



CHURCHLANDS
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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News in Brief

Year 10 AEP HASS Excursion

In Week 7 the Year 10 AEP HASS classes headed to Trigg Beach and Mettams Pool to develop a better understanding and awareness of processes, landforms and environmental change in a coastal context.

The excursion focused on:

- The causes and likely consequences of the environmental change.
- The strategies to manage the environmental change being investigated.
- The application of environmental, economic and social criteria in evaluating management responses to the change.

It is valuable for students to be able to access the 'outdoor' classroom.



Exciting News: Japan Trip 2025!



Hey everyone! Next week, 16 Year 10s and 12 Year 11s, along with Mrs Ellis, Mr Guest, and Ms Kool, will be heading off on an unforgettable two-week adventure in Japan!

We'll kick things off with four days in Tokyo, where we'll experience a traditional tea ceremony, watch sumo wrestling, and visit some of Japan's most famous landmarks—

Meiji Jingu, Sensoji Temple, Tokyo Skytree, Shibuya Crossing, and Harajuku!

From there, we travel to Akashi Nishi High School, our sister school, where students will be hosted by Japanese families for a week. During this time, they'll attend classes, join club activities, and even go on a special day trip to Universal Studios Japan!



News in Brief (cont'd)

Before heading home, we'll spend a night in Miyama, a beautiful, historic village with traditional thatched-roof houses. Here, students will take part in rice pounding, straw craft, and stay in a Japanese-style inn—a truly unique experience!

We can't wait for this incredible journey, and we look forward to sharing our experiences when we return! Stay tuned for updates!

What's Coming Up?

Term 1, 2025

24 Mar-11 Apr -	Year 10 Career Exploration Program during English
3 Apr -	Parent Teacher Interviews 11.00am - 7.00pm No Students At School
4 Apr -	A-Grade Interschool Swim Carnival
6 Apr-21 Apr -	Japan Tour
7-8 Apr -	Harry Perkins BioDiscovery Centre
8 Apr -	Year 9 Guest Speaker Olivia Vivian P5
9 Apr -	Fun Run
-	FTD Cultural Camp for Aboriginal Students: Year 10-12
10 Apr -	Year 8 Assembly: P1
-	UWA Performance
11 Apr -	Anzac Day Assembly
-	END OF TERM 1 (School Returns Tuesday 29 April)

Term 2, 2025

28 Apr -	PD Day - No Students
29 Apr -	STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL
30 Apr -	Year 10 Assembly: Period 2
2 May -	Year 9-12 Surfing Competition
5-7 May -	OLNA for select Year 10s
5-9 May -	Year 8 AEP Coral Bay Camp
5 May -	MPC Meeting 7.00pm
7 May -	Year 8 Lightning Carnival
9 May -	EES Freshwater Bay Field Trip
-	Alice in Wonderland Play 7.00pm
10 May -	Alice in Wonderland Play 1.30pm and 7.00pm



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Technologies - CAD (Computer-Aided Design)

Year 11 and 12 students have been delving into the exciting world of CAD using Autodesk Fusion 360. Over the course of five weeks, students have had the opportunity to design and draw items related to a different theme each week, honing their skills and expanding their understanding of the software's powerful functions.



HASS - Mock Trial Competition

On Thursday night, two teams represented Churchlands in the Western Australian Law Societies Mock Trial Competition.

Both teams were involved in a criminal case where an influencer was accused of stealing a very expensive tub of face cream. Our junior team argued for the Defence and the senior team were given the role of Prosecution. Both teams came away with an excellent win. The competition was tight with only a few points separating each of our groups. Thanks to our excellent mock trial participants and the parents and friends who came to support. Well done everyone!



Harmony Week - Languages

We are delighted to reflect on the fantastic celebration of Harmony Week that took place during Week 7. It was a week filled with cultural appreciation, learning, and community spirit.

The wonderful activities that made Harmony Week at our school truly memorable were quizzes and surveys, lunchtime performances, multiple displays, French and Japanese food trucks and language lessons. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making Harmony Week a resounding success.



Congratulations

Adam Schwartz (GATE Music voice student, Year 9) has recorded A cappella voice segment which will be used in a scene in an award winning WA Performing Arts Collective ballet, A Tree We Grew. Well done Adam.





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Churchlands Radio Update



Every Tuesday, Churchlands Radio Broadcast airs during Form time. The Broadcast features music, school events, and personal experiences related to education.

Year 11 students, Rebecca M and Clara C, host the show and staff and students are given the opportunity to suggest song choices through the library.

Their aim is to inform students about school happenings, encourage event participation, and provide support with schoolwork. It's a great way to experience broadcasting and connect with the school community.



2025 Secondary Assistance Scheme

Secondary Assistance applications must be claimed by Friday 11 April 2025. A current Health Care Card must be presented.

The Application Form and Instructions can be found on our website. Please click on the following link;

<https://www.churchlands.wa.edu.au/finances/secondary-assistance-scheme-application>

Or alternatively forms are available from the Main Administration.

Churchlands.Paperlyapp.com - How To Instructions -

To assist parents and guardians with our new payment platform, an email was sent on 4 March with two attachments:

1. How To Pay - Contributions & Charges
2. How to Approve - Excursions

Please check your email and junk email folders for this information.

Formative Assessment Strategy 1 - Parent Information Sessions -

On Thursday, 3 April, during Parent-Teacher Interview Day, Kym Lucchesi will be running two sessions on formative assessment—an approach used to support student learning.

These sessions will cover:

- What formative assessment is and how it is used in the classroom
- Why it is important for your child's learning
- Ways parents can support learning at home



Date: Thursday, 3 April



Location: B2



Time: Session 1 - 1:50pm
Session 2 - 5:20pm

We welcome you to attend at a time that is convenient for you.

Lost Property

We're coming to the end of Term 1 and the accumulation of lost property has started.

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 will be returned to students. At the end of the term, 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.

Lost property of any value (phones, airpods, jewellery, glasses etc) can be found in the Main Administration and Student Services.

Thank You.



- Reminder for Students -

Students are reminded that they are still required to Sign In and Out of their respective Student Services, even if parents have notified the school of their absence.

- Thank You -



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Learning Support News

Throughout Term 2 students in Years 10-12 will sit Semester 1 exams.

Students with a diagnosed learning disorder or condition that affects their ability to demonstrate their knowledge in timed conditions may be eligible for Equitable Access to Assessments.

If your child has a diagnosis affecting their learning and they do not currently have a Learning Support Plan or Student Profile in place, please email the Learning Support Team (A_learningsupportteam@churchlands.wa.edu.au) with details of their diagnosis, including supporting documentation (diagnostic reports, specialist letters etc). Someone will then be in contact with you to discuss your child's situation further so we can determine their eligibility.

This information must be received by Friday 2 May. Unfortunately the school can not guarantee the provision of equitable access to assessments in next term's exams if information is received after this date.

Students who have a Learning Support Plan or Student Profile that states their current special exam arrangements do not need to do anything. A member of the Learning Support Team will be in contact in due course to arrange their arrangements for next terms exams.

Mosman Park School for Deaf Children invite students, their families and interpreters to come to their Deaf School Open Day.



Famous Australians living with a disability or learning disability:

Em Rusciano

- Profession: Comedian, Singer, and Writer.
- Disability: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Dyslexia.
- Contributions: Rusciano is known for her candid discussions about her neurodivergence, using humour and storytelling to raise awareness and reduce stigma surrounding ADHD and learning difficulties.

Learning Support News (cont'd)

Em Rusciano, an Australian comedian, singer, and writer, has openly discussed her experiences with ADHD and dyslexia. Diagnosed later in life, these conditions shaped her approach to both her career and life. Rather than viewing her disabilities as setbacks, Rusciano embraced them, using humour and self-awareness to turn them into advantages.

Her ADHD, which affects focus and organisation, contributed to her creative and non-linear thinking, fueling her comedic style and innovative performances. She also uses her platform to advocate for neurodiversity, promoting understanding and support for those with ADHD and learning disabilities.



Through her honesty about her challenges, Rusciano has built a loyal following and inspired many to embrace their own differences. Her ability to find humour in her struggles has helped destigmatise learning disabilities and mental health, making her a relatable and influential figure.

Carers WA - Young Carers

Does your child help out at home with a family member with disability, physical or mental health challenges? They may be a young carer!

The friendly Young Carer team at Carers WA are excited to work with you and your family to help your child thrive and reach their goals.

This could look like helping them to get involved with more social activities in your area, discovering their future career pathway or even helping out with practical things like school supplies, getting a driver's license or navigating Centrelink.

For information visit www.carerswa.asn.au/young-carers



Young Carers

Working with families to support young people aged 8-25 who help care for a family member with disability, physical or mental health challenges.

www.carerswa.asn.au





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Workplace Learning Program

The Workplace Learning Program (WPL) at Churchlands Senior High School continues to offer Senior Secondary students' invaluable opportunities to gain practical experience and explore potential career pathways. Partnering with a wide range of industries, the program equips students with the skills and insights needed to shape their futures.

In 2024, **152 students** from Year 11 & 12 participated in the program, completing **over 310 placements** with **190 Host Employers** across diverse sectors. These placements not only enhance students' practical knowledge but also contribute to achieving the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), underscoring the importance of real-world learning in their academic journey.

The program's success depends heavily on the support of our Host Employer network. Their generosity and commitment have been instrumental in providing students with meaningful workplace experiences. Therefore, we are always reaching out to the school community to help expand our network of host employers to sustain these vital opportunities.

We encourage businesses or professionals within the community to consider becoming a Workplace Learning Host. This partnership supports the development of future professionals while strengthening ties between the school and local industries. To register your interest, please email Rosa Taylor (Workplace Learning Coordinator) rtaylor@churchlands.wa.edu.au

Work placement Dates for 2025

Semester 1

Year 11 & 12 (2 week Block): 26 May - 6 June 2025

Semester 2

Year 12s (2 week Block): 15 September - 26 September 2025

Year 11s (2 week Block): 3 November - 14 November 2025

Please feel free to click on the link for more information - <https://www.churchlands.wa.edu.au/learning/senior-school/workplace-learning>



Open Hours

Churchlands Library

Monday - Homework Club

8:30am - 4:00pm

Tuesday

8:30am - 3:30pm

Wednesday

8:30am - 3:30pm

Thursday

9:00am - 3:30pm

Friday

8:30am - 3:30pm



Public Transport Etiquette for Churchlands Senior High School Students

Please remind your young person the etiquette when using public transport:

- Give up your seat for an elderly person, or someone with a disability, or a parent with a baby and pram.
- Students must stand up for adults.
- Be nice to your fellow passengers.
- Be patient, don't push to get on or off. Wait until all passengers have exited before getting on.

Embrace the Churchlands value of Social Responsibility, be community minded and show respect.

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Library News



Students Need School Libraries

Is your child's school library all that it can and should be?

Student Study Space

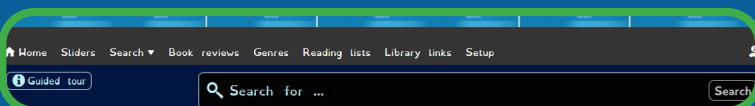
We have a lovely space for our senior students to study before and after school, and during breaks..



What Is In Our Library?

Need to know what the library has? - then check out our library page on:

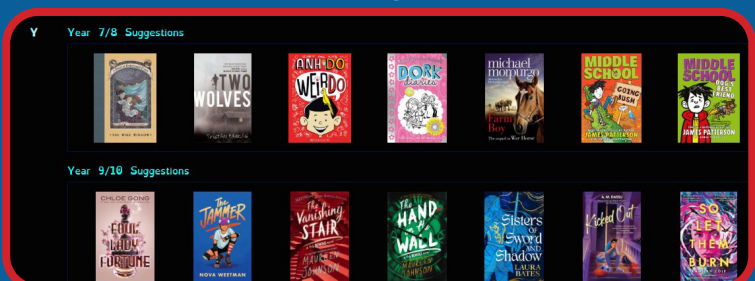
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Reading Lists

Check out the Reading Lists or Genres to see what you could borrow.

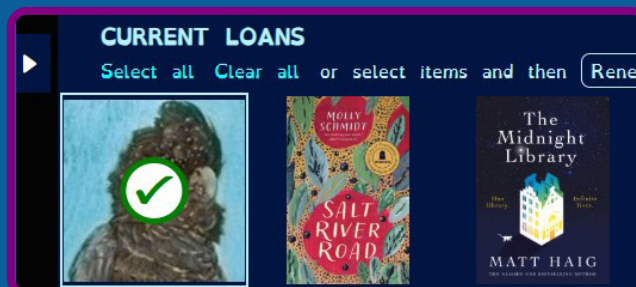
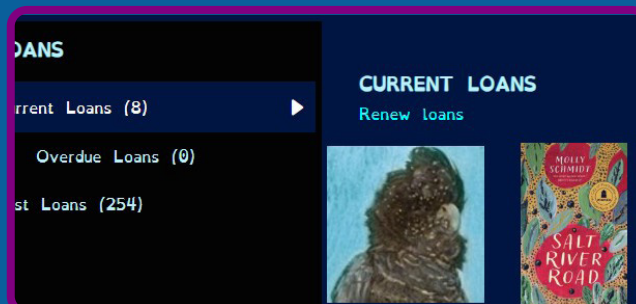
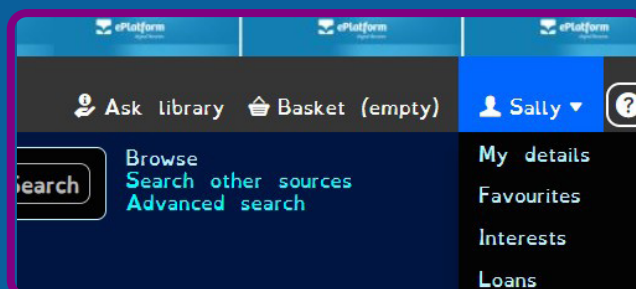
<https://cshs.softlinkhosting.com.au/oliver/home/browse/readingLists>



Overdue Books? Renew Online!!

Sick of getting those emails for overdue books? Did you know that you can renew them online yourself!

You know you are logged in because your first name is there - this is mine!



Study skills and itc think drive

Have a look at these two great resources provided for our families and our students. Both have resources for helping you assist your child with self-regulated learning, especially around goal setting and setting realistic goals.



Family and Community Engagement

CSHS Board Election 2025

The School Board is conducting an election to elect three members in the parent category to join our School Board.

This process commenced on Wednesday 13 March with an email calling for nominations for three positions of parent members.

A further email from Churchlands SHS was emailed to parents/guardians on Friday 28 March advising that ten (10 nominations) had been received and an election would be required.

Each parent/guardian with a registered email address (please check junk mail) will receive another email on Tuesday 1 April from:

'No Reply <noreply@qemailserver.com> – 2025 Voting for Churchlands Senior High School Board' which will then allow each parent/guardian to cast their vote.

Voting will close on Tuesday 8 April at 3.15pm.

If you experience any difficulties with the voting process, please contact the school office on 9441 1700 and a hard copy ballot paper will be provided.







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 6 Lucca Street, Churchlands 6018

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(BASKETBALL)



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Important

Drop Off and Pick Up
Reminders



Parking around the school can become quite congested. For the safety of your children and our staff, please see below for a safer drop off and pick up:

Sports Hall - STAFF ONLY

Front Main Administration: STAFF with some Visitor parking (not suitable for drop off/pick up).

Memory Close: STAFF & Student 'P' Platers ONLY

For parents wanting to drop off/pick up students, please use either the Hale Road Drop & Ride near the tennis courts or Lucca Street (please be mindful of other students and buses when entering/exiting).



Young Changemaker
Workshop

The City of Stirling and Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia is running a free Young Changemaker Workshop for young people aged 12 to 25.

Date: Wednesday 16 April 2025

Time: 10.00am – 1.00pm

Location: Mirrabooka Community Centre – 21 Sudbury Road, Mirrabooka

In this awesome session, you will:

- **Learn** about advocacy and how YOU can make a difference
- **Develop** solutions to real issues young people face in the community
- **Meet** like-minded young people and make new friends
- **Enjoy** free food and drinks.

Open your camera
app and scan this QR
code to register!



Registration is essential.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to become a changemaker!

ONLINE SAFETY & DIGITAL WELLNESS PARENT WORKSHOP



with ex law enforcement & online safety expert
KAYLENE KERR

WED 21 MAY | WEMBLEY

CYBER SAFETY & DIGITAL WELLNESS WITH ONLINE EXPERT & EX-LAW ENFORCEMENT KAYELENE KERR

WED MAY 21 | BOLD PARK SCHOOL | 6-8.30PM

**+ This workshop is open to the public +
For parents of kids in any age group.**

WORKSHOP INCLUDES:

- Technology's effect on developing bodies, brains and behaviour.
- Creating a family technology plan.
- Persuasive technology gaming, social media and media literacy.
- Age inappropriate, hurtful, harmful and illegal content, including sexualised media and pornography.
- Identifying and responding to tricky people and unsafe behaviours.
- Online Grooming, Catphishing, Sextortion, Youth Produced Sexual Content & Image Based Abuse.
- Embedding Protective Behaviours & Body.
- Reducing barriers to help and support seeking.
- Child friendly conversation starters.
- Parental Control Tools.
- Q & A with Kayelene afterwards.

<https://www.wildcreativeaustralia.com/product/parent-workshops>

Family and Community Engagement



We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people



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Reconnect

Connecting young people with their family and community

Call 1800 800 046

mercyCare.com.au

What is Reconnect?

Reconnect provides outreach support to young people aged 12-18 years and their families who are experiencing family conflict which has led to unstable accommodation or could eventually lead the young person being unable to stay at home.

The program uses an early intervention, outreach approach to address family conflict, strengthen relationships and help to stabilise living and education circumstances.

Reconnect can support young people with:

- Strengthening personal relationships
- Providing information on services in the community
- Communication, emotional awareness and confidence building
- Resolving conflict with family and friends
- Creating linkages into the community, sport and recreational programs
- Home and school life
- Referral pathways to appropriate support services

Reconnect can support parents, guardians and families with:

- Conflict resolution
- Understanding the needs of their young people
- Communication and emotional awareness
- Knowledge of community and parenting services
- Providing the building blocks to create a more positive home environment

MercyCare Reconnect deliver services in the following local government areas:

- City of Armadale
- City of Cockburn
- City of Fremantle
- City of Gosnells
- City of Joondalup
- City of Kwinana
- City of Rockingham
- City of Stirling
- City of Swan
- City of Perth
- City of Wanneroo

Thank you, we need to know we're not alone in hard times and this service certainly lifted me up to keep going

Parent

I feel that the Reconnect program helped me progress as a person and work out issues with my family, friends and myself. I have grown as a person and feel as if I am a better, happier person

Young person

