Nyngan High School Students Attend Western NSW Region Dance Camp

On Sunday 24th March, 13 talented students from Nyngan High School to the Western NSW Region Dance Camp for 2013. Along with 70 other students from the Western Region, Nyngan demonstrated talent and maturity as they were put through their paces by 3 different choreographers from Sydney for 3 days. Students worked with choreographers Luke, Natalie and Bianca who have danced both nationally and internationally. Students participated in Hip Hop, Contemporary and Commercial Jazz, eventually producing an hour long show in just three days. Students involved (pictured above) are: Back Row—Emily Ryan, Maddy Horo, Lucy Buchanan, Emma Beetson, Britt McClelland, Cassie Bartley, Zoe Sibbald and Miss Stafford (Teacher) and Front Row: Ellie Smith, Ellita Hunt, Georgia Salter, Emerson Alderson, Chelsea Ribaux and Jarrod Blake.

I would like to thank Mr Kingsley Hunt for taking timeout of his Sunday to drive students to Dubbo and Mrs Nicole Hunt for coming to watch and support Nyngan High School at the show case. I would also like to thank the students who participated in the camp for their perfect behaviour, maturity and enthusiasm, as it made my job as coordinator so much fun! I am now in the process of developing and coordinating the Western Region Dance Ensemble for 2013 which is a new and exciting opportunity for students and the Western Region. Thank you, Miss Tiarna Stafford, Dance Camp Coordinator.
Welcome to Week 10

I hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing Easter break. This term we are at school for 11 weeks, which is probably a good thing based on the number of breaks we have had in the term.

Congratulations—to Astrid Linke, Ebony Blake and Tarsha Hawley who travelled to Orange last Thursday to try out for the Western Region CHS Opens Netball team. I am pleased to announce that Tarsha Hawley was successful in being selected in the team and will travel to Tamworth at the end of May to participate.

Western Region Dance Camp

Last Wednesday, I had the pleasure of being in the audience at the end of the camp concert following the Western NSW Region Dance Camp. The camp was used to audition for the launch of the Western region Dance Ensemble and we are hopeful that some students may be selected. Congratulations goes to the students who danced beautifully and to Miss Stafford for her excellent organisation and wonderful choreography. Well done.

Anzac Day Reminder

A reminder to families that the Nyngan ANZAC Ceremony will be held on the second Thursday in the holidays, on the 25th of April. It would be wonderful to see as many students as possible in full school uniform showing respect on the day.

Late Intervention Program Strategy

DEC Attendance Officers will be visiting our school this week to speak with students who have been late more times than is preferred. As you are all aware, attendance is a focus area for Nyngan High School. In 2012 our whole school attendance was above state average, which is a huge achievement and attributed to community cooperation.

Parents are reminded to contact the school by text, phone, in person or by letter of their child is absent to explain the absence. An exemption can be applied for in particular circumstances such as appointments that are not available out of school times, or not available in Nyngan, family holidays or flooded roads or other emergency situations, including exceptional domestic circumstances. Please contact the office if you would like to apply for an exemption for an absence prior to the day of absence.

Professional Development of Staff

Almost all of the Nyngan High School staff were trained in Non-Violent Crisis Intervention at school on Sunday 24th March. This day will come off the planned staff development days at the end of the year for schools across the state. This training allows for all staff to engage with students, parents, teachers or community members with the care, welfare, safety and security of students, staff and parents in mind at all times. It focussed on avoiding conflict and escalated situations using verbal strategies to diffuse and calm people.

Holiday Reading

Have your kids signed on for the Premiers Reading Challenge? Get a head start with holiday reading time. Booklists are here: What’s your child reading right now?

Find out more: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html

April School Holidays

Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It’s not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having.


Parent-Teacher Interviews

Have you got a parent teacher interview coming up? Here are some tips for getting the most out of these important meetings. Prepare a few questions to ask, and walk away with a plan.


School Calendar

What’s on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW.

Find out more: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar/?do=setViewPeriod&categoryid=2&viewType=yearView

Assignment Starters A-Z

What projects or essays does your child have that are due by the end of term? One of them could be among the School A-Z website’s assignment starters – resources designed to point you in the right direction.

Buying An E-Reader or Tablet

E-readers may be a good way to get reluctant readers into books, plus they let you carry your library around with you wherever you go.


Kind Regards,

Mrs Nicole Hunt

Principal

P&C News

Hi Everyone,

Just a reminder again about the Show Gate, I have only had two people so far tell me that they will be available and I really need to finalise this before school breaks up. Please contact me as soon as possible if you are available to help for an hour on Monday 29th April. We get $600 off the show committee for doing the gate for them, and the more help we get the less time people will have to do. My contact details are stephwaterhouse@bigpond.com and mobile phone 0428739426. Both parents and teachers would be welcomed. Thank you for your help.

Stephanie Waterhouse

Nyngan High School P&C Association

President

MONDAY 29th April SHOW GATE ROSTER

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Deputy Principal’s Newsletter Report

Year 12 Exams, Week 2, Term 2

No doubt students are all looking forward to the school holidays, and deservedly so. However, with the Year 12 half yearly exams fast approaching, students should consider committing as much of the school holidays as possible to study related activities.

Students who are prepared to invest a solid study effort have an excellent opportunity to be thoroughly prepared for their exams. Every hour invested into study across these typical “down times” will not only serve to propel students further ahead in their preparation for the HSC exams, it will also ensure that stress levels and workloads are reduced in Term 2.

Use the school holiday period to review the materials already covered at school. Start working through past examination questions so that you can commence building the skills required in order to perform well in the exams. One of the best ways to develop exam skills at this stage of the year is to work through past examination questions by TOPIC, and as each topic has been completed at school. If you cannot access resources that group examination questions by topic, print out the past HSC examination papers from the Board of Studies website, and systematically work through the relevant questions as each topic has been addressed. Leave the last two official HSC examinations so you can attempt these papers under examination conditions once all learning has been completed, and use them to refine the pace that you will need to adopt in order to complete each exam paper in the allocated time.

Read through all of your English texts again. Utilise Mathletics for practice and for help when you get stuck on a mathematics question. Return next term with any questions that you can ask your teachers for help with. At Nyngan High School, one of our core values is to Do Your Best and we are there to help you achieve that.

Core Value: Have Integrity

One of our core values is to Have Integrity. We display this by wearing our school uniform with pride, helping others make good decisions, being honest and trustworthy, being fair, making good choices and treating others as we would like to be treated. I have seen many instances of Nyngan High students displaying this value. Congratulations!

Kind regards,

Melanie Murray
Deputy Principal