Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4, although it already feels like we have been back for quite a while.

We are in the midst of farewelling the Year 12 cohort as they complete their final (ever) classes this week, and prepare for the final assembly and celebration day next week before the Swot Vac and subsequent exam period. As only our third graduating cohort they have big shoes to fill and high expectations to meet, but we are confident that they will perform exceptionally well and as long as they do their best we will be very proud of them and they should be very proud of themselves.

We have also been undertaking elections and interviews for the 2016 School Captains, and are in the fortunate position of having a surfeit of excellent candidates to choose from. I congratulate all contenders, it was an exceptionally close contest and very difficult to differentiate in the end. I look forward to working with the new school leaders who will also have very big shoes to fill.
WHAT IS COMING UP AT NOSSAL...

2015

October 19  Final Day Yr 12 Classes & Final Assembly
October 20-23  Health & PE Week
October 20  Celebration Day - Year 12
            Fareshare Excursion
            State Athletics
October 21-27  Year 12 SWOT VAC commences
October 26  Team Sports Excursion to Dark Zone
October 27  School Council Meeting
October 28  VCAA Exams begin
October 29  Intermediate Boys Table Tennis
            Year 9 MHS Cricket
October 30  Intermediate Girls Table Tennis
November 2  Digital Delivery Day 3: Yr 9-11 (No classes at school)
November 3  Melbourne Cup Holiday
November 11  Berry Springs Primary School visit
November 13  2016 Course Confirmation
November 13-20  Yr 10 & 11 Exams
November 18-20  Year 9 Exams
November 23  Valedictory Dinner
November 27  Final day for Year 10 and 11

December 1  Speech Night - Robert Blackwood Hall Clayton Compulsory for all students
December 2  Orientation Day for 2016 Year 9s
December 5  PFA Second Hand Book & Uniform Sale
December 9  Year 9 Big Day Out

SCHOOL TERM DATES

2015
Term 4
OCT 5 - Term 4 commences
NOV 27 - Term 4 concludes Year 10 & 11
DEC 9 - Term 4 concludes Year 9

2016
JAN 28 - 1st Day Year 9 & 12 - Foundation Assembly
JAN 29 - 1st day for Year 10 & 11

Principal News Continued...

This photo with 2015 Captains seems a long time in the past

I am pleased to announce that the School Captains for 2016 are Charis Yang and Kiran Rajackal, and the Vice Captains are Stacey Loizou and Reuben Kua.

I commend Sanjiv, Tash, Nathan and Ellie for their input, commitment, and plain hard work as exemplary School Captains and role models during 2015 – I have greatly valued their input, support and assistance throughout the year and anticipate seeing great things from them as future leaders after they have departed Nossal.

Members of the Nossal Alumni ran a workshop and panel session earlier this week for the current Year 12 students where they gave them hints and advice for success at Year 12 and shared their experiences of Year 12 and the transition to University. Their message was strong and consistently in line with what we have been telling them...do your best; balance your work and study load; try not to over – stress; set realistic goals and expectations; seek the support of family, friends, teachers and the school. The other key point they made was that the ATAR was only relevant for the time it took to gain university entry (in fact some of them had trouble remembering what their ATAR was as they have
never had to refer to it since) and, as I have observed, there are many alternate pathways and routes to success, and universities have many quite flexible options with study programs and opportunities to swap courses. A number stated that while they were initially concerned that they didn’t necessarily get into their course of first preference – there were numerous viable and in some cases better options for them as a result, and the universities had been very accommodating and helpful for those wanting to move in different directions. Jynx Khainar (2014 School Captain) was in attendance, and emailed me yesterday to inform me that he had been successful in gaining a place in the Vice Chancellor’s Ancora Imparo Student Leadership program. This is not a surprise but is a wonderful achievement and is testament to his obvious leadership abilities and potential.

I must also commend Ms Ansalde and her Year 10 “Nossal Entertainer” (Food Technology) class. A few staff members and myself were fortunate enough to be offered a specially prepared luncheon by members of this class and the resultant sumptuous repast was enjoyed by all lucky recipients. We believe this initiative is a most worthy one and should occur at least once a week, although some of us probably should be eating less, rather than more. It was a tough job, but we managed to step up and take it on. A special thanks to Brian Pham and Tuan Quach for the delicious meal they prepared for me… I am available at any time for a repeat performance.

Roger Page

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**A message from the attendance office**

**EVERY DAY COUNTS**

We all want a great education for our children and the building blocks of a great education begin with our children attending school every day.

Daily school attendance is important for young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don’t fall behind both socially and developmentally.

Research shows that it is important for habits to be developed at an early age and regular attendance will provide our children with better health outcomes, employment opportunities and higher incomes throughout their lives. Regular attendance at school will enable students to develop skills and attitudes such as punctuality, organisation and discipline when they enter the work force.

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child’s education.

If for any reason your child must miss school, inform the school as early as possible by contacting the Absence Hotline on 8762 4625 or email absence@nossalhs.vic.edu.au. For long term absences it is also suggested that you speak with your child’s teachers and find out what work your child needs to complete to keep up.

Remember,

**EVERY DAY COUNTS – ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE FOR A LIFETIME**

Audrey Alvarez
Attendance Officer
Welcome to this the first newsletter of Term 4 and for our Year 12s the last newsletter while you are a student attending classes at Nossal High School.

As a relative recent addition to the staff group at our school, I want to congratulate all the Year 12s on what I have observed to be a dedicated team of young people. Not only are our Year 12 cohort committed to achieving their personal best, but also equally committed to ensuring their friends and peers also achieve their best. By their actions, the students regardless of their year level, continually impress me with their sense of purpose and their sense of compassion and empathy. These personal qualities make Nossal High School students stand out in the community and regularly generate credit to themselves, their families and the school.

This week I was privileged to attend a lunchtime activity held by members of the Nossal High School Alumni for the current cohort of Year 12 students. The past students spoke openly and honestly about their own experiences of completing VCE and then making the transition to tertiary education. Their insight was welcomed by all who attended and I am sure provided a great source of comfort and confidence as the exam period approaches.

Congratulations to the past students of Nossal High School for your personal reflection and the inspiration it provided to the audience.

To the students studying Units 3 and 4 subjects, I wish you well for your upcoming exams. You have done all the hard work over a number of years and now the final challenge is nearly here. We as a school are very confident you will do well and I have no doubt that your families are confident of this also. Take on board the advice heard this week and remember the ATAR Score is not the ‘be all and end all’ and therefore should not be your sole focus of the exam period. Rather focus on your revision, seek that extra coaching or advice from your teachers and above all else maintain a balanced and well rested lifestyle during the next month. Looking after these things, that you have more control over, is a far better use of your energy than worrying about things that will be determined for you by others. Best wishes.

Another big activity continuing at our school is the development of the buildings and the oval. Progress on
the Weights and Table Tennis Building has continued at a steady pace with the wall frames constructed and the roofing installed. Likewise, the structural steel work on the western end of Building A continues to take shape in preparation for the pouring of the concrete flooring and construction of the wall frames.

There has also been a dramatic change in the shape of the oval since our last newsletter. Works have progressed well thanks in part to the mainly dry weather. The contractor now has the playing area roughly defined and is working on shaping the batters around the side slopes. While this is occurring, drains are being installed to make the playing surface more useable all year round. At the present rate of construction, it is hoped that the oval will be available for use early in 2016.

Keith Butler

Career News

Career news is published fortnightly to students on NEO and also on the school website /careers website/ important information. The latest Career news can be found using direct link below

Career News October 16

Facebook group

I am reposting articles from Universities and other sites that might interest students in relation to careers and course information, so please “like” Nossal High Careers page. https://www.facebook.com/pages/Nossal-High-School-Careers/607998605962698

Important reminders

Year 12

All Year 12 students will receive an email soon with last minute instructions about accessing results, the change of preference process and University information sessions held in the week of December 14 – 18. The email will also include information about accepting offers. In addition, Monash University will have a help desk at Nossal High on December 14 from 2-4pm to assist Year 12 students

Tax File Numbers: A reminder that year 12 students will need a tax file number in order to defer payments of University fees. Go to https://www.ato.gov.au

Year 9

Now is the best time for Year 9s to start thinking about work experience for 2016. Many of the best places are taken by students who organise themselves before Year 10. Some organisations are very popular and, not unexpectedly, hard to get into.

The best starting point is to identify the industry you would like to see in action and then go to their websites. Most large organisations have information about their work experience opportunities

The purpose of work experience is broad - to gain experience in a workplace that you would not normally have access to; to help build your work skills; to help you identify your interests and assist with the decision making of subject selection for the VCE and beyond.

In the past our students have had amazing experiences in law firms, law courts, hospitals, research institutions, architecture and design firms and many more.

Further information will be distributed to students this term and they can also visit the careers room to discuss their plans anytime

Julie Ryan
Careers Practitioner
NEST News

Nossal High School is working towards becoming a ResourceSmart School

Throughout the year, the Nossal Environment and Sustainability Team (NEST) has been working on completing components of the ResourceSmart Schools program. The ResourceSmart Schools program is a Victorian Government initiative that encourages real-life sustainability learning in schools to save money and promote sustainability of the environment. By completing designated “modules”, schools can then earn ResourceSmart stars, to recognise a school's progress and effort in endorsing sustainability. There are five stars and they are each valid for three years. NEST is currently working on achieving their first module and star. We would love any type of support or ideas in achieving our first star or in club activities and events.

Any parents interested in helping or contributing to NEST can email Ms Ball (jessica.ball@nossalhs.vic.edu.au) or Mr Alderton (stephen.alderton@nossalhs.vic.edu.au)
For more info about ResourceSmart schools program see http://www.resourcesmartschools.vic.gov.au. Any help is greatly appreciated.

Millie Chen
Environmental Leader

Wellbeing News

Breakfast Club

As you are aware Nossal High School is fortunate to be in a position to offer our students the opportunity to use our Breakfast Club daily.

Many of our students who travel from all over Melbourne use this program as well as students who are not fortunate to have breakfast provided.

The breakfast club is not a funded program and relies on parent and community donations.

We currently provide students with the choice of cereal, toast and spreads, tea and coffee.

Unfortunately Kellogg's are no longer in a position to donate cereal to our program, therefore we are looking for donations to ensure these items can be purchased.

If you or your family are in a position to either donate cereal, spreads or make a financial donation this would be greatly appreciated. Please see the office for more details.

Uniform & Book Donations

Donations of uniform and school text books are also of much use to the school. Both for Nossal families that are struggling to purchase all the required resources and for students who are not in full school uniform and need to borrow the appropriate clothing for a day.

Thank you

Mrs Leanne Ansalde
Director of House
2015 Valedictory Dinner

Class of 2015 Reminder
Book and pay for your tickets at
http://www.trybooking.com/HSKG

Nossal High School Valedictory Dinner
Monday November 23, 2015
at 6.30 for a 7.00 start
Victory Room
Etihad Stadium, 740 Bourke Street, Docklands
Dress code - Formal
‘Come and celebrate our Graduating Class of 2015’

Nossal Parents and Friends Association
Second Hand Uniform Shop
Monday 9th November 2015
8.30am - 9.30am
Jean Russell Centre Reception (Upstairs)

All items at least
50% OFF!
Recommended Retail

School Flannel Blazer
Wool Blend Jumper
Boys Pleated Trousers
Winter Skirt
Boys Long Sleeve Shirt
Girls Long Sleeve Blouse
Winter Sports Uniform

Summer Dress
Boys Pleated Front Short
Striped Short Sleeve Shirt
Summer Sports Uniform
School Backpack

Nb: Don't forget to come along to our end of year 2nd Hand Uniform & Book Sale on Saturday 5th December 2015
### Uniform Price List
Price as at: 02-11-2015

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**Your School Uniform is available at PSW Hampton Park**
Unit 2, 10-12 South Link
Dandenong South VIC
Shop online at www.psw.com.au

**Trading Hours**
- Winter Trading Hours*
  - Monday to Friday: 9am - 5pm
  - Saturday: 9am - 1pm
  - Sunday: Closed
- *Store hours subject to change
Saturday 21 November @ Berwick Church of Christ
Hip-Hop Tournament for new and emerging crews who have not
won a major competition.

Breaking and Beatboxing
MC feva / DJ Tofu and Rap showcase

Urban Choreography showcases:
Baby Steps / Kitar / PD Home Team

SHOWCASING
FMD XTreme!
WEB 2013-2014 Champions
Tickets on Sale Monday 26 October
www.trybooking.com/ILXT
Crew registrations $5.00/0 Open discount registration from

RECREATION PROGRAMS
WEDNESDAY
Jam Session
Commencing Wednesday 13 October
3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
Blind Bight Community Centre, Anchorage Drive
Love music? Come and Jam with us every Wednesday
afternoon of the school term.

THURSDAY
Get around it Thursdays
Commencing Thursday 15 October
3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
29 Autumn Place, Doveton
Get down to Autumn Place for a host of interactive activities.
For more information or bookings please contact City of Casey
Customer Service on 9705 5200 or visit our website:

Hampton Park Youth Information Centre offers young people
aged 10-25 and their families activity information, support
and referral on a range of issues, concerns and needs.

Hampton Park Youth Information Centre
22 - 26 Stuart Avenue
Monday to Friday 1:30 pm - 5:15 pm
Other times by appointment.

MONDAY
Healthy Habits
12 October - 7 December
Join us for a new program that combines nutrition, positive
relationships and fitness into one fun packed afternoon.

TUESDAY
Click It
23 October - 8 December
1.30 pm - 3.30 pm
Learn about story telling through photography, composition and
creative lighting.

WEDNESDAY
Crossing Cultures
14 October - 9 December
3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Expand your cultural awareness and join us to experience a new
culture each week in a program delivered by students!

FRIDAY
Total Gaming Friday
16 October - 11 December
3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Join us every Friday afternoon at Hampton Park Youth
Information Centre for games, snacks and prizes!

TUTORING
All of our Youth Information Centres offer free tutoring,
homework help or study groups facilitated by youth volunteers!
To make a booking contact us on 9705 5200
or visit us at one of our Youth Information Centres.
For more information or bookings please contact City of Casey
Customer Service on 9705 5200 or visit our website:

Cranebourne Youth Information Centre offers young people
aged 10-25 and their families activity information, support
and referral on a range of issues, concerns and needs.

Cranebourne Youth Information Centre
Shop 156, Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre
Monday to Friday 9:30 am - 5:15 pm
Other times by appointment.

MONDAY
Cranny Creations
12 October - 7 December
3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Get your creative on in our new art program. Learn screen
printing, stencil art and other amazing artistic methods.

TUESDAY
Jam Session
13 October - 8 December
3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Kick back in the Youth Centre and play some instruments
in a safe and friendly environment.

WEDNESDAY
Young Parents Group
14 October - 9 December
1.00 pm - 2.30 pm
For young parents 25 years and under with a child under 2.
Book now to meet other young parents in a fun, relaxing and
supportive environment.

FRIDAY
Total Gaming Friday
16 October - 11 December
3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Join us every Friday afternoon at Cranebourne Youth
Information Centre for games, snacks and prizes!

CASEY 360 BUS
For information on where to find the Casey 360 each
afternoon, check out our website - http://www.casey.vic.
gov.au/youth/information/casey-360
For more information or bookings please contact City of Casey
Customer Service on 9705 5200 or visit our website:

City of Casey
NRS: 133 877 (For the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)
Casey TIS: 131 450 (Translating and Interpreting Service)
Nossal Name Pavers

Make your mark at Nossal!

For only $50, you can have your name on a paver which will be laid in one particular area on the school grounds.

A lasting memorial of your school days at Nossal.

Available for Year 12s in 2015.

This is the final call before orders are closed for 2015.

Example of what your paver will look like. It will have your Name and your final year in Nossal.

Please complete the attached order form and return with payment to the Nossal High School office ASAP.

Important: Orders close on 18 September 2015.
ORDER FORM (One form per paver order)

NOSSAL PAVER – Year 12 students only

Your donation of $50/- per paver entitles YOU to have your name engraved into a paver (designed by PFA) as a lasting record of your time at Nossal and support for the school. The paver will be permanently installed in the Nossal High School grounds outdoor areas.

Engraving details: Please print name clearly in block letters. Each square represents one letter. (24 max)

Contact Name: .....................................................................................................................................
Address: ..............................................................................................................................................
Phone: ..................................................................................................................................................
Email: ..................................................................................................................................................

Payment Details: (please tick one)

☐ I have enclosed cash/cheque for $50/-  (Cheques payable to Nossal High School)

Or

☐ Please debit my credit card with the amount of $50/-   DATE: / /

Card Type: VISA CARD / MASTERCARD (Please circle one)

Card No: ___________ /___________ / ___________ / ___________

EXPIRY DATE: _____ / _____  NAME ON CARD: _____________________________

SIGNATURE: __________________________________________

Payment for: Signature Bricks Order
Please hand in to the Nossal High School Office or email to nossalpfa@gmail.com

Offer closes on the 18th September, 2015

Thank you for your order - needs your support!

A SHORT EXTENSION HAS BEEN GRANTED
DON'T WAIT
PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW!