



CHURCHLANDS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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From the Principal

As we wind down to the end of Semester 1, its worth reflecting on where we have come from as a school and as the city of Perth.

Mask mandates, not only for schools but for sporting and hospitality venues, were required throughout Term 1. To the relief of many, these became optional for Term 2, however the resulting increase in COVID cases made this a challenging school term.

In particular, mid-May, where for three weeks we had 40 teachers a day unavailable and up to 150 students absent due to COVID. My thanks for the patience and understanding of parents/caregivers and also to my amazing staff, teaching and non-teaching, who helped us get through that period. Since then we have gradually entered into a period of normality.

Our first major event was the musical production "Annie", which was an astounding success given the challenges of rehearsing for this. Since then we have held exams, conducted school tours and assemblies, held P&C meetings and School Board meetings face to face and importantly the Year 12 School Ball went ahead.

I want to acknowledge our P&C who continue to support the school where they can. During the semester break, P&C funded shade sails will be installed throughout the newly landscaped Junior Secondary School area. The P&C also organised the "Creating Communities Art Exhibition" held over the last weekend of May. This was a resounding success both in relation to sales and attendance and continues a 19 year tradition for the school. Our P&C continues to look for ways to engage further with the community and are planning to hold a Quiz Night in Term 3 and no doubt will be looking for volunteers to help.

2022 is the 50th anniversary of our school's outstanding music program and a celebration event was held on Monday, June 27 at the Perth Concert Hall. Attended by the Minister of Education, the Hon. Sue Ellery and the Director General Lisa Rodgers, this event showcased the musical abilities of current and past students. Congratulations to Mr Glenn Robinson and his creative team of music teachers on a wonderful celebration of our school.

As previously mentioned, Year 10 and Senior Secondary students have completed their mid-year exams. Results will be posted in student reports which will become available on the last day of this semester. As a follow up, parent/teacher interviews will be held on the first Thursday back

next semester and a whole school assembly will be held in the following week to acknowledge academic excellence.

During the term students, lead by Julian Tearney (Head Boy) and Sienna Rawson (Head Girl), approached me to consider what process they could engage with, in order to make changes to our uniform policy. As a consequence they have surveyed students and put forward those results to the Uniform Reference group who have since coordinated surveys with staff and parents. Hopefully you have taken the opportunity to have your say on this matter. The results of all surveys will be made available to the School Board who will be responsible to make or not make changes to the existing policy. They are very keen to hear the views of students, staff and in particular the views of parents who will no doubt influence their thinking.

Neil Hunt
Principal



Associate Principal Senior Secondary

It's been a busy term for our Senior Secondary students.

It has been another challenging term for Senior Secondary students with COVID-19 and mandated isolation causing disruption to the face-to-face teaching opportunities, which continued into the Semester 1 exam period. With a flexible approach, the school was able to support students providing the opportunity for most students to sit all their exams.

While exams are seen by some as stressful, the opportunity to sit an exam, practice the process of answering exam style questions under timed conditions and then obtaining feedback is invaluable.

During this time our students who are enrolled in Workplace Learning carried out their first placement in Industry. It was pleasing to read some of the amazing feedback the students received from the various placements. I hope all students benefited from their placement and learned new things about their industry.

2022 Churchlands SHS School Ball

It was pleasing to see that the School Ball, although postponed earlier in Term 1, could take place this year. The highlight of the school social calendar certainly didn't disappoint! 'Le Gala Royale' was held at the very impressive Optus Stadium.

The students certainly impressed as well, looking the part in glamorous gowns and stylish suits. Everyone danced the night away and I am sure all students created some life-long memories of the evening.

Course Selections for 2023 - Year 11

After completing a semester of Senior Secondary and the first round of exams for ATAR students, now is a time for reflection. Students need to take into consideration their current performance and carefully choose courses for next year. Achievement of the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) must be the priority for all students, course selections need to ensure that students are on the right pathway to success.

I was delighted to see the number of parents attend the Year 11 Parent Information Evening, obtaining valuable information around future successful pathways and engaging with key staff in relation to specific courses for their young people.

This information is available on the school website. Students will be given a similar presentation to ensure that all stakeholders are aware of expectations, pathways and future success.

Subject Selection Online (SSO) will be used to manage the course selection process. More information will be given to students and emailed to parents before the end of term.

The Year 12 Course Selection Handbook is available on our website under 'Learning' and 'Senior Secondary'. It's important to note that students should aim to achieve eight 'C' Grades or equivalents in Year 11 to be on track to achieving WACE moving into Year 12.

Course Selections for 2023 - Year 10

Our Career Development Practitioner has been working with the Year 10 students on their transition program in preparation for choosing courses for Year 11 in 2023. Every student has received a planning tool to help in choosing their right courses to achieve success and move towards their intended career.

The Year 11 Course Selection Handbook, available on the school website under 'Learning' and 'Senior Secondary', provides a wealth of information and I encourage all parents and students to read its contents.

As with the Year 11s, SSO will be used, with more information around this process to be emailed by the end of the term. The Year 10 Parent Information Evening and Learning Area Expo was well attended, and it was pleasing to see staff and parents engaging in some informative and insightful conversations.

Please note that courses in both Year 11 and Year 12 are 'year-long', therefore the grade awarded at the end of the year is the grade received for both Semester 1 and Semester 2.

Year 11 High Achievers

Following the finalisation of marks from exams and Semester 1 reports, the data will be analysed and ATAR predictions calculated. Students who receive a predicted ATAR of 95 or higher will be invited to join the 2022/2023 Breakfast Club. The inaugural Breakfast will be held in Term 3. High Achievers in Certificate courses and/or Workplace Learning will also be recognised with a motivational lunch in Term 3.

Year 12 Breakfast Club

With COVID restrictions hopefully a thing of the past the Breakfast Club for Year 12 will return in Term 3. As we were unable to hold any Breakfast Club events in Semester 1, the Term 3 event may be a little different than previous years...stay tuned.

Jamie Long
Associate Principal - Senior Secondary



Associate Principal Junior Secondary

In yet another school term filled with uncertainty, it was the positive approach of our students which shone through and culminated in so many success stories both individually and as a collective group across many of our fields.

ANZAC Day Commemoration Service

The start of Term 2 began with our annual ANZAC Day Commemoration Service led by several of our Churchlands SHS Student Leaders.

Despite not being able to conduct a whole school service, it was a great way for our school community to still pay our respects to the men and women who lost their lives during this time.



Head Boy: Julian Tearney



NAPLAN

Our NAPLAN preparation began early in Term 1 this year and saw our Year 7 students take part in the Coordinated Practice Test in late March.

As is most often the case, with great preparation comes great execution and I was extremely pleased with the steadfast approach of our Year 7s towards NAPLAN testing this year.

Despite COVID hitting its peak during this time, it was the diligent approach of our outstanding teachers combined with the "Aim High" attitude of our Year 7 students that culminated in a successful four day testing period.

Lightning Carnivals

One of the highlights for our students on the Term 2 calendar is the Lightning Carnivals. Unfortunately, for our Year 7s the inclement weather led to the cancellation of their carnival for 2022.

For our Year 8s, they enjoyed a day competing against schools in our region across a number of different venues and sporting codes. Feedback from our staff and students was really pleasing and I was very impressed with the feedback from other schools who complemented the sportsmanship and gamesmanship on display by our Year 8s across the day.



One way to measure the success of our students is through our House Points system, and it's clear through the high volume of entries this term that our students have been performing to the best of their abilities despite dealing with the COVID wave that hit us.

Below are the totals for our Year 7 and 8 students this term:

HOUSE	YEAR 7 & 8 (Combined) POINTS TOTAL
BRIGHTON	315
FLOREAT	272
SCARBOROUGH	294
TRIGG	275

In conclusion, it's been a pleasure working with the Junior Secondary students this term and I've enjoyed the opportunity to work with our younger students. Next term Mrs Shearing will return from her Long Service Leave, and we look forward to hearing about her travels around Western Australia.

Have a safe, relaxing and fun filled holiday break and we look forward to seeing all of you next term.

Rob Cross
Associate Principal - Junior Secondary



Year 7 Report

What a great end to Term 2 for Year 7.

The Year 7s are halfway through their first year of high school and have had a big semester. The year group has had NAPLAN and gone through rigorous assessments in all their subjects. With COVID restrictions easing, the students have been getting involved in numerous school activities, including - Homework Club, Badminton Club, Environmental Group, STEM Club, school football, House competitions, cross country and more.

Cross Country

Our Amazing Year 7 students participated in the annual school sport Cross Country competition, on May 20. Their dedication and application is to be commended. Well done runners.



STEM Club

The Year 7 contingent of the STEM Club is ever growing. STEM Club is an out-of-timetable club that enriches and broadens the curriculum, giving young people the chance to explore subjects like science, technology, engineering and maths in less formal settings.



The club is always looking for more members, so ask your science teacher for more information.

NAIDOC Football Game

On Monday June 27, Churchlands held our annual NAIDOC football game. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living culture on earth.

The game was held during lunch and was played with great spirit. The teams were a combination of Year 7 and Year 8 teams. Well done.



House Competition

The first House competition took place this term and was won by 7-T2. The competition was organised by the Year 7 House Leaders and their hard work is to be commended. The competition was run over seven Form classes, with activities varying from games skill to trivia competitions.

Rory McDonough
House Coordinator - Scarborough & Trigg



Year 8 Report

The Year 8s have had quite a bit of excitement this term.

A major topic creating buzz this term is the opening of subject selections in Week 10 for the Year 8s to choose their elective subjects going into Year 9. The students were presented with the different faculties and their wide variety of arts, technology, sports and STEM courses up for grabs.

Lightning Carnival

Focusing on sport, the Year 8 Lightning Carnival occurred on Thursday, May 8. The students had a fantastic day, even in the soggy rain, having fun and competing fairly in sports such as field hockey, netball, soccer, AFL, and basketball.



A huge congratulations to our Year 8 Lower Division, Team 1 were able to progress to the HSC Netball Elimination Day Carnival that occurred on Thursday, June 23.

The following girls were on the team: Lily Cieslak, Bailee Harris, Olivia Laphorne, Eden Menehira, Naiya Gami, Caitlyn Pfammatter, Ava Norwood, Indianna Plint, Chloe Schock, Riley Tlach-Faulkner, Winnie Townsend and Mia Shattock.



Cross Country

We also had a number of our Year 8 cross country runners qualify for the interschool team. It was a great day and everyone gave it their best. The following students were on the team: Bailee Harris, Nicole Omondi, Polly Jones, Ava Norwood, Audrey Minaee, Lennox Brown, Kalani Hart, Sebastian Lyttle, Evie Green, Jessica McNally, Cassandra Cox and Natasha McCartney.



Year 8 Report

IDAHOBIT Day

IDAHOBIT Day was held on Week 4, May 17, and was a great day to celebrate and raise awareness for the LGBTQIA+ community. There were many of our Year 8s that celebrated with rainbow face paints and rainbow coloured goodies in the main quad, while discussing the issue of discrimination and the greater need for love and acceptance.



"Annie"

Another great highlight for the term was the Year 8 Students and Mr Chapman participating in the school's highly successful production of "Annie".

Our Head of Year, Mr Chapman, along with Skye van der Meer, Kate Shackleton and Mia Shattock all had roles in the play, along with talented guitarist Andrew Chong as part of the production band.

It was a massive success and a fantastic opportunity for our Year 8s to be part of such a prestigious play.

Lee Coumbe
House Coordinator - Trigg





Year 9 Report

Term 2 has been a busy term for our Year 9 students.

Our students were hit hard with the non-mandatory wearing of masks and many spent time at home in isolation due to the more widespread COVID-19. It was pleasing that many students that found themselves in this situation continued to do work from home, where they were well enough to, and our parents were right on to it as well.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN was held in Week 3 and again our students were well prepared with this being the first time they would have completed the series of tests online.



DJ Spark

About 15 students took part this term in a DJ skills program as part of the Spark Mentoring Program. They learned not only how to do the mixing of music and beats on a turntable but they also learned about invoicing and creating music on their own USBs to take to parties.

The Spark Program has allowed this group of students to continue to learn their core subjects but with a good mix of the developing of life skills. They are currently working towards a Certificate I in Business Skills. To support this initiative the students were challenged to find a work place they could attend each Wednesday as part of their work ready skills. They commenced this opportunity this term and the feedback from their workplaces has been very positive. The workplaces range from doggy day-cares to automotive painting businesses.



The results for our students in this mentoring program, with respect to attendance and confidence, has been very successful. One of our Year 9 boys said "Last year my attendance was horrible. I'd come in late every morning, barely make it through the day and then sign out early. But now I actually come to school and get here on time, which I don't think would happen if it wasn't for Spark."

The Spark Program allows these students to either re-enter mainstream schooling in Year 10 or pursue other opportunities from this experience.

CONGRATULATIONS

Ms Tara Dullabh has stepped into the Head of Year 9 role as we congratulate Mrs Jayne Kitto on the birth of her baby boy, Nate. We send Mrs Kitto and her family our best wishes.

Ms Tara Dullabh



Jayne, Elka and Nate

Mr Doug Cox, our Year 9 Floreat House Coordinator and extraordinaire for our video assemblies has also welcomed a baby boy as he became a father this term.

Mr Cox has been on paternity leave for a large part of this term to enjoy some "dad" time with his baby boy. We wish Mr Cox and his wife a big congratulations.



Mr Doug Cox



Baby Dylan Cox

Year 9 Report

Lightning Carnival

Despite a gloomy looking day it certainly wasn't the way our Year 9s looked for their different sports for the Lightning Carnival.

Our students participated in volleyball, soccer, netball and football at various locations and the smiles in these photos tell it all – they had a great day out.

We thank the Phys. Ed. Department for making these events happen as they are so important for our students in their whole education. Thanks to all our students that participated and represented Churchlands in such a positive and healthy way.



Sandy Harvey
House Coordinator - Brighton



Year 10 Report

This term the Year 10s have been very busy with a large range of activities. From academics to sport, this term had something for everyone.

In Week 8, we commenced our second ever set of exams. Students could have had up to six exams across the areas of Maths, English, Science, HASS, Languages and Music. With lots of studying, stress, and work, there was no better feeling than when we finished and finally got to the weekend. Even though exams are tough, they are great for preparing us for Years 11 and 12 and are a good thing to get used to. Great job to everyone for getting through it!

IDAHOBIT Day

Another event that took place this term was IDAHOBIT Day. 31 years ago - on May 17, 1990 - the World Health Organisation removed homosexuality from the Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems.

We know firsthand the difference that visible allyship in the community makes in the lives of LGBTQIA+ young people and staff. To see their school building inclusion and standing out against discrimination.



At Churchlands this year we celebrated IDAHOBIT day for the first time as a school. We will be joining many schools in WA to mark the significance of this day and reflect on the impact discrimination still has on our LGBTQIA+ community. To stand out against discrimination we are going to turn the school rainbow.

We will be raising the Pride flag before school, rainbow accessories, rainbow face paints, rainbow food, fundraising, educational PA announcement on the day, form quiz and a display in the library.

International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia & Transphobia (IDAHOBIT) celebrates LGBTQIA+ people globally and raises awareness for the work still needed to combat discrimination.

It's a day that makes a huge impact. Every classroom discussion, staff morning tea, school assembly, and rainbow flag raising ceremony creates visibility, and starts important conversations. It's more important than ever to stand with the LGBTQIA+ community and to let young people know they're supported.



Year 10 Report



IDAHOBIT day at Churchlands was jam-packed with activities such as face painting, rainbow delicacies, DJ music, and representation of course! We are glad everyone who attended had a great time and was able to share their identities and experiences without discrimination!

The Year 10 Student Councillors

Lightning Carnival

For all the athletes among us, the Lightning Carnival was the place to be. At the start of Week 9, all Year 10 students took part in the annual Lightning Carnival.

Students were able to choose which sport they wanted to do including basketball, volleyball, netball, hockey, soccer and AFL. Sadly, the footy (AFL) had to be cancelled due to a lack of teams from other school, nevertheless, everybody had a great time.

With the focus on teamwork and participation, everyone was able to get involved and enjoy this special day and create memories that will last long past Year 10.



Year 10 Lightning Carnival - Basketball



Year 10 Lightning Carnival - Soccer



Year 10 Lightning Carnival - Netball

'Annie'

Last, but not least, at the start of the term the Drama department put on an amazing rendition of the musical "Annie". It was an incredible performance, with lots of students getting involved in the cast and band.

Even through countless COVID catastrophes, the team managed to pull through with an outstanding performance. Many Year 10s featured in lead roles, even the role of Annie, performed by Chelita Fontana. Congratulations to everyone who took part!

Through the highs and the lows, we've finished Semester 1. The fun events that we've been able to participate in have really made a difference in our schooling and have helped us create memories that will last a lifetime. Time to take on Term 3!

Tom Werner
House Coordinator - Brighton



Year 11 Report

Let's talk about the elephant in the room first – exams. This was the first time the students have had to do proper WACE level exams, and despite the rather significant challenge awaiting them, the entire cohort did a fantastic job of preparing and tackling their exams.

However things definitely weren't easy for those not doing exams, as many of those students were on workplace learning. There were many early mornings and long days of tough work, but feedback from employers was fantastic and the students learnt some very useful skills along the way.

Everyone needs to make the most of their holidays to rest, relax and look after themselves, as Term 3 is set to be a busy one.

Somehow between all of their studies and work, the students had time to get involved in many other activities as well:

IDAHOBIT

Some of our Year 11s took a fantastic leading role in organising activities for International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia!

Really important days such as IDAHOBIT wouldn't get as much exposure as they deserve without the efforts of the students, so it's great to see the Year 11s getting really involved and making it a major event on the school calendar.



"Annie"

Rather impressively, despite having huge commitments from the difficult academic year, lots of Year 11s were involved in the fantastic production of Annie! The musical was incredible and all the students involved should be very proud of themselves.

The production required incredible amounts of extra time and dedication outside of school hours, including many early mornings and weekends. As such all the students involved should be congratulated for all their hard work, Annie wouldn't have happened without them!



Edward Loft	Jesse Gibson
Nicola Archibald	Lucian Coates
Etienna Casswell	Luella Martin-Hiller
Erin Grant	Danika Squiers
Tegan Waters	Tully Paul
Connor Thompson	Shreeya Naroth
Jessica Chappell	Sotirios Katsaitis
Ryan Sutton	Nathaniel Linggadhati
Finn Labuschagne	Rasta Karami
Harry Hopwood	



Year 11 Report

Year 11 Children, Family & Community

In case Year 11 wasn't hard enough, the Children, Family & Community students had to look after some babies! There's been plenty of crying (hopefully only from the babies) and sleepless nights, but that's what parenting is all about!



While it does seem like a good spot of fun (and a handy way to get out of class occasionally...), looking after the babies is actually one of the major assessments for the class. So not only do the students get to experience all the crying and lack of sleep that they once gave their parents, but they also get to experience all the stress too!



AFL Barry Cable Division

The Barry Cable Division is the top league for AFL in public schools in the entire state – and the Churchlands team has reached the Grand Final.



A big part of the team is made up of Year 11 students, as well as Year 12s and 10s, and working together they were able to beat Emmanuel College in Week 8 to reach the Grand Final.



Unfortunately the Grand Final happens to be the day that the newsletter articles are due to be printed, so by the time you are reading this you should know whether they won the Grand Final or not – but regardless of whether they do it or not, it's a very impressive effort they made it this far to begin with!

Community Service

While so many of our fantastic Year 11s are involved in community service projects of all kinds, there are a few standouts (listed below) who have gone above and beyond what is typically expected! They were all recognised for their hard work at the Year 11 assembly this term, and considering how much time and effort goes into Duke of Edinburgh Awards, it's only fitting they are congratulated here as well!

Community Service Award: 200 hours

Shreeya Naroth and Emma Browne-Cooper.

Duke of Edinburgh: Silver Award

Sophia Dark and Sienna Pallavicini.

Duke of Edinburgh: Bronze Award

Benjamin Babriecki, Ava Nasiri Zahed, Molly Maddern and Nilo Samin.

James Casey
House Coordinator - Scarborough



Year 12 Report

The Year 12s have had another busy term as we fast approach the end of Term 2.

As 2022 School Leavers, our Year 12 students have embraced the challenges and privileges that come with their final year of schooling with a term that included exams, workplace learning and the Ball.

With many great opportunities ahead, I encourage them to make the most of every occasion to develop memories that they will reflect on fondly in the years to come.

Exams, Externally Set Tasks (ESTs) and Workplace Learning

Our ATAR students completed their first semester exams, students completing General courses sat their Externally Set Tasks (ESTs) and our students who are enrolled in Workplace Learning carried out their placement in Industry. I hope all students have benefited from this term and either learned new things about industry or have sought feedback to support their learning in their current studies.

School Ball

The School Ball was an event that the Year 12s have been anticipating all year, especially as the original date in Term 1 was cancelled due to COVID restrictions. It was held at Optus Stadium in the ballroom and the Ball Committee did an excellent job at making the night one to remember!

All students looked very elegant and handsome in their stunning ball gowns and suave suits. The night was filled with taking lots of photos in the photo booths and dancing on the dance floor. I would like to thank all the staff who attended and a big thank you to Mr Barr, Ms Lucchesi and Mr Cross for all their hard work to make this night possible.



Year 12 Report



School Production - "Annie"

Congratulations to all staff and students who were involved in this year's production of "Annie".

Many of our Year 12s played lead roles, were part of the chorus and the crew.

All played a part in making the show one to remember!



Meg Howard
House Coordinator - Scarborough



Year 12 School Ball

After a slight delay and much anticipation, the Churchlands Senior High School Year 12 School Ball was held on the evening of Friday, June 17, at the spectacular Riverview Room at Optus Stadium.

It was a chilly evening but not even the drizzle could dampen the excitement and enthusiasm of our students as they arrived for their special night of celebration.

Almost 430 students were welcomed to the event with a frozen fruit slushy mocktail and treated to the magnificent views of Optus Stadium. The big screens highlighted photos from their schooling years, recalling many happy memories of their time at Churchlands SHS.

Our students were certainly dressed to impress with a wonderful display of colour, sequins, sparkle and style and there were plenty of laughs, hugs and smiles as they posed for the paparazzi.

Upon entering the expansive Riverview Room, students found their tables and settled in for a night of decadence and fun. Head Boy, Julian Tearney joined Head Girl, Sienna Rawson, on stage to welcome all students and officially kick off the festivities. After a delicious buffet dinner, they soon hit the dance floor and partied the night away.

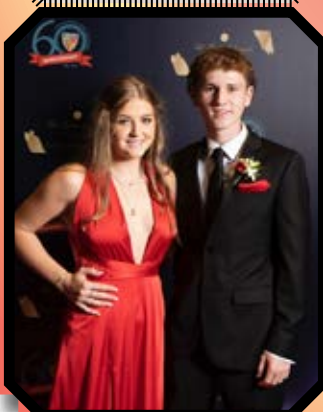
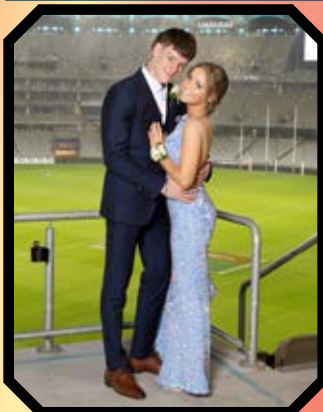
Amelia Noordzy was crowned our Belle of the Ball for 2022, with Reuben Clementi taking out the Beau of the Ball honours.

Thank you to all the staff, including Mr Michael Barr and Ms Kym Lucchesi for coordinating the night. It was wonderful to see our students enjoying themselves and we hope they created many happy memories for the future.

Rachel Wenham
School Officer - Year 12



Year 12 School Ball



Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS)

Geography ATAR - Year 12

Year 12 Geography ATAR: Out and About

The Year 12s enjoyed an educational half day out venturing into the stunning Star Swamp Bushland Reserve in North Beach recently.



This area is a 96 hectare Class-A Reserve, managed by the City of Stirling. It is a declared Bush Forever site that has been set aside for the purposes of conservation, passive recreation and education. It was the perfect example of land cover restoration and preservation for the students to use as their case study for related content and examinations.



From here we took on the inclement weather and met our City of Stirling Conservation Officer Tom Woods at Bennion Beach to discuss climate change, impacts and another smaller scale restoration project.



The storm sent us packing to find shelter at the North Beach Shopping Centre before returning to the beach to practise our field sketch skills in better conditions. A little wet and windswept, however we made it back by lunch to continue the school day.

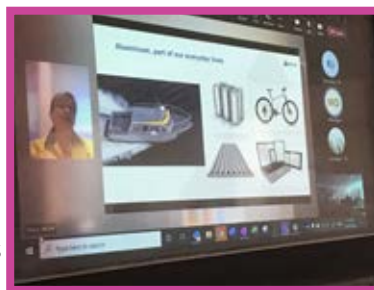
We thank the City of Stirling for being so accommodating of our requests and Carine SHS Year 12 Geography class for joining us on the day.



Year 12 Geography ATAR: ALCOA visits Churchlands

Following on from our coastal restoration excursion, the Year 12s enjoyed an informative ALCOA incursion via Zoom.

Education officer, Moira Oliver presented a 90-minute workshop on the world-renowned rehabilitation program that swings into action after areas of the Darling Ranges have been mined for bauxite.



In past years we have visited the mine site however, with changing times we could still be involved in this fieldwork event, but in the comfort of the classroom.



Thank you once again to ALCOA for offering our class this content specific opportunity.

Leeana Manifis-Gott
Teacher - ATAR Geography

Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS)

What's Been Happening in HASS?

Year 7 HASS

This term in HASS (Civics) Year 7s have been learning about Australia's Constitution and the path to constitutional change.

Students completed a research investigation and then had to create a poster or brochure outlining the referendum process and different examples of referendums.

This has been quite topical recently with our newly elected Prime Minister, Mr Anthony Albanese, announcing his government's commitment to the proposed referendum for Indigenous recognition in Australia's Constitution.

Several students produced very some informative and creative posters and brochures.



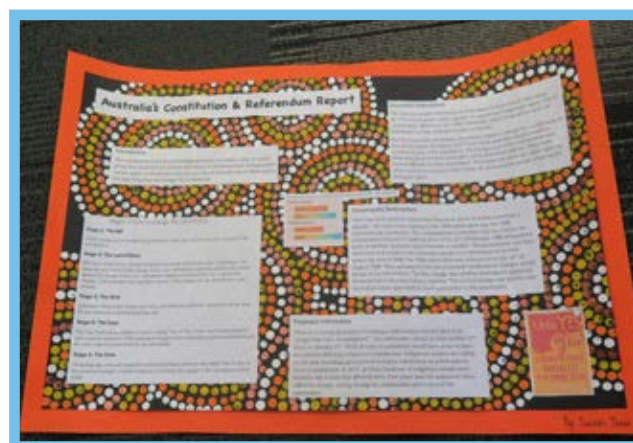
Ali Hazeldine



Scarlet Gray



Teresa Herza



Sarah Thew

Year 10 - Law Incursion

On Wednesday the Year 10 Law elective students had two law students from Murdoch University, Ms Jill Hodges and Ms Ashlee Carter, as guest speakers in the class. They ran a session with the students focused on the legal differences between the crimes of murder and manslaughter which students were understandably quite engaged in!



The guest speakers are from 'Street Law' which is a community outreach organisation attached to Murdoch University Law School. Street Law aims to educate and engage the community about law. Our students will have one more follow up session with the guest speakers later this term relating to criminal sentencing hearings.

Adele Cornelius
Teacher - Political and Legal Study

Year 11 Philosophy and Ethics - The best kind of revision session!

When Mr Counsel and Mr Dodd set a pre-exam study session they didn't think they'd get more than a classful of eager Year 11 students ready and waiting to revise. The teachers were so impressed with the numbers that showed, they ordered pizzas to reward students!



The rest of the HASS Department thought the students had been bribed to show up for the pizza.....not be rewarded with it! Good on you Mr Counsel and Mr Dodd and congratulations to the class on their positive work ethic!

Leeana Manifis-Gott
HASS - 2IC

Technologies

Multimedia and Animation

In Term One, the Year 10s studied Graphic Design, as part of their Multimedia & Animation course.

For their assignment they researched the significance of the well-known Mexican celebration "Day of the Dead". As part of their assessment, they had to hand draw a Sugar Skull that reflected their personality and use Adobe Illustrator to trace, with the pen tool, their sketches and add colours to their illustration.

It was a long, meticulous, and tedious process, but at the end, students were very proud of the outcome and their finished illustration.

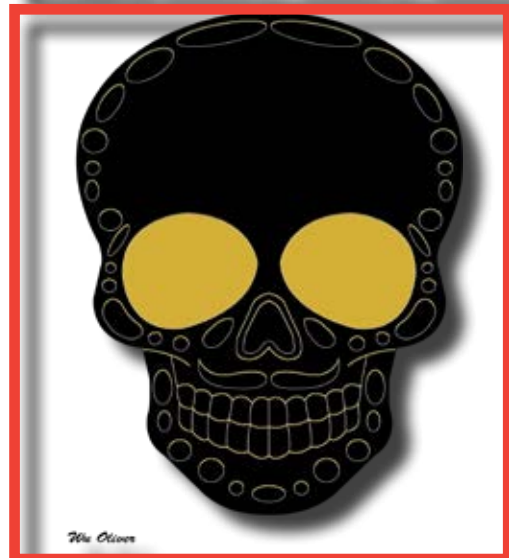
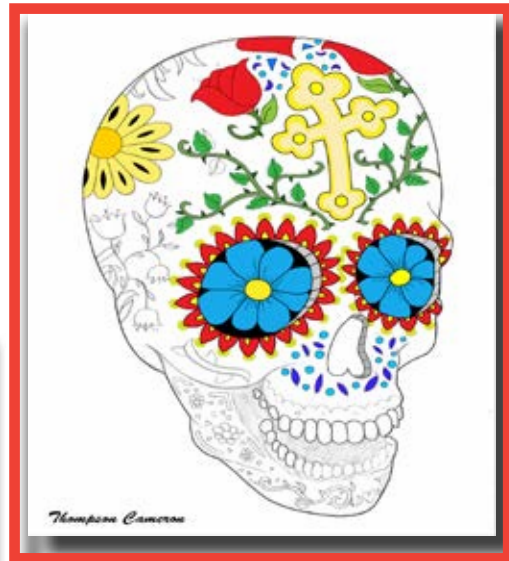
I was very impressed by the creativity and talents of our students and most important their resilience, work ethic and commitment to finish their remarkable piece of Art.

Commendations go to the following students for their outstanding graphic design, resilience and hardwork (in no particular order):

Owen Brock, Scarlette Cieslak, Stephanie Cooper-Jones, Ben Coopes, Jiayi Gong, Ethan Hewitt, Petra Jolly, Finlay Kennedy, Nixon Lam, Zara Mardon, Ben Mead, Juan Rodrigues de Souza, Briella Rodriguez, Kahlia Siciliano, Siddhartha Subramaniam, Dylan Thomas and Robbie Wiggett.

Well done class!!

Frederic Lafitte
Teacher - Digital Technologies



Technologies

Multimedia and Animation



STEM

STEM Booms at Churchlands

Churchlands has an exciting STEM program for students in Years 7-10 wanting to pursue their STEM interests.

This all starts with the Monday after-school STEM Club, where students get to hang out and immerse themselves in the latest and greatest STEM activities including Electronics, Coding, Robotics and Video Game Making. We have a range of activities to suit a variety of skill levels, with an assortment of puzzles to keep our students switched on.



Students with their 3D prints following a 1-hour beginner task

So far this Semester, students in STEM Club have participated in a Minecraft Bridge building competition, 3D Printing, a Solar Car Challenge, Pasta Car Challenge and just recently we had many students participate in Maths and Coding Tasks.



Student designed 3D prints



Pasta Cars in construction



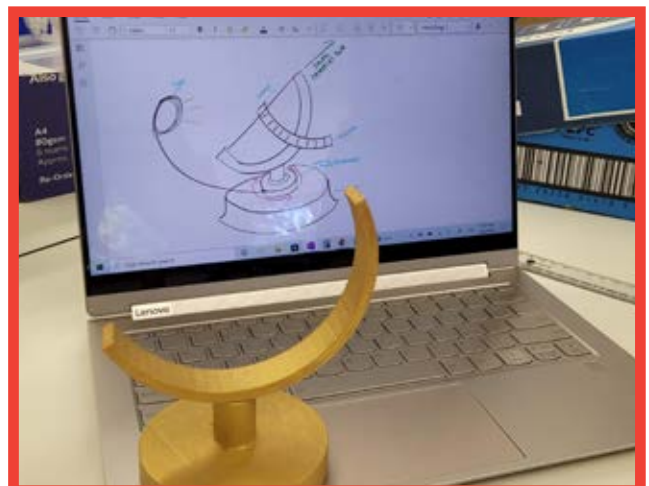
Mr Carlson with students and their Tangrams
(Maths Challenge)



Year 10 - 11 Space Challenge participants in a video chat with Swinburne University



Students with their amazing Pasta Cars



This student designed and 3D-printed a sun dial as part of her STEM Specialist Project

STEM

STEM Booms at Churchlands

Our Pedal Prix team has faced off against other schools at two events already this year.

First, they raced around a track near Perth Airport for six hours and then did the same in Bunbury at the end of Term 2.



The Goblin in action

The team has done an excellent job – demonstrating amazing teamwork, spirit and ability to think on their feet in the pits, with all the trikes surviving all races so far! The National Pedal Prix event will be held on Busselton Foreshore in August – we can't wait!



Pedal Prix Team preparing their trike 'Black Marlin'

Our Year 10 STEM program students recently went to Claremont Showgrounds to face off against other schools at the annual Science and Engineering Challenge (it is yet to finish, but we hope we do well!).



Cooper made a slight adjustment to the motivational sign

This year, five amazing STEM students in Years 10-11 are participating in the Swinburne Space Challenge – where they will work with experts, pitch their ideas and send an experiment to the international Space Station! They have just finished the mini challenges and will start working on their pitches in Semester 2 – wish them luck!



Our proud and amazing Pedal Prix Team at the start of Round 1

STEM Specialist students wrapped up their projects this term and gave presentations to their peers about the various projects that were undertaking. Highlights included AI, Games, Remote Controlled Boats, complex 3D designs, Coding applications, Robotics and general awesomeness.



Hayden and Sienna putting numbers on the trikes before the big race



Action Shot 'Taped Up'

Interested in checking out STEM Club? Feel free to pop by on Mondays after school in the F-Activity area. See you there!

For more information about STEM @ Churchlands, visit <http://stem.puseyscience.com>

Dr Grant Pusey
STEM Coordinator

Science

AEP Science - Year 8

Who loves sherbet? Most students do!

With that in mind, the Year 8 AEP Science class have been studying the chemistry of sherbet and not just making it and eating it!

The students have been engaged in a STEM activity demonstrating the relationship between bench and large-scale manufacture.

They have also been working on the problem of how to produce maximum product (carbon dioxide in this case) with minimal cost.



Lots of experimentation has been centered on working out the best size container to capture the gas when different ratios of reactants are used. This investigation has prompted lots of discussion on sources of error. We learn from our mistakes.

Dr Kym Tan
Teacher - Science



English

AEP English - Year 9 and 10

Year Nine and Ten AEP English Fremantle Literature Centre Excursion: Holden Sheppard

On a chilly Tuesday morning in Week 5, a hardy band of 15 budding writers and I headed off to Fremantle Prison for a very engaging workshop with WA writer Holden Sheppard.

Holden shared his experience of becoming a writer and explained why he will always be a 'bogan from Geraldton'! His wit and wisdom made for an engaging exchange of ideas between students, who were encouraged to leverage social media as a character building device.

We then talked about Marcel Proust (a world famous novelist, essayist and critic), the need to make dialogue real and to use swearing strategically (!)

During some snatched breaks in the sun, students honed their writing skills, attempting to use local settings. We returned to school, sated and enthused, and just a little warmer.

Stuart McCallum
Teacher - English: Year 9 AEP



The Arts

Design Art - Year 10

In Year 10, Design Arts students are responding to a design brief to produce a mixed media mural design to be placed within situation at a leisure centre or café.

Students are to utilise a stencil within their work and are required to work with a minimum of three materials/mediums.

This a semester long project and the incursion provided an excellent opportunity for students to spend extended time working on their final resolved artwork. They focused and adapted their work without interruption and fully immersed themselves in the creative process.

Samantha Hattingh
Teacher - The Arts: Design



School Production

"Annie"

Annie

Let's put on a musical during COVID. What could go wrong? Never work with children or animals they say.... Make sure performers wear masks to all auditions and rehearsals... welcome one of the leads back for her first rehearsal on a mic... ON OPENING NIGHT... and find two musicians who can fill in and sight read the show for the final two performances!!

Phew! 'Annie' tested our cast, orchestra and crew in so many ways, but for one week in May they worked together to create four memorable performances where each and every member of the production thoroughly deserved the standing ovations they received.

We followed Annie's (Mira Vickery and Chelita Fontana) journey through the streets of 'NYC' from the orphanage run by the wonderfully wicked Miss Hannigan (Bridie King) to Mr Warbucks' (Tom Hopwood and Ed Loft) mansion. Along the way we met the delightful Grace Farrell (Aimee Wills) who helped thwart Rooster (Jesse Gibson), Lily (Jasmine Young) and Miss Hannigan's plan to live on 'Easy Street'. We also met President Roosevelt (Giles Brown) and his Cabinet (Adam Tooby, Lucy Coates,

Connor Thompson and Josh Tooby) searching for a 'New Deal' and visited Bert Healy (Joonwoo Kim) and the Boylan Sisters (Sophie Alderson, Charlys Greig and Alice Hawksworth) for their radio 'Hour of Smiles'. These characters were, as always, supported by a cast of orphans, maids, butlers, a guest appearance by Andy Chapman as Judge Brandeis and Sandy the dog who sang and danced their way through a 'Hard Knock Life' to a 'New Deal for Christmas'.

Paul Sealey and Robyn Griffin, with some extra expert playing from Mia Brine and Andre Bourgault du Coudray, guided our talented musicians, soloists and chorus through the score, making them sound amazing.

Ruth Sutherland's outstanding choreography enhanced the storytelling and created highlights in the show when the orphans banged their buckets and the whole cast tolled their way through Christmas. And all these elements were brought together under Angela Padley's direction.

Special thanks should also go our theatre technician, Jarrad Jenkins, who, once again, proved he is a jack-of-all-trades to construct our fantastic sets as well as design lighting and oversee sound for the show. The list of thanks goes on to include parent, Jodie Bell who assisted with costumes, Hollie Hines and Shenae Pullella who worked tirelessly backstage, the wonderful staff members who painted sets, organised ticket sales, publicity, props and managed front of house as well as the music parents who provided refreshments for the shows.

All these combined to create a memorable, fun-filled school production...that still is, for many participants, the highlight of their time at school.

Angela Padley
Teacher - The Arts: Drama



School Production "Annie"



Community Service Activities

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time: they just have the heart.”

What a busy term! Scores of Year 10, 11 and 12 volunteers have participated individually or collectively in a huge variety of ways.

Student engagement in community service continues to grow. Among the more dedicated this year are our Community Service Leaders. Abigail Shand (P.A.) admin assistant, Kayla Deysel (Duke of Edinburgh), Jiun Wei Cheong, Angela Pan, Nikita Zakharov and Riehen Crowe (Rotary Markets). Olivia Greenway (Flags), Ben Tavner (school events), Ethan Jolly Fuentes (Peer Tutoring), Aayush Padhiar and Annericka Van Wyk (Waste Warriors). These leaders are developing real world skills giving support for people who need it, compassionate caring for each other and our world.

Youth Award Leader

Well done to Kayla Deysel Year 11 for passing her YAL. Kayla has been appointed as the new Duke of Edinburgh Youth Award Leader (YAL) for Churchlands SHS.

Kayla will work alongside Award Leader, Mrs Kolodij, to support other Duke of Edinburgh participants to successfully work towards achieving the different levels of their awards. With the growth of students doing their Duke of Edinburgh, it will be great to have a Student Leader to help with some of the workload.



Art Exhibition

This year's volunteers at the Churchlands SHS Art Exhibition were perceived to be "the best yet" by members of staff and the committee. Year 10 students Ella Juracich, Hannah Bratovich, Ella Prince, Ellen De Catania and Year 11 students Madlen Rees, Caitlyn Warry and Community Service Student Leaders Kayla Deysel and Emma Browne-Cooper.



Students were on-hand to meet and greet the guests, hand out trays of delicious canapés, collect and return trays to the canteen and assist with the dishes. They received high praise from everyone for their diligence and their "service with a smile".



Perth 32 Marathon

Sunday May 1, started at 6:30am for a briefing on a very cold morning, helping the Western Australia Marathon Club held at the WAMC clubroom near Burswood Perth.

Our wonderful student volunteers were assisting at two drinks stations, led by Owen Duffy (Leader 2) and Ben Tavner (Leader 1) with Emma Browne-Cooper (Assistant).



Stirling Farmers Markets

Every Sunday morning at 6:15am Xinnong Cai, Xin Ze Cai, Jenny Zhang, Michael Huynh and Emma Brown-Cooper along with the Student Leader Jiun Wei Cheong arrive at The Rotary Farmers Markets to unload equipment from the Rotary van.

The students set up marquees (up to 4), lots of tables and chairs, umbrellas, banners, signs, weights, cable protector covers, cones etc. They also assist to set up audio equipment for buskers and place rubbish bins around the market.

We also have 16 different students on shifts every second week cleaning tables and chairs. When the markets finish, our pack up Leaders Angela Pan and Abigail Shand arrive at 11:15am supervising eight more students every week packing up the equipment and reloading it into the Rotary van. Our students are actively engaged in the community on weekends.



Community Services

Duke of Edinburgh

Duke of Edinburgh Award

The journey was 24km over two days. The first day, 12km over five hours starting at 9:00am at the Perth Hills Discovery Centre finishing at 2:00pm and camping at Mt Helena Hut, the second hiking day was 12km starting from 8:30am, over five hours finishing at 2:00pm returning to Perth Hills Discovery Centre.



Doing their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh.
Rujoola Wagh, Olivia Piccinini Ava Nasiri Zahed
and Marianna Segnini

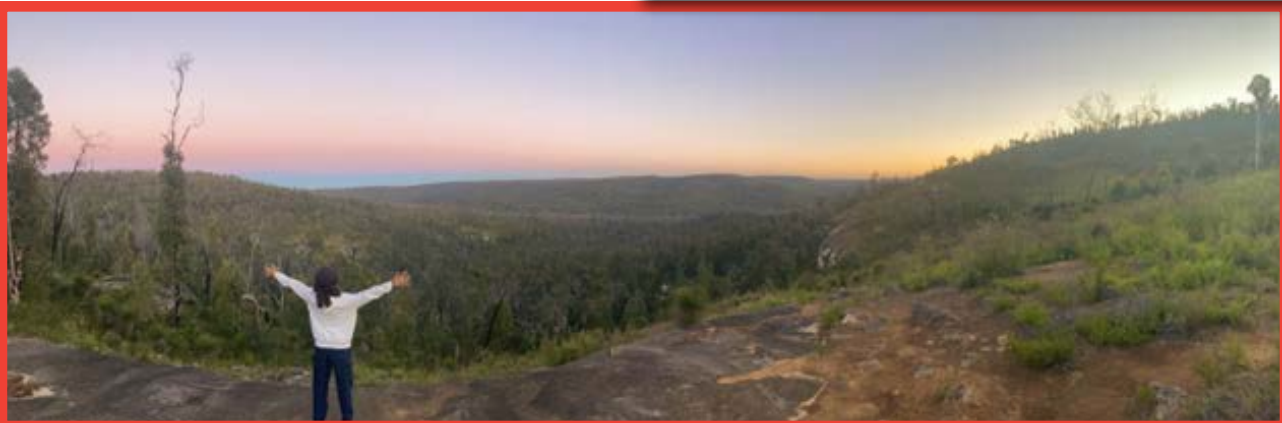
Reflection by Rujoola

"I'm proud I finished my first hike. It was pretty challenging and surprising but overall was a great experience."

The inclusion of Community Service in our school is extremely important for students and they all benefit from increased self-esteem, socialisation and knowledge of our local communities.

It has been a pleasure to work with such an exceptional bunch of students.

Christina Kolodij
Community Service Coordinator



Sport

Interschool Cross Country 2022

The Interschool Championships were held on Friday May 20, at McGillivray Oval.

The event was also the State Championships, therefore our competitors were up against Western Australia's best runners.



Hugh, Ethan and Callum

Congratulations to all of our competitors on their outstanding efforts. Some races consisted of over 200 competitors, so it was fantastic to see most of our competitors placing in the Top 50.

Jackson Muir finished 7th in his race and Seb Lyttle finished 10th. Both boys were invited to be part of the state team. Other students who placed in the Top 20 were Lucy Phillips, Callum Godfrey, Hugh Rayment and Annabelle Jones.



Carys Edwards, Lucia McCarthy, Lana O'Neill and Juliet Brotherston

Thank you to Mrs Grayson for her help and enthusiasm on the day. It was a pleasure coaching our runners and I look forward to seeing them all enter our 800m and 1500m events next term!

Meg Howard
Teacher - Health and Physical Education



Hannah Lee



Ava Norwood



Lucy Phillips



Seb Lyttle



Sport

Netball: High Schools Cup

The second of three School Sport WA High Schools Cup Netball competitions was held on Tuesday, May 24.

To fit in with our busy schedule at Churchlands, selected netballers attended a day carnival for government and non-government schools in the Southern Districts at Fremantle Netball Association.

Churchlands entered six teams, two in the Lower Division (Yr 8), three in the Middle Division (Yr 9 & 10) and one in the Open Division (Yr 11 & 12). Despite the COVID interruptions, all our teams played consistent netball against schools of a very high calibre.

The two top schools from each zone advanced through to the Elimination Day Competition on Thursday June 23, four out of our six teams progressed – Lower Division Team 1, Middle Division Team 1 and 2 and Open Division Team 1.

Our Open Division finished 2nd in their Zone and made it through to the Elimination Final. Unfortunately, they lost that game by only four goals which ended their campaign. The Middle Division, Team 1, only lost one game all day and just missed out on the qualifying for the Elimination final. The Middle Division Team 2 and Lower Division Team 1 were very competitive in all their matches.

Thank you to our team managers/umpires who volunteered their time to assist at the carnival.

Amanda Monaghan
Netball Coordinator



Year 9&10 Team 1



Year 9&10 Team 2



Year 8 Team 1



Year 9&10 Team 3



Year 8 Team 2



Year 11&12 Team

Swimming

Ocean Heroes - 24 Hour Swim

On the first night of the holidays, 10 of Churchlands finest started swimming.

They started at 4:00pm and swam until midnight. They continued to swim til the sun came up, then they swam til lunch time and finally dragged themselves to keep swimming until 4:00pm – the next day! They had swum, in a relay, 24 hours as a team – an immense effort for a team of 10 teenagers.

This was not a school based activity – the kids got it all done themselves. A roster system kept them going – it was cold and windy and rained all night. There was some sleep to be had in the equipment room, in swags and on the grass. A delivery of fries from the Agostini's kept the troops going, along with copious amounts of maccy cheese, sushi and burgers.

The participating Ocean Heroes swimmers were Asha Pittaway, Felix Hills, Holly Wilson, Jackson Craig, Kegan Longshaw, Meekah Ongarezos (Super Sub for Riley!), Peter Twomey, Riley Cooke, Sam Regan, Seb Solomon and Sienna Van Maanen.

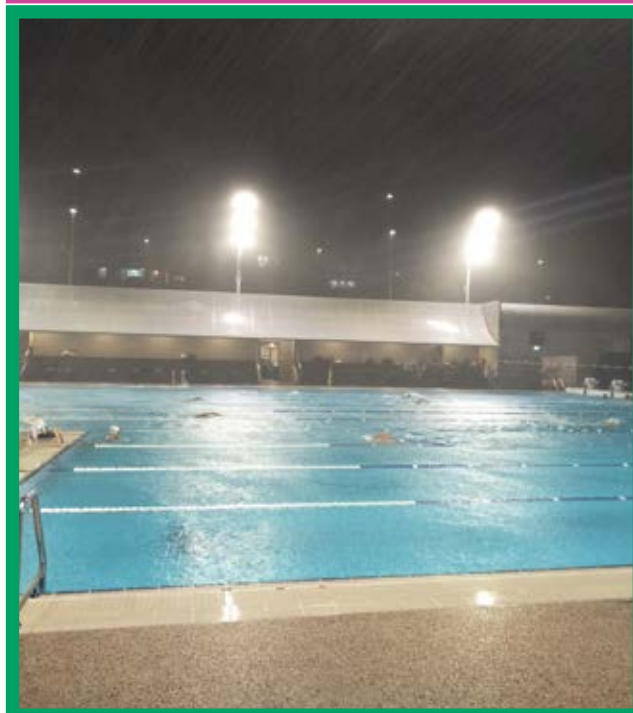
It was a superb effort of stamina and wills – I was so proud of them.

Meanwhile they raised \$4900 for Ocean Heroes – a charity that supports Surfing on the Spectrum – money raised went toward purchasing new wetsuits, surfboards and lifejackets. Amazing!

Over the 24 hours, the team swam 94.6 kilometres – that's about 3800 laps of our school pool!

Special mention to the parents who supported these kids through the night, the warm food, dry towels, encouragement and just for being there. Thanks to Cyrus and Georgia for their coaching and inspiration.

Chris Van Maanen
Head of Learning - Health & Physical Education



Music

50th Anniversary Concert

On Monday June 27, at the Perth Concert Hall, the Churchlands School of Music celebrated its 50th anniversary with a spectacular concert packed with brilliant performances by our music students and alumni.

Every student contributed during the evening and the whole School of Music came together in a massive orchestral and choral finale, Circle of Life.

The musical variety was incredible: from the wind orchestra with its wonderful rendition of Raise Me Up with WASO Principal Clarinet Allan Meyer (Class of 1976) featured playing the tin whistle, to a virtual jazz band recorded by alumni professionals from around the world performing Rhapsody In Blue. There were orchestras: symphony and chamber: choirs: virtual and live; bands: live, filmed, jazz and marching; instrumental accompanists and even a drum line. The classical guitar ensemble played with refinement for special guests during the interval.

Two pieces of music were commissioned for the event including a jazz work by Chris Grieve (1980) and a huge choral and orchestral work by local composer Jonathan Yang. So many wonderful soloists came back to play with their old school: WASO Assistant Concertmaster Semra Lee-Smith (1991) partnered with a brilliant younger graduate Lisa Smith (2019); Jamie Oehlers on saxophone; Jeremy Greig on trombone, Adrian Kelly on trumpet, and an array of wonderful singers.

Other Churchlands alumni joined the ranks of the orchestras and choirs, combining with students to revisit the joy of making music with friends. The evening was enlivened with video vignettes of former students recalling their education and experiences at Churchlands. The Minister for Education, Sue Ellery, formally announced that in honour and memory of the beautiful and talented soprano Taryn Fiebig (1989), the Churchlands Concert Hall will bear her name.

With 500 odd students it was a logistical nightmare – managed beautifully by the talented and capable music staff and the school administration. Buses were dispatched, photos taken, uniforms checked, trucks of instruments loaded, programs printed, guests invited and Covid outbreaks avoided to result in a rare evening of music and memories.

It is important to acknowledge that an event of this magnitude only happened due to the unstinting support of the principal, Neil Hunt, the enthusiasm and vision of the Head of the School of Music, Glenn Robinson and the dedicated teachers who directed and trained the students.

Here's to another 50 years!

Tracey Gralton
Deputy Chair - Alumni Committee



SPARK Program

Community Newspaper Article



Year 9 students from Churchlands SHS are this term involved in DJ lessons through the SPARK Mentorship Program. Pictured - Charlie Marsh, DJ/Producer Kylie Hodgkinson, Tim Morton, Liam Shannon and Sabera Hall Daniel Wilkins Credit: Daniel Wilkins/The West Australian

New mentorship program supports disengaged students

Pip Waller PerthNow - Western Suburbs
June 2, 2022 2:00AM

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Community NewsEducation

Ministry of Sound-bound DJ Astrid Fox has gone back to school - but not for her own education.

The high energy drum and bass producer has returned to Churchlands Senior High School to inspire Year 9 students in the school's Spark Mentoring Program, which is in full swing after a successful trial last year.

About 15 students have this term taken their music mixing skills to the turntable as part of the program to support disengaged students, learning life skills including communication, problem solving and decision making, in an effort to set them up to be successful, young adults.

Already they have learnt how to invoice, count beats per minute and have created music that they can carry on their own USBs to play at parties.

And they are being mentored and taught by the rising Perth DJ, aka Churchlands alumni Kylie Hodgkinson.

We are live. Tune in.

The DJ approached her former school to be part of the 10-week program with the goal of providing a positive role model to further engage students. And it's working.

14-year-old Nelson, who has been part of the program since the start of the year, said Spark "made him want to attend school".

"Last year my attendance was horrible, I'd come in late every morning, barely make it through the day and then sign out early," Nelson said.

"But now I actually come to school and get here on time, which I don't think I would if it wasn't for Spark.

"My attitude has improved too not just at school but in life - I'm a lot more productive and I'm bettering myself every day.

"We're learning actual life skills that are important in helping us build our resumes to try and get a job so I really hope I can do it next year."

Spark Mentorship Program coordinator Jayne Kitto said the program was born out staff asking themselves what they could do differently to support teenage students struggling with engagement.

"We just wanted to try and support kids who are good students, but who for whatever reason just weren't interested in school," Ms Kitto said.

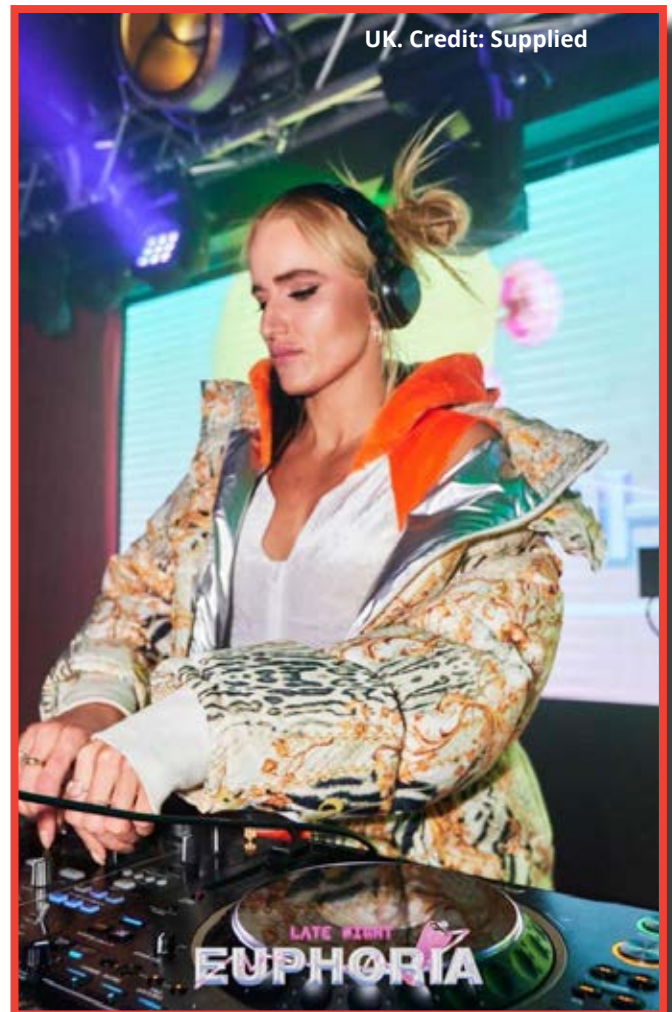
"The program gives them a taster of lots of things - they undertake a Certificate I in Vocational Pathways, one day a week of work experience in a field of interest to them as well as core subjects such as maths and science with one of the three same teachers.

"Already the data has shown a 77 per cent in attendance alone, as well as a decrease in behavioural issues, just from the supportive learning environment that's been created.

"The kids are loving it and the feedback from the parents has been overwhelming, now we have kids who wouldn't engage or even talk to other students, joking around with their peers and attending class - it's fantastic."

The students will enjoy two more terms of the Spark Mentorship Program, with hopes it can be funded for them as they enter year ten in 2023.

Once the program ends, DJ Astrid Fox will head off on her first International tour to play at the Ministry of Sound in the UK.



Community

IDAHOBIT Day

On Tuesday May 17, Churchlands went rainbow to celebrate IDAHOBIT day.

Activities for the day included face painting, flag raising, form quiz, library book display, Friday Beatz and Rainbow accessories.

For a coin donation students also got to enjoy rainbow popcorn, cupcakes and fairy bread. Together we raised \$210 dollars for Minus 18 Youth. This is our way of standing up against discrimination and showing our support to our LGBTIQ+ community.



Associate Principal, Jamie Long and Kat Mosele

It's a day that makes a huge impact. Every classroom discussion, staff room morning tea, school assembly, and rainbow flag raising ceremony creates visibility, and starts important conversations. It's more important than ever to stand with the LGBTIQ+ community, and to let LGBTIQ+ young people know they're supported.



Thirty one years ago - on May 17, 1990 - the World Health Organisation (WHO) removed homosexuality from the Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems.



International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia & Transphobia (IDAHOBIT) celebrates LGBTIQ+ people globally, and raises awareness for the work still needed to combat discrimination.

Kat Mosele
Student Support Coordinator



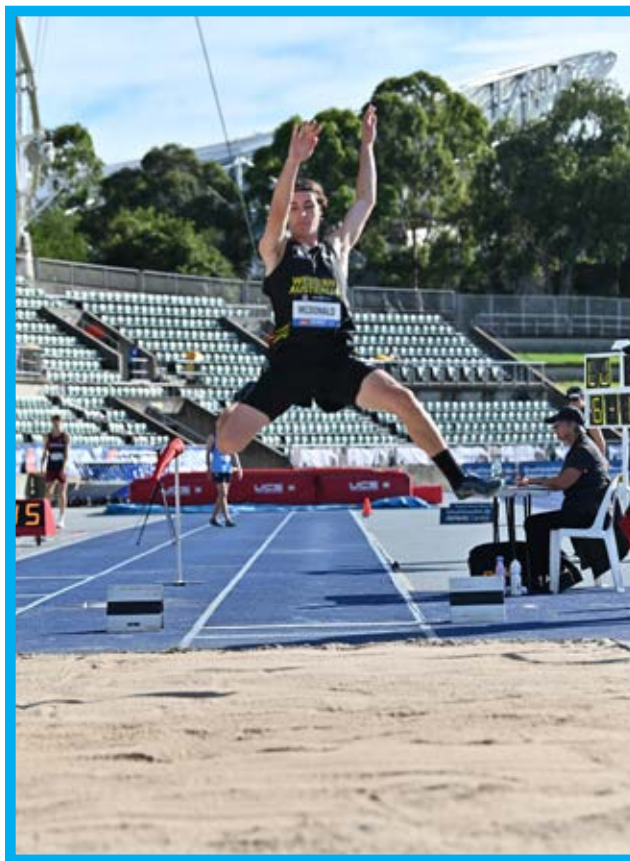
Congratulations

National Athletics Championships

Year 10 student, Aden McDonald, competed in the National Athletics Championships held in Sydney April 26 - May 3.

He competed in the U17 100m, Javelin, Long Jump, Triple Jump and U18 4x100m Relay.

Aden's best result was 6th place in the Javelin.



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