

# NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2023 | TERM 1 | WEEK 2

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to a blessed 2023. I hope you and your child/ren have a great time at NWCS this year.

I am currently writing this to you from our year 7 and 8 camp at Spring Beach in Orford, TAS. This is a beautiful facility where our students have begun the year learning about relationship building and working on building bonds between each other to hopefully strengthen their friendships throughout the years ahead. Whilst here we were happy to see a nest of 6 sugar gliders that would entertain us near the commando course. The students have been able to complete other activities such as low ropes, catapult building, orienteering, as well as other fun activities in Hobart.

The theme of our camp is our school values: **R.I.S.E**

## Respect

Know and respect yourself, others and the natural environment.

*Matthew 7:12 So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you.*

## Integrity

Accept responsibility. Act ethically. Stand up for what you believe.

*Proverbs 11:3 The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity.*

## Service

Give back to those who have given to you, to your community and to the world in which we all live

*Matthew 25:35-40 'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'*

## Excellence

Value the pursuit of excellence.

*Philippians 4:8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.*

As we challenge our students and staff to uphold these values, we also challenge our community. In all that you do hold these values close to you throughout your lives and put God first.

God bless,

Brayden Morton



## NWCS CALENDER 2023

**February 17th**  
Senior Canyoning

**February 20th**  
11/12 Art excursion

**February 22nd**  
School photos

**March 1**  
Meet the Teacher Night

**March 13**  
8 Hour Day

**March 31**  
Athletics Carnival

## FREE PARENT WEBINAR

15th Feb

Visit the link below to learn how to assist with keeping your child motivated!

<https://get.elevatecoaching.info/au/schoolwebinar>

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There are times in life when we can foresee the outcomes of varying situations and experiences. There are other times, however, when our ability to see what is to come is hindered by uncertainty. Relocating to Tasmania for my first ministry posting was one of those uncertain times.

My relocation to Tasmania has been a long journey; 10 months to be exact. The short version is that I was offered multiple opportunities in different states across Australia and was sure that I would land back in my home state, South Australia. God had other plans.

In the final months of my studies in ministry and theology I was preparing for and expecting the call that would confirm where I would be sent the following year. In late September I received a call with the news that the original plan was no more, and that I would be offered a position in Tasmania. Although there is still many things I do not know and will never know about what changed, I know that my God knows and I have come to experience peace in moving to North West Tasmania.

Upon arriving in Tasmania, and in particular North West Christian School, I have asked God to show me why he wants me in this space. Though it is still early, I believe God has answered my prayers. I am excited to be the new chaplain of North West Christian School and I am looking forward to meeting, supporting, encouraging and serving the students, staff, and families of this amazing community.

The chapel theme for 2023 is 'Kingdom Fighters' inspired from the text 1 Timothy 6:12. Paul, in writing to Timothy, desires for him to fight the good fight in true faith. It is my desire, and my prayer that students will come to know that there is something far greater than the eye can see that is certainly worth fighting for.

I am excited to begin my journey at North West Christian School and I strongly believe that God has great plans for His school, plans for a bright future and one of hope.

God's Richest Blessings,  
Jacob Ellis



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MORNING DROP OFF

Please drop your child/ren off at school from 8:20am onwards as this is when Teacher's duties start. Entry into the school is now through the glass doors off the carpark in the senior wing.

## PICK UPS

In the afternoon, students can be collected from the double glass doors. Please do not enter the school looking for them as they need to be marked off.

If there is alternative arrangements to how they normally get home the office needs to be made aware from parents.

## OFFICE

While we are waiting for the new office building to be complete, Reception is running out of the hallway in the senior wing. If you need to contact us, please do so on our mobile number (0403992974).

## HATS

Just a reminder all students from Kindy -Year 12 need to wear a navy school wide brimmed hat when outside playing at recess and lunch. Hats can be purchased from School Locker. If they are out of stock, then Kmart and Target navy brimmed hats are acceptable..

## ABSENCES

Please contact the office if your child/ren will not be attending school as early as possible and give reason for our records. It is also important that we know if alternative/different travel arrangements have been made for students (eg. getting picked up, leaving early, arriving late, etc.)

## TUCKSHOP

We will keep you informed of when it will start up again.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taking place on February the 22nd. Order sheets will go home soon. Students need to be in full uniform.

## IMMUNISATIONS YR.7 AND YR.10

Consent forms for immunisations for Yr.7 and Yr.10 have been sent home. Please have these returned to the office by February the 24th.

## MEET THE TEACHER

March the 1st is an opportunity to come to school and meet our teachers! This is a great chance to ask any questions you may have. More details will be sent out soon.

## PRIMARY NEWS

Hi Parents, please take note of the following:

Welcome to Term 1. It is exciting to see all the new faces in our Primary School. In Week 4, Wednesday 1st March, we will be holding a 'Meet the Teacher Night' where you get a chance to meet your child/ren's teacher/s and the teacher will go through the class routines and Homework.

**Crunch and Munch Break:** Between 9am – 10am each morning the students will have time to crunch some fruit or vegetables. Please send in your child's lunchbox some fruit or vegetables they can crunch on. Eg. Grapes, banana, apple, oranges, mango, carrot sticks, cucumber sticks and cherry tomatoes.

**Change of Sport Day in Week 3-** Monday 20th February – Primary Students need to wear their sports uniform so they can participate in Sport class with Mrs. Redman. Sport and Health days are swapped due to School Photo day next Wednesday.

**School Photo Day – Week 3, Wednesday 22nd February –** Students need to wear their full Summer uniform this coming Monday. Photo Order forms will be sent home this week with all the details needed.

**Primary Sport:** This year Mrs. Redman is teaching Primary Sport. All primary sport classes will usually be on Wednesday, except for Week 3.

Yr 5 & 6 students need to also wear their sport uniform on Friday -Week B only for Outdoor Education with Mr. Ackland and Miss Bobongie. For reference, this is week B.

If you have any concerns and questions please contact me via email: [Keryn.Kofeloa@northwest.tas.edu.au](mailto:Keryn.Kofeloa@northwest.tas.edu.au)

# UNIFORM

Primary (Prep - Year 6)	
Girls	Boys
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blue shirt (long sleeve/short sleeve)</li> <li>• Maroon jumper</li> <li>• Tie</li> <li>• Tartan skirt</li> <li>• Navy stockings or plain navy mid length socks</li> <li>• Optional trousers</li> <li>• Brimmed hat</li> <li>• Canterbury jacket</li> <li>• Black school shoes</li> <li>• Sports uniform remains the same</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blue shirt (long sleeve/short sleeve)</li> <li>• Maroon jumper</li> <li>• Tie</li> <li>• Grey long pants / grey shorts</li> <li>• Plain grey, mid length socks</li> <li>• Brimmed hat</li> <li>• Canterbury jacket</li> <li>• Black school shoes</li> <li>• Sports uniform remains the same</li> </ul>
Secondary (Year 7 - 12)	
Girls	Boys
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blazer (compulsory)</li> <li>• White shirt (long sleeve/short sleeve)</li> <li>• Maroon jumper</li> <li>• Tie</li> <li>• Tartan skirt</li> <li>• Navy stockings or plain navy mid length socks</li> <li>• Optional trousers</li> <li>• Brimmed hat</li> <li>• Canterbury jacket (sports only)</li> <li>• Black school shoes</li> <li>• Sports uniform remains the same</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blazer (compulsory)</li> <li>• White shirt</li> <li>• (long sleeve/short sleeve available)</li> <li>• Maroon jumper</li> <li>• Tie</li> <li>• Grey long pants / shorts</li> <li>• Plain grey, mid length socks</li> <li>• Brimmed hat</li> <li>• Canterbury jacket (sports only)</li> <li>• Black school shoes</li> <li>• Sports uniform remains the same</li> </ul>

School uniform can be purchased online from The School Locker. We thank you for your ongoing patience as we wait for pieces of our uniform to be produced and manufactured and as we transition over to this new platform. We understand that not all pieces are available and that stock is limited at the moment but where students can, we ask that they wear as much of the uniform as they can or as close to. This year is our transition year from our old uniform to our new uniform, from 2024 it will be expected that all students are wearing the full new uniform.

We understand that choosing the correct shoes for school can be difficult. This page provides a guide to the expectations of the school in regards to student footwear. When we look at the appropriateness of shoes, we look at both the shoe's appearance and the protection they provide to students' feet. If in doubt, before purchasing a shoe, contact the relevant DP for advice.

### Guidelines

- Shoes must be entirely black
- Shoes must be enclosed, have laces and a tongue, offering optimum protection up to the ankle for wear in a range of conditions and environments.
- Shoes MUST be able to be polished (no felt, canvas or mesh at all eg. IN's)
- Shoes must have a solid vinyl or leather upper and firm arch support
- Shoes must have a thick sole that provides protection to the student's feet.
- Shoes must not be skate shoes or Vans, leather Volleys, ballet flats, boots or high tops - regardless of being polished leather, suede or vinyl.

### FORMAL SHOES

