



CHURCHLANDS
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Churchlands Bytes

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News in Brief

School Board Announces New Principal at Churchlands - Welcome Back Dr James Kent -

On behalf of the Board, I am delighted to announce the appointment of Dr James Kent as the substantive Principal of Churchlands Senior High School. Dr Kent is an accomplished and experienced Principal with strong capabilities in school governance, resource management, and community engagement as evidenced by his previous school receiving the 2025 WA Education Award for Teaching and Learning Excellence.

He is a strong advocate for public education and has a passion for supporting students, staff, and families, alike. I am confident that Churchlands is well positioned to continue building on its many strengths under his leadership. There will be opportunities in the coming term for our community to formally welcome Dr Kent.

Churchlands Senior High School is a remarkable community, built on strong foundations established over many years. We look forward to working together as we continue to build upon that legacy and pursue excellence for every student.

Genevieve McSporran
Board Chair



Jayne Kitto - Associate Principal

We would like to congratulate Jayne Kitto on her appointment as a substantive Deputy Principal at Duncraig SHS, commencing next term. Since joining us in 2017, she has played a key role in supporting and guiding students through her work as Head of Year and Associate Principal. Her commitment to student wellbeing and achievement has made a significant impact, and she will be missed by our school community. We wish Jayne all the best in her new role!



What's Coming Up?

Term 2, 2026

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| 30 Jun | - | Year 10 Lightning Carnival |
| | - | Subject Selection Online Opens: Year 11 (2027) |
| 1 Jul | - | Subject Selection Online Opens: Year 12 (2027) |
| | - | NAIDOC AFL Footy Match |
| 2 Jul | - | NAIDOC Market Day |
| 3 Jul | - | END OF TERM |

Term 3, 2026

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| 20 Jul | - | Professional Development Day
No Students at School |
| 21 Jul | - | STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL
Careers Expo |
| 22 Jul | - | Subject Selection Online Closes:
Year 9 & 10 (2027) |
| 23 Jul | - | Welcome Home Tour Concert 6.30pm |
| 27 Jul | - | MPC Meeting 7.00pm |
| 28 Jul | - | Man Up Redefining Masculinity
Workshops: Year 9 & 11 (P1-4) |
| 29 Jul | - | Trees for Survival: Tree Planting Day |
| 31 Jul | - | Whole School Assembly |
| 1-10 Aug | - | Languages: Akashi Nishi Visit
40 Year Anniversary |
| 2 Aug | - | Jazz Festival |

2026 Churchlands SHS - Year Book -

**Order your
Yearbook NOW!!!**

Orders can be made using the link sent to your email (please check your Junk folder) or login to Paperly and place your order through 'Forms'.



**ORDER YOUR
2026 YEARBOOK
NOW!**

Orders must be processed in
Paperly by close of business:

FRIDAY, 23 OCTOBER

Note: Late orders will not be accepted



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ASDAN Market Stall

In Week 5 & 6 this term, ASDAN students were very fortunate to participate in the Year 10 Business Management Market Stall project. Students planned for and ran a stall for four days called 'Breaking Cash' where they sold lolly bags, drinks and fidgets. The hands-on experience was a very enriching experience for the students, it allowed them to put into practice their understanding of business as part of our Entrepreneur unit. The stall was successful; they sold most of their stock and received a return on their investment!

Congratulations on your hard effort boys, and many thanks to our amazing EA's and Alicia Steer in HASS for her support.



Mock Trial Success at the Supreme Court

On Monday evening, 15 June, our Mock Trial teams completed their third and final round of competition at the Supreme Court. Our Junior and Senior teams delivered outstanding performances and secured victories.

Our Senior Team continued their exceptional form with another win, completing a clean sweep of victories throughout the competition rounds as they now prepare for the Finals.

The Junior Team also impressed, competing against Penrhos College and securing a hard-fought 2-point victory. Their professionalism, preparation and teamwork were evident throughout the evening.

Thank you to all the students, teachers, participants, friends and family members who have supported our Mock Trial teams throughout the year. Your encouragement, commitment and assistance have played an important role in the success of our students.

Congratulations to both teams, and best of luck to our Senior Team as they head into the finals!



Academic Extension Program

Year 7 in 2027

If your child is going into Year 7 in 2027, you can apply for our school-based Academic Extension Program (AEP).



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Testing will take place at Churchlands Senior High School, 20 Lucca Street, Churchlands, on Saturday, 22 August, at 9.00am.

To apply, an online application form is available via our website: www.churchlands.wa.edu.au/learningacademic-extension-program

Further information:
T: 9441 1700
W: churchlands.wa.edu.au

Applications
close
Monday
3 August 2026

Testing
Saturday
22 August 2026



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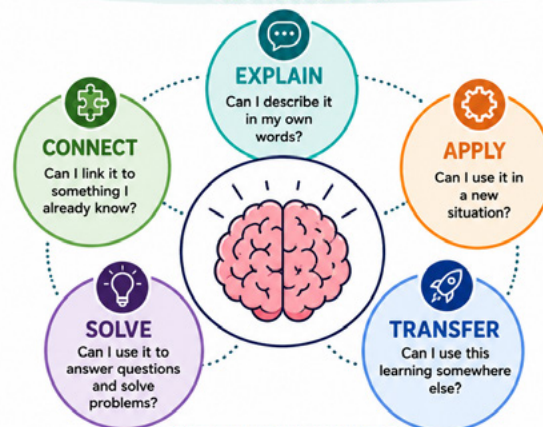
Teaching and Learning

Information for Parents



Learning Requires More Than Remembering

Remembering is where learning begins, not where it ends.



QUESTIONS PARENTS CAN ASK



Can you explain that to me?



Where else could you use that knowledge?



How does this connect to something you've learned before?



Why do you think that happens?



KEY MESSAGE

The goal is not simply to remember information. The goal is to understand it well enough to explain it, apply it, connect it, and use it in new situations.



"Understanding is knowing how, when, and why to use what you know."





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Year 9 HASS - History - WW1 Exhibition -

The HASS F-Block Activity area was a hub of activity last week in preparation for the WW1 History Exhibition being held Tuesday 30 June. Getting closer to the deadline the students rose to the challenge! Crafting, modelling, gluing, colouring, cutting, sticking and more. Parents and guardians have been invited to view the exhibition P1 or P5 with their child during their HASS lesson. Prizes will be awarded for the best entries.



Dance Drama Night

Congratulations to all of the Churchlands students who performed in this semester's Dance Drama Night. The quality of work was high, performances captivated the audience, and students enjoyed showcasing their work from this semester. Dancers and Drama students performed to over 300 people, and everyone can agree, they were sensational.



Thank you to all the staff who helped out in rehearsals and on the night, and to our Churchlands community for supporting the Arts. Keep an eye out for our next show in December!



Winter Means Weeds!!

At this time of the year, it seems the only plants that grow best are the weeds! But it is the perfect time for students studying the Cert II in Conservation and Ecosystem Management (CEM) class to learn about weed control though. The class has been looking at all aspects of an integrated weed management system, but the aspect they enjoy most is chemical weed control (and the one they dislike the most is hand weeding!). Recently the class went through the process of controlling the weeds around the school nursery. Of course, safety is a high priority, requiring all the safety gear to be worn (and why we don't actually use real chemicals!)



Multicultural Week - Inaugural JUST DANCE Competition -

If you noticed a little more energy around the school over the past few weeks, a few extra dance moves in the corridors, or staff and students humming tunes in different languages, it was probably thanks to our inaugural Multicultural Week JUST DANCE Competition. Staff and students were invited to choose a song in a language other than English that celebrated another culture, learn the choreography, and submit a video for judging. The creativity, enthusiasm and willingness to step outside comfort zones made the competition a fantastic celebration of the cultural diversity within our school community.

Congratulations to our student winners:

Alice H., Fabiana SJ., Ayla D., Charlotte L. (Year 10)
Namdroel Y., Tandin Z., Sonam D., Rajvi S. (Year 11)

After a fiercely contested competition, the Administration Team danced their way to victory, taking home the 2026 JUST DANCE Crown!

A huge congratulations and thank you to everyone who participated. Your enthusiasm, teamwork and sense of fun helped make this inaugural event a wonderful success. We can't wait to see what next year's competition brings!





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Library News

Why School Libraries Matter

A well-supported school library is the heart of student learning and literacy development.

- **Critical Resources:** We actively advocate for high-quality library spaces.
- **Student Success:** Access to books directly improves academic outcomes.
- **Lifelong Habits:** We help foster a genuine, lifelong love of reading.



Unlocking Worlds: Digital Reading This School Break!

Our school library is always working to ensure your child has access to the very best literary resources. As we approach the upcoming school break, we want to remind students and families about the incredible, free digital reading tools available to every student.

Discover the ePlatform App – Wheelers today!

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

Beat the holiday boredom by diving into our digital library! You can access hundreds of titles instantly from home:

- **Massive Selection:** Browse 10 brand-new, highly anticipated high school books this month.
- **Multiple Formats:** Download standard eBooks or listen on-the-go with audiobooks.
- **Top Authors:** Enjoy popular titles from Jane Harper, Alice Oseman, and Rick Riordan.
- **Zero Cost:** Free digital loans available 24/7 throughout the entire school break.

Act Today

Do not wait until the break starts! Encourage your child to action this before holidays begin:

- **Pop in:** Visit our physical library to borrow a book.
- **Get logged in:** Download the ePlatform app on your device.
- **Start reading:** Secure your digital holiday loans today!



Learning Support News

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).



Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child, and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the Australian Government's Privacy Policy (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

Please also see Fact Sheet for parents, guardians and carers https://www.nccd.edu.au/sites/default/files/nccd_parent_fact_sheet_english_0.pdf

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact The Learning Support Program Coordinator, Claire Shoebridge, cshoebridge@churchlands.wa.edu.au by the end of Week 1, Term 3.



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Chorale Workshop

On Thursday 18 June, Chorale students were privileged enough to have guest director, Nicholas Buc, conduct a workshop with us in our rehearsal. It was a very unique and valuable experience for the ensemble that helped us focus on making the choir sound like one voice. We also focused on vowel shapes and the placement of consonants. A highlight of the rehearsal was Nick conducting his own arrangement of Botany Bay, that we performed at the last Senior Concert at the end of Term 1.

Nick also gave us some very insightful tips, and some new vocal techniques that were a bit silly at first, but at the end of the rehearsal we all sounded amazing. We would like to thank the Churchlands Foundation for supporting the workshop, and allowing us to have this amazing experience.

Lauren A., and Sara L. (Year 11)



Year 11 Children Family & Community - Virtual Infant Baby Program -

Year 11 Children, Family and Community students recently took on one of life's most challenging roles — becoming a parent! Using Virtual Babies, students were given a realistic insight into the demands of caring for a newborn, with the added relief of returning their "infant" after 48 hours.

Throughout the experience, students were responsible for meeting their baby's needs, including feeding, nappy changes, and ensuring they were kept safe and warm. They also had to respond appropriately to different types of cries, requiring patience and attentiveness.

Just like real newborns, the Virtual Babies required care at all hours, meaning many students experienced interrupted sleep across the two days. As a result, there were certainly some tired faces around the school, but also a greater appreciation for the responsibilities and challenges of parenthood.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Hayley C., (Year 7) who has been cast in the lead role of Matilda in an upcoming community production of *Matilda Jr.*



Congratulations to Elise F., (Year 7) for her selection to represent Western Australia in the 2026 AFL 12s Girls Championship. The team will be competing in Canberra in early August.



Congratulations to Zach M., (Year 8) for his selection to represent Western Australia in Cross Country, travelling to Sydney in September.



Lost Property

We're in the last week of Term 2 and the lost property table has many unclaimed items.

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

All unclaimed items will be disposed of at the end of the Term.

Thank You.



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Churchlands Senior High School - Upcoming Reunions -

Year 13 Sundowner FRIDAY 27 November 2026



WE WELCOME YOU BACK TO SCHOOL
COME JOIN US...

4.00 pm to 5.30 pm | Taryn Fiebig Concert Hall,
20 Lucca Street Churchlands
Smart Casual | Free nibbles and juices | Drinks on sale

Book online:

<https://www.trybooking.com/DKEXE>



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Class
of 2025

CHURCHLANDS SHS & AKASHI NISHI SHS

40TH Anniversary



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AKASHI NISHI
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP,
CULTURE & CONNECTION

HAVE YOU BEEN PART OF THE
**AKASHI NISHI - CHURCHLANDS SHS
EXCHANGE PROGRAM?**

We want to hear from YOU!

Help us commemorate this milestone by sharing
your memories!



WRITTEN TESTIMONIES
Even one line
makes a difference!



PHOTOS
Share your favourite
moments from the
exchange.



VIDEOS
Send us a short video
with your memories
or reflections.

EVERY MEMORY
COUNTS!
Even if it's
just one line.



SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO US!

Email us at: cdontaine@churchlands.wa.edu.au
Feel free to also share this with fellow alumni
who may want to take part.



THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CELEBRATE
**40 YEARS OF CONNECTION
ACROSS CULTURES AND GENERATIONS.**

#ChurchlandsSHS #AkashiNishiSHS #40YearsTogether

CLASS OF 1976 50 Year Reunion

WEDNESDAY 21 OCTOBER 2026

at Churchlands Senior High School, 20 Lucca Street, Churchlands

10.00am Arrival of guests
10.15am Welcome
10.20am School Tour
11.00am Morning tea
11.30am Speeches
12 noon Group photo
12.15pm Depart

1:00pm Lunch

Self-funded lunch (optional):
Tassels Place Bar & Bistro
8 Tassels Place, Innaloo

Book Online

<https://www.trybooking.com/DHIEB>

(Partners and students of the Class of '76 who left at 3rd and 4th year high are also welcome)
If you have any photos or memorabilia to look and reminisce over or donate to the
alumni archive, we encourage you to bring them along
Enquiries: CSHSALUMNI@churchlands.wa.edu.au



WELCOME TO
THE GOLD CLUB



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Class of 1996
30-year reunion

Saturday 17th October 2026
Save the date!

SAVE THE DATE!

Calling all members of the
Churchlands Senior High School
Class of 1996! A 30-Year Reunion
is being proposed for 17 October
2026.

At this stage the organisers
are gathering interest for this
event. Please reserve your spot
available via
Class of 1996 - 30 Year Reunion

Join the Churchlands Senior High
School Class of 1996 Reunion
Facebook group to keep up-to-
date
Churchlands SHS Class of 1996 -
Facebook Group

Family and Community Engagement

Free!



Workshops

Strengthening Personal
Advocacy, Resilience,
and Knowledge



Are you a young person (aged 12 - 17) looking to
build your knowledge, skills, and confidence?

The SPARK Workshops are here to help you:

- Understand disability rights and self-advocate
- Develop meaningful relationships and connect with peers
- Navigate and connect with services and supports
- Develop greater independence
- Increase participation in the community by contributing and leading

For young people with any type of disability



Monday, July 6 and
Tuesday, July 7
10.00am to 3.00pm



Oasis Lotteries House
37 Hampden Rd,
Nedlands



Scan this QR
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access the
registration
form!



We are proudly
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the Peer Support and
Capacity Building (PSCB)
grant for the NDIS.



herdsmans lake
discovery centre

Nature, Creativity & Connection

WELLBEING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE & THEIR FAMILIES

A 5-week program supporting young people (12-15 years) who are finding
school attendance challenging, together with their parent or carer.

Low-pressure creative experiences in nature where young people can participate
at their own pace while fostering connection with themselves and their family.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30pm
Small supportive groups
Light refreshments included
Delivered at Herdsmans Lake
Discovery Centre

PRICING

\$50 per young person,
over a 5-week period
Parents and carers
attend free of charge
Places are limited &
bookings are essential

UPCOMING BLOCKS

Block 3:
22 July - 19 August 2026
Block 4:
26th August - 23rd
September 2026

BOOKINGS & INFORMATION
www.wagouldleague.com.au

This project is supported
by YACWAS Small Grants
Program with funding from



Free!



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and Knowledge



WHAT TO EXPECT?

- **No diagnosis needed** - Anyone aged 12-17 who identifies as
having a disability may register (neurodivergent, physical,
chronic illness, etc.)
- Snacks provided at every workshop
- Casual, non-judgemental environment
- Interactive activities & real-life examples of self-advocacy
- Facilitators with lived experience of disability



Contact us to learn more:
Saskia (Project Coordinator)
Email: spark@ydan.com.au



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**SEMINARS FOR
PARENTS &
CARE-GIVERS**

RAISING BODYKind TEENS

CHURCHLANDS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

SUPPORTING BODY IMAGE AND POSITIVE
RELATIONSHIPS WITH EATING AND PHYSICAL
ACTIVITY IN ADOLESCENTS

"I'm so glad I came to this
workshop, there is so much
pressure on kids these days and
it's hard to know what to do.
This has given me lots of really
practical ideas." - Parent in WA

DATE AND TIME
Wednesday, 19th
August
4:30pm - 6pm

LOCATION
Paul Latham
Auditorium - 20 Lecca
Street, Churchlands

AUDIENCE
Parents at Churchlands
SHS

REGISTER NOW



This "R&B" session provides information and practical tips
to help parents support positive body image in
teenagers. It encourages all members of the family to be
BodyKind and kind in the way they move, nourish, nurture
and speak about their own body and others. The
workshop will also provide guidance on what to do if
you are concerned and how to be a positive role model.

KEY THEMES

- How positive body image protects against the
development of serious body and eating issues.
- Key influences on body image, including diet
culture and social media.
- Strategies to reduce appearance talk, body
comparisons and increase positive or line
experiences.
- How to respond to negative body talk and
appearance bullying/teasing.
- Supporting BodyKind eating, movement and
self-care in teens.
- The importance of early intervention and what to
do if you are concerned.

MORE INFORMATION
sophia.davies@butterfly.org.au



Family and Community Engagement



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Download **m:meetup**

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(BASKETBALL) [QR Code]

SOCIAL SOCCER & BASKETBALL GAMES

Beginners welcome | Weeknights and Weekends

Make New Friends | Friendly & Social Games | Keep Fit and Have Fun!



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Academic Group - Achieve Success at School

Enrolments are open for **Term 2**

TUITION CLASSES for Yr 7 - 12

Transforming potential into achievement

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ATAR MASTER Classes for Yr 11 & 12

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