded by the Department of Social Services





Community News & Events



Give life. Give blood in Naracoorte.

Naracoorte Town Hall Func Ctr
20 November to 23 November



Monday 20 November	2.30 pm – 6 pm
Tuesday 21 November	9.30 am – 6 pm
Wednesday 22 November	9.30 am – 6 pm
Thursday 23 November	7.30 am – 12 pm



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Naracoorte CALISTHENICS

PRESENTS OUR 2023 END OF YEAR CONCERT

Sunday 5th of November
1pm start - Naracoorte Town Hall
Tickets available to purchase on the day
\$15 Adult - \$7 Child - 2 years and under free

Email us if you have any questions!
naracoortecalisthenics@gmail.com



[naracoorte_calisthenics](https://www.instagram.com/naracoorte_calisthenics)



Naracoorte Calisthenics Club

Quiz Night

with Rob Norton

Saturday, November 18
7:00pm for a 7.30pm start
Naracoorte RSL Bowling Club

*Food will be available to
purchase after bowls
BYO nibbles*

TABLES OF UP TO 8
\$50 PER TABLE
GAMES AND PRIZES
THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT

Phone 0429 154 402
to enter your team

· MY TAX ACCOUNTANT ·

Shop 1/16 Ormerod Street, Naracoorte SA 5271 • 68 Crocker Street, Bordertown SA 5268

We Are Hiring!

My Tax Accountant has a position available for an admin officer / assistant accountant

Responsibilities will include:-

- Greeting clients
- Answering incoming calls, taking messages & resolving client queries
- Processing incoming & outgoing mail
- Maintaining physical & electronic files
- Data Entry

Experience with Xero, MYOB & Microsoft office is an advantage although extensive on-the-job training will be provided. You must possess a friendly, positive attitude and have excellent interpersonal skills including strong written and verbal communication abilities. A high level of customer service is required, along with maintaining attention to detail at all times & being able to work as part of a team & independently.

*If you meet the criteria, please submit your application to
admin@mytaxaccountant.com.au by Friday 17th November 2023.*

PPEP TALK[®] NEXT STEPS

The Pelvic Pain Foundation of Australia (PPFA) welcomes attendees of PPEP Talk[®] (Periods, Pain & Endometriosis Program) and their families to attend a **FREE** information session.

Join Gynaecologist, Pain Specialist and author of 'Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain' Associate Professor Susan Evans online for PPEP Talk[®] Next Steps.

Building on the knowledge students have gained at our school sessions, PPEP Talk[®] Next Steps is an opportunity for young people experiencing pelvic pain and their families to ask questions and seek support for the next steps to take.




Details:

- **What:** PPEP Talk[®] Next Steps
- **When:** 5.00pm WA
6.30pm NT
7.00pm QLD
7.30pm SA
8.00pm NSW, VIC, TAS, ACT
- **Where:** Online
- **Register:** www.pelvicpain.org.au/ppeptalkschools-program/ppep-talk-Nextsteps/
- **Cost:** FREE

PPFA is committed to supporting people who suffer severe period pain, pelvic pain and endometriosis to allow them to fulfill their potential and live their best life possible.

If you have any further queries please email us at ppeptalk@pelvicpain.org.au, call (08) 8291 7923 or visit our website www.pelvicpain.org.au.

A circular inset image showing a young woman with blonde hair tied back, smiling and looking at a laptop screen. She is wearing a dark blue top.

**Register for the
session now**



Term #4 Calendar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	Oct. 16	17	18	19	20
WEEK 2	23	24	25	26 Minister for Education Visit	27 Year 12 Celebration Day
	FIP Multi Trades @ Naracoorte High School				
WEEK 3	30	31	Nov. 01	02	03
	Year 7 Transition		Year 11 Sports Studies Camp		
WEEK 4	06 Maths Methods General Maths Exams	07 Chemistry Exam	08 Essential Maths Exam Governing Council	09 Physics Exam	10 Biology Exam
	Year 11 Outdoor Ed Surf Camp				
WEEK 5	13 Speak Off Competition Flinders Uni Test	14 Year 6 to 7 Conferences	15	16 Year 12 Celebration Ball	17 Student Free Day
WEEK 6	20	21	22 Stage 1 Drama Performance	23	24
	Year 7 Aquatics Camp				
WEEK 7	27	28	29	30	Dec. 01
	Year 8 Camp @ Nora Creina				
WEEK 8	SGC 04 Conservation Day - Dress in Green	05	06	07	08
	Year 10 Pathways Camp @ Adelaide			Year 7 Transition	
WEEK 9	11	12 Presentation Assembly	13	14	15 Last Day of Term #4

PLEASE NOTE: Proposed dates are subject to change.