

THE 2016 YEAR 12 NORWOOD

WEEMALA

YEARBOOK

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^{*} an Aboriginal word meaning 'distant view', it compliments the majestic sight of the Dandenong Ranges

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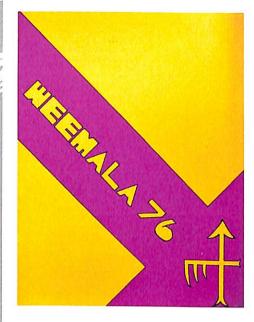
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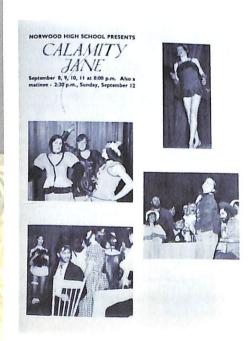
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FLASHBACK WEEMALA 1976



1976 was a year of growth for the school. It saw Norwood growing in terms of student and staff numbers. and also in student participation in school events.

Music and drama were growing areas of the school, and much like this year. Norwood in '76 also put on a prodcution. It was Calamity Jane, and it ran for 4 performances and a matinee.



Due to the popularity of the production, '76 saw male students get more involved in the music and drama departments, which had been dominat ed by female students until then.





SENIOR SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Looking back over the journey of the Year 12 Class of 2016, I am amazed at how fast the year has gone. Of course the SACs were unrelenting at times and the demands of different subjects sometimes hard to juggle but there were many highlights. The Valedictory was an opportunity to dress up and come together as a cohort. The Pyjama Day culminated in a Teddy Bear's Picnic on the oval and Term 3 ended with the traditional Year 12 I would like to take this opportunity versus teachers football match. This is undefeated.

It is always rewarding to work with student leaders. I have been particularly impressed with the work of all

much needed funds for a variety of charitable causes. Of particular note is the whole school support for Nepal. A busy and vibrant school requires When a group of students visit later this year, they will take with them in excess of \$3,500, raised locally at the school, to support a community project to enable sustainable water collection and storage. This is much more than just a financial contribution; our students will provide the manual labour.

to congratulate and thank Brooke always a highlight and this year was Johnston, Rowan Arblaster, Olivia no exception. The teachers remain Krusec and Aaron Humphrys for their ment. leadership of the College as Captains in 2016. I have enjoyed working with them and would like to acknowledge the efforts they have made in mentoring younger students. Thank you also student leaders, but especially the to Kaila Booth for your service to the

your contributions to College Council.

many leaders. It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge other dedicated students whose efforts often go unnoticed. Assemblies and music concerts are opportunities to showcase the talent within the College. This is made possible by our highly skilled technical crew who manage the Bio Box under the leadership of Kaila Booth and Emily Spano. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their technical expertise in managing sound, lighting and equip-

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to wish the Year 12 students well in their future endeavours. Whilst I look forward to the release of their results and tertiary placement offers, more importantly, I look forward to hearing about their future successes when they return to the College in the coming years. It is always a privilege to be part of the journey of young people and to celebrate their achievements.

Farewell to the Class of 2016.





Backhouse

Beggs



Belle



Bryant Buckingham



Buckley



Casey



Castles



Chatton



Clarke





Creemers

Dight-Stone

Cross



Crothers





Day







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Casey













Halliday





Harris





Mary Hess



Forward

Kerrie

Hobbs

Samantha



Joyce Hughes Homersham









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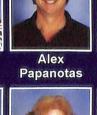
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Victoria













Lisa-Jane



Webb











Timmins

Cheryl

Taylor

orwood prides itself on its staff and the W what they achieve in the classroom. Here, the faculties reflect on the year and share some of their standout moments...

ENGLISH

2016 has been a big year for the English KLA. Students have enjoyed a wide variety of activities in English, from oral presentations, to group work to using a range of skills to improve their written expression.

The Year 11 team worked hard to implement the new Study Design for VCE. The new study area 'Comparing texts' is an exciting direction in English, as students

in organising the Australian Mathematics Competition.

We farewell our Year 12 Mathematics students, and wish them all the best for the future. We are looking forward to an exciting year of Mathematics in 2017.

HUMANITIES

2016 has been a vibrant year of incorporating new units of study and refining our existing units in the subjects that make up 'Humanities', which include History and Geography, and Economics and Civics at Junior School. The Humanities' staff have instilled their passion and enthusiasm for teaching

maintaining our commitment to improving the Financial Literacy of our students.

Year 9s participated in the StartSmart program, learning about earning, saving, spending and investing. We also introduced a new program on SmartChoices in Year 8. Both year levels found the programs very entertaining and informative. At the Senior end of the College, Mr Goh and his Business and Finance students have successfully operated Market Days, offering tasty foods to buy and using some very interesting marketing strategies. Thank you Mr Goh! Mrs Hobbs had a very busy year with Legal Studies, visiting Melbourne's court precinct

ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

Faculties reflect on another successful scholastic year at Norwood.

compare ideas and themes in two different texts. This skill is now being taught at other year levels to prepare students for VCE. This year we have had a focus on teaching reading effectively. Our emphasis is on students developing their own strategies to approach difficult reading tasks. An exciting new program in year 7, 'Quick Smart' has been very well received by over 50 students. This program is designed to increase the speed at which students recognise words, thus improving their fluency.

The Year 12 Literature class has worked hard this year, developing their deep reading skills and analytical writing skills. The focus was on the classic novel Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë and the play Pygmalion by George Bernard Shaw. At the beginning of the year, a selection of short stories by the satirical Dorothy Parker was also studied.

MATHS

It has been another big year in Mathematics at Norwood! Our Year 7 cohort embraced the opportunity to test their problem-solving and data collection skills at the TaskWorks activity centre. The students tested their logic and reasoning skills and collected data in a range of fun activities. A big thank you to Ms. Stevens and the Year 7 Mathematics staff for their organisation of this new excursion.

Each year Norwood invites students with high aspirations to take part in the Australian Mathematics Competition, one of the world's largest school-based mathematics competitions. Congratulations to the 120 participants from all year levels, and a special mention to our top scorers at each level: Callum Mueck (7), Natalie Ling (8), Darryl Lai (9), Lara Pedersen (10), Gavin Low (11) and Caitlyn Liu (12). Thank you to Mr. Papanotas and helpers for your hard work

into their students and classroom activities. This was evident in the display of student work and activities during Open Night earlier in the year. Thank you to all involved.

History units are taught at all levels in the college and comprise core and elective units. Students studied a extensive range of eras across the year levels. The innovative range of approaches to bring history alive were certainly varied: texts; film; primary sources; music; recreating objects; role plays and guest speakers were all used to stimulate a love of history. Our classrooms were swathed with masks and posters, while passionate debates raged in our senior classes on different interpretations of causes and consequences of historical

Our Geography program has grown across the college and examines both the natural and human environments of our world. This year students studied topics as diverse as: mapping; landforms and landscapes; climate: natural systems such as coasts and thematic studies such as farming and sustainability. Fieldwork components included activities such as visiting the sustainable Edendale Farm, run by the Shire of Nillumbik; Year 8 Geography students looked at the coastal management of Brighton and Hampton Beaches. Year 9 Geographers utilized their City Experience activity to explore different aspects of our metropolis.

BUSINESS STUDIES

2016 has been a busy year for Business Students. We farewell the Year 12 Business students and we wish you good luck in your future endeavours. Thanks to Mrs Hobbs, Mr Goh and Mr Chatton for their tireless work for the Business Department. We have revamped the Out on Your Own course, integrating the new Victorian Curriculum whilst and a prison visit. A huge thank you to Mrs Hobbs for providing this opportunity for our Year 11 Students. So good luck to our class of 2016 and we are looking forward to working with all of the Business Students

SCIENCE

In 2017, Science had the aim of revamping its syllabi to promote student engagement, as well as mirroring best practice found at some leading Universities. Advanced Science saw students engage in investigations including dissections, algal respiration, oxidation of metals and origins of heavy metal pollution. STEM and Girls in Engineering was also a focal point. Miss Collins took a group of girls to Quantum Victoria to engage in cutting edge STEM activities.

We have also had an increase in opportunities for excellence for students, designed to extend a student's knowledge and skill base. These opportunities included La Trobe University Master Classes in Microbiology, Chemistry and Robotics, as well as Year 7s being given extension classes in water quality testing at Cranbourne Botanical Gardens and animal adaptations at Healesville Sanctuary. Thanks to Miss Ryles-Smith and Miss Fitzsimmons for their time in this. Other opportunities were the Chemistry Titration and Australian Chemistry competitions, thanks to Miss Fitzsimons, Mrs Singh and Mr George, and the University of New South Wales International Science quiz.

Year 10 ADVANCE Science classes went to Science works, thanks to Mr Singh, and years 7-10 had their minds illuminated by Professor Bunsen's travelling science show. There were also excursions to the Australian Synchrotron with Mr Singh and Mr Lahy, and to GTAC and Howard Flory Institute, thanks to Mrs Maclennan and Miss Day and to Cunningham Dax, thanks to Mrs Dight-Stone.

Overall, a great year to promote rigour, best practice, connectedness and a taste of what university life may bring to the table.

HEALTH

Health has had a very busy and exciting 2016. Students have developed the knowledge and skills to strengthen their sense of self, and build satisfying relationships. In Health we aim to help students become more resilient, and enable them to make decisions to promote their health, safety and physical activity participation.

In the Year 10 elective 'Health Matters' students studied mental health and took part in a positive choices road safety program run by SAFETYSENSE Young Drivers Safety Concepts. The program uses a driving simulator to provide hands on experience in a safe and friendly environment that allows students to experience how quickly a crash can occur whilst navigating through various driving scenarios. Year 11s participated in our Baby Real Care program where they took on the challenge of being a 'parent' to a newborn for 72 hours, whereas the Year 12s took global perspective on achieving sustainable improvements to health.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

In 2016, Physical Education placed a strong emphasis on encouraging movement as a powerful medium for learning. This allowed students to acquire and refine personal, behavioural, social and cognitive skills.

Across years 7-9 students participated in a variety of sports and activities which aimed to promote movement, develop skills, selfefficacy and dispositions to positively influence health and wellbeing. Year 9 Advance students tested their sailing skills. Year 10 students started to prepare themselves for continuing on with VCE PE. Year 11s did an amazing job at coaching our Year 7s in a variety of sports and our Year 12s attended Monash University to use their state of the art Fitness testing facilities.

LANGUAGES

The Languages Faculty has had a busy 2016, and at the forefront of our mind, we wish our Year 12 students the best of luck in their upcoming exams and future aspirations. Our highlights for the year were the New Caledonia Study Tour and the Alliance Française Poetry Competition.

In April, 14 students in Years 9-11, with Mrs Coburn and Mr Belle, travelled to New Caledonia. Students attended CREIPAC Language School for three hours of French class each morning and stayed with host families

tivities, including visiting the iconic Phare Amedée and the Tjibaou Cultural Centre. Students returned to school with even more enthusiasm for French than ever.

2016 was Norwood's second year participating in the Berthe Mouchette Poetry Competition, which has been run by the Alliance Française for over 100 years. Norwood had 4 finalists in Year 7, and 3 finalists in Year 8, which is an amazing accomplishment. Congratulations to all Norwood participants, and especially our finalists: Tamara Loh, Kirsten Nicholas and Jordan Osborne (Yr 8) and Alex Cary, Ashleigh Clifford, Abby Harvey and Callum Mueck (Yr 7).

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

The Enrichment Classes have had another highly successful year. Students in our enrichment classes have striven to broaden their knowledge about a range of topics within all subjects. Some highlights for the enrichment classes this year were excursions to Healesville Sanctuary, LaTrobe University and the Cranbourne Botanic Gardens, as well as participating in the Tournament of Minds and the Berthe Mouchette Poetry Competetion.

Enrichment students characterise themselves by an astounding commitment to their studies and they produce some amazing work, including a fully powered, handmade model of a French village, some incredibly creative and original poetry anthologies, and filmed French cooking presentations to name a few. Congratulations to all our enrichment students. Keep up the good work!

ARTS & TECHNOLOGY

What an exciting year it has been for the Performing Arts Department! Year 7s began by experimenting with character, voice, movement and conflict while the Year 8s developed these skills in Hero's Journey Performances. The Year 9s and 10s developed their performance skills through improvisation and scripted duologues, while the VCE students created their own group devised performances. The music department highlighted the talent of our students with the annual Winter and Spring concerts, as well as multiple performances at Boroondara Eisteddfod, Jazz Night and the NEVR concert at Hamer Hall. We were delighted to present our musical production, The Addams Family. The production involved 9 months of work, including learning dances, singing and bringing characters to life on stage. It was a great success and we are very proud of the students involved.

The Media department had a busy 12 months. Year 9 and 10 students undertook

each evening. In the afternoons we had ac- a range of productions in photography, film and digital media forms. The VCE Media students worked extremely hard on major productions, and we wish our Year 12 students all the best for their exams.

> In Visual Arts we were inspired by Willy Wonka to encourage our students to dream, imagine and create. "Want to change the world? There's nothing to it. There is no life I know to compare with pure imagination." In Art, Ceramics and VCD our students have embraced this and excelled.

> 2016 has been a huge year for the Foods and Textiles department. A special mention must go to our indefatigable kitchen assistants Lynne and Christine for their superhuman efforts in keeping the teaching staff on track. It was a delight watching the Year 8 classes negotiate the kitchen for the first time, seeing their confidence grow every week. Year 9 Marvellous Meals and Cakes and Pastries were again very popular choices. The year 9 Pop up cafes created friendly competition between teams and funding for the establishment of kitchen gardens. Year 10 students have experiences truly authentic recipes and fresh produce, from Vietnamese Salad Rolls to Chocolate Éclairs. The Year 11 highlight was the excursion to the South Melbourne Market and the resulting cooking session. Mrs Woolard's year 12 class have finished their folios and we wish them luck in the exam.

The VCAL classes had many highlights that kept them busy and productive all year.

The Year 12 class attended a Community Connections Expo in Mansfield which included running a Physical Education lesson for the students at the local primary school before setting out on a bushwalking experience that tested them physically and mentally. Later in the year the students undertook a course to get their RSA certificate, a martial arts/emotional wellbeing course and a building project to improve the stair access around the school. Their course in Numeracy also saw the construction of scale model houses.

In Year 11 the students ran a successful Amazing Race course, over 4 days, for a the Year 9 City Experience. With some testing weather during that week, the VCAL students enthusiastically hosted challenges and directed the Year 9s to navigate their city course. Other highlights for this group included completing their Food Handlers Certificate, helping to run a sensational Mullum Primary School Athletics day, and a visit to Marngoneet Correctional Facility. Many fantastic experiences happened across the year in our VCAL classes.

ACADEMIC STANDOUTS SCIENCE STARS











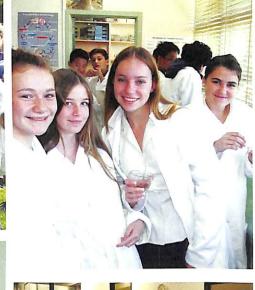
















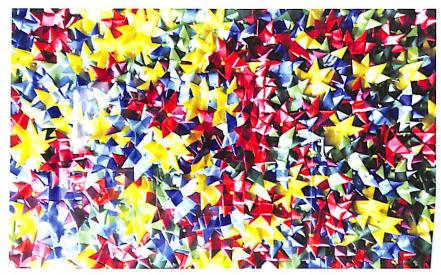








JAZZ NIGHT & WINTER CONCERT





THE YEAR IN REVIEW

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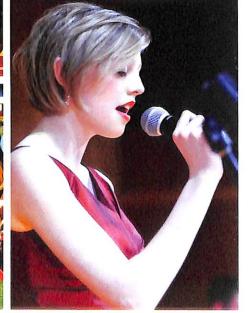
























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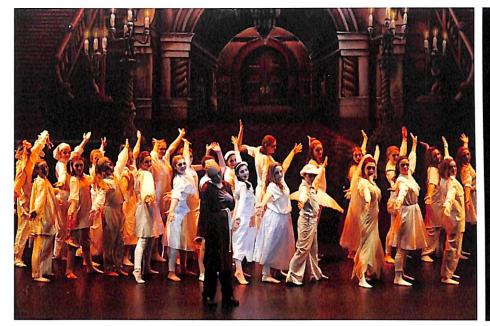


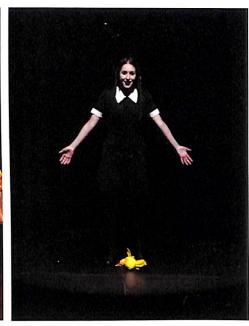




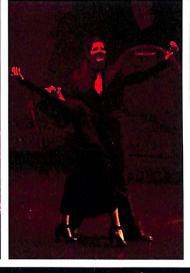
























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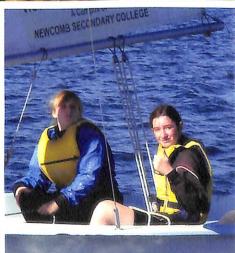












GIRLS FOOTBALL
YEAR 12 FORMAL

Celebrating 22 fun-filled years of girls football at Norwood! Mr Mick Wilson, Coach, 1994-2016



























YEAR 12 PJ DAY











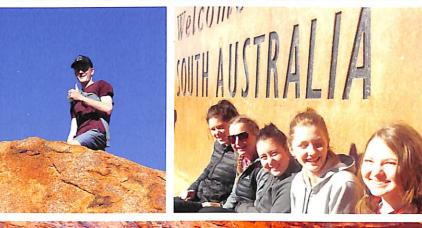
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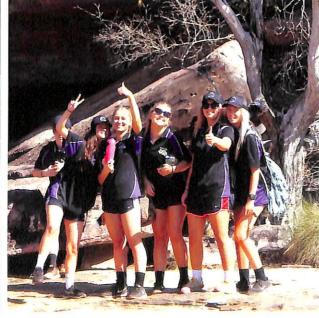








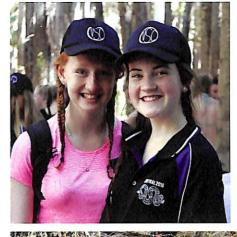






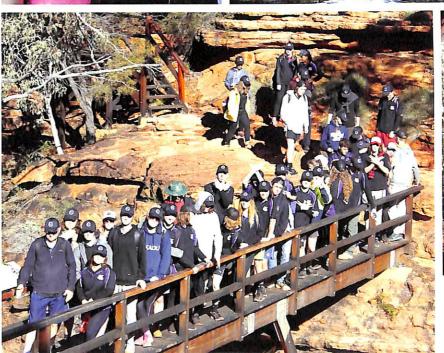


















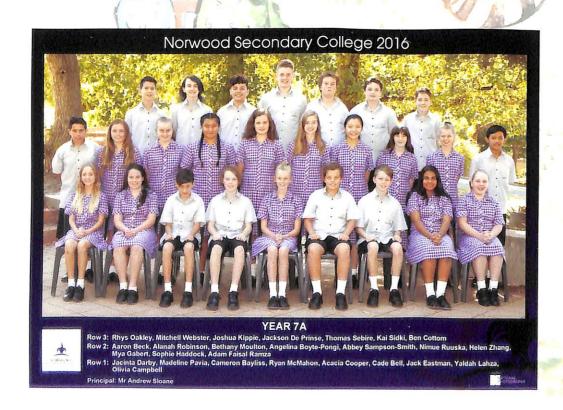


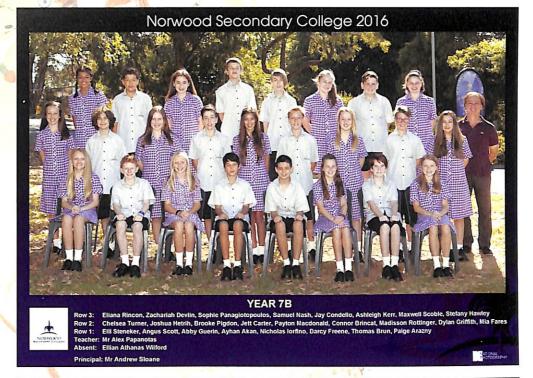
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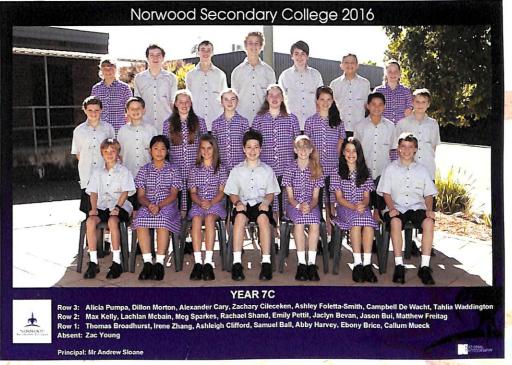


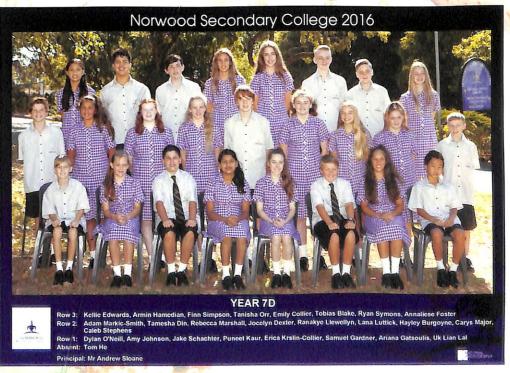
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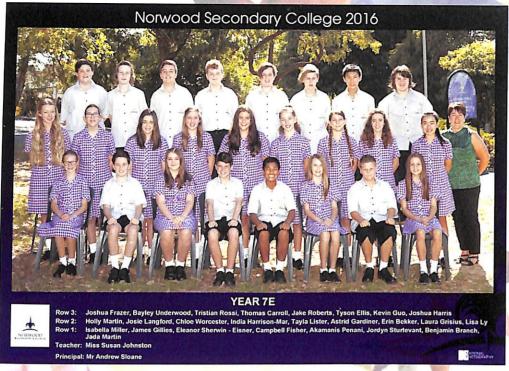
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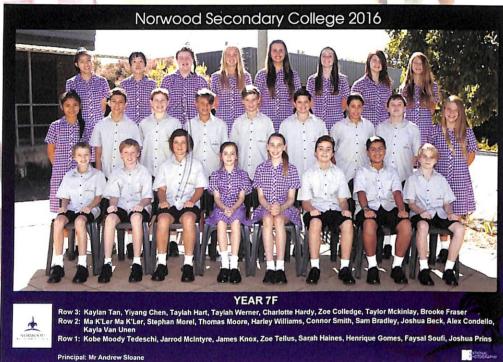


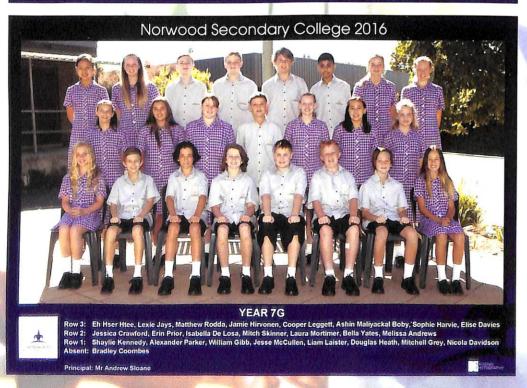


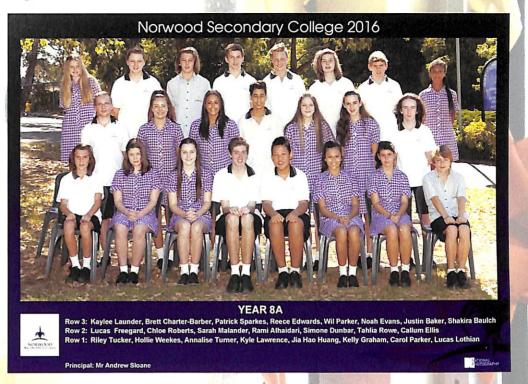


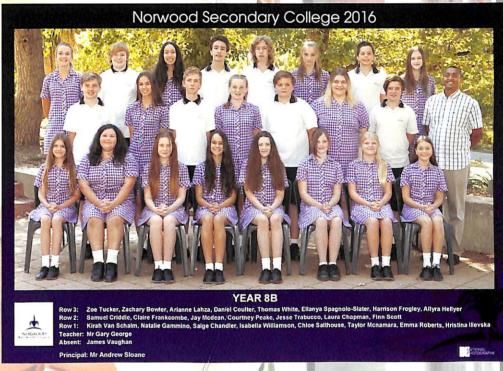


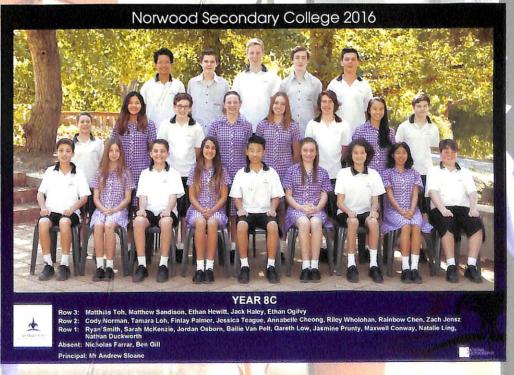


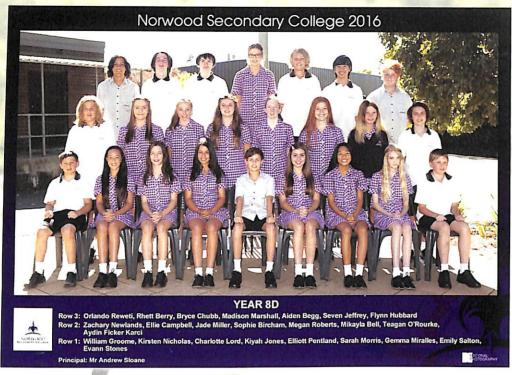


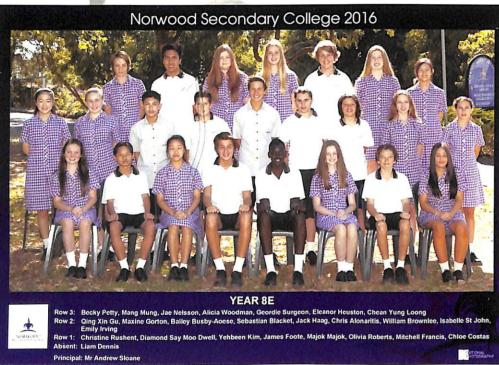


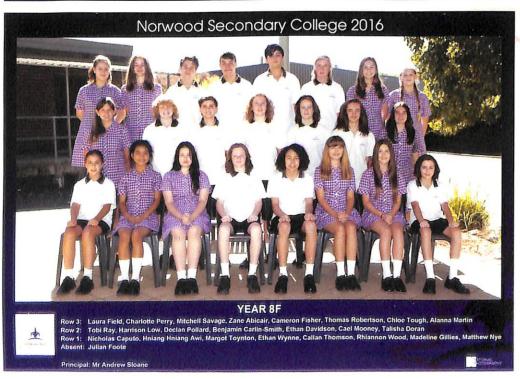


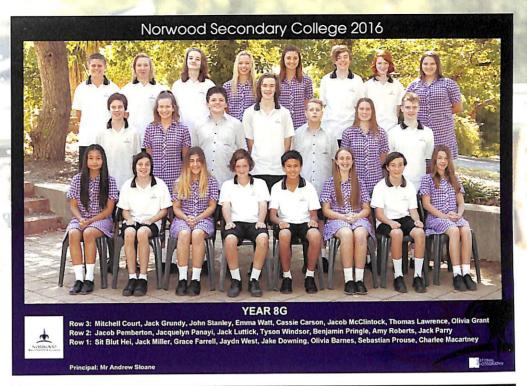


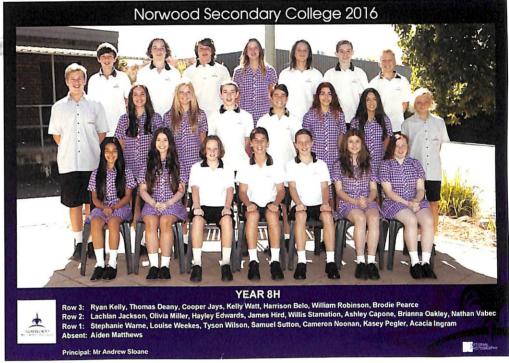


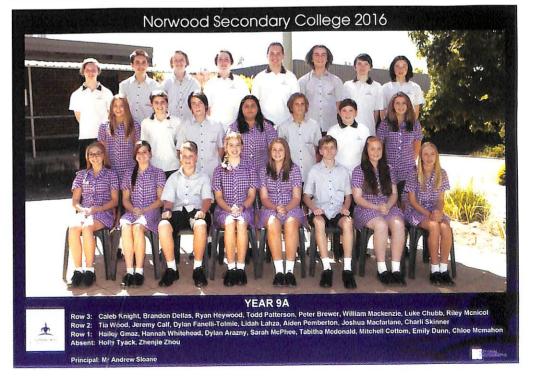


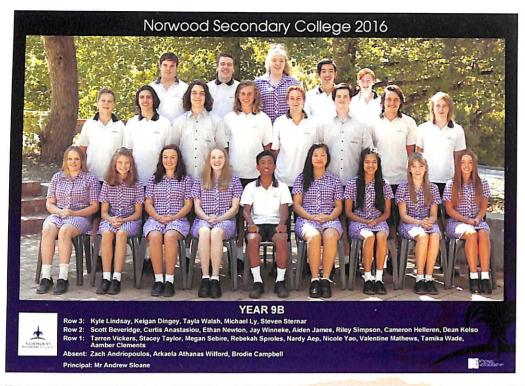


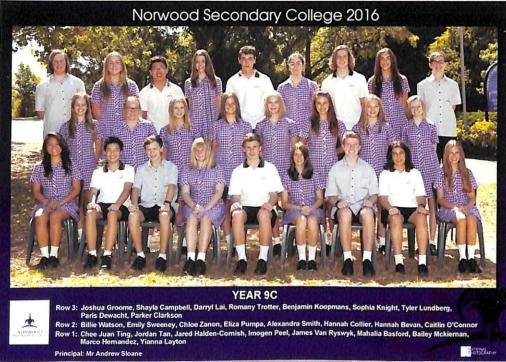


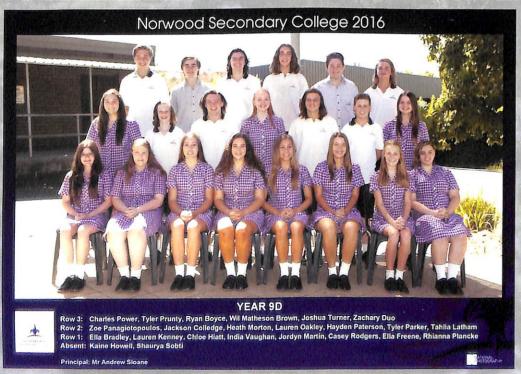


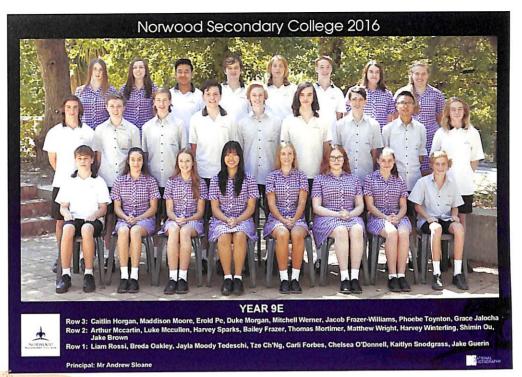


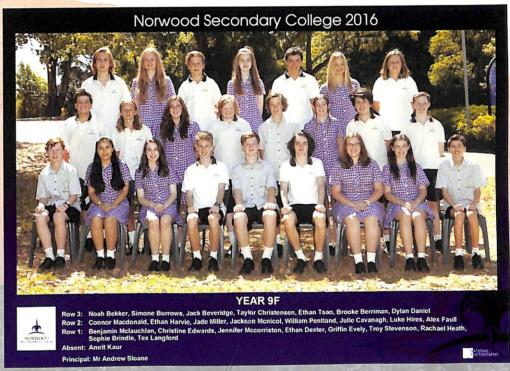


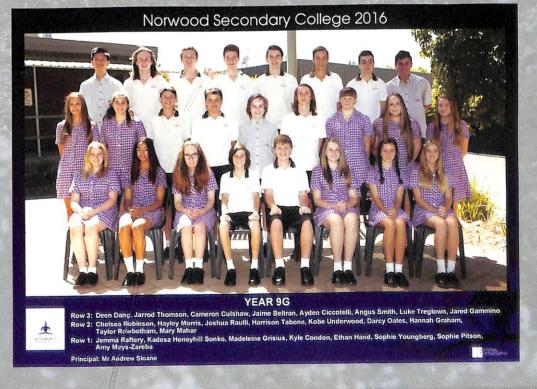


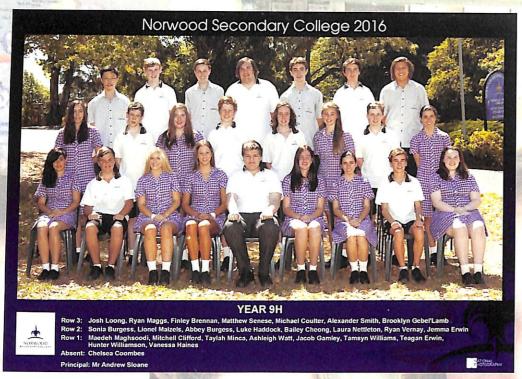


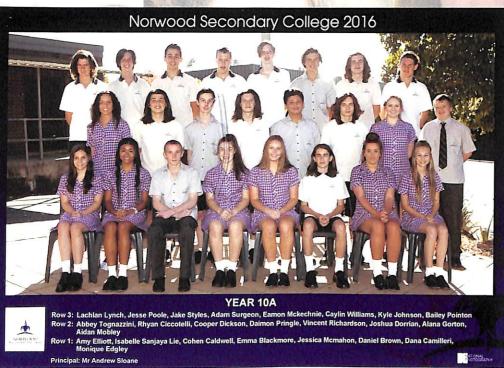


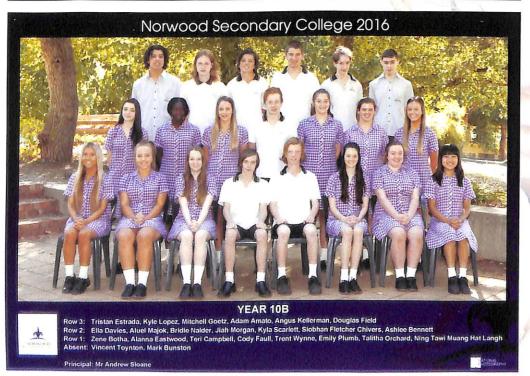


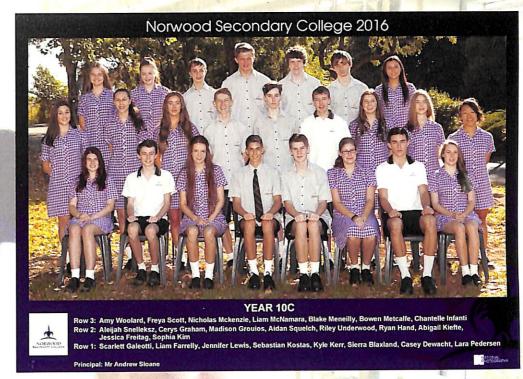


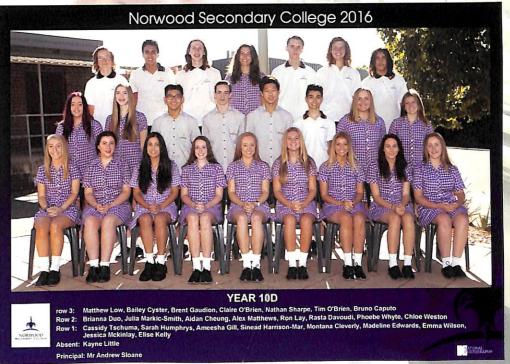


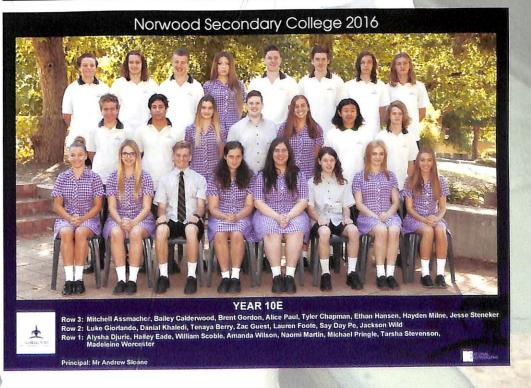


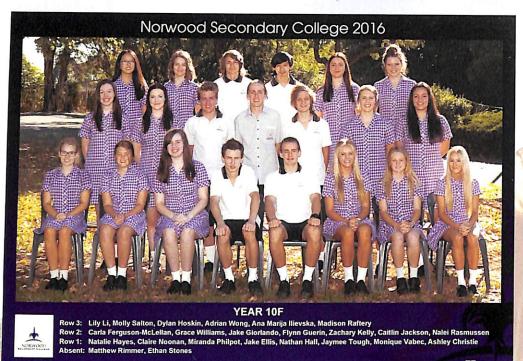




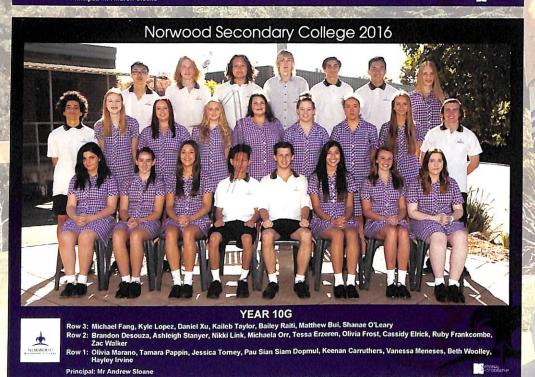


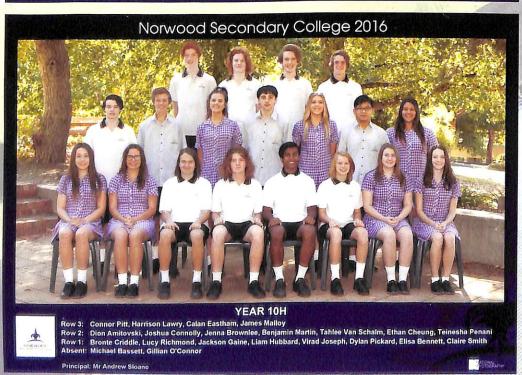


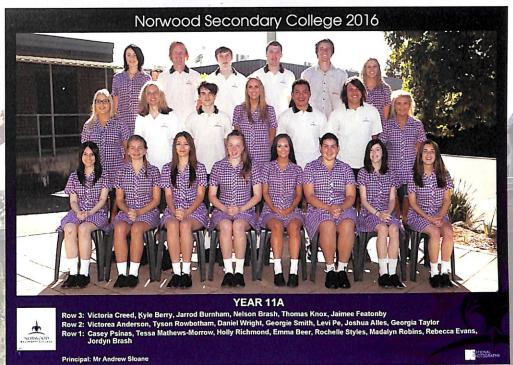




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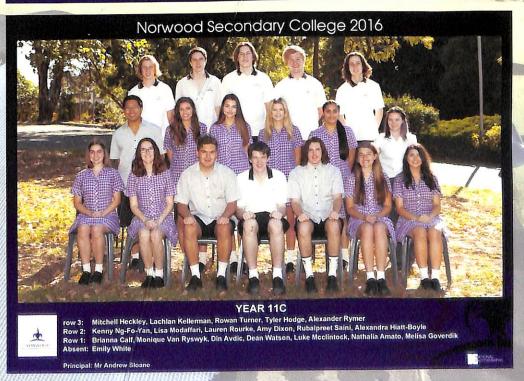


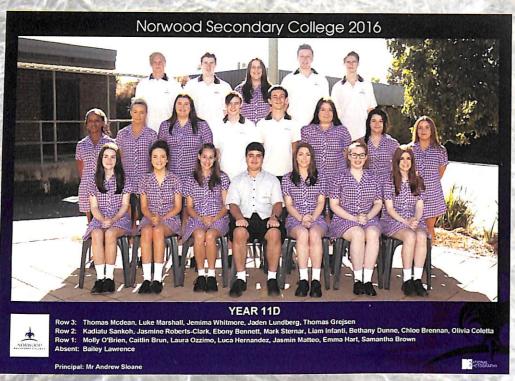
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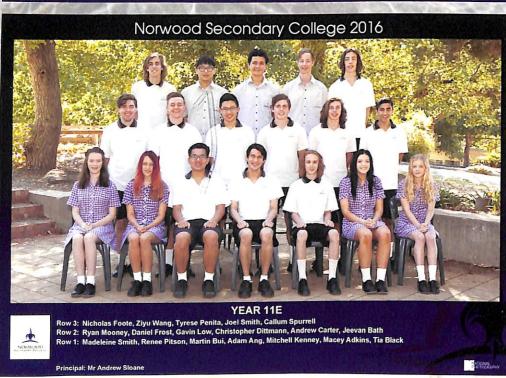
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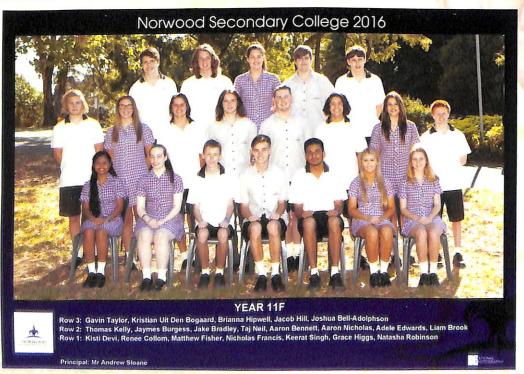
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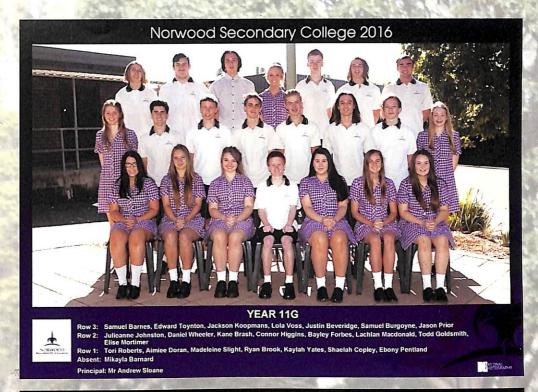
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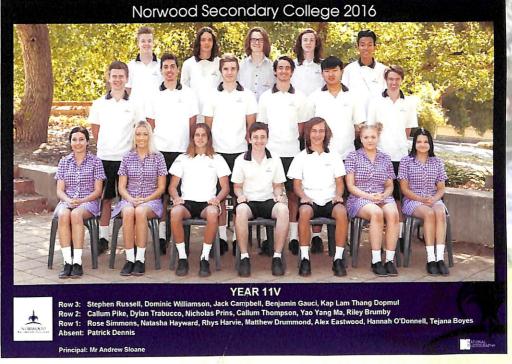












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- Sarah Cognetta, Jayden Dunsford, Maddison Court, Leah Burgoyne, Abbey Blyth, Brianna Blok, Tahlia Landi, Jack Sanjaya Lie, Brodie Taylor, Jordan Zabenko, Byron Tschuma, Nicholas Francis, Sophie Brennan, Jade Harvie, Brooke Jackson, Taylah Bennett, Georgia Black, Joel Vernay, Laura Dally

- Row 1: Kristy Last, Liam Mann, Sarah Hollingsworth, Tom Murphy, Chanelle Riseley, Mark Lambert, Armelea Botha, James Smith, Aaron Humphrys, Brooke Johnston, Mr Paul Duncan, Mrs Jacqueline Harris, Mr Mark Fuller, Rowan Arblaster, Olivia Krusec, Nathan Embury, Caitlyn Liu, Dylan Ramos, Angela Haviland, Dane Barber, Mimi Lay, Lachlan Bradfield, Laine Body
- Absent: Alex Muir, Jasmine Hall, Bradley Staggard, Timothy Van Der Wolf

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