### NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2023 | TERM 1 | WEEK 4



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Exciting news!

Your school of NWCS has been ranked 13th in the State for NAPLAN results in the last testing. An article in the Mercury (23rd February) also ranked NWCS as 3rd across the North West Region and 1st between Devonport and Penguin.

The staff and students have been working hard to improve our students learning in Literacy and Numeracy over the past few years and it is good to see the results of this improvement. The school thanks our parents for their support and efforts in driving your children to success also with the work you do with them at home.

Thank you, Thank you to our families. Our success is your success and we are very proud to share this success with you.

We do have NAPLAN coming up on the calendar. These tests will be held from the 15th March – 27th March and our school has been selected to be a part of the Science NAPLAN test this year.

If you have any concerns or queries in regard to NAPLAN in 2023 or what is involved, please come and chat to us, we are very pleased to work with you.

A good chance for this to happen will be our Meet the Teachers night! This is happening on Wednesday 1st March (Today!) 5pm -6:30pm Feel free to come and have look around the school and see the growth that is taking place in the school and have a chat to our teachers about what is happening in class throughout 2023.

God bless, Brayden Morton





**NWCS CALENDER 2023** 

March 1
Meet the Teacher Night

March 13 8 Hour Day

March 31
Athletics Carnival

April 5
Last day of term

Remember to check our Facebook for updates PHONE (03) 6437 2705 MOBILE 0403 992 974 EMAIL reception@northwest.tas.edu.au WEBSITE northwestchristianschool.com.au

### **BIBLE CRUMBS | PR. JACOB**



Every day, whether in the morning, at recess and lunch, or at the end of the day I am greeted by our students with a friendly "Hi Pastor Jacob!". It makes my day and it is fantastic to connect with everyone. However, something I struggle with is remembering names. Since moving to Tasmania, there have been so many new people to meet, and so many names to remember. Although I have been told it takes time, I always hope that I can memorise everyone's names as quickly as possible.

I am thankful that God does not need to memorise our names because he knew us before we were formed. The Bible also says that God knows the number of hairs on our heads, and knows when we will breathe our final breath. How many times have you stopped to count the number of hairs on your head? I never have, and if you have, I imagine it was a tedious task. God does not just know general facts about us, rather, he knows us intimately.

In our chapels, we have been talking about what it means to fight for the Kingdom of God. An important aspect of fighting the "good" fight is understanding who you are fighting for. There are many ways we can describe God, but one way to describe Him is as our Creator, who made us in His image and knows us deeply.

As you continue to journey through life, may you know that there is a God who knows you intimately because He created you, and has a plan for your future.

If ever there is a way I can be of assistance to any of you, please do not hesitate to contact me. It would be a privilege to provide any support that I can.

God's Richest Blessings, Jacob Ellis.

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### **ANOUNCEMENTS**

### **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 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.

### **OUT OF UNIFORM**

If your child is wearing the incorrect shoes or jumper etc., please send a note with them to explain why.

### **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.

### **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 ASAP as these are now overdue.

### **NAPLAN**

Involves all Year 3, 5, 7 & 9 students and will take place from 15th – 27th March, 2023. An Information sheet was sent home last week. For more details or if you have any questions please contact the office.



## CHOIR

NWCS Choir has begun, on Mondays at 11:45am until Lunch break each week during school terms. This year is also our first year to start our small choral group, singing after school Mondays from 3-4pm. Thank you to all students, staff and parents and we look forward to singing together again next Monday!

Mrs Morton

### MEET THE teachers NIGHT

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 1** 

5:00 - FREE VEG BBQ 5:30 - MEET THE TEACHERS

### **PRIMARY NEWS**

Hi Parents, please take note of the following:

The Primary staff are looking forward to meeting you tonight, 1st March at Meet the Teacher Night starting at 5pm with a free vegetarian BBQ. You will get a chance to meet your child/ren's teacher/s and the teacher will go through the class routines and Homework. Hope to see you there.

**RSPCA's Incursion:** Last Friday, 24th February Liza and Bridie from the RSPCA ran the AWARE program sharing with the students the importance of Animal Welfare. Students learnt why ducks should not be fed bread and what they can feed ducks. In groups students brainstormed a name for the RSPCA mascots.

**Values-** Starting this week the Primary classes will be focusing on each of the school's values for three weeks. Our values are:

Respect

Integrity

Service

**Excellence** 

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

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.

If you have any concerns and questions please contact me via email: <a href="mailto:Keryn.Kofeloa@northwest.tas.edu.au">Keryn.Kofeloa@northwest.tas.edu.au</a>

### **AWARDS**

### Week 2:

**Kindy/Prep-** Miami Smith, Leighton Cummings and Lukas Morton.

Year 1/2- Kenzie Davidson, Jake Thomas and Mia Campbell.

Year 3/4- Seth Robbie, Laythe Schultz, Azura Clarke and Sebastian Sykes.

Year 5/6- Starly Ackland, Meila Morton, Aalijah Robbie and Justace Schultz.

### Week 4:

**Kindy/Prep-** Mia McDermott, Harriet Charles, Zaria Redman and Manuel Castillo.

**Year 1/2-** Lucas Seal, Bentley Hinds and Samuel Steed.

**Year 3/4-** Mosese Kofeloa, George Morton, Lillian Diprose and Tekim Margetts.

**Year 5/6-** Ishag Patterson, Annabelle Orr, Jack Street and Chilee Margetts.

#### Week 4:

**Kindy/Prep-** Jireh Redman, Mia McDermott, Zoe Street.

**Year 1/2-** Caewyn Morton, Jonathan Orr, Solillaphi Ackland and Maya Kofeloa.

**Year 3/4-** Zed Robbie, Christopher Castillo Asto, Thomas Street and Solomon Orr.

**Year 5/6-** Lucinda Steed, Summer Stichter, Eomer Cayao and Rosie Reynolds.

# MRS. REDMAN'S SPORTS AWARDS

#### Week 2:

Cassidy Winchcombe Laythe Schultz George Morton Vincent Diprose.

### Week 4:

Mia McDermott Aggie Warner Solomon Orr Larry Southon.