







## Welcome!

### Mr Damian Higgins, Principal

Our Learning Showcase on this final week of the term was yet more evidence of how strong our Northside Community has become over the years. The dedication of our staff, the ongoing support and partnership of parents and, not forgetting, the infectious enthusiasm of our students young and old - these are all clear indicators of a thriving Christian community. Our showcase gave us the opportunity to celebrate all that our students have achieved in their learning this semester. The highlights for me personally were the performances of our Primary and Secondary concert bands, the conversations I was able to have with some of our students about their inquiry projects and the excitement of our Spelling Bee grand finals. But there was so much more and, if you were unable to make it this time, I strongly encourage you to come along to the Semester 2 Learning Showcase later in the year. A big thanks must go to Mrs Angela Eynaud, our Director of Teaching and Learning, for organising this event and all the staff who put in so much hard work to support the students as they prepared for their presentations.

After a busy term, our students and staff are all looking forward to a well-deserved break. I hope you all enjoy some rest and relaxation. Taking time out from the hectic pace of life is important for all of us; not just so that we can recharge ready for the next spell of busyness, but because it creates opportunities for us to be fully present in our relationship with God and all those other important people in our lives.

Jesus modelled this by always making time for others. A memorable moment from His ministry is found in the Gospel of Luke, when He stops to heal the woman who touched His garment. This shows us that significant good can come from paying attention and being fully present in the moment. I encourage you all to make this a priority, especially as we head into the holidays

Grace & Peace



## 2019 Term Dates

### Term 2

Monday 29th April - Friday 28th June

### Term 3

Wednesday 17th July - Friday 20th September

### Term 4

Monday 7th October - Wednesday 11th December



## Diary Dates

### Friday 28th June

Operation Christmas Child Dress Up Day

Last Day of Term 2

2:30pm Finish

### Friday 12th July

College Office Closed

### Wednesday 17th July

Term 3 Begins

### Friday 19th July

Horizons' Bake Sale

### Monday 22nd July

Year 10 St John's First Aid Certificate

2020 Year 7 Information Evening

### Thursday 25th July

Horizons Showcase

### Tuesday 30th July

Years 10-12 Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews

Year 9 Cultural Challenge Info Night



## Parents & Friends News

### The Prayer of a Righteous Person is Powerful & Effective

James 5:16



Please join us every Wednesday for prayer. Meet in the foyer at 2:15pm.

ALL WELCOME.

You are welcome to sms prayer requests to Jenny Masino on 0425 769 829.

We look forward to seeing you there!

### P&F AGM

We are holding our Parents & Friends AGM on Thursday 27th June from 9am. Meet in the foyer. All welcome!

## WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN STICKERS

If you already shop at Woolworths, our Primary students would appreciate it if you could collect their stickers and donate them to our school so that we can use them to procure some new equipment. There is a collection point at Reception.



## School Holiday Office Hours

Monday 1st July - Friday 5th July: 9.00am - 3.30pm

Monday 8th July - Thursday 11th July: 9.00am - 3.30pm

Friday 12th July: OFFICE CLOSED

Monday 15th - Tuesday 16th July: 9.00am - 3.30pm

Wednesday 17th July: Term 3 begins



## Whittlesea Council - Free Flu Vaccine

It's not too late to have your flu shot and Council are still offering FREE flu vaccine for all children up until the age of 18 years. The vaccine is available at all public sessions and no appointments are necessary. Check out their website to find a convenient session for you to attend. [www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/immunisation)



## Term 3 = Winter Uniform

All students should now be in full Winter Uniform!



Opening Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 238 Wolseley Place, Thomastown

Online orders: [www.academyuniforms.com.au](http://www.academyuniforms.com.au)

School login: Northside Christian College

Password: BUNDOORA

### WINTER SCARVES

NEW NCC Scarves have been added to the Winter Uniform range available at Academy Uniforms priced at \$15. No other scarves allowed.



### Second Hand School Uniform

There is a noticeboard outside Ms Natoli's Prep Room in the foyer with ads for second hand uniform for sale. If you are looking for a uniform item, you may find it here. Please contact sellers directly.



### Scholarship Information

We have now released our 2020 Secondary Academic Scholarship Information. Spare copies of the Application Form can be collected from Reception. Families are welcome to apply straight away. Applications will close on Friday 20th September 2019. Please ensure that you supply all supporting documents required with your Scholarship Application.

The Scholarship Exam will be held on Thursday 17th October 2019 at the College. There is only one date for this exam; we are unable to reschedule for individual students.

High achieving candidates will be asked to attend an interview with the Principal on Thursday 7th or Friday 8th November and results will be communicated with families shortly after.



**2020  
Secondary  
Academic  
Scholarships**  
Applications Close  
Friday 20th September  
**APPLY NOW**

**SCHOLARSHIP EXAM - THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER, 2019**

Application Forms available from the College office

## 2019 VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

**Mrs Chris Marsh, Librarian**

This year, Northside Christian College will once again participate in the Premiers Reading Challenge.

The Challenge is open to all students from Prep through to Year 10. All Primary students have been registered to participate in the Challenge, but if Secondary students would like to register please see Mrs Marsh in the Library to obtain a username and password.

Prep - Year 2 students need to read a total of 30 books, 20 of those being from the booklist provided and 10 own choice books. Years 3 - 10 students are required to read 15 books with 10 being from the booklist.

Additional information can be found on the PRC website: [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)

The Challenge began on Monday 3rd June and will end on Friday 23rd August, which is our Book Week Dress Up Day.

Information sheets including usernames and passwords have been sent home.





# Chappy Chat

## Mr Jared Stocks, Chaplain

Around April of last year, a group of our school staff began to meet on a Thursday afternoon to pray for our school. We would pray for needs, but also pray for things that the Lord highlighted to us during prayer. Over a couple of prayer sessions, we asked God to protect our students, to awaken them to Jesus and for students to rise up and lead the next generation in our College Community.

A short time later, unbeknownst to us, three Year 11 boys began what is now known as Vision Prayer Group, and they have been faithfully meeting every Thursday lunch time since. They committed to pray together for the school, to pray for each other and to create a space to encounter God. And that is what is happening. After a maximum attendance of 13 in last year's groups, their first three sessions this year yielded 27, 32 and 44 attendees respectively. And not only that, but some of the older kids decided that they should create the same space for younger students to encounter God, and Vision for Primaries was birthed (Monday recesses).

Secondary Vision and Primary Vision is having a flow on effect in our Chapels and the College Community as a whole. In a



recent count, we had over 100 students attend the Primary and Secondary Visions combined. PRAISE GOD! They have prayed together, worshipped together, shared the Word together and encountered God together - and to top it off, there have been over 20 kids commit/recommit their lives to Christ through these sessions.

I also want to highlight that we have a group of parents that meet at the College every Wednesday afternoon at 2:15pm to pray for our College Community. Many parents have been faithfully praying for many years

and are an amazing blessing to our school.

So be encouraged. Prayer makes a huge difference in our school.

Please pray for the following:

1. Students standing up in prayer for each other and our school community.
2. Our College parents who give up their time to uphold us in prayer.
3. Staff who are willing to minister to students as well as teach them.
4. For answered prayers.



## Capital Building Improvements - Tax Deductible Donations

Facilities play a role in the delivery of learning experiences. Inspiring learning spaces, multi-purpose communal areas, arts and sporting facilities need to be created, maintained and improved.

We seek to engage with alumni, current families, friends and corporate donors who wish to help us implement our Capital

Projects Plan. If you are considering a tax deductible gift to Northside Christian College's building program before 30 June, please contact the Accounts Office.

All voluntary school buildings donations are tax deductible. Thank you,





# 40th Anniversary Time Capsule

Friday 28th May marked exactly 40 years since the College received its official registration. We marked this special occasion by burying a time capsule, containing entries from each class, near the flagpoles.

We will open the time capsule up in our 50th Year to reflect and add new things to be buried again. The site where the capsule is buried is marked by a plaque - take a look next time you come into the College!

A big thank you to Mr Nelson and the College Captains for all of their help with the time capsule.



## Sports Update



### Primary CSEN Cricket

Congratulations to our Primary Cricket Team - Grand Final Duel Winners!!



### Year 7/8 CSEN Netball

Congratulations to the Year 7/8 girls for winning the Netball Grand Final in the fortnightly CSEN Sport in their division!





# INSPIRE - Passion Projects

Mrs Amy Horneman, INSPIRE Coordinator

*Passion Projects* are part of the student leadership development facet of the INSPIRE program. These student-led initiatives give students the opportunity to develop their leadership skills through planning, implementing, managing and reflecting on their own project idea. They develop skills in communication, collaboration, marketing, budgeting, community engagement and task commitment. The philosophy underpinning provision of such an opportunity for students is that we assist them in finding and expressing their heartfelt passion for social justice, leadership and transformation as active citizens of God's world.



*"My Passion Project is called Blanket Making for Kids with Cancer. The aim of the project is to make as many blankets as possible for kids with cancer. I wanted to do this to give them comfort and a fuzzy friend. Just recently on the 18th of June, we did a casual clothes day and a bake sale and we earned \$1,021.80 in total. With this money we will be able to bless many kids with a hand made blanket!"*  
- Kailee



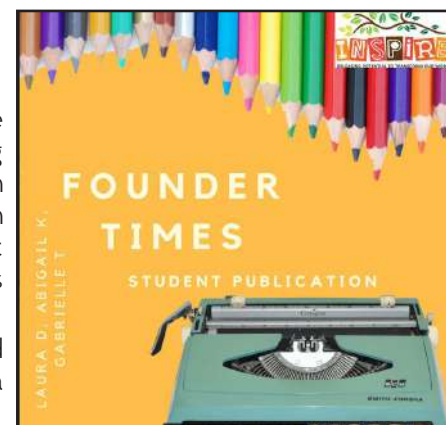
Kailee in Year 7 has been running a Passion Project this year with the help of her peers Sarah H, Sarah S and Kailtin.



## Founder Times

*Founder Times* is a publication for students, run by students. A student publication gives those who have an interest in journalism, editing or publishing a safe space to practice, while being surrounded by supportive peers. *Founder Times* will aim to involve all kinds of writing, from poems to short stories. This will be an opportunity for students to develop their skills. The aim is to get the best pieces showcased and give constructive feedback to those who are not accepted. If you would like to be a member of our regular writer's team we will run workshops to ensure you are continuously improving.

We are collecting writing pieces as well as artworks! Please email your submissions and complete a submission form if you would like to submit an article or be a regular writer. For a copy of the forms, please email [foundertimes@student.ncc.vic.edu.au](mailto:foundertimes@student.ncc.vic.edu.au).





# Year 7/8 Camp

## Ms Jo Westland, Director of Middle School Learning

The Year 7 & 8 students returned from a cold and eventful 3 days at Camp Howqua on Friday 31st May. Their abundance of energy was challenged as they learned to work and reassure one another, tested their resilience and experienced new adventures. The fantastic camp staff encouraged our students as they at times pushed their own boundaries and expectations throughout the various activities. It was so encouraging to see some students who were at first hesitant to try things like the flying fox or high ropes, work through their fears and attempt even just part of the activity like climbing to the top of the platform. There was joy and celebration when personal goals and achievements were accomplished.

Thank you to our own amazing staff who joined me on the camp - Mr Waters, Ms Cook, Mr Devine, Ms Eichwald and our Chaplain Mr Stocks. I am blessed to work with such a great group of staff on not just this camp but all the extracurricular activities throughout the year.



## RevHeads Car Club

### Mrs Kirsty Watson-Jones, Learning Support Teacher

Did you know we have a car club at Northside? We're called the Revheads! Every Thursday at lunch time we get together to talk about cars: we've built model cars, learned how to cut and polish, dismantled dash boards from a '67 XR Falcon, enjoyed a remote control car race, completed car quizzes and simply enjoyed being together and discussing cars.

Last Thursday, Mrs Gigliotti brought her restored, atomic orange, 1954 Chevy Pickup for our club members to view. We played a 'guess the part' quiz and enjoyed hearing the horns and siren! Thank you Mrs Gigliotti for bringing your cool car to visit us!





# Write a Song in a Day:

## Mr Andrew Horneman, Instrumental Music Coordinator

This year as part of the 40th Anniversary Celebrations, our College leadership sought submissions from the various College programs for ways we could continue to celebrate throughout the year. One of the submissions put forward was to write a new school song, using a collaborative school-wide approach to achieve this.

In Week 6 of Term 2, skilled Melbourne-based singer/songwriter Levi McGrath came to the College to run a whole day workshop with 20 of our students from Years 5 - 12, as well as an after-school session for College staff. We had a wonderful day exploring and learning the art of songwriting, and developing a song that celebrates the values of our College Community.

We are looking forward to unveiling this new song at the end of the 2019 school year, as another way to celebrate our College's journey and celebrating the work of God in our College Community.



## Mini Recitals

## Mr Andrew Horneman, Instrumental Music Coordinator

On Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th June, the Music Department held two Mini Recitals at the Encompass Church multi purpose hall. We had over 60 students from our College take part in performing individually and/or in small groups, showcasing their skills on a wide range of instruments and developing valuable performance skills.

All students performed exceptionally well before an attentive audience made up of parents, grandparents, teachers and friends of our wonderful College Community.

I would like to commend all of our music performers for a job well done and look forward to our next big ensembles extravaganza coming up in Semester 2, which will be celebrating all of our talented ensembles here at the College.





# Senior School Guidance Resources

## Mr Michael Bond, Deputy Principal

A number of resources have been published in preparation for the 2020 academic school year. The 2020 Subject Selection Handbook, 2020 VCE Student Policy Handbook and the VCAL Policy Handbook have been distributed to students to assist with subject selection and pathway planning in preparation for next year.



### Subject Selection Handbook

The purpose of the Subject Selection Handbook is to provide a resource for students and parents/guardians to assist them with the selection of subjects for Years 11 and 12 and likewise to assist Year 10 students and parents/guardians with subject selection around acceleration into the VCE. At Northside Christian College, we believe that the process of subject selection needs to incorporate careful planning, evaluation and reflection, as well as accommodating individual interests and abilities.



Students are encouraged to choose subjects with a clear understanding of the requirements and recommendations for potential future study and work. It is advisable that students select subjects that suit their interests, develop their talents and skills, build on their strengths and enable them to pursue their goals and aspirations.

A copy of this resource is available online at:

[www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/2020-Subject-Selection-Booklet-online.pdf](http://www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/2020-Subject-Selection-Booklet-online.pdf)

### VCE Student Policy Handbook

The VCE Student Policy Handbook provides helpful advice for Northside Christian College Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) students and parents. It will provide our College community with invaluable information as students proceed through the VCE. This handbook provides policies related to the VCE at Northside Christian College. These policies outline the requirements that students must adhere to in order for the VCE to be awarded. Further clarification and explanation is available on the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) website or by appointment with the Head of Secondary School, Mr Michael Bond.

A copy of this resource is available online at:

[www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/2020-Subject-Selection-Booklet-online.pdf](http://www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/2020-Subject-Selection-Booklet-online.pdf)



### VCAL Policy Handbook

The VCAL Policy Handbook provides information for VCAL students and their parents. It covers Senior School policies and important information about VCAL studies at Northside Christian College. VCAL students are encouraged to read this document in conjunction with the VCE Policy Handbook and the Subject Selection Handbook. VCAL is administered by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA). Further clarification and explanation is available on the VCAA website or by appointment with the VCAL Coordinator, Mr James Eynaud.



A copy of this resource is available online at:

[www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/NO-59-VCAL-Policy-2020-online.pdf](http://www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/NO-59-VCAL-Policy-2020-online.pdf)

Students are reminded that subject selection forms were due back at the VCE Administration Office by Friday 21st June 2019.



# *The Giving Tree*

## *Christmas in June for the NCC-OCC Shoebox Collection*

*Help NCC and the 2019 Cambodia Missions Team reach our 200 box target by the end of Term 2!*

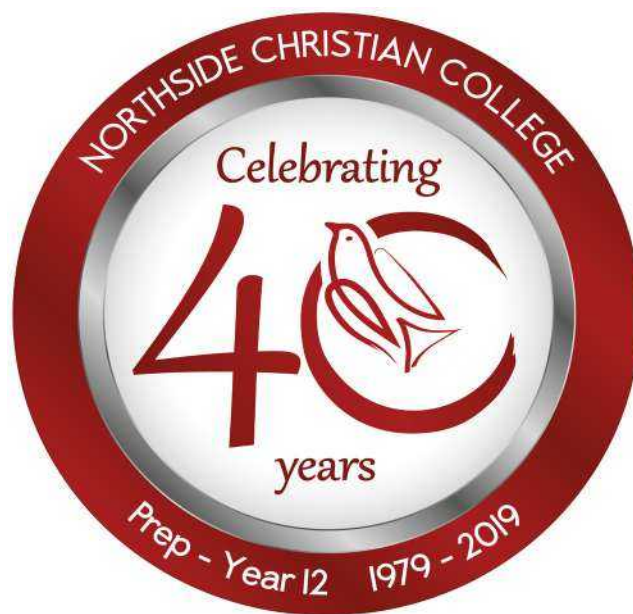
### **How can you help?**

1. Collect a hang tag from *The Giving Tree* located in the Reception Foyer.
2. Select a child (or 2 or 3) for whom your family will pack a box.
3. Write the age and sex of the child on the provided card and drop it into the Giving Tree Shoe Box.
4. Collect a pack with information on how to pack your shoebox and a preprinted or used shoebox of the correct size.
5. Have fun collecting items to place into your shoebox. **Fill it to the top** with items that a child will need. (See the list of suggestions in your information pack.)
6. Pop \$10 into the top of each box to pay for postage - or go online and purchase a 'Follow the Box' sticker/barcode for the same cost as postage!  
<[www.samaritanspurse.org.au/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/shoebox-donations/](http://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/shoebox-donations/)>
7. Return your filled box to your child's classroom teacher along with the hang tag.
8. Pray for the box as it makes its way to a child in need in the Pacific Rim!



*Bless a child in the Pacific Rim with  
the gift of educational supplies,  
clothing, toys and special items*





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