THE COURT CHIMES

2019, THE YEAR WE HONOUR INTEGRITY



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

PATRICIA RODRIGUES, PRINCIPAL FRIDAY 12 APRIL

Can you believe it's the last day of term 1 already!

Secondary Athletics Carnival

We had a change of pace this year holding our Secondary Athletics Carnival in Term 1. Mr Bristow ordered the perfect weather for the day and by any measure the day was lovely. We introduced a new Court Grammar tradition, the 'RESPECT Bear'(pictured above). This bear will be awarded to the house that displayed the most respect and positive sportsmanship throughout the day. This year the inaugural winners were Whitby. We also presented a smaller bear to the individual student who displayed outstanding sportsmanship, this was awarded to Tayla Cooper who stopped mid race to assist a class mate who had stopped running due to feeling ill. Tayla then walked with her to the finish line...the other student was in the opposing house yet this did not stop Tayla from helping a friend in need. More pictures from the day can be found on the following pages.

Primary School Disco

The annual Primary School disco never ceases to amaze me! Costumes by staff and students were outstanding. Well done to Mr Robert Taylor and the Primary School team for organising a wonderful evening for our students. Thank you to our year 12 prefects who 'busted a move' on the dance floor showing the younger ones how it's done. Photos can be found on page 3.

Easter Service

This morning we welcomed Reverend Lorna Green for the final time to tell us 'The Easter Story'. Reverend Lorna is moving to another Parish at the end of the month and as a thank you for all she has contributed to our School Community we presented her with a glass momento to display with pride.



Reverend Lorna Green with Principal Ms Patricia Rodrigues & 2019 School Prefects



Court Grammar School

Upcoming Events

Monday 29 April
Parent/Teacher/Student
Interviews (Secondary)

Tuesday 30 April Students commence Term 2

Wednesday 1 MaySecondary Assembly

Saturday 4 May Year 12 Ball

Monday 6 May
Year 3 - 6 swimming lessons
commence

Tuesday 7 MayYear 9 Ningaloo parent information session

Mountain bike club 3.05pm

Wednesday 8 May Year 8/9 AFL Academy Lightning Carnival

Thursday 9 May Year 7/8 Immunisation

Friday 10 May
Mother's Day Assembly
Year 3 - 6 swimming lessons
conclude

If you see the graphic below click on it to access the photo gallery on the relevant event!





Easter Raffle

Our 2019 Easter Egg Raffle did not disappoint! Thank you to all of our families who donated eggs and congratulations to all students who walked out of School with arms full of Easter eggs after winning a basket!

Parent, Teacher Interviews & Interim Reports

Our Primary School have already had their parent/teacher interviews for Term 1. I hope our parents took advantage of the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher. For Secondary students, I have finished signing Interim Reports and these will be posted during the holidays. I urge students (and parents) to look carefully at the left hand side of the report as this is where we find out how much effort we are putting into our studies. We use our Semester 1 & 2 reports to record all 'A's on the left hand side. This is then used to grant our most prestigious awards all the way to Year 12.

I wish everyone a very happy Easter and a restful break and we know that Term 2 will be upon us very soon.

Primary School Disco Fun!



























OUR EXCITING JOURNEY

STUART LEARMONTH HEAD OF PRIMARY

In previous newsletters, I have shared with you the exciting journey that we are taking in both curriculum and pastoral care in the Primary School. This term has been a particularly busy term for students, but also for our staff who have been up-levelling their skills in taking forward new and exciting teaching methodologies.

Last year, we started this journey by really looking into how we taught Mathematics; with a particular focus on making this more inquiry-based and investigative. This year, we turn our thoughts to Literacy in terms of our consistent approach to strategic development. For those who managed to attend the VCOP and BIG Write parent session a few weeks ago, I shared how this methodology is engaging and developing our students in the area of Writing. This is making a huge difference to our students and staff have thoroughly enjoyed the personal development that they have been involved in. This week, we welcomed Diana Rigg to School to lead a staff professional development session focused upon synthetic phonics and spelling development. Diana is a world-renowned educationalist whom we were thrilled to welcome to our staff meeting in order to guide us along our journey to continually strive to provide the best for our students.

If you would like more information on these frameworks, their websites are a great starting place ...

https://www.andrelleducation.com.au/#/

https://pld-literacy.org/

In other exciting news, I am very excited to be heading off to Finland over the school holidays in order to learn more about what is classed as the best education system in the world. I shall be travelling alongside 20 other school leaders in order to visit and learn from early childhood establishments, primary schools and middle schools. I look forward to updating the School community about this on my return.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday period when it arrives. Please look out for SEQTA and See Saw communication in the coming days about dates for the diary for Term 2.



THE IMPORTANCE OF AUTHENTIC LEARNING

BRAD KROKOSZ HEAD OF SECONDARY

I was excited to receive an invitation to dinner from our Hospitality students. Part of their course and assessment is preparing a meal, not just the food but the whole dining experience. Parents, grandparents and siblings were the guests of honour for this alfresco dining experience.

There is a real buzz around live events and the anticipation of being 'on show.' I watched as the students decorated the street and turned the pathway into an alfresco dining extravaganza. As the students realised the 'real-ness' of such an event their work-rate became more astute as time drew closer for their guests to arrive.

The evening began with a delightful selection of mocktails, followed by entre, mains and ended with an amazing dessert. The quality of the food was exceptional and service was second to none, years ahead of, what is for some of them, their first catering experience.

There was nervousness but also eager anticipation for feedback on the dishes that had been prepared, which comes with taking pride in what you do.

Along with the wonderful work the students did, it would be remiss of me to not mention Mrs Hills and Mrs Mellor for their amazing work with our students and assistance in the evening.

Congratulations and thank you to the Hospitality Students: Tegan Anderson, Taliah Donegan, Leah Griffiths, Kyle Lester, Mia Ouwendyk, Laura Overton, Eloise Pisa, Iesha Shahien, Jasmine Shahien, Alex Smith and Grant Van Uden, Sam Grainger, Elodie McKeig, Lance Overton and Brooke Hillman, It was a wonderful evening.

Uniform Shop School Holidays

The uniform shop will be open on the following days during the April School Holidays

Monday 15 April 8:30am - 3:30pm

Wednesday 17 April 8:30am - 3:30pm



Please let us know if you have changed any of the following

Email Address

Phone Number

Mailing Address

Residential Address

Immunisation Certificates/

Updated Records

Student Sign In Process

Parents/Carers of students arriving late to school (with the exception of the late bus) MUST provide authorisation advising the school of reason for late arrival.

This can be done via;

- 1. Phone call to 9526 5001
- 2. Email absences@cgs.wa.edu.au
- 3. Signed note in diary that students are required to show to reception staff upon tagging in via Ipad in front office.

