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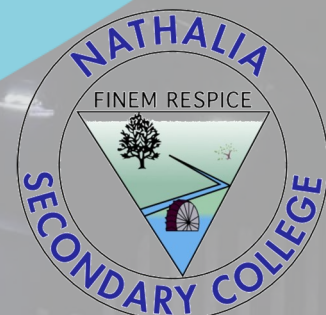
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A message from our Principal, *Daniel Robinson*

Hello Nathalia Secondary College School Community, as we continue to navigate through an exciting and eventful term at Nathalia Secondary College, I am thrilled to share some of the recent highlights that showcase the spirit and commitment of our school community.

Firstly, a huge congratulations to the senior school football team, a combined effort with St. Mary's of the Angels, who competed in Ballarat this week. Well done to all the students involved for their efforts and for showing such great character both on and off the field.

Our Year 7 and drama students had a wonderful excursion to Melbourne, where they immersed themselves in the vibrant cultural scene and enhanced their understanding of performing arts. Excursions like these are not just educational; they are also a fantastic way for students to experience learning beyond the classroom in the real world.

I would also like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the families who took the time to complete the parent opinion survey and participated in our school review. Your insights and feedback are invaluable as they help us to continually improve and adapt our strategies to better serve our students and community. Thank you for your

proactive engagement and support.

This week, we celebrated Book Week, an annual event that fosters a love of reading and literature among our students. It was a delight to see so many students engaged in activities that celebrate reading and storytelling. Events like these not only encourage literacy but also stimulate creativity and imagination among our students.

Additionally, the Hands-on Trade Expo was a resounding success. Our students gained practical exposure to various trades and vocational pathways, which is crucial in helping them make informed decisions about their future careers. Opportunities like these play a pivotal role in broadening students' horizons and preparing them for the workforce.

As we move forward, I want to continue to emphasise the importance of maintaining high attendance. Regular attendance is crucial for academic success and ensures that students do not miss out on important learning opportunities. Everyday counts, and consistent attendance is key to achieving educational goals. Let us all strive to ensure our students are present and engaged each school day.

Nathalia Secondary College acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first inhabitants of the nation and the traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work.

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Parent Bulletin

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 29 July to Friday 30 August 2024**.

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

Please contact the office if you would like more information.

PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS 2024

Parent Payments for 2024 can be made in the following ways:

- BPay. Please contact the office for your unique BPay code.
- In Person. Payments can be made at the office between 8.30am and 4.00pm, Monday to Friday. Cash, cheque or EFTPOS are all accepted (please note, we cannot accept American Express).

If you would like more information, please contact the office.



Parent Access Module (PAM)

Did you know we have an App for PAM? It's called 'SIMON EVERYWHERE' and can be downloaded from the App store on your phone/tablet!

Key Feature: Parents can view student reports, assessment tasks and SPA Reports



NOW TAKING 2025 ENROLMENTS!



Contact the college for an information pack or school tour today!



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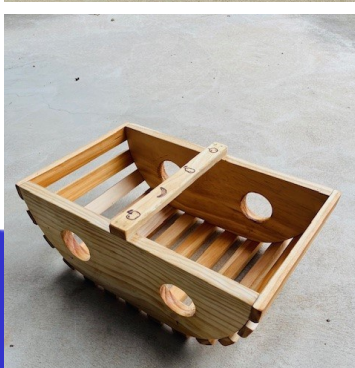
YEAR 7/8 DRAMA

Our 7/8 drama class were lucky enough to attend the character building workshop at the Melbourne Art Centre, which empowers students to build a character from scratch, using voice, body and imagination. Character Building is a performance-based workshop which introduces students to the core concepts of creating, developing and embodying a character, whether for the page or the stage.



The students thoroughly enjoyed expressing their creativity, bouncing ideas off of one another, exploring empathy, building confidence and fostering resilience.

Overall it was a fantastic trip, which the students displayed excellent behaviour and courage.



WOODWORK ROOM

Please marvel in our students masterpieces recently completed in 7/8 Materials & 9/10 Wood. Our junior school has been working on Birdfeeders and Tower of Hanoi, whilst the intermediate area have created Charcuterie Boards and Fruit Baskets.

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CAREERS/TERTIARY CAMP

On Thursday 25th July a group of 10, 11 & 12 students went down to Melbourne with Miss Harris, Mr Tinning & Emma to explore universities. We visited Deakin University in Burwood and unfortunately didn't make it to La Trobe University in Bundoora as originally planned. Students got to experience the city life with using public transport to get to our destinations. On Friday 26th we all attended the Melbourne Careers Expo at the Exhibition Centre. It was fantastic to see the students going up and talking to the exhibitors to ask questions, get information and of course grab a free pen or two.

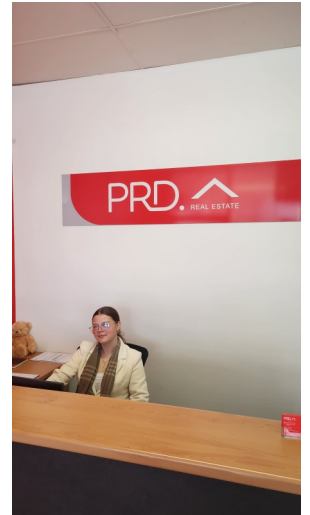
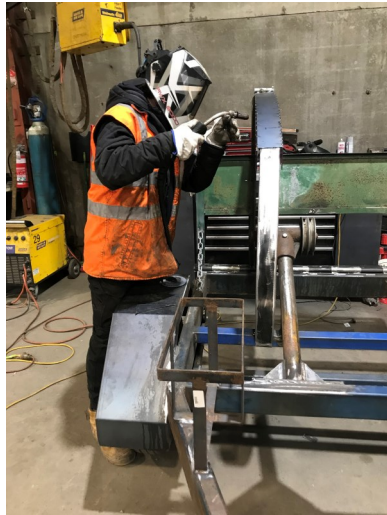


HANDS ON TRADES CAREER EXPO

On Thursday 15th August the year 9's and 10's, along with Miss Morris, Mr Tinning, Craig & Emma went across to Winton Raceway to attend the Hands on Trades Career Expo. Students were able to engage with people from a variety of industries and were able to take part in some activities including using the fire hoses, climbing the arborists rope, building their own solar powered fan, and have a go at a variety of games. We engaged with some new industries, and this was a fantastic opportunity for students to make possible work experience connections and gather information about post school education opportunities.



Careers



WORK EXPERIENCE

Work experience weeks are like windows into the professional world. For students, they offer a chance to step out of the classroom and immerse themselves in real-world scenarios. Recently, some of our students participated in a week-long work experience program, and the feedback from students has been overwhelmingly positive.

We would like to extend our gratitude to the following businesses for helping our students to build confidence to enable them to make informed career choices;

Milly Best – Nathalia Library

Kane Bradley – Stevenson Fabrication

Ryley Barton – Kolundzija Constructions

Chelsea Penpraze – PRD Real Estate Shepparton

Cameron McDonald – T&M Plumbing

River Freeman – RT Butler Electrical

Josh Dohnt – Cobram Electrical & Data

Work experience week isn't just about ticking a box; it's about igniting passions and opening doors. As educators, we're thrilled to witness our students' growth and enthusiasm. Here's to more work experience adventures in the future!



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NOTICEBOARD

Raising money for the
Royal Children's Hospital,
come and support
Zoe and Ricky's

BAKE SALE

Dates: Tuesday 13th, 20th
& 27th August

Time: Recess

Where: Foods Room

Pizza Scrolls \$2
Assorted slices \$2.50
'Subway' cookies \$1.50



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AGRICULTURAL
SOCIETY INC.

EST 1988

REX JAMES
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RYAN
MEAT GROUP
Established 1988

Bendigo Bank

Nathalia Show

Sat
5th Oct
2024

Gates open 9am

Theme: 'Lexus Melbourne Cup'

Featuring the 2024 Lexus
Melbourne Cup & Living Legends
retired racehorses



LEGO - Dairy cattle show
Showbags - Horse events
Train rides - Face painting
LevelUP Gaming VR experience
Pavilion events - Snake pit
Fashions on the Fields
and so much more!

f Nathalia Agricultural Society

www.nathaliashow.com

Phone: 044 752 9878

Adults \$15 - Children 16 & under \$5 - Aged
concession \$10 - Preschoolers free.
Cash only at gate.



Allied Health - Futures Forum

Who? Students, Parents and Careers Advisors.

Where? 'The Common Ground Cafe' Shepparton
152 Fryers Street - Light refreshments provided.

Why? To hear from Allied Health Professionals
about what they do and how they got there.

WHAT CAREERS WILL BE THERE?

Audiology, Chiropractic, Dietetics, Exercise Physiology,
Medical Imaging, Myotherapy, Occupational Therapy,
Optometry, Pharmacy, Psychology, Podiatry, Social
Work, Speech Pathology and more.

Universities joining us on the night too!!

REGISTER NOW

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Shaping youth
pathways



Format:

START - Industry/Uni expo &
networking

MIDDLE - Panel

END - Continued expo and
networking opportunity

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WEDNESDAY 6-8PM



Dates to remember...

Thursday 29th August

Athletics Day

Friday 30th August

Wear It Purple Day

Thursday 5th September

7/INT Basketball—Echuca

Friday 6th September

INT Cricket

Monday 9th September

Campaspe Athletics—Shepparton

Tuesday 17th September

School Council

Thursday 19th September

Girls Cricket Yr 7-10

Friday 20th September

Last Day Term 3

2:20pm dismissal

Monday 7th October

Term 4 commences

Tuesday 8th October

Yr 7/8 Boys Cricket

Thursday 10th October

LMR Athletics

Monday 4th November

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 5th November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

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