

COLLEGE NEWS

FEBRUARY 13, 2025

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NOOSA
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
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School is back!

PRINCIPAL'S ARTICLE

Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome our returning families and also give a warm welcome to our new families starting this year.

Our NCC family continues to grow, with 41 new student enrolments and 19 new staff members joining our NCC team for 2025 and there are a few more positions to be filled shortly.

Pastor/Chaplain – Pr Lachlan Harders

Kindy – Mrs Leonie MacCartie

Primary – Mrs Tamsyn Shofay, Mrs Jacqueline Taylor, Mrs Amy Steel, Mrs Danyel Efstratiou, Mrs Amy Sherar

Secondary – Mrs Jessica Appel, Mr Reuben Sleight, Mr Michael Taylor, Mr James Osborne

Learning Enhancement – Mrs Melinda Friend

Reception – Mrs Tanja Maksimovic

Teacher Aides – Mrs Annette Akins-Sellar, Mrs Bridgitte Brown, Miss Charlotte Fatnowna, Miss Ella McNally, Mr Mitchell Harris, and one TBA

Laboratory Assistant – Ms Petra Nunn

Bus Driver – Phillip Eschler

We are especially excited to see our Kindy program expand, now running two separate programs led by Mrs Wareham and Mrs MacCartie.

Additionally, Mrs Heidi Cronin has been diligently learning French and will be teaching the language to students from Prep to Year 6 this year.

At the end of last year, we farewelled to Mrs Jeanette Martin, who dedicated 22 years to teaching and leading at NCC. Her contributions have been invaluable, and while she will be greatly missed, we wish her all the best as she takes on her new role at our sister school, Northpine Christian College.

During this time of transition, we sought God's guidance in selecting a new principal. Acts 1:14 reminds us to be 'joined together constantly in prayer,' and we held onto God's promise in Jeremiah 29:11-12: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you."

IMPORTANT DATES

February 18 Ecumenical Service

February 21 School Photos

February 28 Clean-Up Australia Day

"Building Pathways to Success"

PRINCIPAL'S ARTICLE Continued

With God's leading, we are delighted to announce and welcome Mrs Bronwyn Rosendahl as our new principal at NCC!

We congratulate Mrs Rosendahl on her appointment, and we look forward to welcoming her to Noosa Christian College. I know you will want to join me in wishing her God's blessing as she prepares to lead our beautiful school into the future.

God bless,
Mrs Jodi Presecan, Acting Principal.

DANCE & FITNESS ACADEMY



★
**Jazz
Ballet
Stretch &
Strength
Musical theatre**

★
Creative fun
Dance
classes
starting
term 1.
For boys &
girls

★
**Professional
qualified
teachers**

DANCE AT NCC FROM 3:10-4:10pm EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Dance & Fitness Academy

have started classes at Noosa Christian College each Wednesday afternoon for both girls and boys from Year 2 to Year 6.

Class is from 3:10pm-4:10pm in the under cover area.

Focusing on all things fitness/ fun dance/ musical theatre.

Please contact Grace on 0410474517 for more information and to secure your child's spot.

CHOOSE YOUR FOOTY ADVENTURE



PLAY

POMONA DEMONS

Date: Thursday 20th February

Cost: \$90 (Online Only)

Location: Pomona AFL Oval

8 Session Overview:

Sessions 1 - 6: Thursday 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Double Fun Session:

Session 7: Thursday 4:00pm - 6:00pm

ALL GIRLS
GROUPS
AVAILABLE



4-12 year olds



Includes Pack!



Scan to Register OR to
Come & Try for Free!

FAIR PLAY VOUCHERS ACCEPTED



8-12 year olds



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Contact Jacob Amore: jacob.amore@afl.com.au | 0499 317 990

VISIT PLAY.AFL

Learn Guitar or Drums at Noosa Christian College

During school hours on a Monday or Tuesday.

Learn to play chords and riffs on the guitar.

Learn rhythm, fills and how to accompany songs on the drums.

For students in primary school (Year 2 up) and high school.

Continuing and new students welcome.

Secure your child's place now for Semester 1.

Contact Gustavo Soares on 0424 024 650

PRIMARY COLLEGE CHOIR

Noosa Christian College Primary Choir offers students from Years 2 - 6 the opportunity to enjoy singing and music, while working together to produce a selection of songs for school and community events. Click on the link below for the registration form and further details.

<https://www.noosacc.qld.edu.au/primary-college-choir/>



FOOD FOREST PROGRAM

Welcome back green thumbs!

It is so wonderful to be back in the garden with you all, learning new skills and exploring new wholefoods together. To our surprise, we returned to find our gardens full of enormous overgrown cucumbers and lettuces, plus some lovely zucchini, sweet corn and strawberries growing well. We also have tomatoes, sweet peas and beans taking off. It's a very exciting time in the garden, which means it's also going to be a very exciting (and tasty!) time in the kitchen!

A huge thank you to our talented Grounds Team who installed our garden trellis' over the holidays. This will help maximise the amount of produce we can grow and share in our gardens.

This year we have Year 1, 3 and 5 taking part in our Food Forest Program. Lunchtimes will remain open for all of Primary to participate

We love welcoming our parents and grandparents into the garden. If you can spare 30 mins between 11:30-12pm Monday-Friday, please email Mrs B at allison.b@noosacc.qld.edu.au. We'd also like to welcome any helping hands that may be able to assist our Grounds Team with building our new garden beds and extending our chicken area.

Watch this space for details on our new Garden Market coming this year! Our Grounds Team are busy creating a market wagon, where we will be selling our excess produce to help with the ongoing costs of maintaining and growing our Food Forest Program. It's also a rich learning opportunity for students to explore math and business concepts. If you are a NCC organic grower or artisan, we'd love to welcome you to share your excess produce/products with our community too. Please email Mrs B (email above) for further details.

Thank you for your ongoing support in helping our program grow. I look forward to meeting you in the garden soon.

God bless,

Mrs B, Food Forest Coordinator.



CALLING ALL JUNIOR GIRLS

JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL KICKS OFF IN NOOSA ON FEB 8TH AND WE ARE LOOKING FOR MORE PLAYERS. GIRLS BORN 2012/13/14/15. NEW AND EXPERIENCED WELCOME.

CONTACT US FOR MORE DETAILS
NOOSACYCLONES@GMAIL.COM

TRAINING ON MONDAY AFTERNOONS FROM 4:45-5:45



NOOSA LEISURE CENTRE
9 WALLACE DR, NOOSAVILLE





PRIMARY NEWS

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Upper Primary (Years 3-6) Swimming Carnival took place on Thursday, 30th January, under sunny conditions. Despite the heat, students displayed outstanding enthusiasm, resilience, and sportsmanship throughout the event.

The competition was fun, with students giving their best efforts in each race. It was fantastic to see strong team spirit as classmates cheered each other on, celebrating achievements both big and small. The winning house was Newcombe on 232 points followed by Freeman, Bradman and Fraser. Students displayed sportsmanship encouraging one another and demonstrating respect for their competitors.

A special thanks to the staff who ensured the smooth running of the event. Their support contributed to a successful and enjoyable day for all involved. Congratulations to all participants for their hard work and dedication in the pool!



Our Age Champions and Runner Ups were:

8yr Boys Champion - Xavier Ross / Runner up - Xavier Biggs
8yr Girls Champion - Annabelle Drabsch / Tie Runner Up - Eliza Thompson and Cindy Hoogesteger
9yr Boys Champion - Toby Mironowicz / Runner up - Toby Swanson
9yr Girls Champion - Violet Purdie / Tie Runner Up - Sophie Boz and Elsie Lawson
10yr Boys Champion - Grayson Harris / Runner up - Beau Byerley
10yr Girls Champion - Ivy Steel / Runner Up - Grace Wust
11yr Boys Champion - Cruz Byerley / Runner up - David Clarke
11yr Girls Champion - Tavey Hoogesteger / Runner Up - Mya Aukett
12yr Boys Champion - William Lanigan-King / Runner up - Xander Sause
12yr Girls Champion - Lily Ellison / Runner Up - Sophia Deuchar

Mr Zac Hobson, Primary Sport Coordinator.



NEW FACES AT NCC - Staff Introductions

Jessica is an enthusiastic Geography, Earth and Environmental Science teacher with a deep love for the natural world. Her passion for the environment lead to completing a degree in Environmental Science, spending five years working as a scientist and engineer. Driven to share her knowledge and inspire future generations, she pursued a Master's in Secondary Education.

"I always knew education was where I wanted to be, but I wanted to gain the right experience and expertise before stepping into the classroom," Jessica says. "I feel blessed to join the Noosa Christian College community and look forward to meeting everyone!"

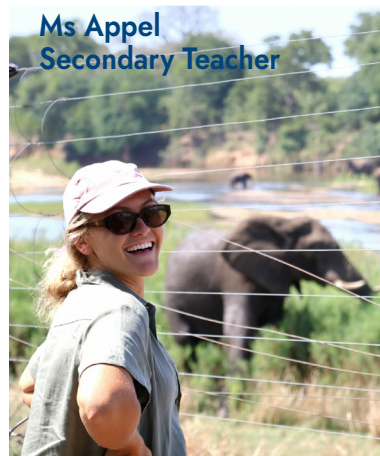
"My name is Ella McNally. It is great to be returning to NCC after attending as a student from 2005-2015. I feel so excited and honoured to be joining the secondary support team. Since graduating in 2017, I have worked for four years in mission work with an organisation called Youth With a Mission. This entailed leading groups of young adults on mission trips around the world and deepening my own relationship with God. After my time there, I decided to move back home and start studying a Bachelor of Primary Education degree. I have completed two years of this now and am loving it. I have been working in childcare since returning home but wanted to gain more experience within schools. I have a great passion for seeing children grow in their education, social and spiritual lives. God created them to be unique. I can't wait to see how I can connect and support the students."

Mrs Parkinson's preps have been having fun with beans, planting them and watching them grow.

Mrs Allison Parkinson.



Ms Appel Secondary Teacher

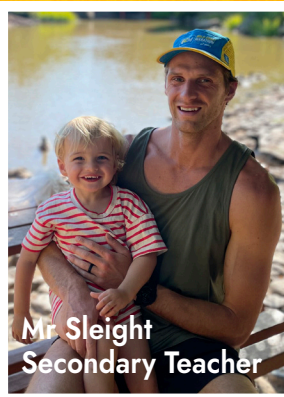


Miss McNally
Secondary Teacher
Aide



Mrs Shofay
Primary Teacher

"Hello! My name is Tamsyn Shofay and I am thrilled to be joining the Noosa Christian College family as a Year 3 teacher. I have returned to the Sunshine Coast with my husband and four children after a few years in Toowoomba and am loving being closer to family and the ocean. I arrived to teaching with a background in nursing and midwifery and have worked in learning support for the last few years. I am passionate about holistic growth and development and engaging all students in fun, hands-on and authentic learning. I am excited to be working within a beautiful Christian environment where we can all grow together as Children of God, fostering love, service and support for one another. I'm looking forward to a wonderful and enriching year ahead!"



Mr Sleight
Secondary Teacher

"Hi, my name is Reuben Sleight, and I'm thrilled to be joining the NCC community in 2025! My family and I recently made the move to the Sunshine Coast from Melbourne, where I spent eight years teaching PE and other subjects. I'm joined by my wife and our 2-year-old son and we're excited to embrace this new chapter together.

I have a wide range of interests including running, mountain biking, surfing, basketball, touch football and soccer. I love exploring new parts of the world with my family and creating memorable experiences through an active lifestyle.

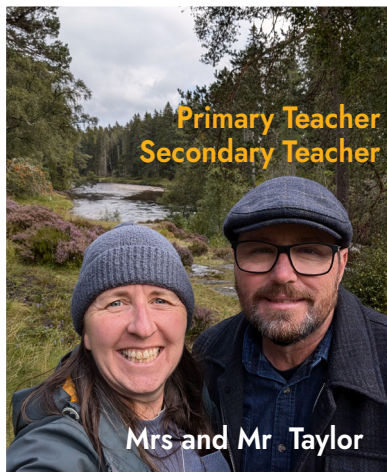
I'm passionate about working with students and providing them with opportunities to develop essential skills and values that will not only help them succeed in life but also deepen their relationship with God."



Mrs Efstratiou
Primary Teacher

"Hello, my name is Danyel Efstratiou (pronounced Ef-star-t-o) and I am married with three kids. My husband originates from South Africa but has Greek heritage, hence the last name. I have lived in Sydney most of my life. We recently moved to the Sunshine Coast for a better lifestyle. My family and I enjoy travelling,

taking trips camping and spending time with family. I have been in Adventist education for 20 years. For 10 years I was the Principal of a small Adventist school in Sydney. I enjoyed my time leading the school and seeing great results. I believe that every child can thrive in an environment where they feel safe and supported. Most of all I believe that as an educator, we are called to serve God and to lead students to Him. We can do all things through Christ. I am so excited to join Noosa Christian College and look forward to meeting the students, staff and families."



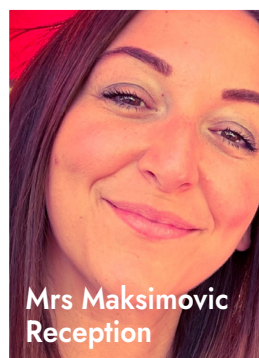
Primary Teacher
Secondary Teacher

Mrs and Mr Taylor

After 18 months away in Bonnie Scotland (Michael's ancestral home), Jack (Jacqueline) and Michael Taylor are thrilled to return to be teaching at Noosa Christian College. They are eager to inspire students to become the best versions of themselves while sharing God's love and grace.

"We share very similar teaching philosophies, which are guided by two key principles. The first comes from Colossians 3:12: 'You are always and dearly loved by God ... Be merciful as you endeavour to understand others, and be compassionate, showing kindness toward all.

You are loved beyond measure.' The second is a quote by Ignacio Estrada: 'If a child can't learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn.' We look forward to reconnecting with the students, families, and the wider College community, as well as building new connections."



Mrs Maksimovic
Reception

"Hi NCC families,

I'm Tanja, and I'm excited to share that I've joined the school as a full-time member of the reception team. Having been part of the school community for nearly three years, some of you might already know me through our two boys or my role in Kindy last year.

We moved from Germany three years ago and have been thoroughly enjoying the unique lifestyle here on the beautiful Sunshine Coast. I look forward to connecting with many more of you soon!"



Mrs Steel
Primary Teacher

"Hi, I am Amy. After working at Noosa Christian College for the past three years as a teacher aide and relief teacher I am so excited to be able to teach in year 5 this year. I look forward to striving to inspire students to love learning and love one-another."

SECONDARY NEWS

NEW SPORT UNIFORMS

Noosa Christian College Touch Football begins in Week 2 (Monday - Training and Tuesday - Games) at the Coolumb Touch Association (Peregian Springs). The competition offers a great, social, and family-friendly atmosphere where players of all abilities can learn and grow. The NCC Touch Program focuses on teaching our students important values such as respect, integrity, teamwork, compassion, humility, and more. If students are interested in joining the NCC Touch Team, please email Mrs Vincitorio at cassie.vincitorio@noosacc.qld.edu.au.

We'd also like to extend a big thank you to the P & F for providing new playing shirts and shorts. Also, A HUGE THANK YOU to Active Diesel Services and the Holmnas family for donating these netball uniforms. They look T.E.R.R.I.F.I.C.!!

**Mrs Cassie Vincitorio,
Touch Football Coach..**



**COME AND JOIN
OUR SENIOR TOUCH FOOTBALL
TEAMS ARE LOOKING FOR PLAYERS**

Information

Games: Tuesday Nights 6:30pm or 7:30pm

Payment: \$100 per player

Season: Term 1 & Term 2

Age: 14 & Older



NCC New Staff Introductions Continued

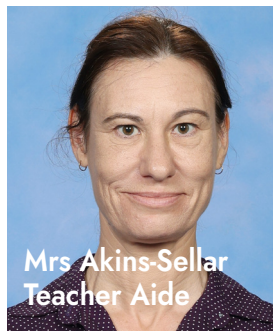


**Mr Eschler
Bus Driver**

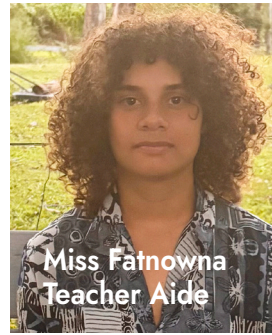
"I'm a happily married man of 36 years, I have 5 grown up children, ageing from 42, 40, 34, 33 and 30. I have 3 grandchildren ageing from 24, 18 and 10. I'm a hard working man with strong heritage lines from Dutch and Aboriginal ancestors. I'm a lay preacher in Nambour and actively involved in our local church singing and outreach work and men's

breakfast once a month. My interests are restoring old cars, building models and most of all, spending romantic walks along the beach with my beloved wife. I'm not the prettiest thing on 2 legs! but what you see, is what you get. My life is built on the Rock of my Salvation, Jesus Christ. P.S. I forgot to mention that I have a very good sense of humour!"

"A country girl at heart. I grew up in South-Western Queensland and after achieving my Diploma in Children Services in 2003 in Toowoomba, I moved to Roma to work in childcare ever since. 5 years ago, amidst Covid lockdowns and home schooling, my husband and I moved to the Noosa Hinterland with our daughter Clancy. It has been such a pleasure seeing my daughter develop under the guidance of the teachers in the Noosa Christian College Primary School, so now I feel very excited and privileged to be joining the same team. I will strive to help the children learn, achieve success and reach their God given potential through nurturing, engagement and scaffolding. I embrace the Christian faith and love my family, learning through assisted teaching, keeping fit and being creative. I look forward to the enjoyment and possibilities that 2025 will bring."



**Mrs Akins-Sellar
Teacher Aide**

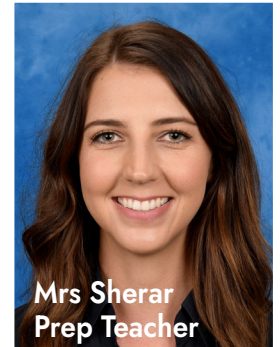


**Miss Fatnowna
Teacher Aide**

"Hello, my name is Charlotte. I am a former student of NCC, where I graduated in 2023. My interests include drawing, creating art, watching and analysing films, as well as swimming. Currently, I am pursuing a Certificate III in Education Support and working as a Teacher Aide. My mother, who is a teacher, has often

highlighted my aptitude for working with children and assisting others."

"I have been teaching for 5 years and am so excited to be working with Mrs Parkinson this year in Prep! I love children and have a passion for creating a fun, safe and supportive learning environment for them. I am so looking forward to being back in the classroom one day a week."



**Mrs Sherar
Prep Teacher**



**Mrs Chee
Communications**

"Hello. My name is Kathy and I am lucky enough to have been working at Noosa Christian College since October 2024. I am assisting Dale in communications and enjoying the supportive culture and meeting many new people. My husband also works as one of

the great groundsmen and you may even see our boys on the mower or the tiller on occasion. I love exploring with my family and gardening, among other things, and hope I can add my little bit of positivity to our journey through 2025."

"My name is Melinda Friend. I previously worked at Noosa Christian College in its early days and have come back this year to support the learning support space. I am married with two boys aged 11 and 9 and attend Caboolture SDA Church. My love for learning and developing as an educator has been a driving force for me over the past few years and I am looking forward to supporting teachers and students in the high school and wider school space."



**Mrs Friend
Diversity Teacher**



BOOK CLUB

Make it a great year for reading!

Theatre of Grace Academy Drama Classes

A fun space where kids are nurtured in all their creative potential to be their best confident self.

Term 1 drama classes at **Cooroy & Pomona** are booking up quickly!



Theatre of Grace Academy
Serving through the arts

Classes are available from Prep – Year 6 at Noosa Christian College and Pomona State School. More classes and locations coming soon!

Junior students transition straight from school to drama class.

NEW! Free Drama Hang Out available to NCC yr 3 – yr 6 students waiting at school for their senior class to start.

Class Times	Juniors (Prep – Yr 2)	Seniors (Yr 3–6)
Noosa Christian College		
Tuesday	3.00 – 4.15pm	4.15 – 5.45pm
Pomona State School		
Thursday	2.50–4.00pm	4.00–5.30pm

PRICE LIST
Junior Class \$21/wk
Senior Class \$25/wk
9 week terms/4 per year
Paid by the term
10% sibling discount

Who are we?



Kristie (Director) has a Bachelor in Performing Arts (Drama) and Theology. She has had many years of experience making theatre with children and youth, beginning with her employment at, "Kids Up Front Drama Academy" in Sydney, working for various school chaplaincy programs, and currently leads the drama ministry for "Kids Church" on the campus of NCC.

TOGA has grown into a company of four!



We welcome (L-R), **Reece Woodland** (drama, art, film), **Nikki Hanlon** (drama, dance, choreography) and **Mia Brundle** (Junior Assistant).

Ask for a FREE Trial Class!

Phone: 0413 162 478 web: theatreofgrace.com.au
email: kristie@theatreofgrace.com.au



PARENT TESTIMONIAL

"We are really proud of our child's journey from crying kid leaving the stage few years ago to a confident actress showing her skills! Appreciate your guidance and dedication" – **Yuri, NCC parent**

NOOSA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

6 WEEK Netball PROGRAM

TERM 1

19 FEB - 26 MARCH
WEDNESDAY
3:30PM - 4:30PM
YEAR 7 - YEAR 10

FREE

Limited spaces!

YEAR 7 - YEAR 10 NCC BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME!

NOOSA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
20 COORAY BELL CREEK RD, COORAY

PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

We would love to welcome you to our annual Pancake Breakfast, we would love to see you there!

**20 FEB
2025**



FREE

SEE YOU THERE!

STARTING AT 8:10 IN FRONT OF THE MAIN ADMIN BUILDING!

**NO EXPERIENCE,
NO WORRIES**



REGISTER VIA QR CODE

