

# NCS UPDATE

The official newsletter of  
Newstead Christian School

"Like arrows in the hands of a warrior."

Psalm 127:4



## Perseverance

Dear Community,

As you will know by now, this will be my last newsletter article for some time.

It is hard for me to believe that I will be away for two whole terms and, while I know it is necessary, I will certainly miss you all. I am very thankful to the Board for granting me this time to undergo surgery and recover. I am also grateful that I leave you all in the safe and capable hands of Glenn Mace, this is certainly giving me peace of mind. Glenn has very kindly written an article for the newsletter to introduce himself to the NCS community, you'll find it on the next page.

At the start of this year, the word God gave me for the school was '**perseverance**' together with the verses from **Romans 5:1-5**:

*'Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.'*

I could not have known then how apt these verses would be for me, but God knew. I know that we are all in God's care; me as I go on this health journey, and our community as I have to leave you for a while. What a comfort this is!

Another verse that is bringing great comfort to me is **Genesis 50:20**, where Joseph reassures his brothers who had sold him into slavery so many years ago.

*'You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.'*

We can be sure of this: God has not caused my cancer, the Bible very clearly confirms that He is a loving father, not one who mistreats his children. And we can also be sure of this, our amazing God will use this journey for good. For all of us. I know without a doubt He is going to do some amazing and beautiful things in our community through all of this. My prayer is that we will each have eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts that are open to all that He is doing in and around us.

Thank you for your prayers and for your care of me, and each other.

Until Term Four, with prayers and thanks,

In His Service

Di Hooley (Principal)



Hello Newstead Christian School Community,

My name is Glenn Mace and I have the wonderful privilege of being the Temporary Principal for the next two terms while your incredible Principal, Miss Di Hooley is on leave.

I recently finished my Principal contract at Leighland Christian School where I served the school over 24 years in many different positions. These positions varied from a Technology teacher, Grade Coordinator, Head of Curriculum, Assistant Principal and finally leading to nearly six years as the Ulverstone Campus Principal.

I am passionate about Christian education and my desire is to see every student reach their God given potential in whatever giftings and talents they have been blessed with. I like to create an environment that is Christ centered, which provides a conduit for the outworking of Jesus' love to flow through to every student. This approach enables students to be known, appreciated, empowered and equipped, ready to take on their God given purpose for the world.

My wife Annette and I are originally from Launceston and we have two adult sons Daniel and Ben. Daniel is married to Amanda and they have three sons Seth, Noah and Levi who live in Legana. Daniel is an engineer and Ben is finishing his Masters of Education while teaching English and History at Leighland Christian School.

I am excited and looking forward to meeting the staff, students, parents, carers and the wider NCS community, as we journey through 2022 together. Please feel free to say hello, or stop and have a chat, if an opportunity presents itself.

Finally, I would like to ask that you join me in prayer for Ms Hooley to have a safe and blessed trip back home to the UK to see her family that she hasn't seen since the start of Covid. Furthermore, that her upcoming surgery may be successful and uncomplicated with minimum pain and a speedy recovery.

Blessings,  
Glenn Mace





## Grade 5/6 Camp

In week 3 the 5/6 class went off to Camp Clayton. Unfortunately our camp was cut short and we returned home the next day due to Covid. However, as you can see from our photos, we managed to fit in some wonderful activities and very valuable time connecting together. The 5/6 class showed such grace and compassion for one another during this time and will be rewarded with another camp at the end of this year to look forward too.





# Launceston **BUSKING** Competition **2022**

The City of Launceston invites musicians, comedians, dancers, poets, artists, magicians, clowns, jugglers, human statues, and other performers to participate in the 2022 Launceston Busking Competition, with the chance to win cash prizes.

Buskers can participate in the competition by submitting an applicable entry form via the City of Launceston's Website.

**COMPETITION DAY:** Saturday, 14 May 2022  
Brisbane Street Mall & Quadrant Mall

**REGISTRATIONS:** Close by Thursday, 14 April 2022

**CASH PRIZES:**

- First Prize: **\$800**
- Second Prize: **\$500**
- Third Prize: **\$200**

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# PARENT INFORMATION EVENING AND BBQ

**SENIOR HUB  
FRIDAY 25TH MARCH  
5PM - 7.30PM**

All parents are invited and strongly encouraged to attend our Parent Information Evening.

This is an opportunity to connect with teachers, as well as meet our new staff members and hear their hearts and plans for the year as well as a chance to reconnect with other families.

BBQ will start at 5pm and presentations at 5.45pm.  
Children welcome.

## Attendance

Is your child feeling sick? Please keep them home.

Let the office know if your child/ren will be off school due to illness or another reason. You can do this by using the Skoolbag app, emailing or calling the school before 9:30am. Thank you.

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Senior students who arrive after 9 am & junior students who arrive after 9:10 am need to be signed in at the front office.



# Key Diary Dates

## **21st March - 25th March**

Scholastic Book Fair

## **25th March**

Welcome BBQ 5pm - 7:30pm

## **5th April**

NHSSA Swimming Carnival

## **13th April**

Lunchtime BBQ

## **14th April**

Swimming Carnival

Last Day of Term

## **3rd May**

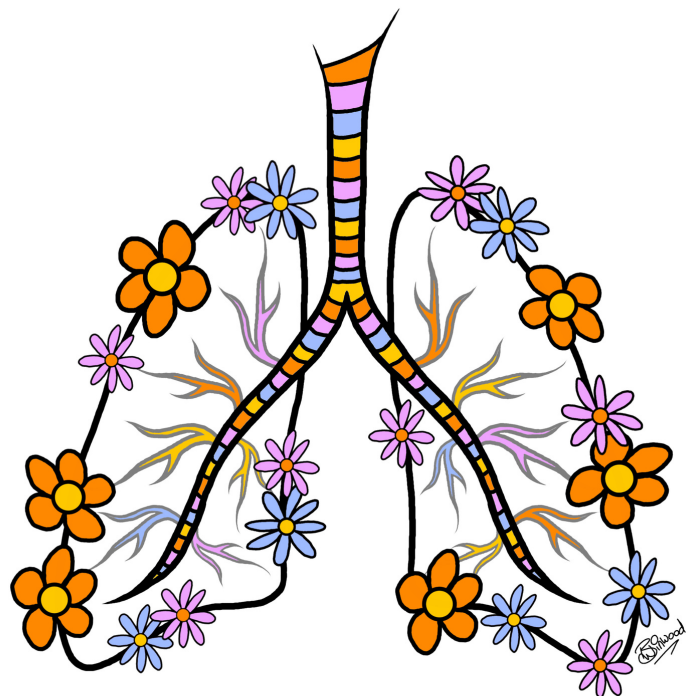
First Day of Term

## **6th May**

Mothers' Day Stall

## **10-12th May**

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***Romans 8:11***

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