



THE PRINCIPAL

Hello....

My name is Deaine Coyle and it is my pleasure to be appointed to the role of Principal at Newstead College.

I am really looking forward to meeting as many students, parents and members of the Newstead College community. As Principal my goal is to ensure that all students at Newstead leave at the end of year 12 with their TCE and either a VET qualification or an ATAR score. I will be working with the great staff of this college with that focus.

Evidence is very strong in regards to opportunities for students who complete year 12. They get better jobs, higher salaries and a better standard of living. The staff want your son or daughter to achieve the best possible outcomes, but we need your help in ensuring that attending classes and staying at school until the end of year 12 is their priority.

I am confident that 2015 will be a great year for students at Newstead College. There will be many opportunities for students to be involved in a variety of activities and we welcome your involvement and support.

Deaine Coyle
Principal



Important Dates 2015

23rd - 27th March
Work Placements

Tuesday 24th March
Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 1st April
PIPPIN launch
5.30 - 7.30pm

Thursday 2nd April
Last Day Term 1

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ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

This term, Newstead College welcomed Tasmanian Artist in Residence (AIR) for 2015, Tricky Walsh. For the next two terms Tricky will be engaging with students while creating unique artwork. Tricky, whose interdisciplinary practice is concerned with the integration of mysticism with scientific reasoning, will bring a wealth of knowledge and skill to our already highly effective art staff.

In its sixth year, the 2015 AIR program will see eight professional artists undertaking residencies in eight schools and colleges in the public and independent sectors around the state. Working alongside year 11 and 12 students, the residencies focus on modelling to students and staff the artist's creative processes and practice. The Tasmanian AIR program has achieved national and international recognition as a successful model, offering both professional development for artists whilst contributing to the current arts learning for students and staff.



AIR 2015 is an artist in residence program developed and managed by Arts Tasmania in partnership with the Australia Council for the Arts.



Futsal Staff VS Students



After the students had slid two very lucky goals past staff goalie Jayney-Lou Bishop, the experience of Blades, the hardness of Atkins and the sublime skill and touch of Wall took over. It would be unfair on the aforementioned superstars of Newstead futsal to suggest that the 8-2 comeback victory, and successful defence of their futsal title, was due to anything other than their brilliant play.

Sure, Lachie Farrell, Leigh Chugg, Dean Van Asperen and Jake Walley were handy role players and probably kicked 5 or 6 goals, but all they really did was add the icing to the cake baked by the smooth staff outfit.

Jamie Wall was particularly impressive and won the Frank Farina Medal for best on court.

So the staff, as is their wont, allowed the students a little bit of glory before completing the rope-a-dope much like the great Ali many moons ago, and took the first title of the year.



Lets Go Kayaking...

Students engaged in two days of fun activities designed to develop confidence on the water. Paddling techniques, dodgeball, capsize drills, seal launch, standing paddle, walking on water, rescues were all practiced.



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STUDENT SUPPORT

FOR OUTSIDE OF COLLEGE

Did you know that Medicare rebates are available for psychological support under the Australian Government's *Better Access to Mental Health Care* initiative?

Assistance can be sought for a range of issues including anxiety disorders, eating disorders, autism, attention deficit disorders and depression.

Visit your GP to obtain a mental health care plan and referral to a Registered Psychologist. You may need to pay a small fee, or in some cases no fee if the Psychologist bulk bills. You can access up to 10 sessions in a calendar year.

To discuss this further you are welcome to contact the School Psychologist, Phil Doyle, or any member of the Newstead College Support Team.

How Does College Compare To High School?



Alan North (12)

"The worst thing would probably be how much some people change from high school to college."



Crystal Way (11)

"It's a more relaxed and independent environment."



Renee Freeman (11)

"It's more laid-back. The work's harder, but it's good."



Marland (11)

"The freedom is the best thing. The worst thing, is definitely the homework."



Annie Evelyn (11)

"I think overall it's easier. The transition is hard, but college is definitely better."



Scott Faulkner (Teacher)

"The first thing you notice, is that students call you by your first name. The work is more full-on, but I like the challenge."



The Glover Art Prize

On the 11th of March Newstead College art students, along with students from LCGS, LC, and St Patrick's, visited Evandale to view the 2015 Glover Exhibition. The Glover Prize is the richest annual prize for landscape painting in Australia. It is awarded for the work judged the best contemporary landscape painting of Tasmania. The winner receives \$40,000 and a bronze maquette of colonial artist John Glover, whose legacy is celebrated through the Prize.

Students spent time admiring works while documenting concepts and techniques which may help their own studies. Students were then given a presentation by Curator, Dr Jane Deeth, on 'The Glover', its history, the selection process and some of the challenges faced by artists and viewers. Jane's in-depth discussion about how to analyse an art work was appreciated and valued by all students.

When leaving the presentation, Jane generously donated her acclaimed book, *Looking at Landscapes*, valued at \$19.95 to every student. This will be a valuable resource for the years to come.



**TAKE A STAND
TOGETHER
BULLYING. NO WAY!**

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
Newstead College was involved in the fifth National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence held on Friday, 20 March 2015.

This annual day provides a focus for all schools to say Bullying. No Way! and to strengthen their existing everyday messages that bullying and violence at school are not okay at any time.



PIPPIN

The whole college production of *Pippin* –The Musical has started with a bang! After an energetic start to the project, the musical has been cast and rehearsals are well underway. There were many students who auditioned for the seven main character parts but, unfortunately, not everyone was able to secure a leading role. However, a strong sense of ensemble and team spirit has been established and we are confident that the show will be a wonderful spectacle of dance, drama and musical talent.

This year, in order to promote our production and introduce the talent we have here at Newstead, we are holding a launch on April 1st (see invitation and RSVP details in this newsletter), so please come along and enjoy an evening with the cast, crew and band of *Pippin*.



Leading Player- Morgan Pinner
Pippin- James Parker
Charles - Nathaniel Wood
Lewis - Fiontan Cassidy
Fastrada – Sophie Woodcock
Berthe- Brianna Phegan
Catherine – Reilly Boyd
Darien Cameron as vocal support for Pippin
Brianna Phegan as Support for Leading Player
Rehearsal Room Director –Brianna Phegan
Stage Managers – Nic Mills and Joeby Neil

**“We’ve got magic to do,
just for you”**

The Cast, Crew and Band of

PIPPIN

The Musical

Invites you to join them for an evening of music,
food and fun to celebrate our 2015
production launch.

**Wednesday April 1st
5.30pm to 7pm**

**Newstead College Auditorium
Cypress Street Launceston**

**Please RSVP to The College office
by Monday 30th March on 63323232**

Each scene of the show charts Pippin's search for the meaning of life. He yearns for glory in war, becomes involved in love and champions social causes. In the end he seeks an ordinary settled life with his wife Catherine, content with "Simple Joys". PIPPIN is a magical, fantastical show of positive messages about personal identity, and our journey to the 'self' and happiness.

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SRC

2015

While student voting for the 'Executive' will take place over the coming week, all members of the SRC were invited to attend the SRC Induction day on 27 February. Students participated in a range of activities and were addressed by Claudine Siale the President of last year's SRC Executive.

Claudine reminded students of the highlights of her own year along with the personal rewards associated with the work of the SRC. John Atkins organised a number of leadership activities, while Roy Stewart and I facilitated the day and were pleased with the positive involvement of all students who participated. Jeff O'Brien spoke to the students regarding the organisation of the Cambodia Trip (2016) while Col Peters addressed the students on behalf of the Principal. Best wishes to all of the students this week who have nominated for the Executive.

Amanda Williams



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