



# NWCS NEWSLETTER

JULY 7 2023 | WEEK 11 | TERM 2

## NWCS CALENDER 2023

**July 7**

Last Day of Term 2

**July 25**

First Day of Term 3

**August 13-18**

Year 9/10 Camp

**August 14-18**

Science Week

**August 15**

Primary ThinkUKnow

**August 17**

7/8 & 11/12 ThinkUKnow

**August 21-25**

Book Week

**August 24**

9/10 ThinkUKnow

**August 25**

Book Week Parade

**September 14**

RUOK Day

Dear Parents,

*What power is there in a name or a word?*

During my years I have had a few different names and nicknames over the year. When I was younger my Dad would call me 'Hotty' because I used to run around a lot and be very sweaty, (I wish it was for the other reason). This name evolved into 'Hotman' which was just a variation that my brother and cousin came up with and used for many years. During my older teen years, I gained the flattering nickname of 'Meatloaf' (also from my father) and during college I acquired the nickname of 'Wombat' from the way I played basketball.

*Why do I share this with you...?*

Words possess significant power and influence, particularly when used in relation to our children and students. Names and words can be utilised to uplift individuals or tear them down. In todays era of social media and digital communication, it is effortless to express something to someone without comprehending the true potency behind our words.

Speaking to our kids and students in a mindful manner can have a profound impact on their overall well-being. These impacts include:

- Enhanced self-confidence
- Heightened motivation and resilience
- Improved social skills
- Expanded creativity and imagination
- Enhanced academic performance
- Strengthened emotional well-being
- Increased ability for self-expression
- Cultivation of optimism
- Improved problem-solving skills

The effects of positive words possess enduring implications in the lives of children. The supportive and encouraging language they receive during their developmental years shapes their beliefs, self-perception, and conduct, thereby influencing their success and well-being throughout their lifespan.

North West Christian School is presently in the process of implementing a purposeful positive behaviour learning program that emphasizes the language we employ when interacting with one another and addressing the learning process within our school. We aspire to see these above-mentioned outcomes in our students, and we encourage continuous collaboration between the school and home environments throughout their educational journey.

God Bless,  
Brayden Morton



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**Values:** At assembly on Monday, students who have been displaying Respect over the last three weeks received a Respect certificate. Congratulations to those students.

**Stationary Stocktake:** Please take the time over the holidays to restock your child's stationary items - lead pencils, erasers, scissors, textas and coloured pencils.

**Term 3 Events:**

Week 4: K-6 ThinkUKnow Program run by the Australian Federal Police.

Week 4: Science Week

Week 5: Book Week

On behalf of the primary team, we would like to wish your family a safe and relaxing holiday break.

If you have any concerns and questions please contact me via email:

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God Bless,

Mrs. Keryn Kofeloa

Head of Primary

## Primary Awards



**Week 10**

**Kindy/Prep:** Myami Smith, Harriet Charles, Mia McDermott, Manuel Castillo.

**Year 1/2:** Maya Kofeloa, Piper Hinds, Lucas Seal & Samuel Steed.

**Year 3/4:** Angus Morton, Thomas Street, Christopher Castillo Auto & Zedekiah Robbie.

**Year 5/6:** Rosie Reynolds, Lucinda Steed, Hannah Beaty & Annabelle Orr.

**Week 11**

**Kindy/Prep:** Zaria Redman, Lukas Morton & Steven Diprose.

**Year 1/2:** Solillaphi Ackland, Tierian Schultz & Joshua Goldsmith.

**Year 3/4:** Tekim Margetts & Morne Van de Merwe.

**Year 5/6:** Jack Street, Vincent Diprose, Lucinda Steed, Aaliyah Robbie, Larry Southon & Eomer Cayao.

**Mrs Redman's Sports Awards**

Zedekiah Robbie & Vincent Diprose



*And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns. **John 14:14***



The recent Week of Spiritual Emphasis (WOSE) was an exciting time for all. The biggest highlight for me was witnessing the students lead out all week.

The week was completely run by the kids. From singing and doing actions up the front, leading out in prayers, reading bible verses, conducting icebreakers, organising questions for interviews, asking questions for a quiz, and running the audio-visual equipment. It would be pretty accurate to say that most of our students were involved in building the atmosphere for WOSE.

I firmly believe that for faith to become real, it must be done through service. As the kids have led, God, through His spirit has been moving in their hearts. The experience of WOSE is not a one off, rather an experience which will change their lives. Philippians reminds us that what God has started within; He will finish.

It is my prayer, that as the students continue to participate and lead, that God will continue reveal Himself to them as they learn about Him through the Bible, and the school will see the product of how God is shaping them.

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

God's Richest Blessings,  
Jacob Ellis  
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## NWCS WELCOMES HONG KONG SISTER SCHOOL FOR CULTURAL EXCHANGE AND EXCURSION

It is with great excitement that we announce the upcoming visit of our sister school students from Hong Kong, taking place from July 30th to August 10th, 2023. As part of this visit, our own students will have the unique opportunity to introduce our overseas guests to the distinct attractions and local industries of Tasmania. This collaborative initiative is about more than just showcasing our local area's wonders. It offers our students the chance to deepen their understanding of their community, foster cross-cultural relationships, and develop leadership skills in the context of our beautiful Tasmanian setting.

A highlight of this visit will be a special three-day excursion from August 7th to 9th, 2023, where students from both schools will engage in various interactive activities:

**August 7th:** We will start our excursion with a fascinating journey into the heart of the Gunns Plains Cave, followed by an afternoon visit to the captivating Leven Canyon.

**August 8th:** Our second day will be a wildlife and farm experience day. We'll visit the Trowunna Wildlife Sanctuary, Melita Honey Farm, Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm, Ashgrove Cheese Dairy Farm, and conclude our day with the House of Anvers Chocolate Factory.

**August 9th:** We will round off our adventure with a day in the tranquil surroundings of The Tall Trees in Stanley, and delve into the rich history of the town itself.

As we look forward to this cultural exchange, we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to our sister school in Hong Kong for their collaboration. This is an extraordinary opportunity for all of our students, and we believe the memories and skills they gain from this experience will be invaluable.

## NAIDOC WEEK

NWCS students enjoyed NAIDOC Day this Wednesday. The day was packed with different activities and opportunities to learn, acknowledge and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture. We look forward to sharing all about it in our next newsletter in Term 3!



## SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION SHOE BOX:

THANK YOU to the wonderful people who are starting to send in items for us pack. So far I know of toothbrushes (for all), items from a Shop in Ulverstone, school books (for all), and a collection of beanies. This all helps the students to fill a box for a beautiful child overseas.

Last letter I said the boxes went to PNG. In talking to our shoebox coordinator, who will be visiting us 2nd week next term, she mentioned a majority of Tasmanian boxes went to Cambodia and some to Fiji. Other states had boxes to PNG. Please help your child to start collecting items for their box.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS:	DO NOT INCLUDE:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ <b>SOMETHING TO WEAR:</b> T-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, etc.</li><li>✓ <b>SOMETHING TO LOVE:</b> teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.</li><li>✓ <b>SOMETHING SPECIAL:</b> carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits, wind-up torch, a personal note, a photo of yourself, etc.</li><li>✓ <b>SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL:</b> exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.</li><li>✓ <b>SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH:</b> tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, etc.</li><li>✓ <b>SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE:</b> soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, etc.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✗ <b>ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT:</b> (these can spoil boxes) including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, crayons and plasticine/play dough</li><li>✗ <b>FOOD OR LOLLIES OF ANY KIND:</b> (due to customs regulations) including medicines and vitamins</li><li>✗ <b>USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS:</b> (due to customs regulations) including worn clothing and old toys</li><li>✗ <b>BREAKABLE ITEMS:</b> including glass, porcelain and mirrors</li><li>✗ <b>ITEMS THAT CAN SCARE OR HARM A CHILD:</b> including Halloween, war or pirate-related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones</li><li>✗ <b>GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS:</b> including play money, playing cards and dominoes</li><li>✗ <b>RELIGIOUS LITERATURE:</b> including tracts and Bibles (every child is given an Operation Christmas Child evangelistic book at an outreach event)</li></ul>

Remember to pray for the child who will receive your shoebox!

These items are prohibited to protect children or to comply with overseas government and customs restraints.