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NEGS Newsletter

Term 4 Week 4 - Wednesday 28th October 2015

From The Principal Mr Clive Logan



Change and Continuity

The press has written copious information over the last years on the impact of global warming and climate change. Those who believe that human society across the globe have had a major role to play in this impact state that global warming will directly impact human health and livelihoods. Drought, heatwaves, sea level rises, storms and floods will cause economic damage to infrastructure, agriculture and tourism. Climate change will increase the cost of living and compromise human health.

NASA's website on the impact on global change states, "Global climate change has already had observable effects on the environment. Glaciers have shrunk, ice on rivers and lakes is breaking up earlier, plant and animal ranges have shifted and trees are flowering sooner.

Effects that scientists had predicted in the past would result from global climate change are now occurring: loss of sea ice, accelerated sea level rise and longer, more intense heat waves."

Taken as a whole, the range of published evidence indicates that the net damage costs of climate change are likely to be significant and to increase over time. The argument is that if the world does nothing, scientists have high confidence that global temperatures will continue to rise for decades to come, largely due to greenhouse gasses produced by human activities. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which includes

more than 1,300 scientists from the United States and other countries, forecasts a temperature rise of 2.5 to 10 degrees Fahrenheit over the next century.

However, some people simply don't believe that the Earth is undergoing a global warming trend or climate change. Others believe in global warming and climate change, but don't believe that people are responsible. The sceptics who don't believe in global warming at all are the ones who most vehemently attack weather data, the analysis of the climatologists and the predictions of the models.

What if we did nothing? Would the world survive?

Here is the classic tension between change and continuity. I think everyone agrees that change is necessary in every part of our lives but at the same time it is also important that values and attitudes need to be maintained and preserved. Education has seen enormous change over the last few decades and the impact of technology has brought this constant tension to a head.

So it is with people who are involved in organisations. People come and people go. For a number of organisations, the change is often minimal yet sometimes change brings new people, fresh ideas and new opportunities.

NEGS will see both continuity and change in the next few months for 2016:

- Ms Maxine Thompson unfortunately will not be returning to NEGS next year. After a number of years' service, Ms Thompson has decided to head back overseas. We wish her well for her future aspirations.
- Mr Jake Compton has decided to accept a position in a Sydney girls' school. We thank Mr Compton for his 7 years of quality and professional service to NEGS and wish him well in his future endeavours. More will be said on Speech Day.
- Ms Sarah Ronald has asked to step down from her role as Head of House in boarding to concentrate on her Visual Arts teaching in the classroom. She has been the initial Head of House for 2 years and we thank her for her proactive and wonderful welfare support to girls in boarding.

- Mrs Rebecca Eastment has informed the School that she will be pursuing a different role next year – at this time, the School is trying to find a suitably qualified replacement. Mrs Eastment has been Chaplain for the last 2 years.
- Mrs Jess Oehlers has been granted leave for 2016.

The following changes are required:

- Mrs Amber McCulloch has accepted the position of Boarding Head of House to replace Ms Ronald. She will continue on with her role as Year Advisor with Year 7 in 2016.
- Ms Belinda Stone, with her wealth of experience in assisting senior girls through their final year, will pick up the role of Year 12 Advisor for 2016, replacing Mr Compton.
- Mrs Katie Graham will be continuing her role as PDHPE teacher with her passion for some Visual Arts in 2016.
- Mrs Le-anne Chandler will take on a full time role as well as the position of Year 9 Advisor.
- Mr Timothy Forgeard will be a teacher of History and English and a part of the Chaplaincy role for 2016.

Change and continuity! It is always healthy to ensure the right balance is maintained.

“Congratulations to the incoming prefects who take up their responsibilities this term. They are wonderful representatives for the School and will continue the fine traditions of leadership established over so many years”.

Prefects for 2015/2016

Emily Farrar (Day Girls' Prefect)
 Sarah Hamparsum
 Rachel Jones (Round Square Prefect)
 Madeline Lane (Sports Prefect)
 April Larsen
 Madeline Murphy (Equestrian Prefect)
 Hannah Tomlinson Gils (Boarder Prefect)
 Sophie Uren (Boarder Prefect)
 Sophie Watson (Music Prefect)

Senior Prefect for 2015/2016

Sarah Hamparsum

Head Prefect for 2015/2016

April Larsen



**NEW ENGLAND
GIRLS' SCHOOL**

The Principal, Mr Clive Logan, warmly invites you to attend the

120th NEGS Speech Day

on

WEDNESDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2015

9.30am in the NEGS Multi Purpose Centre

with Special Guest Speaker

**Vice Chancellor Professor
Annabelle Duncan PSM,
University of New England**

followed by Morning Tea at 11.30am in the Assembly Hall

You are also welcome to join us on

TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2015

5pm at the Chapel of Michael And All Angels
for the **Festival of Carols and Readings**

RSVP: Monday 23rd November 2015
P: 02 6774 8700 or E: reception@negs.nsw.edu.au

Term Two and Term Three Calendar Dates

TERM 4

9 weeks

Monday 5 October	Public Holiday P&F Meeting, 7pm – WH Lee Room Boarders Return 8:30pm
Tuesday 6 October	Term Four Classes Commence Prefects Induction Assembly Year 11 Leadership camp departs
Thursday 8 October	Year 11 returns
Monday 12 October	HSC Examinations commence
Friday 16 October	Sports Presentation Evening
Monday 2 November	Year 7 & 8 Examination week
Friday 6 November	HSC Examinations conclude
Monday 9 November	Year 9 & 10 Examination week
Monday 16 November	Year 10 Work Experience Week
Monday 23 November	Year 10 Service Week
Thursday 26 November	St John's Celebration of Learning
Tuesday 1 December	Carol Service – 5pm
Wednesday 2 December	Year 7-11 Speech Day – 9:30am - MPC End Term Four

2016 Term Dates

TERM 1

Monday 25 January	Staff Day
Tuesday 26 January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 27 January	Staff Morning Orientation Afternoon, Years 7 – 11 new students only (Boarding Houses open from 2.00pm) Boarders return by 8.00pm
Thursday 28 January	First day of school All students
Friday - Monday 25 March – 28 March	Easter Public Holiday
Thursday 7 April	Last day of Term 1
Friday - Monday 8 April – 25 April	School Holidays

TERM 2

Monday 25 April	ANZAC Day - Public Holiday Boarders return by 8.00pm
Tuesday 26 April	First day of Term 2
Monday 13 June	Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday
Thursday 23 June	Last day of Term 2
Friday - Friday 24 June – 15 July	School Holidays

TERM 3

Monday 18 July	Staff Day Boarders return by 8.00pm
Tuesday 19 July	First day of Term 3
Thursday 22 September	Year 12 Valedictory Day Last day of Term 3 Last day for Year 12
Friday - Friday 23 September – 7 October	School Holidays

TERM 4

Monday 10 October	Staff Day Boarders return by 8.00pm
Tuesday 11th October	First day of Term 4
Wednesday 7 December	Speech Day Last day for Years 7 - 11

Private Vehicle Conveyancing (PVC) travel diaries

A reminder that all travel diaries (for boarders' travel) should be returned to me at NEGS by the end of Term 4 detailing trips made in Terms 3 and 4, otherwise the minimum will be claimed i.e. 1 return trip for each term.

Please note: for families who are not registered, to be subsidised for Semester 2 (Terms 3 and 4) the cut off date for applications is the end of November. Once again, if your application is successful, could you please forward a copy of the original form to NEGS so we can ensure that you will be paid your subsidy? Thank you for your assistance.

Helen Smith (helen.smith@negs.nsw.edu.au)

Thailand Trip

Mrs Angela Sole

This year's Christian service trip to Thailand was attended by Emily Sole, Bronte Hiscox and Katrina Tomlinson Gils, accompanied by Mrs Angela Sole.

The students worked tirelessly at Agape (Nikki's Place), an orphanage for children living with AIDS, and McKean's Leprosy Village. They showed great resilience in the face of heat, humidity, hard work and making meaningful relationships. They were a credit to NEGS in all ways.

The girls have combined their reflections on the trip:

McKean was an eye opening experience. We experienced stuff that was very deep and hard to believe still happens, but we also experienced stuff that amazes you, like how strong people can be, even though they may have or be suffering from the effects of leprosy. One such strong person was Heather who looks after McKean and knows all the history of it, and sees some of the hardest things day to day, but can still be so happy and helpful for people to learn about it. **(Bronte)**

When we first arrived at Agape, we were met by Marilyn who co-ordinates the volunteers that come through the orphanage. She welcomed us and told us our project for the trip, which was to clear out the newly constructed language centre for the final construction to be completed. The humidity had us sweating before we began work (plus 42 degree heat), and so the first few hours were indescribably hot, hard work. Our first encounter with the huge numbers of bugs began when we cleared around the edges of the building, pulling building supplies out of ant infested vines and trying not to freak out when something touched your arm or leg. Once we completed that task, we moved on to painting another building.

Initially, Avis instructed us to paint the downstairs pylons and entire top floor on one side, but as we completed the sanding and repainting of those two areas she decided that painting the entire front of the building, upstairs and down, was our new goal. Each day we saw different volunteers with the toddlers and babies, teaching them and playing with them. The amount of love each volunteer seemed to give to each child they interacted with was incredible, and Avis's passion for making the kids happy was endless.

Each afternoon a group of 3-4 of our group would go swimming with the younger kids who had massive amounts of energy to expend on jumping around, splashing their way around the pool, and trying to escape into the deeper water. After changing into our team shirts, we would set up activities for the school kids to start as they arrived home.

Each and every kid tried to communicate with us, and include us in their chosen activity. The young kids constantly smiled as they won at connect four against a whole group of us trying to beat them, or laughed at our terrible attempts at speaking Thai. The kids were willing to offer everything to make you feel included and special, something they still experience with the 101 kids that currently reside there. It was incredible to see the passion of everyone that worked there, the love and commitment they give to the kids, and the amazing result of having a group of kids all willing to share that love back to complete strangers that didn't speak their language. The experience of seeing where they sleep, in 8 bunk rooms with no privacy, and their most treasured possessions a few small photos albums in a plastic bag, really made us come to the realisation of how much we take materialistic possessions for granted.

Avis' energy and passion inspired everyone on the trip, and the memories of the kids happiness will always inspire me to take less for granted. **(Katrina)**

Agape was created by Avis. She started as a missionary at age 19, working on the Burmese border, attending children left to die, covered with filth and discarded on the floor in a room. When she told us about the children, left to die, there was tears in my eyes. Avis was one of the most passionate, caring and loving person I had ever met. She was absolutely inspiring. Her love for God was overwhelming. Heather, who started the McKean Leprosy

Clinic with her husband, also in Christian ministry, had a love for God so powerful that you could see it in her eyes how inspired she was. They have both worked so hard to provide for those less fortunate, people who no one else wants.

It was incredible seeing the children, taken in by Avis at Agape. They would squeal and scream in joy when you played with them. One of my highlights was playing with the toddlers, aged 2-7, on Saturday especially. One initiated a game where I had to chase him around their little playground area, and then another joined, and another, until I was chasing 10 little boys and girls. The joy from simply chasing them around was spectacular, especially thinking that they had been abandoned by their parents but were still able to experience such joy with such a simple game. It was a spiritual and inspiring experience that I will never forget. **(Emily)**



NEGS Sports Presentation Evening 2015

CONNOR SHIELD

Winner- Charlotte Raleigh
Highly Commended- Eliza White, Laura Strelitz,
Siobhan O'Mara

JUNIOR SPORTS ACHIEVER

Winner- Lucy Fenwicke
Highly Commended- Chelsea Devenish,
Penny Haynes, Ashley Randle

MOST OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT

Winner- Lindsey Doolan
Highly Commended- Jessie Ross, Grace Cleary,
Charlotte Raleigh, Elizabeth Hancock,
Isobel Robertson

MOZELEY TENNIS TROPHY

Winner- Emily Farrar
Highly Commended- Lucinda Parry, Eliza White

NORTEC SPORTSWOMANSHIP AWARD

Winner- Chelsea Devenish
Highly Commended- Abbey Jackson, Skye
Ramsay

SERVICES TO SPORT

Winner- Isabelle Cameron
Highly Commended- Laura Claridge,
Madeline Lane

SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR

Winner- Sarah Wyatt
Highly Commended- Charlotte Raleigh,
Laura Strelitz

STUDENT COACH OF THE YEAR

Winner- Mikaela Ball
Highly Commended- Georgia Lowry,
Jenna Goodfellow

TEAM OF THE YEAR

Winner- North West Equestrian Expo A Grade
Polocrosse Team (Olivia Adams, Josie Wilson,
Lindsey Doolan)
Highly Commended- Senior IGSSA Netball
Team, IGSSA Athletics Team, Manning Valley
Beef Week Livestock Team

YOUNG SPORTS ACHIEVER AWARD

Winner- Grace Cassidy
Highly Commended- Charlotte Chapman,
Jaimie McLoughlin

SPIRIT OF SPORT @ UNE AWARD

Winner- Madeline Lane and Annabelle Heagney
Highly Commended- Abbey Jackson

HALF COLOURS

Lucy Fenwicke (Swimming)
Grace Cassidy (Athletics and Cross Country)
Jaimie McLoughlin (Cross Country)
Sarah Wyatt (Athletics and Cross Country)
Tahlia Paull (Athletics)
Charlotte Raleigh (Netball)
Isabelle Cameron (Shooting)
Meagan Nolan (Eventing)
Jaimie McElroy (Eventing)
Sarah Hamparsum (Eventing)
Alys Marshall (Dressage)

Laura Strelitz (Dressage)
Madeline Murphy (Equestrian)
Kate Cruickshank (Equestrian)
Dominique Holley (Dressage)
Olivia Adams (Polocrosse)
Jessie Ross (Polocrosse)
Josie Wilson (Polocrosse)

FULL COLOURS

Jessica Towns (Show Jumping)
Grace Cleary (Show Jumping)
Lindsey Doolan (Polocrosse)
Elizabeth Hancock (Dressage)

CAPTAINS

Green House Captain- Lily Clonan
Lyon House Captain- Sarah Parkes
Murray House Captain- Ellen Anderson
Dumolo House Captain- Logan Brown
Green House Vice Captain- Olivia Adams
Lyon House Vice Captain- Laura Strelitz
Murray House Vice Captain- Rachel Jones
Dumolo House Vice Captain- Isabella Ritter

Netball Captain- Madeline Lane
Hockey Captain- Tahlia Paull
Tennis Captain- Alys Marshall
Swimming Captain- Charlotte Raleigh
Athletics/Cross Country Captain- Kate Bailey
Shooting Captain- Isabelle Cameron
Lucy Ramsay (Eventing)

Risk Warning

(Under Section 5M of Civil Liability Act 2002)

On Behalf of **New England Girls' School**, AHIGS and IPSHA:

Non Sporting Activities 2016

New England Girls' School organises many activities such as debating, mock trial, orchestra, choir during the course of a year. Students participating in these activities take part in practice and in competitions.

The Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW (AHIGS) administers and convenes inter - school activities (such as Archdale Debating and Festival of Speech) in which many students, including students of this school, participate.

While **New England Girls' School** and AHIGS take measures to make the activities as safe as reasonably possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these activities, whether at practice or in actual events.

Such injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching a non-sporting activity, or travelling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student's actions, the actions of others, the state of the premises or equipment failure (e.g. a collapsed stage during a debating competition).

On some occasions, an injury can be serious (such as torn ligaments, dislocations, back injuries, concussion or broken bones). In very rare cases an injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability.

Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

Risk Warning

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On Behalf of **New England Girls' School**, AHIGS and IPSHA:

Sporting Activities 2016

New England Girls' School organises many individual and team sporting activities during the course of a year. Some of these are organised in conjunction with the Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW (AHIGS) and some with the Independent Primary School Heads' Association of Australia NSW (IPSHA). Students participating in these sporting activities take part in practice and in competitions.

New England Girls' School, AHIGS and IPSHA expect students to take responsibility for their own safety by wearing compulsory safety equipment, by thinking carefully about the use of safety equipment that is highly recommended and by behaving in a safe and responsible manner towards team members, opponents, spectators, officials, property and grounds.

While **New England Girls' School**, AHIGS and IPSHA take measures to make the sporting activities as safe as reasonably possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these sporting activities, whether at training or in actual events.

Such injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching a sporting activity, or travelling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student's actions, the actions of others, the state of the premises or equipment failure.

On some occasions, an injury can be serious (such as torn ligaments, dislocations, back injuries, concussion or broken bones). In very rare cases an injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability. If a student has a pre-existing injury, participating in a sporting activity could result in an exacerbation of that injury.

Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

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An annual sewing retreat for those who love to sew. A week where you can increase your knowledge, technical expertise and broaden creativity while meeting new/longstanding sewing friends.

We welcome you on Sunday with an inspirational parade of couture garments and Year 12 major works followed by a sausage sizzle.

Dates:
January 10th - 15th 2016

Venue:
New England Girls' School (NEGS), Uralla Road, Armidale Multi-purpose Centre

Hours: Sunday 10th: 2pm - 5pm
Monday 11th - Friday 15th
9am - 4pm

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ACCOMODATION

On campus accomodation will be offered - single rooms with shared facilities including continental breakfast. Lunch & Dinner will be available if required.

For more details on course content, tutors and what to bring, contact Fabric Fair. Facebook will be continually updated.



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COURSES OFFERED:-

Junior, Teen, Master Class, Year 12 Major Works and Evening courses.

**JUNIOR - Sew Up A Storm
- Cook Up A Storm**

Sewing on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday includes fun projects with printing and dying. Cooking Thursday & Friday including a bake off competition. All materials included in tuition fee.

TEEN

Learning to sew creatively using commercial patterns with tuition in fabric making and surface embellishments.

WHAT CAN I DO IN A MASTER CLASS?

You can make any garment of your choice with professional help in both fitting and construction. Each day there are scheduled seminars on particular technical topics. Choose a garment that offers what you want to learn - fit, evening wear, boning, lace work, sewing specialised fabrics and tailoring.

MAJOR WORKS YEAR 12

What a wonderful opportunity to get a head start on a project with the help of professional pattern makers and couture teachers. Time to experiment and explore and take the pressure off that August deadline.

EVENING COURSES

- KNOW YOUR OVERLOCKER
Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th
6:30pm to 9:30pm

Tutor: Lorraine Jenkins

- PATTERN MAKING
Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th
6:30pm to 9:30pm

Tutor: Rhonda Di Luzio

A NIGHT WITH BERNINA

Wednesday 13th - 6:30pm

Bree the Bernina Trainer & Educator will present a free seminar to inspire and dazzle us with her knowledge and expertise in the world of Bernina.

ALL SMALL CLASS GROUPS

TUTORS

All tutors are highly qualified, hands-on, talented, creative teachers. They are leaders in their fields with a wealth of up-to-date knowledge and experience in teaching adults and young people.

VENUE

Teaching space will be fully equipped with irons, ironing boards, cutting tables, mannequins, sewing library and inspirational material.

MACHINES

If it is not possible to bring your own machine (in working order) we can supply a limited number of Bernina machines.

HOW TO BOOK

Contact Fabric Fair and request a registration form.

Phone: 6772 7745

Email: fabricfair@bigpond.com or Fabric Fair on Facebook

COST

Master Classes: \$420.00

Junior: \$360.00 (includes all supplies for sewing and cooking)

Teens: \$320.00 (plus own materials)

Pattern Making: \$90.00 (plus materials charge)

Know Your Overlocker: \$90.00 (materials list supplied)

BOOKING POLICY

For week long courses, a deposit of \$150.00 is payable on booking.

Evening courses \$50.00 deposit.

Please note that your booking will not be valid until this deposit has been paid.

Balance for the course is payable before December 1st.

Cancellation Policy

A 50% refund will be given if cancellation is before November 30th 2015. No refunds will be made after December 1st, unless your position can be filled.



We are very excited to be coming to your area for the first time to run one of our special weekend cartooning workshops for the local children during the month of November.

- No previous drawings skills are required
- For children aged 4 to 15 years
- The teacher is a professional cartoonist
- Working with children & police checks
- First-aid training
- Friendly teaching techniques
- Established for more than 33 years running programs with children in 8 countries
- All art materials are provided

**Armidale - November Sat 21st - Sun 22nd
O'Connor Catholic College
37 Kirkwood Street, Armidale**

To make a booking – please register on-line:
www.illustrating-man.com.au and click on Cartoon Camps.

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Trevenna Garden OPEN DAY

10:00am-3:00pm Saturday 31 October, 2015

Built in 1884-5 Trevenna has been the residence of a succession of Vice-Chancellors of the University of New England since 1962 when Sir Robert Madgwick first occupied it. The history of the house is well documented but less is known about the garden.

Reminiscent of a formal English garden it comprises beautiful flowerbeds, extensive lawns, mature trees and a charming sundial.

On Saturday 31 October, between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm, Professor Annabelle Duncan will host Trevenna Garden Open Day, a day when families can come and meander through this splendid garden while enjoying a cup of tea on the lawns.

Staff, students and the wider community are invited to come and share the garden's beauty and tranquility.

Directions

From the New England Highway, take the University exit, travel along Queen Elizabeth Drive, turn right into Elm Avenue. At the junction, turn left onto the Ring Road, continue up the hill past the Chapel, and take next left at the Trevenna sign.



HOOPS O'FUN AND CRAFT

Want to learn how to hoop dance, by combining a wide range of on-body and off-body tricks and techniques?

How about relaxing in the afternoons with a craft-a-noon?

Sign up to the Camp Creative Workshop at Bellingen High School, in the Christmas holidays from 11-15th January, 2016.

Places are limited, so book yours today. Sign up with some friends, for a memorable experience.

Hoop dance is the latest fun fitness craze throughout the UK and US. Learn from a local experienced teacher, who has been to many international and national hoop workshops (with Emma Kenna, Deanne Love, Michelle Hoops, Shakti Sunfire, Tiana Zoumer, Ina Hoopina, Hoop Ninjas, Steve Bags and Babz, to name a few – check them on YouTube!)



www.campcreative.com.au

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