



CHURCHLANDS
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL BOARD 2026



CLAIRE SHOEBRIDGE Board Chair and Staff Member

With more than 20 years of experience in education, Claire brings a wealth of knowledge, dedication, and a deep commitment to student success. Currently serving as the Learning Support Program Coordinator at CSHS, she is passionate about ensuring that every student has the opportunity to reach their full potential and thrive in an inclusive learning environment. Beyond the school setting, Claire has been an active member of the local community, contributing through involvement in sporting groups and P&C Associations. This strong connection to the community provides valuable insight into the needs and aspirations of students and families.

As a School Board member, Claire is committed to supporting all learners to become confident leaders in the 21st century. She believes in equipping young people with the skills, resilience, and opportunities needed to pursue their passions, achieve their goals, and make meaningful contributions to society.



DR JAMES KENT School Principal

James brings over 35 years of experience as a Mathematics teacher and extensive senior leadership experience across several schools. He has served in Principal positions for numerous years, demonstrating his dedication to educational excellence.

James completed his doctorate in education through the University of Western Australia. His dissertation focused on the strategies teachers use to engage students with mathematics. In addition to his role at Churchlands, James has been a member of multiple school boards along with various collegiate and advisory groups. His expertise in education and leadership plays a pivotal role in shaping the strategic direction and growth of the school.

James is deeply committed to enhancing opportunities and outcomes for students by providing strong educational foundations and career pathways. This aligns with our school vision to aim high.



DEAN HEALY Elected Parent Member

Dean is dedicated to fostering an environment where critical thinking thrives and educational excellence is prioritised. With over 20 years of IT expertise, Dean understands the role innovative teaching methods can have on independent thought and problem-solving skills. He is committed to ensuring the school has a learning atmosphere that values varied perspectives and intellectual rigor, ensuring that students are equipped to navigate complex issues with discernment - promoting analytical thinking and academic integrity, steering clear of indoctrination and identity politics. His goal is to support the school's mission by providing perspective and strategies that elevate the educational experience and prepare students for future success.



MATT TURNBULL Elected Parent Member

Matt is a proud dad to one current and two former Churchlands students. He is very passionate about helping Churchlands deliver the best possible high school experience for our children. As a former Churchlands Head Boy and muso, he is particularly interested in providing leadership opportunities for the student body and building academic, vocational and musical excellence.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DR ELAINE WONG Elected Parent Member

Elaine is a parent of a son in Year 10 at Churchlands Senior High School. She has over 18 years of experience in education and medical research and is currently the Head of Hearing Therapeutics at Ear Science Institute Australia. She also holds appointments as an Adjunct Associate Professor in the Division of Surgery, Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences at The University of Western Australia, and at the Medical School at Curtin University. Elaine completed her fellowship at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York, after graduating from the University of Hong Kong with Doctor of Philosophy. She is currently appointed as a grant reviewer for the Australian Government's National Health and Medical Research Council. She has substantial experience in leadership, management, project development, governance policy and strategy, as well as mentorship and graduate programs in multidisciplinary biomedical education across universities and research institutes in Western Australia, interstate, and overseas.



RUSS FISHWICK JP Community Member

Russ is a member of the Churchlands Alumni and was a student at the School from 1963–67. He holds university postgraduate qualifications in Business and Management. He has a long employment history in local government holding senior positions in metropolitan councils including acting as a Chief Executive Officer. Russ has served three terms as Deputy Mayor at the City of Joondalup. He was chair of the Mindarie Regional Council for ten years. He is a Presiding Member on the Regional Housing Appeals Panel, a Local Government Advisory Board member and is a life member of the WA Local Government Association. He is a Justice of the Peace and has been a member on the States Crime Prevention Council and Anti-Graffiti Task Force. Russ is a board member at the Poynter and Duncraig Primary Schools. Russ has a long history in surf life saving and is a Senior Assessor for Surf Life Saving WA.



ADNAN VISRAM Community Member

Adnan graduated from Churchlands SHS in 2008, after which he went on to obtain a double degree in law and political science/international relations from the University of Western Australia. After this, Adnan spent two years working as a University Counsellor at an international school in Kenya, where he assisted students to obtain scholarships and admissions to leading Universities across Europe and North America. Since then, Adnan has been employed as a government lawyer, having been involved in providing legal advice, developing legislation and representing the State in a variety of Courts and Tribunals across areas such as child protection, disability services, social housing and regulatory compliance.

Adnan also sits on the Ismaili Muslim Community's Conciliation and Arbitration Board, through which he provides free mediation services to assist community members to resolve their disputes in a speedy and culturally sensitive manner.



DR GEOFFREY LUMMIS Community Member

Geoff is a retired academic, who attended Churchlands SHS from 1968-1972, and his association with the school continued through his three sons Isaac, Soren and Gwilym. Geoff completed his initial teacher education at Churchlands Teachers' College (now ECU), and subsequently completed a Master of Education at UWA and a PhD in Sustainability at Murdoch University.

After retiring from the Education Department at the end of 1985, Geoff became part of a team that established ECU's initial teacher education program at the South West Campus. Geoff's early academic interests included visual arts and science education. He was a visiting professor at the University of Massachusetts (1993-1994) and has been active in both national and international education forums.

Geoff is the former Director of the Edith Cowan Institute for Education Research, overseeing research teams in The Arts, Creativity, STEM Education, Sustainability, School Culture and a range of interdisciplinary studies. He has supervised over 40 higher degrees and acted as an examiner of higher degrees nationally and internationally. Before retiring in August 2024, Geoff was a long-standing member of ECU's Council and Deputy Chair of Academic Board for six years. Currently he is Chair for both Kinross College and Warwick SHS Boards.



KYM LUCCHESI Staff Member

Kym has been an educator in both public and private schools for over twenty years in Western Australia and Victoria. Throughout her career, she has actively engaged in professional learning to develop her practice so she is able to meet the social, emotional, and academic needs of her students. Kym's current roles at Churchlands SHS include Program Coordinator for Teaching and Learning, Think Tank Facilitator, and Science Teacher. These roles illustrate Kym's motivation to share her expertise and build the capacity in others. A respected member of the school community, Kym supports staff across learning areas and leads initiatives that enhance teaching practice and student engagement across the school.



SERENA KO School Captain

After attending Woodlands Primary School, Serena settled into Churchlands SHS and joined the Student Council from Years 7 to 11. She has also partaken in the Music Program from Years 7 to 10.

At school, her favourite subjects are Politics and Law, and Accounting & Finance with the hopes of doing Commerce or Law in university. Aside from playing sports such as netball, Serena also enjoys baking and reading in her free time. From the beginning of Year 10, she has worked diligently to achieve both her Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh awards; accumulating almost 200 hours of community service from this and other activities.

As one of the 2026 School Captains for Churchlands SHS, she is most excited to be the first Captain to work alongside specialised Profile Captains, providing her the opportunity to collaborate with incredible students, staff and boards while also setting a new precedent for future leaders.



KALANI BRACK School Captain

After leaving Kapinara Primary School, Kalani joined the Academic Extension Program at Churchlands SHS for Years 7 to 10. During this time, he focused on developing leadership at a grassroots level through group projects such as IDL, but he also sought to make change on a wider scale. This inspired him to join the student leadership team in Year 11. At school, his favourite subjects are Philosophy and Ethics and Physics, driven by a desire to understand the world — a passion that has shaped his intention to study Philosophy in the future. Beyond the classroom, he enjoys mountain biking, BMX, and skateboarding.

In the community, he continues to look for ways to contribute, volunteering at events such as the HBF Run for a Reason and the Stirling Rotary Farmer's Market. As one of this year's School Captains, he is most looking forward to creating tangible change through collaboration with peers, staff, and the School Board. He believes that this collaboration will strengthen not only his leadership skills but also his character.