

Neerim District Secondary College

News and Views



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REMEMBRANCE DAY



*They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning,
We will remember them.*



Flynn, Tianni & Bethany holding the Remembrance Day wreath

OUR SPONSORS

We would like to thank all of our generous sponsors for their support throughout this year. With your continued generosity and commitment we have been able to improve the educational opportunities available to students. We strongly encourage our parents and the wider community to please support these wonderful local businesses that sponsor our school so well.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Staff Opinion Survey

Following on from the last newsletter were I shared the results of the Parent Opinion Survey, we have also now received the Staff Opinion Survey Results.



As you can see, staff ranked their work at NDSC very highly compared with teachers at other schools within the State. The feedback I gave to staff regarding this survey included the following statement:

“You have endorsed that we are continuing to make strides in our Learning Climate, Leadership, and Wellbeing. I am particularly proud of the collegiate support the staff demonstrate towards one another and also the high level of trust we display towards each other. We can continue to build on this strength through being Solution Focused and continuing to believe that we ALL operate with Positive Intent (i.e. we never intend to do harm, in fact, the opposite – and when concerns occur, talking with one another with empathy, honesty, and Positive Intent is the ideal).”

This year, we have worked hard to further improve the quality of our teaching practice. The changes to the 7-9 English Program have been extremely positive, with the student growth data showing that we have high numbers of students making high growth and low numbers of students making low growth – this is the ideal.

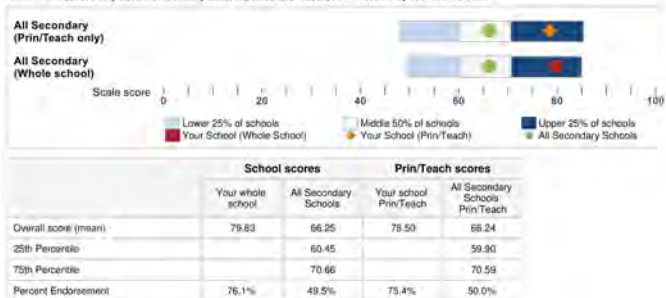
In 2017, we will continue to develop our skills in teaching and learning through professional development on “The Art and Science of Teaching” by Robert Marzano.

Vaya Dauphin
College Principal

School Staff Survey - Module Component Scores - 2016

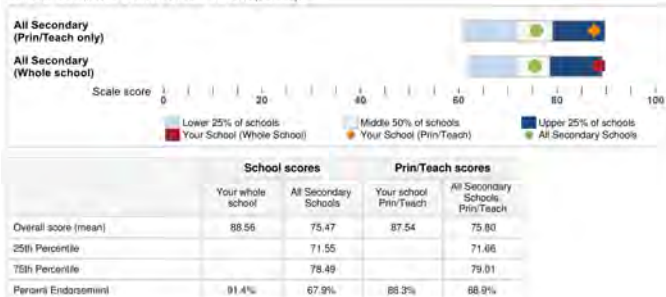
School Climate: Collective efficacy: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

School staff believe they have the necessary skills, expertise and resources to successfully educate students.



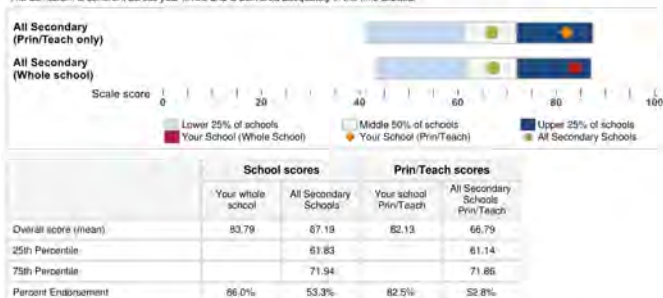
School Climate: Collective responsibility: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

Staff view the success of all students as their shared responsibility.



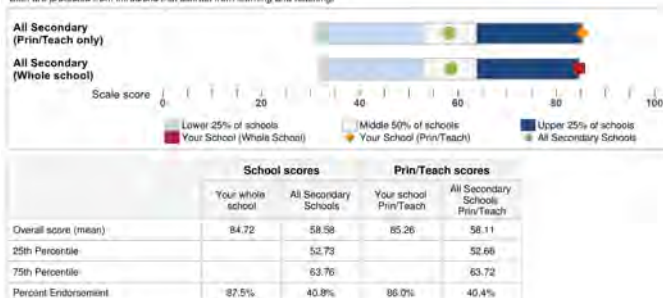
School Climate: Guaranteed and viable curriculum: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

The curriculum is coherent across year levels and is delivered adequately in the time allotted.



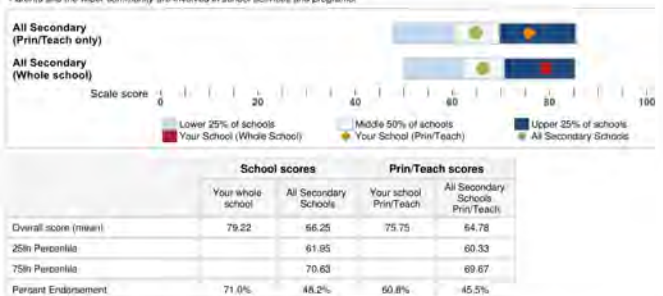
School Climate: Shielding/Buffering: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

Staff are protected from intrusions that distract from learning and teaching.



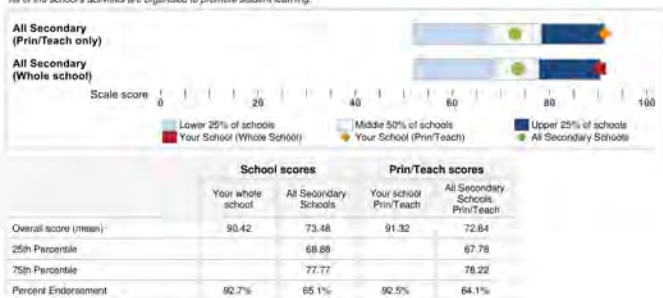
School Climate: Parent and community involvement: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

Parents and the wider community are involved in school activities and programs.



School Climate: Collective focus on student learning: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

All of the school's activities are organised to promote student learning.



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

THRIFTY-LINK HARDWARE NEERIM SOUTH



This week's winner is Jordan Komsky of Year 11, well done Jordan.

Please present this newsletter to the team at the Neerim South Hardware to receive good and services to the value of \$30.

Staff Opinion Survey cont...

School Climate: Staff trust in colleagues: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

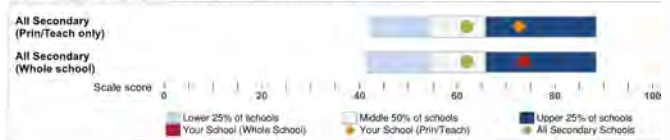
Staff in schools trust and understand one another.



	School scores		Prin/Teach scores	
	Your whole school	All Secondary Schools	Your school Prin/Teach	All Secondary Schools Prin/Teach
Overall score (mean)	92.33	73.23	81.18	73.68
25th Percentile		63.04		69.84
75th Percentile		77.88		76.72
Percent Endorsement	97.9%	64.8%	97.4%	66.1%

School Climate: Academic emphasis: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

Emphasis is placed on the importance of academic success and school norms support learning.



	School scores		Prin/Teach scores	
	Your whole school	All Secondary Schools	Your school Prin/Teach	All Secondary Schools Prin/Teach
Overall score (mean)	73.58	61.92	72.67	61.91
25th Percentile		54.55		54.42
75th Percentile		65.74		65.74
Percent Endorsement	59.0%	43.4%	55.0%	43.6%

School Climate: Teacher collaboration: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

Staff seek advice from colleagues and participate in collaborative discussion to improve learning and teaching.



	School scores		Prin/Teach scores	
	Your whole school	All Secondary Schools	Your school Prin/Teach	All Secondary Schools Prin/Teach
Overall score (mean)	85.83	62.74	85.88	62.09
25th Percentile		57.70		56.92
75th Percentile		68.95		68.88
Percent Endorsement	84.0%	47.0%	81.0%	46.2%

School Climate: Trust in students and parents: Module component scores for Neerim District Secondary College (8145)

Staff trust the students and parents of the school community.



	School scores		Prin/Teach scores	
	Your whole school	All Secondary Schools	Your school Prin/Teach	All Secondary Schools Prin/Teach
Overall score (mean)	77.64	65.52	75.72	65.76
25th Percentile		59.65		59.76
75th Percentile		69.52		70.21
Percent Endorsement	71.9%	45.6%	64.0%	47.3%

AAA AWARD

The AAA award rewards consistent effort and citizenship in our students and recognizes the contribution that they make to the life of the College.



This week's winner is a Maddi Jeffries of Year 11. Maddi has been nominated for her application to art and her work in the girls toilet.

Congratulations Maddi, a reward is on its way to you courtesy of the Walter Haines Foundation.

APOLOGIES



Our sincerest apologies to Dakota Dawson of Year 7 for misspelling her name in the last News and Views. Again, congratulations on winning the Bower Festival Art Competition for Year 7.

CURRICULUM DAY NOVEMBER 25

There will be no classes on Friday 25 November as staff will prepare for 2017 and the implementation of programs such as the new Victorian Curriculum, revised VCE outlines and Marzano ASOT strategies.

OLD UNIFORM WANTED

Our stocks of spare uniform items are running low and we are looking for any that might be donated to the College. If you have uniform items at home that are no longer used and in reasonable condition, we would be more than happy to receive them at the office.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dates to Remember		
November	Thursday 17	Year 12 Valedictory Dinner
	Monday 21 - Friday 25	Year 10 & 11 Exams
	Friday 25	Step up & 2017 Curriculum Planning - Student Free Day
	Monday 28 - Friday 9 December	2017 Year 8 - 12 Step up Program
December	Thursday 1 - Friday 2	2017 Year 12 Camp
	Thursday 1 - Friday 2	2017 Year 11 Peer Support Camp
	Monday 5	Transition Day
	Tuesday 6	State-wide Transition
	Tuesday 13	Presentation Night
	Friday 16	Student Free Day (Power Outage)

GOOD NEWS POSTCARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received a good news postcard: Patrick Bernard, Brodie Broadbent, Cody Coad, Cooper Clancy, Jesse Darcy, Mitchell Dawson, Andrew Entsch, Jasmyn Fusinato (2), Carl Garrett, James Johnson, Jordan Komsky, Harry Liefman, Grayson McNolty, Sabastian O'Connor, Clarissa Oneal, Connor Perry, Hannah Rhodes, Isabell Ryan, Nathan Ryrie, Maddison Sanders (2), Jake Sayburn, Indiana Tame, Zachary Wadley-Ross, Emma Field, Jai Atkins (2), Luke Bertoli, Brooke Peters, Kate Akers-Savenah, Jacob Findlater & Bailey Randall.



[PBS LINK IS HERE!](#)

Don't forget to register details of receiving a postcard by ringing NDSC on 5628 1455 or 5628 1201 after hours to go in the

PARENTS & FRIENDS SECOND HAND BOOK & UNIFORM SALE

Tuesday 6TH December 2016 at NDSC starting 9.00am – 11.00am.

No early buyers please!!!

Thanks to the parents who have volunteered their help.

Parents & Friends will sell preloved school books and uniforms on behalf of the school community. Books that are in very good condition will be sold at half price while those in worse condition will sell for about a third of the original cost. Parents wishing to price their own books may do so, but should realise that books that are overpriced may not sell. A small percentage of the sale price is commission to Parents & Friends for the service provided. Items must be left at the school office between **Monday November 28th - Monday 5th December**. **Books brought in on the morning of the sale will NOT be accepted.**

Each item must be accompanied by a selling slip – available from the office. All monies are payable on the day by cash / cheque / EFTPOS. Please bring a plastic bag.

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<p>Thai Restaurant & Take away, 115 Main Rd, Neerim South. 5628 1064</p>	<p>Serigraph GALLERY 157 Main Road Neerim South 5628 1519</p>	<p>CHARTERED AUGUST 30th 1960 NEERIM DISTRICT LIONS CLUB</p>	<p>S.D.A. VIC Stewy Davis Automotive Mechanical and Electrical Repairs Professional and Personal Touch www.stewydavisautomotive.com.au 37-39 Queen Street Neerim South 3831 Phone: (03) 5628 1104</p>

PRESENTATION EVENING

Presentation Evening is Tuesday 13th December at 7pm. It is a chance to celebrate student success for the year and see the Year 12s receive their certificates of graduation.



The school magazine will be available to pick up. Light refreshments will be offered after the presentation. Every one is welcome.

Parents and Friends - Help Needed

Parents and Friends have been asked to provide supper on the night. If anyone would be able to bring a plate, it would be greatly appreciated.

P&F will also be drawing our annual Christmas Raffle on the night. If anyone could donate something to go in it, it can be left at the office by Monday 12th December.

Thank you for your support.

LOST PROPERTY

Hannah Rhodes has lost her named waterproof spray jacket, can students please check to make you have not picked up the wrong one accidentally and hand it in at the office so that it can be returned.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU! YEAR 9 FIRST AID TRAINING

The college would like to thank the Baw Baw Big Blokes for providing our Year 9 students with the opportunity of learning First Aid. This valuable training has given them the skills and knowledge required to respond to any emergency situations should they arise.

Baw Baw Big Blokes Inc. through its fundraising, aim to increase prostate cancer awareness and direct funds to the most effective channels to encourage more men to get tested from an earlier age and ultimately reduce the numbers dying from prostate cancer in our Shire. They also support schools in the district by funding programs that promote health and wellbeing.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ISIAH IN THE AUSTRALIAN ALL SCHOOLS

Congratulations to Isaiah for winning 1st place in the Under 18 Boys' Javelin Championship on the weekend. This now qualifies him to represent Victoria in the Under 18 Javelin at the Australian All Schools – his win on the weekend also qualified Isaiah to represent Victoria at the Junior National Championship again next year in March.



RELAY FOR LIFE

NDSC is going to support the Cancer Council Australia next year, at Relay for Life. Relay for Life is held annually around Australia and NDSC will participate in Warragul's event. The event will take place from the 18th of March 2pm – 19th of March 8am at Warragul Cycle Club Velodrome. Everyone who registers to be a part of the event pays a \$20 registration fee which goes towards the campaign, and each person who registers will receive a shirt to wear and keep. If you are interested in signing up, see Ms Hopkins for more details.



SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Production of the school magazine is now well underway. This magazine is a glossy full colour publication which includes highlights from the 2016 school year, including Home Group photos, all college events and photos collected of students throughout the year, art work, subject specific pages and lots more.



This year the cost of the school magazine has been included as a Optional Educational Item charge. Therefore, only those students who have paid these charges will receive a copy.

A number of families have **NOT** paid the \$20 charge this year, if you are not sure if you have paid and would like to receive a copy of the magazine at the end of the year please check with the office who can let you know. Only a very limited number of extra copies will be printed this year, so if you wish to secure a copy, this optional educational item will need to be fully paid by Friday 25th November .



2016 YEAR 10 AND 11 END OF YEAR EXAM TIMETABLE (2)

Time	Mon 21 st	Tues 22 nd	Wed 23 rd	Thurs 24 th
9:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>11 ENG Read 9:00-9:15 Write 9:15-12.15</p> <p><u>Room E6</u> 10 ENG Read 9:00-9:15 Write 9:15-11:45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>11 H & HD 11 HISTORY 11 ACCOUNTING 11 VIS COMM Read 9:00-9:10 Write 9:10-10:40</p> <p><u>Year 10: Study W3</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Year 10</u> <u>Normal Timetable</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>11 STUDIO ART 11 CHEM 11 PE Read 9:00- 9:10 Write 9:10 – 10:40</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>11 BIOLOGY 11 LEGAL STUDIES Read 9:00-9:10 Write 9:10-10:40</p> <p>11 MEDIA Read 9:00-9:10 Write 9:10-11:10</p> <p><u>Year 10 Study E6</u></p>
11:00		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>10 ADVANCED MATHS 10 GENERAL MATHS Read: 11:00-11:10 Write: 11:10-12:40</p> <p><u>Year 11 Study: W3</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>11 GEN MATHS 11 MATH METHOD Read 11:00-11:15 Write 11:15-12:15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>10 SCIENCE Read 11:30-11:40 Write 11:40-1:10</p> <p><u>Year 11 Study: E2</u></p>
2:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>10 HUMS Read 1:30-1:40 Write 1:40 – 2:40</p> <p><u>Room E6</u> 11 PHYSICS 11 OUTDOOR ED Read 1:30-1:40 Write 1:40 – 3:10</p> <p><u>Year 11: Study E2</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>11 GEN MATHS 11 MATH METHOD Read: 1:30 – 1:40 Write: 1:40 – 3:10</p> <p><u>Year 10: Study W3</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>11 PSYCH Read: 1:30-1:40 Write: 1:40-3:10</p> <p>11 SPORT & REC Read: 1:30-1:40 Write 1:40-2:40</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phoenix Room</u></p> <p>10 PE Read: 2:00-2:10 Write: 2:10-3:10</p> <p><u>Year 11 Study: W3</u></p>

VCAL INTEGRATED PROGRAM 2017

For Years 10, 11 and 12 a new and exciting VCAL integrated program will run at the college next year. Core for all students are Literacy, Numeracy, Design Technology, Personal Development.

Year 10 will be out one day a week for a school based apprentice traineeship. Year 10s will also be involved in an IT and Industry & Enterprise program first semester, and a work program an extra day a week second semester.

Years 11 and 12 will be out two days a week, one for TAFE and one for a work placement.

The difference with this program is that it is integrated. There are two integrated programs, one for Numeracy and Design Technology involving the Agriculture and Horticultural area of the school. The program will involve the students conducting a feasibility study to redesign the area, the possible establishment of a community garden, the landscaping of the area and then put the proposal to the school community and local community for voting. The successful proposal will be VCAL's mandate to make into a reality.

The second integrated program will involve the Literacy and

Personal Development strands of VCAL. Students will consult with the local community to create a local history and story archive. This will mean that the students will contact local community groups such as the Bowls Club, the Nursing Home and the CWA to meet with community members to gather their oral histories. This will be combined with a history of the local area. The end product will be a book of these histories and stories. In the process they will also read and engage with some of the existing published histories of the area such as 'Jackson's Track' and 'Black Swan'.

At the end of 2017 the students will design and build billy carts to race at the Upwey Billy Cart Competition in Upwey in February 2018.

There will be an information evening about this new integrated VCAL program at the school next Wednesday, 16th November at 5.00pm. It is open to all parents, carers and their families. The teachers involved in the program will be available to discuss the program and answer any questions you may have.