

NCS UPDATE

The official newsletter of
Newstead Christian School

"Like arrows in the hands of a warrior."

Psalm 127:4



*'For in Him all things were created:
things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities;
all things have been created through Him and for Him.'*

Colossians 1:16 (NIV)

There's been a lot going on in the last week, for NCS and for our country. Last weekend, as a result of our national election, we had a change in government including the role of Prime Minister over our country. Regardless of how you voted, I believe that God is Sovereign, and He is on the throne (Ps 102:12) appointing those He has ordained to lead. Let us pray in unity for our new Prime Minister that he may be led by God as he fulfills his position.

*'Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities,
for there is no authority except that which God has established.*

The authorities that exist have been established by God.'

Romans 13:1 (NIV)

Furthermore, last week Years Three, Five, Seven and Nine participated in Naplan. This method of academic testing is often a cause for concern for some students and parents.

Naplan provides academic results only, which plays an important role, but not the only role in the body of Christ. Every year, I encourage each participating student to try their best, but I also urge them not to get too hung up on the results.

Every single one of us without exception, needs to know that God created us (Ps 119:73,74) and He has formed us in His own image (Gen 1:27). In addition, each one of us is not only a part of the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:25-28) but we also have an important role to play in the body (1 Peter 4:10, 11). The Bible also ensures us that not one role is more important than the other. The body cannot function correctly unless all parts perform the role they have been designed to play.

*'For we are His workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.'*
Ephesians 2:10 (NKJV)

God, as our Creator, is not in the business of mass production where we all come out looking the same. Our Heavenly Father is the Potter, and we are the clay (Is 64:8). With each one of us He takes His time to mould and shape us, so we are each uniquely designed and equipped with everything we need for our individual purpose set by God before we were even formed (Ps 139:16).

The Naplan test results invite us to compare. Yes, we will find out where each child sits within the average performance of all students in Australia. However, this is purely to provide academic indicators, not an irrefutable conclusive. How does the eye compare to the hand? Comparing is a dangerous exercise and we must resist comparing ourselves, or our children, to anyone else.

God made you unique.
Don't ever trade that for the
compromise of comparison.

In His Service

Glenn Mace

Merit Certificates



9/10 Class

- Honey Rose Booth for facing fears and bravery

5/6 Class

- Frankie Harberle for good leadership in daily p.e and small groups
- Ruben Ochs for working consistently well across all subjects
- Sophie Roy
- Lilliarna Davis for the ability to radiate joy and her positive attitude

3/4 Class

- Gold Iniwounu for always looking for ways to help around the classroom
- Esther Burgess for a thorough justification of your HASS diorama portraying early Aboriginal life
- Grace Beams for contributing more regularly to class discussions
- Milly Merrit for always being a focused learner across all curriculum areas

1/2 Class

- Luke Harper for his increased confidence and willingness to share in group time
- Audrina Farrell for being a quiet and thoughtful classmate
- Sean Rix for improved communication in the playground
- Charlotte Pickersgill showing great determination and perseverance in maths

Prep Class

- Holly Carr for having the courage to share her thoughts and ideas in the classroom



Swimming Carnvial

The NCS swimming carnival was on the 14th of April. Throughout the day the students cheered and supported each other with many of our senior students encouraging our junior students as they competed. We would like to congratulate all those who competed on the day and express our gratitude to all the parents who came and supported our school carnival.

The overall winning house was Tudor.

Well done Tudor!



RECORD BREAKERS

Milly Merritt, Archie Nugteren, Ezekiel Murray, Arabella Farrell, Inara Hamilton, Abigail Murray, Poppy McLoughlin, Miriam Ochs, Matthew Kamara , Ethan Morrison

CHAMPIONS

Grade 3 - Mason Miller & Arabella Farrell

Grade 4 - Ezekiel Murray & Milly Merritt

Grade 5 - Archie Nugteren, Lilliarna Davis & Lilly Percy

Grade 6 - Andrew Mikheil & Inara Hamilton

Grade 7 - William Brinker & Poppy McLoughlin

Grade 8 - Haven Booth & Nina Roy

Grade 9 - Matthew Heron

Grade 10 - Ethan Morrison & Talissa Mujinga

RUNNERS UP

Grade 3 - William Pickersgill & Grace Beams

Grade 4 - Izabella Peet

Grade 5 - Ethan Smith

Grade 6 - Frankie Haberle

Grade 7 - Miriam Ochs

Grade 8 - Matthew Kamara & Zara Smith

Grade 9 - Hudson Ochs

Grade 10 - Samuel Barns



INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Soccer Report

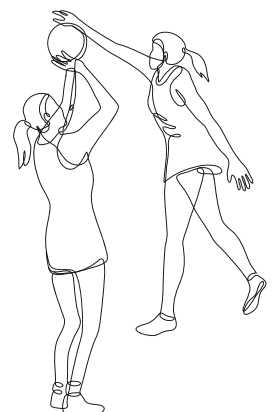
Last week was our first 9/10 soccer game and it was a great game, and not just because we won. Everyone played very well and showed good teamwork and sportsmanship. NCS won the game 4 to 1 against Riverside with Ethan and Stalla scoring the goals. Some great commentary by the audience as well. We all can't wait to see what the team achieves this year. This week we are playing Star of the Sea.



Netball Report

Last week the 7/8 girls had their first netball game of the year, playing Star of the Sea. They didn't get any practice and some didn't even know how to play. They may have lost but they still played the game successfully by showing great teamwork and courage. Star of the Sea won 20 to 4.

During this years season, the 9/10 girls are helping the 7/8 team with scoring and umpiring. This year is the first year that NCS has helped umpire games. The girls attended a training session for umpiring at the NTNA and had the wonderful support of the Star of the Sea umpire and Chloe from Prospect High School during the first game.



By Olivia and Tailah

Grade 1/2

This term, the 1/2 class has been learning about letter writing and how fun it can be to write letters, cards and invitations. As a part of their learning, they had to plan and prepare a party for their 5/6 buddies. The planning included deciding on a theme, decorations, food, games and making invitations and party bags to give to their buddies. The 1/2s decided on a jungle party featuring: green decorations, a lion dip platter, frog in a pond jelly cups, a game of Jungle Statues and Duck Duck Goose. After sending out their invitations to their buddies, they all celebrated together on Monday.



Grade 5/6

International & Australian icons

After discussing the definition of icons, students chose a particular icon that interested them to research. They then created a 3D prototype using various materials and shared their knowledge of their chosen icon through an oral presentation to the class. We concluded this unit by investigating our currency and the iconic Australians on our \$5,\$10,\$20,\$50 and \$100 notes.





9/10 DIMENSIONS UPDATE

In 2021, the grade 9/10 Dimensions group, comprising of Georgia Leedham (CEO), Blade Hamilton (Business Manager), Talissa Mujiunga & Tailah Mackenzie (Promotion), Mrs Walters (Advisor) and Mrs Green (Ideas) facilitated an auction to raise money for the NCS community. This event was supported by various businesses in our community including Tullochs Auction house. At the conclusion of the process, the Dimension team took submissions from within the school community with suggestions on how the funds would be spent. One of the submissions included the purchase of a **TABLE TENNIS TABLE** - which **EXCITINGLY** - arrived this week. The 9/10 Technology class were charged with the task of constructing the weatherproof/outdoor table. The table will be located outside the Senior Hub for students to use at breaktimes.



Building Maintenance

Building maintenance class constructed a small shelter for the water pump at the Hamilton's property.



Genius Hour

Genius Hour is an inquiry-based, student-directed learning. It gives students an opportunity to explore their own unique interests in a loosely structured, but supported way.

Genius Hour students have been diligently working away at their self directed projects from story writing, game building, and rocket art creations to real life actuation and cooking for fundraising. The five students: Samuel Barns, Joshua Green, Olivia Jermalock, Hudson Ochs and Matthew Heron have been a delight to teach in term one and two. I await in anticipation of their final product at the end of the year at the school showcase.

Here are a few snapshots of a few students:



Hudson's end result of Sushi fund raiser for his project

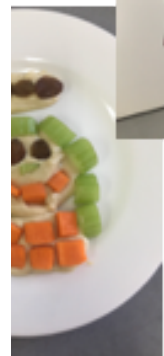


Olivia experimenting with a recipe for fund raising for her genius project

FOOD TECH

The year 7 Food Technology class have been developing a broad knowledge and understanding of the properties, processing and preparation of food. They have studied nutrition, consumption patterns and the importance of hygiene and how to apply safe working practices in the production of food.

With this they have learnt to use knives correctly for precision cutting techniques, prepare recipes while adapting them to dietary needs. This last few weeks of cooking they go to choose their own recipe and follow the instructions to produce a meal or dessert in the given set time.



SENIOR ODE

On Friday 20th May the Grade 9-10 class had the opportunity to experience climbing and abseiling at the Cataract Gorge.

Students demonstrated their resilience, perseverance, communication skills and ability to trust people and work as part of a team. It was very rewarding to see the group working closely together and really supporting each other throughout the day.

Photos: Tailah MacKenzie





Kidzfest

FREE
EVENT

LAUNCESTON SILVERDOME | 28 MAY 2022

KIDZFEST | 10 AM TO 1 PM

LAUNCESTON CELEBRATION | 7:00 PM WITH WILL GRAHAM

FEATURING

Dan Warlow

Dan is a leading Australian Christian Kids' Music Artist and Entertainer

The Quest

An interactive video Gospel presentation that combines live action and animation

PLUS - Loads of fun family activities

All children must be accompanied by an adult / carer



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THERE IS HOPE

LAUNCESTON SILVERDOME | 27-29 MAY 2022

CELEBRATION | FRI MAY 27 & SAT MAY 28, 7 PM / SUN MAY 29, 6 PM



will graham / CASS / the afters / planetboom

YOUTH | FRI MAY 27, 4 PM - 6:30 PM



just flare / planetboom / laser tag /
extreme bike stunts / games / free food

KIDZFEST | SAT MAY 28, 10 AM - 1 PM



dan warlow / the quest / freestyle dance / loads of activities

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Key Diary Dates

27 May

1pm - 3pm: Fun Run at Birch Ave Soccer Grounds

1 June

Fire Evacuation Practice

6 June

Grade 3-6 Excursion to Hagley Farm

13 June

Public Holiday: Queen's Birthday

15 June

Lunchtime: SRC Event - Winter Wonderland

16 June

Readers Cup Competition

1 July

Reports to go home

4 & 5 July

Parent / Teacher Evenings

