



**CHURCHLANDS**  
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

# Churchlands Bytes

Tuesday 10 September 2024 - Circulated Fortnightly

## News in Brief

### Year 12 General Drama

Our Year 12 General Drama students have been hard at work this term, preparing for their final performance of the semester, and let me tell you - they've absolutely nailed it! This year, they took on the challenge of performing scenes from Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and their efforts have definitely paid off. Balancing other assessments and exam prep, these students have tackled Shakespeare's tricky lines like pros. They even had the extra challenge of getting a new teacher just before the end of the year, but that didn't slow them down at all! Well done Year 12 Drama! I'm so pleased with your performances and am proud of all the effort you've put into this assessment this semester.



### Abbeybrook Restoration Project

The Abbeybrook restoration project has moved into preparing the area for the change of season. It is an exciting time with Snail Orchids and Fairy Orchids coming up in clusters.



**Snail Orchid**



**Fairy Orchid**

Student photography credit: Sophie Engdahl - Year 12

### Try-A-Trade: Year 10

Year 10 students Amira Hunter and Poppy Buzzacott produced these fantastic rag-rolled boards at Thornlie TAFE this week on Try-A-Trade. The program was for students who expressed an interest in painting and interior design.

Thank you to VET Coordinator, Tim Morton, for facilitating this opportunity.



## What's Coming Up?

### Term 3, 2024

- 2-13 Sep - Year 12 Workplace Learning
  - 9-20 Sep - Year 12 Exams
  - 15 Sep - Metropolitan Symphony - Spring '24
  - 13-20 Sep - Year 10 AEP Canberra & Sydney Tour
  - 19 Sep - Year 7 Assembly - Period 1
  - 20 Sep - Year 12 Breakfast & Final Day
  - Year 10 Assembly - Period 4
  - **END OF TERM**
- (Students return Monday 7 October)

### Term 4, 2024

- 7 Oct - **STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL**
- 7-11 Oct - **YEAR 12 ATAR STUDENTS RETURN**
- 10 Oct - Athletics Practice Day
- Music Presentation Night
- 11 Oct - Year 12 Art Exhibition
- 14 Oct - MPC Meeting 7.30pm - 8.30pm
- 16 Oct - Interschool Athletics Carnival
- 17 Oct - Year 12 Dinner Dance
- 18 Oct - Year 11 General Physical Education
- Sand Volleyball Tournament
- 21-23 Oct - Year 7&10 Immunisation Catch Ups
- 21-25 Oct - Year 11 Written Assessment Free Week and Practical Exam Week
- OLN - Year 9 & 10
- Year 10 Outdoor Education Camp
- 22 Oct - Year 12 Presentation Ceremony

## 2024 Yearbook

### Don't Miss Out!!

**New in 2024 - Yearbook - Payment via Qkr! - \$30.00**

Please note that previously, payment for the Yearbook was usually attached to the Contributions & Charges. This year it was not attached. Please do not add an extra payment to the Contributions and Charges invoice.

If you wish to purchase a Yearbook, please logon to Qkr! At the top of the page, select the Contributions & Charges tab, scroll down the page, click on the 2024 Year 7-12 Yearbook to pay for your copy.

**Last day for payment is 31 October 2024.**  
**Payments will NOT be accepted after this date.**  
Year 12s will receive their Yearbook on their Clearance Day.



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## News in Brief *cont'd*

### Wear It Purple Day

On Friday 30 August, the school celebrated 'Wear it Purple Day' for the fourth time. 'Wear it Purple Day' strives to foster a safe, empowering and inclusive environment for rainbow young people and staff. "Your passion, your pride" was this year's theme! The event was hosted by students from the Youth Diversity Club and supporting staff members. Churchlands Youth Diversity Club is a group of young people from Years 7-12 who are diverse in sex, gender or sexuality. Students raised the pride flag in the morning and displayed a five metre tie-dye banner they made during break celebrating with fabulous music, fairy bread and other festivities. A great day was had by all!



### Year 8 Biology - Flower Dissection

Year 8 students have been studying Biology. Flowers donated by the Flower Market at Herdsman Fresh provided beautiful specimens for students to dissect and study with a Dinolite. The finished flower anatomy charts produced by the students were spectacular. Thanks to Ronald Hayward from Herdsman Flower Market.



### Year 10 Girls Fitness

As part of the Year 10 Girls' Fitness class, students have attended strength and conditioning sessions at Fitstop in Karrinyup. It has been a great experience for the girls, with knowledgeable and professional trainers taking the classes and challenging sessions to improve their fitness.

Fitstop has recently opened at Karrinyup Shopping Centre and offers a variety of personalised group fitness classes, that cater for all levels.

If you want to feel your best this summer book a FREE trial via the Fitstop App <https://fitstop.com/>



## Lost Property

As the end of Term 3 nears, the accumulation of lost property is piling up. If your child has lost or misplaced any articles, please have them come to the table in the corridor outside Student Services Middle Secondary.

Any lost uniforms that are named have been returned to students. All other items will either go to charity or be binned, depending on condition. The Lost Property table will be cleared at the end of the last day of school.

Thank You.



## QKR! Payments & Deadlines

### Important Information

#### Notice to Parents & Guardians

#### School Camps / Incursions / Excursions

Payments via Qkr (and in the future, Paperly) for all activities close two days before departure.

**Did you know that every year Churchlands provide over 70 excursions, camp, tours (both interstate and overseas) and incursions!!**

To enable a smooth process, we have to abide by the dealines provided. Students who have not paid by the due date will unfortunately miss out on the activity.

Once the Qkr! payment day closes, the school can then inform the venue of final numbers attending and provide all necessary documentation, transport numbers can be confirmed and relief secured for teaching staff attending the activity.

In past instances, this became very difficult to manage because deadlines had not been adhered to. A policy was then implemented that once the deadline had passed, Qkr! would be closed and parents/guardians would not be able to make payments resulting in the student missing out on the activity.

Your cooperation in adhering to deadlines would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you





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## Year 11 Biology Camp

### - Discovering Nature & Wildlife -

From 29 August to 2 September, 54 Churchlands Year 11 Biology students experienced an unforgettable camp at Dryandra Woodland, filled with hands-on learning about ecosystems and wildlife.

The adventure began with a 9.00am departure. The first stop was Sullivan's Rock, a granite outcrop where students explored ecological succession and how plant life develops on rocky surfaces as well as seeing the effects of fire on the environment.

Shortly after arriving at the Lions Dryandra Woodland Village, students unpacked and settled in. The next activity was conducted under the supervision of

members from the Department of Parks and Wildlife Services, where traps were set with baits (made from sardines, oats, and peanut butter) to attract native mammals. In the evening, a visit to Barna Mia allowed students to observe at close range endangered species like woylies, bilbies, and boodies. The day ended around the campfire with roasted marshmallows.



Friday started at 6.30am with students processing the animals within their traps, successfully catching a woylie, a couple of quendas, and some possums. After breakfast, students completed two activities — some hands-on field ecology techniques near the old dam, and a session on Biodiversity, Conservation and Management pertaining to the Western Shield program.

Friday afternoon also featured a "Woylie Walk," which was a 5.5km walk through woodlands of wandoo, powderbark, kwongan heathlands, jarrah and stands of sheoak.

Students spotted an array of wildflowers and an echidna. The day wrapped up with spotlighting nocturnal animals with Mr Argus, and more roasted marshmallows.

Overall, the camp was a fantastic opportunity for students to deepen their understanding of biology through direct interactions with nature and conservation efforts, and to get to know their classmates a little better.



## Congratulations

- Congratulations to Tegan Williamson (Year 10) for her selection into the Australian Under 19s Women's T20 Tri-Series for cricket. Well done Tegan.



## New & Existing Enrolments

### Notice to Parents & Guardians

Until Paperly is available to parents please note that to update any student information (ie, medical, address, email, phone number etc), parents are asked to email all changes to [enquiries@churchlands.wa.edu.au](mailto:enquiries@churchlands.wa.edu.au)

Thank you





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## Final Breakfast for the 95 Club

Our Year 12 students with a predicted ATAR above 95 enjoyed their final Breakfast Club meeting this term. The guest speaker was Dr David Gozzard, former Head Boy 2007 and inaugural Breakfast Club member. Completing a PhD in Physics, he worked on the Square Kilometre Array a mammoth project involving more than 600 scientists and engineers from over 20 different countries to build the world's largest and most powerful radio telescope. For this work, David was awarded Student Scientist of the Year at the 2017 WA Premier's Science Awards. David then moved to the Australian National University in Canberra to work on laser sensors and communication systems, but returned to Perth in 2020 having won a prestigious Forrester Research Fellowship to develop satellite laser communications technology. This work earned David Early Career Scientist of the Year at the 2023 WA Premier's Science Awards, and a Young Tall Poppy of Science Award from the Australian Institute of Policy & Science. David is currently working to build a "quantum telescope", teaches Physics at UWA, and manages UWA's advanced Frontier Physics degree. A passionate life long learner and educator David provided an inspirational talk.



## Year 12 - Material Design: Jewellery

Year 12 Jewellery students have been super busy turning out some amazing jewellery pieces to finish their year! Below is just a small sample of some of their awesome work! Well done Year 12 Material Design Tech. Jewellery!



## Year 10 Rock Band

It is awesome to see some talented rock musicians at Churchlands. On Tuesday, Week 8, the Year 10 Rock Band composed of Clara Catalano on lead and backup vocals, Aidan Facey on lead and back up vocals as well as lead and rhythm guitar, Bryn Fairclough on bass, Jack Brohman on drums with myself, Mr Coumbe, on lead vocals as well as lead and rhythm guitar. The band performed *By The Way* by the Red Hot Chilli Peppers, *She's a Genius* by Jet, *Just a Girl* by No Doubt and *Sk8er Boi* by Avril Lavigne. It takes an enormous amount of courage to perform in front of a crowd of your peers and I am very proud of the band.



## Science Formative Assessment

### Example: Year 7 Science

Using a dichotomous key in science is an effective example of formative assessment because it allows students to demonstrate their understanding of classification by making decisions based on observable traits.

This activity aligns with Dylan Wiliam's five strategies of formative assessment by clarifying learning intentions (understanding how to classify organisms), eliciting evidence of learning (through student choices in the key), and providing feedback (correcting misclassifications and guiding further learning). It also encourages peer assessment, as students can work together to refine their reasoning, and fosters self-regulation by requiring students to reflect on their classification choices and improve their understanding.

*Doing the formative assessment with a group allows for multiple ideas, allowing for a combined understanding and a safer, calmer assessment.*

*Abby Lawer and Thomas Patterson-Kane  
Year 7 Students*



Above: Year 7 students creating dichotomous keys

## Parent Information Online Session: Supporting Students with Written Expression Difficulties

13 September 2024 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Many students have great difficulty expressing their ideas in writing. Some of those students might also have difficulty with reading, but many do not, and it can be hard for parents and caregivers to know how to provide effective support. This practical online session will provide an overview of evidence-based ways to help students develop better writing skills, in the areas of spelling, grammar, punctuation, and organising ideas to get started. It will also provide guidance in how to decide what type of support is most needed.



Peta supervises clinical staff, and regularly consults with families and teachers about learning difficulties and disorders.

Peta Collins

Peta is an educational and developmental psychologist. She is an experienced presenter and as well as running Science of Writing workshops, she also presents Talk for Writing, Talk for Reading, and is a LETRS facilitator. Peta regularly works with schools and individual teachers to support the implementation of high-quality literacy instruction. She has a teaching qualification and uses a range of evidence-based programs in individual and small-group tuition with students of all ages who are experiencing literacy learning difficulties. As a senior psychologist at DSF,

To reserve your free tickets, please click on the link - [DSF Tickets](#)





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## Library

With holidays coming up please check out some of our suggestions of what you can borrow and read on some of our sliders.

<https://cshs.softlinkhosting.com.au/oliver/home/browse/list>

### CBCA 2024 BOOK OF THE YEAR NOTABLES



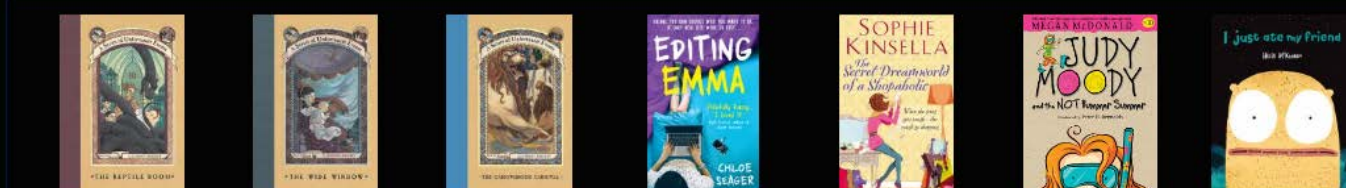
Check out different genres to read.

<https://cshs.softlinkhosting.com.au/oliver/home/browse/genreList>

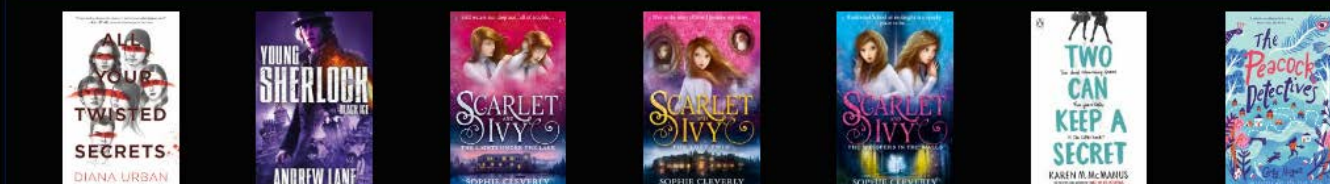
### Humorous stories



### Humour



### Mystery and suspense stories



What about our reading lists?

<https://cshs.softlinkhosting.com.au/oliver/home/browse/readingLists>

### Year 7/8 Suggestions



# Family and Community Engagement



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Achieve Success at School

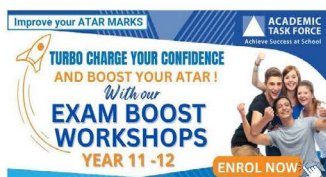
## Exam Boost Workshops and October Holiday Courses

### Exam Boost Workshops in Term 3 & 4 for Years 11 & 12

Exam Boost Workshops delivers subject-specific, targeted, exam preparation in the weeks leading up to exams. In one day, each workshop packs in 6 hours of exam focused teaching from a WACE exam marker, with the goal of boosting student's exam technique and performance.

- ✓ Targeted exam preparation
- ✓ Learn exam techniques and strategies to boost exam performance
- ✓ Insights into the exam marking guide
- ✓ Practise answering exam-style questions
- ✓ Receive feedback from a qualified exam marker

Venues: Churchlands SHS, Rossmoyne SHS, Perth Modern School and Online.



### ATAR October Holiday Revision Program for Years 11 & 12

ATAR Revision Courses provide students thorough subject revision and exam question practice to give the best possible preparation for exams. Our courses to help maximise grades and boost confidence before exams. Courses are 10-hours (2 hrs a day, over 5 days) in ATAR subjects, plus specially designed Essay Writing and Study Skills courses are available.

- Comprehensive revision of Semester 1 & 2 content.
- Boost confidence, knowledge and understanding.
- Guidance from a highly qualified ATAR subject-specialist teacher and feedback on your work.
- Become familiar with and understand a variety of exam-style questions.
- Receive a course workbook to help revise at home.
- An engaging and interactive learning environment

Courses available at Churchlands SHS, Leeming SHS and Online



Early bird 10% discount on Holiday Programs ends Monday, Sept 2nd, 2024

View our timetable and enrol online: [www.academicgroup.com.au](http://www.academicgroup.com.au)

## 2024 October Holiday ATAR Revision Courses

October Holidays - 10 hrs per subject - 2 hrs each day for five days

### CHURCHLANDS SHS

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th September

9:00am - 10:00am

- Essay Writing - Yr 11
- Essay Writing - Yr 12
- Study Skills - Yr 11
- Study Skills - Yr 12

10:00am - 12noon

- Accounting & Finance - Yr 12
- Chemistry - Yr 12
- English - Yr 11
- English - Yr 12
- Geography - Yr 12
- Human Biology - Yr 11
- Human Biology - Yr 12
- Maths Applications - Yr 12
- Maths Methods - Yr 11
- Maths Methods - Yr 12
- Maths Specialist - Yr 12
- Politics and Law - Yr 12

12:30pm - 2:30pm

- Chemistry - Yr 11
- Chemistry - Yr 12
- Economics - Yr 12
- English - Yr 11
- English - Yr 12
- Human Biology - Yr 12
- Maths Applications - Yr 12
- Maths Methods - Yr 12
- Maths Specialist - Yr 11
- Modern History - Yr 12
- Physics - Yr 12

### WEEK 1

2:45pm - 4:45pm

- Biology - Yr 12
- Chemistry - Yr 12
- Literature - Yr 11
- Literature - Yr 12
- Maths Applications - Yr 11
- Maths Applications - Yr 12
- Maths Methods - Yr 12
- Physical Ed Studies - Yr 12
- Physics - Yr 11
- Psychology - Yr 12

## Free Sanitary Products

All public schools that have secondary students will receive period products at no cost to the school or students.

Schools received an initial supply of products at the end of Term 1, with the full implementation of products and dispenser installation taking place during Term 2.

FREE sanitary products are available to students at Churchlands SHS. Vending machines for students to access products are located in several locations including First Aid office, Junior and Middle Secondary Student Services, Administration and A Block toilets.

**RU HANGRY**  
**EVERY TUE & FRI**  
**BREAKFAST!**

8.15-9AM  
TOASTIES  
& MILO



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FREE FOOD! FREE FOOD! FREE FOOD!

**FOOD 1**  
COURTYARD

MUSIC GAMES  
+  
A GOOD START  
TO YOUR DAY!  
ALL WELCOME



## Rest Breaks in a test

Neurodiverse students may have rest breaks included in their support plan. But how do you access the breaks?



Raise your  
hand and ask  
teacher for a  
break



Use your break in  
class (fidget,  
drawing,  
mindfulness etc)



Let your teacher  
know you are  
ready to start  
work again

Learning Support Team



# Family and Community Engagement



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## SAVE THE DATE CLASS OF 1974 REUNION

OCTOBER. 16, 2024 | MORNING TEA  
CHURCHLANDS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

UWA Little Athletics  
Season 2024/25

REGISTRATIONS OPEN 1st September

TRAINING STARTS 19th September

FIRST COMPETITION 12th October

Check out our registration page for more information

<https://uwalac.com/registration/>

or email [contact@uwalac.com](mailto:contact@uwalac.com) for further details.

[uwalac.com](https://uwalac.com)

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### THANK YOU EDUCATION ASSISTANTS

*for caring about our students*

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