

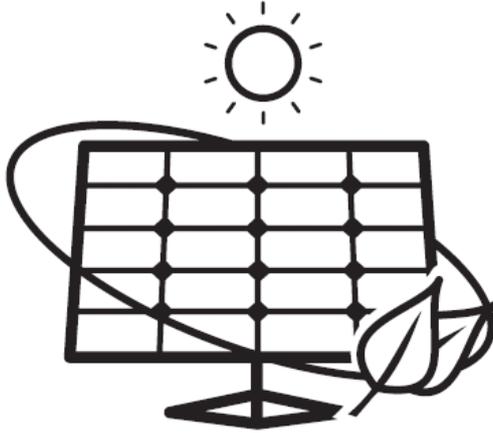


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CHURCHLANDS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER  
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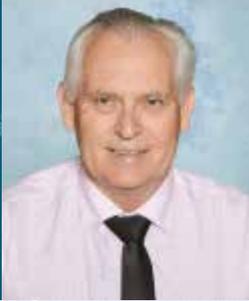
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# From The Principal



## As Churchlands continues to grow I have noticed how my role as school leader is constantly changing

For a period leading up to 2010 I taught a Year 10 Mathematics class which enabled me to keep in touch with students and classroom procedures. When we became an independent public school in 2011, the administration re-structure that I implemented meant that I would no longer have time to take a class due to a significant increase in workload. One of my new tasks was to take control of the school's human resources for the period 2011 to 2015. The benefit of this was that I was in regular contact with and easily accessible to both teaching and non-teaching staff which brought with it significant interpersonal advantages. The appointment of a Deputy Principal to manage Human Resources from the commencement of 2016 has been very positive but, consequently, has disconnected me from staff. I must admit that our work force management processes now far exceed that which I was able to manage during this period.

The positives for the school is that I now have greater opportunity to consider educational research and, where appropriate, engage in the provision of further training and development of my senior and middle management teams to inform classroom practice. The following provides some ideas into the research that I am currently considering.

Currently Professor John Hattie is considered Australia's foremost educational researcher both nationally and internationally. Collaborating with colleagues around the globe, he has established the Visible Learning Database which is made up of 1200 meta-analyses taken from over 300 million students. A meta-analysis is a statistical tool for combining findings from different studies with the goal of identifying patterns which can inform practice. In other words, they are studies of studies. From this, every aspect that could influence student learning is given an "effect size". Hattie has aggregated this information such that an effect size of 0.4 represents learning at an appropriate rate, meaning a year of educational growth for a year spent at school.

Given his research data is now accepted world-wide it is interesting to consider non-educator adult perceptions around what is important when various influences on education are considered. Of 1004 parents surveyed as part of the ABC's Revolution School, parents considered the following had the greatest influence on a child's learning:

- Smaller class sizes- 91%
- Extra curricula tuition- 76%
- Enforcing Homework – 71%
- Religious orientation – 70%
- School uniform – 66%
- Private school - 56%
- Single sex – 49%

Hattie's data shows that none of the above have an effect size greater than 0.4 meaning they may not be considered essential to improving student learning, yet they tend to dominate discussion politically and industrially. We need to use his research to inform our practice and focus on addressing those influences that have the greatest impact on student learning, not what is newsworthy.

In his latest Effect Size Ranking published in 2015, the three greatest influences on student achievement are Teacher Expectation, Teacher Collective Efficacy (which is developed through Collaboration) and Student Expectation. Other high effect sizes include Feedback, Formative Evaluation, Higher Order Thinking Skills and Classroom Discussion.

Throughout 2016, Churchlands has maintained its focus on our instructional strategies programs and we have expanded this to include teachers collaborating through viewing each other teach, formalising the development of Instructional leaders at middle management level and expanding teachers understanding of Visible Thinking and Learning.

The development of our recent Business Plan 2017 – 2019 has the above as a major focus for the next three years.

**Neil Hunt**  
Principal





# Associate Principal Senior Secondary School

## The 2016 Year 12 Presentation Ceremony was held in the Perth Concert Hall on Sunday November 20th

1400 parents, staff and of course the "Class of 2016" attended this prestigious event!

It was my pleasure to MC this special occasion and it was a real treat to witness the impeccable behaviour, friendliness, enthusiasm and accomplishments of our students. We were honoured to have former Churchlands 1992 DUX, Dr Jonathan Paget, as our special guest speaker and his advice was well received by all. It was a very successful afternoon and showcased the outstanding achievements of our students across many areas including academic, musical, community service and citizenship. I'd like to particularly thank Senior School Coordinators Dave Tomlin, Steve Galuin, the Year 12 House Coordinators Rory McDonough, Dave Brittain, Des Parry and Paul Burgess for the great work they have done with the "Class of 2016". There were many outstanding students recognized and included here is a full list of all prize and award winners.

Our sincere apologies to Fraser Loneragan for the oversight of his Engineers Australia, Excellence in Maths and Science award. It's an outstanding effort to attain a mark of over 75% in all of the Maths Methods, Maths Specialist, Physics and Chemistry. Well done Fraser.



Fraser Loneragan with Principal Neil Hunt

**Paul Housley**  
Associate Principal Senior Secondary School



## 2016 SPECIAL AWARDS

Engineer Award	Flynn Dormer Yoo Jeong Ha Yang Liu Fraser Loneragan Natasha Proud Auril Tsen Terrence Tsui Tamerik Urbisnou Thomas Wilkinson
W.R. Liddelow Award for Chemistry	Auril Tsen
Sports Man of the Year	Tim Putt
Sports Woman of the Year	Georgia Storey
Citizenship Award	Elyssa Johnson
Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award	Anna Ha
Community Services Award	Isabel Dunstan
Caltex All Rounder Award	Grace Sobey
Commitment to Excellence Award - NMEMO	Terrence Tsui
Consistent Achievement Award	Max Farley
Year 12 Coordinator Award	Jake O'Brien
VET DUX	Fraser West
Runner Up ATAR DUX	Ryan Law
ATAR DUX	Elisa Menegazzo



# Senior School Program Coordinator

## Congratulations to the Year 12s for the manner in which they finished their last school days at Churchlands

The vast majority of students returned from Mocks and Workplace Learning ready and willing to review exams, revise for the WACE or finish off last requirements for General and Certificate courses. The dress up days showed creativity and good humour, the Dinner Dance at the Hyatt a great last day release with a packed Dance floor, another jam packed Year 12 movie from Mr Neil Harris and the Visual and Performing Arts team. Finally the Presentation Ceremony at the Perth Concert Hall was a fitting tribute to the completion of five years at Churchlands.



Year 12 Dinner Dance

Thanks to all staff that supported the work of the House Coordinators Rory McDonough, Dave Brittain, Des Parry and Paul Burgess. We were fortunate to have employed Mrs Carlee Ingleson at the start of the year in our new VET coordinator position. There have been many challenges that she has overcome to make sure all of our students were given every opportunity to complete their VET certificate courses. Our Careers Advisor, Mrs Clare Slodecki, continues to offer an amazing level of support to our senior students from assistance in getting out of school into TAFE/work or applying for \$30,000 scholarships for university.

Good luck to all Year 12s as they head out on life's journey. Please encourage your children to pop in to the school down the track and let us know how and where they are going.

The Year 11s results look very pleasing with students coping very well with the build up to exams and the school receiving lots of positive feedback about our students' commitment in their Workplace Learning placements. Ms Bronwyn Carter did a fantastic job organizing the Dinner Dance at AQWA which was the

best supported social event of this year group thus far. Thanks to Ms Anne-Maree Liddlelow, Mrs Leeana Mannfis-Gott and Mr James Matthews for their House Coordinator work throughout the year. We welcome Mr Pash Hollands who is taking over the Floreat role in 2017 whilst Mr Matthews is on leave. These staff have been working very hard on the Ball and Leavers Jackets for next year and are looking forward to a successful final for every student.

I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Steve Galuin as the Year 12 Coordinator next year. He has been the Senior School Coordinator for the best part of two terms this year in my absence for Carers Leave and whilst filling in for Mr Paul Housley as Associate Principal. Steve has much enthusiasm and skill in managing students' academic, social and emotional needs and I look forward to working with him in my Year 11 Coordinator role next year.



Year 11-S4

**Subject changes for Year 11s and 12s**  
Some students and parents will have already been contacted about reviewing their subject selection for

next year in light of their performance in subjects this year. Students will be able to meet with Careers Advisor, Mrs Clare Slodecki in the week prior to school starting (Jan 23-27) should they wish to change subjects. She will not be available on the two days prior to the Wednesday 1st February. From the commencement of school Mrs Slodecki will be doing Year 12 subject changes and Vet Coordinator – Mrs Carlee Ingleson will be dealing with Year 11 subject changes. All students need to have a Change of Subject selection form completed by parents and teachers before doing this. Forms are available on the school website in the Senior School section or printed copies in Student Services.

As we head into 2017 we do ask parents and students to make attendance the priority. We have a great teaching staff that make the difference in student learning. Being in class is essential. It is vital we know on the day of a student's absence and the reason for it.

I trust everyone has an enjoyable break, gets to have some quality family time together and returns full of energy and the desire to learn and improve in 2017.

**Dave Tomlin**  
*Senior Secondary Coordinator*

# Congratulations 2016 Award Winners

## 2016 SUBJECT AWARDS



ARTS	
Dance	<i>Kelsey Ruscoe</i>
Dance General	<i>Nikki Starlife</i>
Drama	<i>George Samios</i>
Drama General	<i>Johanna Kotzee</i>
Design: Photography	<i>Peter Hayes</i>
Media Production and Analysis	<i>George Samios</i>
Visual Arts	<i>Emily Siggs</i>
Visual Arts General	<i>Maia Hasebe</i>
ENGLISH	
English	<i>Kah Yen Thong</i>
English General	<i>Benjamin Rinder</i>
English as an Additional Language or Dialect	<i>Shrusti Shah</i>
Literature	<i>Jana Nguyen</i>
HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE	
Accounting and Finance	<i>Valerie Lim</i>
Chartered Accountants Most Outstanding Accounting Student 2016	<i>Valerie Lim</i>
Ancient History	<i>Lauren Jolliffe</i>
Certificate II: Business	<i>Caitlin Bunn</i>
Economics	<i>James Van Dyke</i>
Geography	<i>Katie Sheen</i>
Modern History	<i>Alina Evans</i>
Politics and Law	<i>Madison Smith</i>
HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION	
Certificate II: Sport and Recreation	<i>Lily Kowal</i>
Health Studies	<i>Lily Kowal</i>
Physical Education Studies	<i>Jack Hardy</i>
Physical Education Studies General	<i>Benjamin Rinder</i>

LANGUAGES	
Chinese: First Language	<i>Zhefeng Wang</i>
Chinese: Second Language	<i>Justin Hart</i>
French	<i>Elisa Menegazzo</i>
Japanese	<i>Wan Yew Law</i>
MATHS	
Mathematics Applications	<i>Gillian Chan</i>
Mathematics Essential	<i>Fraser West</i>
Mathematics Methods	<i>Terrence Tsui</i>
Mathematics Specialist	<i>Terrence Tsui</i>
MUSIC	
Music - Western Art	<i>Laura Tan</i>
Music General	<i>Madison Smith</i>
SCIENCE	
Biology	<i>Leah Petrie</i>
Chemistry	<i>Terrence Tsui</i>
Earth and Environmental Science	<i>Jacob Leopardi</i>
Human Biology	<i>Elisa Menegazzo</i>
Integrated Science	<i>Anna Blenkinship</i>
Physics	<i>Grace Sobey</i>
TECHNOLOGIES	
Applied Information Technology	<i>Sakshi Puri</i>
Certificate II: Engineering	<i>Liam Atkins</i>
Certificate II: Hospitality	<i>Tanika McMillen</i>
Certificate III Visual Arts: CAD	<i>Myles Clayton</i>
Certificate II Visual Arts: Wood	<i>Alec Etheridge</i>
Computer Science	<i>Ramen Crowe</i>
WORKPLACE LEARNING	
Workplace Learning	<i>Jarrad Wilks</i>

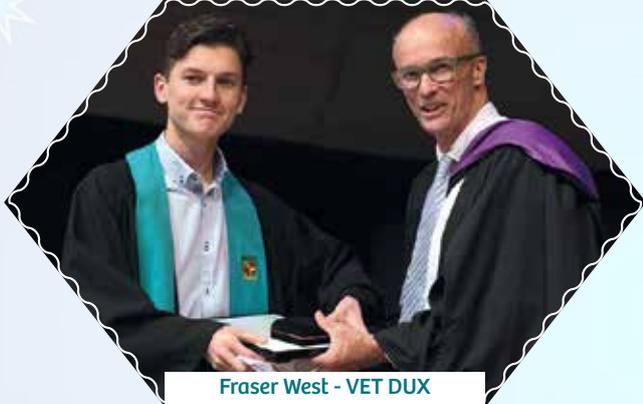
# Congratulations to Year 12 2016 Award Winners



Elisa Menegazzo - ATAR DUX



Ryan Law - ATAR DUX Runner Up



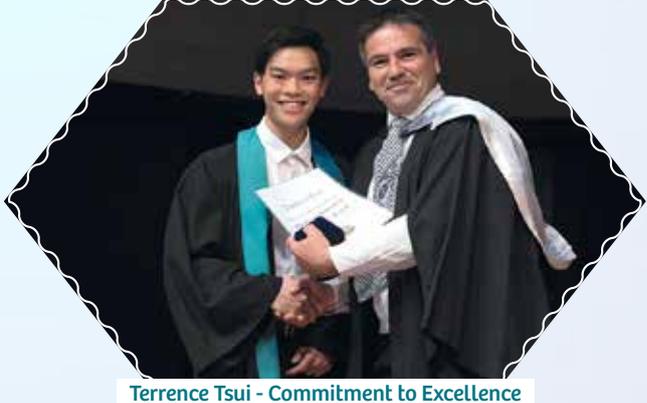
Fraser West - VET DUX



Jake O'Brien - Year 12 Coordinator



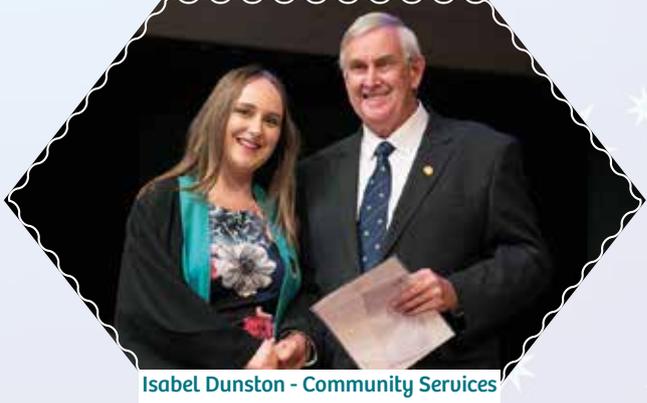
Max Farley - Consistent Achievement



Terrence Tsui - Commitment to Excellence



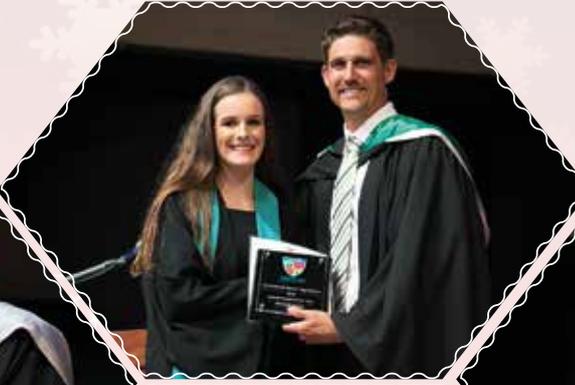
Grace Sobey - Caltex All Rounder



Isabel Dunston - Community Services

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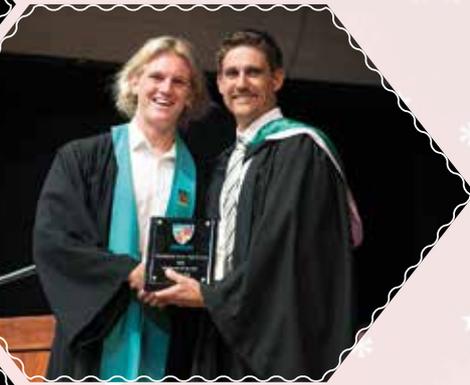
Georgia Storey - Sportswoman



Anna Ha  
Australian Defence Force Long  
Tan Leadership and Teamwork



Tim Putt - Sportsman



Auril Tsen - W.R. Liddelow  
Award for Chemistry



Elyssa Johnson - Citizenship

Laura Tan - ATAR Music

Engineer Award  
Anna Ha, Yang Liu, Thomas Wilkinson,  
Auril Tsen, Tamerik Urbisinou,  
Natasha Proud, Terrence Tsui, Flynn Dormer  
and Fraser Loneragan

Madison Smith - General Music





# Associate Principal Middle Secondary School

**Choose a job you love and you will never have to work a day in your life**  
- Confucius

Year 9 and Year 10 students each year increase their focus on career exploration and hone in on their career aspirations. The Christmas and New Year school holiday break is a very convenient time for 2016 Year 8 and Year 9 students to take stock, reflect on the year past and plan for the following year as they move up a school year to Year 9 and Year 10 in 2017. **AIM HIGH**

### Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Results

I would like to acknowledge the work of our Literacy and Numeracy Specialists, Ms Sue Hutchinson, Mr Stuart McCallum and Ms Susan Wilson and classroom teachers for their work in preparing our students and supporting improved student literacy and numeracy standards. In analysing our data, there is a direct co-relation between students who attend the OLNA preparation workshops and the frequency that they meet OLNA standard. In 2017, we will continue to encourage targeted students to attend these very beneficial workshops.

Well done, to students for their hard work and determination to meet OLNA standard.

**OLNA Testing will be held in March 2017 for Year 10-12 students**

Current Year 12 2016 total students 18/10/16 <b>353 students</b>	Numeracy	Reading	Writing	Total Students 1 or more tests
Pre-March 2014	86	112	171	206
Post-March 2014	43	34	54	81
Post-Sept 2014	35	32	45	45
Post-March 2015	23	22	25	33
Post-Sept 2015	17	15	21	26
Post-March 2016	7	7	10	11
Post-Sept 2016	1	2	6	6

Current Year 11 2016 total students 18/10/16 <b>371 students</b>	Numeracy	Reading	Writing	Total Students 1 or more tests
Pre-March 2015	96	115	154	192
Post-March 2015	46	39	59	93
Post-Sept 2015	27	15	26	46
Post-March 2016	23	13	24	40
Post-Sept 2016	15	9	16	25

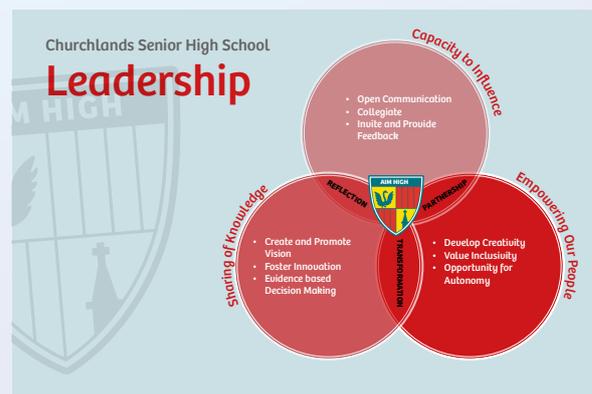
Current Year 10 2016 total students 18/10/16 <b>388 students</b>	Numeracy	Reading	Writing	Total Students 1 or more tests
Pre-March 2016	81	139	156	203
Post-March 2016	37	38	46	87
Post-Sept 2016	29	22	25	49

### Student Leadership Camp and You Can Sit With Me Program

Student Leadership Camp provided both Year 9 and Year 10 students this year with the opportunity to broaden their leadership skills and prepare for a variety of leadership roles on their return to school. Since the Camp, students have taken on the role of Peer Mentors for the Year 6 Orientation Days, Year 8-12 Orientation Morning, and Transition Presentations for the incoming Year 8 students in to the Year 9/10 Sub-School and presentations at new Staff Induction workshops. In 2017, students and staff will be working with our newly created Leadership Framework and progressing the opportunities that we provide students to extend their leadership skills.



**you can sit with me**



# Associate Principal Middle Secondary School

The majority of the student Leaders that attended the Camp have joined the "You can sit with me" program. This is a kindness campaign and an anti-bullying initiative that supports children suffering with anxiety, depression and feelings of isolation. It aims to bring communities together and promote kindness through five simple words – YOU CAN SIT WITH ME. Student leaders will be wearing one of the highly visible wristbands to encourage other students to approach.

## Science Technology Engineering Mathematics (STEM)

STEM @ Churchlands is taking off in a big way! 2017 will welcome two STEM elective classes in Year 9 and Year 10. STEM will take on a project based style of learning and will be an extension of the learning opportunities that STEM Clubbers have been involved in this year. This is a space to be watched.



STEM Club

## Academic Extension Program

2017 will see the continuation of our Academic Teaching and Learning Coordinator who will be supported by newly created positions of AEP Lead Teacher. Over the year we will have four staff resume AEP Lead Teacher positions who will work alongside AEP teachers to expand teaching strategies to extend, challenge and foster creativity and problem solving skills in AEP students. The AEP lead teachers will work cooperatively to develop and implement cross curricular projects throughout the year.

## Outreach Follow the Dream Program

Next year will see Churchlands SHS take part in the Follow the Dream- Mt Lawley Outreach program: One of our Year 10 students has made application and been accepted into the 2017 program. This Program caters for aspirational Aboriginal students from Year 10 to 12 to follow their educational dreams of further education and university entrance. Currently there are fifty students engaged in the program across twelve metropolitan government schools. Congratulations to our first ever student Jasmine.

I would like to wish students, parents, staff and the school community a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Karena Shearing*

*Associate Principal Middle Secondary School*

### Year 9 and 10 Students 2017

Requests to change Elective Courses have closed.  
No further changes will be made this year from any additional requests made by students.

A small number of Year 10 2017 requests previously received are still being actioned.  
**Requests can be made Week 2, Term 1 2017 only.**  
A parent note and signature is required for all requests.

- Contact needs to be made to Mr Robinson for Music Requests to Change.
- Special Sports requests need to be made through the relevant Physical Education Teacher:

Football: Mr Tan or Mr Marson  
Netball: Ms Monaghan  
Swimming: Mr Van Maanen



# Associate Principal Junior Secondary School

## 2016 has been a significant year for the school with so much to celebrate throughout the Junior Secondary School

Of note, I congratulate the 439 students nominated for Churchlands Champion honours at our recent Year 7 and Year 8 final assemblies. These awards are reserved for very special effort and to have so many students nominated is a reflection of the strong effort by all this semester. With subject awards, athletics carnival trophies and recognition of 100% attendance, both assemblies acknowledged high achievement and active citizenship.

Being a Champion at Churchlands is about attending school every day, doing your personal best and acting on the values of the school. All students are encouraged to have that focus and make the most of the opportunities that will arise from that approach.

The formula for the school has been to make sure we are structured in a way that ensures both group and individual care across the sub-schools. Next year we welcome Ms Jayne Smith to the team to work with the Year 8 students and House Coordinators as Program Coordinator. Ms Lisa Campbell will continue as Program Coordinator Year 7 and Mr Dunn will be back from leave, returning to Associate Principal Junior Secondary. I will be working with our timetable and operations Deputy Principal Administrative Systems. I thank all families for their support throughout the past Semester and welcome the new members of the team. It is very pleasing to have over fortyfive staff in student services and support roles throughout the school and this is well above the ratio of support staff to students that would exist in a smaller high school.



Ms Jayne Smith, Program Coordinator Year 8, 2017



Michelle Chapman, Administrative Assistant Junior Secondary

### Welcome to our Year 7 2017 Students

Orientation Days this year were a great success with some excellent leadership shown by the Year 9 and 10 student leaders. The information session at the start of the day included much of what parents and guardians learned at the Parent Night and students were very excited about the progression from primary school to high school. On the first day of high school, Wednesday February 1, students are to make their way to the Grassed Quadrangle which is the area they were shown that is the Year 7 & 8 sanctuary zone. They will receive their timetables and meet their Form teachers and Form classmates, then start their classes. They do not need to bring all their equipment, just the basics on this day, plus lunch, a drink bottle, full uniform, wide-brimmed hat and a smiling, friendly attitude.

### Satellite Canteen Upgrade

Students will return to school next year to an upgraded, walk through Satellite Canteen. Mr Clive Palmer, Canteen Manager, is looking forward to offering more range in the new facility which will be located in the existing building, with a refurbished servery, cold range selections and lunch order collection. All parents are reminded that the OurOnline Canteen ordering convenience is offered for all students, including new Year 7s and those moving into Year 9.



Well done to all the award winners at the final year assemblies

### Moving On

Our first group of Year 7 students, the graduating class of 2020, are moving on to the Middle Secondary School and will be looking great in their teal shirts. The students seem quite happy about the step up to "green shirters" and the Junior Secondary team wish them well as they continue to mature and develop into young adults. I thank their House Coordinator team, who will move into Year 9 with them, for all the enthusiasm, care and support they have provided throughout Year 7 and 8. Mr David Bongiascia will be joining the Year 7 team next year after taking on the role for Ms Lisa Campbell and Ms Kim Jones will now be House Coordinator for Trigg Year 9.

Ms Karena Wilson, Associate Principal and Mr Geraint Davies, Program Coordinator will be the Middle Secondary team leading Year 9 in 2017.

### Junior Secondary Structure in 2017

As the school grows we are very focussed on having the best possible pastoral care support for all students.

# Associate Principal Junior Secondary School

On behalf of all the Junior Secondary team I thank everyone for the support throughout the year and wish all a safe and happy holiday break throughout the festive season.

**Adrian Lee**  
Associate Principal Junior Secondary School (interim)



Year 6 students with their peer leader on Orientation Day

## Term 1 2017

<b>25 January</b>	<b>School opens for business</b>	15-16 March	Year 8 Immunisations (1)
<b>1 February</b>	<b>Students start school</b>	16 March	Year 7 AEP English Young Writers Day
3 February	P & C Sundowner - 4:30 pm	17 March	SCHOOL BALL
6-20 February	Saserno HS Visit (Frech students)		PD DAY; NO STUDENTS
13 February	P & C Meeting 7:30 pm	20 March	Years 7-9 Girls Interschool Tennis
13-17 February	Year 7 Orientation Camp		MPC Meeting 7:30 pm
15 February	Years 10-12 Swim Carnival	21 March	Years 7-9 Boys Interschool Tennis
16 February	PHOTO DAY Years 8-12		Years 11-12 Choreography Night
17 February	Year 9 Swim Carnival	23 March	Harmony Day
20 February	Music Parents Committee (MPC) AGM		Years 10-12 Girls Interschool Tennis
20 February -			Years 7 and 11 Interim Report Distributed
16 March	Year 12 Personal Planning Interview		Year 12 EES Field Trip
21 February	Year 8 Swim Carnival	24 March	Years 10-12 Boys Interschool Tennis
22 February	Year 7 Swim Carnival		School Tour 9:30 am
23 February	School Board Meeting	29 March	Parent-Teacher Interview Years 7-12
	Years 7-10 AEP English		NO STUDENTS
	Perth Writers Festival	30 March	School Board Meeting
<b>24 February</b>	<b>Whole School Assembly</b>		Mark Church PL Day
27 February	PHOTO DAY Catch Up	30 March	French tour (return 17 April)
28 February	Year 7 Student Leadership Session 1	31 March	Years 9-12 Surf Competition
3 March	School Tour 9:30 am		Japan Tour (return 16 April)
<b>6 March</b>	<b>LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY</b>		Years 7-10 and Open 7's Rugby Tournament
7-10 March	OLNA Exams		China Tour (return 14 April)
	Richard Gill artist in residence	1 April	Years 8-10 Netball Carnival
8 March	Year 9 AEP English	4 April	Year 7 Student Leadership Session 2
	Youth Literature Day	5 April	Senior Concert
10 March	Year 10 AEP English	6 April	Greece Tour (return 24 April)
	Young Writers Day		Year 11 Body Board Competition
13 March	P & C Meeting 7:30 pm		Rugby 7's Carnival
13-24 March	Year 10 Career Voyage	7 April	Year 11 EES Field Trip
14 March	Year 8 AEP English Young Writers Day		<b>END OF TERM</b>
15 March	Interschool Swimming		(students return 24 April 2017)
	Year 7 P & C BBQ		
	Year 12 ATAR Art Excursion		





# Year 7 Report



Jed Creasey Kinross, Aidan Ismail, Egybert Lin



Hannah Beament, Charlotte Gail



Champion Boy  
Aidan Ismail

As the end to our school year approaches our exuberant Year 7s are still working diligently and showcasing their vast array of skills, achieving incredible results in both the sporting, arts and academic fields

It has been a year composed of great persistence and diligent work, which has culminated in excellent achievements across the school year. Many of the Churchlands SHS teaching staff have praised the high standards which our Year 7s have set. It's great to know that our students are equipped with all the right attitudes and values as they prepare for their transition into Year 8 in 2017.

At the recent 'A' division interschool Athletics Carnival our Year 7s were allowed time to come and support our super talented Athletics team. Their support inspired the team on their way to another "A" division title. Churchlands' very own Aidan Ismail was awarded overall Champion Boy followed closely by Jacob Hristianopoulos who meritoriously came in third.

And how can I forget to mention these special Athletes for their outstanding achievements in our Term 3 Year 7 Churchlands SHS Athletics Carnival:

	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
1st	Aidan Ismail	Haylee Dallin
2nd	Jacob Hristianopoulos	Emma Putt
3rd	Lucien Philogene	Magdalena McCabe

And how could I forget the incredibly courageous and talented individuals who were given the opportunity to display their talents at our inaugural Year 7 talent show. With an eclectic array of acts and performances our judges were given the difficult tasks to narrow the gifted field down and eventually find a worthy winner.

Congratulations to the following students who received the top awards:

1st	Lindsay Pegrum on the Saxophone
2nd	Ashton Lavender and Christopher Jones
3rd	Laura Marum and Daniella White

Well done and thank you to all those students who took part in the exciting and action-packed event.



Edward Lee - piano



Angus Doonan - Guitar

# Year 7 Report

Finally, to finish off an exceptional end to the year, our lucky Year 7s will be given the opportunity to take part in our end of year activity day to be held at SPLASH CITY Belmont. Those worthy of an invite will enjoy a fun filled day on some of the world's largest inflatable waterslides.

I once again would like to congratulate all our Year 7s for their incredible efforts across the year and would like to wish them all a safe and enjoyable Christmas break.

See you all next year!

**Rob Cross**  
*Year 7 Scarborough House Coordinator*



Photos of Year 7s supporting  
our interschool Athletics team



# Year 8 Report

## What a fantastic year it has been, second year of high school almost complete!

Who would have thought we could pack so much more into a single year of school. Year 8s completing their first lot of exams, being a part of an exciting win at the Interschool Swimming and Athletics carnivals, some house activities which really showcased how talented our year group is, and with the upcoming house captain and student council elections next year will start with a bang!

### Year 8 Exams

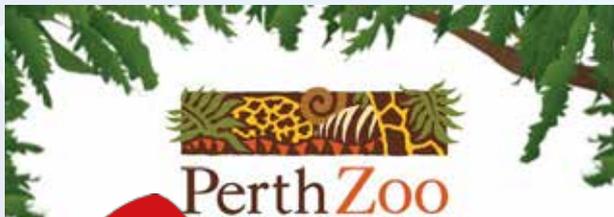
Well done to the Year 8s for remaining cool, calm, and collected during their first set of exams at Churchlands SHS. We can tell most of you applied your thinking caps early to ensure you did as well as possible.

### Interschool Athletics

The beginning of this term saw a large number of our excellent Year 8 athletes play an integral part in Churchlands SHS taking out, once again, the win at the Interschool Athletic Carnival. It was an outstanding day, the sun was out, the podium finishes were flowing and the relays runners came home strongly with help from the Year 7 cheer squad.

### House/Year Activities

To wrap up the year our Year 8s will be going on a lovely outing to the Perth Zoo. Word around the school is that excitement surrounding the reward day is building to a record level unforeseen by many throughout the school and community in previous years. It will be a marvellous way to finish off what has been a great year.



### Some of our Year 8 Stars!

It gives us all great pleasure to acknowledge Sarah Brick and Mikaela Swart for representing Western Australia in the State Hockey Team.

Another one of our Year 8s has represented WA in recent time as well. Ethan Brierley joined the Western Australian Regional Walkabout Soccer team when they toured through Thailand.

Maddy Verdon and Grace Barry from 8T3 recently competed in the Australian Classic Gymnastics Championships in Geelong. Grace came first all round (1st on bars, 2nd on floor, 1st in vault) and Maddy came second all round (1st on floor, 2nd on bars).

### House Captains and Student Council

This year we have been treated to some extremely smoothly run house activities and assemblies. Such things could not happen without the hard work and dedication from our fantastic group of House Captains and Year 8 Student Councillors. The beginning of next year will bring about a new team, possibly some old faces but fresh vibe and we are sure another great year. I would like to thank this year's team which included

Jack Costello  
Taylah Fallon  
Aimee Donaldson  
Negar Esmaili  
Hannah Sullivan  
Jane Harwood

Agnibho Gangopadhyay  
Sophie Smith  
Grace Herring  
Chayanika Gangopadhyay  
Hian Gilkes  
Ryan Pottier



Year activity

# Year 8 Report

## Next year...

Arguably one of the most exciting parts of high school life is the transition from one shirt colour to another. As I am sure every single one of you are aware, next year all of you Year 8s... or should I say the Year 9s will be waking up at 6am, possibly even earlier every morning of Term 1 super excited about putting on a teal coloured polo. As I can look into the future I have put together a sample of what you may look like.

Well done on a fantastic year as Year 8s. We hope it has been as exciting for all the students as it has been for the House Coordinators. Have a safe and enjoyable holidays and we will see you next year!!!

**Sam Marson**  
Year 8 Floreat House Coordinator



A look into the future

## Churchlands Foundation

### Churchlands Senior High School Foundation launched the 'Solar Power to Scholarships' project

Parents, Alumni and Staff were in attendance at the event held on Thursday 13 October and showed encouraging support for this exciting initiative.

The Project aims to raise funds and pay for the installation of solar panels to reduce the School's power costs and help the environment. The net outcome is that Churchlands students will receive scholarships and benefits each year equivalent to the amount of power costs saved by the School as a direct result of the installation of a solar power system.



The night was filled with great performances from our very talented music students and presentations from the School Principal, the Foundation Chairman and the Solar Power expert.

As a result the Foundation has received its first donations for this project and would like to thank all of those who have contributed so far.

## Next steps

As part of the project, the Foundation has established an annual giving campaign that is seeking support of all current parents and Alumni. Donations of all amounts will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Please don't forget to return your completed *Annual Giving* slip.

## Help the School turn Solar Power into Scholarships.

You can find out more about this project on our website. <http://www.churchlands.wa.edu.au/community/churchlands-foundation/solar-power-to-scholarships-project>



**Nawal Kurson**  
Marketing and Media Officer  
[foundation@churchlands.wa.edu.au](mailto:foundation@churchlands.wa.edu.au)



# Year 9 Report

As we head into a busy end of year schedule, our Year 9 students are completing all of their assessments and have chosen their electives for Year 10

In this semester there was a wonderful turnout for the Year 9 inter-house athletics carnival, with some of our best proudly representing the school to help Churchlands win first place in the interschool.

To kick off this semester our House Leaders designed and conducted a very different inclusive activity using the online quiz program Kahoot . With the help of our Form teachers the competition was held between Forms and Houses with the grand final event between eight players (two from each House) played out in front of the assembly.

Our House Leaders are currently organising a pancake fundraiser and hoping for a high level of participation across the school.

Early November brought some seventy students, across Years 9 and 10, to the Leadership Camp held at Point Walter. The two days were a great fun way to help develop the students in handling challenging situations and communication of key skills that will be needed for their involvement in the Orientation Days for the incoming Year 7s in 2017. During 2017 these leaders will also be assisting the Year 7s to find their way and facilitate their entry into what can be an exciting but daunting time.



Working together

A special mention must be made of three of our very talented students. Lakoya Abdullah, Alicia Roe and Takayla Quince are designing football jerseys to be considered for the Wembley Downs Football Club (the Cats). These girls have demonstrated their wonderful creativity and we look forward to hearing if any of the designs end up in the next season's jerseys. Lakoya also received, for her art entry into the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME) Internship, a highly commended certification.



Abseiling and flying fox challenges at Leadership Camp



Takayla, Lakoya and Alicia with their indigenous jersey designs

# Year 9 Report



Inter-house carnival in good spirit



"In-print" newspaper  
fashion night on  
Leadership Camp

Lastly as a great celebration for the finish of Year 9, the fun activity will be going to the Kalamunda Water Park. We hope that a large contingent will come along and catch up with their peers in a social and fun setting.

A message from our Year 9 Coordinators is one of gratitude for another fabulous year with our Year 9 students. Gratitude has been a theme running through our assemblies and we hope that our Year 9s can take this forward into the holiday break and into Year 10. Many of our students will be looking to do part-time work over the holidays and we wish them success with the development of these skills and that all Year 9s have a safe and fun holiday season.

## Year 9-10 Leadership Camp

*On Wednesday morning in Week 6 a group of Year 9 and 10 student leaders set off on a one night leadership camp at Point Walter. The purpose of the camp was for the leaders to learn some important skills and activities to use when we take the Year 6 orientations in Week 7 and also to be good mentors for the Year 7s next year. We did lots of team building exercises and learnt how to become approachable, helpful and fun for the future Year 7s. We also had a go at the flying-fox and abseiling. During the evening we had a fashion show, showing off some of the amazing newspaper designs we had made earlier.*

*We were all divided into eight groups and had some amazing teachers who came down with us acting as our team leaders. They taught us all of the activities and Mr Harris even showed off his 'dabbing' skills on the flying fox!*

*The leadership camp was a great opportunity for everyone involved, and a fantastic way to get to know other leaders and prepare to be mentors for the 2017 Year 7s. - By Sophie Kerr*

**Sandra Harvey**  
Year 9 Brighton House Coordinator



# Year 10 Report

## Congratulation on getting through your exams!

You can now look forward to a well-deserved break before the big step up into upper school. The time has come for you to finally put away the teal shirt and head into a clean, crisp white shirt, and be the real role models for the school.

### Student Leadership camp

In Term 3 seventy of our most fantastic Year 10 students participated in the Student Leadership camp at the Point Walter Recreation Reserve. The camp ran over two days and students enthusiastically immersed themselves into the world of peer mentoring. The students enjoyed beautiful sunny weather over the two days as they worked hard to make their way through the training booklet, as well as participating in a number of team building activities such as demonstrating their talent on the flying fox and in archery. Least to say by the end of the day most were exhausted and welcomed the opportunity to kick back and enjoy a movie and popcorn before starting again at 6.30am.

This camp was created to train our dedicated Year 10 students to support the new Year 7s as they make the daunting transition into high school. The skills learned at this camp were put into practice this term at the Year 7 Orientation Days, and again next year when the Year 7s arrive to begin what will be a pretty scary time for them. I know you will handle yourselves professionally and will make the transition into high school a smooth one for the incoming Year 7 students. Overall it was an amazing experience and the students demonstrated excellent leadership skills and a willingness to support one another. Thank you to all the staff members who came down to make sure the event ran smoothly and ensure students enjoyed themselves.



# Year 10 Report



## Year 10 End of Year River Cruise

I'm looking forward to taking a scenic cruise with you all down the Swan River aboard the beautiful Crystal Swan, for our final Activity Day. This year's theme for the event, due to overwhelming popularity, will be Black and White. I look forward to seeing the creative costumes and also the moves on the dance floor. It will be a great way to farewell the year and Lower School before moving into Year 11. I'm very happy to see the number of students who have flocked to buy a ticket for this event, with sales almost reaching the 200 limit. If you haven't bought your ticket yet make sure you do so very soon as the 30th November deadline is almost upon us!

## Ski Trip

The ski trip was held again this year with much excitement and anticipation!

Over the course of ten days students from Years 10 to 12 embarked on an adventure to New Zealand where they participated in activities such as skiing, snowboarding, lugging and exploring what New Zealand has to offer. I am told that both students and teachers had a lot of fun showing off their impressive skills, with only the odd embarrassing fall on the snow.

## Term 4 Assembly

At the last Year 10 assembly Mr Galvin talked about academic and behavioural expectations leading into Year 11, and the importance of maintaining Good Standing over the two years. It will be a big jump but I'm sure our amazing cohort are up to the challenge of Senior School! Congratulations to all of you who received Churchlands Champion Awards this term. I'd also like to give a big thanks to Manai Long for singing so beautifully at the last Year 10 assembly.

## Transition to Year 11

I look forward to seeing the internal transition that will take place over the summer break. On your return to school you'll begin to carry yourselves differently, proudly donning the Senior School white t-shirt you have waited so long to wear. You will also have new subjects that you have carefully chosen to study for the next two years, as well as being prepared with text books, practical equipment and new files in your bag. All of this will help ensure you start the year off on the right foot, on the academic pathway to a successful future!

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and a fun and very safe holiday.

See you next year.

**Sandra Boujos**  
**Year 10 Floreat House Coordinator**





# Year 11 Report



A relaxed  
Phuntsho Nidup



Thisbe Armanasco and Elliot Harper  
on track to Geography



Will Hatto checking out a  
Geography broadsheet



Indira Savory checking she has the  
exam schedule correct



Revision buddies Aden Carlton and  
Elizabeth Robbins



Harshi Goteti and Debbie Chung in the  
library with a good book

Head Girl Pinithi Siriwardana and  
Head Boy Liam Birch ready for next year

## It certainly has been a busy year for the Year 11 cohort in 2016

The students have met challenges head on and successfully finished the term either sitting Semester 2 exams or finalising qualifications and work placements. There has been a high degree of success across all pathways so we congratulate our hard working students.

I would like to acknowledge our new Head Boy Liam Birch and Head Girl Pinithi Siriwardana on being elected into their leadership positions for next year. As dedicated students of Churchlands SHS, I know they will do a fantastic job and be positive role models for the entire school community.

A special mention must go to the Ball Committee for their creative planning, to ensure the 2017 Year 12 Ball is a great success. The Leavers' jackets are now on the production line so a big thank you to this committee for their work on the design and the support they have given me in finalising this large order. We look forward to delivery in time for the cooler weather.

A highlight of Term 4 was the Dinner Dance at AQUA. Students and teachers alike enjoyed the night, showing off their hidden talents on the dance floor. A big thank you must go to Bronwyn Carter in getting this event off the ground. It was a fabulous evening.

I would like to wish all families and students a safe and very happy Christmas and New Year, and on behalf of this year's co-ordinators, we look forward to welcoming and supporting all Year 11s into 2017.

**Leeana Manifs-Gott**  
**Year 11 Scarborough House Coordinator**



# Year 11 Report

## The evening was set to be phenomenal with 270 tickets sold for the Year 11 Dinner Dance

The students were keen to get started arriving before check-in time! The outfits were exceptional and the atmosphere was electric, and that was not just from the rain that day. The evening kicked off with future Head Boy and Girl, Liam and Pinithi making an opening speech reflecting the highs and the lows of the year just passed. This was followed up by dinner, dessert and much dancing. The students hit the dance floor, with some reluctant to leave at the end of the night. A fantastic night was had by all, setting up for a lively 2017.

**Bronwyn Carter**  
Year 11 Brighton House Coordinator





# Year 12 Report



## Dance the night away

The final social Dinner Dance for the Year 12s was held at the Hyatt Hotel, complete with set tables, dance floor, photo booths and exquisite food. The beat of the music pulsed all night with the odd pause for reminiscing. The evening culminated in a shoulder to shoulder double tiered sweaty dance routine, which brought a harmonious outburst of intensity and endurance to whatever sound reverberated from the DJ's magic strobe light and music routine. Best Dinner Dance ever and a night to remember. A fitting farewell for the graduation class of 2016.



# Year 12 Report

## Sayonara

Where has the last five years gone? All those memories! It all started with the Year 8 camp then the disco, activity days, you were having fun. Everyone became experts at whatever they attempted, victories were aplenty, you were suddenly taller, teal shirts turned into white shirts, pressure came on, you became quieter. Work placements, mock examinations, ATAR, Graduation, then suddenly it was all over. Congratulations you made it.



Boys in drag



Getting a make-over



Having fun with bubbles

On behalf of Mr McDonough, Mr Parry and Mr Burgess, I would like to acknowledge a year group who really are perfect. We will miss you! We could not wish for a better cohort of mature young adults, whose dedication and support towards their studies and peers is exemplary, always participating and getting involved. What a group! It has been a privilege to part of this journey with you.



Year 12 House Coordinators Mr Parry, Mr Burgess, Mr Brittain and Mr McDonough

We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year, stay safe and all the Very, Very Best for the future.

**Dave Brittain**  
**Year 12 Floreat House Coordinator**

# Community Service Wrap Up for 2016

## News from World Vision Sponsored Children

I am delighted to report that we have had communication from two of our four sponsor children and World Vision have told us that something is in the pipeline from Uganda – given the location and the nature of the issues facing these communities, mail from either of our students to Africa, or communication from our sponsor children could take quite some time. At the moment, some of our Student Councillors are in the process of creating a noticeboard on which we can display any letters and photographs we receive, but I am pleased that we are able to include copies of the letters which have recently arrived. As the girls are both very young, Laxmmi's aunty has written a letter on her behalf, which was translated by World Vision staff, while Huoy Y told a school student in the village what she wanted him to write for her and this has been translated so our students can read it. We are now really keen to hear from Solomon and Mebhrit. The student councillors are already composing replies to Laxmmi and Huoy Y and have decided to get the ball rolling by writing to the boys, in case they are waiting to hear from us! We are also about to send off Christmas cards and have enough money in the kitty to add a small Christmas gift to their respective villages through World Vision's gift giving program.

On that subject, we have once again decided to do a Form class challenge to purchase Christmas gifts through World Vision, but I am, as yet, unable to tell you what gifts we are providing, as at the time of writing, the deadline for contributions has not yet happened. I am sure we will be able to buy a substantial amount again this year. In the true spirit of Christmas, we are also doing our Salvo's Christmas collection, for which we ask as many students as possible to bring an item of food (does not have to be related to Christmas), or a small gift, or Christmas related item such as wrapping paper or Christmas crackers. Representatives of the Salvos collect and distribute our donations to individual families or use it for the Christmas lunch they hold each year for the homeless or the lonely. We have really become a generous school and I am pleased that the majority of our students realise how lucky they are and therefore are prepared to help those less fortunate.

## Other Volunteer Services

As for other volunteer matters, we have continued to support a range of local schools and community groups where we can. Next year, I will be actively seeking more opportunities for our students, firstly through more of our feeder primary schools. This year we have again had students coaching netball at Woodlands PS, marshalling at Gwelup PS and Wembley PS Fun Runs, coaching the running club students at Yuluma PS; in addition, Kapinara PS called for volunteers to assist the P&C with a fundraising Quiz Night and also with a fundraiser on Election Day and we have also had a group of volunteers assist at Scarborough PS's Twilight Market. It is the aim to continue to support these initiatives and get more of our students to "give back" to their former primary schools.

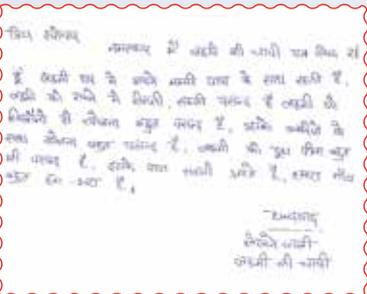


Athletics helpers



**Child: Laxmmi**  
Dear Sponsor,  
Greetings. Laxmmi lives with her parents. She loves to eat vegetables and khichadi (a dish made up of rice and pulses). She loves to play with toys and goats. Laxmmi enjoys drinking milk. Her father cultivates vegetables. Our village is full of lush green fields.

**Child: Huoy Y**  
Dear Sponsor,  
My name is Huoy Y. I want to become a teacher. Around my house has coconut tree, mangle tree, guava. I have cow, pig, chicken, duck, dog, cat. I like strawberry. I like red. I like to play toy house. Finally I wish you healthy.



# Community Service Wrap Up for 2016

There are loads of opportunities out there waiting to be found and the students already making the effort to find volunteering activities through outside organisations are building impressive CVs and could “jump to the front of the queue” when it comes to job and course applications. Recently, when volunteering with a group of students at the Triathlon Pink, a fundraiser for the Breast Cancer Foundation, an individual volunteer was placed with our group – she was a nursing student who, as part of her course, was expected to complete 80 hours of volunteering in both the first and sixth semesters of her course. This is becoming increasingly common as many University and TAFE courses are placing an emphasis on volunteering as part of many courses.



Part of our Relay for Life team



Wembley Down Fair

City to surf filling the cups



Wembley Down Fair - Digging post holes



Wembley Down Fair - Untangling the cables



City to surf fruit helpers

I would encourage more of our students to take up the challenge next year and continue to help our school make a difference to so many community groups and organisations.



Triathlon Pink Drink Station



Cooking for the Welcome BBQ



Relay for Life - Food time

**Sue Wogan**  
Community Service Coordinator

# Visual Arts - Year 12 Graduate Exhibition

One of the highlights of the year for the Performing and Visual Arts Department is the Annual Year 12 Graduate Arts Exhibition featuring work from our Year 12 Visual Arts, Photography and Media students

The Exhibition was held in the Visual Arts Gallery on Friday, October 14th and again proved to be a great success with more than 200 parents, students, staff and friends attending.

This year's Exhibition was opened by Ben Gubana, a former Head Boy and Media student at Churchlands, who has recently completed a Communications Degree majoring in Broadcast Journalism.

In his opening address, Ben reminded us of how pervasive the Arts are in our community and our lives and of the important role they play. He said...

*"Art doesn't have to be controversial...and it doesn't have to be popular. What I do appreciate though, is something that I can take meaning from, but also something from which I can also make my own meaning; something that challenges my point of view or makes me see the world in a different way."*

The Exhibition again showcased the exceptional ability of our Year 12 students, reflecting their passion, creativity and talent in a number of different media. Featured work included painting, drawing, sculpture, textiles, digital photography and films, including the practical examination productions from the Year 12 ATAR Visual Arts and Media Production & Analysis students.

Thanks and congratulations go to all our Year 12 students and their teachers for their enthusiasm and efforts this year and for mounting another very successful exhibition.



# Visual Arts - Year 12 Graduate Exhibition



# Arts

## Year 9 Arts

### In Week 5 local artist Amanda Shelsher came to work with the Year 9 Art students for a day

This was a great opportunity for students as Amanda is a well renowned artist who has been working for over twenty years. Her art work has been exhibited across Australia and in local events in WA such as Sculpture by The Sea. She demonstrated some of her sculpture techniques and helped students get started on their own ceramic busts. The students had a great day and appreciated her expertise. Their own works look fantastic too.

**Meagan Boyd and Gemma Bowen**  
**Art Teacher**



# STEM Club

## What's going on?

### An amazing finish to the year for STEM Club

From small beginnings our students have accomplished amazing things after school on Mondays.

Winners! Congratulations to Abhi Singh, Cameron Ke, Philip Pranoto and Helen Yang for winning their category in the National STEM Video Game Challenge. Their game titled "Time is of the essence" was coded in Unity and received praise from game development experts. The four superstars went to PAX Australia held in Melbourne for the Awards Ceremony where they met Bajo from Good Game and were immersed in game culture for three amazing days.

STEM Club participants have been busy as always at STEM Club, especially since we now have our own 3D Printer! Students are taking things to the next level by programming 3D-printed robots as well as taking on additional challenges in the science lab to improve their analytical skills.

Next year is expected to be an amazing year for STEM Club with more creative ideas being proposed by the students. There was never a better time to come down and check it out!

Are you in Year 7-9 and free after school on Mondays? Do you have an interest or an idea for a project in Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths? Come to the F Block Activity Area to get started!

For more information, check out <http://stem.puseyscience.com>

**Dr Grant Pusey**  
**STEM Club Coordinator**



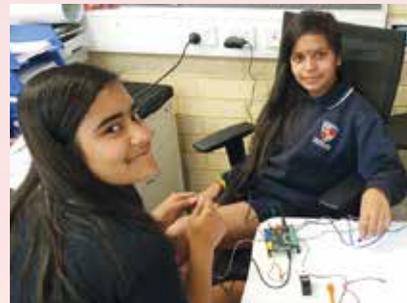
Fun with 3D printed robotic arms



Checking out our brand new 3D printer



Winners trialling the latest Virtual Reality technology



Fun with the hummingbird kits



One of STEM Club's new Little Bits kits



Winners arrive at 6am ready to start their PAX adventure



Time to build a new project with the Lego EV3 Robotics Kit



Winners meeting Bajo from Good Game to receive their award



Interviewing the winners of the STEM Video game Challenge

# Science

## Year 7 and 8 Science AEP



Alex Warton, Jack Taylor, Patrick Sucher, Jacob Shurmer and Yoshie Watters



Ryan Bayakly, Luke Armstrong and Arjie Alviar

On 20th October the two Year 7 AEP classes went to Herdsman Lake accompanied by Mr Harris, Mr Whelan and Dr Tan

We used data loggers to study the abiotic conditions of the water and determined the impact of water quality on the wildlife. We took a walk around the lake and learned about the feeding relationships. An Aboriginal Elder helped us learn about traditional use of the land and land management practices of the Nyungars. Our thanks to the Centre Manager, Mr Harris and the Aboriginal Elders who assisted us on the day.

**Dr Kym Tan**  
Teaching and Learning Coordinator



Students learn about land and land management



Mia Cooper, George Clarke and Sam Evans

### Year 8 SCIENCE AEP



Students from Dr Pusey's Year 8 Science class getting ready to test their catapults for distance and accuracy

## Science

# Year 9 Science AEP

Students were given an insight to careers in the Oil and Gas industry, and participated in hands on activities that modelled exploration and extraction of gas and oil

Students then visited industry stalls at the Expo and received free gifts. They discovered more about all the related supporting industries.

A great day's outing was had by all, which will help students gain some insight into a possible career path.

Participating students:

Paige Reeves	Olivia Bunter
Keenan Dalziell	Oskar Jurec
Harry Falloon	Ashul Patel
Conor Mc Elligott	Romy Pahalouich
Daniel Hill-Almeida	Fabian Scheffler
Nicole Kostava	Oliver Klimczale

**Ash Abreu**  
**Sustainability Coordinator**



Students creating a model of an oil reservoir at the Oil and Gas excursion



Selected Year 9 AEP students attended an "Energy for Me" day excursion at the '2016 Asia Pacific Oil and Gas Conference and Exhibition'

### School Gardeners

Interested in part or full time work? Could you work in a school? Can you see yourself as a School Gardener/ Handyman or Cleaner?

Starting in 2017 we are looking to run a one semester course on the skills required to be a successful school gardener/handyman. In addition, we will support you in applying for work in a school as a gardener/handyman or cleaner.

We have feedback that there is high demand for people to fill these roles and the chances of gaining employment are strong.

#### Gardening and cleaning course will include:

Time management, safe work practices, plant knowledge, gardening procedures e.g. planting, fertilising, watering, use of gardening equipment e.g. ride on mowers, whipper snippers, school specific equipment e.g. line marking machines, basic reticulation repair, use of hand tools, chemical use, use of cleaning equipment e.g. rotary polishers, record keeping, much more.

#### Entry requirements:

- Strong work ethic
- Good oral and written communication
- Must be able to read procedures, safety sheets and chemical bottles
- Successful completion of an entry interview
- Working With Children Check and a Police Clearance

#### Course details:

- Full time - 3 days per week - 20 week course duration
- Based in Leederville and on site at schools

If you would be interested in this course then please email:

Chris Hodson  
[chris.hodson@nmtafe.wa.edu.au](mailto:chris.hodson@nmtafe.wa.edu.au)

# Humanities and Social Science

## Year 11 Accounting



Playing the musical accounting chairs game



Team challenge - accounting relay



Playing for prizes

**Year 11 Financial Year End Party - It was one party we could have never imagined could happen and shall remember for a long time after we leave school**

Just imagine having fun partying with accounting in mind. After all, we live in a business evolved world where everything we do consciously or subconsciously revolves around accounting: - accounting for our finances, our taxes, for personal cash flow and so on and so on...

So let's play ACCOUNTING! The hour long period was divided up into two games.

### **Musical Accounting Chairs**

Donning sticky labels with balance day adjustment terminology – everyone but one in the class has chair. When the game begins, everyone scrambles for a seat, arranged in circles and the one without a chair is considered “out” or the “odd one” and stands in the middle of the circle. The odd one will then have to ask an accounting question. The person wearing the hat with the correct accounting answer will have to get up and try to be seated in another vacant seat. The odd person in the middle of the circle also competing for the vacant seat! The person without a seat will be the new one “OUT” and stands in the middle to ask the next accounting question. The game goes on and on until it gets berserk and teacher decides that someone will get “broken”- physically I mean!

### **Accounting Relay**

The class divides into groups of four or five and is seated in rows facing the teacher. The teacher asks an accounting question and the first person in the front row to answer question correctly moves to the back. Teacher continues to ask question until the first person in the group makes it to the front seat again, and is declared the winning team.

PRIZES!!! The winners of the Accounting Relay were awarded prizes and this boosted our egos.

### **Finale**

The Chartered Accountants of Australia and New Zealand made sure we left the party feeling good by taking home their free merchandise - key rings, rubber balls, fluoro pens, erasers and sticky note pads.

Not forgetting our Accounting teacher Ms Lacey and Mr Filmer the Head of Department, who sportingly participated in the games. We thank Ms Lacey for putting the FUN into Accounting.

### **Year 11 ACF Accounting Classes**

# Humanities and Social Science

## Year 11 Modern History



Students listening attentively to the lecture on Holocaust history

### Year 11 Modern History visit Holocaust Institute of WA

Both classes of Year 11 Modern History attended an excursion to the Holocaust Institute of Western Australia on Friday 21st of October. The students were given the opportunity to explore a range of historical source relating to the Holocaust and Nazi persecution of Jews as well as listening to a lecture presented by a descendant of a Holocaust survivor outlining the period.

Many students noted that the most valuable experience came when they had the opportunity to listen to the story of a survivor of the Holocaust, who discussed losing friends at a young age, his roles at labour camps, how he fled the camp and lived underground for five years with a new identity.

More information on the Holocaust centre and the events in Nazi Germany can be found here:  
<http://holocaustinstituteofwa.org.au/>

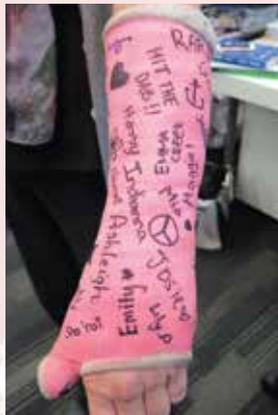
*Helena Steadman*  
*History Teacher*

## Humanities and Social Science

# Killeen's Corner

### We can always rely on Ms Killeen to provide the entertainment in the HASS Department

Recently the students enjoyed the opportunity to sign her arm cast before it was cut off. The staff have enjoyed the end to the complaining, when it did finally come off!!



Ms Killeen's favourite jokes:

**What is a snake's favourite subject at school?**  
Hissssstory



**What did one volcano say to the volcano?**  
I lava you!



# Humanities and Social Science

## Year 9 Visit to Supreme Court

Mrs Uhlrich's AEP class having fun at the end of their criminal case



Lisa Smith and Christine Kim from Ms Steketee's class posing as judges

### In a Court of Law

Year 9 students visited the Supreme Court of Western Australia in September to view a real criminal trial in action. Some of the cases that were witnessed involved armed robbery, the manufacture of crystal methamphetamine and assault.

Students also participated in the re-creation of a criminal trial where they dressed up as barristers, judges, the accused, and witnesses to determine the guilt or innocence of a one-punch case.

Overall, students found the excursion highly enjoyable and informative, with many students gaining an insight into a possible future working in the justice system of Western Australia.

**Callum Conduit**  
*Humanities and Social Science (HASS) Teacher*



Mr Conduit's class having fun re-enacting a criminal case



Mr Conduit's Year 9 students Aziah Sampson and Rose Sawyer acting as judges

# Humanities and Social Science

## Year 12 History

### Going the Extra Mile

On Saturday 3rd of September a number of Year 12 History students gave up their day to attend a revision seminar on the new History course on Australia and Asia at Notre Dame University. The seminar itself was excellent. The students were given a lot of notes and handouts that consolidated the knowledge they already had and fresh insights on the themes of the course. Overall, the general consensus was that it was a worthwhile seminar.

Afterwards, some of the students stayed back and joined in a debrief session and lunch at Kailis Brothers. It was a beautiful sunny day (for a change) and a great way to share thoughts and future aspirations.

**Alice Wells**  
Modern History Teacher



Year 12 History students with Mrs Wells

Start 2017 with Confidence  
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**JANUARY PREPARATION PROGRAM**  
OLNA - Study Skills – Essay Writing –  
Subject Revision & Preparation  
For all students entering Year 7 – 12 in 2017

The January Preparation Program aims to prepare students for Term 1 (2017) before the academic year begins. The classes will revise those important components from the 2016 syllabus that are vital for success in the new year.

The program will also preview what students can expect in their courses in 2017.

Courses will be conducted at Hale School  
Wednesday 18th to 25th of January, 2017.  
Early Bird enrolment discount of 10% before  
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Dr. Robert Hallam at WACE+ Education  
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# AEP Humanities and Social Science (HASS) Canberra and Sydney Tour

A group of thirty five cheerful, excited Year 9 and 10 students arrive at the domestic terminal in the Perth Airport on 17 September 2016

Little do they know that this excursion would be a most memorable experience. They were ready to embark on the Year 9/10 Academic Extension Parliamentary Tour to Canberra that had a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

Arriving in Canberra after a long four hour flight over the southern coast of Australia, the group headed to the Gold Creek Tourist Resort, where they would stay for four days. Each room was equipped with a TV and six bunk beds. Hot meals were provided each day for breakfast and dinner.

During their stay in Canberra, the students visited many attractions via their luxury coach and own personal driver. Venues ranged from the National Art Gallery and Portrait Gallery, the National Archive Museum, Questacon to dinosaur and democracy museums. Guided tours were offered at each stop, providing the students with plenty of context about the buildings and artefacts they were seeing.



Privileged visitors in The Senate

The Australian War Memorial was also an unforgettable experience. Here the students visited the official War Memorial, in which the names of thousands of soldiers who fought for Australia in world wars were engraved in stone. As is customary, each student was given a poppy to place next to a soldier's name that truly touched them. The group also learnt about these global conflicts in great detail through the meticulously built museums that surrounded the War Memorial.



All rise for the speaker



Remembering lives lost at the Australian War Memorial



Spider's food (at Questacon)

Working hard at Questacon

Arguably the most fascinating experience was visiting the Parliament House. For most this was a once in a life time opportunity, to observe the very place in which the country is governed and laws are made. The group was able to see both the House of Representatives and the Senate.



Sophie and Oscar in Parliament

# AEP Humanities and Social Science (HASS) Canberra and Sydney Tour



Canberra Tour Group 2016

Sydney was a fair contrast to the hectic days in Canberra. The students had a relaxing and enjoyable experience sightseeing the many famous tourist attractions including the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Sydney Opera House, Taronga Zoo, the Power House Museum and even squeezed in a whirlwind shop at Paddy's Market. The Sydney tour was to be a short one, only lasting just two days. To end the trip the students travelled in style across Sydney Harbour, before making a quick-stop at the world famous Bondi Beach.

On the 23rd, the teachers and students safely arrived at the Perth Airport, greeted by their loved ones. They were exhausted but all felt it certainly was an experience to remember.

After four cold but rewarding days, it was time for the group to say goodbye to Canberra and move on to the all-mighty Sydney. The bus trip took a solid two and a half hours, but the wait was reduced as the Year 9s cheerfully sang along to the movie Frozen (which was playing on the bus). Others took the time to complete their booklets, which were homework tasks set by the teachers to complete at the end of each day. This ranged from personal questions relating to how they felt about the trip thus far, to short paragraphs explaining the history of certain tourist attractions they had visited.



Arun and Jordan on the tour



Next top models at the Power House Museum



Enjoying the view of the harbour



Freezing beside Lake Burley Griffin

*Written by Arun Muthu  
Year 10 AEP HASS student*

# Technologies - Computer Aided Design (CAD)

## Year 9

### Revit Architecture 2016

#### What is Revit Architecture?

Autodesk Revit Architecture is a robust architectural design and documentation software application created by Autodesk for architects and building professionals. Each intelligent model created with Revit Architecture represents an entire project and is stored in a single database file. Revit Architecture is used to create accurate building designs while minimizing the time it takes to coordinate and design in a virtual environment.

Churchlands middle school students now have the opportunity to gain experience using a globally recognised software and here are examples of their work in semester two.

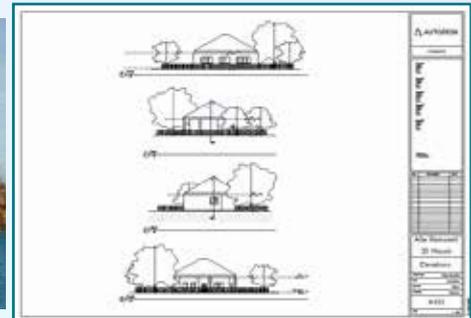
#### *Desmond Parry Technology and Enterprise Teacher*



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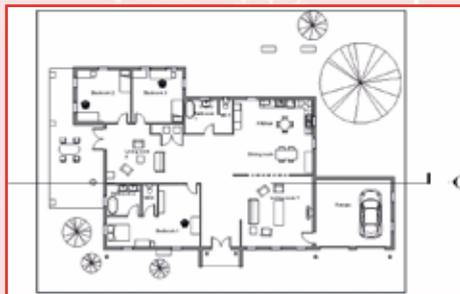


# Technologies - Computer Aided Design (CAD)

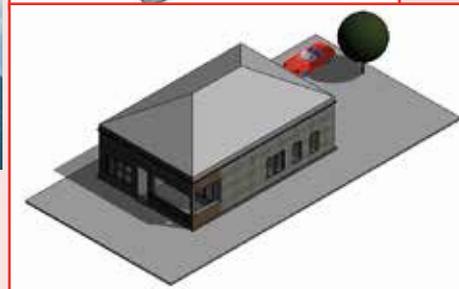
## Year 10



Lisa Xu



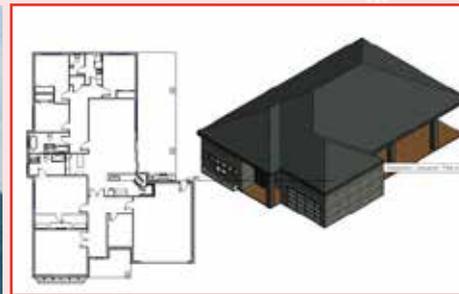
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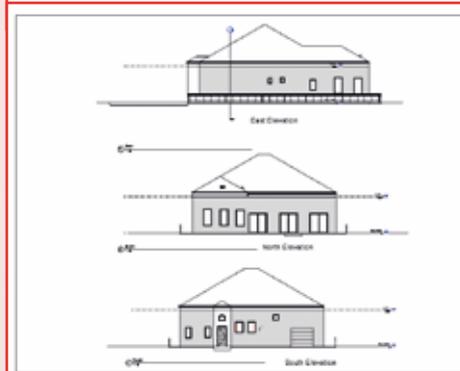
Jerry Chan



Nilan Mepani



Daniel Schuler



**Desmond Parry**  
Technology and Enterprise Teacher

### Professional Development Day 18 November

Stuart Argus displays his completed T Shirt which was exhibited on the teachers professional day in November. There are two other examples of teacher T Shirt printing.



# Technologies

## Create it Make it Club

During the third and fourth terms this year the "Create it Make it Club" have been meeting in the Tech 4 classroom in the Technology Department on a Wednesday afternoon from 3:15 pm through to 4:30 pm.

The club provides students the opportunity (on all year levels from year 7 to year 12) to come and learn Autodesk.com software products such as Inventor Pro and Revit Architecture.

Students have also been engaged in decal and T-Shirt printing, as well as 3D design prototyping using the 3D printers.

Next year the Technology Department will see more students attending this club as we hope to incorporate sublimation T shirt design, coffee mug design, watch design and drone technology.

Ethan Giumelli Yr. 8 B3 is a regular attendee of the club and proudly displays his space rocket designed and developed in Autodesk Inventor Pro a 3D printing design software.

**Desmond Parry**  
*Technology and Enterprise Teacher*



Create it Make it Club



Space Rocket

Ethan Giumelli



Solar car



Bluetooth stereo



Mr Walker Robot

### Electronics and Robotics

This semester the Electronics and Robotics students designed Blue Tooth speakers, Mr Walker Robot and the solar panel car.

**David Mance**  
*Technology and Enterprise Teacher*

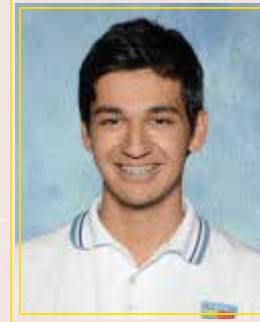
# Technologies - Computer Aided Design (CAD)

## Auto Desk Inventor

### Print in 3D

Learn Autodesk Inventor Pro the latest software from Autodesk to create 3D Prototypes

Autodesk Inventor, developed by U.S. based software company Autodesk, is a computer-aided design application for creating 3D digital prototypes used in the design, visualization and simulation of products. The All Terrain Scout Transport (AT-ST), also known as the chicken walker is just one example of what can be achieved by our Year 12. Myles Clayton our Year 12 Certificate 3 Visual Arts award winner put in a considerable amount of time to complete this outstanding project. Congratulations Myles!



Myles Clayton's  
Chicken Walker



**Desmond Parry**  
Technology and Enterprise Teacher

### Year 7



Taylor Ziebarth

### Year 10 Metal



Tom Sobey with his fire pit



Tarcia Gode with her folding shovel

### Year 11 Engineering



Jalen Weerakody



Nathan Biddle

**Rohan Hutchinson**  
Technology and Enterprise Teacher

# Technologies - Computer Aided Design (CAD) Year 9

## Wood



Danny Micco



Sahna Elkinton



Tessa De Sancha



Lachlan Forrest



Ben Elliot

## Jewellery



Rings designed by jewellery students

*Rohan Hutchinson  
Technology and Enterprise Teacher*

# Sports

## Year 9 Specialist Athletics



Last term to enhance their understanding of fitness training methods the Specialist Athletics class experienced trips to some of their local training resources, Brighton Beach and Bold Park

To work on their strength and endurance, students enjoyed continuous/resistance training by participating in a beach run. At Bold Park students completed a hill session to improve their power and endurance by running a section of the Zamia Trail.

### Running Club

Congratulations to year 7 Lachlan Schluter who became the first member of the Running Club to reach 100km. To recognise his achievements Lachlan was presented with his very own Churchlands 100km Club singlet to wear during our runs. More members are on target to reach the 100km milestone before the end of the school year. We are also looking forward to our beach run during week 9 and our breakfast in the last week of school. Any students who enjoy distance running are invited to join us Wednesday mornings-meet on the netball courts at 7.50am. We would also like to thank Miss Howard for all of her support throughout the year.

**Sasha Zarebski**  
Physical Education Teacher

Students now have a solid understanding of what exercises and how much are required to improve specific aspects of their fitness and how to take their heart rate to measure how hard their body is working in order to lead fit and healthy lifestyles. This term the class are eager to learn the art of the javelin throw.

**Sasha Zarebski**  
Physical Education Teacher



## Sports

# Year 11 General Phys Ed



**On Friday 21st October the three Year 11 classes put their sand volley skills to the ultimate test in a whole day of competition on the sand!**

After a term of soaking up knowledge and skills from their talented teachers, students were given the opportunity to compete against their mentors. Their efforts of making the strongest teams of four (or five) across all three classes were to no avail - not one of the thirteen teams could contest the teachers' abilities and advance to the grand final. Had the teacher imports Mr Van Maanen and Mr Cross arrived just ten minutes earlier, the teachers' team, "The Eventual Winners", would have had the comp sealed up. Unfortunately the Eventual Winners were defeated by "Joe Taylor", comprised of Josh Leunig, Ed Taylor, Tom Christensen, Harry Crisp and Henry Lynch. All students are to be congratulated on their outstanding uniforms and very high standards of competition management. Thank you to Mr Werner for carrying our team most of the day. Here's hoping next year the title will be returned to the rightful owners.



The Eventual Winners.....Mr Tan, Mr Marson, Miss Zarebski, Miss Howard and Mr Werner

**Sasha Zarebski**  
*Physical Education Teacher*

## Sports Fun Run



**The Health and Physical Education Fun Run and the students of Churchlands raised and donated \$4798 to The Telethon Institute for Kids**

Well done to the student who raised money and ran the 5km course.

The Telethon Kids Institute is committed to improving the health of children in WA. Our motto is "Discover. Prevent. Cure" and the money you raised will go directly into infectious disease research. We work to discover new treatments for disease prevention. We help those affected with disease to recover more quickly through better treatments and knowledge and ultimately, we want to find cures for disease so everyone can live life to the full.

"Thank you Churchlands Senior High School for helping us to continue our work."

**Chris Van Maanen**  
*Head of Physical Education Department*

# Sports

## Interschool Athletics Carnival

The stage was set for another hotly contested Athletics Carnival with rivals Melville and Kelmscott Senior High School always a potential threat

The student athletes were optimistic of another win, while the PE staff had the uncertain feeling that perhaps it was not going to be Churchlands year. How we were wrong!

The students were absolutely fantastic in their efforts, enthusiasm and spirit to compete. The Churchlands competitors were exceptional in the field events with many winning or placing. Our throwers broke records and our long-distance runners were exceptional, particularly as this event has not always been our strongest.

This year was particularly note-worthy for many of our reserve athletes stepping up without question, to fill in for others who were injured, tired or unwell. The PE staff felt very proud of the strength and courage this year's team displayed. Churchlands amassed a final score of 1475 points leading the rest by 139 points. Churchlands have now won five-in-a-row!!

Congratulation must go to the following individual athletes for winning or placing in their respective year categories:

- Aidan Ismail – Year 7 Champion Boy
- Jacob Hristianopoulos – 3rd in overall placing for Year 7 Champion Boy
- Zahra Amos – 2nd in overall placing for Year 8 Champion Girl
- Kate Roux – 3rd in overall placing for Year 9 Champion Girl
- Sarah Hynes – 2nd in overall placing for Year 11 Champion Girl
- Matthew Tilbee – Breaking the B Grade Year 8 & Under Boys Shot Put with a throw of 14.30m (previous record was 12.48m set in 1990)

A special thank-you must be extended to the Churchlands PE staff for all their time and effort, and a special mention to our amazing super coach Sasha Zarebski especially for her inspirational speeches before events.

**Bronwyn Carter**  
**Churchlands Athletics Coordinator**



# Sports

# AFL News

## Churchlands vs Wanneroo

Our annual matches against fellow AFL Specialist School Wanneroo have been played with an excellent display of skill and determination.

Years 7 and 10 played their game at Wanneroo, whilst Years 8 and 9 played at Churchlands. We hope to continue this fine annual tradition of challenging our AFL students to achieve at their highest potential. Wanneroo voted our best player for each Year group during the competition.

Year	Scores	Best Player
Year 7	Churchlands 8.9 (57) def Wanneroo 3.6 (24)	Angus Willis
Year 8	Churchlands 8.17 (65) def Wanneroo 4.4 (28)	Jack Mentink
Year 9	Churchlands 10.10 (70) def Wanneroo 3.2 (20)	Ben Elliott
Year 10	Churchlands 9.12 (66) def Wanneroo 5.5 (35)	Jordan Parin

## Claremont Development Squads

2016 has seen Churchlands students from the AFL program very successful in representing Claremont Football Club in Development Squads. Development squad selection begins in Year 8 and continues to the 16s program and is a WAFL talent pathway for senior footy at the club.

As assistant coaches at Development Squad level, Mr Marson and I have been extremely impressed by the dedication and skill demonstrated throughout the program and what is brought back into the school level.

2016 Claremont FC Development Squad members:

16s: Tom Gurner, Jordan Parin

Year 10: Scott McLean, Jake Piesse, Kai Harwood, Tom Irwin

Year 9: Sam Coombes, Ben Elliott, Elijah Mahia, Bryn Robilliard, Kai Turner (East Perth), Nate McCabe (Subiaco), Darcey Sparks (Subiaco)

Year 8: Bill Harvey, Jacob Henriksen, Tim Hogan, Matthew Kettle (East Perth), Tom Lawson, Kyle Lim, Jack Mentink, Sam Ori, Paul Payne, Jack Pickering, Campbell Rogers, Noah Sturgeon, Matt Tilbee, Jacob Van Rooyen.

## Senior Boys Footy (Year 10 – 12)

In the last ten years of Churchlands participating in this competition, 2016 has been the most successful. Hard fought wins against neighbouring Claremont District schools of John 23rd, Shenton and Carine saw the boys play cross over finals against East Perth and West Perth Districts.

In a very unfortunate end to the season, Churchlands were defeated in the Preliminary Final against the eventual Premiers. The boys are already planning the 2017 campaign.

## Primary School Coaching

As part of the Churchlands AFL Program ethos of "community links", the Year 10 boys were involved in coaching primary students at the International School of Western Australia. Feedback from the participating school was most positive and this will continue in the future to establish a strong AFL link between our schools.



Claremont Development Squad



Primary School Coaching

# Sports

## AFL News

### Junior Girls Footy Carnival

Over sixty girls from Year 7 – 9 participated in the Clarendon Districts Girls Footy Carnival. Churchlands was represented by three teams, the biggest contingent on the day. With a clear established pathway for Women's Footy leading to AFL level, talent ID scouts were treated to a very good display of girls footy.



Year 10



Year 9

**Chris Tan**  
AFL Coordinator



Girls Footy



Year 8



Year 7

A big thank you to Mrs Mary Lawson from the English Department for being a wonderful as the Editor of Churchlands Newsletters. Also thank you to all staff for contributing articles and photos for our newsletters.

Thank You



The Churchlands SHS Yearbook would like to apologise for an error that has occurred in this year's yearbook. The following students were left off the list for the Year 11 Breakfast Club on page 13.

Anfernee Alviar      Don Benny      Nathan Biddle  
Jo Cavanagh      Alexander Celenza      David Charkey

We apologise for any inconvenience this has caused the students and their families.

# Languages

## Japanese



Sarah, Sophia, Claire and Gen enjoying the movie.



All smiles!

### 2016 Japan Film Festival

The Year 10 Japanese students attended the 2016 Japan Film Festival screening of Bakuman at Hoyts Carousel.

The movie was enjoyed by all and gave the Year 10s a chance to further their cultural understanding of Japan while providing them with a valuable opportunity to enhance their listening skills in a real environment. The excursion was also a great way to reward our hard-working and enthusiastic students.

**Rick Johnston and Lee Ellis**  
*Japanese Language Teachers*



Getting ready to watch!



Isabelle, Avery and Jin all set.

### Japanese Dinner

Year 11 and 12 Japanese students enjoyed a wonderful evening at a local Japanese restaurant. We thank our hardworking students for an excellent year.

**Leah Crawford**  
*Head of Languages*



Year 12 dinner



Year 11 dinner

# Languages Chinese

On 25 November, Year 7 students had lots of fun visiting The Confucius Institute and taking part in various Chinese cultural activities

They are also to be commended on their outstanding behaviour. Congratulations on a wonderful day!

*Yu Xiao and Susan Wei*  
*Chinese Teachers*



Showing off their calligraphies



Calligraphy



Learning to write good fortune in calligraphy



Paper cutting



Kite making - Girls



Kite making - Boys



Proud of their paper cuts



Tai-chi

# Languages

## French

### Year 12 French Dinner

Year 12 students had a fabulous time at a French restaurant at the end of Term 3. They were able to practise their French skills and enjoy a delicious dinner before their WACE exams. Soufflé, pâté, crème brûlée! What an amazing way to finish the year en beauté!

**Christine Fontaine**  
French Teacher



### Year 11 French Dinner

Year 11 students had a wonderful time dining at a French restaurant after their exams in Term 4. They had the opportunity to order their meal showing off their amazing language skills. Bon appétit!

**Laurence Lin**  
French Teacher



# Languages

## French

### Sainte Marie French Students at Churchlands 2016

Sainte Marie high school from Belfort, France, visited Churchlands in September to stay with their Churchlands host students. The nineteen French students and their two teachers experienced some great activities including surfing, feeding kangaroos and traveling around Perth and the South West. A huge thank you to everyone involved and for making it such a "fantastique" time.

#### Amy Cottam - French Teacher



Surfing at Brighton Beach



History visit at Fremantle Prison



Saying "Au Revoir" at 3am



Paying their respects in Fremantle



Saying "g'day" to the kangaroos and koalas

### STeAM Student Fun Holiday Program during 9-17 January 2017

Are you currently in year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 or 12 and love building and solving authentic problems with digital technology?

Would you like to start and finish a digital STeAM project during the school holidays and keep it to showcase for a STeAM competition in 2017?

Over a two week period during the school holidays, you have an opportunity to explore and learn any of the following exciting STeAM topics.

- Coding Games with Java (1 day)
- Building and Racing Drones (1 day)
- Digital Photography (2 days)
- Build your own website (5 days)
- Coding with Python 1 (5 days)
- Coding with Python 11 (5 days)
- Digital Music (5 days)
- Exploring with Arduino (5 days)
- Python Coding with Electronics in Minecraft (5 days)

These engaging STeAM courses are run by experienced Fire Tech Camp Australia Instructors in collaboration with Edith Cowan University, Australian Computer Society, Coder Dojo and Coding Kingdom.

Our STeAM holiday event also offers additional age appropriate courses for the younger primary sibling.

For any questions, please email [info@firetechcamp.com.au](mailto:info@firetechcamp.com.au) or telephone 1300 347 383.

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# From the Library

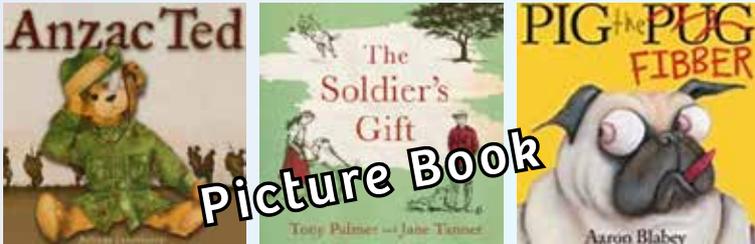
## West Australian Young Readers' Book Award 2016

The West Australian Young Readers' Book Award is the longest running Children's Choice award in Australia. Each year a list is produced for Picture Books, Young Readers and Older Readers. Students can read and vote on the books from these lists. These votes are sent to the WAYRBA committee where all the WA votes are collected and collated to find the overall winners in each of the categories.

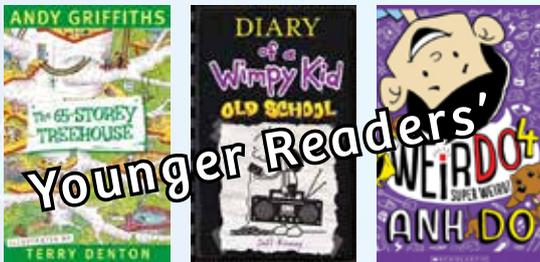
The 2016 WAYRBA competition has now finished for another year, and after tallying the student's votes, the top three books (per the Churchlands' students) in each section are:

Congratulations to the following students who were the top readers in each of the year groups. They were rewarded with a delicious morning tea (supplied by the Hospitality students at CSHS), and the top two readers in each year received a book voucher.

- Year 7: Nandita Sharma, Praneel Margole  
Tate McLevie, Zai McCabe
- Year 8: Bhakti Sharma, Helee Patel,  
Tanvi Kaushal
- Year 9: Amelia Owers, Grace Hatto,  
Tasneem Matthews, Jared Savage
- Year 10/11/12: Charlotte Owers



Picture Book



Younger Readers'



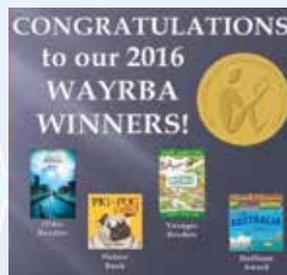
Older Readers'



### Newsflash

The overall Winners of the WAYRBA 2016 have just been announced. They are, as voted by students throughout WA:

- Older Readers – *Soon by Morris Gleitzman*
- Younger Readers – *The 65-Storey Treehouse by Andy Griffiths*
- Picture Book – *Pig the Fibber by Aaron Blabey*
- Hoffman Award – *A is for Australia by Frane Lessac*



# From the Library

All your library staff wish you a very happy and safe holiday. Fill it with lots of fun times, download a book or two from our Wheelers platform and we hope you have taken lots of books home!

See you next year!

**Sally Morris, Jane Price, Linda Mark,  
Linda Razi and Ilona Nunis**  
Library Staff



Farewell gift from some Year 12s who helped arrange the Fiction book shelves!!!



## Holiday Reading



### Have you experienced loss?

Whether they are a family member or a friend, losing a loved one means you'll likely feel like you're in pieces.

Come together in a comfortable environment with others who will understand you, where you can just chat, or simply be somewhere safe.

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# Career Advisor

# A Reflection on 2016

**It is really incredible to believe that this year is almost over**

It has been a very busy year which I hope has been rewarding for you all. The holidays are a fantastic time to spend with family and friends and to reflect on what has been achieved during the year and to think about what we would like to work towards in the coming year. For students about to enter Year 11 and 12, this is an important time to set goals for 2017 and when needed make the changes required to achieve those goals.

## CONGRATULATIONS

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the Year 12s on finishing their Secondary Schooling. It was an honour and a pleasure to be in attendance at the Presentation afternoon on November 20th and to see such a fine group of young adults acknowledged for their efforts. Congratulations to all the award winners and also to all the staff who have played such a pivotal role in helping another group of young people achieve success over such a broad range of areas.

Congratulations must also go to the current Year 11s for 'surviving' Year 11. I am looking forward to working with you again next year and assisting you with the transition from school to whatever lies beyond that for you.

## NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY EARLY OFFER PROGRAM

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded early offers to Notre Dame University for 2017 based on their Year 12 Semester 1 results, their outstanding applications and successful interviews. I was privileged to share their successes at the Notre Dame University celebration evening on Tuesday 6 December.

- Rosie Wood – Bachelor of Physiotherapy/Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science
- Lauren Joliffe – Bachelor of Biomedical Science
- Joseph Bergl – Bachelor of Biomedical Science
- Gillian Chan – Bachelor of Physiotherapy/Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science
- Emma Robinson – Bachelor of Nursing
- Tess Dour – Bachelor of Physiotherapy



## UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

Best wishes to all of those students who have worked hard to complete scholarship applications across a wide range of areas. At the time of writing this newsletter, we are unable to specifically acknowledge successful students, but I am sure that there will be an opportunity to acknowledge those students in 2017. May I remind current Year 11 students that many scholarship applications require not only demonstration of academic excellence but also of contribution to the school and broader community as well as capacity for leadership. The school holidays may give you a chance to organise and participate in volunteering activities which can add considerable impetus to a scholarship application. Scholarships, not only provide financial benefits but can also provide opportunities for overseas exchange, mentoring and look fantastic on your resume.



Rosie Wood



Lauren Joliffe



Joseph Bergl



Gillian Chan



Emma Robinson



Tess Dour

## Career Advisor

# A Reflection on 2016

### **SUBJECT CHANGES** (*now and during school holidays*)

It is wonderful to see that so many students have been giving considerable thought to their subject choices for 2017 and have already been to see me to make changes or discuss pathways to achieving their career and personal goals. Can I please remind parents and students that any request for course changes need to be made using the form that can be found on the school's website <http://www.churchlands.wa.edu.au/curriculum/senior-schooling> or from the door of my office in the library and that any changes made from now will need to be made within the constraints of the established timetable. We hope that we can start the 2017 school year with all students settled in their courses, so I will be available on the following dates during the school holidays for students to make changes - January 23rd, 24th, 25th and 27th (8.30 am - 3.30 pm). If you would like to make an appointment to discuss a change prior to the commencement of the school holidays or during that period, please contact me at school on 9441 1704 or by email [cslodecki@churchlands.wa.edu.au](mailto:cslodecki@churchlands.wa.edu.au). Please note that I am unable to complete course changes at other times during the summer break.

### **ON A PERSONAL NOTE**

This year has been an interesting and very enjoyable year for me in this role and I hope that I have added value to the Student Services Team and supported the parents and students that I have worked with. I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a New Year filled with health and happiness. Feel free to contact me at school by phone 94411704 or email [cslodecki@churchlands.wa.edu.au](mailto:cslodecki@churchlands.wa.edu.au) should you need support with your child's learning or career development.

*"Happiness is the meaning and the purpose of life, the whole aim and end of human existence." Aristotle*

**Clare Slodecki**  
Careers Advisor



## From the Student Support Officer

### **Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME) Presentation**

On Wednesday 14th September we were visited by Glenn Isemonger (AIME National Schools Partnership Director) Tasha Meyering (AIME Senior Program Manager) and Jayden Gerrand (AIME Assistant Program Manager). Ms Meyering and our Student Support Officer Kristy Woolley presented eleven of our Aboriginal students from Years 7-10 with AIME Hoodies to acknowledge their active involvement in both Mentoring Programs and Tutor Squad.

**Kristy Woolley**  
Student Support Officer



# From the Student Support Officer



The six seasons represented in the Mosaic as well as the fourteen Noongar groups



175 years old Grass Tree



Jayden showing students the granite plaques that display all indigenous graduates from the university



Breanna Anderson, Jaida Penny, Geoffrey Lewis, Carson Pikkert, Jyrone Rings, Darcy Campbell, Tylah Roe and Marguerite Hannan



Carson Pikkert and Darcy Campbell



Carson Pikkert, Jyrone Rings, Darcy Campbell, Tylah Roe and Marguerite Hannan



Year 7 and 8 AIME participants at ECU

## Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME)

### Year 7 and 8s

Our Year 7 and 8 Aboriginal students attended their first AIME day this term in Week 7. What a great day they had. An inspiring day for the students, it allowed them to demonstrate their value in learning and how school can unlock their potential. Whilst there the students broke out in to their year groups and enjoyed learning and mentoring opportunities with the AIME staff and mentors. These included sessions such as 'Seize the Power' and the 'Game of Life'.

After lunch Jayden Gerrand from AIME provided the students with a cultural tour of Kurongkurl Katitjin Centre. On this tour the students were shown a grass tree that was 175 years old. They also learnt that if you were in the bush and you no longer saw grass trees you were no longer on Noongar land. They learnt about the six Noongar seasons which are determined by the weather patterns. The seasons tells us which animal and plant resources are plentiful.

*Birak* – December and January, the first summer  
*Bunuru* – February and March, the second summer  
*Djeran* – April and May, autumn  
*Makuru* – June and July, the first rains  
*Djilba* – August and September, the second rains  
*Kambarang* – October and November, the wildflower season

### Year 9 and 10s

Our Year 9 and 10 AIME students attended their end of year celebrations. The first session was an amazing cultural enrichment activity that provided the students with language and information about traditional tools and ceremony. The students also had a great interactive music and dance session with Beni Bjah. They then broke out in to year groups to explore the historical timeline in which indigenous people fought for their rights. The students then reflected on goals they had previously set. The end of the day was celebrated with a graduation ceremony and Lakoya was awarded with an AIME art internship award.

# From the Student Support Officer



Year 9 and 10s at the AIME end of year celebrations



Trent Barwick,  
Nick Carmichael  
and  
Cody Maxfield

## Art Collaboration- Wembley Downs Football Club

At the start of term 4, Mr Roger Harris and Miss Meagan Boyd co-ordinated an Art Project for the indigenous students to design a football jersey for a local football club Wembley Downs Football Club. A number of students participated in lunchtime workshops with Miss Boyd to create pieces of work which were then submitted. The designs have been submitted and we will announce the winner once it has been decided.

**Katherine Mosele**  
Student Support Officer



Lakoya Abdullah



Alicia Roe



Nicky Carmichael with Jayden Gerrand AIME



Year 9s Takayla Quince, Alicia Roe and Lakoya Abdullah



Artwork by Takayla Quince



Artwork by Alicia Roe



Artwork by Lakoya Abdullah

# Student Services Chaplains

## The school has experienced almost everything this year

Demolition, building, planning, births, deaths, new student and staff arrivals, students and staff leaving, achievements, heartaches, looking back in time and focusing on opportunities and challenges for the future.

Both Susan and myself as a part of Student Services, have had the privilege of journeying with many students, staff and parents this year, and we are looking forward to a break to re-charge our batteries.



This is the time of year for a wide range of experiences and emotions, as we hurtle towards both holidays and the Christmas period. For many it is the time of reunion, restoration and relaxation. For some it is the stressful time of resurfacing relationship wounds, feelings of isolation and failed resolutions.

For religious people, specifically Christian religious people, this is the period of gratitude and thanksgiving. It becomes an experience of reunion and restoration with people, with belief and with hope. Many religions have different times of gratitude and thanksgiving. Such rich and yet diverse beliefs share the ideals of reunion, restoration and hopefully relaxation.

On behalf of the chaplains, local supporting churches and individuals and especially our local Churchlands YouthCare Council, we wish all members of the school community in its rich diversity and experience, a safe and restorative break. We hope your experience of restoration and reunion can extend to those who struggle at this time of year.

*Happy Christmas*

**Susan and Andrew  
Chaplains**

## From the Learning Support Coordinator

### 'YOU CAN SIT WITH ME' Anti-Bullying Kindness Campaign

In 2017 the *YOU CAN SIT WITH ME* anti-bullying initiative and kindness campaign will be run at Churchlands. The initiative supports students suffering with anxiety, depression and feelings of isolation or anyone who is feeling lost or isolated during recess and lunchtimes.

*YOU CAN SIT WITH ME* aims to bring communities together with kindness and stamp out bullying with five simple words – **You can sit with me.**

Students who wear a band identify themselves as a safe harbour, someone others can approach if they are struggling in any way. Students know that anyone who wears a band will include them and say 'Hi, of course you can sit with me'.



Initially there will be seventy Year 10 students who have volunteered to wear the highly visible yellow wristbands with the words *YOU CAN SIT WITH ME* on them. Students who choose to take a wristband make themselves visible at recess and lunchtimes to anyone who needs a friendly face.

There will also be twenty students each from Year 7, 8 and 9 who will be selected by their House Coordinators who will also wear the wristbands, providing leadership roles for lower and middle school students.

Students will agree to wear the band for the day and earn one hour towards their community service hours.

**Emma Devon  
Learning Support Coordinator**



# From the Learning Support Coordinator

## Churchlands Peer Tutoring

2016 saw the launch of the innovative Churchlands Peer Tutoring Programme. The Peer Tutoring is cross age and provided twenty five leadership opportunities for Year 9 students. Year 9 AEP students nearly knocked Miss Boyett and Mrs Devon in the stampede to sign up.

Tutoring has run weekly in Semester 2 after the initial training was completed. Year 7 and 8 students who were identified as struggling with organisation were lucky enough to be tutored by these big-hearted individuals. Tutors clocked up seven hours of Community Service but more importantly learnt a good deal about themselves and how to coach others, all while helping out younger students. The benefits for the tutees are more tangible but the chance to have a friendship with an older student whilst working on important skills was one of the unforeseen benefits. The snippets of conversation that floated past our ears were on topics as varied as Maths to tips on posting your own rap video on YouTube!

We would like to thank both the tutors and the tutees for their good behaviour. The Tutoring was a pleasure to run and it was down to the quality of the individuals who participated.

Special mention must go to Dom Pannek and Alex Slawinski who were always the first to arrive and set the tone with their positivity and friendly demeanour.

**Emma Devon and Gemma Boyett**  
*English Department*



## Lunch Club

Another year of fun and games has passed us by...

Lunch Club in 2016 has been shaped by the friendly and co-operative nature of the core group of students who regularly attend. Patrons of Lunch Club are unfailingly polite and helpful. The room was always left in immaculate condition and it is true to say that I have not had to raise my voice once this year, pretty amazing considering we meet twice weekly.

Lunch Club in Term 4 was attended regularly by Year 6 students who will be coming to Churchlands in 2017. It was lovely to observe the way Lunch Club students welcomed the newcomers without hesitation and made them feel right at home.

I would like to wish all the regulars a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and take this chance to thank them again for their lovely manners. Lunch Club is a pleasure to run and this is all down to wonderfully friendly and well behaved students who attend.

Stay safe over the holidays everyone!

**Mrs Emma Devon**  
*Learning Support Coordinator*



# Achievements Congratulations



**Tim Putt (12-S4)** recently represented Australia as Captain of Australian Under 18 Water Polo Team. The World Youth Championships were hosted by Montenegro and Tim was part of the 8th placed team that lost in the quarter finals to the eventual winners Croatia. Tim, you are a beast of a man.



**Isabella Wong (7-B5)** will be representing WA in the Australian Dancesport Championship held in Melbourne this December. Good luck, Isabella.

Friday October 14th - Sunday October 16th **Jacob Hristianopoulos (07-T4), Jade Whyte (09-S3) and Sarah Hynes (Year 11-F2)** competed against Western Australia's best in Athletics at the State All Schools Championships held at the state athletics track. All three athletes did Churchlands extremely proud, all coming away with medals!



Congratulations to all three students who have been selected to represent WA in the Australian All Schools Championships in Canberra later this year.

- Jacob won a gold medal in triple jump and bronze in long jump.
- Jade won a gold medal in 400m hurdles and a silver in 400m run.
- Sarah won a bronze medal in 800m run.



**Emma Clarke (11-S3)** gained a scholarship to Basketball Australia's Centre of Excellence at the Australian Institute of Sports Canberra.



**Trent Barwick (10-B3)** has been selected for the U17s State Softball team and will be travelling to Canberra in January 2017 to compete in the National Softball Championships.



**Bhakti Sharma (8-S3)** won 3rd place in the 2016 State Writing Competition organized by Chinese Language Teachers' Association of WA (CLTAWA).

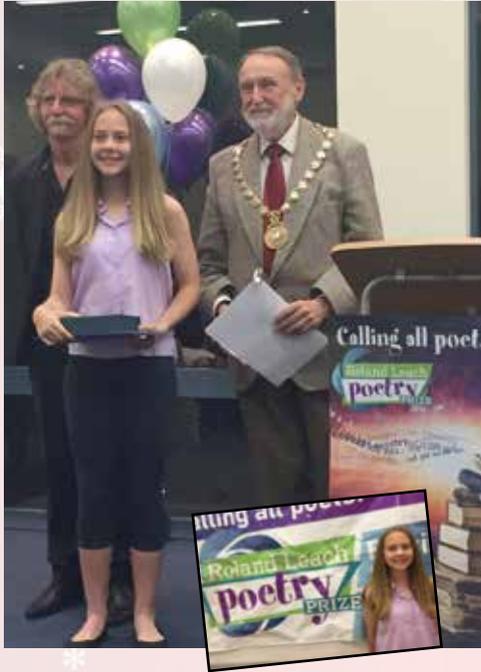


**Fred Lee (11-T1)** won the Australian Amateur Boys' Ranking in the Golf WA Junior and WA Amateur.



**Joe Spellacy (11-F2)** has been selected as a reserve to represent Australia in the under 17 mens gymnastics Austria Futures Cup on 24th November in Linz Austria.

# Achievements Congratulations



Congratulations to Year 7 student, **Sharna Lyell (07-F4)**, who was placed third in the 2016 Roland Leach Poetry Prize competition. Her poem, *Venetian Red*, evokes some wonderful images and creates a mood of mystery and suspense. All of our Year 7 students had the opportunity to create their own poems this year, and we have been delighted with their creativity and playful use of language.

## *Venetian Red*

*Venetian Red like a silk coat,  
The fierce lipstick Beyoncé wore.  
Venetian Red; autumn leaves crunching underfoot  
A mocktail sipped at sunset in Venice,  
Sirens piercing the crisp, night air.  
Venetian Red is the taste of a fermented tomato, bitter and dark,  
Feeling like the person behind the mast,  
The abandoned brick ruins of a defeated fire.  
Venetian Red; deceitful-celebrities strutting the red carpet,  
A teenage girl sneaking out for a secret date,  
The lights on a Ferris Wheel late at night.  
The evil tagliamonte ring,  
With its cutting edge, slicing skin.*



**Jane Harwood (08-F3), Scotia Broome (08-B3), Rebecca Deck (10-B3), Georgia Ongarezos (09-S3), Lauren Johnson (09-S3), Nadia Engert (09-T3), Emma O'Donoghue (09-B1) and Jessica Cake (09-S3)** participated in the Swimming WA's Open Water event at Champion Lakes on 20 November.



**Sumina Elieff (7-F4)** entered and was selected as a finalist in this year's Black Swan Prize for Portraiture – Youth Awards.

Her portraiture was one of forty four finalists selected from 160 entries.

Congratulations, Sumina, on reaching the finals. Your portraiture is amazing.



# Ski Tour New Zealand



## What the students say...

When Mr Van Man drew a mono-brow on Isaac Freeman while he was sleeping on the bus.  
*Eleanor Connell*

Gordo!!

Second time on the trip, Mr Van dad's jokes are getting a 'lil old, but the snowboarding is definitely still worth it.  
*Joanna Chandramoghan*

We learnt what type of meat sheep is and that you can't drink lamps!

Most fun I've had in a long time.  
*Max Beaton*

It's Liiiiiiiit !!!!

Disappointed not to see a Hobbit! At least the skiing was fun!

Fush and chups!

I found it very funny when Emma forgot she was only wearing a sports bra underneath her ski jacket and unzipped it when she walked into the café at Cardrona Mt, and walked around for a good 10-15 min and then won "tool of the day" for it!  
*Grace Ffrench, Emma Pickering*

Enjoyed throwing snowballs at Mr Vann.  
*Matilda Otto*

It was lit fam', me and my "homies" shredded on the green runs. "Dopest" tour of my life 100/100.  
*Myles, James, Knucklehead*

First time snowboarding, definitely / hopefully not the last.

I WENT SKIING!!!

Hobbit were not seen, instead multiple Jucy's in every direction you looked...  
*Sarah Hynes*

It was a great trip, especially considering the awesome people who came on it and the endless entertainment from both students and teachers. Highly recommend it!

Things the Year 11s learned:

- You see in 2D if you close one eye.
- SPF 15 doesn't last for fifteen mins
  - Davo = Miss Davy
- You lose pool if you sink the black
  - The men's toilet is for men
  - Sheep = mutton
  - skrt skrt chill
  - Snowboarding was extraordinary

The whole trip was amazing. Skiing was really enjoyable and the view was beautiful.  
*Amy Ryan*

We had a great time being with friends the entire trip and made some fantastic memories.  
*Liza Mantjani*

Wish I could do the NZ ski trip again in Yr 12, there should be more school trips like it.  
*Angela Tennant*

The NZ ski trip was great learning experience, in the skiing way. I started with absolutely no skill in skiing and in 5 days I was easily gliding through some of the hardest runs on the mountain.  
*Ben Hawkins*

I had a great time on the ski tour with lots of amazing memories. It's too hard to pick the best one, but I would definitely say that skiing with friends and seeing snow for the first time was a highlight for the tour.  
*Shivangi Rajgopal.*

Was good! 10/10, would do again.  
*Cooper Bailey*

Buffet dinners are good. Lots of sheep, (fake goats).  
*Michael de Klerk*

Early wake ups were a bit of a struggle, but seeing the sun rise over the mount first thing was quite an amazing view. Meals were fantastic and so were the views. Definitely a recommended trip for all!  
*Tahlia Macnaughtan*

Best school holidays ever! Also Bertie is a terrible skier!

# Ski Tour New Zealand

We got to know each other better over the duration of the trip and had the opportunity to meet new people and become close to them too. It was an experience of a life time.  
*Emma, Eleanor, Grace, Shay and Soph.*

If you knew that was my last snowball I would have thrown it with technique...  
*Matilda Otto*

It was very funny when we accidentally went on a blue run on our first day skiing. It took us over an hour and a half to get down!  
*Sophie, Grace, Eleanor and Emma.*

It was fun hanging out with people you wouldn't normally hang out with. The skiing was so fun and stacking it was a good laugh. Also NZ made Perth seem really boring  
*Tamsin Kepes*

The NZ ski tour is an adventure that everyone should experience. It's a beautiful part of the world. I got to know many different people and have made memories that will stay with me forever. Learning to ski was awesome. My memorable part of the ski tour was when me and two friends took a quiet track to the other side of the Mt, we took our skis off, sat in some snow and built a snow man while looking off into the Mts. We were so high above sea level we could see the curvature of the earth. I will never forget the Churchlands ski tour.  
*Harrison Adshead.*

The NZ ski trip was awesome. I didn't want it to end and certainly didn't want to come back to boring old Australia. I thought I would be bad at skiing, but I ended up doing advanced and expert trails. The view was amazing from the Mt.  
*Isaac Bergl*

The tour was great fun and the relationships you build with students and teachers is enjoyable. Night time created abs.  
*Sasha G.*

A ridiculous moment of the trip was when we decided to have a meeting on the lobby floor. People would get so startled when the elevator door opened they instantly close it. Those that walked through the crowd got an applause.  
*Caitlin Morey*





# Congratulations to Meg

Further to our last newsletter we have obtained some extra information from Megan Stephens in Year 11 regarding her solo English Channel Swim.



To her knowledge Megan is the youngest swimmer from WA ever to have completed the English Channel solo and the first student from Churchlands Senior High school.

Megan left WA in July 2016 and met up with Sally Minty-Gravett (an experienced open water swimmer and solo Channel Swimmer) in Jersey, UK to gain some valuable tips on English Channel swimming. The plan was for

Sally to be on the same boat as Megan for her swim but due to bad weather conditions over a number of weeks this unfortunately did not eventuate on her first attempt.

Megan had to maintain training and momentum and wait another four weeks before favourable weather conditions finally gave her the 'green light' to try again. At 11pm on 18 August, she left from Samphire Hoe Beach in the UK for attempt number two. Megan swam through the night in fairly calm conditions. Three hours in to the swim a shoulder injury started to fatigue her, she pushed through the discomfort but was unable to swallow Neurofen whilst swimming even when it was administered to her in a marshmallow! From that point on she found it difficult to eat or drink anything due to vomiting. Her Dad, friends from Melbourne and observers on the support boat all had to keep a keen eye on Megan's health throughout the swim.

Twelve hours and one minute later Megan successfully completed her solo English Channel Swim finishing at Cap Gris-Nez beach at 11am. A group of approximately forty local people dining in the restaurant 'La Sirene' cheered her arrival. The



restaurant owner, Jean Francois brought her a traditional congratulatory glass of champagne (which is legal in France!). The landing was especially significant because there is only a tiny 0.00012% chance of landing on this exact two metre stretch of coastline. What a way to finish!

On completing the swim Megan said that finishing the swim, with the magnitude of the organisation and training that had taken place had changed her perspective on many things. She was surprised and happy not only at her own personal achievement but took great delight in sharing the success of many other swimmers who had also overcome both physical and mental challenges in completing the arduous challenge. Many wonderful friendships were formed with other swimmers from all over the world.



Meg is also a recent recipient of the Pierre de Coubertin award - an award that embraces the 'Spirit of Olympism'.



Churchlands SHS would like to congratulate Megan on her significant achievement.

### English Channel Swim Facts

- Only fifteen girls (sixteen or under) worldwide have successfully swum the English Channel solo in history.
- Four of these girls are from Australia, including Megan.
- Two of these are pre 2000 and two swam this year; Megan from WA and Fern from VIC.
- The rules changed in 2000 to restrict the minimum age to sixteen.

### Administration