

# NEWSLETTER

24TH AUGUST 2022 | TERM 3 | WEEK 5

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As a school we pride ourselves on offering our students the best opportunities for learning and extracurricular activities.

This extends to our camps and excursions throughout the Primary and Secondary schools.

Our school camps commence in year 5 and 6 with the students venturing out for the first time with a local trip. This year they are headed into Launceston area for some exploration and educational days out. The year 5 and 6 class also commence their journey into outdoor education. They do this with an overnight trip up to cradle mountain where they are led by our Year 11 and 12 Outdoor Leadership Class with the mentorship of Mr Ackland and our Outdoor Education support crew throughout the Cradle Trails.

Our Year 7 to 10 class have been on journeys from Hobart to the Mainland throughout the years. As we grow the school is looking at changes with our camps throughout the coming years to be able target specific age-related aspects of our student's development with our camps. Our Outdoor Education camps for year 7-10 are specifically targeted to achieve the best outcomes for each group, as well as being progressively more impacting to the students as they continue in their journey through the outstanding Outdoor Education program. These include camps of kayaking, snow camps, hiking in our picturesque surrounding areas of Tasmania.

This year our Year 11/12 class heading to Fraser Island as part of their celebration of completion of their studies for this year. The students with the guidance of teachers will be a fantastic trip for the students to safely enjoy their time and get to experience a place of God's earth that they may never get to experience again. The long-term goal for our camps is for our year 11 and 12's to be a part of an overseas service trip that will allow the experience as well as building on the school's value of serving others.

We enjoy our experiential learning as part of the normal program at North West Christian School. Next year we are endeavouring to include our camp fees into the school fees that will make it easier for parents to handle fee payments, knowing there will be no surprise payments throughout the year.

We appreciate your support and we hope our students and school community enjoy our camps and extra-curricular activities as much as we enjoy offering them.

Yours Faithfully,

Brayden Morton



## NWCS CALENDER 2022

**August 25**  
Agfest

**August 26**  
Primary Book week Parade

**August 30**  
7-10 Futsual

**August 31**  
5/6 Futsual

**September 1**  
3/4 Futsual

**September 2**  
Secondary student free day  
(TASC Moderation)

**September 9**  
Free dress/Beanie day

**September 12 - 16**  
WOSE

**October 9 - 14**  
Nova Muse

Remember to check  
our socials for the most  
updated info!



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*"This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God."*

*Luke 8:11*

I have never been to AGFEST. But I will be going this year. I love the concept of young people running an event to encourage young people to consider Agriculture as a career. I think this is a great initiative because farming is the backbone of Tasmania and I would even suggest it is the backbone of Australia.

I have never been a farmer, but I appreciate the hard work that farmers do and have learned that farmers have a wealth of wisdom that they acquire from working with the land and/or animals. Farmers learn how land, and animals behave and rely heavily on the weather and natural weather patterns to successfully farm.

In a nutshell, I could never be a farmer. I don't have the smarts. But I love hanging out with them and learning things from them that I wouldn't anywhere else. The Bible often uses farming as a parable to teach spiritual lessons.

One such story is found in Luke 8. A sower sows seeds and the seeds land on three different types of soil. The first is rocky ground, the second has weeds and the third is good soil. The seed on the rocky ground gets picked up by birds, the second set of seeds sprout and grow, but they are choked out by the weeds. The third set grows and flourishes.

Jesus then explains. The seed is the word of God. The rocky ground represents those who hear the word, get excited about it but don't let the word sink in. Distractions in life soon pick at the word and these people forget. The ground with weeds represents those who hear the word, make a commitment, but then are choked out by the busyness or life. Work, school, business, relationships, finances etc. The third type of ground where there is good soil represent people who hear the word, let it sink in and live by the word.

This is an incredible parable. The lesson makes for an amazing illustration of learning patience, sunshine and water for the plants etc.

We may not all be able to be as skillful as our Tasmanian farmers. But we can all do our part by being good soil to receive the seed, and paying it forward by sowing them.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CHOIR

**To all parents and families of NWCS Strings and Choir:**

We are performing on **Saturday the 3rd of September** at Ulverstone Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 90/100 South Road. **Strings ensemble** will need to be at the venue by **10:30am**. The service **begins at 11am** and you will need to unpack and get sorted in the back where your class will be at 10:30am, ready for the service at 11am. Please wear all black.

**Choir members** will need to be at the venue at **10am**. We will be singing in the main church for the adult lesson at 10am. I will meet you in the hall. Please wear your Choir uniform.

We will have a potluck style lunch with soup provided after the service at around 12pm. Please bring your whole family, all welcome! You can bring finger food or a drink to share. After lunch, some will be heading out for a walk.

You are all welcome to stay for our Social -"Mini Olympics" with Mr. Morton. This will commence after sunset. Soup and buns and ice-cream will be provided.

Thank you to ALL parents and caregivers at NWCS for all your support and care to make all this possible.



**NWCS Choir  
NWCS String Ensemble  
LIVE @ 10am  
Saturday, 3rd September 2022  
Ulverstone SDA Church**



## INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS FUTSAL COMPETITION

If your child has been chosen to represent our school please make sure they are at school on the correct day **ready to leave by 7:45am**. Please make arrangements to have your child/ren picked up from school at approx. **4pm**. It is important that we arrive at the competition on time as games start right away. Please make sure your child is wearing the correct sport uniform and has food and water for the day.

Year 7-10 30th August

Year 5/6 31st August

Year 3/4 1st September

## BEANIE DAY

**Friday September 9**

Students are welcome to come to school in free dress and wearing their favourite beanie. This will be a gold coin fundraiser for outdoor equipment.



## STUDENT FREE DAY

September 2nd is a student free day for the secondary students only. Primary students are still expected to attend school as usual.

## NOVA MUSE

NWCS is excited to once again support the Nova Muse Festival. This is taking place October 9-14. For more information, please scan the QR codes below, visit our website or contact the school office.

**Nova Muse FESTIVAL**  
Tasmania's Immersive festival for Strings and Piano  
*Compelling, Inspiring, Inclusive.*

Nova Muse welcomes music lovers and string players for a festival of great music and friendship in the exquisite setting of Penguin, Tasmania.  
Participation for all ages, **Beginners, Intermediate & Advanced**

**October 9 -14**  
APPLICATIONS CLOSE  
20 September 2022

**\$350**  
lunch included

8:30am - 5:30pm Workshops  
5:30pm - 6:30pm Evening Concert  
8:30pm - 9:00pm Candlelight Concert

Register now - [www.northwestchristianschool.com.au/nova-muse-festival/](http://www.northwestchristianschool.com.au/nova-muse-festival/)

**Renowned Performers and Mentors**  
Susan Collins, Michele Walsh, Sarah Scheermeijer, Patricia Pollitt, Izisiana Morton, György Déri, Alex Rainieri

**Nova Muse FESTIVAL**  
Allow us to take you on a journey to some of our favourite musical destinations.

**October 9-14**  
With renowned performers Susan Collins, Michele Walsh, Sarah Scheermeijer, Patricia Pollitt, Izisiana Morton, György Déri, Alex Rainieri.

**Concert times**  
**\$30** 6 pm - 7 pm  
**\$15** 8.30 pm - 9 pm  
Candlelight Concert

Now at Mt Gnomon Farm  
(Dinner available on site)  
886 Ironcliffe Road  
tickets - [www.northwestchristianschool.com.au/nova-muse-festival/](http://www.northwestchristianschool.com.au/nova-muse-festival/)



## PRIMARY NEWS

**Water Bottles:** Please send your child to school each day with a water bottle so they can stay hydrated.

**Book Week Parade:** The book Parade will run from 10am – 11am **this** Friday, the 26th of August. We would like to invite all Parents/Grandparents/Family Members who attend the parade to stay for Morning Tea. If able please bring a plate of finger food to share. The Morning Tea will be held in the Home Ec Room after the Book Parade. We encourage students to bring along the book, which features the character they are dressed up as.

### **Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child Shoe Boxes**

A BIG thank you for the gifts that have been given. With the money donations, we have been able to purchase T-shirts, underwear, shorts, and much needed school equipment. Thank you for also sending in the toy items that the children packed on Monday.

The next fortnight we will be asking for a 'WOW' item or something to love. Some suggestions would be: a knitted doll, plastic doll, stuffed animal, puzzles, lego, yoyo, musical instruments, plastic animals, frisbee, brush and comb, hair ties, shoes. REMEMBER, we have already packed school supplies, clothes, hygiene items and 'something to play with'. The children are really excited with filling the boxes and seeing how they can brighten another little child's life.

### **Science Excursion**

Last Monday, Kindy – Yr 6 students visited The Hive, at Ulverstone. They watched a show at the Planetarium based on Earth and Space Sciences. Then students made a car in the Science Workshop and tested it on the test track. A fun time was had by students, staff/parent helpers.

### **Important dates to remember**

Week 5 – Friday, August 26th – Book Week Parade.

Week 7 – Monday, September 5th – 'WOW' item to be packed in Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.



## AWARDS

### **Week 4**

**Kindy/Prep** – Kenzie D. & Myra P.

**Yr 1 & 2** – Sebastian S., Tierian S., Bentley H., & Aaliyah C.

**Yr 3 & 4** – Jack S., Laythe S., Natalia A., & Lillian D.

**Yr 5 & 6** – Justace S., & Frances C.

### **Week 5**

**Yr 1 & 2** – Solomon O., Christopher C. & Martina S.

**Yr 3 & 4** – Alaska S., Starly A., Meila M. & Lillian D.

**Yr 5 & 6** – Annabelle O. & Grace V.

