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News in Brief

Year 10 HASS Tour / PACER Rebate

The Year 10 AEP HASS Tour recently undertook an educational seven night tour of the Nation's Capital and iconic Sydney.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$510 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards the costs. The subsidy has already been calculated in the costing for each student therefore the rebate will be now paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and the finalisation of the process.



Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. All the important venues were visited including Parliament House, the High Court, the Museum of Australian Democracy and more.

Churchlands SHS attended the last post ceremony at the Australian War Memorial and had two students, Sara L. and Nick P. lay wreaths paying their respect for a fallen soldier during WW1. Sydney was more relaxed with a tour of the Sydney Opera House, a cruise on the Darling Harbour, a visit to Taronga Zoo and a historical archaeological learning activity in the Rocks.



What's Coming Up?

Term 4, 2025

27-29 Oct	-	OLNA Year 9&10
27-31 Oct	-	Year 11 Practical Exams and Written Assessment Free Week
	-	Year 10 Outdoor Ed. Camp
29-20 Nov	-	WACE Exams
30 Nov	-	Year 7-9 Girls AFL Carnival
3 Nov	-	P&C Meeting
5 Nov	-	Chamber Concert 5.00pm
6 Nov	-	School Board Meeting
10 Nov	-	Year 7&8 AEP Young Writers Workshop
11 Nov	-	Remembrance Day at Kings Park





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Year 11 General PE - Sand Volleyball Tournament

What a day! Year 11 General Physical Education students wrapped up the year with the traditional sand-volleyball tournament. Despite the stormy conditions three classes battled it out all displaying creative uniforms and exceptional skills in a round robin friendly competition. Prizes were awarded to best dressed, best on court and the winning team. Thank you to all students involved and congratulations to our prize winners.

Winning team: Sand Volleys



Best on Court: Noah Blakeney and Jeremy Pfammatter





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Languages - Japanese Luncheon

Late Term 3, the Japanese Luncheon offered our Year 9 and 10 students a delightful taste of Japanese culture in a relaxed and festive setting. Students enjoyed an assortment of authentic bento boxes from JBento, filled with vibrant flavours and traditional dishes. What a memorable opportunity to immerse in Japanese culture while strengthening language learning and community connections!



Uniform Shop - Update 2025 Term 4

Weeks 1 - 9

Tuesday 8:30am-4:00pm

Thursday 12:30pm-5:00pm

Week 10

**Monday 15 December 8:30am - 4:00pm
(Last day of trade for 2025)**

2026 January School Holiday Trading Hours

Tuesday 27 January 9.00am - 1.00pm

Thursday 29 January 12.00pm - 5.00pm

Friday 30 January 9.00am - 1.00pm

Saturday 31 January 9.00am - 1.00pm

**Monday 2 February 8.30am - 4.00pm
(First Day of School)**

Tuesday 3rd February 8.30am - 4.00pm

Thursday 5th February 12.30pm - 5.00pm

Return to regular trading from Week 2.

Just to remind current Year 8 and Year 10 parents that their son/daughter will need a change of polo colour for next year. Year 8s will go into teal, and Year 10s into white.

**The shop is open on
Tuesdays from 8.30am - 4.00pm and
Thursdays from 12.30pm – 5.00pm.**

**In Week 10 we will only be open on Monday
from 8.30am - 4.00pm.**

We will be open at the end of January (dates and times will be on the school website) but these are typically very busy days so it's a good idea to get organised before the end of term.



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Learning Support News

Parent Support Group for Neurodiverse Girls

Students can benefit from developing their understanding of their neurodevelopmental diagnoses, both the strengths and challenges to support the development of a positive sense of self as they mature. Parents are encouraged to access the following resources on the Yellow Ladybugs website to facilitate these discussions.

Yellow Ladybugs website offers resources and helpful tools for parents and young neurodiverse people.

<https://www.yellowladybugs.com.au/Resources>



Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)

PDA Perth WA is holding the Inaugural Australian conference on the Pathological Demand Avoidance profile of Autism coming up this year, please see the flyer for more information.

Exam Info

Throughout Term 4, students in Years 9 & 10 will sit Semester 2 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 Week 4, Monday 3 November. 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.

Inaugural PDA Conference Australia 2025

11 November 2025

Optus Stadium, Perth, Western Australia

Australia's first conference on the Pathological Demand Avoidance profile of Autism

- Training - for parents/carers of autistic children with a PDA profile
- Learning from lived experience voices & professional development - for paediatricians/psychiatrists/GPs & allied health professionals (psychologists/occupational therapists/speech therapists/social workers/nurses)
- Professional learning - for classroom educators & school administrators



Website and Conference Program coming soon! Here are some of the fantastic speakers joining us:



Kristy Forbes
KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Lived experience, Neurodivergent PDAer, Educator & PDA Parent



Dr Theresa Kidd

Neurodivergent Clinical Psychologist, Author, Educator, PDA Parent



Dr Wenn Lawson

Neurodivergent Educator, Author, Researcher, Parent, Speaker



Prof Tony Attwood & Dr Michelle Garnett

Clinical Psychologists, Authors, Educators



Dr Johana Stefan

Dually trained Paediatrician and Psychiatrist



Christina Keeble

Neurodivergent Educator, PDA Parent



A/Prof Yulia Furlong

Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist



Sally Canadine

Neurodivergent Counsellor, Creator PDA Australia Support Group



Raelene Dundon

Neurodivergent Educational & Developmental Psychologist, Author



Kate Kleineu

Neurodivergent Occupational Therapist, Educator, PDA Parent

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MONDAY, 3 NOVEMBER

Note: Late orders will not be accepted



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Congratulations

Congratulations to Year 12 students Morgan R. and Stella S. on receiving the Ngala Kwop Biddi Brighter Futures Scholarship from Murdoch University. The Ngala Kwop Biddi Brighter Futures Scholarship aligns with the University's strategic themes of Sustainability; Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and First Nations.



Congratulations to Giselle R., Year 8, for being selected into the Hockey WA U14 State Team. Giselle competed at the 2025 Hockey Australia National Championships in Brisbane in early October.



Congratulations to Tristan H. (Year 10), Sidney H. (Year 10) and Sophie V.K. (Year 11) for their efforts in the Cape to Cape Mountain Bike Race held from 16 to 19 October.

Tristan – 1st place in Junior Male
Sidney – 2nd place in Junior Male
Sophie – 1st place in Junior Female

It was the first time all three students have entered the race, and the first multi-day race they had competed in.

All completed it with smiles on the finish line each day. Hours and hours of road and mountain bike training were done in the lead up to the event. The four-day challenge of almost 200km took in some of WA's best trails throughout the South West.



Sisters, Alice T. and Klara T. competed in the 2025 NSW Youth Sailing Championships held over the October school holidays. The event served as the official selection regatta for the Australian Sailing Youth Team.

We are excited to inform you that Alice and Klara won the Female 29er division, earning the honour of representing Australia at the 2025 Youth Sailing World Championships in Vilamoura, Portugal, from 12-20 December 2025. This event is considered the pinnacle of youth sailing for which only one male and female team per country qualifies in each performance class.

Alice and Klara's parents are incredibly proud of their daughters achievement and grateful for the school's support in helping them balance academic and sporting excellence. Their achievement reflects not only their dedication to sailing but also the generous support and flexibility provided by the Churchlands Senior High School community.





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Library News

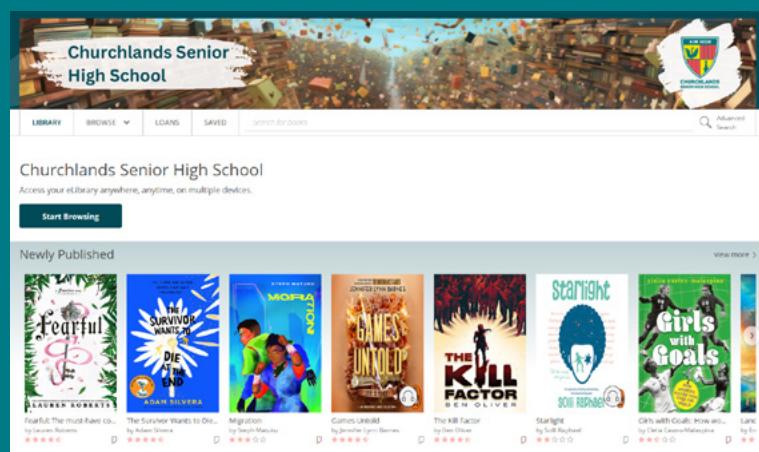
MakerSpace

This term the library is running 'MakerSpace' activities in the breaks. Students are encouraged to come and take part in the upcoming Halloween crafts and paint some poppies for Remembrance Day.



Wheeler's

In the Year 7 reading classes we are showing them how to access our extensive e-book and audio book platform Wheeler's.



Book Club

Book club is running on Mondays in Break 1 (Weeks 3, 5, 7 and 9), and we would love to see more students come along.

Homework Club

Reminder that Homework Club is in the library on Mondays from 3.00 – 4.00pm.

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



Family and Community Engagement

Churchlands SHS

Gallery Space, Memory Close

2025

Thursday
11th December
5-7PM

Y7-12 End of Year Show The Arts Exhibition

Featuring Media, Photographic and Visual Arts work.

Guest Speaker & Award Presentation
Drinks & Nibbles provided.

Artwork by: Chau Nguyen

Family and Community Engagement



Upcoming Social Media Age Restrictions for Under-16s

Churchlands Senior High School would like to inform students and families about an important change announced by the Australian Government. From **10 December 2025**, major social media platforms will be required to restrict account access for users under the age of 16.

This initiative is designed to safeguard young Australians from a range of online risks — including exposure to harmful content, excessive screen time, digital manipulation, and other inappropriate online behaviours. Importantly, this is not a ban but rather a **delay in account eligibility** until a child turns 16.

What You Need to Know

- **Platforms affected** include **Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, X (formerly Twitter), and YouTube**.
- Children **under the age of 16 will no longer be able to create or maintain accounts** on these services.
- **Public content** may still be accessible without logging in.
- **Messaging apps and online gaming services** are not covered by these restrictions and may still be used if permitted by the app's terms and parental guidance.

Support and Resources

Families and students are encouraged to stay informed and take advantage of the helpful resources available:

- [eSafety Commissioner – Get-Ready Guide for Under-16s](#) , [Social media age restrictions hub](#)
- [Churchlands Senior High School- Student Welbeing](#)
- [WA Department of Education – Cyber Safety Hub](#)

Churchlands SHS is committed to supporting a safe, inclusive, and digitally responsible learning environment. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact our ICT Team via the school website:

churchlands.wa.edu.au/my-churchlands/ict/ict-help-and-advice-1

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PLEASE SHARE FAR & WIDE!



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EVERY TUE & FRI
BREAKFAST!

8.15-9AM
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Sustainable School Shop have preloaded items specific to our school onto their site. This makes it super easy to list your items for sale and to buy items.

See all the second-hand uniform items for sale here:
<https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/stocktake/churchlands-senior-high-school>

See all the second-hand textbooks for sale here:
<https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/booklist/churchlands-senior-high-school>

So jump onto the site, register and list your items for sale, you will be:

- reusing items rather than adding to landfill
- making money on items you sell
- saving money on items you buy
- providing another family in our school with cheaper items
- helping to create a culture of contact amongst our school community families!

Login or Register here:
<https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au>

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Year 13 Sandowner
FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2025
WE WELCOME YOU BACK TO SCHOOL. COME JOIN US...
4.00 pm to 5.30 pm | Taryn Fiebig Concert Hall, 20 Lucca Street Churchlands
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#STARweek
3-7 NOVEMBER 2025
Science Technician Appreciation & Recognition week

#STARweek 25

STARweek is an opportunity for schools and science departments to recognise the knowledge, expertise, and professional support that Science Technicians provide for the delivery of safe and engaging practical science in schools.

#STARweek 3-7 Nov 2025

During the week 3-7 November 2025 schools across Australia are encouraged to celebrate the work that science technicians perform to support practical science in schools.

Share stories and images of your school's science technicians by posting on social media
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