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PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION AWARDS 2018

Narrabundah College was nominated for the Secondary School of the Year Award - Government by our Board Chair, Catherine Moore.

We were notified earlier this term that we were selected as a Finalist and we will be attending the Awards Ceremony to be held in Sydney on August 17.

We have been working on our final submission due this Friday and two of our year 11 students: Trent H and Chris C have been creating a promotional video of the college to be submitted in a few weeks' time.

These are exciting times for the college and I wish to thank Catherine for her endorsement of our college.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ROSE Z

Rose has been selected from 1000s of students from 300 schools around Australia to be a member of an Australian Olympiad Team: Earth Science - 1 of 4 student members.

She is passionate about her Science studies and plans to study Science post-college.

This is an outstanding achievement and we wish her all the very best in the international competition next month in Kanchanaburi Thailand.

The Australian Chief Scientist, Dr Alan Finkel AO, gave the Special Address at the Australian Olympiad Teams' announcement at Parliament House on 18 June. His address was inspirational for the students and indeed the audience. He congratulated the students on their achievements and spoke about their talents "creating a new potential" then urged them "to wake up excited for what is to come".

He shared his excitement about recent scientific developments in AI and Hydrogen as fuel which he said he hadn't thought he would see in his lifetime.

Dr Finkel celebrated the success of the students to be selected for the Olympiad teams and exhorted them as leaders to embrace future challenges in scientific developments.

2018 EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE

On June 7th the college's Executive Team relocated to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Centre at Yarramundi Reach where we spent the day discussing a wide range of issues relevant to this school and our community.

The topics presented included:

- The IB: Where to Next?
- What are we doing to engage all students in their learning? This session referenced Assoc Professor Stephen Dinham's (Graduate School of Education Melbourne University) presentation on ***Leading learning and Teaching***.
- Using Data to support and target students
- Our guest speaker was Ross Hawkins Executive Director Service Design and Delivery in the Education Directorate
- The conference ended with wellbeing activities.

The outcomes from the sessions have been progressed both at our Executive Meetings and to all staff at the Professional Learning Community meetings.

The initiatives from the conference contribute to our explicit improvement agenda: we continue to strive to maintain a focus to enable and empower all our students to learn, thrive and be equipped to take on challenges of this 21st century.

WHAT'S THE ATAR?

On Tuesday 26 June, we ran the second information evening for parents/carers to learn more about assessment and reporting at our college. It is important that our students and you, their parents/carers fully understand how the ATAR is generated.

PARENT INFORMATION ABOUT SON/DAUGHTER'S PROGRESS

During the holidays you will receive information about your son/daughter's progress this session through Mid Term Reports. Also in this package you will be informed about booking online for the next Parent Teacher Afternoon on July 31 from 4.30-7.30pm.

I invite and encourage you to come to the next Parent Teacher Afternoon and also to consult your son/daughter's Year Adviser if you need more information or advice about his/her package.

I look forward to seeing you at this event.

AST

We have run the AST preparation in all classes again this term to enhance all students' AST skills.

This is an especially important time for year12 students, leading up to and sitting the ACT Scaling Test (AST) at the end of this session. year12 students who want to gain an ATAR for university entrance must sit all components of the **AST**, which will be held on **Tuesday 4 and Wednesday 5 September**.

A student's performance/results in this test can make a significant difference to their ATAR and everyone depends upon each student performing to the best of her/his ability. Being well prepared and understanding the nature of the tests makes a real difference. Final **AST Trials** will be held on **13 and 14 August**.

FRENCH BACCALAURÉAT

The Year 12 French Bac students have just finished their exams and are awaiting their results. Congratulations to those students who have already been offered places at French universities.

I look forward to attending their Graduation ceremony at the French Embassy on Thursday July 5th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS:

- Sam P and Sophie B were in the top 10 speakers of the Douse Debating Competition.
- Noa M who won a French Government Grant for a prestigious scholarship to study in France.
- Our 2 Maths Teams who participated at ANU Maths Day: Ranit B, Eric H, Minsoo K, Netanya R and Zaran Z and WON; Sherry P, Max K, Joanne N, Kwan Lin Oh and Sam P came 10th out of 36 ACT and NSW teams. What excellent results!
- Vivien D, Gordon L, Selina L, Neha K, Simon Y, Thomas F and Ziqi Y who competed in the Da Vinci Decathlon Team with over 1600 students from the ACT and NSW. They placed 2nd in Art & poetry and Maths and 3rd overall – exceptional results for their first time in this comp from our college.
- Ziqi Y who attained an High Distinction, Spencer C and Ryu C–Distinction and to Vivien D, David J, Brighton Y, Ranit B, Carlos C, Eric H, Wisesa R and Zaran Z who attained credits in the CAT Competition.
- To the Titration Team placed in the top 10 going into the next round.
- Sam P who is the lead finalist in the UNSW ProgComp. School of Computer Science and Engineering.(see link below)
<http://cupcake.web.cse.unsw.edu.au/current/teams.html>
- Zac N who is currently representing Australia in the London International Youth Science Forum
- Isabelle H who has been selected as a member of the Australian Junior Golf team.

- One of our alumni: Cara G who has just won The George Innes Cup in the Championship single sculls at the Henley Women's Rowing Regatta, UK beating women from around the world.

CONGRATULATIONS TO STAFF:

- To Christine Ward our IB Coordinator for her well-deserved recent ACEL Award for Excellence in Educational Leadership.
- To Sanjay Sharma for this recent recognition by the Chief Minister for his significant commitment to ACT Cricket.

*Kerrie Grundy
Principal*

Parent Teacher Afternoon
4:30 – 7:30pm
Tuesday 31 July
Please see online booking instructions

INTERNATIONAL
BACCALAUREATE NEWS

YEAR 12 NEWS

All students should have submitted their Extended essays and are in the process of working on their TOK essays.

It is important that you complete these essays as soon as possible so you can concentrate on your remaining assessment tasks.

Your list of assignments is slowly getting smaller and you are now in the home stretch. It is important to keep to your due dates and remain as focused as you have all done throughout your IB program. Keep up the good work!

YEAR 11 NEWS

The extended essay presentation was held for students on June 7th. Students started thinking about a variety of topics and the discussion produced some very interesting extended essay concepts. All information about the extended essay is on the IB google class page including the power point presentation. I hope you are also enjoying your TOK lessons and your IB experience at Narrabundah College. Many students have launched into their CAS program and have started to write some excellent reflective journals. – Well done!

Prague Spring 2019 – Global IB student exchange trip
www.castrips.org/prague-spring

Expressions of interest have been circulated among the Year 11 IB students. Please return this note to me by June 30th.

*Christine Ward
International Baccalaureate & CAS Coordinator/Library*

FRENCH BACCALAURÉAT NEWS

Year 12 news

Having taken their last examination at Narrabundah College on the 13th and 14th of June (Biology & Geology in English), the French Baccalauréat Year 12 students finished their school year, and their 3 years of Lycée.

They sat for the exam at Lycée Condorcet in Sydney between the 18th and the 23rd of June and are now waiting for the results the 29th of June. Results will be out at 10:00pm and given by the Proviseur at Telopea Park School.

The Proviseur and all of their teachers wish them good luck for their Baccalauréat.

Students who applied to study in France have received their acceptances from prestigious French universities and Post-Bac Schools in different towns such as Paris or Grenoble. Many students have also chosen to study in Australia (at ANU, University of Canberra or University of Sydney...) and for some of them join the Army. These students will have the opportunity of taking a six-month gap and maybe, travel around the world and practise their French even more.

Students who still have not done so are invited to update their profile on the website <http://www.agora-aefe.fr>. This website was opened with the goal of uniting all the alumni of the French schools abroad.

They should also register to our Alumni Association ALFAC:

([Anciens du Lycée Franco-Australien de Canberra](#)) on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ancienslfac/>

It is open for parents and teachers too.

Agenda: 5th July – French Embassy : Graduation ceremony “Remise des Médailles du Bac”.

Many of our Year 12 students have been together in the English French stream at Telopea Park School since kindergarten, and for some of them the journey started even before: at the French Australian Pre School in Red Hill. It will be a very emotional moment and we cannot wait to celebrate all together their success.

Year 11 news

After the French literature and Science tests for their Baccalauréat, the year 11 students will have to resume their English class. The regular French Baccalauréat classes will resume on the 2nd July at 8AM. They will receive their timetable for Term 3 and 4, after the holidays. They have been working hard for their exams and they will have well deserved vacations.

Some of them will have the pleasure of going to New Caledonia in October, along with students from the English stream, Sophie Burton and Mr Leguay. We are expecting a short presentation in order to send them to their future billets.

Jillian Erin-Agot

French Baccalauréat Coordinator

CAREERS NEWS

Careers @ Narrabundah

Upcoming Presentations 2018

27 June	UNIVERSITY of CANBERRA
30 July	CHARLES STURT UNIVERSITY
14 August	UNIVERSITY of MELBOURNE
17 August	UNIVERSITY of SYDNEY

Where/When: Library Upstairs 1.15 – 2.00pm

Additional presentation TBC

Australian Defence Force

Australian Public Service Career Starters Program

ICT Apprenticeships and Traineeships

CIT

All students and staff are welcome

RECENT ACTIVITIES IN CAREERS

At this time of year, the Year 12 students in particular are very keen to find out as much information as they can about possible options for next year. In the past few weeks we have had lunchtime presentations from representatives of Monash University, the University of Canberra, the Australian National University, and the defence civilian Undergraduate Sponsorship team. Attendance levels at the presentations have been high and indicative of the strong focus students now have on their futures. Further careers presentations include University of Melbourne -14 August, the University of New South Wales -17 August, Charles Sturt University - 30 July, with dates for CIT, The Australian Defence Force, ICT Traineeships, and Australian Public Service Career Starter Program, still to be finalised.

Australian Catholic University

ACU's University Experience Day is being held on 11 July at the Canberra campus – giving students the opportunity to sample some of the degrees on offer and get a taste of life at ACU. The event is free, and students can find out more and register at www.acu.edu.au/uni-experience.

ACU Early Offers - Community Achievers' Program

Applications are open and close on Tuesday 31 July 2018.

WORK EXPERIENCE week is 10-14 September

Classes are not held during Work Experience weeks. Year 11 and 12 students should be in the process of setting up their Work Experience Placements. Year 11 students are expected to complete at least two placements in their first year at college and Year 12 students are expected to complete at least one in their last year. This is a minimum and many students will do more. Students should see Glenda in the Careers Office **as soon as possible** for help with setting up their placements. Applications close 13 August.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Information from the universities indicates that many scholarships are never allocated. Students are advised to thoroughly research university websites to ensure that

they are aware of the large number of possible scholarship opportunities.

White Card and Asbestos Awareness Training

If you are intending to complete work experience, or an ASBA in the Building and Construction industry, you will need to undertake White Card training and Asbestos Awareness training before commencing the WEX placement.

YEAR12 MEDICINE APPLICATIONS

To be eligible to apply to begin an undergraduate program in Medicine (and some dentistry degrees) in Australia, it is a requirement of many universities that the student sit the Undergraduate Medicine Admissions Test (UMAT). The selection process for Undergraduate Medicine usually involves consideration of the applicant's performance in

- a) ATAR
- b) The UMAT exam
- c) An interview

The applicant must be successful in all three of these areas to have a reasonable chance of gaining entry.

The UMAT exam will take place on Wednesday 25 July 2018.

Save the Date:

2018 Open Days in Canberra-25 August

UNSW Canberra / ADFA
Australian Catholic University
University of Canberra
Australian National University
Canberra Institute of Technology

Master Builders Open Day - first time

Master Builders Fyshwick ACT
Experience a range of activities, demonstrations, tours and presentations throughout the day. Find out more:
<https://www.mba.org.au/events/upcoming-events/view/151/>

UNSW Sydney – Open Day

September 1 | UNSW Sydney
Open day is your chance to get all your questions answered. Find out more:
<https://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/open-day>

The Hotel Schools Early Entry Program

This is a great opportunity for all Year 12 students who are interested in studying a Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management in 2019 at the Sydney or Melbourne Campuses. Applications close August 2018
To apply:<https://hotelschool.scu.edu.au/apply/australian-applications/>

All students are reminded that they are required to join **Google Class - Careers 2018**

This is where the Guidelines for University Applications will be posted in early August along with other general Careers information throughout the year.

Also check out our Careers website at www.narrabundahcollegecareers.com for other great information and links.

WHOLE COLLEGE EXCURSION

2018 CANBERRA CAREERS XPO

Wednesday 15 August 10.00am - 1.00pm

All students from Narrabundah College will attend the Careers Xpo at Exhibition Park in Canberra. Students will be required to pay \$2.50 as they get on the bus but there will be no charge for entry into the Careers Xpo. There will be no lessons taught, or library or computer facilities available during this time. Bus transport will be provided on Action buses from the front of Narrabundah College departing at 10.00am for Exhibition Park in Canberra and returning to the College by 1.00pm (*departing EPIC at 12.30pm*).

Forms will be distributed in N Groups this week; alternatively, you will also find them as an attachment with the Newsletter. Please return the completed form to the front office or info@narrabundahc.act.edu.au before the end of term, 6 July.

Glenda Nimmo
Careers/Transition/WEX Advisor

STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

We are close to the well-earned winter break and students will have completed assessments in all their classes. V-Grade warnings have been recently issued but these are only warnings at this stage – either for unexplained absences or missed assessment. If students have a warning, they should talk to their teachers to ascertain the reason and determine how the warning can be withdrawn. Come and see the advisers if there are issues with this as there are always options of which students may not be aware.

Attendance

Students should attend all classes. Students can miss vital class content and may not meet the BSSS attendance requirements if too many classes are missed. We do understand students miss classes for legitimate personal reasons and sickness at times. These absences can be covered in **two ways**.

The College uses an automated messaging system for attendance. Parents/Guardians can **reply directly via SMS or email to these messages** or complete hardcopy absence notes to be returned to the College. Medical Certificates are required for extended periods of sickness and also for missed tests and assignment deadlines.

The College does not authorise or encourage students to miss scheduled classes to complete assignments.

University/CIT Applications

For students moving on to university, CIT or TAFE next year, it's time to start thinking about the application processes.

For university in the ACT or NSW, applications are through the University Admissions Centre (UAC). *The 2019 UAC Guide* for admission in semester 1, 2019 will be available at college for all Year12 tertiary bound

students by the end of July. Students should be aware that UAC applications will open in August and applications should be submitted online by the end of September. Student Services will advise you of specific dates as soon as they are available. Each state and territory has their own university admissions centre – VTAC in Victoria, QTAC in Queensland, SATAC in South Australia, etc. For students wanting the option of studying in other states, they need to submit a separate application to the states or territories they are interested in. Students can start looking at the relevant websites for this information. Students can submit applications to more than one state and may possibly receive more than one offer.

Look out for information concerning School's Recommendation Scheme (SRS) for 2019 University intake. Information will be via N groups and newsletters. Students who do not think they will get an ATAR or a high enough ATAR should see an Adviser or the Transition and Career officer regarding alternate pathways.

Most institutions that participate in the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) have an Educational Access Scheme (EAS) for applicants who have experienced long term educational disadvantage. To qualify applicants must demonstrate, with supporting evidence, that during years11 and 12 or equivalent, they have been seriously affected by circumstances beyond their control. Forms and eligibility criteria are available from the UAC website and any enquiries should be directed to Student Services.

PACKAGE CHECKS

Yr11 and 12 **students must ensure they check their packages for the ACT senior Secondary Certificate and ATAR.** Yr 2 was issued with an academic record in N groups (week 9, June 27) and should have checked that they are on track to meeting the requirements for the Certificate and ATAR. If students are unsure about any part of their package they should see their Student Adviser.

Yr12 Formal

In preparation for the Year12 Formal on November 30th, the competition to design the ticket has commenced. This is open to year12s only and the prize for the winning design will be a free ticket to the Formal. Entry forms are available outside Student Services, entries close on Monday, Week 15.

Delisia Wiild
Student Services, Executive Teacher

FIRST AID NOTICE

If your child is unwell please ensure that they bring their own analgesics and Hayfever medication, as the college does not supply them.

Year11 and Year12 Parent Teacher Interviews

We invite you to attend a Parent Teacher interview on **Tuesday 31 July from 4.30pm till 7.30pm.** The **PTO booking system** will be **available from 9am Monday 23 July onwards.**

Staff Information

The following staff members will **not** be available for the parent teacher interviews:-

Neil Gabbitas Chloe Diggins Susan Warner

The **Careers and Transitions Adviser, Glenda Nimmo** and the **School Psychologist, Elisha Richards**, will be available in the student services area from **4.30–7.30pm**:

Student Services team members will be available in student services area, A Block from:

5.30 – 7.30pm

6.00 – 7.30pm

Delisia Wiild

Birgit Matwijiw

Andrea Trappes

Julie Bauer

(No bookings are required for these interviews.)

You are able to make subject interview bookings on the Parent Teacher Online Booking system:

PTO is available on the college website (http://www.narrabundahc.act.edu.au/contact_us/parent_teacher_online)

All parents will need a PIN number to access this system. These will not be forwarded automatically. You will need to request your PIN number via email as follows:

1. Access the college website: (www.narrabundahc.act.edu.au)
2. Use the link for "PTO" to gain access to the login page of the online booking system.
3. Click on the "Obtain PIN/Password". Enter your Surname, then in the next space type in the current email address that you have supplied to the College. Your PIN will then be forwarded to you via email.

Once you have received your PIN, you then return to the LOGIN screen, type in your Surname, then your PIN number. You will then have access to all the times available for you to book a time.

If you don't have access to a computer or have any problems accessing your PIN (you may have changed your email address) please call the Narrabundah Office on 61423201 between 23-31 July for assistance.

Archana Aggarwal
School Leader C SAS Change Rep and Timetabling solutions, Humanities & Information Technology, Certification and Learning Technologies

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Elisha Richards - School Psychologist

LIBRARY OPENING HOURS

The opening times are:

Monday 8.30am – 5.30pm
Tuesday 8.30am – 4.00pm
Wednesday 8.30am – 5.30pm
Thursday 8.30am – 4.00pm
Friday 8.30am – 4.00pm

This may help some students who are collected from the college after hours. The Library will also open at 8.00am during exam periods.

Each day borrowing and returning will be available from 8.00am – 4.00pm.

Monday and Wednesday afternoons the Library has extended opening times (4.00pm – 5.30pm). Free qualified tutorial help in most subject areas.

LIBRARY NEWS

The library provides a large collection of books, periodicals and foreign language publications to support the curriculum, student learning needs and the recreational reading interests of students. Library staff have been upgrading the collection to make sure that the collection is current by removing obsolete resources, repairing and replacing damaged and aging resources and adding new resources to the collection.



The library uses Oliver (an computerised online catalogue and circulation system) that was upgraded just a few weeks ago. Oliver can be accessed online through the student backpack (backpack.ed.act.edu.au/) using the students normal logon credentials. Once logged on just cast your eye across your computer screen and look for Oliver. Accessing Oliver from the backpack gives students and staff 24/7 access from any internet capable device.

Narrabundah College library provides printing in black and white and in colour. All costs associated with printing are managed over our online printing manager called Cashier. The cost of a single sided black and white page is 10 cents and a colour page is 30 cents. At the start of year 11 the college provides all students with a credit of \$10 as this credit gets depleted students can purchase additional credit in \$5 or \$10 bundles from the main office, please remember to complete your purchase prior to the end of lunch as financial transactions are only accepted up until 2.00pm each day.

A gentle reminder about referencing and bibliographies. Use the References tab in Microsoft WORD as your online generator. This takes the pain out of referencing. Thank you to all students for participating in our library program.

Malcolm Baker
 Librarian

LANGUAGES NEWS

SPANISH NEWS

Presentación ‘Education system in Spain’

On 12 June, Cristina del Alamo, Educational Adviser of the Education Office, Spanish Embassy, gave a presentation on the Spanish education system to the Continuing Spanish class, as part of the unit of study regarding education. Students learnt about the situation of young Spaniards after completing their high school such as employment and living independently. Students were able to extend their knowledge on the topic of study through this excellent opportunity.

Celia Bazalar
 Spanish Teacher

Teloepa Park School visit

Exchange with Teloepa Park School year 10 students and their Spanish teacher Annemarie Power took place on the 8th June. We had lunch together, did fun activities and they appreciated the advice from our Spanish IB students for their future Spanish study at college and how to succeed in the IB program. It was a meaningful occasion for all students involved.



Assunta Corrado-Nitz
 Italian teacher

SCIENCE NEWS

Tuesday the 29th of May we had six Narrabundah College teams participate in the RACI Titration Stakes at the ANU. The teams are required to carry out a series of titrations and calculate a concentration for acetic acid. Each team had three students; Team 1: Camille, Joanne and Kwan Lin, Team 2 Siddartha, Andrew, and Emre, Team 3 Krishne, Manav and Laksha, Team 4 Salini, Selina and Pamilla, Team 5 Ziqi, Sam and Michael and Team 6 Meg, Ishi and Austin. All teams went well, in an event that had many participating schools. It was certainly a busy night in the lab, great to see so many Chemistry students involved. Well done to all the Narrabundah teams, one of the teams will now go through to the next round, having finished in the top ten.

Cate Rosier

Executive Teacher, Science

MATHS NEWS

Competition Success

CAT Competition

The Computational and Algorithmic Thinking (CAT) Competition was held on the 27 March with a large number of students taking part. Congratulations to the followings students for their excellent results:

High Distinction: Ziqi Y

Distinction: Spencer C, Ryu C

Credit: Vivien D, David J, Brightony Y, Ranit B, Carlos C, Eric H, Wisesa R and Zaran Z

Australian Maths Competition

Entries have opened for this competition which will be held on 9 August. If students want to take part, they need to sign up on the list outside the Maths staffroom. They should see Ellie if they have any questions.

ANU Maths Day

The annual ANU Maths Day was held on 25 May. This was a fun day of competitive problem-solving against a total of 36 teams from all ACT colleges and from interstate schools.



Congratulations to Ranit B, Zaran Z, Netanya R, Minsoo K and Eric H who won the day! Our other team of Sam P, Joanne N, Sherry P, Max K and Kwan Lin O came 10th overall, which is a great result. Congratulations to all 10 students for their efforts on the day and for ably representing Narrabundah College.



Guest Speakers

On 6 June, Dr Jonathan Gray from the company Catapult BI came to speak to students about Data Science. A large number of students took up this opportunity to hear about Jon's interesting career journey (ship owner, child-care worker, primary school assistant, truck driver) prior to him studying IT and the diverse career he has had as a Data Scientist. He gave excellent general advice to students: if you want to be ready for the career opportunities that will exist in a few years' time, do a degree in any of the quantitative subjects (e.g. IT, Maths, Statistics, Physics), specialise as late as you can and get as much quality work experience as possible.

Coming up on Friday 27 July (first Friday of next term) we will have another guest speaker, Professor Adam Butt. Adam teaches Actuarial Studies at the ANU and was the convener of a MOOC that many of our yr12 students completed earlier this year. This is a chance for both yr11 and yr12 students to find out more about Actuarial Studies and whether it is a career that they are interested in pursuing.

General News

All Maths students have now completed their mid-unit test and their first assignment. On the basis of their marks, some yr11 students are reconsidering whether they have enrolled in the correct Maths course. Any student who is thinking of making a change need to speak to their Maths teacher, their student adviser, or me. Year11 students are able to change courses right now, if that decision is in their best interests. It is important that students are enrolled in a Maths course that challenges them, but where they can also see that their efforts lead to an improvement in their understanding.

For those students seeking extra support with their learning in Maths, a reminder that help is available Tuesdays and Wednesdays at lunchtime in S12. Students are welcome to attend every week or just as the need arises. There is always Maths assistance available at the Study Hub after school on Mondays and Wednesdays in the library. Teachers are also available on most lines in the Maths staffroom and we are happy to help if students come and ask.

Nicole Burg

Executive Teacher

HUMANITIES NEWS

All students have completed their first assessments in their units of study.

Behavioural Sciences

The annual Street Retreat is all set to go next Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd July. Twenty-eight students and three teachers will be setting off for Campbelltown and Sydney to visit various locations such as Odyssey House, Courage to Care, Wayside Chapel, William Booth House and Lakemba Mosque. We will stay at Sydney Harbour YHA, eat dinner at Chinatown and also watch a movie at Event Cinemas in George Street. It should be a challenging yet enlightening experience for all.

Information Technology

Students have completed their first project in the following units

- Computer game design
- Microcontrollers
- Advanced Website Design
- Intermediate / Advanced C++ Programming

Two teams of students participated in the UNSW ProgComp. One team made it to the Main round of Finalists and will competing in the Final at UNSW on Saturday 1 September:

<http://cupcake.web.cse.unsw.edu.au/current/teams.html>

Archana Aggarwal

School Leader C

SAS Change Rep and Timetabling solutions, Humanities & Information Technology, Certification and Learning Technologies



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Information notice

Background

All Education Ministers from Commonwealth, state and territory governments endorsed the implementation of a Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) in all Australian schools (government, independent and Catholic).

The nationally consistent approach to data collection provides all Australian schools, education authorities and the community with a clear picture of the number of students receiving adjustments because of disability in schools, and the adjustments they are provided to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students.

Authority for the national data collection

The Australian Education Regulation 2013 requires the operators of all government and non-government schools that receive Australian Government funding (approved authorities) to provide information to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the Department) for the purposes of the national data collection. The Australian Education Regulation 2013

(www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2016C00958) is on the Federal Register of Legislation website.

The information that approved authorities must give to the Department is set out at section 58A of the Australian Education Regulation. This includes, in relation to each student with a disability at a school operated by the approved authority:

- the student's year of schooling
- the student's category of disability (physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional)
- the student's level of adjustment (support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive adjustment).

Other details about the information to be collected, and the format in which the information is to be provided to the Department, are contained in guidelines approved by the Education Council (the committee of the Council of Australian Governments comprising the Commonwealth and state and territory Ministers responsible for education). Guidelines for the national data collection (www.education.gov.au/node/50091) are available on the Department's website.

The information **will not explicitly identify individual students** (subsection 58A(3) of the Regulation); no information that could reasonably enable the Department to identify individual students will be provided by approved authorities to the Department¹.

¹ In the event that NCCD information provided by an approved authority to the Department does inadvertently and indirectly enable the Department to reasonably identify an individual, the disclosure of that information by the approved authority, and the collection of that



2019 ACT Australian of the Year Awards – Be Great and Nominate

Play your part by giving our nation's best the recognition they deserve. If you know a remarkable Canberra who inspires you, then nominate them for an Australian of the Year Award.

You can nominate an Australian of the Year, Senior Australian of the Year (65 years and over), Young Australian of the Year (16 to 30 years) or Australia's Local Hero.

Nominations close on 31 July 2018.

Visit australianoftheyear.org.au to nominate today.

information by the Department, are both authorised by law for the purposes of the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). Nevertheless, the Department will seek to further de-identify such NCCD information.

Further information on the Department's Privacy Policy (www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) is available on the website.

2 The Joint Working Group to Provide Advice on Reform for Students with Disability comprises representative members from all state and territory government educational authorities, Independent Schools Council of Australia, the National Catholic Education Commission, the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority, and the Australian Government.

3 The Education Council is primarily supported by a group of senior officials with responsibility for school education, early childhood and higher education who meet as the Australian Education Senior Officials Committee. The Committee is directly responsible to Council for the execution of Education Council decisions. For more information about the Australian Education Senior Officials Committee visit www.educationcouncil.edu.au/EC-AESOC.aspx.

Collection, use and disclosure of information from the national data collection

The information collected by schools for the purposes of the 2018 national data collection will ultimately be provided to the Department. In some cases, this will involve the school passing the information directly to the Department, and in other cases the school will provide the information to its state or territory government agency (or other relevant body) in the first instance, depending on the school's particular arrangements. In such circumstances, that state or territory government agency, or other relevant body, will then provide the information to the Department.

The Department, on behalf of the Joint Working Group², will use information from the national data collection for the purposes of preparing reports for and briefing the Australian Education Senior Officials Committee³ and the Education Council in relation to the national data collection.

When providing these reports or briefing material, the Department will ensure that the information remains de-identified.

In December 2016, the Education Council released the report *Improving educational outcomes: Emergent data on students with disability in Australian schools*. The report provides high-level data from the 2015 national data collection and was the first public release of data from the national collection.

This report was followed in May 2017 by the release of the report *2016 emergent data on students in Australian schools receiving adjustments for disability*, which contains data from the 2016 national data collection.

These reports are published on the Reports and Publications page of the Education Council website (www.educationcouncil.edu.au/EC-Reports-and-Publications.aspx).

Information from the national data collection will also be used for policy development undertaken by the Department, including informing funding considerations

relating to students with disability, and other policy development as agreed by the Education Council.

From 2018, the Commonwealth's student with disability funding loading for schools is based on the national data collection.

The document *Fairer funding for students with disability* (www.docs.education.gov.au/node/43566), on the Department's website, provides more information.

Contact

For further information about the collection, use or disclosure of information for the national data collection, please contact: SWDPolicyTeam@education.gov.au.

Any questions parents/carers or schools have about the completion of the 2018 national data collection may be directed to:

the relevant education authority contact listed in the Contacts page of the Guidelines (docs.education.gov.au/node/50091) on the Department's website or

the Contacts page of the national professional learning website


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The Woden School



FINALIST!

2018 Focus On Ability Short Film Awards

Schools Documentary section

We're excited to announce that our school's documentary 'I Am' is a finalist in the NOVA Employment 2018 Focus On Ability Short Film Awards.'

'I Am' is an uplifting short film documentary celebrating the many considerable talents/facets of Phil, a year 11 student with Down syndrome from the Woden School in the ACT, and the positive, joyous effect he has on everyone he meets.

About FOA:

This year's FOA competition hit a record number of 297 entries, including 131 school entries and 63 international films. Following successful screenings last year in New Zealand, New York and Zimbabwe, this year the competition received entries from a record number of countries (26), including Pakistan, Iran, Tunisia and Hong Kong.

Celebrating ten years this year, the Focus on Ability (FOA) Awards is designed to encourage filmmakers to focus on the ability of people with disability. They certainly do that!

The Woden School is in the running to win one of these great prizes:

- Judges Choice – Documentary: Toshiba package valued at \$7000
- Most Online Votes – Schools: OLED TV (RRP \$4099) with Dolby Vision & Atmos Sound Bar (RRP \$1499) plus \$5000 cash
- NOVA Employment School Choice Awards: Five winners each receive \$1000 cash.

This is where you come in!

Even though we're confident that the judges will love our film, if our local community gets behind us, we can win the Most Online Votes!

Voting starts 20 June and concludes 3 July: To vote simply go to https://www.focusonability.com.au/FOA/films/I_Am_1444.html

If we win, we get to attend a red-carpet gala awards night in Sydney on 5 September!

Thanks in advance for your support.

GENERAL NOTICE FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Parents are welcome to visit the Narrabundah College front office or call on 61423200 to make enquiries regarding their sons & daughters. Please do not walk around the college looking to make contact with staff.



(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H6B6PPgOC8I>)

While schools can become congested during the peak times, illegal parking cannot be tolerated as it creates an unsafe environment for children. Parents are welcome to park on side streets around schools, but please remember to park legally. Infringements for parking on nature strips, footpaths, verges, street corners and near children's crossings start from \$114.

If you need to drive, park a little further from the school and walk to meet your child, or arrange a meeting point so they can walk to meet you. It's a great way to avoid congestion and is also one of the most time efficient ways to ensure children receive the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity every day.

More information is available on the [Transport Canberra](http://Transport.Canberra) website, including a range of information sheets to promote safe behaviours

Parking patrols near schools

Parking Operations are now using a Licence Plate Recognition vehicle (or electronic chalking), which regularly patrols school environments to increase safety for children. Motorists that commit an offence will receive their infringement notice in the mail (rather than on their windscreen) 5-7 days after the offence.



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Commencing: Monday 2 July 2018 (until further notice).

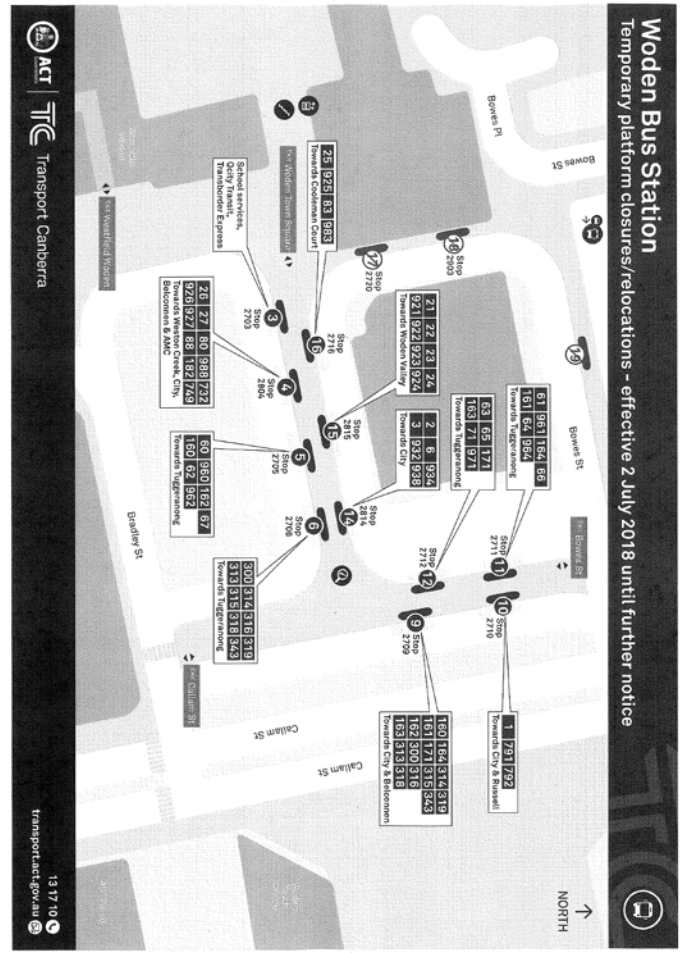
Change: All services will be departing from Platform 3.

The attached map outlines the new temporary platform closures/relocations at the Woden Bus Station. All school services will be temporarily relocated to Platform 3. We would like to advise passengers that this change will come into effect from Monday 2 July 2018 until further notice.

We further advise that parents and students are able to use our [NXTBUS](http://www.nxtbus.com.au) system to view live bus information for selected stops or stations.

<http://www.transport.act.gov.au/>

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INTERNET BANKING – DIRECT PAYMENT

There is a 'Payment' option on the school website (www.narrabundahc.act.edu.au) – Westpac Quickweb. Go to: **contact us, Payment**. Please identify your payment by including the student's name.

2018 Student/Parent Calendar & ibook

can be found on our website, www.narrabundahc.act.edu.au/our_students

Important Dates

2 July	8.45am-3.30pm First Aid Course
2&3 July	Street Retreat – Psychology Trip, Sydney
6 July	Mid-session Progress & Absence reports & PTO info posted
9-20 July	School Holidays
23 July	Students return to college PTO bookings open
25 July	UMAT exam
31 July	Parent/Teacher afternoon 4.30-7.30pm
3 August	School Census
8 August	Science Olympiads National Qualifying exam (Chemistry) 6.00pm P&C Meeting
9 August	Moderation Day – Student Free P&C Trivia Night
10 August	ESL Census Science Olympiads National Qualifying exam (Earth & Enviro)
13 August	AST Trials lines 7 & 3 Yr12 Short Response (gym) Yr11 Writing (S&B Blocks) Science Olympiads National Qualifying exam (Biology) WEX & VOC placements close

14 August	AST Trials lines 6 & 4 Yr12 Multiple Choice (gym) Yr11 Multiple Choice & Short Response (S&B Blocks) and Non AST program 7.00pm Winter Concert
15 August	Science Olympiads National Qualifying exam (Physics) Canberra Careers Xpo @ EPIC Session 3 Grid available to students
15-18 Aug	Drama Production
17 August	Australian Education Award Ceremony
21 August	Limelight Film Festival
22 August	Test Timetable published
29Aug-6Sep	Test week – Excursion Free
4 Sept	8.50-3.30 AST (Day 1) Excursion Free
5 Sept	8.50-12.00 AST (Day 2) Excursion Free
6 Sept	Return Library books & Session 2 textbooks
7 Sept	VOC & WEX Yr11&12

2018 Parent Information Evenings, Parent Teacher afternoons & other evenings

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3 August	School Census
8 August	4.30pm Board Meeting 6.00pm P&C Meeting
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14 August	7.00pm Winter Concert
15 August	Canberra Careers Xpo @ EPIC
21 August	August Newsletter posted Limelight Film Festival

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