## **COLLEGE NEWS**



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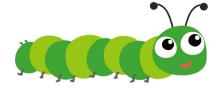
#### **BOOK WEEK**

It is Book Week time again!

This year's dress-up parade theme is "Catch the Reading Bug". See above for the different themes each day as well as the times you can purchase books and other items from the Book Fair stall in the Library.

It is always an exciting week for the children and a percentage of book sales is donated back to our Library to purchase resources for our students. Book sales will be from Monday th August to Thursday 8th August and the dress-up parade will be in the primary undercover area at 8:50am on Friday 9th August.





## **IMPORTANT DATES**

August 5 to 8

Book Week - Book Sales in the Library

August 6

Secondary Touch Football Gala Day

August 7

Secondary - Australian Mathematics Comp

August 7

P & F Association Meeting, 6pm

August 9

Secondary District Athletics Carnival Year 11 & 12 Design & Technology Excursion Book Week Dress Up Parade

August 14

Open Evening & Senior Information Session



## PARENTS & FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

The P & F Association are proud, and very excited to bring the Cooroy community together with another Bush Dance and Country Fair. We have been busy organising and preparing for a family fun event on August 4th 2024.

The Country Fair starts at 2pm with class stalls, activities and rides. This year, we have more rides available. We have ride bands for sale for \$15 each (discounts for 3 or more). Pony rides and individual ride tickets are also available for \$5 each. The class stalls are looking great with a big variety of fun to be had. Be sure to bring your change as most activities are a gold coin to participate with all funds raised going back to the class for anything they wish to use it for.

Don't forget there is an art and photography competition as well. The competition will cost \$5 to enter. Simply fill in a form available at reception, pay the fee and we will display the pieces at the Country Fair. Miss Zaninni will be the judge for this competition and the winners will be announced prior to the bush dance starting. The P & F Association will also be having their famous curry stall and the coffee cart will be available. All profit from the coffee stall will go toward the Kaluat Family and Siah's treatments and recovery. Our thoughts and prayers are with the whole family. The Bush Dance will commence at 5pm with our guest band 'The Smashing Bumpkins'! They were fantastic last year, and everyone had a blast joining in. The event will wrap up at around 7pm. It is open to the whole community so please invite those in your circle to join in the day. We can't wait to have you join us as we celebrate the school spirit.

Mrs Anita Searle, President.



#### STAFF UPDATE

Role: Communications / Reception

This term we welcome Ms Adriana Solorzana as our Communications and Reception Assistant. Adriana comes to us with a wealth of marketing and business development experience and will be supporting Dale, as well as Julie at reception.

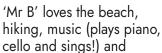
Adriana and her family have been part of the school community for a number of years now with her son attending the college since Kindy.



## STAFF UPDATE continued

Role: Secondary Teacher

This term we also welcome Mr Mark Bindley to the secondary campus. While teaching secondary Science and Mathematics, the Year 10 students have especially welcomed him as their Homeroom teacher, Sports and Well-being Invictus teacher.



continues to collect coins and stamps since his childhood! Mr Bindley has already settled in nicely and has been heard saying "NCC really is a caring Christian school where friendly staff and students go out of their way to help you. I love it here!"



## CONGRATULATIONS LIAM & SAMANTHA ARTHUR!

On Sunday 14th July, Liam's wife Samantha gave birth to a beautiful baby girl "Lucy Jane".

Liam and Samantha are thrilled and the Noosa Christian College community want to say a big "Congratulations".



## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Firefighters George, Adam, Brenda and Trent came to visit us at Kindy on Thursday 18th July and shared some very important information about fire safety with us. We learnt that Blazer the Koala's face is sad when there are bad fires and he has a happy face when there are good fires. Good fires are watched campfires, candles on cakes, barbeques and fireplaces in our homes. Bad fires are bushfires, house fires, playing with matches or lighters and unwatched campfires.

Firefighters have to wear special suits when they go into fires to protect their bodies. Their boots, pants and jackets are very thick and have special padding that keeps the heat off their skin. Firefighter George showed us how he gets into his firefighters gear when he hears the alarm at the fire station.

We practiced a get down low and go, go, go when we hear the fire alarm go off in the house and the Kindy friends did a great job of moving quickly out of the building. The highlight was going out to the fire truck and being able to spray the fireman's hose! When we turned the nozzle we got different sprays — some went high and some were wide like shields.

We need to know our address if we call 000 because the operator will ask us which service we need, Police, Ambulance or Fire and they will then ask where they have to go to. We learnt a lot about the important job our Firefighters do. Thank you for your service to our community and thank you for coming to our Kindy!

Mrs Celeste Wareham, Kindergarten Teacher.







## PREP NEWS

On Thursday 18th July, the Prep classes celebrated '100 days of school'. We did lots of fun activities and shared a hot chip party together in the sunshine. It was also NAIDOC Week and the students enjoyed creating some Aboriginal art.

Mrs Allison Parkinson, Prep B Teacher.





## PRIMARY NEWS



#### PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL RESULTS

Congratulations to the students who received age champion medals and ribbons for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each event. These were presented at primary

assembly last Friday.



## AGE CHAMPIONS:

8 Years Male - Bear Melville 9 Years Male - Zane Scurry 10 Years Male - Cruz Byerlee 11 Years Male - Isaac Martin 12 Years Male - Tom Harding

## AGE CHAMPIONS:

8 Years Female - Sophie Boz/Violet Purdie

9 Years Female - Charlie Derrick 10 Years Female - Poppy Copeland

11 Years Female - Mila Mironowicz

12 Years Female - Sophia Harris/Poppy Owen/Maya Patch





#### **4B NAIDOC WEEK**

4B have completed their Cross using Indigenous inspired handprints to reflect the Bible verse from 2 Timothy 1:6-7

"Therefore, I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands for God has not given us a spirit of fear but of power and of love and of a sound mind".

"Keep the fire burning!"

Mrs Erinna Maricich. 4B Teacher.



## **SECONDARY NEWS**

#### **ELEVATE EDUCATION**

Elevate Education recently came to present to our Year 7, 10 and 12 students to provide them with study tips and tools that will assist them in reaching their academic potential.

The presenter was dynamic and engaging and the students enjoyed what was shared.

These are a couple of the comments that students made after the session they participated in. "Clear and relevant since he was a similar age — Xavier". "Excellent and applicable advice — Brayden".

Mr Phillip Paul, Assistant to the Deputy Principal, Secondary.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS WINTER!**

Winter Young in Year 10 has won the Noosa Heads Surf Lifesaving Club's "Rookie of the Year" Award.

Winter has also achieved a Bronze Medallion which equips lifesavers with skills and knowledge to keep themselves and others more safe around water, perform a safe and effective aquatic rescue and even save a life.

Congratulations Winter!



#### **WORLD OF MATHS VISITS SECONDARY**

Last term, our junior secondary students (Year 7-9) had the opportunity to apply problem solving skills through the World of Maths programme. A set up of stalls with various activities fitting for all ages and levels of understanding, students were able to put into practice thinking behind various mathematical theories. The students enjoyed the visit from World of Maths and was evident in their participation and cheers once a problem was solved.

"It was good for a change because it was hands-on" - Tyler BDC "Nice to see maths in a real world situation" - Lyla Hanlon

#### YEAR 7 AT AUSTRALIA ZOO SCIENCE EXCURSION





## **TEENS & TECH**

Technology saturates every aspect of our lives and multiple studies have concluded that we are suffering for it. Anxiety, depression, hyperactivity, lack of focus, emotional numbness, and loneliness are affecting the wellbeing of students and parents alike. Recent studies of the impact of technology use on the brain have shown that the brain is damaged by screen use in the same way it is damaged by other drug use.

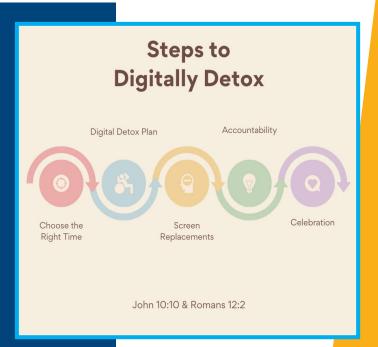
Raising children who can navigate a digital world without sacrificing their wellbeing is the goal. Brad Huddleston, international Christian author and neuroscientist, visited our school last week to help students and parents see the need for a digital detox. While parents now understand the risks of screen use, the question around how to alleviate technology in everyday life for years to come is different for each person and family circumstance. However, a general outline is included to assist parents in navigating this challenging journey to digital freedom.

#### Planning Your Digital Detox

- 1. Thinking of a digital detox is scary by itself. Be sure you know why you need to detox and find the positive side of the experience.
- 2. Choose the right time. Choosing a 4-6 week period where each member of the family can commit to the detox together will improve your chances of success. This might be during a holiday period or school term.
- 3. Outline how you plan to digitally detox each member of the family. Which apps will need to be deleted, which devices will need to be switched off and/or hidden, how will parents and students navigate work expectations?
- 4. Plan how you will replace your screen time. The activities should be fun and analogue. Reading, hiking, board games, puzzles, surfing, swimming, Bible study, journalling, bike riding, sewing, building, gardening, and painting/drawing are all ways that you can productively fill your time.
- 5. Ensure you let your friends, family, and colleagues know that your family is digitally detoxing. This builds in some accountability and prevents unnecessary temptations from those you would normally game with, text with, or contact on social media.
- 6. Plan a celebration for when you finish the detox.

Once families have successfully detoxed from screens, it is time to ensure that you don't revert to old habits. Turning off notifications, changing the screen colours to monotone, deleting social media and gaming apps, and only using technology for work purposes will help limit the impacts of screen use. Getting plenty of exercise in the outdoors is also important for minimising digital addiction. If you are a religious person, prayer and Bible study are also very helpful for maintaining your wellbeing because most of all, our digital addiction is impacting our intimacy with our Creator. Jesus said, "The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life." Many of us have felt the loss of family harmony and the destruction of our family units because of technology and the addictions it brings. Jesus wants to renew and transform us; to give us a life of abundant joy. We pray you find peace and joy again through this digital detox journey.

Mrs Kelly Paul, Secondary Teacher.



Ivan Ponosov (left) and Jalen Scale (right) with the Year 11 students visiting the Integrated Pathology Learning Centre in Brisbane as part of their Biology studies.

The students rated the excursion 12/10 because they learned so much and it was so fascinating.



## FOOD FOREST PROGRAM

Welcome to Term 3 in the garden! We have certainly hit the ground running. We've been busy catching up on mulching and weeding after the holidays, we've made fresh strawberry jam, our new garden beds have arrived and we've planted our carrots! Our incredible Grounds Team have been busy completing our garden fence and constructing our new compost bins. There is lots happening!

Over the holidays, we were very blessed to receive our very own Mushroom Kit from the Australian Mushroom Growers' Association. Thank you very much!! We look so forward to harvesting mushrooms in the coming weeks.

We'd also like to say a big thank you to Noosa Council for presenting to Year 1 and Year 3 last term. We had such an informative time together learning about recycling, sustainability, composting and worm farming. We're very excited to explore how we can further reduce our environmental footprint over the coming months.

Lastly, we are seeking empty glass jars (washed and labels removed) for our Food Forest Program. If you have any to share, please deliver them to Reception. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Until next time, happy gardening! God bless, Mrs B.









# Open Evening

WEDNESDAY 14TH AUGUST 4:00PM to 6:30PM

#### KINDERGARTEN

PREF

PRIMARY

SECONDARY



- \* Visit Classrooms
- \* Tour the Campus
- \* Meet the Principal and Teachers
- \* Guided tours of Secondary at 4pm and 5pm
- \* Senior Information Session at 5:30pm (for Year 9 & 10 students)

## Building Pathways to Success

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# CONGRATULATIONS CASSIE!



Mrs Cassie Vincitorio and her team have been successful in their World Cup Touch Football campaign! They were undefeated throughout the tournament and won the Grand Final for Australia.

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