2015 Applications

Applications for Year 7 Enrolments for 2015, and for 2015 Scholarships are now being accepted. The closing date for applications is Friday 30 May 2014.

Scholarships have a two part application process. Please visit the Nagle College website (www.nagle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/scholarships) for the Scholarship page. Applicants need to register to sit the ACER exam online (links from our website), and pay the application fee, which covers the cost of providing the test papers and having them marked. You are then provided with an ACER Customer Reference Number. The second part of the application process is to print out the Application Form from the Nagle website. On this form you need to quote your ACER Customer Reference Number. This form is then submitted to Nagle College.

Families who are applying for Year 7 in 2015, or current families in Year 7 to Year 11, are eligible to apply for Scholarships.

The testing date for all Scholarship applicants is Saturday 14 June, 2014.

Enrolment applications can be downloaded from the Nagle website (on the Enrolments page). Forms need to be completed and signed by both parents and a copy of the child’s Birth Certificate is required when sending in the application.

Enquiries should be directed to:

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Talk & Walk Tours

Tours are offered to prospective or current families who would like to see the College in action during a normal school day.

Tours leave at 9.00 am from Reception most Mondays. The tour takes approximately 75 minutes and are conducted by our Year 9 Junior House Captains.

Places are limited for each tour so please book ahead by contacting the Registrar on 5152 9928 or registrar@nagle.vic.edu.au.

2014 OPEN NIGHT
Wednesday 14 May
4:30 – 8:00 pm

Past, present and prospective families are invited to visit the College to see us in action.

Information Sessions for new families will be held at:
- 5:00, 6:00 and 7:00 pm in the St John Bosco Chapel.
- Show bags – Quizzes – Tours
- Sausage Sizzle – Displays

Demonstrations and so much more!
All Learning Areas will be open.

Second Hand Uniform Shop
2nd Tuesday of the month
1.00 - 4.00 pm

2014 Dates:
- May 13 – June 10 – August 5
- September 9 – October 14
- November 11 – December 2

If you have any questions, or would like to become a volunteer, please contact College Reception on 5152 6122.

Front Cover

During the Year 12 Retreat at Harrietville, students worked in small groups to design and make their own mandalas, using coloured grains of rice. The photo on the front cover shows one of the many colourful and unique mandalas created. More pictures and story are on Page 4.
A New Year

Nagle College commenced the year by welcoming 187 new Year 7 students, 20 new students at other year levels, eight new teaching and four new support members of staff. We also welcomed back six teachers who were returning from various periods of leave. The term has now settled and we have 985 students ensuring we have a busy and productive year ahead.

We successfully separated the Leadership Mass and the Commencement Assembly by conducting the assembly on the first day of all students returning. We recognised the high achievers from the class of 2013 including our Dux, Callum Tomlinson-Dale, and presented badges to our House and College Leaders. A couple of weeks later we celebrated the Leadership Mass led by Frs Peter, Bernard, Janeesh and Joe.

This year marks the full introduction of laptop computers for all students. These devices are a powerful learning tool which enhance student learning, enabling them to access information, to explore many and varied approaches to learning. They also provide new avenues to store information and present information in more meaningful and creative formats. One of our challenges is to balance student use of their computers and their ability to hand write tasks whilst this remains a requirement of VCE Exams.

We commenced the year with refreshed classrooms in the Religious Education Centre and much improved acoustics in the Art and Textiles rooms. We are looking forward of the building of the new Trade Skills Centre which will enhance the provision of VET subjects and the learning spaces which will replace our current portable classrooms. We expect the Trade Skills Centre to be completed by the end of the year and the additional learning spaces by Semester 2 in 2015.

Student Achievements

We were thrilled to hear of the recognition given to Year 10 student Breanna Janson who received a Premier’s Spirit of ANZAC Award from the Department of Veterans’ Affairs. Breanna will travel to Gallipoli along with the eleven other recipients. Breanna composed a moving poem about her great grandfather who was involved in WWII. The full poem was printed in the previous edition of the Nagle News.

Year 12 student David Long scored very well in his VCE Music Performance subject last year. David was then selected by VCAA to perform one of his pieces at the Melbourne Recital Centre, Southbank. This was a great honour to be part of the ‘Top Class’ concert series celebrating students talents, and selection is a rare achievement.

These achievements again demonstrate what is possible for our students. This is a credit to them, their families and their teachers.
It has been an exciting start to the year with Year
12 students attending Retreat at Harrietville
on the first Monday of term. Students had
the opportunity to step back and prepare
themselves for the year ahead. They enjoyed
discussion in small groups, meditations, fun
ice-breaker activities with the whole year level,
reconciliation and Mass with Fr Jenish, ice-
cream and frequent swims in the creek and
indoor pool. Staff and students enjoyed the
opportunity to bond, reflect and prepare
for this important year and valued the
input from the staff who prepared talks and the trainees who prepared
ice-breakers. The highlights included
the beautiful rice mandalas prepared by
the students to reflect their spirituality, and
the Fashion Parade.

The Leadership Mass, the first of the year, was
based on the Year 12 motto – Every Step We
Take, We Take Together. We were led by
the new Liturgical Music Class in the
singing and enjoyed their harmonies
and singing of the Colton Dixon song
‘You Are’ for reflection. Father Bickley
gave an inspiring and interactive Homily
on leadership and invited the College
Captains to take a wrist band and a head band
from his recent travels to the Australian Tennis
Open, to remind them of their need to lead
with integrity and inspire others to follow
them.

Year 9 and 10 students were given the
opportunity to have a different type of
Retreat this year. A facilitator from Karis
Ministries, Chris Doyle, led the unique
experience in the Chapel for the day. In Year
9, the focus was being yourself. In Year 10, the
focus was more on being and giving your best,
putting your best foot forward and trying
despite the challenges confronting you.
Two comments below are from a boy and
the second a girl on the Year 9 Retreat:

He was trying to teach us
To be happy
To be positive
To respect people
To be selfless

I learnt
That you have to be positive
That you have to be happy
That you have to respect everyone.

I liked Year 9 Retreat because no one
cared what anybody else thought. They
just sang and danced because THEY
wanted to, and they weren’t embarrassed to
do it. I liked the advice that he gave all of us,
because he actually got us and related well to us.
Music Happenings

Mr Andrew Long, 
Music Program Co-ordinator

Term 1 Events

Nagle Music has started the year with many performances, both within the College and out in the wider community. After only one week back, ‘Nagle Tunes’ and ‘Cookies & Cream Showband’ provided entertainment for the ‘Relay for Life’ at the Lucknow oval. Several other Nagle students also performed at this event during Saturday night and Sunday morning. Our students always welcome the opportunity to support this community event and the fundraising that assists the fight against cancer. We thank the organisers for inviting us back for the fourth year and look forward to continuing our contribution.

The following weekend the ‘Cookies & Cream Showband’ delighted crowds at the Bruthen Blues and Arts Festival. Performing on a truck tray adds both performance and musical challenges, which is a good experience for our musicians. The Sunday morning street performance had a great atmosphere and it is always good to see the audience enjoying the music from our youth.

The next gig was the Paynesville Music Festival. This year we were on the main barge from 12.30 to 1.30 pm, one of the busiest times for the weekend. The crowd was estimated by the organisers to be approximately 600 people, all relaxing on boats or the grassy area, listening to and enjoying the music. We had many positive comments, mostly about how great it was to witness our Nagle students enjoying making music, and sharing it with others. If only they new how much fun is had at rehearsals working out and refining the performance.

Other music/performance opportunities during Term 1 included a performance by the Choir and the Liturgical Music Class. They provided music and hymns for the College Leadership Mass, giving ownership of the mass to the students. A lunchtime music performance on the outdoor stage gave a chance for many music students to perform in front of their peers (this is often harder than performing to the wider community).

As with any school band program the change of a year means the senior and often most experienced performers leave the ensembles as they depart from their secondary schooling. This leaves wonderful opportunities for other students to ‘step up’ to take their place. This is the time of year when bandleaders focus on rebuilding the balance and repertoire of each ensemble.

Our instrumental lessons launched to a great start with over 50 additional students (mostly Year 7a) enrolled in instrumental music lessons! The increase in enrolments is fantastic for the future of music at Nagle, as these students will soon be moving up into ensembles and filling valuable positions within our bands.

I would like to welcome all new students, parents and teachers now involved in the instrumental music program. May we all look forward to a wonderful ‘musical’ year ahead.

High Performers

David Long, as a Year 11 student in 2013, completed Units 3 and 4 VCE Music Performance with a study score of 42, gaining him Dux of the subject. David studied Drumkit and performed as a soloist for his final assessment. Combined with the music theory exam, the final 25 minute performance examination consisted of six pieces, both accompanied and unaccompanied in front of an assessment panel in Melbourne.

After receiving his results in December 2013, David was notified that he had been selected to perform one of his six pieces at the Melbourne Recital Centre, Southbank for the 2014 VCE Seasons of Excellence: Top Class Music Concert. David was one of 37 performers chosen from 250 A performances across the state to participate in this incredible musical event in front of a sell-out audience of 900 people.

David is a member of the Jessica Ellen Trio band, the Nagle Music Captain and has played drums in many musicals including ‘Grease’ (Nagle College), ‘Chicago’ and ‘Guys & Dolls’ with Bairnsdale Production Line.

This year, David is studying VCE Music Investigation and next year hopes to be accepted into the Generations In Jazz Academy in Mt Gambier, before then going on to complete his Bachelor of Music (performance) at Monash University.

Mia Fountain, Year 9 Avila, is the keyboard player in our ‘Cookies & Cream Showband’. Mia was recently awarded the Nancye Woodford Scholarship. This Scholarship is awarded through the Australia and New Zealand Cultural Arts (ANZCA) to one student aged under 17 years in Victoria with the highest examination marks for Grade 5 AMEB theory.

Mia has been studying music (piano) since the age of 8 and is a worthy recipient, scoring 90 out of a possible 100 for her exam.

We congratulate both David and Mia.

Photos on this page show the ‘Cookies and Cream Showband’ (far left), the ‘Nagle Tunes’ (middle column), David Long during a performance at the 2013 Annual Music Night, and Mia Fountain the keyboard player in the ‘Cookies and Cream Showband’.
Newman Clinch Exciting Victory

Newman snatched an exciting 23 points victory over Bosco in our Swimming Carnival. Chisholm House were the big improvers to finish in third place ahead of Avila and MacKillop. Chisholm swimmers picked up five new records with Josh Seignior breaking records in his 50m Butterfly and Freestyle events, and Davide Colombo claiming a new record in his 50m Butterfly event. Chisholm also recorded new times in the Boys Open Medley and Year 8 Boys Freestyle relays. Other records also went to Bosco's Year 8 Girls Freestyle Relay and the Newman Year 7 Mixed Freestyle Relay teams. In the House Spirit Trophy, Avila took the honours with overall wins in the cork scramble and Line Pass events.

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Senior Cricket

The Nagle Senior Boys Cricket team won their first round game against Bairnsdale Secondary College to progress into the Gippsland Finals. In their game against Bairnsdale, Nick Woodland, Andrew Bennett and Aiden Gove shared the bowling honours to dismiss them for just 58 off 19 overs. The Nagle batsmen reached the required total in 11 overs and went on to score 134 off their 20 overs with Nick Woodland top scoring with 64. In the Gippsland round, Nagle played Neerim Secondary College. The Nagle bowlers struggled to contain the opposition batsmen as they amassed 158 off their 20 overs. Having to score at eight runs per over to win, the Nagle top order batsmen went on the attack but unfortunately lost several key wickets. The Neerim bowlers restricted Nagle's run chase and looked like cruising to a comfortable victory. However, in a remarkable swing in the game, Nagle’s Kurtis Geier and Jack Reid established a great middle order recovery which unfortunately finished just 8 runs short of the required total. Jack was dismissed for 49 and Kurtis remained 56 not out in Nagle’s total of 151.

Pictured at right [top] are Nagle Captains Brayden McCarrey and Nic Woodland; [middle] Jack Reid and Kurtis Geier the top scorers for Nagle; [bottom] the Nagle Senior Boys Cricket Team.

Nagle Dominant in Orbost Carnival

Nagle finished on top in the overall pointscore in the East Gippsland School Sport Victoria swimming carnival conducted at Orbost. Our swimmers dominated the individual events with 47 first places.

Swimmers to win all their five events included Sarah Malcolm and Alessia Colombo. Other swimmers to record multiple first places included Josh Seignior, Ben Bulling, Ben Howden, Davide Colombo, Jake Strini, Liam Nicholls, Jordan Strini, Jess Stevenson and Harry Cook. The other feature of Nagle’s performance was their strength in the relays, winning 14 of the 18 events.

Other Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to the following students for their achievements in their chosen sporting arenas:

Sophie Molineux, Year 10 Avila, was named Player of the Tournament playing for Victoria at the Under 18 National Cricket Championships. Sophie was also named Player of the Tournament at the State Titles, taking the highest statistics in both batting and bowling.

Aislin Jones, Year 8 Bosco, shot a perfect score of 100/100 at the Frankston Skeet Shooting Championships. This gave her a win in her B Grade and the overall section, but also ensured her to become the youngest shooter to complete a perfect score in Australian shooting history.

Zoe Carr, Year 8 Bosco, and Patrick Deery, Year 10 Polding, both gained selection as ball girl and ball boy at the 2014 Australian Open held in Melbourne in January.

Ryan Pedretti, Year 10 Avila, has been selected to travel to Canada and the United States of America in June this year as part of Sports Travel Australia’s Athletic Tour, a three-week trip of training, competing and sightseeing.

Austin Hodge, Year 9 Xavier, played for the Under 16 Victorian Country Bushrangers at the Australian Country Junior Basketball Cup held in Albury/Wodonga in January. Austin was also Captain of the team that made it through to the gold medal final, losing by a narrow four points to take out the silver medal and second place.

Sophie Molineux  Aislin Jones  Zoe Carr  Patrick Deery  Ryan Pedretti  Austin Hodge
During Term 1 our Eco Warriors have conducted eight one-hour workshops for Year 6 students on the health of the Gippsland Lakes. The students were able to observe bird populations and habitat in the Lakes, food chains, foreshore vegetation, and seagrasses.

The schools involved were Paynesville Primary, Bairnsdale Christian Community School, Eagle Point Primary, Bairnsdale 754 Primary, Lucknow Primary and Gippsland Grammar Primary. The project was in partnership with the East Gippsland Shire and the Gippsland Lakes Ministerial Taskforce. At the conclusion of the program, the Year 9 students and their teachers, Mrs Andrea Savage and Miss Jacinta Preston, enjoyed an interpretive cruise on the Lakes as a reward for their mentoring days. The cruise also provided an opportunity to observe birdlife and habitat in the Lakes and at Ocean Grange, looking at forecasts of coastal inundations as a result of sea level rise and severe storm events.

Dr Kate Charlton Ross, a marine biologist, was a surprise guest on this cruise. Dr Ross is attributed with having genetically tested and identified the Gippsland Lakes Burrunan dolphins.
Getting Creative

Grenardi Experience

Mrs Sally Bailey took three classes to talks at Grenardi over a week in late February. The Year 11 Visual Communication Design class worked with the Grenardi tutors through three workshops. They were given a book cover brief and worked with the Drawing, Photography and Design tutors to replicate working in a similar environment as a tertiary student working at university. The Year 11s experienced drawing illustration, studio photography and layout design using the Macintosh design software. They enjoyed the environment and tasks and the opportunity to view visual graphic art of a very high standard.

The Year 12 class also visited Grenardi to observe the visual communication presentations of the 2nd year students, and then undertook a tutorial session led by Martin Garoni, who is the senior design tutor and graphic designer. Martin discussed techniques and processes used by graphic designers in the workplace and then worked through a number of his own client projects from the beginning brief through the design stage and the final presentation. This was a vital learning experience for the Year 12s as understanding how designers work in the graphic design industry is part of the Unit 3 Visual Communication Design course requirements. Students viewed graphic imagery of a professional standard which helped inspire them in the future work.

Edible Art

Early in Term 1, Mrs Lorna Elliott’s Year 10 Special Occasion Food students were practising their knife skills in the kitchen. They thoroughly enjoyed mastering their techniques when learning about food presentation. Using a variety of fruits and vegetables, the students also worked with colour and textures to create artistic and visually pleasing food platters. The exercise was interesting, the food art was fun to make and some great skills were achieved. As can be seen by the photos below, the results look good enough to eat!
News from our Past Students

Where Are They Now?

Tamzin Rollason (Class of 1987) is a recipient of the School of Geography and Environmental Science Awards 2013 from Monash University (Clayton campus). Tamzin was awarded this prize in recognition of her outstanding academic achievement in Geography and Environmental Science during 2013. Tamzin was invited to attend the award ceremony held in March 2014 but had to decline as she and her family are on a six month sabbatical in France. Since leaving school in 1987, Tamzin has completed a Masters in Environmental Consumerism (with 1st Class Honours) and is married to Michael Stewardson, an Associate Professor at Melbourne University. Tamzin is pictured at right with her family at Melbourne Airport on their way to Lyon, France.

Rachel Bromage (Banson) (Class of 1993) has formed a partnership with her father, Michael Banson, and sister Jacqui Banson (Class of 1991) in purchasing and renovating the local iconic Riversleigh Hotel. Rachel has 15 years’ experience in hospitality having managed an accommodation business in Metung. Jacqui is well known to most people in Bairnsdale as the owner of the New Leaf Café. Jacqui runs her own catering business and has catered for many Nagle College functions including Debutante Balls and Valedictory Dinners. This new partnership is fresh lease of life on the Riversleigh Hotel which is once again open for business.

Grace Newton (Class of 2013) is the recipient of the Alexander and Bridget Jones Memorial Scholarship that assists students from regional and rural areas who are studying at Melbourne University. Grace is hoping that her studies in creative writing and history in her degree will lead to post graduate studies in Journalism.

Kimberly Bailey (Class of 2008), Daniel Livingstone (Class of 2008), and Melody Cheung (Class of 2006) have completed their Gold Level of the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Scheme. Joining them for this special occasion was another past student, Zachariah Nelson who last year at the end of 2007 to pursue his sporting interests in Melbourne. Zac now completes a full complement of eight Gold Awards for his family as all his older brothers have attained their Gold Awards. Kimberly, Daniel, Melody and Zac were presented with their Gold Awards on December 11, 2013. The Awards were presented by His Excellency the Honourable Alex Chernov AC QC, Governor of Victoria at a Gold Award Ceremony held at Government House in Melbourne. This is an outstanding achievement and we warmly congratulate them on their dedication and perseverance in completing this internationally recognised award. Pictured at right are Zac Nelson, Melody Cheung, Mr Frank Bailey (Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Leader/Mentor), Kimberly Bailey and Daniel Livingstone.

Regina Virgo (Class of 2011) has received a Tennis Coaches Australia Victoria Award for her dedication to tennis coaching. Regina is the assistant coach at the Bairnsdale Tennis Club. The TCAV Awards are about celebrating and acknowledging the achievement so many fine coaches at various stages of their careers.

Rest in Peace:

We are always saddened to hear news of the death of any past community members. Our thoughts and prayers are with the following families:


Mrs Jean Nardello died on February 11, 2014, mother of Carlo (Class of 1980) and Angela (Class of 1983), and wife to Angelo.

Mrs Ellen Fallon died on February 10, 2014, mother of John (Class of 1968), and grandmother of Robbie (Class of 1996) and Ross (Class of 1999).

Brandon Hayes (Class of 2014, but left in 2011) 30/5/1996 – 31/1/2014, son to Lennie and Barbara Hayes.

Mr Michael John Terry died on 29 January 2014, father of Sean (Class of 1989), Kirsten (Class of 1991) and Bronwyn (Class of 1998).

Mrs Jenny Alcoe died on January 26, 2014 having lost her battle with cancer. Jenny is a past staff member at Nagle College and is the wife of Mr John Alcoe, also a past staff member.

Mr Keith Helmers died on January 22, 2014, father of Michael (Class of 1987).

Mr William Cullen died on January 13, 2014. Bill is the stepfather of Laura Davidson (Class of 2013).

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The results were to be announced the following Friday and as my interview was on the Wednesday, I had two days to constantly worry about the outcome. I knew that either way I would be receiving a great trip, whether it be overseas, or to Canberra. That Friday, my Dad called me with the results, which were that I had won the trip overseas. At first, I was disbelieving and thought that Dad had heard the results wrong. When I was assured I had received a place, I was over the moon with excitement. That day will go down in history as one of the best days of my life.

On Friday 7 February, I attended the official award ceremony for the Spirit of ANZAC Prize at Parliament House in Melbourne. Prior to this, I had been asked to recite my poem to an audience of dignitaries, special guests, representatives from Australia’s armed forces and politicians after all twelve students had been presented with our certificates by the Premier of Victoria. Again, I was sick with nerves, but recited my poem without a fault. I was relieved that I hadn’t forgotten the words, and surely didn’t expect all the feedback I would get. All day I had people coming up to me congratulating me on the trip and commenting on my poem. Another highlight of the day was getting to meet the other eleven recipients of the prize.

As much as having the opportunity to speak at functions and having my poem published is great, just knowing that my poem has impacted people, and has touched their heart, is all I could ever want out of this experience. The most important thing, for me, is bringing to light the stories – like my Great Granddad’s – that aren’t well known, and recognizing that all soldiers and nurses, whether they are famous or not, are heroes.

As you can see, entering the Spirit of ANZAC Prize has already had a profound impact on my life, and I would encourage all Year 9 and 10 students to enter. The competition is open until October, so students have months to prepare their entries. The competition is all about keeping the ANZAC Spirit alive, and how, as young Australians, we can acknowledge and appreciate the deeds performed by our past servicemen and women. It is essential that we keep the ANZAC Spirit alive so we can pass on the heroic stories of our servicemen to the future generations of Australia, so these great acts of mateship, courage and determination will never be forgotten.

‘Lest We Forget’

The photos at left and below show Breanna at Parliament House in Melbourne where she was awarded her Premier’s Spirit of ANZAC Prize with the 11 other recipients from across Victoria. The Prize was presented by the Victorian Premier, Dr Denis Napthine, and previous Victorian Premier, Mr Ted Baillieu.
Year 7 Orientation Camps

New Year 7 students participated in the Orientation Camp at Lake Tyers from February 24 to March 7. After arriving at Camp on the first day, students settled into the accommodation and prepared themselves for three days of activities.

Day 1 saw students involved in team building games, initiative challenges, beach triathlon and a bush tucker taster run by Cassie Harrap. A hearty evening meal at camp was followed by a night of mental and physical challenges which was very entertaining at times.

Day 2 involved a theory and practical session on Fish Care (piscatorial studies) followed by the opportunity to put newly learned skills into practice. A very informative Koorie culture art workshop was conducted by Alife Hudson, with the students creating an individual art work to be archived and presented on graduation in Year 12 as a memento of their time at Nagle College. An evening group presentation rounded off the second day.

Day 3 had students complete a beach hike with a sand sculpture competition at the end of the walk. The students, many with tired faces, headed back to school as another group arrived for the next camp. A great time was had by all.