DATE/EVENTS

UP COMING DATES

PARENTS - PLEASE RETURN THE VACCINATION FORMS FOR YEAR 7 & YEAR 9 - Taking place on the 26th March

Monday 18th March—P&C Meeting and AGM 5.45pm

SCHOOL PHOTOS—Wednesday 20th March

Thursday 21st—Western CHS Netball

Tuesday 26th March—Year 7 & Year 9 Vaccinations

WESTERN REGION SWIMMING TEAM

Pictured above is Nyngan High School’s Western Region Swimming Team consisting of:

Peita Quinton, Zali Wherritt, Tom Waterhouse, Kasey Douglas, Liam Wherritt, Harry Blake and Petria Quarmby. Congratulations to all competitors, and to Zali, Tom, Petria and Harry who have made it through to State.
Principal’s Newsletter Report

School Photos
School photos are on this Wednesday 20th March. Parents are asked to please make sure their children are in Full School Uniform with black leather shoes. All envelopes are to be returned to the school, even if you choose not to purchase a photograph. The barcoding system is used to organise students efficiently on the day.

Parent/Teacher Night
A reminder to parents that this Thursday, 21st March, we are holding a Parent/Teacher Night in the Gym from 4-6pm. All parents are invited to attend. A light supper will be supplied.

Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Weekly Meeting
Mr Milligan will be holding Duke of Edinburgh meetings every Tuesday afternoon, straight after school, in the library. Students will be meeting to log their progress online, plan their award and plan adventurous journeys. Any student who wants to know more about what is involved in doing Duke of Ed, please come as well. If you live out of town or have work or other commitments, see Mr Milligan about an alternative time.

Superstars of Touch
Boys AND Girls Touch Footy Training will be held on Monday at 3:30 on the school oval. Please let Mr Bockos know if you cannot make it.

Open Boys Tennis Try Outs
Try outs for the Open Boys Tennis Team is TODAY at the Town Tennis Courts with Miss Lipman at 4pm. All interested tennis players are invited to attend.

Musical Rehearsals Begin
“The Wedding Singer” rehearsals will be held each Monday afternoon 3:30-5:30pm in Room 18 or the TLS, depending on the needs of the group each week. All students are required for the first two weeks, then rehearsals will be divided into scenes with the aim of minimising students waiting around for their turn to rehearse.

Nyngan ANZAC Day Service
Nyngan ANZAC Day Service will fall in the holidays this year. It will be Thursday, 25th April, which is the second Thursday of the holidays. Some students will be away on holidays and unable to attend. We would really like as many students as possible to represent our school and show respect on this day. We will remind you as the date gets closer and look forward to seeing you there.

Motivational Media Presentation
The whole school will be involved in a Motivational Media presentation during Period 1 this Wednesday. This is an inspirational video based on the PDHPE syllabus that aims to motivate students to make good choices, minimise risk taking behaviours and aspire towards success in their future.

Uniform Survey
A comprehensive survey of uniform has been conducted across the school and community. Results of the survey will be collated ready for the P&C Meeting tonight and then printed in the newsletter next week. The survey results will allow a decision to be made relating to each uniform item and ensure consistency across the school.

Attendance Get Smart
This week, our Attendance Officers and Police School Liaison Officers will be visiting the homes of students whose attendance is of concern. It is extremely important that all students attend school every day.

National Close the Gap Day
National Close the Gap Day is this Thursday. Students will be taught about this in classes on Thursday. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People still die 10-17 years younger than other Australians. Closing this health gap cannot be done overnight. Education of all Australians is the first step towards closing the gap in achievement of students at school and, therefore, their future career prospects. Students learning about health services and accessing them regularly will work towards closing the health gap between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Australians.

Teacher Professional Development
This Tuesday, Mrs Bush, Mrs Montgomery and Mr Hunt will be travelling to Bourke to attend an Executive Network Meeting. During this meeting, they will learn how to facilitate the first module to implement to National Curriculum, as well as leadership development in learning about the National Principals’ Standards and whole school improvement strategies. Our Head Teachers will bring back knowledge from the day to implement with their own staff in our school.
Last week, Mrs Hunt attended the Western Region Principals’ Conference and Bourke School Education Group Principals’ Meeting. During these meetings, we were informed of the whole NSW Public School system realignment and how it will affect the support offered by regions, Australia’s standing in world education rankings and the government plans to help us improve, educated on the National School Improvement Tool, as well as working towards the writing of our Annual School Report for 2012, a Situational Analysis and Evaluation of the National Partnerships program that we have been involved in over the past three years. We also learnt more about monitoring student attendance and safety for students at risk of anaphylaxis.

Have a great week!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Nicole Hunt
Principal

P&C News

Hi Everyone, we drew the 300 Club on Friday 9th March and I would like to congratulate the following winners. The winner of the $1000 was Di Dunn and the $100 draws were Peter Lupton, Jodi Douglas, Pat Walsh, Michelle Willcockson and Steven Webster. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets, we do appreciate it and know that it will go towards a new school bus. Thanks also to those who sold tickets for me: Lyn Webster, Jodi Douglas, Melissa Salter, Loretta Pears, Sue Wardman, Deanna Stephens and Janelle Jeffery.

Don’t forget our AGM is tonight, Monday 18th March at 5.45pm, followed by a general meeting. Hope to see you there and bring your membership fee of $2.

We will be discussing the results of the uniform surveys and fundraising for the rest of the year.

Thanks for listening

Stephanie Waterhouse
Nyngan High School P&C Association
President

Deputy Principal’s Newsletter Report

Nyngan High School Core Values

We have four core values that underpin our behaviour at Nyngan High School. Each week on the daily notices there is an explanation of how we demonstrate these behaviours. Last week students discussed that people who have Integrity treat others as they would like to be treated; show Respect by speaking calmly and politely; keep Safe by keeping our Hands Off others and that we demonstrate Doing Our Best by challenging ourselves.

At Nyngan High School there are many different ways to challenge ourselves and students have had the opportunity to participate in or sign up for any of the following in just the last week: many sports teams – soccer, cricket, netball; Duke of Edinburgh Award; Dance Camp; our musical “The Wedding Singer”; Schools Spectacular; String and Guitar Ensembles; the Science and Engineering Challenge; Pink Stumps Day; the Bogan River Ball catering; the school’s Cattle Team and of course, our regular school work in the classroom that occurs every day, every lesson.

You may like to discuss at home with your student the above behaviours and how we display them at school and in other situations.

Year 12 Exams

Year 12 exams are still quite a way off but here are some more Top Tips from past Year 12 students:

Give it your best go, have fun and love life.

Just take every opportunity that is available to you.

Be motivated and stay motivated.

Be prepared to work hard but also have faith in yourself.

Many of these tips could apply to everything we all do!

Kind regards,

Melanie Murray
Deputy Principal
Local AECG Meeting

Date: Wednesday 27th March
Time: 5.30pm
Venue: Nyngan High School—Common Room

All interested people are invited to attend. Thank you

Regards
Raylene Weldon
NHS
AEO/Aboriginal Student Learning Support Officer

CANTEEN SPECIAL

Quiche & Salad
$6.00

Thank you
Annie

SCHOOL PHOTOS

WEDNESDAY 20th March

If you have lost your envelope, please see the Front Office. Thank you

NYNGAN JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

REGISTRATIONS ARE STILL OPEN
ALL KIDS 5YRS – 16YRS (girls can play up until the age of 12)
$65 A PLAYER $120 A FAMILY
NEW PLAYERS ALWAYS WELCOME
IF YOU’RE NOT SURE COME ALONG TO ONE OF OUR TRAINING DAYS AND GIVE IT A GO.
PHONE 0409 222 903 FOR DETAILS

TRAINING DAYS AND TIMES
@ JUNIOR LEAGUE OVAL
UNDER 7’S – WEDNESDAY 4:30PM
UNDER 8’S – TUESDAY 4:00PM
UNDER 9’S AND 10’S – THURSDAY 4:30PM
UNDER 11’S – TUE/THUR 4:45PM
UNDER 12’S – TUE/THUR 4:30PM
Science News

Science & Engineering Challenge

This year’s Challenge is on Tuesday 21st May in Cobar (Week 4 Term 2). We need to take 8 teams of 3 students in each. This is not an academic challenge, it requires problems solving, design and construction skills, not knowledge of science. Anyone from Stage 5 can form a team and compete.

The activities are set out below.

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Each school tests the bridge they have built in front of everyone 2:00 PM

Present school participation certificates and trophy to the winner 2:30 PM

Challenge complete, schools leave at 2:45 PM

Students who get their names in first, will get to have a choice of challenge. For more information about each challenge, please see Mrs Montgomery.

On this day in science

Georg Simon Ohm

Born 16 Mar 1789; died 6 July 1854 at age 65.
Was a German physicist who showed by experiment (1825) that there are no “perfect” electrical conductors. All conductors have some resistance. He stated the famous Ohm's law (1826): “If the given temperature remains constant, the current flowing through certain conductors is proportional to the potential difference (voltage) across it.” or \( V=IR \)

Yr 12 Physics Students will know Ohm’s Law, which is also studied in Stage 5.

Leonie Montgomery

Head Teacher Science
Under 15’s Netball

Congratulations to the Under 15’s Netball team for their convincing win over Bourke High School. The girls then went on to Dubbo to play in a Gala Day on March 14th. The games were very tough and fast. The girls managed to make it to the First Semi Final, before being defeated by Gilgandra High.

As always the girls were great ambassadors for Nyngan High School, showing great teamwork and cooperation. Thank you to Miss Stafford and Mrs Carter for all their assistance.

We wish the opens team all the best for their competition that begins in Dubbo this Thursday.

Mrs Walsh
Congratulations to Emma Beetson who officially signed her paperwork last week. Emma is now a School Based Trainee working with the Commonwealth Bank Nyngan. We wish Emma all the very best. Pictured above are Amanda Hooper, Emma Beetson and Sophie Tinning.

Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the parent / teacher afternoon on Thursday 21st March. If you would like to catch up with me I am only too pleased to meet with you at a time that is mutually convenient. Please do not hesitate to contact the office and I will get back to you.

I am currently looking into the viability of an excursion to Sydney to attend the Western Sydney Careers Expo. The dates will be Thursday / Friday 20/21st June 2013. I hope to have more details in the coming weeks.

A reminder to local business owners that Nyngan High School is very supportive of students and their pursuit of careers in the local community. If you feel you have the ability to support a student in your business or would like more information on what is available please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Noelene Walsh

Head Teacher TAS / Careers
English Faculty

What a busy time of term for both staff and students! It’s great to see everyone still motivated with homework and starting to get motivated with their assessments.

Congratulations to everyone who made it into the 2013 SRC, a great achievement. Miss Rixon looks forward to another successful year.

A reminder that School Photos are on this Wednesday 20th March and students are expected to be in full school uniform for the day. If you have not yet returned your envelope you will need to do so ASAP to the front office, whether you are purchasing photos or not. It is always a little bit hectic on the day and I ask for your full cooperation.

Remember, if you need help with any assessments, assignments or exams, please feel free to ASK. The English/HSIE faculty are always available to help.

*And if you think you have an excuse not to study, check these guys out…*

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*Angie Bush*

*Head Teacher English*