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Newsletter



Key Dates

Fri 6th November – No Assembly this week

Wed 4th – 6th November– 9/10 Day Activities

Fri 6th – 7th November – 3/4 Camp

Friday 13th November– Bush Dance at NCS

9th & 10th December – High School Expo

Friday 11th December– Whole School Beach Day

Tuesday 15th December– Last Day of Term

Tuesday 15th December– Celebration Night

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Message from the Principal

Mr. Glenn Mace

There's an old joke: How do you make God laugh? Tell Him your plans.

Throughout our lives, we make many plans. Some might be for the week ahead or even just for today, while others are for months or years into the future. As Christians, we also have a deep desire to walk in step with God. This can then leave us in a bit of a conundrum at times, as we may become concerned about whether the plans we're making are our own or whether they align with what God has purposed for us.

It was asked of the Lord one day, "Do You ever let us go completely off track?"

His answer: "Not when your heart's desire is to stay in the centre of My will."

'Within your heart you can make plans for your future,
but the Lord chooses the steps you take to get there.'
Proverbs 16:9 (TPT)

At NCS, we are well and truly in the throes of organising and planning for next year, but we are also making decisions on a daily basis. Our utmost desire is not simply to make good plans, but to ensure they are God-ordained plans.

How do we do that?



By seeking the Lord first and foremost (Matt 6:33), praying that our planning is inspired and anointed by the Lord (Psalm 32:8), and trusting Him to lead us continually every step of the way.

'If you go the wrong way—to the right or to the left—you will
hear a voice behind you saying,
"This is the right way. You should go this way.'
Isaiah 30:21 (NCV)

If you ever find yourself unsure of which way to go or what decision to make, you can be filled with peace and confidence knowing that, as you seek God's will above your own, He will guide your steps and keep you on track. After all, He has already established every step and every path you are to take (Proverbs 20:24).

Teacher Appreciation



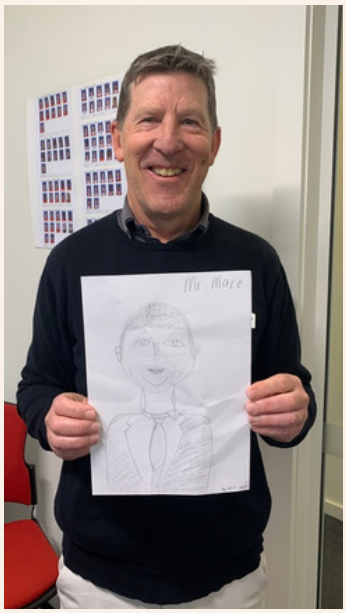
Last Friday we celebrated our wonderful teachers at NCS and thank them for the care, dedication, and hard work they invest in our students and school community every day.

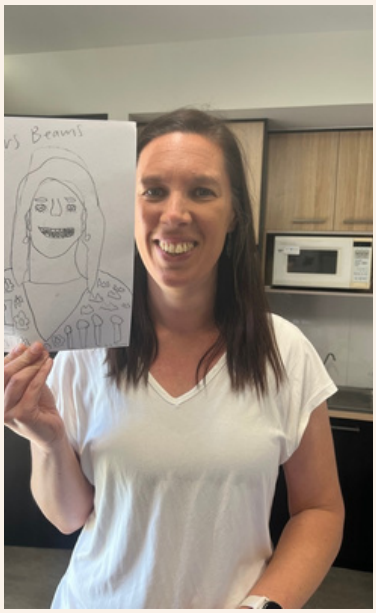
We loved seeing the teacher portraits created by our students, who did a fantastic job capturing each teacher's unique personality.

Thank you also to the parents who helped prepare our morning tea as a small token of appreciation for all that our teachers do.

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."
Matthew 5:16

To all our teachers, thank you for your dedication, encouragement, patience, and the many ways you make a difference in the lives of our students every day. You are a blessing to our school community and are greatly appreciated.







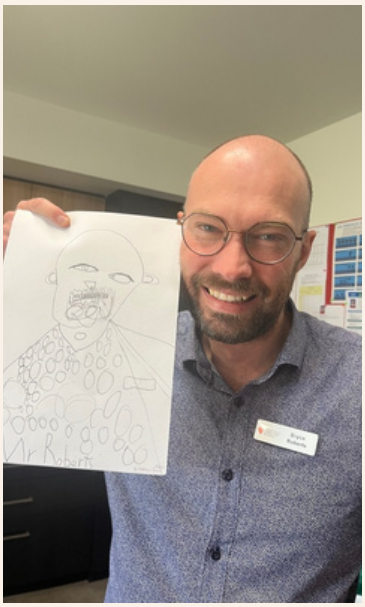








Table Tennis Tournament

The NCS Table Tennis Tournament has come to an end, with two very closely contested finals. 🏓
The Junior Final was won by Noah (Grade 4) after an exciting match that went to 20-all before Noah won the final two points. Well done to Willow for being a fantastic opponent and making it such a competitive game.
In the High School/Staff Competition, the final was also a close contest, featuring two staff members. Mr Foley and Mr Nugteren battled it out in a tight match, with Mr Foley emerging as the victor.
Congratulations to everyone who participated in the competition. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm, sportsmanship, and skill on display throughout the tournament.









New Shade Sails

Last week we had some new shade sails installed, giving the school yard more protection from the sun as we are enjoying warmer sunny days at this time of year.
With the weather warming up, its a reminder to please ensure your children have a school hat with them.
The Midford uniform shop on Charles street can assist you should your child require a new hat.









V1 Collective Worship and Rock Band

James Ballard is working with a number of Youth Pastors & Christian schools with the aim to create a collective worship & rock band practice group, aimed at year 5-7 students for 2027. He is looking for expressions of interest over the next week or two, to then create a group.
If you would like to know more about this opportunity, check out his webpage here:
http://www.v1collective.com.au/

To register your interest, email James at james@v1collective.com.au

EQUIPPING
✅ Develop confidence and musicianship through playing in a band
✅ Be equipped to serve in your local church
✅ Write and record original music

UNITING
✅ Connect with students from multiple churches
✅ Represent the local church to the community

REACHING
✅ Perform at community events
✅ Release original music
✅ Shine God's light to the wider community through music

EMAIL BY 13TH NOVEMBER TO EXPRESS INTEREST

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COLLECTIVE

WORSHIP AND ROCK BAND TUTORING

EQUIPPING YOUNG MUSICIANS

UNITING THE CHURCH

REACHING THE COMMUNITY



WHAT IS IT?
V1Collective is a worship and rock band program that brings together young musicians from across Launceston churches to develop their musical gifts, collaborate with others, and use music to bless their local churches and community.

WHO IS IT FOR?
Studentsin Years 5, 6 or 7 (upper primary to early secondary school). One band will be selected.

WHEN DOES IT RUN?
Wednesday afternoons during each school term.
8-weeks per term
90-minute sessions (4:00-5:30pm)
Where is it held?
156 Cimitiere Street, Launceston (iSEE Church)

WHO IS THE TUTOR?
James Ballardhas 15 years experience locally, nationally, and globally in worship leading, music performance, song writing and recording.

He is also a qualified school teacher of 12 years.



IS THERE AN AUDITION?
Yes. Applicantsparticipate in an informal audition and conversation to gauge their experience and aspirations.

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES
Studentsparticipatein an average of one community performance each term, creating up to four performance opportunities across the year.

WILL STUDENTS WRITE SONGS?
Yes.
Students collaborate to write, record and release original music as part of the program.
Search "Hero V1 Collective" on streaming services to hear our latest music.

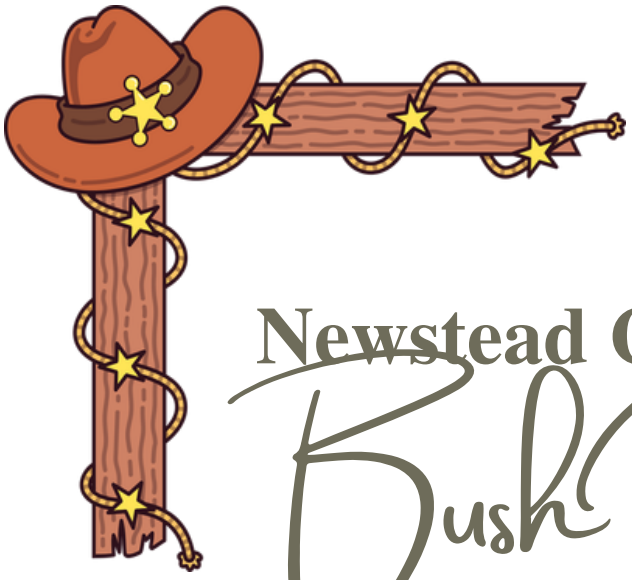
COST?
$250per term (8 x 90 minute sessions + performance opportunities, resources, music recording and song release) invoiced at the beginning of each term. Commitment is for the school year.

PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP
If you'd love to be involved but wouldn't otherwise be able to afford it, please email and request an application for scholarship form.

EMAIL BEFORE 13 NOVEMBER TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST!
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OPEN POSITIONS
Acoustic Guitar
Electric Guitar
Bass Guitar
Piano/Keyboard or Synth
Vocals
Drums and or percussion
Sound







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Bush Dance

Free sausage sizzle.

Grounds of Grace will be open for hot drinks.

FRIDAY	13th November	5:30 - 6:30 PM

Bring your parents, grandparent and siblings along, for a fun and entertaining evening

RSVP to the school office by Monday the 11th November



