





Welcome!

Mr Damian Higgins, Principal



As we near the end of another year at Northside, I think it would be valuable to reflect further on our theme of "Harvest" and what it means for the lives of Christ-followers before we get swept up into a new year and a new theme. You'll have to wait for our end of year Celebration events to find out what our 2020 theme will be.

It's important that, although we will focus on new things next year, we don't stop doing all the good things that we have learned. Ultimately, we are on a lifelong journey into a deeper understanding of who God is and everything He reveals to us along the way helps us grow.

As "Harvest Workers", we are called upon to look beyond ourselves rather than hide in a protective bubble.

One of the common (and false) criticisms of Christian Education is that we are sheltering our children from the world, but this was never the purpose of a school like Northside Christian College. Our College was established to become an educational centre where every child is prepared to face the challenges that the world presents. We seek to empower young men and women to partner with God in overcoming the challenges, so that they can make a difference in our fallen world.

A good analogy I once heard, which captures this nicely, is that knowing Christ and following Him is like becoming a worker in the Health Care profession. As nurses, doctors, paramedics and surgeons, we don't simply hang around together, enjoy each other's company, protect ourselves and keep others out. Instead, we head out into all those places where the sick, the injured and the hurting can be found, in the hope of playing our part to restore them to full health. As others are made whole again, they too will join the effort and become Jesus' hands and feet to others.

I find this analogy exciting, as it points to a future in which God's Kingdom will one day be fully established and, at the same time, He invites us all to play our part.

I look forward to seeing how God will use Northside Christian College and all who are part of it in the coming of His Kingdom.

Grace & Peace

2019 Term Dates

Term 4

Monday 7th October - Wednesday 11th December



Diary Dates

Term 4

Wednesday 30th October - Wednesday 20th November

VCE Written Examinations

Thursday 21st November

Year 12 Graduation Ceremony

Saturday 23rd November - Tuesday 3rd December

Cambodia Ventures Trip

Monday 25th November

Curriculum Day

Wednesday 27th November

Whole School Orientation Day

Friday 29th November

Primary Awards Assembly

Year 6 Graduation

Monday 2nd December

Secondary Awards Assembly

Wednesday 11th December

2:15pm - Term 4 Ends

3:30pm-5:00pm - Primary Celebration Event

6:30pm-8:00pm - Secondary Celebration Event



Term 4 Principal's Tours:

Wednesday 20th November 2pm

Tuesday 3rd December 9am

Parents & Friends News

The Prayer of a Righteous Person is Powerful & Effective

James 5:16



Please join us every Tuesday 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!



YEAR 12 GRADUATION CEREMONY

THURSDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2019
2:00PM - 3:15PM
ENCOMPASS CHURCH

Northside Christian College invites the College Community to join Years 3 - 11 at the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony on Thursday 21st November. Please ensure you are on time. We suggest you arrive at 1:45pm to be seated, as we will start promptly at 2:00pm.

Monday Lunch Time
Middle School Parking
Years 5-8
Starts Remembrance Day

Trial Run Philosophy Corner 2.0

- Open discussions
- Occasional Debates
- New topics each week
- Spontaneous and open to suggestions

Walking Across McLeans Road


Students are reminded to please exercise caution when crossing McLeans Road during the day. Please avoid crossing McLeans Road before the pedestrian crossing as it is difficult for drivers to see pedestrians crossing in other areas on this road. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.




SUMMER READING FUN BOOK SALE

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2019
10:30AM - 11:30AM

OVER 500 BOOKS TO SELL - PICTURE BOOKS TO YOUNG ADULT
\$5 - \$5 PAPERBACK AND HARDBACK, NEW AND LIGHTLY USED
1000S OF NEW BOOKS SUITABLE TO GIVE AS CHRISTMAS GIFTS



ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE GO TO THE CLASSROOMS FOR CAMBODIA INITIATIVE SPONSORED BY THE 2019 CAMBODIA MISSIONS TEAM.



Ensembles Extravaganza



Mr Andrew Horneman, Instrumental Music Coordinator

On Monday 28th October, over 70 of our College students took part in the annual Ensembles Extravaganza held at Encompass Church. The majority of students attending performed in various ensembles ranging from concert bands to rock bands and vocal groups of various sizes.

This year we decided to change the program from previous years to provide an opportunity for our seven College ensembles to showcase what they have been working on throughout the year. This concert also saw the debut performance of our Secondary jazz band, which has been working hard developing their jazz chops and soloing ideas for the first time this year.

I would like to congratulate our students on presenting an excellent concert and thank our Community of parents and staff for getting behind this event. I encourage everyone in the Community to consider coming along to future recitals, as it's a great way to show support for our students, build the Community and enjoy the gift of music!



Chappy Chat ~ The Cubby House

Mr Jared Stocks, Chaplain

We recently celebrated a birthday in our household: our little girl turned 3. We wanted to do something special for her so, after a bit of research on the internet and making a few enquiries, we settled on purchasing a Kmart cubby house and giving it a mini makeover. We bought the cubby and then started discussing what we would do to make it "Lehti-friendly."

My personal preference was to varnish the whole thing to make it waterproof, put it together and be done. The women of the house, however, wanted it painted white with red trims.

So, back to the internet I went.

There were a few videos online about best practice around painting, waterproofing and assembly. Most of these, though, only solidified my desire to stick with the easy option. After all, varnish is cheaper, and easier to apply and maintain.

BUT, I had to remind myself what would count at the end of the day - It was Lehti's birthday, her present, and, ultimately, her smile that mattered most.

So we stocked up on white and red paint, paint brushes and drop sheets. We purchased some flowers and citronella wicks and we spent the next three days

and four nights painting white walls, a white roof and red trims (4 coats of each in all). My back hurt, my legs hurt, I got sweat in my eyes, and then I had the task of putting it all together in 35 degree heat!

But it was totally worth it.

Could it have been easier? Yes. Could it have cost less? Of course. Could it have taken up less time? Most definitely. But, as a Dad, I'd do it again and again because the look on my daughter's face while she plays in her cubby, and makes tea for her teddies, dollies and Papa, is worth any amount of effort. Lehti probably doesn't understand the significance of the time used, the level of difficulty or the monetary cost of the endeavor, but she knows she is loved by us. It's the same with our lives. Some people see us as this pretty house, the completed façade, but they don't see the hard work that goes into producing lives that bear fruit. It costs a price to live a righteous life; it takes time and hard work. But it is worth it in the end.

I'm so glad we endured with our project to the end, because Christie and I now have a finished product that we're incredibly proud of, and Lehti gets to enjoy, too. It reminds me of a verse that I would like to leave you with with:



"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."

~ James 1:2-4.

Save on 2020 Tuition Fees

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As you would be aware, Northside Christian College is growing in both enrolments and the quality of our academic programs, as revealed in our NAPLAN and VCE results over the past few years.

Our growth has given rise to an exciting savings opportunity for parents to take advantage of.

Savings through Early Bird Payment in Full

We are delighted to offer parents the opportunity, for a limited time, to receive a 5% discount on the Tuition Fees component when Annual 2020 Tuition Fees and Levies are paid upfront in full. This is an additional 2% discount over the normal annual upfront payment discount.

This offer will expire on 13 December 2019.

Please call the Office on (03) 9467 2499 for Bee and Liliana to confirm your Early Bird savings.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Higgins, Principal

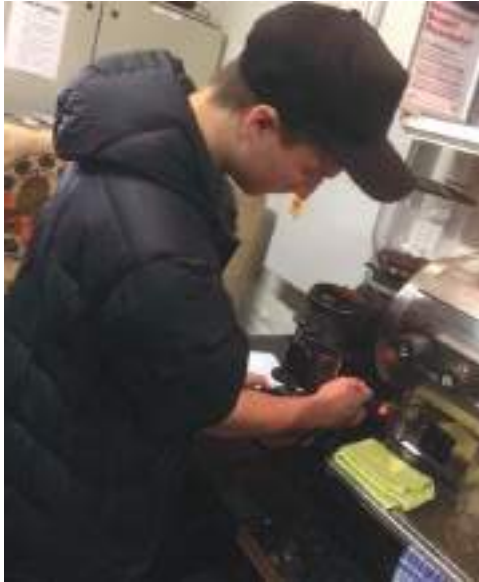


Senior School Update

Mr Michael Bond, Deputy Principal

Our Year 12 students have commenced their final Written Examinations, which will be conducted over a three week period. We are praying for them as they navigate this often stressful time.

Our Year 10 and 11 students are encouraged to use the next few weeks as an opportunity to prepare well for their upcoming end of year examinations. These exams are an important opportunity to demonstrate their learning in a broad range of subjects. Students are encouraged to speak with their subject teachers if they have any questions about the exam format or how to best study for their subjects.



Upcoming Senior School Events

Year 10 & 11 Examinations

Tuesday 19th-Friday 22nd November

The Year 10 and 11 examinations will take place in Week 7 of Term 4. On Monday 18th November, Year 10 and 11 students will have an opportunity to complete private study at home in preparation for their exams. Find the exam timetable on the College website:

www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/Semester-2-Year-10-11-%20Examinations.pdf

Books and Supplies Day

Monday 25th November

The booklist has been published and was recently sent home with students.

Year 10 and 11 students have a day without scheduled classes to purchase books and supplies in preparation for Early Commencement.

A summary of the 2020 Year 11 and 12 booklist has been published on the College website: www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/Year-11-and-12-Student-Resource-List-2020.pdf

Early Commencement Program

26th November - 4th December

Year 10 students will move into Year 11, while the Year 11 students will commence Year 12. Some Year 9 students will commence accelerated Unit 1 VCE Courses.

The compulsory program for VCE/VCAL provides a valuable opportunity for students to receive study materials and gain information about the subjects in which they are enrolled. Holiday homework will also be assigned during this week.

An Early Commencement timetable is available on the College website:

www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/Early-Commencement-Student-v1.pdf

Year 10 Orientation Day

Wednesday 27th November

Orientation Day is designed to help students make a successful transition into the Senior School.

The Day's Program is available on the College website: www.ncc.vic.edu.au/pdf/Year-10-Orientation-Timetable-2019.pdf



Year 10 and 11 Retreat

5th - 6th December 2019

The current Year 10 and 11 students will be attending a two-day retreat as part of their Senior School Early Commencement program. Staff have been planning to make this a positive experience for the students including finding guest speakers and other relevant activities. We trust that this retreat, together with the Early Commencement Program, will assist students in preparing for the 2020 academic school year.

Our Year 10 Students Get Job-Ready

Mrs Lenna Waters,

Careers Service Coordinator

Today's job market is competitive - and even more so for our young people just starting out. Giving our students a competitive edge to get that first job is really important. For this reason, we incorporate four nationally qualified certificates into our Year 10 Work Studies program: First Aid, Responsible Service of Alcohol, Safe Food Handling and a Barista Certificate.

On 28th October, the Year 10 students attended the ITFE training centre on Peel Street near the Vic Market and spent the day learning all about coffee and how to prepare various types - cappuccino, ristretto, flat white, short black, latte, and many others. They even learned and practiced a bit of coffee art!

Most went home well caffeinated after a fun and productive day.



Are you an ambulance member?

Can you afford an ambulance transport bill? The cost of one emergency road transport is in excess of \$1,200.

Ambulance Victoria responds to over 800,000 calls for medical help from Victorians every year. That is over 2,200 calls a day. Emergency medical transport services are not free and not covered by Medicare. Become an Ambulance Victoria member and be protected against the cost of transport and treatment by paramedics.

It's quick and easy to join on the website:
www.ambulance.vic.gov.au/



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Primary School Banking

Just a reminder that 2019 School Banking takes place every Friday.

Thank you for supporting our School Banking Program. Happy savings!



'DO FOOD SAFELY' ONLINE ASSESSMENT

It is very important that all volunteers who help with food handling complete the 'Do Food Safely' online assessment.

This is a quick online multiple-choice assessment. Feel free to ask anyone from the Parents and Friends committee if you need help.



Please print off the certificate of completion and hand it in to Liliana Caldwell at the Account's Office. Alternatively, email the certificate of completion to lcaldwell@ncc.vic.edu.au.

INSPIRE ~ The 'S' in STEAM: Science

Mrs Amy Horneman, INSPIRE Coordinator

Science Talent Search

This year we had 18 students enter the 2019 Science Talent Search (STS) on the theme 'Destination Moon: more missions, more science', with 17 projects being submitted, including creative stories, scientific posters, inventions and videos. A huge congratulations to all students who participated in this year's competitions, and particular mention should be made of the following 5 students who had their projects awarded with monetary bursaries which were presented at a special awards ceremony at LaTrobe University on Monday 28th October:

Charlotte Year 3, Harry Year 3, Victor Year 3, Christian Year 8 and Joshua C Year 8.

Harry and Christian also had their inventions entered into the 2020 BHP Billiton Science Foundation Engineering Awards, which is an extraordinary achievement. Congratulations, young scientists!



BASF Kids' Lab - Monash University

All Primary students who entered the STS this year were given the opportunity to attend a special workshop at Monash University in the Faculty of Science on Wednesday 6th November. Students had a fun time working on experiments in the labs and had a little taste of life as a scientist at the university! Thanks to Mrs Halden and Mrs Veljanovski for supervising and transporting the students.



Year 9 Community Service Challenge

Ms Jo Westland, Director of Middle School

During Week 4 of this term, our Year 9 students participated in the final phase of their Year of Challenge program for 2019: the Community Service Challenge. The students were able to serve their school by investigating the litter issues in and around our College, while working in teams to come up with pitches to make a difference. They also had the opportunity to get outside in the sunshine and clean up key areas around the grounds. It was a productive day with bags of rubbish collected.

The highlight of the Community Service Challenge would have to be Tuesday's visit to Operation Christmas Child's headquarters, where our students and staff helped sort and repack boxes of gifts to be sent around the world to bless children who may otherwise never see a gift in their lifetime.



Champions Athletics Carnival.

Mrs Anna Venegas, PE Coordinator

On Friday 25th October, 43 students went to Lakeside for the annual CSEN Champions Athletics Carnival. What an incredible day of athletics it turned out to be! Northside walked away with 11 Gold, 20 Silver and 9 Bronze. Well done to this amazing group of hard working athletes who trained daily in preparation.

A special mention goes to Grace H who broke the 100m and 200m records, Genesis W for breaking the 400m record and Elizabeth D and Kristy H for assisting Genesis and Grace in breaking the girls u/12 4 x 100m relay record.

Thank you to Mr Simmons and Paul Burgess for being wonderful trainers and for all of the early mornings and hard work.

This event marks the last CSEN event for which Damien Furlong will represent Northside. We have been blessed to have not only such a high performing athlete but a true sportsman on our Team. A big thanks to Damien for his endless dedication and for always being such an encouragement to the team. He will be missed.



Year 7/8 Drama Flexiday

Ms Jessica Leed, Specialist Performing Arts (Middle School)

On Monday 28th October, the Year 7 and 8 Drama students engaged in a range of exercises and activities that explored the Rules of Improvisation to produce various spontaneous and rehearsed skits. Using their knowledge of voice, movement and character, they began the process of creating a script involving a comedic element that addresses an adolescent issue.





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