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Friday 15th May Reports Mailed Out

Thursday 4th June Parent Teacher Interviews

Monday 8th June Long Weekend

Monday 22nd June to Friday 3rd July Assessment Period

Monday 29th June to Friday 3rd July VET Workplacement

> Friday 3rd July End of Term 2



THE PRINCIPAL

Since I started at Newstead College I have been very impressed with our students. I see students who are focussed, who care about each other, who want to learn and who support each other. I also see dedicated and committed teachers who want the very best outcomes for them.

Reports will be sent home on Friday May 15th and parent/teacher night will be on Thursday, June 4. I know that teachers would love to see you on this night to work with you in ensuring that your son or daughter is on track to succeed in their studies.

No smoking

Many of you may have heard about our new school rule. Some of our students are not very happy about the rule and feel that it is unfair. However it is based on policy and law.

Education policy which is derived from the state laws which says that a child (under 18) must not smoke, use or possess any tobacco product.

The policy also states that students over 18 who smoke are restricted by the Department of Education, Drug and Education Management policy.

The new rule for Newstead College students is that if they do smoke they must leave the school, and they cannot loiter on footpaths or in front of our neighbouring residents.

Attendance

Strong attendance at school will ensure the best outcomes for students. If your son or daughter is absent please contact the office. If the absence is prolonged please contact the support teacher or an Assistant Principal so they can assist in ensuring their educational program is not compromised.

Deaine Coyle Principal



Newstead College Department of Education



Athlete Development AFL is in its first year at Newstead College and the class has completed the first skills block of training. At the end of this block, a game against Elizabeth College's ADP AFL was played on March 16th at Rocherlea footy ground.

The ADP class was topped up with four ADP – Fitness and Recovery students, and a sprinkling of other players. Lewis Sheppard was named captain and he proved to be an inspired choice as his leadership on the day was a shining light for the Newstead team.

In the first quarter, Newstead dominated the early exchanges getting good drive out of the centre from ruckman Louis Venn and on-ballers Connor King, Kaleb Thomas, Brannen Marinkovic and Jordy Bass. Excellent forward pressure from Hayley Whyte saw her win a free kick and slot the game's first goal. Superb vision from Kaleb minutes later saw him find Matty McKinnon and we had a little scoreboard pressure on EC. Unfortunately, despite dominating the quarter, we kicked 2.5 and EC were able to get a couple goals against the run of play. Still, we held a slender four point lead at quarter time.

The second quarter followed the same pattern. McKinnon calmly slotted his second on the run but the rest of the quarter was a stalemate and NC took a three point lead into halftime. Kiefer Kemp was strong at full back, Sam Maurer impressed with his pace and attack on the footy, and Brayden Worker and Sam Hodges were courageous as ever. The third quarter was all EC. Three goals to none, including a freebie from some ill-discipline blew the game open and we couldn't recover. EC ran out 20 point winners in what was a fast and hotlycontested game of school football. The spirit the game was played in was tremendous and both schools should be congratulated for supporting college sport.

Kaleb Thomas won the "Sallee Whitehead Medal" for Newstead's best player on the day. He marked strongly, including a ripper at centre half forward and his two way running and silky skills stood out on the big Rocherlea ground.

FINAL SCORE



EC 8 Goals 12 Behinds 60 defeated NC 5 Goals 10 Behinds 40

Goals: McKinnon 2, Whyte, Venn, Marinkovic **Best:** Kaleb Thomas, Louis Venn, Jordan Bass, Lewis Sheppard, Brannen Marinkovic, Matt McKinnon.



Eleven Outdoor Education students were in search for a wave or two at the main beach at Bicheno. They then proceeded to head down to Honeymoon Bay at Freycinet. The second day involved mountain biking, sea kayaking and a night navigation activity. The teachers thought with all that activity the students might have an early night, but a few managed to continue on after midnight. All students enjoyed the camping experience as this had a lot to do with the great weather and pristine location.

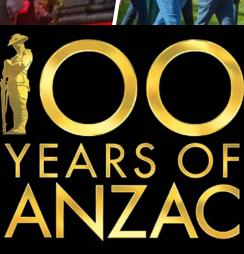




Congradulations Maighan Brandwood

Former student, Maighan Brandwood, has been awarded a Tertiary Scholarship by the Deloraine and Districts Community Bank® Branch for 2015. Maighan has enrolled at the University of Adelaide in a Bachelor of Development Studies, which explores global issues including poverty and human rights. While at Newstead College Maighan was elected Vice President and Publicity Officer of the SRC, was a delegate to the Australian Constitutional Convention in Canberra and studied eight pre-tertiary subjects, achieving an ATAR of 91.3 points. With a strong interest in social justice, Maighan would eventually like to work for the Dept of Foreign Affairs & Trade or the United Nations. The \$5,000 scholarship is offered each year to a young person residing in the Meander Valley and who may not otherwise be able to fulfil their dream of attending university.







Parliament

From April 12th-18th, Tabitha Dempsey attended the 28th annual Tasmanian Youth Parliament held in Hobart. Students across the state drafted and debated over 13 bills to pass through Parliament in both the House of Assembly and Legislative Council. Bill topics that were debated included: voluntary euthanasia, mandatory vaccinations, education reformation, Tarkine conservation laws and low-level illicit drug regulation.



Tas Uni is changing their approach to careers education this year. Some important dates coming up for parents and students of Newstead College are -

Launceston

- Monday June 1st Stepping into the Future (Year 12)
- Tuesday June 2nd Taking Charge of Your Future (Year 10)
- Wednesday June 3rd Your Future Tas (Year 9 + and parents/adults)
- Thursday June 11th Aspiration Matters A symposium for educators, showcasing the aspiration raising work occurring in Tasmania and providing workshops to develop ideas, programs and improve ongoing work.

The first one is most relevant to our students but parents might like to know the other dates too.

More information about the session on the 1st of June will come out when it is available.







From the 6th to the 8th of March, Newstead College students Caitlin Campbell, Elsie Cornish and Tabitha Dempsey attended the United Nations Youth Australia's (UNYA) 2015 Tasmanian State Conference held in Hobart. UNYA is a nation-wide organisation convened by Australians aged 25 and under. This year's Tasmanian state conference was convened by Hobart's Imogen Wurf and involved over 40 students from across the state.



All students are welcome to help themselves to a free breakfast of toast, coffee, tea and Milo in "The Caff" between 8.15am and 8.45am.

Reakfast

Please make sure you have eaten, washed-up and returned your plates, cutlery and mugs to the cupboard before 8.45am! It is very important that you clean up after yourselves!!











For Pre-Tertiary Art Production students, engaging with the Arts community is a crucial part of their course. A recent trip to the Museum of Modern and New Art (MONA) in Hobart provided the experience students needed to begin engaging with the Arts.

The early bus trip down to Hobart saw many sleepy eyes, which were shortly fixed with quick coffee and food stop in Campbell Town. Once in Hobart, excitement was felt as around 40 students began the journey down the mass of spiral stairs. Three floors underground, students entered a wide open space. Lines of light bulbs blinked above heads, flashing with the pulses of heartbeats recorded by hundreds of visitors. It was difficult for students not to begin thinking of their own ideas and concepts for art projects as they explored the three levels of art lining the museum which is carved out of limestone. MONA confronts and opens the minds of viewers. It is a unique experience which pushes viewers to truly engage with the art works, with many of the exhibitions being interactive. It was a wonderful trip and all students seemed to enjoy and learn a lot from it. Students are now beginning to create their own art, perhaps inspired from the trip to MONA.





Wednesday the 22nd of April saw Newstead College's B team debate against the team of St. Brendan-Shaw College B2. Whilst the night got off to a less than desirable start after we were denied our first choice of topic, the Newstead team took this in their stride and commenced planning for the topic, "School days are the best days of our lives", being assigned the negative stance. Our debate began with first speaker Caleb, whose strong points and quick thinking during the opposing team's speeches got us off to a great start. His excellent opening was followed up by Newstead College debating co-captain Tabitha, in her first debate of the year, who provided very convincing arguments and rebuttals, setting the team up for a potentially great finish. After all other speakers had said their piece, third speaker Blake - Newstead's other co-captain - was given the task of closing the debate, doing so with good rebuttals and summing up the team's main points.

The decision was very close, with the adjudicator awarding the debate to Newstead College by a single point. The entire team, including fourth person Isaac - who leant the team invaluable assistance during preparation - must be commended on their efforts, and congratulated for bringing the team their second win of the season.

Martin Gilmour Visit



As an avid journalist, I was thrilled to learn that my Media Production 3 class would have the pleasure of meeting (and interviewing) Mr Martin Gilmour, former editor of *The Examiner*. Currently, a senior advisor to the Tasmanian Premier, Mr Gilmour willingly volunteered his time to help expand our knowledge of the media and the life of a working journalist.

We discussed the Journalist's Code of Ethics, political bias, plagiarism, along with the importance of accuracy and legitimacy.

Personally, I found it both entertaining and informative, and I look forward to more journalistic opportunities throughout the year.

- Logan Piper

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