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NCS UPDATE

The official newsletter of
Newstead Christian School



Psalm 127:4 "Like arrows in the hands of a warrior."

A friendly reminder that children can be dropped to School after 8.30am and collected before 3.30pm. Students that arrive after 9:10am need to be signed in at the office.

Please let the Office know if your child/ren will be off school due to illness or another reason.

You can do this by using our App - Skoolbag; emailing, texting or calling the school before 9:30am.

Thank you!

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A NOTE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Fathers' Day is upon us once more and with it comes a great opportunity to celebrate and give thanks for those who have been a father to us, be they biological dads, spiritual parents, mentors or coaches. At this time of year, I like to make time to connect with and thank and honour those people in my life who have played this role in different ways and in different seasons. I am thankful for the men that have input into my journey in this way.

The Bible has much to say about fathers and the importance of their place in people's lives. In the stories of the patriarchs we learn of the power and significance of a father's blessing in the formation of a child's identity, sense of security and belonging. We read the importance of the father and mother as primary trainers, educators and disciplers of their children, Proverbs 22:6 instructs us to, "Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it." At times, this vital role of the father can be overlooked, to our cost. A child with a sense of fatherlessness can grow up to be an adult without a clear sense of identity, security or belonging. The natural desire for all three of these things can lead that adult into any number of poor life choices so fathers, father-figures, mentors, coaches, grandfathers, thank you for your input into the children in your lives, you are making more of a difference than you could imagine.

As a staff we recently listened to one of the podcasts of Jefferson Bethke from the 2019 ITEC conference. In this podcast Jeff spoke, at a very fast pace, about the importance of story and rhythm in our lives and in the raising of our children. Perhaps most startling in his talk, were the statistics Jeff mentioned when comparing the lives of communities that are shaped by rhythm and story with some that are not. In Amish communities, 95%-97% of children raised in the community stay true to the Amish way of life. Similarly, 95%-97% of Jewish children remain true to the life and teachings in which they were raised. In contrast, this percentage drops to a shocking 37% among Evangelical Christians with recent research suggesting that those with a resilient faith may be as little as 11%.

The difference? Amish and Jewish communities raise their children to know their identity, sense of security and belonging. They do not encourage their teenagers to 'go out and find themselves', they are told who they are by people who love them and whom they can trust. I commend this podcast to you, if you would like to listen to it please let Bek in the office know and she will send it to you.

As a school, we are committed to partnering with parents in the discipling and training of your children. We appreciate that parenting is an amazing and demanding call and we are keen to support you in whatever ways we can. With this in mind, we have a number of parenting coaching opportunities coming up in September, some only one session, others more. I know that we are all busy and I hope that, if these courses are for you, you will let God lead you to them. Please do prayerfully consider attending one or both of them, they come highly recommended:

On Thursday 5th, Friday 6th, Thursday 19th, Friday 20th September from 6.30pm-9.30pm we will be running the Fusion families course for any interested parents.

On the evening of Monday 9th September, we are fortunate to have a Canadian couple from Family Foundations International with us to speak with parents about building strong families, speaking specifically about the power of a parent's blessing and how to create a culture of blessing in a family. The exact time is TBC but the session will last between 60-90 minutes.

Further details about these events can be found in this newsletter. Please register for them as guided in the adverts.

All that remains is to thank you for letting us partner with you in training up the next generation of God's people.

In His Service

Di Hooley
Principal



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THANK YOU
WE RAISED
\$296



Hurricanes Visit

The year 2-6 students participated in a morning cricket session with Katelyn Fryett & Sam Bates from the Female Hurricanes Team.

Students got the chance to do some ball skills, ask them questions and get some autographs.



2019 Futsal Tournament - Elphin Sports Centre

The seniors competed in a Futsal competition again this year against Geneva Christian College and John Calvin school. The four teams did admirably against strong competition.



Interschool Sport

The senior soccer and Netball teams are performing great again this year, the soccer teams especially winning most of their matches. The semi finals are on this week and the senior soccer teams should reach the finals again this year.

Snow Trip

We've had some great trips up to Ben Lomond this year. The ODE group spending 2 nights in a beautiful lodge. Thanks to Mrs. Smith for arranging the catering.



Book Week



Science Week



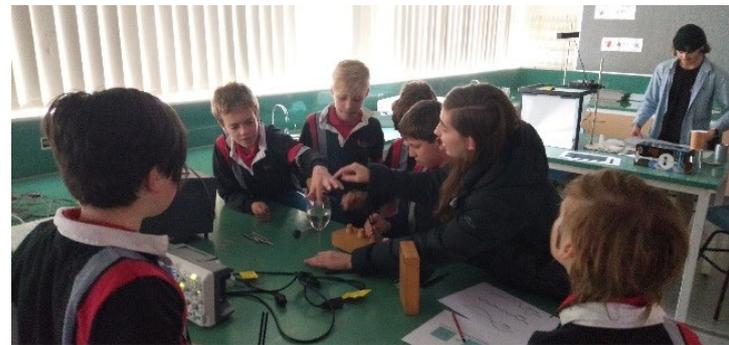
Science Week - Grade 5/6 - Susan McCormack

Grade 5/6 are currently talking about Natural Disasters in Geography and are in the process of making paper mache volcanoes.

Stay tuned for more pics to follow of the painting and erupting stages.



Science Week we had the opportunity to visit Newstead College and learn about different forms of waves such as; light, sound and water waves.



Meanwhile we have been told by the "Director" that there is an object hurtling towards the moon and the Primary School at N.C.S are on a mission to stop it! Grade 5/6 are making a shock absorber to attach to the Grade 2 rocket and a device to deflect the object away from the moon.



Food Studies - Grade 9/10 - Melanie Pearce

The grade 9/10 food studies have been looking at catering for parties. These are some of their cake creations.



NOTICES

Join us in Prayer

An invitation for all parents and teachers to join in praying for our school community.

Contact Brendan Foley for more information

0423 243 211

**PARENTING
TRICKY
KIDS**

SEPTEMBER 20 -21, 2019
LAUNCESTON CONFERENCE CENTRE

Learn from the experts what to do when the normal stuff doesn't work!

VISIT
WWW.ACND.ORG.AU/FAMILIES

MOPS is coming to NCS in 2020

And we are on the lookout for motivated, faith filled, encouragers to join the team and be the driving force behind this intentional mother's group.

If you feel in your heart that this is something you would love to engage in and be apart of then please contact Mel Duffy either in person at the school or via email pearce_mel@hotmail.com to discuss what areas you would like to participate in.

These areas include; MOPS Kids, hospitality, discussion group etc. This is a very exciting opportunity to bless mothers within our school and the local community .

Mel Duffy



A colorful poster for the Good News Club (GNC). At the top, two children, a boy and a girl, are smiling. Below them, the letters 'GNC' are written in large, colorful, outlined font. The text below reads: 'Good News Club®', 'FREE Primary Age After School Club', 'Games Songs Bible Lessons Crafts', 'Missions Scripture Memory Friends & Fun!', 'Resuming 2nd week of term at a location near you:', 'Riverside High School Mondays 3:15 (or when you get out of school) - 4:45pm (Leaders walk with children from Riverside Primary, other area school students welcome with their own transportation)', 'St. John's Anglican Church Tuesdays 3:15 (or when you get out of school) - 4:45pm', and 'St. Leonards Primary School Wednesdays 3:00-4:30pm'. At the bottom, it says 'To learn more or register please ring Stephanie: 0400 971 767' and features the CEF (Child Evangelism Fellowship) logo with the tagline 'Since 1937 Reaching children worldwide Every Child, Every Nation, Every Day'.



A child's future can be forged in just eleven fast years of their early lives and will be shaped by the culture they're immersed in. When and how they spend those years will influence and mould them into who they are as adults.

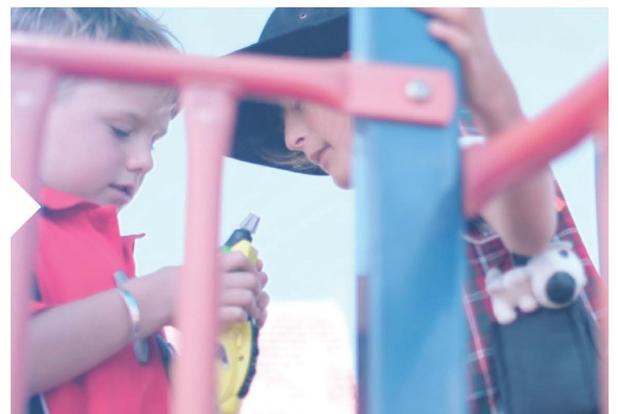
Newstead Christian School is a place where children can grow academically, physically and spiritually, however, seeing success in the growth of children also requires growth on our part. As our children grow, we want to grow alongside them. We need to ensure the learning environment we provide remains current, safe and relevant.

With your help, the upgrade and continued maintenance of our facilities will enable Newstead Christian School to provide a place of education and support of superior quality for generations to come. Invest in the kingdom. Invest in the future.

Invest in our NCS Building Fund today.

All donations to our building fund are tax deductible, so please ensure we get your address to send you a tax receipt.

You can donate online: <https://ncs.tas.edu.au/building-fund/>



taking on

GOLIATH.

ARE YOU READY
FOR A CHALLENGE?

Where: Freycinet N.P.

When: 10-13 October 2019

Who: Years 6-8 **Cost:** \$130

Register: sutas.org.au/goliath/

Drop-off 9.30am Fri 10 Oct, Pick-up 4pm Mon 13 Oct
St Aidan's Church, 21-23 Arthur St, East Launceston

To find out
more contact

Nik Sands

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“ Pit yourself against the elements and your limitations as you go on a three-day adventure through the beauty of God's creation. ”

Taking on Goliath: <https://www.trybooking.com/BELTO>

For cash payments and direct deposits it is necessary to use "promo codes"

Cash Payment: ToG19CashDirect

Deposit Payment: ToG19DD

If you enter these promo codes at the checkout stage, the price will go to \$0 and you will be allowed to finish registration.

SUPACAMP NORTH

HE'S INCREDIBLE!

When: 28 Sep - 1 Oct 2019

Who: Years 4-6 **Cost:** \$160

Where: Carnaroo Campsite,
Paper Beach

Register: sutas.org.au/supa-north/

• Beach • Music
• Games • Craft • Fun

For more info contact
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The booking link for SUPA is: <https://www.trybooking.com/BEJSF>

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Registrations close on Monday 16th of September



fusion families course.

Newstead Christian School

Thursday September 5, Friday September 6

Thursday September 19, Friday September 20

6.30pm-9.30pm

31-37 Tudor Avenue, Newstead, Launceston

Cost \$80 per person (\$50 concession)

\$110 per couple (\$80 concession)

Register online familiescourse.com

Enquiries Call Claire 0459 392 532



The **FUSION FAMILIES COURSE** forms a framework to build a healthy, strong and loving family life and covers key areas of family relationships including:

Understanding Parenting Styles

Having Values in our Family

Building Nurturing Skills

Understanding Ages and Stages

Being Positive

Building Honest Relationships

Independence

Dealing with Conflict

Discipline

"Really impressive in range and depth, fun and engaging for participants a huge help in any family situation."

Steve Biddulph

(Internationally acclaimed author and educator on raising kids)

Womens 5km

It is that time of the year to get walking and running on the pavement, ready for the Womens 5km walk/run. We would love as many people as we can to join our team, so please feel free to invite others from the Newstead Christian School Community.

To join me at Women's 5km Walk/Run 2019 on 15th September and lend your support.

<https://secure.cancercouncilfundraising.org.au/registrant/startup.aspx?eventid=51718&langpref=en-CA>

Look for Team name; Newstead Christian School.

If you can't join me, you can still help by sponsoring our team participation in this event. To sponsor us by making a secure donation online, click the link above and search for me or the Newstead Christian School Team.

I look forward to seeing who can join me. Happy walking and running.

Regards,

Mel

P.S. Will inform you about t-shirts as soon as it is worked out.



Diary Dates

5th

9am: Assembly

9am-11am: Pre Kinder

6th

Grade 5/6 Gala Day

11th

Grades 2-6 Gymnastics

12th

9am: Assembly

9am-11am: Pre Kinder

13th

Grade 7/8 Science/Geography Excursion

18th

Grades 2-6 Gymnastics

19th

9am: Assembly

9am-11am: Pre Kinder

20th

Grade K-1 Gymnastics

25th

Grades 2-6 Gymnastics

26th

All school athletics carnival

27th

Grades K-1 Gymnastics

Last day of term 3



Dads & Sons Night Out

LAZER TAG!

9 Swanston Road, Waverley
Sept 21 | 7:15pm for 7:30pm first game

\$15 per person for 3 games. Last game
to finish at 8:45pm

RSVP BRENDAN ON 0423 243 211 AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE TO CONFIRM NUMBERS -
MINIMUM 10 NEEDED.

Changing the Narrative Community Seminar



NotEvenOnce® Projects facilitate community and workplace forums which provide education and support to concerned parents, teachers and community members.

The "Changing the Narrative" theme presented in the community seminars, provides attendees with information and education on the current alcohol and drug culture, impacts of various common drugs on brains and bodies (particularly the developing brain) explores some of the underlying reasons for uptake and highlights how to identify the tell-tale signs that someone is using.

Encouraging conversation on how to build resilience within our young people and together help minimize the risky choices our loved ones may take.



**Launceston Christian School hosting
#NotEvenOnce - Changing the Narrative
@ Riverbank Christian Church
Monday 9th Sept 7:30pm
All Welcome**

*#NotEvenOnce® - Empowering future generations
against substance abuse to protect their potential*



A message received on FaceBook

"I had a rough week and then i looked down at my wrist and saw this it helped me to remember that i am important"

More info: notevenonce.org.au