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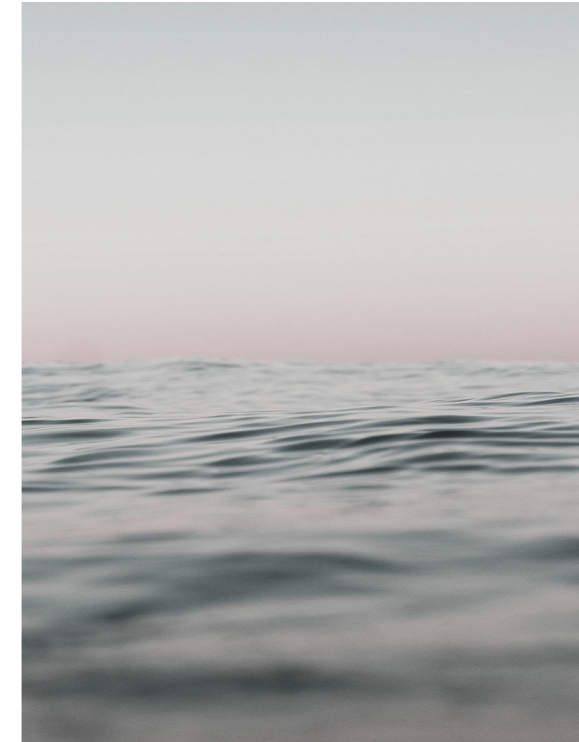
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Welcome

WRITTEN BY STACEY EXNER

As a newcomer to the Northern Beaches region, I feel very privileged to have been successful in the position of Northern Beaches Secondary College Principal. I have been overwhelmed by the welcome I have received and look forward to forming strong and trusting working relationships within the school, community and region. I have already met many community leaders important to the NBSC Community, such as the Northern Beaches Learning Alliance, Gairingai Aboriginal Educational Consultative Group (AECG), Individual Parents and Citizens Association, universities, TAFE, Chamber of Commerce and the Communication and Engagement Directorate.

I am excited about developing relationships within our College community that provide creative solutions and facilitate both improved professional learning for staff and improved learning outcomes for students. I am eager to foster strong partnerships with our College campuses to build a community of practice to share and build knowledge.

Collective efficacious behaviours cannot be underestimated in schools. Creating a shared culture where all teachers believe

that together we can find and resolve any learning challenge. Where all members of our school believe in the professional worth of each member and also believe they have a significant role in building the worth of not only themselves but also each other.

We have commenced the year with over 300 parents attending our Duke of Edinburgh Information nights, our Design, Make, Innovate project culminating with over 600 students involved in the Expo last week. Our Jazz Improvisation program began with a strong enrolment and has already performed at our Yr 7 enrolment into high school parent information night. I was also privileged to attend the Sydney North Secondary Schools Sports Association “Blues awards” for 2018. 11 NBSC college students were awarded a blue and NBSC Mackellar Girls Campus was awarded school of the year for Sydney North, an outstanding result.

Please enjoy the newsletter as we celebrate the latest successes of students and staff across Northern Beaches Secondary College in Term 1, 2019.

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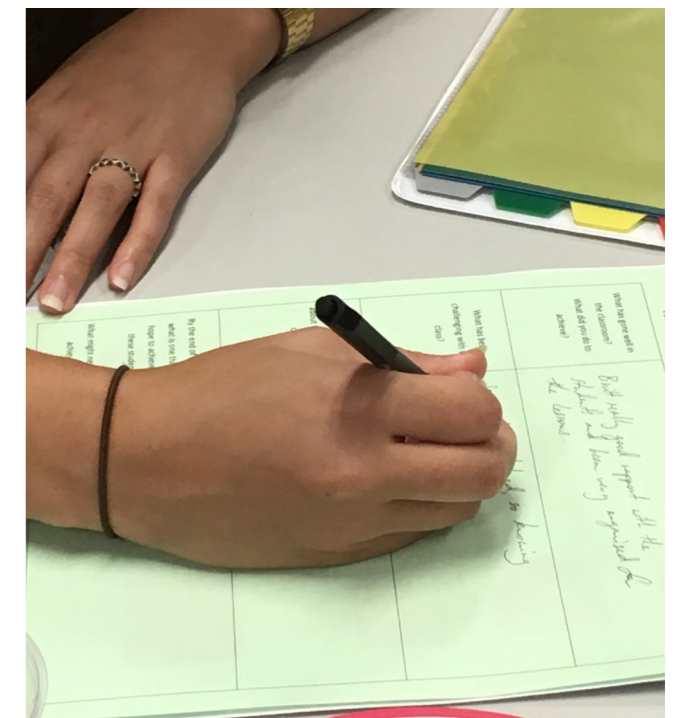
The First Term of Teaching

NBSC WELCOMES 23 BEGINNING TEACHERS

As a newly appointed teacher, the opportunity to meet colleagues and learn together is important in providing a supportive, strong start in the profession. NBSC has established a support program for our teachers in their first year of teaching. A welcome afternoon, which included an introduction to Reflective Practice and the accreditation process, started the 2019 program.



REFLECTING ON THE
FIRST 6 WEEKS OF
TEACHING



Thanks to Laura Bowman who demonstrated initiative and set up Google Classroom. As a group, we are now able to share ideas and learning, resources and keep the communication going.



NBSC DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

Written by Vicki Busse.

The Duke of Edinburgh International Award is a popular leadership, youth and personal development program for students at Northern Beaches Secondary College. In 2019 participation numbers across Bronze, Silver and Gold have jumped considerably from last year seeing most students complete the previous level and progress to the next. The ultimate goal for this diverse group of students is to finish year 12 with their Gold Award. Term 1 has been a buzz of activity with informative award meetings, selection of skill, service and physical recreation activities, and completing Practice Adventurous Journey hikes. The College is proud of the commitment and enthusiasm demonstrated by our students for their consistent positive contribution to our community and environment.



Pictured: NBSC Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award recipients and staff at a recent Government House Award reception.
Left to right: Thomas Southgate (NBSC Balgowlah Boys Campus), Luca Jones (NBSC Manly Campus), Megan Schumacher (NBSC Cromer Campus), Jacqueline Harvey (NBSC Manly Campus), Ethan Williams (NBSC Balgowlah Boys Campus), Stacey Exner (NBSC Principal), Vicki Busse (NBSC Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator), Cath Whalan (NBSC Manly Campus Principal).



DESIGN//MAKE//INNOVATE 2019

Written by Sandra Bonello.

Design//Make//Innovate is a design and technology challenge open to NBSC partner primary schools with NBSC Year 9 Mentors assisting primary students to rise to the challenge. Inspired by Caine's Arcade, a short film about a 9 year old's cardboard arcade of games whose dream was to have customers to enjoy it, students from Harbord Public School, Dee Why Public School and Manly Vale Public School set out designing and building their own arcade or board games. They received valuable assistance from Year 9 student mentors from NBSC Balgowlah Boys Campus, NBSC Cromer Campus and NBSC Mackellar Girls Campus. They employed the Design Thinking Process to develop their concept, create, test and modify their game until they produced a final product. Students also developed a portfolio of their progression through the challenge. All students were highly engaged in this process while also developing skills such as teamwork, problem solving, time management and communication.

Each school held their own Expo where students from other year groups were encouraged to try their games. They set up their own arcade and had customers, validating their learning process. The best games (including the design portfolio), as judged by their teachers were then showcased at the Finalist Expo. This was held at NBSC

Freshwater Senior Campus. Students displayed their work and were judged again to find the 'Most Outstanding' from each school. Parents and fellow students were also encouraged to judge the 'People's Choice' for each school.

All the students put in a fabulous effort and produced some extremely creative games. Well done! Congratulations to the winning teams:

Most Outstanding Awards

Dee Why PS – The Best with Mystery Wheel
 Harbord PS – Fractured with Fractured Fairy Tales
 Manly Vale PS – PPHM with Pool Hockey

People's Choice Awards

Dee Why PS – Shooting Stars with Shooting Stars
 Harbord PS – The Grommets with Surf Comp
 Manly Vale PS – Galaxy Group with Galaxy Gala

Thank you to all the Teacher Coordinators and Assistant Teachers for your dynamic leadership and fortitude during this project and to our student mentors for displaying excellent leadership throughout DMI.



NBSC SPORTS REPORT

Written by Ashley Mathieson.



NBSC Knock Out Teams

NBSC Netball team has advanced to Round 2 after a 69-21 win over Pittwater High in Round 1. They now play Cherrybrook High in the next game, which is set down for Friday, 3rd May 11:00am at NBSC Freshwater Campus.

NBSC Hockey teams, both boys & girls, have upcoming games in the CHS KO early next term, looking like Cherrybrook High in both. Trials were conducted in mid-March and 2 strong teams selected. For any further questions or if you are a keen hockey player and didn't trial, please contact Sue Saunders at susan.m.saunders@det.nsw.det.au

NBSC Snowsports

It's that time of the year where we start to prepare for our favourite snowsports. The NBSC fields a college team for the Northern NSW Interschool's, which will be held at Perisher from Tuesday, 9th July to Saturday, 13th July. Any interested students can attend any of the 5 NBSC Campuses.

An information night has been organised for Monday 27th May at NBSC Freshwater, in the foyer of the theatre area at 6:00pm. This meeting will last no more than an hour and can be attended by any interested teachers, parents & students. The meeting will cover all things interschool's and answer any questions you may have. The Interschool's is generally for your more regular skier and/or snowboarder and will always require you to book and find your own accommodation down in the snowsports.

Any further questions on the NBSC Snowsports please contact NBSC Sports Coordinator, Ashley Mathieson on ashley.mathieson@det.nsw.edu.au or NBSC Snowsports Team Manager Mark Purkiss on mark@markpurkiss.com

NBSC Surfing

NBSC Balgowlah & NBSC Freshwater students represented their campus at the Vissla Surf Tag Event on Sunday, 17th March at Manly Beach. The event was a straight final - 45 minutes duration - with each surfer catching two waves. All 3 teams were very competitive with the NBSC Balgowlah Boys' team placing 2nd on the day and the NBSC Freshwater Senior boys placing 3rd. The boys event was won by Narrabeen Sports High. The NBSC Freshwater Senior Girls team also placed 2nd behind Narrabeen Sports High, and with an international team pulling out the NBSC Freshwater Senior girls' team have qualified for the Lifeline Classic at Queenscliff on Sunday, 28th April.

NBSC Freshwater Senior Boys team:

- Max Grayling
- Jack Bannister
- Tiaan Cronje
- Eric Ellery
- Sam Stead (class of 18)

NBSC Freshwater Senior Girls team:

- Jesse Starling
- Laura Oliver
- Bella Grainger
- Ciara Szymanski
- Molly Donohue (class of 18)

NBSC Balgowlah Boys team:

- Saxon Reber
- Axel Rose Curotta
- Gibert Pybus
- Tom Busselmann
- Zane Browne

Most of these surfers will line up again but this time as individuals, when the regionals take place at Maroubra Beach on Wednesday & Thursday, 5th & 6th June 2019.

Further details to follow.





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