

WEEMALA

THE 2011 NORWOOD SECONDARY COLLEGE YEARBOOK





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MR. SCOTT DIXON YEARBOOK EDITOR

A busy, busy year. That's how I'd describe the past twelve months at Norwood. That said, it certainly makes for a memorable yearbook.

If I had to point to a favourite moment of the year, for me, it'd be the *Into The Woods* school production. Amazing stuff by all involved.

I hope you enjoy the 2011 Weemala. It was a joy to work on and we're all very proud of it.



AMY GALBRAITH ASSISTANT EDITOR

Being in *Into The Woods* (that's my costume I'm in in the picture!) was definitely my highlight for the year.

Going into Year 11 was a huge workload increase - more than I thought it would be - and I figure that Year 12 will be even more so. That said, I'm looking forward to all of the challenges 2012 will bring. If it's as exciting as 2011 was, I can't wait to see the next yearbook!



MRS. JENNY MASON MR. GEOFF CASTLES ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

The Weemala sat down with two of the most well-known and hard working of the Norwood staff, our assistant principals, to talk about the last twelve months.

Weemala: If you had to sum up the year in just a few words, what would they be?

Mrs. Jenny Mason: Exciting and very busy.

Mr. Geoff Castles: I agree. Exciting, a fast year, and lots of new initiatives.

W: Can you tell us about some of your favourite moments of 2011?

JM: Seeing all the extra-curricular activities that the students got involved in was great. The production was something special but so was all the sport and music the students participated in.

GC: *Into the Woods* was complex but the performances were superb. Another highlight for me was the Parent Working Bee, painting B Block. That was great.



MR. VIN VIRTUE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

2011 has been quite a success at Norwood Secondary College. This year, our musical departments and school chorale have performed beyond expectations both in the school and as its ambassadors. My congratulations and thanks to those staff who have supported all these talented students.

On the athletic field the school tradition of fair play and excellence has continued throughout the year, with great success in a variety of sports for which we should all be very proud.

My thanks to this year's College Captains, Amanda Marano and Michael Baker, for all their hard work.

Finally, I would like to thank all our School Council members for 2011 and our Assistant Principals, Jenny Mason and Geoff Castles, who have given tirelessly to the school and its community.

W: Did you feel that Norwood changed or evolved this past year?

JM: I did, yes. With the implementation of the VCAL program and next year the ACE program, it feels like we really have something for everyone.

GC: The Year 7 laptop program, where every student in that year has their own computer, I think will ultimately influence the way the curriculum is delivered. It's exciting to see that gaining momentum.

W: Are there any final words or thoughts you'd like to share with the students and parents of Norwood?

JM: I'd like to congratulate the students for all their successes in and out of the classroom. I've truly enjoyed working with them and seeing them become mature, caring students.

GC: I'd like to wish them the best and encourage them to continue to develop their high aspirations for reaching their potentials.



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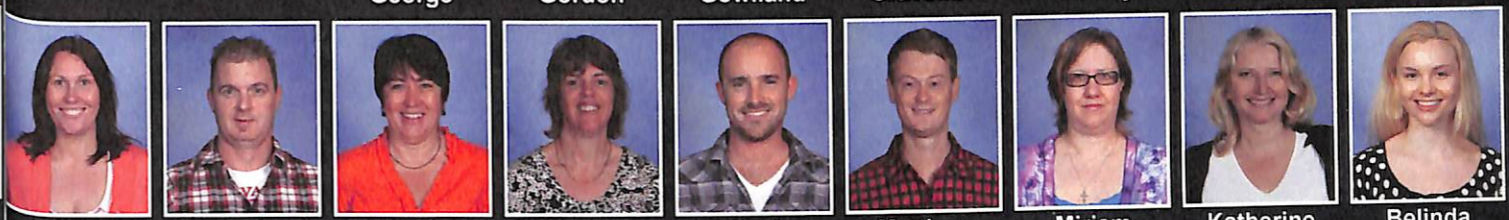
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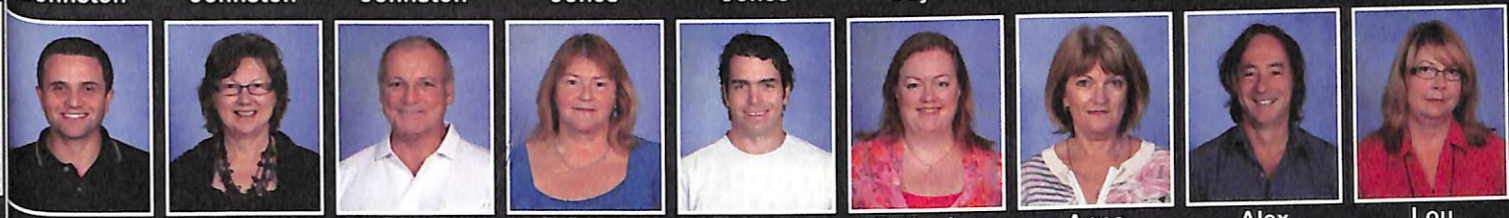
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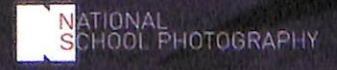
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ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

ENGLISH

Like the language itself, the English department at Norwood never stands still. As we move towards the implementation of the new Australian Curriculum in 2013, changes started filtering through.

The structure and history of English, together with cultural links to our language, became a new focus. In text study, we've expanded our vision to look at how a text may be transformed from print to a digital version and how the viewer perceives it.

Graphic novels have enhanced our reading program, combined with many new novels for Literature Circles in years 7 & 8. Short inquiries were run in some year 7 classes to allow students to work at their own pace.

In the middle school students were involved in their own projects and preparing for VCE. Senior school stu-

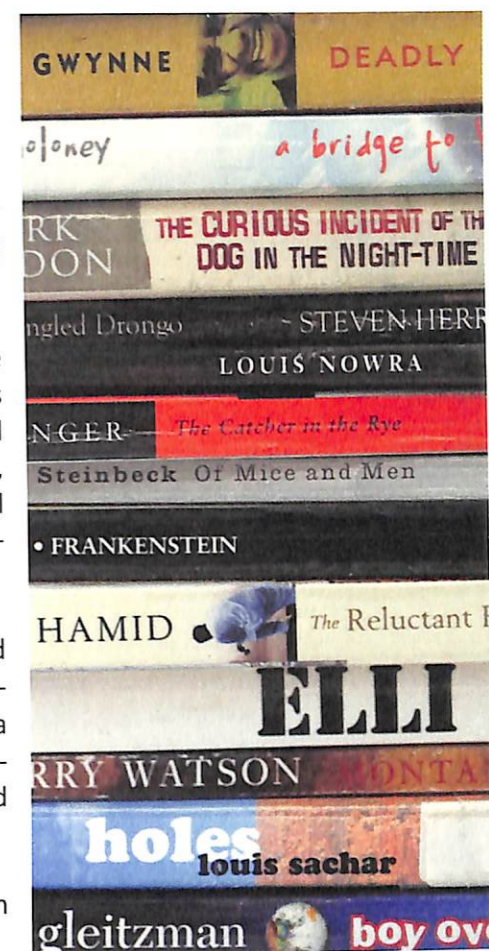
dents focussed on their three areas of study – text response, language analysis and creative writing.

Students at all levels continued to engage in lively discussions, explore ideas in writing and create intriguing stories.

This year Norwood fielded a D grade and an A grade team in the Debater's Association of Victoria Ringwood draw. Despite some great debating, they didn't progress to the regional finals, although A grade came agonisingly close.

Later in the year, Norwood fielded two more teams in the Junior Secondary program. There was many a lunchtime and an after-school sacrificed by students, so arguments and oratory could be fine-tuned.

We look forward to doing it all again next year!



MATHS

All Year 7 students along with six students from Years 8 participated in the Australian Mathematics Competition held in August this year.

The following Year 7 students received Distinction Certificates: Daniel Wright, Tim Van Der Wolf, Nicholas Francis, Angela Haviland, Jasmine Hall, William Francis and Simon Reichelt along with Nicholas Mutton from Year 8. Forty Credit Certificates were also awarded.

The Prudence Award was awarded jointly to Caitlin Evans and Taryn Randell of Year 8. Both students answered a creditable ten questions in a row correctly!

The ICAS Mathematics competition was another challenging competition which attracted interest from many of our most capable Mathematics students. Distinctions were awarded to James Bromilow, Daniel Wright,

Isobel Decru, Cassie Hennessy & Jasmine Hall from Year 7; Thomas Fowler, Bonnie Krisohos, John Marmarou & Claire Murray from Year 8; Renee Einsiedel & Jack Barowski from Year 9 and Zoe Cant, Heath Mays & Kane Parsons from Year 10.



We are enriching the Years 7 to 9 Mathematics curriculum by incorporating inquiry-based learning which involves students working in groups to investigate a question.

During Semester 2 this year, Year 7 students enthusiastically completed

an inquiry to work out an itinerary and budget for accommodation and travel either internationally or within Australia given certain constraints. Some great trips were planned. Perhaps they will give some families some good ideas!

The Year 7 students used their computers throughout the year to enhance their learning by undertaking web-based Mathematics activities, as well as Mathletics and this inquiry.

Year 8 students participated in a Mathematics incursion this year. There were many different interactive stations set up that involved solving real-life mathematical problems such as building bridges, estimating amounts, gears and their ratios, logic puzzles and balancing weights.

Students were enthusiastic and enjoyed the break from regular classroom activities.

SCIENCE

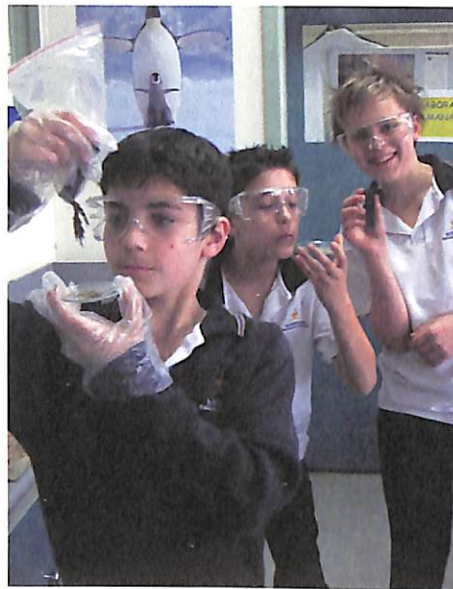
The Science department had a successful year in 2011 with record numbers of students entering the International Science Quiz and the Australian Chemistry Quiz. Many students achieved credits and distinctions with Thomas Fowler of year 8 achieving a High Distinction.

With respect to opportunities of excellence, Mr. Coffin organised a year 8 boys and a year 8 girls team to represent the school in the Aurion Victorian Bridge Building Competition at science works as well as year 9 students Jonathon Wilson and Renee Einsiedel successfully applying for the Rotary Victoria partnership Science Outreach Program for students to attend a tertiary institution for a week, attending lectures and practical requirements during their September holidays.

Miss Hope supervised an excursion of 6 advanced science students to GTAC

in Parkville for advanced molecular biology activities.

Miss Pearsell and Mrs Bromage also organised 22 advanced science students to attend an intensive Biotechnology hands on research day at Box Hill institute as part of National Science Week.



Learning activities in year 7 – 10 classes ran very well with plenty of audio visual, ICT and practical classes to supplement their text based work with the addition of the year 7 IMAX excursion for forces and classification, the year 8 Scienceworks excursion for life from the past, year 9 stream studies and year 10 epidemic modelling excursion with Bacteria Bandit activities at the University of Melbourne.

Professor Bunsen visited twice with his travelling science show inspiring the juniors with his explosive chemistry and slimy states of matter science shows.

As we are writing this, our year 12 students are currently doing their science exams and we wish them all the luck, and hope they have some fond memories of all the Science department activities, excursions, shows and opportunities they have enjoyed since 2006.

HUMANITIES

History and Geography, together with Economics and Civics at Junior School, comprise the Humanities Department at Norwood.

We had a new start this year, with year 7 students working without textbooks for the first time. It was a steep learning curve for both staff and students, as we moved between whiteboard, a hard copy in the teacher's hand, and a different page reference on student Notebooks! Still, we managed and the benefits of the Notebooks for our subject with its emphasis on research far outweighed any problems experienced. We look forward to the Notebooks being in place at year 8 in 2012.

This was a big excursion year for us in Humanities. Year 7 students of History went to the spectacular Tutankhamun show at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre. Later for Geography fieldwork they visited Edendale

Farm in Diamond Creek.



For their Local Neighborhood Study, Year 8 students went to Richmond, Toorak and Kilsyth, finding major differences in the way we live in Melbourne.

Year 9 students had their City Experience, and at VCE History students had a tour of the city centre investigating how Melbourne began, while Geography students did their fieldwork Study at Lilydale Lake.



Finally, a very grateful thanks to all the Humanities teachers, and we look forward to the National Curriculum as it gets under way in Australia!

BUSINESS STUDIES

Yet another busy year in the Business Studies department, staffed by new faces (Ms. Vrakatselis) and old (Mr Walsh, Miss Walmsley, Mr Leonard and Mrs Hobbs), all ultra competent and confident.

Ours is a department that runs the gamut of studies, from Accounting to Business Management, Legal Studies to Parliament, Courts and Markets to Finance and Enterprise, and the always engaging Out On Your Own.

It was an exciting year of firsts, too, incorporating new experiences like the successfully run Inaugural Year 9 ESSI Money Challenge.

With our terrific, tenacious teachers applying their skills to a range of different, diverse intelligences and ideas, both staff and students finished the year with strategies that practically assured them of success in whatever endeavour they attempt.



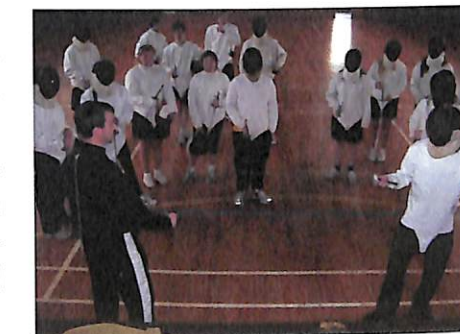
Pictured above: Mr. Walsh's Economics class

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

What a year 2011 has been! Our department had many changes with Leisa Beggs, Brooke Johnston and Jane Creemers all welcoming new babies. In turn we therefore welcomed Melissa Findlay, Michael Andrews and Julia Shepherd to the department. Students enjoyed the enthusiasm and passion they brought to classes.

VET students have been busy throughout the year organising many lunchtime sporting events, attending boating camp at Phillip Island, skiing at Mt Buller, surf camp, snorkelling, learning first aid and coaching Mulm Primary students.

VCE Physical Education and Health and Human Development students had a challenging year completing SACs, practice exams and coursework. A highlight was Year 11 PE students peer coaching Year 8 students. At Year 10 one of several popular elective sessions was the Safe Driving



unit, which enabled students to look at road safety, partake in practical driving sessions at METEC and gain their first experience driving manual cars.

Team sport students enthusiastically completed sports quizzes each week and competed to gain the 'Best and Fairest' accolade and lunch for the team with the highest class points total. Outdoor Recreation students developed teamwork skills.

In Year 7-9 Health students gained a greater understanding of self, com-

munity and global health issues and challenged their thinking in class discussions and role plays.

Year 7-9 PE students experienced a wider variety of sporting and recreational pursuits, with more international sports in the curriculum. In year 9 Sport and Recreation students learnt activities they could be involved in the local community. A large emphasis on the connection between fitness and heart health was a common theme in many tasks.

Other activities included Jump Rope for Heart, lunchtime activities, teacher vs. student matches and dancing sessions with guest instructors.

We wish all year 12 students all the best and offer our congratulations to all those students that extended their sporting skills in interschool competitions throughout the year and represented Norwood with pride.

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH (L.O.T.E.)

Working closely with our MEC colleagues throughout this year produced many wonderful experiences for our LOTE Indonesian students, such as drumming, dance, martial arts, kite making and of course, delicious Indonesian food. Enak sekali!

Students really appreciated the opportunity to immerse themselves in the various cultural activities, while practising their language skills with native speakers. Once again, Agung set up his Sate and Noodle Hut, enjoying a brisk trade throughout the day.



Our LOTE French students also enjoyed their special day in August, having to order their crepes, in French, with fillings such as 'au citron et sucre'. Devouring chocolate croissants was also definitely a highlight for many. Some students were even brave enough to try escargots (snails!).

Currently, students are busy practising their poems for the Alliance



Francaise competition and writing letters to their penpals in Noumea. Another successful year in LOTE!

LIBRARY

What a wonderfully busy year it has been. We have seen yet another Year 12 group complete their studies and move out onto the world stage.

In the library, our mission is to provide an inviting, dynamic learning environment and creative, innovative services that support and enhance teaching, literacy and learning for our community.

This year we have had several staff changes to our Library Team. We welcomed Ms Marie Lokan to our team during Term 3 whilst Mrs Kerri Jones explored the United States with her family in a RV. We also welcomed Mr. Kelvin Turner, a Library Technician trainee from Box Hill TAFE.

In addition, Mr. John Downs, a previous Library Technician trainee, volunteered to help with the annual stock-taking processes of our resources. And we must not forget the tremen-

dous help given by Mrs Alice Bailey at the end of each day, Mrs Kathy Kirkwood's and Mrs Kerri Jones' tireless energy.

We look forward to 2012 with some excitement. Next year is National Year of Reading. Please check out the website (www.love2read.org.au) and encourage your children to read!

We are extending some exciting activities and competitions like a 'Reading Competition' to encourage Norwood students to read more widely and more often. There will be weekly prizes and a pizza lunch to the winning Home Group.

All of us in the library extend to you and your family our very best wishes for a happy and safe Christmas, a restful break and a safe return in 2012.

Happy reading!



THE VISUAL ARTS

Another year almost over and a chance to reflect on some really worthwhile achievements. Our students in Media Studies, Studio Arts, and Visual Communication have been working hard, and there have been some outstanding results across all year levels.



The year 9 and 10 students have enjoyed opportunities to develop skills in ceramics, printmaking, drawing, computer-aided design, digital media and painting. Our year 7s have been able to use their laptops to assist in many ways with their design ideas and explorations.



The big event for the year was undoubtedly the Spring Show, which showcased student work in Visual Arts & Technology, and the talents of our Music students.

Thanks once again to the many staff, students & parents who gave up their time for this.

Thank you also to Debbie Gange for once again organising some very successful entries into the Royal Melbourne & Lilydale Shows

Our students have been achieving terrific things both in the classroom and in the community, much of it due to the dedicated Norwood Arts staff who continue to work with and for our students.



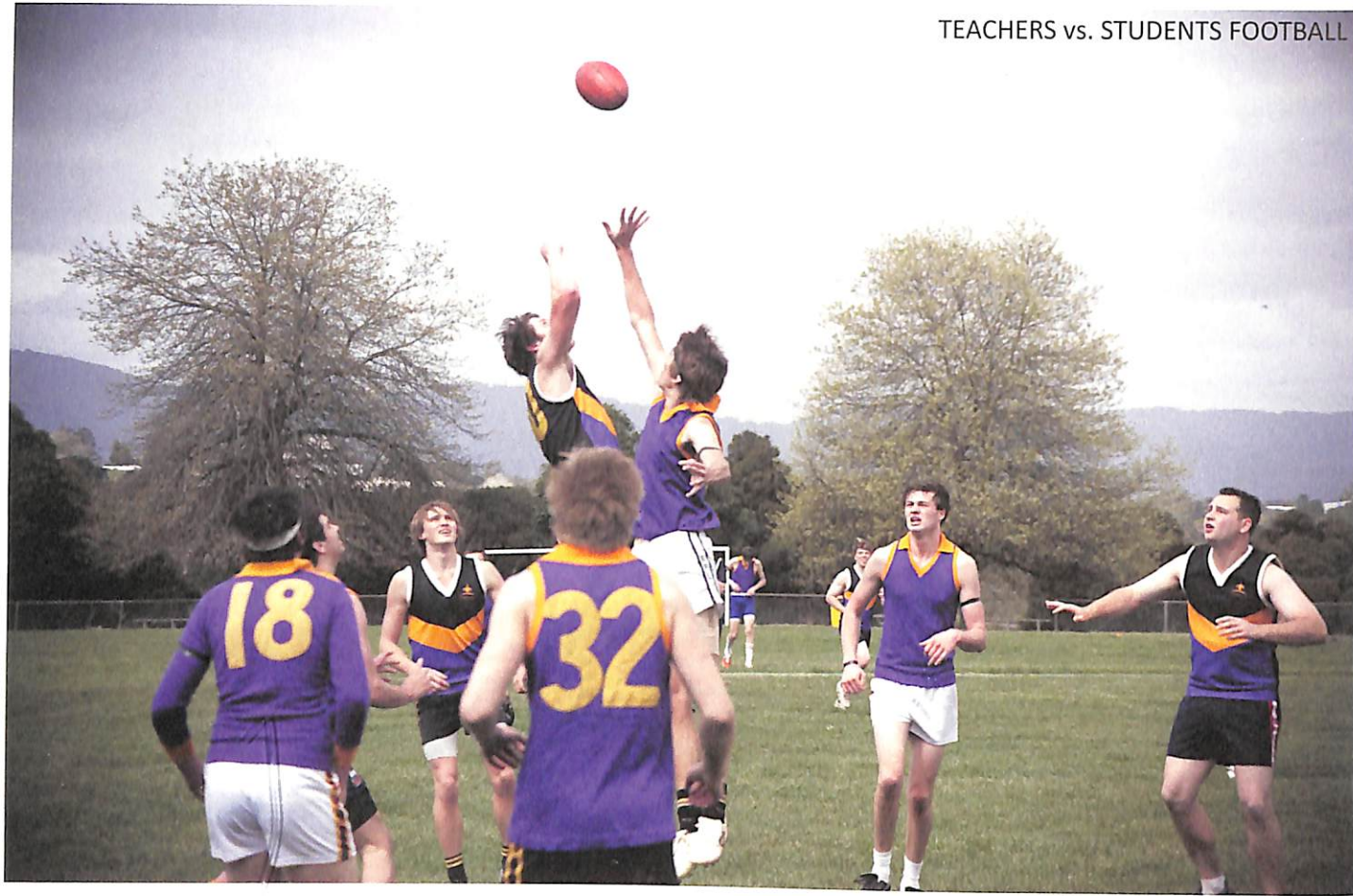
(Above: Year 12 Bryan Hayes' award-winning folio piece, which took top honours at the Lilydale Art Show.)

TECHNOLOGY

From beating, baking, pinning, welding, joining, wiki's, blogs and sanding, students have participated in a range of activities during the 2011 Technology classes. It has once again seen students demonstrate safety, idea research, design innovation, creativity and skill in production activities.

On behalf of all the Technology staff from ICT, Food Technology, Material Technology, Electronics and Textiles classes we say "well done" to all our students and wish the departing Year 12s success for all their future endeavours.





TEACHERS vs. STUDENTS FOOTBALL

THE YEAR IN REVIEW



HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY



ENIGMA COMPETITION

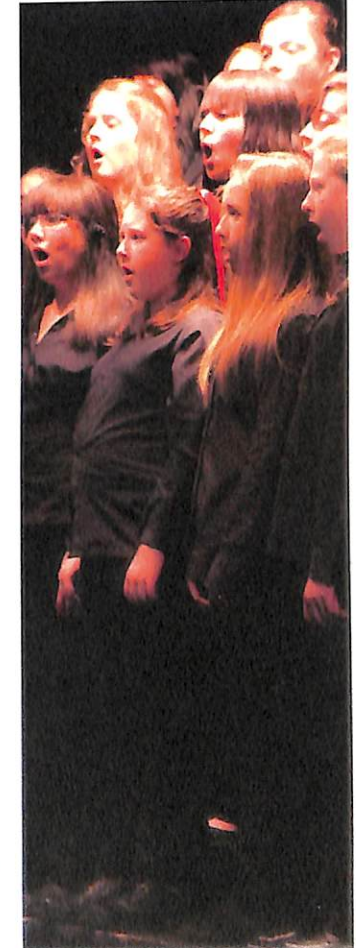
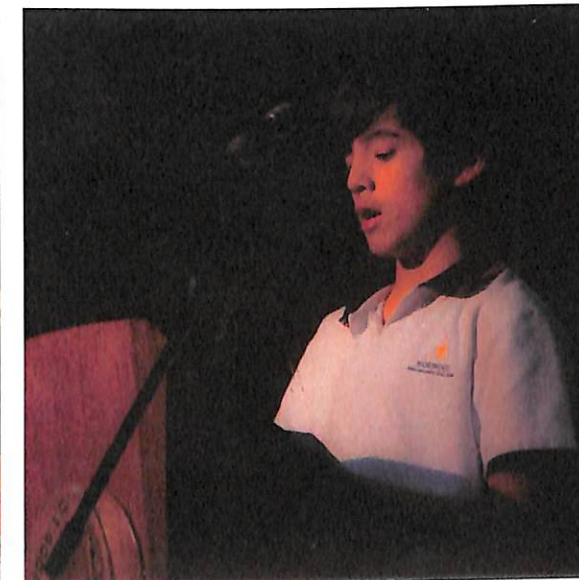
INVESTITURE

One of the most important events that occurs at the start of each school year is the school-wide Investiture of student badges, from school captains to year-level leaders to the awarding to each Year 12 student their own VCE pin.

It's a great way to acknowledge the start of the academic year.



OPEN NIGHT



In May, as is tradition, the school throws its doors open to the public and the prospective students (and their parents) of the years ahead.

The turnout again in 2011 was wonderful, with record numbers of inquiring families and a great display of current student work and the Norwood life.

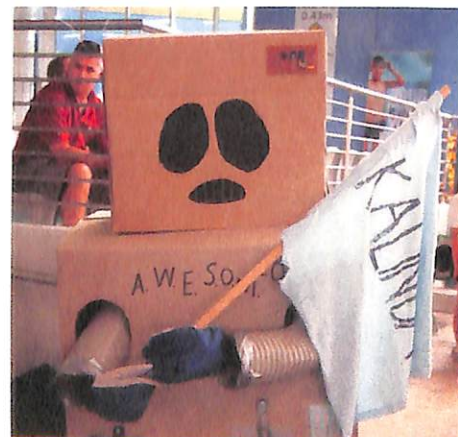
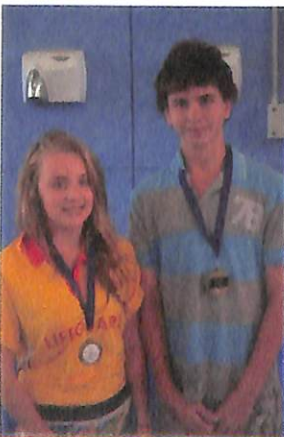
SWIMMING SPORTS



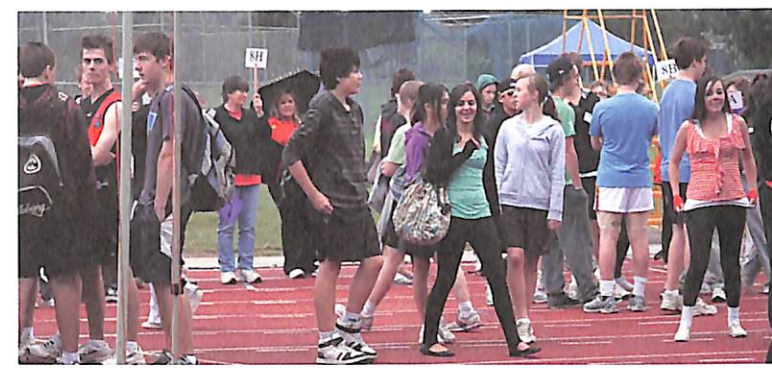
Nothing brings out the school spirit quite like the Swimming Sports. Held each year at the Ringwood Aquatic Centre, it's a chance not only to compete in the pool for individual and House honours, but also for students to show their colourful and creative costumes out of the water.

This year, Yarra House proved victorious in the pool, with their very own Bryanna Green (10H) breaking the Under 16 Girls 50m Butterfly.

Special mention must also go to the Morgan sisters, Sheridan (11E) and Madison (11G) who broke the 50m Freestyle and Breaststroke records, respectively. Well done girls!



SCHOOL ATHLETICS



Leadens skies couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of the School Athletics, where once again spirits were high and records fell.

Track-and-field star Meg Keppel (10A) excelled again, helping Yarra House to another overall victory. Second place went to Maroonah, followed by Kalinda with Mullum, once again, in last place.

Multiple event winners included Kirsty Walles of 12B (High Jump, 200m and 400m), The Weemala's own Amy Galbraith (Discus, Long jump, Triple jump) and 11V's Luke Power, who won both the Long Jump and Discus.





KAHLIA WILSON FUNDRAISER

In an effort to raise money to help Norwood student Kahlia Wilson in her battle with cancer, the staff and students hosted a special fundraising day earlier in the year.

Combining an out of uniform day (using Kahlia's favourite colour, pink as the theme), with a barbecue, basketball match and a generous staff donation, the school raised an impressive sum of over \$7000 in the one day for Kahlia's treatment. A great success by all involved.

Top left: Norwood Assistant Principal Jenny Mason (centre) flanked by student volunteers at the fund-raising barbecue.

Left: A barbecue that proved a rousing success.



THE V.C.A.L. PROGRAM



Students have made the school proud when in the community working on projects and out on work experience. The dedication to their studies has resulted in multiple students getting apprenticeships and a couple gaining access to further study at TAFE.

Special thanks to Pam Webb and Paul Duncan for their dedication this year, and to Bill Gowland for his assistance during the deck project.

We all look forward to continued success with VCAL in the future.

This was the inaugural year of VCAL at Norwood. We started the year with the massive task of designing, developing and facilitating an 'Amazing Race' style activity for the year 9 students when they were in the CBD for their City Experience.

The VCAL class had to amongst other things find locations for challenges, develop a route around these locations, design activities for each challenge location and develop a scoring system to determine a winning group. The entire race had to be trialled and evaluated before the year 9's even saw the project. The 'Amazing Race Nor-

wood' was well received by the year 9 students and enhanced the whole City Experience.

Second term saw the VCAL class undertake the momentous task of designing and building a multi-level deck to overlook the college basketball court. The project also included landscaping and replanting the garden beds either side of the deck, over 50 square metres of ground.

The finished product was officially opened by our local member of parliament and as can be seen is something the students can be proud of.



A VERY MUSICAL YEAR

With success in the annual school production (*see centre spread*) and the singing Chorale, Norwood is quickly becoming a local leader in music. Here's some highlights of the past year:



Above: As part of their classwork, Year 8C music students Helena Knight and Isabelle Wright interviewed 'Michael Jackson' (Bernadette Hellenen) about his career, music, family life and influences.

ENIGMA

In Numeracy and Literacy Week all Year 7s and 8s participated in a competition. We were divided into groups and each class had to play off to get into the next round. We had 20 questions to answer in a time limit. As we played, we developed a system to help us go faster.

Our idea was - If the question is too hard then 'Pass' and come back to it later. Our group tactics were great and we raced through the questions and won!

Later that week, we had to play off against the winning groups from other classes. We were nervous but the lollies on our table made it a bit easier to work. This time we had 25 minutes to answer 20 questions. We tried our hardest and guess what...

WE WON!!!



It was very exciting and we each received a \$25 voucher to spend at Eastland. It was an amazing experience and I would love to do it again even if I didn't win.

By Bethany McLaughlan 7A

ELIZA, OUR EXCHANGE STUDENT



Year 11 student Eliza Pedrollo came to Norwood from Italy as an exchange student in the July. Classmate Hannah Herbert talked to her about her trip so far.

How is Australia different from Italy?
Australia is totally different in every way! It's different from the people's characters to the buildings, from the environment to the food! Another thing that is totally different is the sky. Everyone knows me know that I love the Aussie sky! It's simply amazing.

What's been your favourite moment?
Mmm....that's a tough question, but I think that one of my best highlights

was going to Tasmania with you (Hannah). It was a great experience, and the beaches were beautiful, as well as the wallabies and the little penguins. I also really enjoyed also the Surf Camp! It was so amazing and such an Aussie thing learning to surf!

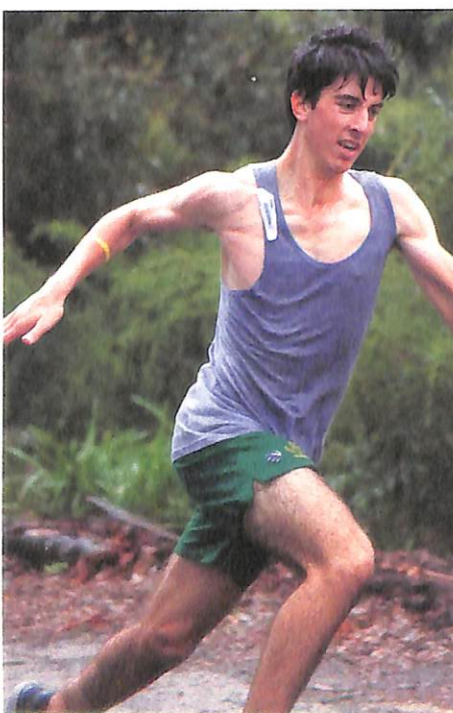
What are you looking forward to over the next six months?
Obviously the summer holidays! I'm going to Perth, Brisbane and Sydney with my gorgeous host sisters! And in Perth I'm going to surf. That makes me very happy!

I'm really NOT looking forward to go back to Italy!

THE CAMP LIFE



HOUSE CROSS-COUNTRY



It might not have been the driest day of the school year, but as the pictures prove, it was still a fun day out for the school-wide House Cross-Country competition.

Rain threatened to derail, deluge and nearly drown the competitors but they soldiered through it. Some ran, some jogged, others strolled (or nearly swam) the course, but a good turnout and some fierce competition led to great results.

Nicholas Bierman (12B) of Mullum House won the senior boys competition, while Stephanie Wright (12D) of Yarra did the same for the senior girls. Claiming top honours at the end of the day was Maroondah House.



As every Norwood student knows, there's more to learn at school than what can just be taught in the classroom.

Across the year levels and all around the state, Norwood students hike, ski, camp and experience everything that being an adventurous student can offer.



CENTRAL AUSTRALIA TRIP



On Thursday 23rd of June, over 120 students and staff hopped on 3 touring coaches, excited and nervous about the grand journey on which we were all about to embark.

24 hours later, we arrived at Coober Pedy, a small civilisation amidst the opal mines in South Australia. Here, we learnt about the history of opal mining... but all the girls were more interested in purchasing cheap opal prototype jewellery pieces!

On the bus, people were going camera crazy taking pictures of the first sighting of 'Uluru' only to be told by experienced teachers that it was actually Mt. Connor, Uluru's close neighbour.

When we arrived at the real Uluru, many were excited/anxious/scared about the great climb. But for those that did not dare to climb, they chose to walk around the great rock. I, myself, chose to climb the beast.

It was the most amazing and liberating feeling when we reached the top. Little did we know we would be in so much pain (and with such smelly feet) the next day but it was definitely worth it.

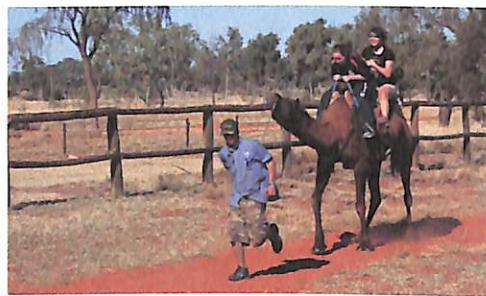
Following Uluru, we visited Kakadu where we survived a scary boat trip along croc-infested waters, Katherine's Gorge where we were all eaten alive by mosquitoes and enjoyed a swim with friends, King's Canyon, Tennant Creek, and Alice Springs where we met Alex, who toured us around the old telegraph station.

Here we felt like kings as we were lucky enough to FINALLY have a warm cosy bed to sleep in for two nights.

It. Was. Heaven.

Last stop was Darwin, where we ended our trip. All in all, the Central Australia trip was the most amazing experience of my school life.

Derya Goverdik (11C)



THE AWARD-WINNING CHORALE



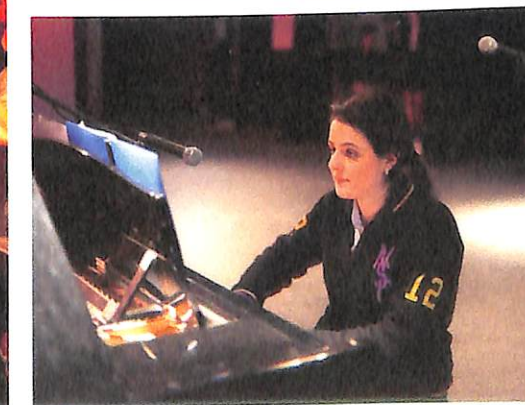
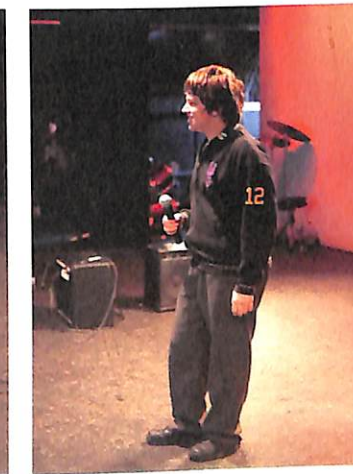
2011 has seen the Chorale move forward in leaps and bounds, achieving an Honourable Mention at the Boroondara Eisteddford, 2 Honourable Mentions and a Gold Standard Medal at the Royal South Street Eisteddford, and a CD recording to finish it off.

With such talented and dedicated members - one can only imagine what this group is capable of. The Chorale are already preparing for 2012's Eisteddfords and Performances tackling exciting and challenging new repertoire. We sadly farewell some year 12s; Ellen Morton, Lauren

Hodgkinson, Jessica Marshall, Taylor Kendal and Amanda Marano. You will be greatly missed and your contribution and dedication to the Chorale has been wonderful. Thank you to all the Chorale for your wonderful achievements this year - onward and upward into 2012.

TALENT QUEST!

In September, Yr 12 student Steph Greer, along with Art teacher Mr. Simon Cross, launched the Norwood talent quest, a chance for performing students in the school to showcase their range of very impressive skills to the school. Great fun and wonderful performances by all.





MR. RON CHATTON PATHWAYS CO-ORDINATOR

An endlessly energetic and enthusiastic presence around Norwood, Mr. Ron Chatton is one of the more familiar faces of the school. The Weemala sat down with him to discuss his unique position, how he got started and what it means to him.

Weemala: So what's your position at the school, or is that hard to specify?

Ron Chatton: No, it's a few different things but it's all in the same area. My official title is Pathways Co-Ordinator, but I'm involved in the MIPS (Manage Individual Pathways) program, work experience, VET, careers guidance... It's a mix, for sure.

W: And how long have you been juggling all these roles?

RC: Nine years ago there was a pilot program that was looking for someone to move into careers guidance, so I transitioned out of the classroom and into this field. I've always been interested in how people have found their callings in life. I think it's fascinating and I love helping students do this for themselves.

W: Is that where the reward is for you?

RC: Absolutely. Seeing kids get into the courses they want, seeing them on track, all the stress and delights of First Round offers for the Year 12s, it's wonderful to be involved in.

W: But it's a long process, isn't it?

RC: Starting with Year 9, part of my role is to keep a profile around the school. It's where I get a chance to introduce myself to students for the first time. With the 'Out On Your Own' program I get them thinking about work experience and by the middle of Year 10 they're out there doing it. That's one of the most intense and busy times of the year - but I've learnt how to manage it. That's something that just comes with time.

W: It's busier than working with the Year 12s?

RC: It's different. By the time Year 12 rolls around things become very result and goal oriented, just like the students. We start the year by planning for the end of it, basically.



There's VTAC selections, parent and student information nights, course guidance... I give them a range of things to think about for their futures so they can make informed decisions. That pretty much sums up my job.

W: Showing them their options?



RC: Exactly. I'm not here to tell kids what they should do. It's up to them to achieve. I just want to help them do that however I can.



Top right: '09 school captain Jessica Lundie visits to talk to Year 12 students. Middle right: Meeting Year 9s for the first time in an 'Out On Your Own' seminar. Bottom right: Emily Chettle makes new friends on her mid-year Work Experience.

SCIENTIFIC STANDOUTS



Another busy year, another round of experiments and discoveries in the Science department.

From field trips to forensics, visits to vivisections, the intrepid scientific students of Norwood have once again done it all!



YEAR SEVENS & THEIR COMPUTERS

This year at Norwood we had the opportunity to get our own laptops to use at school. They are a great tool to have; much easier than carrying around heavy textbooks.

We have done HEAPS of fun assignments using them. One assignment

was making our own video using the computer's camera for English which taught us how to write a proper dialogue for a story, including how to make a beginning, problem, solution and ending. It was great fun.

They are also good as we are allowed

to take them home so we can work at home. Overall I think all the Year Sevens have enjoyed having these laptops.

They are fun to use and make school that bit more interesting!

Taylah Jackson 7A



This year, Norwood Secondary College went...

INTO THE WOODS



This year's school production was the Stephen Sondheim classic, *'Into The Woods'*, staged in late August at Ringwood's Karralyka Centre.

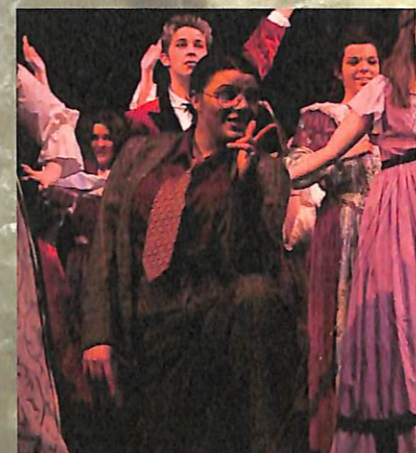
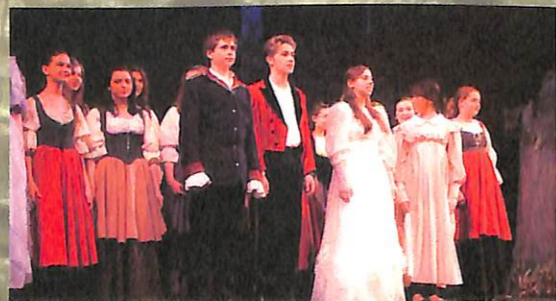
With a bigger cast and more complex songs to master, it was a real challenge for both the veterans of last year's *'Wizard of Oz'* and for the excited newcomers, but they succeeded beyond all expectations.

"I couldn't have been happier with how the kids did," said director (and Drama teacher) Mr. Rohan Johnson. "They proved themselves totally up for the challenge."

"Sondheim's work is so tough to master," said music director Mrs. Joanne Dema, "but the principals and the chorus all did wonderfully."

Audiences thought so too, with great turn-outs each night to see the dynamic performances.

"It was a real highlight in the school calendar," said school principal Mr. Vin Virtue, "and it proves how talented and skilled the students of Norwood are. They just keep getting better every year."



THE ARTISANS OF NORWOOD



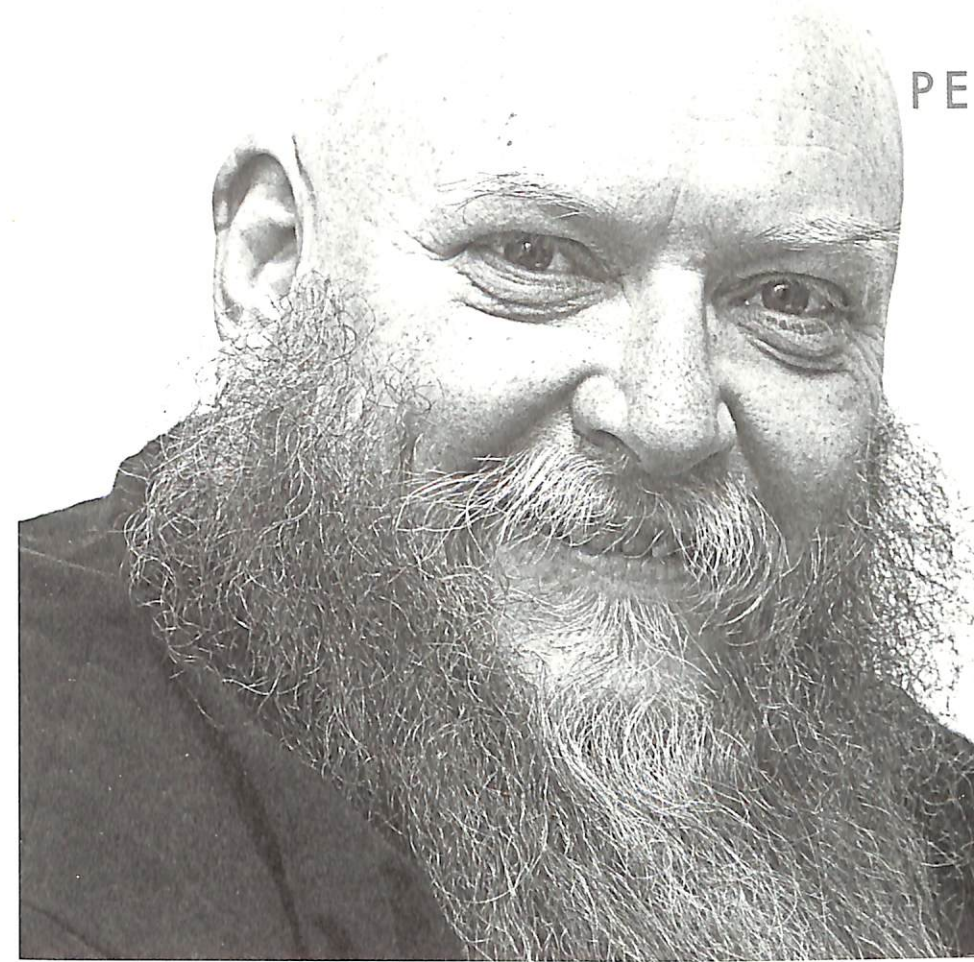
Creative expression comes in many forms, and at Norwood we see this across the year levels and throughout the Technology department.

From ICT to Food Technology, Material Technology, Electronics and Textiles, the skill and quality of the students' work is amazing.

Here is just a small sample of 2011's impressive output from our talented students.



Below: Year 12 student Bryan Hayes accepts First Prize in the Youth Exhibit at the Lilydale Spring Show for his final folio piece, a mosaic shield. Fellow student Eamon O'Donnell also won First Prize in the Drawing section.



The Weemala sat down with a new addition to the Norwood school life this year for an interview.

Introducing...

PETER WHITEFIELD SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

How are you enjoying Norwood?
I'm loving it. I'm really enjoying it a lot.

What does your job entail?
Working with students, families and the broader community, as well as the school's welfare team and doing some pastoral care.

Any highlights from your first year?
The Pink Day for Kahlia Wilson was very special, but helping students resolve issues, and seeing them learn that they can work issues out themselves has been great, too.

Is there anything else you'd like to mention?

Just that everyone's made me feel very welcome here, and that I'm hoping to stay for a long time. And I'm really looking forward to going on the Central Australia trip next year!

THE ALL-CONQUERING CRICKETERS



In December 2010 a magnificent season concluded for our spirited Year 7 girls with a State Premiership and premierships medallions!

Dedication to training, willingness to improve skills and tactics, self belief

and great team spirit were the ingredients for an undefeated season. Congratulations to captain Taylah Black, Mireia Lewis, Renee Grant, Madeleine Sweeney, Rachael Hewitt, Jade Matteo, Molly Spencer, Sammi McCartin, Dilek Ugrasbul, Jorja Van

Unen, Cassandra Nelmes, Tess Cosgrove, Sarah Bierman and Olivia Low.

The 2011 Year 7 Girls, having won the South-Eastern Conference, went on to play in the State Finals in early December.

THE SPRING SHOW

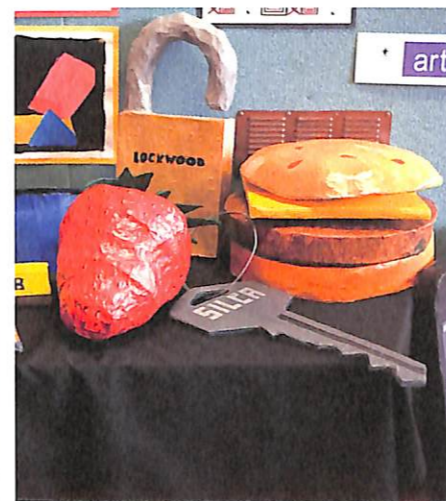


An exciting new addition - or perhaps *expansion* - to the school calendar has been the incorporation of the Spring Concert with the new Arts Exhibition.



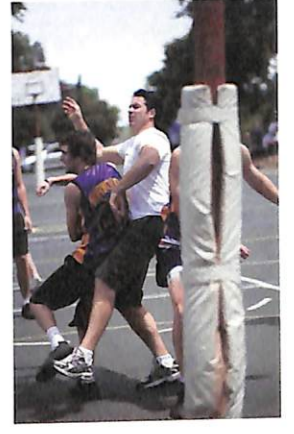
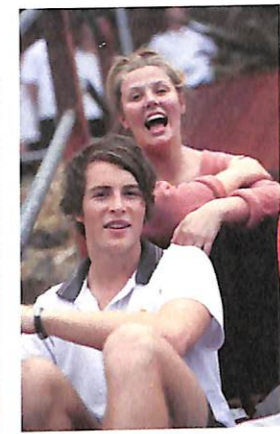
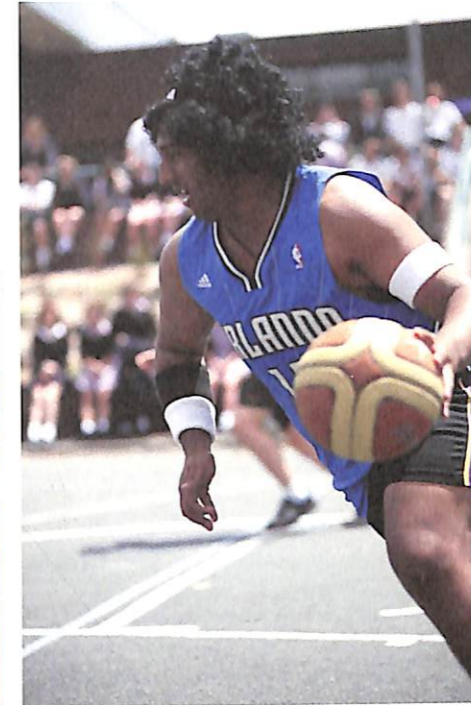
Displaying the best of the Arts and Technology classes from 2011, alongside some stellar musical performances, the all new Spring Show proved to be a great success.

Alongside parents came interested locals to see the creativity that Norwood is quickly becoming known for.



TEACHERS vs. STUDENTS

Nothing draws bigger crowds or more fierce competition than the Teacher versus Students football and basketball games. This year, the Teachers took out the footy honours while the Year 11 students won in style on the basketball court.



YEAR 12 CELEBRATION DAY

Few days in the school year are as memorable or just plain *strange* as the Year 12 Celebration Day. It's a chance for the graduating class to both release some of their built-up stress and to leave a lasting impression on the rest of the school.

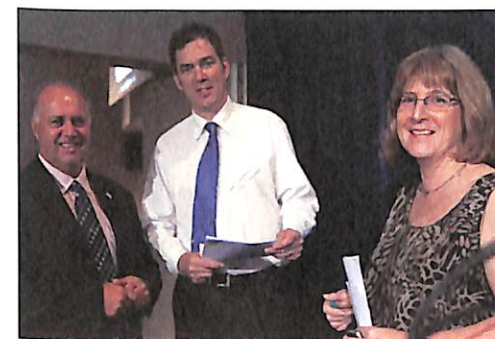
From Daleks to Sith Lords to Spartans and Power Rangers, the 2011 graduating class didn't disappoint. Although the clouds might have been low, spirits were high and the costumes on display were some of the best seen in years. A fun and fitting way for the Year 12s to see off their high school lives.



YEAR 12 VALEDICTORY DINNER

A closing night and a fitting tribute to the graduating class, the November Valedictory Dinner honoured outstanding students, dedicated staff and the endlessly supportive parents of this year's Year 12s.

Amongst the awards presented last night were the NESTA Award to Stephanie Greer and Courtney Taylor, and the Deakin University Endeavour Grant to Jess Marshall and Amanda Marano. Congratulations to them and to everyone on the night.



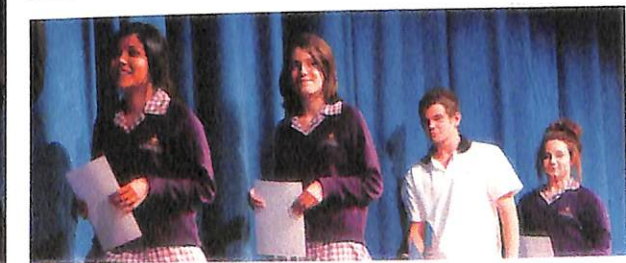
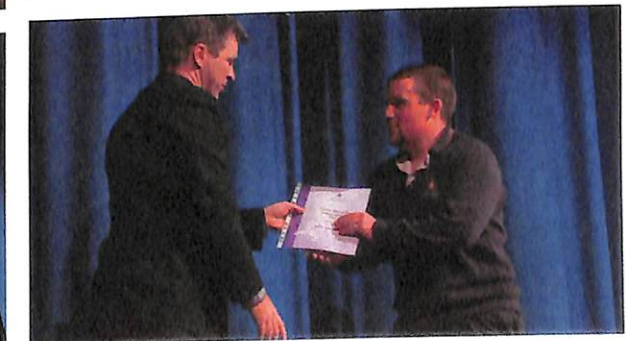
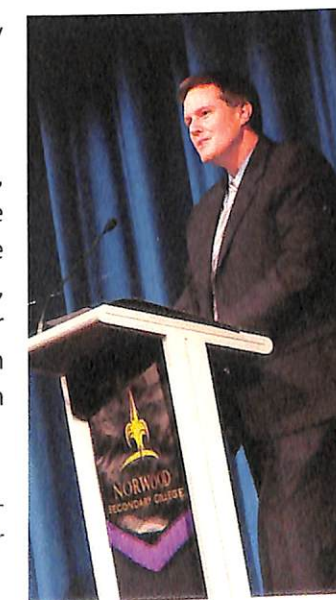
PRESENTATION NIGHT



To end 2011, we celebrated the many student accomplishments at the annual Presentation Night.

This year, Norwood's leading award, the *Fidelis*, went to Rachael Moore and Maxwell Read from Year 11, Zoe Cant and Shannon Ritchie (Year 10), Tessa Fox and Benjamin Moore (Year 9), Tracey Bryon and Jordan Galbraith (Year 8), and Amy Moore and Rowan Arblaster from Year 7.

Congratulations to them and everyone who was recognised for their outstanding achievements this year.



CLASS PHOTOS



SCHOOL CAPTAINS

(from left to right)

Brodie McMillan
(vice captain)

Michael Baker
(captain)

Amanda Marano
(seated, captain)

Alex Tyson
(vice captain)

Jessica Tossell
(vice captain)



MIDDLE SCHOOL

(from left to right)

Emily Chettle
(vice-captain)

Harry Moody
(vice-captain)

Zoe Cant
(captain)

Mitchell Pratt
(captain)



JUNIOR SCHOOL

(from left to right)

Jordan Galbraith
(vice-captain)

Olivia Low
(vice-captain)

Campbell Graham
(captain)

Taryn Randell
(captain)

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YEAR 7A



Row 3: Emilce Egan, Danae Rivadera, Alexandra Spokes, Brooke Jackson, Laura Dally, Abbey Blyth, Sophie Haines
Row 2: Timothy Van Der Wolf, James Bromilow, Matthew Cognetta, Taylah Jackson, Sarah Trolano, Joel Vernay, Daniel Wright, Michael Ebinger
Row 1: Kristy Last, Alyssa Rushent, Dylan Ramos, Vlad Candindatu, Irene Song, Geoffrey Bromilow, Brennan Raynor, Bethany McLauchlan, Chloe Muir
Teacher: Ms Helen Lawrence
Absent: Jaden Gernhoefer
Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 7B



Row 3: Arnelca Botha, Jasmine Elrick, Rowan Arblaster, Thomas Frame, Tom Murphy, Anita Lahza, Shalyn Bester, Mitchell Scarlett
Row 2: Emma Mahar, Nathan Embury, Jonard Manangan, Brett Stevenson, Trace Buckler, Thomas Petersen, Hudson Kuhnell, Rhys Ellis, Olivia Kerr
Row 1: Chanelle Riseley, Joshua Blythe, Taylah Bennett, Kirsten Goss, Emily Connan, Morgan Camilleri, Jack Henwood, Angela Haviland
Teacher: Mr Alex Papanotas
Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 7C



Row 3: Daniel Chadwick-Healey, Brodie Taylor, Thomas Bradford, Connor Horgan, Matthew Woods, Hsiam Alhaidari, Maddison Court
Row 2: Jasmin Philpot, Byron Tschuma, Alexander McCartin, Aymie Vick, Chelsea Lawry, Jaspur Fuas, Joshua Raso, Mia Ricardi
Row 1: Emily Dutton, William Francis, Cassandra Jobson, Annalise Lawn, Tynan Barbisan, Georgia Smart, Rhiannon Gamble, Thomas Fox, Nicola Barnes
Absent: Cindy Snodgrass
Principal: Mr V Virtue



"It was such an honour to be the College Captain for 2011.

Norwood has provided me with so many opportunities to get involved and make a difference within the community.

I wish the best of luck to the 2012 school captains and farewell to my classmates."

*Amanda Marano,
2011 School Captain*



"The opportunities and security that Norwood has provided has helped shape our character, it's helped define who we really are and it's been an avenue for us to meet a range of amazing people, a lot of whom we have befriended and will continue to see for years to come."

*Michael Baker,
2011 School Captain*

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YEAR 7D

Row 3: Nicholas Francis, James Smith, Joshua Millist, Jasmine Kaur, Sachi Liston, Lucas Duffy, Sarah Cognetta, Lachlan Berriman
 Row 2: Daniel Park, Bhavisha Khatri, Alex Muir, Simon Reichelt, Wapi Vita, Isobel Decru, Mark Lambert
 Row 1: Romany Barnett, Kaila Booth, Sally Lake, Kylie Winterling, Tahlia Landi, Cassandra Hennessy, Erin O'Connor, Tessa Lai Sang
 Absent: Hayden Gauci, Bou Irvine, Alanah Wocker

Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 7E

Row 3: Kaitlyn Halden-Cornish, Nayiyana Briggs, Amber Everett, Justin Kolevski, Mahalia James, Jessica Robinson, Tyler Robinson
 Row 2: Luke Sparkes, Corey Boyce, Emma Bester, Courtney Martyn, Aaron Mason, Braeden Gordon, Kaitlyn Gray, Olivia Krusec, Harry Evelyn
 Row 1: Luke Bennie, Dane Barber, Natasha Belo, Shaun O'Brien, Taniesha Luiyf, Aaron Humphrys, Simbarashe Chigwedere
 Teacher: Ms Mary Cahill
 Absent: Renee Gamble, Aaron Matthews

Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 7F

Row 3: Mitchell Sproles, Lachlan Bradfield, Jack Sanjaya Lie, Morgan Rayner, Hayley Patterson, Taihlan Jankowiak, Wade Van Unen, Nathan Leslie
 Row 2: Sarah Roodhouse, Blake Brasher, Christopher Denadic, Cassidy O'Donnell, Dahnuporn Martin, Bailey Klewer, Sarah Davis
 Row 1: Sarah Hollingsworth, Bryce Allan, Leah Burgoyne, Jasmine Hall, Lauren Woolley, Maddison Lynn, Liam Spurrell, Rebecca Ralston
 Teacher: Miss Kirsty Hope
 Absent: Jade Harvie

Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 7G

Row 3: Amy Moore, Jordan Zabenko, Annalise Heckley, Murphy Whitmore, Brianna Blok, Jordan Lynch, Addison Holland-Hughes
 Row 2: Madeline Burnma, Leo-Lucaine Watene, James Quinn, James McCubbin, Jack Brown, Michael Freeman, Liam Chaplin, Emily Tomney
 Row 1: Emma Bear, Daniel Wynne, Grace Ganas, Alexandra Miller, Courtney McPhee, Stephanie Tonkin, Stephanie La Gru, Dylan Rossi, Emily Spanio

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 8A

Row 3: Samuel Hill, Nathan Johnson, Jason Edwards, Ainslee O'Donnell, Molly Florence, Sean Rodriguez, Tayfur Goverdik, Liam Nichol
 Row 2: Ayron Ganas, Taylah Black, Jordan Galbraith, Chelsea Carson, Thomas Fowler, Katie Roach, Rohan Cornello
 Row 1: Hayley Meredith, Samantha Drabble, Jaithan Bath, Catherine Mason, Bronte Pearse, Matthew Ireland, Charlotte Pinnock, Samantha McCarin

Absent: Joshua Hayward, Britany Wilson

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 8B

Row 3: Caitlin Evans, Karl Serer, Kirsten Stewart, Khayla Nothnagel, Ellie Brindle, Jacqueline Mathews, Alexander Konig, Caisha Lillis
 Row 2: Jake Hollingsworth, Tzun Ch'Ng, Spencer Magnall, Molly Spencer, Conor Gamble, Wyatt Mahoney, Thomas Rooney
 Row 1: Madeline Sweeney, Jaimee Clarke, Katy Jankowiak, Ruby O'Brien, Chaniece Djuric, James Ireland, Jade Matteo, Taryn Randell

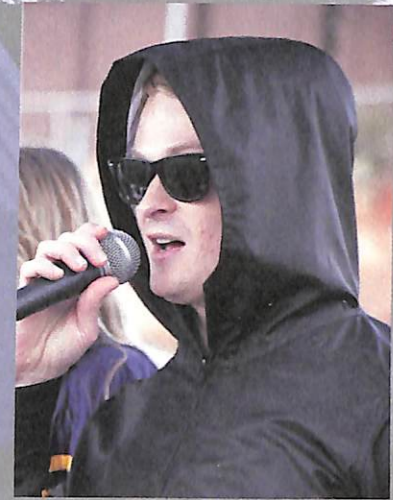
Absent: Bradley Gardiner, Michael Main

Principal: Mr V Virtue



"Sherlock Holmes, bananas, super heros, a smurf, Minnie Mouse and the Mario brothers. An Indian, the Black swan, Roman gladiators, Harry Potter and a Dalek. Breakfast on the deck and crazy games on the oval. A fantastic and fun dress up day for this great bunch of Year 12's to finish with."

*Ms. Jill Schroder,
Senior School*



"It was good fun this year torturing the masses with some (tired) banter masquerading as football and basketball commentary.

Let's channel our inner Dennis Commetti again next year!"

Mr. Matthew Joyce, English, Media.

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YEAR 8C

Row 3: Eugene Zi Cheng Tee, Jack Williams, Ashley Koukounaras, Jarred Sherar, Campbell Graham, Tori Balfour Brown, Lincoln Macdougall, Lauren Cooper-Smith
 Row 2: Nicholas Mutton, Gina Watson, Ned Lowe, Nicholas Smith, Jackson Ford, Helena Knight, Zachary Hayes
 Row 1: Michaela Townsend, Michael Barkley, Nicole Squelch, Bernadette Hellenen, Sophie Xu, Bonnie Krisohos, Josiah Sonsie, Isabelle Wright
 Teachers: Ms Mary Cahill
 Absent: Jack Hale, James Lilly
 Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 8F

Row 3: Thomas Hurley, Emily Brewer, Lucas Dunbar, Tarryn Sheppard, Caitlyn Lee, Kane Keppel
 Row 2: Justin Bradford, Ryan Adams, Jarrod Robinson, James Walton, Alex Corrone, Sam Lindsay, John Mamarou
 Row 1: Elley Mensa, Olivia Bradfield, Jake McPhee, Tess Cosgrove, Jorja Van Unen, Connor Whitfield, Victoria Heaver, Ebony Layton
 Absent: Georgla-Rose King, Olivia Low, Daniel Sullivan
 Principal: Mr V Virtue



"My favourite class was Home Economics, cooking all of the good food and then getting to eat it.

We cooked muffins, chocolate truffles, tacos and spaghetti bolognese."

Caitlin Wood, Year 8H

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YEAR 8D

Row 3: Benjamynt Slight, Dylan Eagles, Adam Montagna, Shaelt Smith, Jed Dally, Shane Davies, Sarah Bierman
 Row 2: Erin Robinson, Denver Orme, Lochlan Wright, Robbie Capone, Samuel Power, Jesse Davis, David Gaudry-Luckins, Renee Grant
 Row 1: Jessica Ellis, Joi Ee Gan, Dilek Ugrasbul, Darcy Hammet, Rachel Maclean, Jade Stewart, Mireia Lewis
 Absent: Christopher Maile
 Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 8G

Row 3: Jake Djohan, Alysha Blackey, Joshua Loh, Hayden Lopez, Cassandra Nelmes, Christopher Orchard
 Row 2: Andrew Woolard, Aaron Fenton, Samuel Wright, Luke O'Brien, Matthew Markic-Smith, Brendan Skipworth, Dylan Spurrell
 Row 1: Thomas Gauci, Tracey Byron, Katie Hamilton, Sarah Walton, Renee Marshall, Emily Poke, Rachael Winstone, Jarryd Panayi
 Absent: Jesse Frazer, Meg Kelly
 Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 8E

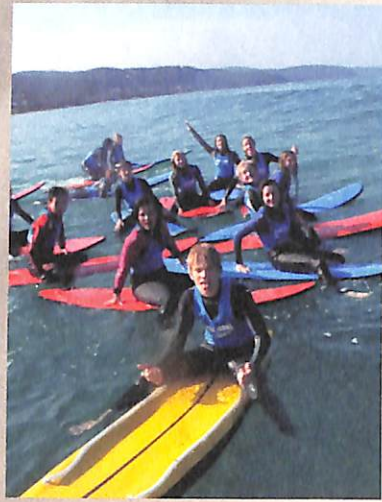
Row 3: Brylie Hammet, Travis Vermetulen, Emily Moore, Cihan Goverdik, Andrew Cary, Claire Murray, Craig McArthur, Bothany Dunn
 Row 2: Jake Christie, Natasha Djuric, Rebecca Pappin, Alex Beveridge, Adam Hayes, James Ebrahimi, Alannah Roberts, Laura Pentland, Samuel Nettleton
 Row 1: Hayley Harding, Zoe Higgins, Shayla Cleverly, Andrew Phassoulotis, Blake Williams, Carly Ervine, Emma Lillis, Meghan Calf
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YEAR 8H

Row 3: Lincoln Pratt, Matthew Russell, Joshua Barowski, Rachael Hewitt, Tessa Nalder, Max Kleverkamp, Shannae Gaudion, Connor Vaughan
 Row 2: Charlie Bircham, Jacob Stanyer, Abbey Lawlor, Luke Styles, Amanda Griffiths, Tarran Van Egmond, Kayleb Robinson
 Row 1: Rhys Spaulding, Jade Tsao, Courtney Jackson, Thomas Randell, Scott Miller, Natasha Treglow, Caitlin Wood, Jayden Harford
 Absent: Jake Berkley, Ebony Winzar
 Principal: Mr V Virtue



"Surf Camp with Mr. Fuller and Mr. Mitchell was a lot of fun."

"One afternoon we all paddled out past the waves to where it was all peaceful and calm."

"It was a pretty surreal experience."

*Maddy Rouget,
Year 10H*

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9A

Row 3: Sasha Ramos, John Nelmes, Jonathon Cox, James Reichert, Dana Vaughan
 Row 2: Piper Beasley, Isabella Krusec, Jake Spano, Christian Gialamas, Ryan Steer, Jack Barowski, Lucinda Whelan, Lucy McDonald
 Row 1: Andreas Becker, Ashleigh Woods, Bianca Sperling, Taylor Bickers, Joseph Jackson, Danielle White, Bethany Peter-Budge, Lauren Cerri, Jarryd Millist

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9B

Row 3: Brad Chaffer, Jonathan Wilson, Bradley Croxford, Braden Waters, Christopher Fraser
 Row 2: Ashleigh Leslie, Brittany Muir, David Baker, Taylor Dixon, Renee Einsiedel, Shannon Payne
 Row 1: Erin Mooney, Casey Mits, Jessica Fraser, Trent Morgan, Nicole Irvine, Jake Goldsmith, Kristelle Van Der Wolf
 Teacher: Mr Anthony Lahy
 Absent: Rebekah Jackson, Alex Laferlita, Macalla Shelley, Abbey Winneke

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9C

Row 3: Chloe Hamling, Ashley Skipworth, Joshua Laukart, James Strodder, Rebecca Rayner
 Row 2: Danielle Molnar, Molly Osborn, James Embury, Samuel Miller, Evan McBride, Christopher Hockey, Danya Matonti
 Row 1: Sara Weedon, Sumudu Aranyake, Lee Poole, Nicole Pratt, Brett Andrew, Lauren Witney, Hamish Ford, Jessica Perry, Ana Burgess
 Absent: Natasha Rose

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9D

Row 3: Nicolas Bennion, Brenddon Marrell, James Burgoyne, Jack Andrew, Thomas Barnes, Maximiliano Rivadera
 Row 2: James Davidson, Casey McLaughlin, Alexander Knight, Emily Wheeler, Malady Penani, Torry Edwards, Katherine Schultz, Chelsea Macfarlane
 Row 1: Micah Haslam, Liam Cooper-Smith, Brianna Ciccotelli, Emily Kerr, Holly Clarke, Zac Kascha, Eliza Tonkin

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9E

Row 3: Larissa Spano, Caitlin Austin, Barclay Tabone, Dorian White, Daisy Richardson, Cassandra Sotiropoulos
 Row 2: Justin Baker, Lauren Francis, Blair Hudson, Lachlan Cranwell, Benjamin Tossell, Tenaea Rollason, Adam Cowcher
 Row 1: Natasha Brenchley, Pamela Davies, Christopher Henson, Dylan Pietsch, Jai Town, Domenic Ozzimo, Kate Borzym, Bianca Verdino
 Absent: Daphne Fischer

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9F

Row 3: Georgia-Rose Goodey, Jake Lynch, Nicolas Theodoropoulos, Rourke O'Sullivan, Austyn Rayner, Jennifer Faulkner
 Row 2: Leona Modaffari, Alexander Johnson, Cassandra Hunter, Sam Minns, Holly Dopheide, Johnathon Blanche, Dana Rymer
 Row 1: Megan Pirouc, Kai Liston, Zoe Buchanan, Benjamin Moore, George Stassoulakos, Kirstie James, Hamed Khaledi, Amber Rottinger
 Absent: Emma Hutton, Kari-Lise Nettleton

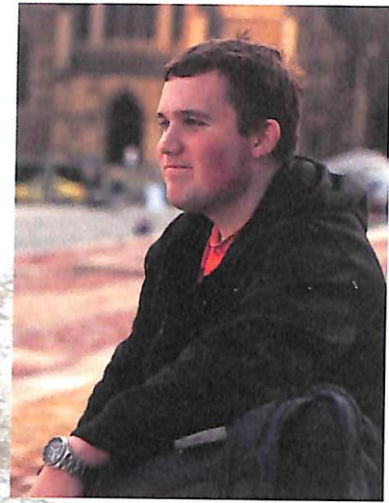
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"My favourite thing at Summit Camp was the giant swing, which was the tallest in the Southern Hemisphere."

"The swing went over a lake slightly so it was rather scary and me and my friend Ashleigh Leslie screamed our lungs out which made this camp definitely one to remember."

*Renee Einsiedel,
Year 9H*



"I've really enjoyed VCAL this year because it's a hands-on experience that prepares you really well for the workplace, and I found it a lot less stressful than VCE."

The highlights for me were staging The Amazing Race and building the new decking."

*John Hensworth,
Year 11V*

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9G

Row 3: Leah Sleeman, Jack Sperling, Tyler Hayward, Tate Jacob, Cain Lahy, Sheridan Bailey
 Row 2: Matthew Doensen, Victoria Heard, Sophie Clarke, Lachlan Booth, Jamie Drummond, Megan Beasley, Tom Alderson
 Row 1: Alana Caputo, Ashley Matthews, Sa Law Eh Pe, Tessa Fox, Jessica Bennett, Nikita Giddings, Mzimazisi Mipofu, Zoe Dunkinson
 Absent: Piper Beasley, Dale Richards

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 9H

Row 3: Lana Abdelganne, Aleksandar Hrkalic, Izabelle Chabierski, Brittany Hodson, Samuel Blyth, Nicola Logan
 Row 2: Thomai Joseph, James Knott, Christopher Canning, Bridgette Johnson, Dylan Belo, Connor Crichton, David Garotti
 Row 1: Abigail Trevenna, Sarah McLeod, Lochlan Matonli, Nicholas Rourke, Matthew Gardiner, Nathan Park, Madeleine Brown, Elise Draper
 Absent: Brandon Kenney, Laura Keogh

Principal: Mr V Virtue

Norwood Secondary College 2011

YEAR 10A

Row 3: Matthew Griffiths, Justin Stewart, Iesia Galati, Samuel Wright, Thomas Manalack
 Row 2: Shane Wheeler, Emille Murphy, Nadine Ciccotelli, Harrison Moody, Luke Barnard, Taylah Brasher, Hayden Burke, Luke Barowski
 Row 1: Alexandra Thompson, Bridget McKimmie, Doherty, Brandon Vermeulen, Megan Keppel, Scott Gollom, Jane Brincat, Bonnie Draeger
 Absent: Christopher Bierman, Jordan Cosgrove, Patrick Dyson

Principal: Mr V Virtue

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YEAR 10B

Row 4: Lucie-Rose Ganas, Sarah Treglown
 Row 3: Kirralee Luyf, Connor Penman, Michael Cognetta, Lachlin Baltruweit, Tom McKinney, Benjamin Lansdell, Joel Nye
 Row 2: Rachael Watson, Katelyn Johnston, Jake Wilkinson, Bryn Whitfield, Henry Jacob, Meaghan Edwards
 Row 1: Elise Gaudion, Madison McQuiggan, Renee Ch'ng, Joanna Shurey, Jody Lombardo, Jenelle Taylor, Angel Nin
 Absent: Meagan Murphy

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YEAR 10C

Row 3: Michelle Yao, Logan Barnett, Zachary Gluyas, Shannon Ritchie
 Row 2: Chloe Kerr, Luke Goss, Emily Fastesson, Maia Van Rooyen-Bennett, Ryan Lundie, Stephanie Lamb
 Row 1: Benjamin Christianson, Emily Chettle, Alec Ljungberg, Luke Pratt, Fletcher Pearse, Zoe Cant, Louis Evans
 Absent: Amelia Carim, Daniel Donehue, Kim Irvine, Hayleigh Smith

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YEAR 10D

Row 3: Ryan Mahy, Zac Copley, Joshua Xu, Cooper Farquharson, Callum Raynor, Mitchell Pratt
 Row 2: Trinda Foster, Renaye Doran, Deanne Walker, Victoria Roodhouse, Peyton Morgan, Rhian Steele
 Row 1: Paige Chidgey, Riley Sirgiovanni, Samantha Dimitriadis, Bethany O'Donnell, Harry Raines, Eliza Stafford
 Absent: Chloe Collinson, Dylan Gillespie, Luke Nichol, Stefan Serer, Darcey Wright

Principal: Mr V Virtue



"2011 seems to have gone so quickly. I take many memories with me, of the Central Australia camp, formals and of course friendships made."

I would like to thank Mr. Scott Dixon for encouraging me to follow my dreams and taking time to help me with my work."

*Stephanie Greer,
Year 12D*



"To my Year 12 Business students - well done and good luck. I hope you remember the 'Kotter' steps of change management forever!"

And to all my Yarra faithful! Get your swimmers and keep your shoes laced up, ready to swim, paddle, run, jump, hop and throw in 2012."

*Ms. Lisa Walmsley,
Business Studies*

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YEAR 10E

Row 3: Tegan Davis, Trent Hudson, Marshall Hennessy, Ryan Brownfield, Darcy Hubbard, Holly Cridge
 Row 2: Susan Aitken, Jessica Ebrahimi, Joshua Timmins, Jack Larkin, Scott Baker, Miles Probert, Shahn Pollard
 Row 1: Taylah Fiedler, Aidan Meredith, Arren Bisogni, Hayden Connan, Mitchell Knight, Joshua Kerr, Ryan Chambers, Emily Oakley
 Absent: Cassandra Laing, Melissa Micheli, Tess Walker

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YEAR 10H

Row 3: Stella O'Meara, Ashlee Joyce, James Rowland, Darcy Whitmore, Liam Monahan, Abbey Adkins, Callum Ferguson
 Row 2: Prince Maposa, Amanda Riseley, Monique Arrowsmith, Caitlin Lombardo, Jamie-Lee Taylor, Kate Bennett
 Row 1: Veronica Haviland, Alesha Harlond, Jessica Nyssen, Madeline Hellenen, Madeline Rouget, Bryanna Green, Madeline Grant
 Absent: James Belo, Jenny Fon, Emily Hill

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YEAR 10F

Row 3: Rion Heenan, Jagjeet Singh, Kane Parsons, Heath Mays, Jonathan Hoare, Joshua Baltruweit, Luke Kerr
 Row 2: Sam Henwood, Jessica Pappin, George Tester, Ryan Peters, Nina Reichert, Laura Dorrian
 Row 1: Samuel Chaplin, Lana Menheere, Chelsea Macdougall, Darinka Hrkalovic, Tessa Luminati, Lauren Arnett, Jamie Arblaster
 Absent: Mitchell Cole, Katelyn Shepherd, Kyle Taylor

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YEAR 11A

Row 3: Abby Stranger, Stephanie Mason, John Humphrys, Joel Wilson, James Maclean, James Schultz, Chelsea Van Uunen
 Row 2: Tara Kelly, Emily Szekely, Courtney Charles, Steffanie Waters, Rohan Ervine, Kelly Beer, Amy Marshall, Carly West, Rishel Tochetto
 Row 1: Bianca Kotaidis, Allison Harding, Tara Barowski, Samantha Winstone, Chloe Eastwood, Madeleine Lawn, Laura Mensa
 Absent: Aimee Lillis

Principal: Mr V Virtue

"One of the best things about this year was Cathedral Camp.

It was the middle of winter when we went so it was very cold.

We hiked up the Cathedral Ranges and went swimming. The only downside was that the water was numbingly cold!"

*Mitchell Pratt,
Year 10D*

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YEAR 10G

Row 3: Zoe Day, Clare Beveridge, Benjamin Crowe, Christopher Meyers, Jayden Battaglione, Shannon Bardsley
 Row 2: Matthew Roberts, Kyle Sirgiovanni, Joel Thompson, Jarrad Beale, Jacob Lahy, Andrew Carr, Jonty Spencer
 Row 1: Stephanie Box, Jorgie O'Donnell, Lachlan Collins Grant, Tony Vita, Samantha Dunn, Hannah Orchard
 Absent: Brytney Lipp, Lucy McEvoy, Phillip Reichelt, Mitchell Rogers

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YEAR 11B

Row 2: Danielle Pongho, Drew Graham, Luke Steer, Jordan Vlahos, Alexander Stent, Andrew Pratt
 Row 1: Tahlia Mannaert, Josephine Delaney, Adelene Tschuma, Ross Clark, Alexandra Wright, Yanina Di Marco, Rachel Kallio
 Absent: Nicole Callander, Jane Pirouc, Jake Seymour

Principal: Mr V Virtue



"Year 11... a step up for us to the VCE world."

An exciting year, including the Deb, the highlight for the girls, and our trip to Central, which had its moments, from the excitement of staying with your mates making up for the long bus rides and the interesting food..."

Jordan Vlahos, Year 11B

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YEAR 11C

Row 3: Casey Quinn, Kimberley Millott, Georgia Thomas, Jordan Moore, Thomas Homsby, Jordyn Benison, Carlee Yodgse
 Row 2: Simon Lee, Tamara McDonnell, Emily Mishios, Thomas Duffy, David Middlemast, Derya Goverdik, Melanie Dannock-Price, Zoe O'Shea
 Row 1: Tayla Walsh, Rebecca Mathews, Alice Everitt, Mitchell Poole, Simone Tarkasis, Matthew Taylor, Emma Knight, Sophie Raines, Chantelle Smith

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YEAR 11D

Row 3: Luke Laukart, Leigh Godden-Minette, Jacqueline Bailey, Callum Hirvonen, Jack Hele, Molly Marshall, Scott McGown, Thomas Read
 Row 2: Jarrah Latch, Rachael Ebinger, Tayla Alderson, Rory De Zylva, Shannon Pike, Madeline Ricci, Amber Brash
 Row 1: Amelia Dunne, Kalliah Thompson, Amylee Perry, Emma Drummond, Cheyanne Creer, Kaila Blythe, Jodie Dundas, Taylor Bennett

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YEAR 11E

Row 3: Benjamin Lindsay, Evelyn Heenan, Liam Kuhnelli, Toby Ford, Luke Harris, Aimee Lee Jones, Maxwell Read
 Row 2: Caitlin Murphy, Kurt Payne, Sheridan Morgan, Daniel Pollock, Mark Kolevski, Stephanie Mackenzie, Naveen De Silva, Madelaine Petersen
 Row 1: Kylie Li, Grace Boscher, Stephanie Bennion, Tara Kelly, Amy Galbraith, Ruby Jones, Kyra Randell
 Absent: Mitchell Coombes, Brendan Nyssen

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YEAR 11F

Row 3: Lauren Joy, Amanda Ford, Melanie Blanche, Alexander Stratsianis, Bregha Everett, Tayla Kenneally, Jaimii-Lee Young
 Row 2: Reesha Cornelio, Christian Wigg, Sam Bircham, Aidan Beale, James Marmarou, Nicholas Priebatsch, Ravinder Singh, Elisa Pedrollo
 Row 1: Rachael Moore, Hannah Herbert, Joshua Gray, Victoria Poke, Connor O'Sullivan, Alyssa Mutton, Aaron Stevens, Georgia Konig, Helia Haghdoust

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YEAR 11G

Row 3: Sarah Delaney, Jayson Spurrell, Madison Morgan
 Row 2: Riley Buckingham, Matthew Cary, James Guthrie, Trenton Goodey, Benjamin Owen, Nicholas Jones
 Row 1: Michaela Rodgers, Riana Meneses, Louise Hockey, Bradley Blair, Jenna Benison, Jonathan Portlock, Isabelle Layton
 Absent: Linda Walter

Principal: Mr V Virtue

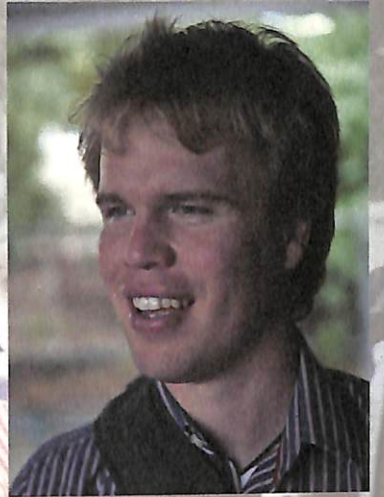
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YEAR 11V

Row 3: Adrian Minutillo, Lauren Cyster, Tom Cromb, Annaliese Smith, Benjamin Richards
 Row 2: Cara Modaffari, Jack Hurley, Cameron Blair, Matthew Menegol, Peter Tate, Luke Power, Kale Jacob, John Hensworth
 Row 1: Tayla Chynoweth, Adrienne De Zylva, Tanaya Styles, Lochlan Haslam, Michaela Thomas, Kristan Dundas, Ashleigh Squelch
 Absent: Ateaka Campbell, Mark Kaplun, Luke O'Neill

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"The Spring Show was a fantastic success for the school."

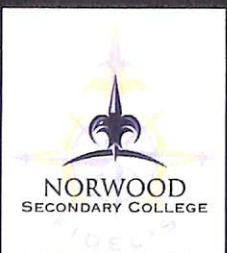
I loved how the students produced such amazing work and got a chance to present it to the public.

And the turnout by the parents and the local community was a great show of support to them."

Mr. Simon Cross, Studio Art



YEAR 12



Row 8: Rohan Cadman, Bryan Hayes, Samuel Rowe, Thomas Logan, Jake Gillespie, Joshua Vandenberg, Aaron Connan, Jacob Eastwood, David Luminati, Lucas Macdougall
 Row 7: Alex Drabble, Christopher Flack, Kurt Moser, Adam Read, Daniel Thompson, Jordan McCorrison, Luke Arrowsmith, Callum Fenton, Philip Inman, Dylan Williams, William Elks, Stewart Campbell, Matthew Smyth
 Row 6: Justin Vermeulen, James Hunter, Scott Coon, Gemma Jones, Corey Eastwood, Michael Wright, Matthew Van Der Westhuizen, Dale Meyer, Darcy Penman, Nathan De Haan, William Crowe, Haydn Spurrell, Benjamin Di Giovine, Luke Pratt, Benjamin Nelmes, Hayley Wilkinson
 Row 5: Courtney Wood, Darcie Alderwick, Matthew Webb, Kellie Rossborough, Ebony Dowers, Scott Johnston, Leah-Jade Probert, Renee Jones, Luke Rouget, Rhys Blyth, Kara Stafford, Michael Nicholls, Stephanie Wright, Sarah Grimstone, Daniel Fastesson, Kathryn Noble, Emma Rigby
 Row 4: Ellie Millott, Rachel Bennett, Lyndall Ward, Ellen Morton, Mitchell Wustemann, Kae-Lin Yii, Russell Collom, Bryan Lai Sang, Elise Dorris, Amylee Williams, Samuel Timmins, Brandon Kuy, Simone Thompson, Lachlan Johnson, Evelyn Coates, Lauren Hodgkinson, Melissa Faulkner, Amy Blanche, Ellen Stones
 Row 3: Alexandra Hall, Jasmine Graham, Vicky Li, Taylor Kendal, Kristy Waters, Veronica Kenneally, Christine Dutton, Jessica Marshall, Sean Maggood, Kyle Magan, Eamon O'Donnell, Ashleigh Falls, Samuel Weedon, Lauren Henderson, Emily Henwood, Courtney Taylor, Kayla Sheppard, Gemma Rooney, Kayla Trenfield
 Row 2: Carmela Ozzimo, Stephane Panagiotopoulos, Erin Inglis, Lauren Goldsmith, Kobie May, Nicola Scott, Melanie Park, Jessie Moxham, Christine Orr, Lauren Verdino, Kirsty Walles, Emily Mordue, Naidene Makrides, Hannah Papas, Miriam Roodhouse, Amelia Lincoln, Jacquelyn Swanson-Hill, Katelyn McQuiggan, Mitchell Booth
 Row 1: Alex Micheli, Loren Raiston, Hayley Meakin, Jordon Smith, Courtney Howes, Stephanie Greer, Michael Baker, Brodie McMillan, Mr Geoff Castles, Mrs Jill Schroder, Mr Mark Fuller, Amanda Marano, Alex Tyson, Jessica Tossell, Jessica Cole, James Tarkasis, Tanya Russell, Holly Delaney, Mitchell Booth
 Absent: Nicholas Bierman, Ammia Blythe, Louise McGoldrick, Kahlia Wilson



AUTOGRAPHS





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