Dear Nagle College Community

Reflection
Enthusiasm is the greatest asset in the world. It beats money, power and influence. H Chest

VCE Exams
The final exams are well underway and by now some students have sat their final assessment.
A special thank you to Mrs Geraldine Greenland, our senior Curriculum Coordinator, who attends to the overall organising and coordinating here at Nagle. Thank you also to our students who have been accommodating and minimised noise levels in the vicinity of the exams.

Trades Skills Centre
We were delighted last week to officially open and bless the new Trades Skills Centre. Local Federal Member of Parliament, Mr Darren Chester, represented the Government and Fr Peter, representing the Bishop, attended to the formalities. It was also an opportunity to thank our architects – SLAP Pty Ltd and our builders – Brookers Pty Ltd and our own staff and students who were involved in the project and the opening.

New Partnership
Last week the seven Catholic Secondary Colleges in the Sale Diocese, the Catholic Education Office and Federation University signed a five year Memorandum of Understanding which enables us to work together to promote secondary students’ literacy skills; improve pre-service teachers practice rounds and generally enhance the educational aspirations of the school communities involved.

Salesian Schools
At last week’s Salesian Principals’ Meeting, discussions included a proposed visit from a group of Samoan students from Salesian schools in 2016. We look forward to this exciting opportunity.

Year 10 and 11 Exams
Our senior year levels will sit their end of course exams next week. This is an important opportunity for students to practice sitting formal assessments. Such exams are the best possible practice they will have to prepare themselves for the external VCE exams. Revising through regular study will give students the best chance of performing at their best. Students and parents are encouraged to discuss how they can put in place a study routine.

Presentation Night
A reminder that Presentation Night is on Wednesday 2 December. All students are expected to attend.

Listening and Hearing
In this age of mobile phones, radio, television and social media most of us spend more and more of our time listening, but does that necessarily make us better listeners? Recent American studies have found
From the Principal

that 75% of people’s waking day is spent in verbal communication: 30% in talking and 45% in listening. It was discovered that most do not know how to hear, when we do listen.

The same studies suggest the average person is a half-listener, retaining only about 50% of what they hear. Good listening does not come naturally to most, but is a skill we need to learn. It seems there are so many things inside us that divert us unless we learn the skill of active listening. So why can it be difficult? Well, most people speak at 125 words per minute, but we actually think four times faster than that. In each minute a person talks to us, we have about 400 words of thinking time to spare, so it’s important how we handle that.

Concentration is the key. Poor listeners tend to be easily distracted. A good listener instinctively learns how to fight distractions, enabling them to progressively become more and more deeply into contact with the others person’s inner world. When we listen effectively it’s amazing how much we learn and gain. We would do well to remember the adage “be slow to speak and quick to listen”!

Deputy - Principal Pastoral
Mrs Sharon Buurman

Hats
I would like to remind all families that as part of our uniform expectations it is compulsory for students to wear hats whilst outside this term.

Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner
On 1 July this year, the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner was established to deal with complaints of cyberbullying targeted at children. The office has absorbed the Australian Communication and Media Authority’s cybersmart program. The office has excellent resources and information relating to cybersafety that parents and students can access at www.esafety.gov.au.

Students Attending Sick Bay
There are occasions during the day when some students may need to report to Sick Bay as they are feeling unwell. On arrival to Sick Bay a member of our Student Reception staff will assess the student and if necessary telephone the child’s parent or emergency contact to recommend that the child be sent home.

I have been informed that some students are calling or texting their parents to ask them to collect them from school. This is not part of our procedure and could result in students being picked up unnecessarily. I ask all families to please wait for a phone call from Student Reception before coming to collect their child. If you are concerned please do not hesitate to telephone Student Reception on 5152 9907.

Nagle College House Captains and Oratory Representatives 2016
“You are the light of the world. A town cannot be built on a hill or hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl, instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see good works and give glory to your Father in heaven” (Matthew 5: 14-16).

These words from the Gospel of Matthew call us to let our light shine in the world. God has given our students many wonderful talents and abilities and calls them to service – to make our world a better place, to shine their light and by their example to spread the good news and to do good works. One way our students can do so is through taking on a formal position of leadership. It is through their role modelling and actions that they can work together to leave their legacy at Nagle College. It gives me great pleasure to announce the 2016 House Captains and Year 8 Oratory Representatives. I congratulate them on their appointments and wish them well in their year of leadership.
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Finishing the Academic Year Well
The academic school year is fast coming to a close with only next week until the Promotion Period commences. Year 12 students have completed all coursework for the year and the VCE students are in the midst of their exams. All of the official unit results for VCE and VCAL are due this week. The Year 10 and 11 exams commence next week and students should be well into their revision programs as well as completing any remaining coursework. Students in Year 7 to 9 are finishing courses and completing assessment tasks.

This is the time when students are under pressure to complete any remaining work for the academic year and they need to remain focused so that they submit all work that is expected to as high a standard as possible. Students must continue to work consistently and conscientiously to complete all set tasks. It is expected that students satisfactorily complete a given year and I encourage parents to support staff in ensuring that outstanding tasks are completed prior to the end of the year.

Promotion Period Begins on 17 November
Tuesday 17 November marks the commencement of our annual “Promotion” period. Students will be promoted to the next year level for the promotion period. The last three weeks of the year will commence the curriculum that will be continued when they return in 2016. Promotion gives students the opportunity to settle into the next year level and become familiar with their new classmates and the curriculum, prior to finishing the current school year. It is important that students see these three weeks as a foundation for the subjects that will continue in the new year. The curriculum covered is part of the first semester’s work and will be assessed as such. It is important for students and parents alike to keep this in mind and remember that attendance during promotion period is critical to end this year well and lay the foundation for a great start in 2016. Any work missed in promotion will need to be made up at the start of next year.

Year 10 and 11 Exams
The Year 10 and 11 exams are next week: Monday 9 November to Friday 13 November. The letter to parents, the exam timetable and expectations of students were distributed to Year 10 and 11 students last week. This information is also available from the Nagle College website. Students should be well into their preparations and revision for the exams. Studying should be a part of their everyday routine and not just limited to ‘cramming’ before the exam.

Years 10 and 11 - Preparing for Examinations
Whilst many of the senior students find this time of the year a particularly demanding one, there are some actions they can take to maximise effective examination preparation. The most fundamental of actions is to draw up a study planner. One mistake students may fall into is to only study for their first examination thinking that they will have time after this to prepare for the others. Experience tells us that students need to have a revision program in place that encompasses all areas of study for which they will be examined. This ensures that learning and understanding is consolidated rather than ‘cramped’ at the last minute, in turn, this enhances confidence and minimizes any potential stress prior to an examination.

Devising an Examination Study Planner
For each subject it is worth scheduling short revision times rather than one lengthy session. In addition, it is most important to assign specific segments of work to each review time and consider alternating harder tasks with easier ones. Setting realistic limits on the amount of study that can be done is important in terms of effective use of time; furthermore, it is important to allow regular breaks for rest and relaxation. Noting down how many days there are between now and the start of the examinations will help to ensure that the plan is workable and help negate any unexpected factors that may hinder the plan.

Before the Examination
Check the time and date of the examination. Check materials that are permitted to be brought into the examination. Getting a good night’s sleep and having a healthy meal before the examination are two common sense strategies that will help students ensure that they are well prepared, enabling them to perform at their best. It’s never too late to plan and to put in a little extra effort.
Understanding Stress
Stress is an emotional/bodily reaction to physical, psychological or emotional demands. Stress is a fact of life. Many students experience stress at various times during their schooling, however, these feelings are usually more pronounced at this time of the year. Hence the managing of these feelings of stress becomes particularly important when completing exams. Moreover, how these feelings are managed often means the difference between coping and not coping with the myriad of demands placed on students at this time. One important point to remember is that to feel a certain degree of stress is normal. In fact, if we weren’t feeling stressed at various times, we would probably be underperforming. A degree of stress is necessary to enable the brain to function properly so that individuals can perform at their best. Normalising stress is an important aspect of how we think and how we deal with our feelings.

2017 Scholarships
Nagle College has a scholarship program for high achieving students. This reinforces the culture of high achievement and excellence within the College. The scholarships are open for new and current students. There are scholarships for Academic Excellence, the Arts and Sport for all year levels. There is a scholarship test that all aspiring scholarship holders must sit as part of this process. The test is set and corrected by the ACER (Australian Council of Educational Research). The test is on Saturday 19 March, 2016 and applications close on Friday 4 March 2016. Parents enrol for the scholarship test online on the ACER website – there is a cost involved in sitting the tests. Information about the scholarship program and how to apply is on the Nagle College website.

Year 7 2016 Orientation Day
The Orientation Day is Tuesday 1 December. On this day the Year 7 students for 2016 attend the College for the day, receive a lot of information for 2016 and participate in a special program. This day makes the start of 2016 so much easier and smoother for students.

Stationery Lists
The Nagle College 2016 booklist(s) are now available for ordering via the Schoolworks Supplies website (www.schoolworkssupplies.com.au). Order line items are listed on your student’s individual booklist which will correspond to Schoolworks Supplies ordering system.

Any student undertaking a VCE, VET or VCAL subject in 2016 should have already ordered their text books to ensure they were available for promotion.

This year a copy of each student’s individual booklist is available via their profile on SIMON (students click on Learning Resources). Parents can access the booklists via their myChild login (Click on student photo, select generate booklist). Please be aware that these booklists are based on students current subject selections, any recent subject changes may not be included on your students booklist (so please check the list before purchasing).

Please place your orders for 2016 Year 7-10 booklists by 18 November. These will be available for collection directly from Schoolworks Supplies (they have moved and are no longer EG books), 147 Macleod Street, Bairnsdale from Wednesday 13 January. Any parents of new Year 7 students in 2016 will receive a paper copy of the booklist with their Year 7 Welcome Packs (please read the instructions carefully before ordering).

If you have any queries please contact the Curriculum Office on 5152 9937 or matkinson@ngle.vic.edu.au.

End of Semester Reports
Teachers will shortly complete the end of Semester 2 reports for all classes. Whilst this happens towards the beginning of promotion, the proofreading and collation of reports takes some time. We also have to include information from the VCAA in relation to VCE and VCAL certificates for senior students. The reports will be published online (not printed and posted home in a similar way as the mid-Semester reports). A more detailed timeline and options for parents who cannot access reports online will be published in the next Newsletter.
Neal Wilson Music Scholarship
It is with great pleasure that we call for applications for the 2016 Neal Wilson Music Scholarship.

Neal Wilson established and ran the Nagle College Music Program from 1978 to 1997. As Director of Music, Neal engaged countless students to the music program who have cherished the gift of music. Before coming to Bairnsdale and Nagle College Neal was a Drum Major in the Australian Army Band. To this day we appreciate Neal’s contribution to our music program and thank the Bairnsdale RSL for recognising and continuing Neal’s legacy. This scholarship has been made possible by the generosity of the Bairnsdale RSL who wish to encourage students to develop and pursue instrumental music, both at Nagle College and continuing throughout their lives.

A $500 Scholarship will be awarded to a selected music student who is actively involved in instrumental music and intends to study classroom music up to and through their senior years.

Application forms can be collected from Student Reception or the Music office and need to be returned to Student Reception marked “Neal Wilson Scholarship” by Wednesday 11 November 2015. Please contact Director of Music, Andrew Long for further information.

East Gippsland Awards
Several Nagle College students featured in the East Gippsland Sports Foundation annual awards presented last week. Aislin Jones was crowned Young Sportsperson of the Year, for her achievements in skeet shooting, both in Australia and internationally. Josh Seignior and Sophie Molineux were both presented with the inaugural Harvey Bates Achiever Award. Sophie recently signed with the Melbourne Renegades in women’s cricket, and will captain the Victorian U18 team in the National Championships. Josh continues to produce personal best time in the pool with his breaststroke events and is competing in the Pacific School Games. Other students to be recognised on the night included Tom Fisher in triathlon, Jemma Stokes for volleyball and Ryan Pedretti in athletics. Past student Mikayla Blackshaw was also presented with the Achiever of the Year Award for her ongoing involvement in hockey, especially in the coaching area. Now a tertiary student in Melbourne, Mikayla has continued to play hockey with the Camberwell Club and coached the South East Country Cougars Team.

Cross Country Report
After cancelling the Inter-House Cross Country twice during Term 3 due to rain, the event was finally run last Wednesday. The event was voluntary for students and it was pleasing to see that close to 160 students took the opportunity to compete. We were blessed with a beautiful morning and many fast times were run on the slightly shortened course. At the conclusion of the event the top three runners in each year level were recognised with a medal and ribbons.

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Points were awarded for participation and final places to determine the winning House. Congratulations to Chisholm House who are the Cross Country Champions for 2015.

Nagle Landcare and Friends of the Rainforest Working Bee
10.00 am - 12.00 noon
Saturday 7 November - Meet at the Spirit Tree

You are invited to join our State Winning Nagle Landcare Team and enjoy making a positive difference to your local environment. Our project includes removing invasive willows from our streamside, mulching and planting into our Rainforest site, removing pest weed species and building good community relationships.

We want to see Eco Warriors, past, present and future.
For further information please contact Mrs Andrea Savage on asavage@nagle.vic.edu.au.

Follow us on Instagram at nagle_rainforest_project

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**School News**

**Golf State Finals**
Six Nagle students travelled to Gardener’s Run Golf Course in Lilydale for the School Sport Victoria Golf State Finals on Friday 30 October. Although the College did not return with the honours, three of our students achieved their personal best. Thank you to Mrs Tania Holmes for accompanying the students.

A further congratulations to the following students who have been selected to play in the Victorian Open on November 21: Corey Hardy, Jordan Hay, Daniel Churches, Angus McPherson and Jesse Turner.

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**Sport News**
**Student Achievement Nominations**

Once again we will be including pages on Student Achievements in our Yearbook. The Student Achievements showcase those students who have represented at State or National Level in their chosen area – sporting, cultural, and artistic. We are seeking nominations for 2015. Parents are encouraged to nominate their child/ren who meet the criteria by providing the following information:

- Name of child
- Year Level and House
- Short paragraph on the achievement – eg represented Victoria in the Under 16 Hockey team in the National Championships held in Hobart. Won Most Valuable Player Award/Captained the Team.
- A high resolution photo of the child in action (preferable), or in their representative strip/uniform.

Information should be sent to Ms Rhonda Lawrance via email registrar@nagle.vic.edu.au. Queries can also be directed to Rhonda on 5152 9928 or via email.

*Deadline for nominations is Friday 20 November, 2015.*

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**Finishing Dates for 2015**

- **Wednesday 2 December:** Last day for Year 10, 11 and 12 students - normal dismissal time of 3.20pm
- *Presentation Night is held on this date and is compulsory.*
- **Friday 4 December:** Last day for Year 8 and 9 students - normal dismissal time of 3.20pm
- **Thursday 10 December:** Last day for Teaching staff
- **Wednesday 16 December:** Front Office closes at 1.00 pm

**Commencement Dates for 2016**

- **Monday 18 January:** Front Office reopens
- **Wednesday 27 January:** Teaching staff commence
- **Friday 29 January:** Year 7, 11 and 12 students return
- **Monday 1 February:** All students return

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**The Bairnsdale Rowing Club War Memorial Dedication Service**

The BRC and Bairnsdale RSL are conducting the Dedication Service to commemorate the recent restoration and relocation of the BRC War Memorial on Saturday 7 November at 11.30 am.

The Dedication Service will take approximately 30 minutes. Archdeacon Ted Gibson will be officiating, followed by guest speaker Tony Meade who will talk of the 21 men killed out of the 69 rowers that enlisted for WW1. A Legacy Lone Pine will be planted. Wreaths will be laid on behalf of BRC, RSL and Legacy. Wreaths from other attendees will be invited to come forward to be laid. The playing of the Last Post will conclude the service.

An additional ceremony will take place briefly afterwards to acknowledge CJ Cooper and the naming of the club’s first Eight to come into our fleet since BRC reformed in his honour.

A free BBQ lunch will be provided to all guests and members in attendance.

Mrs Julie Henley will be attending with several of the students who are participating in the 2016 WW1 Pilgrimage Study Tour next year. As part of the Tour they will be visiting the grave sites and memorials of many of the fallen soldiers from the Bairnsdale Rowing Club and paying tribute to them.
**Canteen Roster**

**Thursday 05/11**  
Peggy Howden  
Carmel Reid  
Petra Szabo

**Friday 06/11**  
Cheryl Perkins  
Kerry Russell  
Kate Virgo (L)

**Monday 09/11**  
Karen Hammond  
Margie Neal

**Tuesday 10/11**  
Liz Freiberg

**Wednesday 11/11**  
Rachel Bromage  
Tess Walker (L)

**Thursday 12/11**  
Wendy Bentley (L)  
Tania Graham  
Emily Derham (L)

**Friday 13/11**  
Julie Neeson  
Maree Page (L)  
Susan Laity  
Bambi Hausegger

**Monday 16/11**  
Pupil Free Day

**Tuesday 17/11**  
Amanda Rigoni

**Wednesday 18/11**  
Melanie Witham (L)  
Nicole Becker-Edwards  
Debbie Andrews

**Thursday 19/11**  
Vikki Holland (R)  
Lisa Desio  
Carmel Murphy  
Jill Philpotts (L)  
Kelly McNaughton (L)

**Friday 20/11**  
Chantal Lawson  
Linda Desio (L)  
Trish Andrews (L)  
Brooke Harkensee

**Monday 23/11**  
Joanne Chamings  
Sue Sutton  
Liz Riseley

**Tuesday 24/11**  
Jane O’Donnell  
Christine Zagami (L)

**Wednesday 25/11**  
Jodie Ralph (L)  
Lynette Biggs (L)  
Ally Pritchard (L)

**Thursday 26/11**  
Wendy Bentley (L)  
Jackie White  
Peta Ross (R)  
Tammy Bastian

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**Canteen Weekly Draw**

Congratulations to Caz Pincott and Joan Wharton

Winners of this week’s New Leaf Café vouchers.

The Canteen would like to thank Jacqui Banson of the New Leaf Café, and a Nagle parent, for generously donating the vouchers.

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**Career News**

**Careers Newsletter**

Nagle College has subscribed to a Careers Newsletter that is published weekly. There is information on courses, open days, career insights etc. If you wish to view this Careers Newsletter please paste this link into your browser: [http://www.nagle.vic.edu.au/learning/programs/learning-pathways-and-careers](http://www.nagle.vic.edu.au/learning/programs/learning-pathways-and-careers)

You can then download the newsletter from the Page Downloads on the right hand side.

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**College Calendar**

**Monday 09/11**  
Year 10 and 11 Exams until 13/11

**Tuesday 10/11**  
Second Hand Uniform Shop is Open 1.00 - 4.00 pm

**Wednesday 11/11**  
Remembrance Day Service

**Monday 16/11**  
Pupil Free Day - Report Writing

**Tuesday 17/11**  
Promotion Commences

**Wednesday 18/11**  
Due date for 2016 Year 7-10 booklists

**Friday 20/11**  
Valedictory Dinner

**Tuesday 01/12**  
Grade 6 Orientation Day and Uniform Shop is Open

**Wednesday 02/12**  
Presentation Night (Compulsory)

**Last Day for Year 10 - 12 students**

**Friday 04/12**

**Last Day for Year 8 and 9 Students**

**End of Year Holidays**

**Monday 18/01**  
Front Office Reopens

**Wednesday 27/01**  
Teaching Staff Return

**Friday 29/01**  
Year 7, 11 and 12 students commence

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**Student Absences - 5152 6122 Extension 2 [direct - 24 hour voicemail] direct email is: sservices@nagle.vic.edu.au**

Student absences must be reported to Student Services on the morning of the absence or a message may be left on voicemail at any time. An explanatory note must be provided to the Pastoral Teacher on the day the student returns to school.