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THE COURT CHIMES

2023, "RESPECT FOR OTHERS"



Floral tributes from our annual Remembrance Assembly FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK PATRICIA RODRIGUES OAM, PRINCIPAL

The term began with our Year 12 Graduation, which was a memorable day for all concerned with the largest number yet of Year 12's graduating.We even had the delightful problem of not being able to seat them all on stage.

Recently we celebrated our CHARLIE'S night, which is our Arts Academy Awards Evening, and next week we will do the same with the AFL/W Academy and Sports Awards Evening. It is delightful to see so many of our students excelling in a variety of ways.

I have recently met with our Year 5 students who have been chosen as primary student leaders for 2024. Please join me in congratulating, Nate Boyd, Brooke Currie, Callum Crossley, Nate Eaves, Stephanie Evans, Sabella Ogbanna and Kyan Pescod. These students will be officially presented to the school community, along with our senior leaders, at our Presentation Night.

The 2023 Presentation Night will be held on Thursday 7 December commencing at 7.00pm where we will publicly acknowledge those students who have excelled in their studies in Years 2 to 11. Parents/caregivers will be notified via SEQTA if their child will be receiving an award, however all students are encouraged to attend. The Year 12's received their awards as part of their Graduation Assembly.

We are nearly in the end of recruiting staff for 2024 and I have pleasure in announcing the appointment of Mrs Patricia Mcloughlin as the new Head of Primary. We thank Mr Steve Dowie for his enthusiasm and energy for the short time he has been here. His particular legacy will be how far he has taken us on the journey of valuing and caring for our environment.



Court Grammar School

Upcoming Events

Monday 30 October - 17 November WACE Exams

Tuesday 14 November Yr 6 Maritime Excursion

Wednesday 15 November Kindergarten Parent Information Day AFL and Sports Award Night

Tuesday 21 November Kindy - Yr 7 Orientation

Tuesday 28 November -Friday 1 December Yr 11 Week of Challenge

Wednesday 29 November ELC - Yr 1 Nativity Yr 2 End of Year Awards Ceremony

Friday 1 December Yr 6 Celebration Assembly

Monday 4 - Wednesday 6 December Yr 10 Leadership Camp

Thursday 7 December Presentation Night

Wednesday 20 December School Office Closes

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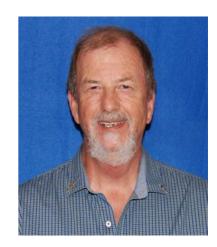
If you could have a superpower, what would it be?

- A To fly
- B Telepathy C - Time travel

D - Invisibility

In movies and comic books, invisibility is portrayed as this awesome superpower where the character can disappear to protect themselves from a punch, and then reappear on the other side of the room, completely unharmed.

But what if that character was always invisible. How could they connect with anyone? How could they make friends? How could they live a happy life if no one could see them?



The answer is they couldn't.

The only reason the superpower of invisibility is cool, is because the character can choose when to use it. It may be fun for a minute not to be seen, but a whole life of invisibility is really no superpower at all.

To BE invisible in movies and comics = power. To FEEL invisible in life = pain.

In the Acts of the Apostles we read about an encounter between Peter and John and a beggar

"One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer... Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to a temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter and John looked straight at him. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" so the man gave them his attention." (Acts 3:1-3)

This man was lame; he couldn't walk or even stand. What this meant is that he would sit on the ground begging. All day. Day after day people would ignore him. Treat him as if he was invisible.

I think many of us relate to the beggar more than we realise.

Not in the sense that we're homeless or lame. No, we're like the beggar because we can feel invisible. Sometimes this is self–inflicted, when we try to be invisible to cope with our insecurities. However, at the end of the day, trying to be invisible just leaves us feeling miserable.

What should we do? Why should we look up? Why should we live visible?

We have all been made in the image of God. We are loved and known. Even if we feel like no one else sees us, God does!

We have integrity and worth not reliant on our performance in the classroom or the sporting field. Our integrity and worth are rooted in being made in God's image. Jesus gave His life for us.

We have worth!

Given all this, we can engage with others knowing that what they think of us doesn't define who we are. It's what God says about us that really matters.

Once we look up like the beggar did, we'll be more sensitive to the ones with their heads still down. We'll get the opportunity to be like Peter and John and engage with the downcast.

The challenge is to live visible.

SECONDARY NEWS brad krokosz, head of secondary

Year 12 ATAR Examinations

Year 12 ATAR students have begun their final examinations. I would like to wish all students taking examinations over the next few weeks the best of luck. I know, through conversations with many of you, that you have been working hard and focusing on these examinations for quite some time. All your hard work will, I'm sure, pay off. I look forward to hearing great news in December when your results are available.

Examinations for Year 7 - 11

Year 11 students have now received their ATAR examination timetable and are well on their way to finalising study plans for their upcoming examinations. This week the examination timetables were sent out for students in Year 10, and next week students in Year 7 – 9 will receive their examination timetable. Staff have been preparing examination practice questions for students to ensure students are wellrehearsed in what to expect.

2024 Booklists

2024 Student booklists will be sent home in the coming weeks. Information on how to make payments for textbooks will be included. All payments are made online and resources sent to your home address. Parents often ask about second-hand books and feedback has been provided that online market platforms such as gumtree and Facebook market place are popular sites for parents looking to source second-hand books. Please be aware some courses will require both a hard copy and a digital copy and parents/caregivers sourcing second-hand hard copies may also be required to purchase an online access code to the digital copy for access to online interactive content.

PRIMARY NEWS steve dowie, head of primary

It is with great sadness that I'm writing to inform you that I will not be returning to Court Grammar School, as Head of Primary, in 2024. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Court Grammar, especially the students who have shown me kindness, friendship and respect.

Court Grammar is a wonderful School and I would like to thank all the parents and school community for being so welcoming and supportive.

I will be retiring to spend more time with family and hopefully improve my golf and surfing skills.

Over the next few weeks the students will be completing their Semester 2 testing and assessments. The teachers will be compiling and finalising reports by the end of November. Reports will be sent to you via SEQTA on Wednesday 20 December 2023.

Our Garden Centre had the first round of summer planting three weeks ago and our second round will be next week. I would again like to thank Matt Hall for germinating our seeds and providing us with healthy seedlings. Our Summer crops are: tomatoes, celery, capsicum, zucchini, silverbeet and a variety of herbs. The students love going to the garden centre each lunchtime. We have formed an Environmental Committee, driven by Mrs de Wet, to continue developing the great resource we have set up in 2024. Many thanks to Mrs de Wet and the Year 5 Green Team. I couldn't have developed our Garden Centre without their support.

Thank you for everyone who have supported the House Competition with the collection of containers for Containers for Change. On Monday 6 November the totals for Term 4 were:

Yarrabah 2333 Whitby 1804







PRIMARY NEWS

The end of the school year is quickly approaching. This term we have had different year groups involved in excursions, incursions, book Fairs, Crazy Hat Days and Spelling Bees.

Coming events are: •Wednesday 15 November	–Kindergarten Information Session
•Tuesday 21 November	–K-Year 7 Orientation Day
·Wednesday 29 November	–K-Year 1 Nativity Concert
·Friday 1 December	-Year 6 Celebration
•Thursday 7 December	–Presentation Night–Students Conclude
·Wednesday 20 December	-Reports are live

Two of our year 6 students have performed extremely well in their chosen sports. One at a state and the other at a national level.

Jayrell Robinson – Miller competed in a series of BMX Championships in Victoria last week. The week culminating in the National Championships in which Jayrell finished 4th out of 51 riders from across Australia. He is now ranked 4th in Australia in his age group.





Savannah Carnaby represented Court Grammar School in the WA All Schools Athletics Competition last weekend. Savannah competed against high school students in the Under 14 girls 3000m racewalk and finished 3rd with a 40 second personal best time. This is an amazing achievement.

Year 11 Modern History

One a hot Monday morning, the Year 11 Modern History class visited the Holocaust Institute of WA along with students from Ocean Reef SHS and Christ Church Grammar School. The purpose was to take part in a Courage to Remember workshop which explores the dangers of prejudice both from a historical perspective, and in the modern world. Students learnt more about the rise of Nazism and the events leading the mass extermination of 6 million Jews. The workshop helped to consolidate content learnt in Unit 2, but more importantly the biggest lesson was encouraging students to challenge discrimination in all its forms and be upstanders rather than bystanders. Never has there been a more important time for this lesson! A special thank you to the volunteers and the children of Holocaust survivors who gave up their time to run the workshop!

Mr Morfea Learning Area Coordinator HASS





SHULIM SALESCHUTZ : 7 March 1930 uszowa, Poland : 25 June 1942 (12 years old) c Death Camp. Poland

im was the oldest of three children born to relis Jewish parents living in Kolbuszowa,

n Shulim was 9, the Germans invaded Poland. Fermans ordered that Jewish children could not school anymore. Shulim stayed at home with other, brother and sister.

/ 1941 the Germans forced all the Jews of Kolwa to live in one small section of town. His parents moved in with them , making it very ed.

was deported to the Rzeszow ghetto on June 2, and then to the Belzec camp in July. There, was gassed with his mother, brother and siswas 12 years old.



Year 12 Activity Day

At Court Grammar School, the last day for Year 12's is referred to as their "Activity Day" (definitely not "Muck Up Day"... Although, the students did manage to get up to a just a little mischief). Reason being, this day comprises of a multitude of activities and challenges designed to reflect the students' journey at School, prepare them for Leavers' celebrations and beyond, all while raising funds for a charity of their choosing.

This year the class of 2023 chose to fundraise for the Cancer Council, with a goal of reaching \$1000.

In this case, I am happy to announce that the Year 12 students managed to surpass this by raising a grand total of \$1319.40!

They accomplished this feat by cheekily charging staff for parking, asking for donations at the Slip Road Zebra Crossing / Kiss n Drive, running a delicious Bake Sale and Sausage Sizzle, offering guesses for M&M's in jars, washing staff cars, and of course, selling raffle tickets to shave off their Year Coordinator's beard...

When not fundraising, the Year 12's participated in teams for the "Leavers Cup", which had students compete in the Amazing Academic Race, Leavers Quiz & Novelty Olympics. Throughout the day, the Class of 2023 were also treated to breakfast and lunch in the Staff Room, an Alumni & Life-skills presentation and a Realities of Leavers presentation.

Special mentions must go to the Hospitality staff for putting on breakfast, ex-Head Boy and current Board Member, Jake Branley for the Alumni talk, Rosa Vizarri from Mundijong IGA for donating sausage sizzle supplies and Ms Tami Bamkin for contributing lots of yummy treats to the Bake Sale.

Congratulations to Reese Langlands and Jake Polczynski for winning the lolly jars. Compliments also to Aubrey Moon for a gentle, yet thorough beard shave.

Overall, on behalf of the Class of 2023, thank you to all those who contributed to the cause in some way, shape or form on the day.

Mr Ben Freel Year 12 Coordinator

P.S. I do NOT love Whitby (contrary to signage around the school on the day)!

Year 12 Activity Day....



Mr Freel's Office "decorations"



Zebra Crossing mayhem



Mr Branley's presentation



Brianna from Red Frogs



Ms Rodrigues and her Cheer Squad



Roadblock: Mr Krokosz in goal against penalty taker Tayla Cooper



The Tennis Ball Scramble, beginning the "Amazing Academic Race"



Car Wash Crew in full effect

Year 12 Activity Day....



Bake Sale Beauties



Sausage Sizzle Squad, churning out the snags



The Beard Shave: before & after





Well earned Whitby Vs. Yarrabah water fight to end the day



Thank you CGS!

Wings to fly

The Aviation class of 2023 graduation celebration ceremony finished in fine style. South Metro TAFE held their graduation ceremony at the TAFE training complex in Jandakot on 20 October. Thirty-two Year 12 students from various schools received their Certificate III in Aviation (Cabin Crew) surrounded by their families and friends. After the presentations all enjoyed a scrumptious morning tea while sharing the excitement of their son/daughter's achievement. Damien and Rawcliffe Courtney Read achieved their welldeserved qualification after engaging in this rigorous training course while also completing their Year 12 studies. Courtney and Damien can now apply to an airline do a further six-week course relevant to that airline and begin their working career in the airline industry. They are excited about opportunities to travel to different places and to enjoy the many benefits that come with travel experiences.

During the morning we were given a tour of the complex which included a decommissioned plane where students could engage in the skills required to be a highly competent Cabin Crew member on board an airplane.

We wish Courtney and Damian every success in their future flying career and may they 'fly high'.







Ms Judith Stringer

Community Canine Well-Being Program

Term 4 marks the beginning of Court Grammar's trial period of the Community Canine Well-Being program and as from Week 2, Diaz the Border Collie, accompanied by handler/owner/trainer and English teacher Ms Simone Tolhurst, became a regular sight on the school grounds. Starting with a two day a week program Diaz is on site on Mondays and Thursdays and is present in classes ranging from Year 2 all the way through to Year 10. She's also been present for Staff briefings and Year level assemblies, providing further benefit to our CGS Staff.



Year 8







The positive effects of a canine presence in many environments, particularly schools, nursing homes and hospitals has been well-documented and the classroom space is a prime example of the impact dogs can have. Diaz has settled right into her routine here at Court Grammar and the feedback so far has been all positive from both students and staff. She helps out in Reading programs with Year 3s and 4s, in team-based projects for Year 6s, and supporting students engaged in sustained writing tasks or working through assessment tasks. If the trial period goes well then 2024 may see our Canine teaching assistants become an ongoing member of staff.





Year 4

Year 3



Year 12's Last Day: Thanksgiving Service, Graduation Assembly & Valedictory Dinner

No event is more significant in a student's time at School than their Year 12 Graduation... It is a time to mark the end of a substantial journey after 12 years spent studying hard and celebrate the achievement of entering into the next chapter of their lives; the real world.

The Year 12's day began by making their way to the Pavilion for the Thanksgiving Service, led by Chaplain Noel Oakey. This was a wonderful opportunity to come together in reverence to practice gratitude for the journey which the students, parents / caregivers and staff have made. This occasion also marked the beginning of a new chapter for 2024 Year 12 Coordinator, Mr Andersson, who was there to receive the baton containing thoughts and reflections from the current Year 12 Prefect group.

From the Pavilion, the Class of 2023 made their way to the Drama Room to change into their academic gowns and take a quick group selfie, before making their way through the traditional Guard of Honour, flanked by students literally "following in their footsteps", which is symbolic of their time spent here at Court Grammar. So too was their movement from the gym floor to the stage; a symbolic "step up" to a different stage in their lives.

Once called upon by their Pastoral Care Advisors, Mrs Barlow & Mrs Pugliese, each member of the Class of 2023 received their Graduation Bear from Board Chair, Mr Dave Gossage, followed by Graduation Sash and Certificate from Ms Rodrigues, and then Alumni pen presented by Board Member, Mr Jake Branley.

Afterwards, the Year 12's and their families were treated to a delicious morning tea in the senior grassed area, courtesy of Mrs Hills & the Hospitality team. This proved to be a perfect opportunity for many more graduation selfies and it was lovely to see smiles all around.

Following the morning's events, the Class of 2023 were then invited to Fremantle Sailing Club for their Valedictory Dinner, situated on the spectacular waterfront position overlooking the Indian Ocean – a location fit for the occasion.

Year 12's Last Day: Thanksgiving Service, Graduation Assembly & Valedictory Dinner continued.....

The evening was a great event for students, parents / caregivers and staff alike to celebrate the end of an era for the first cohort to travel from Year 7 – 12 with their Year Coordinator (some students also starting as early as Year 3!). The format of the night saw beautiful tear-jerking speeches from Pastoral Care Advisors, Mrs Barlow and Mrs Pugliese, as well as a wonderful address from the Class of 2023 Valedictorians, Sherila Hudson and Tighe Shaw. Additionally, all students received a copy of their yearbook, expertly produced by Lilli Manners, Jessica Avila and Holly Grainger, which quickly filled up with autographs as the night went on.

The Valedictory Dinner was certainly a very bittersweet evening; as I am so happy for the Class of 2023 to have graduated, however; it is also sad to see them go after having spent such a significant amount of time with them all.

Having said that, I wish the Class of 2023 all the best in their future endeavours beyond School and would like to thank all of the Year 12 families for the privilege of having worked along side them for all of these years.

Mr Ben Freel Year 12 Coordinator



Pre-Graduation Selfie



Post-Graduation Group Photo

Year 12's Last Day: Thanksgiving Service, Graduation Assembly & Valedictory Dinner continued.....





Perfectly timed sunset at the Valedictory Dinner







Year 12 Pastoral Team in the Photobooth: Mrs Barlow (12Y PCA), Mrs Pugliese (12W PCA) & Mrs Bamkin (Yr 12 EA)





Year 12 Valedictorians: Sherila Hudson & Tighe Shaw



A fitting venue for Court Grammar School's Valedictory Dinner

West Oz Wildlife Incursion

On Wednesday, 18 October, the Year 3 students welcomed West Oz Wildlife. Each class spent a period learning about Australian wildlife from one of our lovely parents. We were very lucky to have a dingo, koala, snakes, and a lizard visit us. The children enjoyed being able to touch and hold the different animals all whilst learning about them.

On return to class, we have all been busy creating and planning reports in our Writing unit. We can't wait to show off our wonderful reports on our chosen Australian animal that we had visit.



Year 3 Teachers...

Crazy Hat Day

These are the winners from Crazy Hat Day

1st Place Oliver Ball From 5D

2nd Isla Smowton from 2S

Teacher Mrs Retina De Wet

Thank you to everyone who made a Hat and was involved in Crazy Hat Day



POLICE RANGERS

This term the Police Rangers are participating in the Ranger of the Year competition. This sees the Rangers participate over a number of disciplines, gaining points based on their performance. The Ranger with the highest combined points will be crowned the Ranger of the Year. Activities in the Ranger of the Year competition include cooking, fire craft, WA Police recruitment fitness test, Challenge Zone Manjedal activity, drill, first aid, navigation and communication.





Secondary House Spelling Bee



Thank you to all students and staff who made their way to the gym at lunch to cheer on their Houses Week 4 for the Secondary Spelling Bee! After a heated two written rounds, we determined the top 11 spellers in the Secondary School (& top staff members, Ms Tolhurst, Mr Hemetsberger & Mr Andersson) who each earned themselves 10 points towards their Colours Badges as well as their House Shield tally;

Place	Student	Year	House	Round 1	Round 2	Total Score
		Level		Score /20	Score /20	/40
1 st	Darcy Aldersea	10	Y	20	20	40
2 nd	Henry Collins	9	W	20	19	39
	Ms Tolhurst	Staff	Y	20	19	39
3 rd	Jason Droogen	8	W	19	19	38
4 th	Tahlia Baird	10	Y	19	18	37
1.5	Mr Hemetsberger	Staff	W	20	17	37
5 th	Jacob Langley	9	Y	19	17	36
6 th	Rufaro Dhliwayo	8	Y	17	17	34
	Tayla Altieri	11	Y	19	15	34
7 th	Dan Johnston	11	W	19	12	31
	Summah Withers	7	Y	19	12	31
	Charlee Eaves	11	W	18	13	31
	Korbin Mainard	11	W	17	14	31
	Mr Andersson	Staff	Y	18	13	31
	Grand F	inal Spellers	s (Discount	ing Staff)		

These top 11 spellers went on to duke it out verbally in the spoken Grand Final, where Year 9 Whitby, Henry Collins took out the crown, earning himself an additional 10 points.

It was a heated Grand Final battle with 3 or 4 sudden death moments against Runner-Up, Year 11 Yarrabah, Tayla Altieri. However, it was a truly deserved win from Henry at the end of the day.

Honourable mention must also go to Year 10 Yarrabah, Darcy Aldersea for being the first student to achieve a perfect score in the written rounds!







Spelling Champion: Henry Collins, Runner-Up: Tayla Altieri & Round 1 & 2 Champion: Darcy Aldersea

Mr Ben Freel Secondary Yarrabah Coordinator

Secondary House Spelling Bee continued.....



Mr Andersson & Mr Jenkin getting into the House spirit



The elite Grand Finalists line up



Newest Whitby recruit, Mr Hemetsberger; stumped only by staff surname spelling!



"Desiccated: having had all moisture removed; dried out."

Good sporting etiquette between the Champion & Runner Up



Ms Tolhurst, Diaz & Miss Cartwright





"Lyrebird: a large Australian songbird, the male of which has a long lyre-shaped tail and is noted for its remarkable song and display."



THREAD THE NEEDLE CHALENGE RESULTS



Successful Pass = 10 House Sheild & Colours Points

YEAR 7

WHITBY		YARRABAH			
Name	Score	Name	Score		
	Boys				
Nil	-	Jack Reid	2		
	Girls				
Nieke De Wet	2	Madeline Jarrett	1		
Stella Brown	1	Breanna Bosma	1		
Sienna Gortat	1				
TOTAL	40	TOTAL	40		

YEAR 8

WHITBY		YARRABAH			
Name	Score Name		Score		
Boys					
Taylor Tomlin	1	Seth Grover	3		
Jye Rowe	1				
Girls					
Nil	-	Nil	-		
TOTAL	20	TOTAL	30		

YEAR 9

WHITBY		YARRABAH		
Name	Score	Name Score		
Boys				
Campbell Senz	1	Colm Galvin	1	
Girls				
Ella Hay	1	Nil	-	
TOTAL	20	TOTAL	10	

YEAR 10

WHITBY		YARRABAH		
Name	Score	Name	Score	
	Bo	oys		
Bailey Evans	2	Bradley Hendrickson	2	
Logan Visser	2	Charlie Sullivan	1	
		Lucas Green	1	
	Girls			
Nil	-	Nil	-	
TOTAL	40	TOTAL	40	

YEAR 11

WHITBY		YARRABAH		
Name	Score	Name Score		
	Boys			
Danny Keaveney	1	Koby Anderson	1	
Girls				
Nil	-	Nil	-	
TOTAL	10	TOTAL	10	

THREAD THE NEEDLE CHALENGE RESULTS continued.....

STAFF – NOT INCLUDED (Bragging rights only)				
WHITBY		YARR/	ABAH	
Name	Score	Name	Score	
Nil	-	Mr Greeff	1	
TOTAL	0	TOTAL	10	

TOTAL	0	TOTAL	10
	OVERALI	SCORES	

(Not including Staff)		
WHITBY YARRABAH		
130	130	

Congratulations to both Whitby and Yarrabah for a tight draw in what proved to be a very challenging activity; the margin for error was mere centimetres through the gazebo triangles – Which really put our pinpoint rugby passing to the test!

Special mention to Hall of Fame inductee, Nieke De Wet (highlighted above).

Remember;

- 100 points = Bronze
- 200 points = Silver
- 300 points = Gold

Looking forward to badging lots of students with House Colours at the upcoming Assembly in Week 6!

On that note; Secondary Whitby Coordinator Mrs Johnson and I were incredibly proud to present the first ever Whitby & Yarrabah Gold Badges at the recent Court Grammar Day Assembly to Year 12 students, Anton Jordon & Samuel Piotrowski.

Otherwise, all House Colours points can be tracked live on Seqta – So get checking and involve yourself in House life; "Leap into action" / "Rise to the occasion"!

Moreover, Mrs Johnson and I are very excited to award the respective "Whitby and Yarrabah's of The Year" (the standout student from each House to have achieved the most points in 2023) at Presentation Night! I wonder who it is going to be this year?....

Mr Ben Freel Secondary Yarrabah Coordinator

THREAD THE NEEDLE CHALENGE



Year 7 & 8



Year 9 & 10



Bradley Hendrickson, Year 10



Koby Anderson, Year 11 (the one that went in!)



Year 7 & 8, watched intently by newest member of Whitby House, Mr Hemetsberger



Campbell Senz, Year 9



Charlie Sullivan, Year 10



Year 9 & 10 Yarrabah, joined by Mr Jones & Mr Greeff

MONTAIN BIKE CLUB- Windup 2023

The MTB Club, has now closed for 2023.

What a great turnout of new participant's, for this year's MTB Club. The students have gained a lot of skills, fitness, confidence & friendships, while weekly riding in Jarrahdale, Turner's Hill (Dwellingup) & the Camel Farm, (Kalamunda).

For our MTB season windup, the students were treated to an excursion to Mt Gunjin, Kalamunda, which is a downhill course.

This enabled the students to be shuttled back to the hilltop, after each downhill ride, making the ride fast & thrilling.

There is usually a couple of scraped knees while sliding in the pea gravel or rock jumping, but no major injuries for the day.

The MTB Club look forward to welcoming new & current students, (Yr 7-12), back in Term 2, 2024.

A registration time will be advertised late in Term 1, 2024, for the students to plan for the following two terms of riding.

Thank you again, to the wonderful commitment of this season staff helpers, Mr Campbell, Mr Snashall, Mr Greeff, Mrs Glenn & Mrs Gallatly.

MTB Coordinators Mr Campbell & Mrs Gallatly









Arts Academy Awards Night

November 26 saw our third annual Arts Academy Awards night - "The Charlies" – hosted in the Pavilion. The night was a celebration of the achievements of the Arts Academy students and an opportunity to introduce our new 2024 members. Students, friends, and family also came to see a small sample of works by our Visual & Digital Arts students, and a performance by our Junior Musical Theatre students. We farewelled our Year 12 students, awarded some students for their excellence throughout the year, and finished with a supper under the stars. The night was a great success. Thank you to the students, parents, staff and special guests who came to celebrate with us all.

Listed below are the award winners for 2023:

Visual/Digital Arts: Junior Academy Most Improved – Cameron Port Perseverance – Kyan Pescod Congeniality – Kiala Herdman

Visual/Digital Arts: Senior Academy Most Improved - Chloe Young Perseverance – Tahlia Norris Congeniality – Lily Norris

Jr Monet Award – Aoife Ebbelaar-Rhodes

Monet Award – Zeenya Imran

Musical Theatre: Junior Academy Most Improved – Summah Withers Perseverance – Abigail Cooper Congeniality – Georgie Ward

Musical Theatre: Senior Academy Most Improved - Holly Grainger Perseverance - Chelsea Carnaby Congeniality – Lilli Manners

Triple Threat Award – Lilly Quinn

All-Star Award -Maddison Shepherd

Jocelyn Pugliese Head of Arts Academy



River Cruise 2023!

On Friday 20 October the Year Ten cohort had their first official school social function. We met at Barrack Street Jetty where we all had to wait patiently for Mr Furzer to arrive, once he had graced us with his presence we all boarded the boat and were able to depart the dock early!

The students received a briefing from the captain, followed up by a quick outline of the night's events by yours truly. Shortly after this we all sat down and had a lovely buffet dinner where the food was deliciously prepared with plenty of choice.

As soon as dinner was scoffed down the students rushed to the dance floor where they stayed till the end of the night. They showed some phenomenal dance moves throughout the evening, and had the dance floor pumping non-stop!

The following came from one of the students who led the Organisation Committee:

"Friday the 20 October the Year 10's embarked on a memorable evening by attending the Year 10 River Cruise. The night was filled with laughter and dancing, as we created memories that will stick with us forever. The River Cruise was a great opportunity for the Year 10s to come together and bond as a year group. A big thank you to all teachers who gave up their own time to be a part of this evening. We appreciate all efforts that went into organising this unforgettable night."

This year there were six awards, the usual Best Dressed and Best Dancer awards. In addition to this, for the first year we introduced a King and Queen of the River Award which was awarded based on the votes from all the students in attendance. When this award was announced the students almost took the roof off the boat with cheers and screams of joy for the newly crowned King and Queen!

A big thanks goes to the crew of Captain Cook Cruises who did an amazing job, catering and keeping the boat afloat throughout the night. A massive thanks goes to the teachers who came and helped the night along:

- Mr Furzer
- Mr Snashall
- Ms Tolhurst
- Mr Krokosz
- Mr Hemetsburger
- Mr Greeff
- Mr Faulkner
- Ms Paula Bean



Community Weave 2023

"In every thread, we discover our common thread."

Both students and staff came together to craft this woven work of art. They were encouraged to inscribe optimistic messages on their fabric scraps, reflecting their sense of belonging to the Court Grammar School community.



eSafety Youth Council - applications now open



Know a young person aged 13-24 eager to make a difference? Applications for the <u>eSafety Youth Council</u> are open! This unique opportunity gives young people a way to share their thoughts and experiences about online safety with eSafety and the Government, ensuring that issues that matter most to them are understood and addressed. For more information, visit <u>eSafety.gov.au/join-youth-council</u>.

The eSafety Youth Council is a great opportunity for young people to share their voices with industry leaders and government to help us understand what a safer online world could look like, ensuring it resonates with and protects younger generations. Young people can apply via the <u>eSafety website</u>.

Applications close 1 December 2023.

Uniform Shop Opening Times

During School Term Mondays: 8.00am - 11.00am Wednesdays: 12.30pm - 3.30pm

During January School Holidays

Thursday 25 January: 9am – 12pm & 12:30 until 3pm (closed for lunch between 12pm and 12:30pm) Monday 29 January : 9am – 12pm & 12:30 until 2pm (closed for lunch between 12pm and 12:30pm) Tuesday 30th January: 8am until 12pm

As always, if you know the size and item, please complete an order form, which will be made ready for collection from Reception.



Canteen News

Please remember to order before 8.00am and only those items which are shown as these are available.

Sports & Specials Photos



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2024 Calendar*

Yr 12 ATAR Students commence

Australia Day Public Holiday

Yr 11 Peer Support Training

All classes commence

School Office Opens

Monday 8 January Friday 26 January

Term One (9.5wks)

Thursday 25 January Monday 29 January Tuesday 30 January Wednesday 31 January Monday 4 March Thursday 28 March

Term Two (10wks)

Monday 15 April Tuesday 16 April Thursday 25 April Monday 3 June Friday 21 June

Term Three (10wks) Monday 15 July Tuesday 16 July Friday 23 August Friday 20 September

Term Four (9 wks)

Monday 7 October Thursday 5 December

Wednesday 18 December

Labour Day Public Holiday Teaching Staff and Students finish Term One Staff Professional Development Day – Pupil Free

All Yr 7 Students and Yr 11 Peer Support Leaders commence

Staff Professional Development Day – Pupil Free Students Commence ANZAC Day Public Holiday Western Australia Day Public Holiday Teaching Staff and Students finish Term Two

Staff Professional Development Day – Pupil Free Students Commence Staff Professional Development Day – Pupil Free Teaching Staff and Students finish Term Three

Students Commence Presentation Night Students finish Term Four School Office Closes

*Dates as at 25 August 2023. Dates may be subject to change. ** Uniform Shop Opening Hours in January are by appointment



2023 Anglicare WA Schools Christmas Appeal

Every year Anglicare WA supports thousands of children across the state. Our frontline staff tell us that one of the things that families often struggle to afford when going through hard times is **back to school supplies**.

Please help us ensure as many children as possible start the 2024 school year with confidence and dignity by donating backpacks filled with essential stationery items.

Number Number Item Item per per backpack backpack Backpacks Textas 1 1 pack Lunch Boxes 1 Coloured Pencils 1 pack Drink Bottles Glue Sticks 3 1 Display Books A4 20 2 HB Pencils 4 Pocket Refillable Exercise Books A4 2B Pencils 4 4 2 3 Scrapbooks Blue Pens Megasaurus 335x245 Red Pens Headphones 1 2 2 Pencil Cases 1 or 2 Erasers Artline Markers Black Pencil Sharpener 2 1 Ruler 300mm **Highlighter Markers** 4 (1 pack) 1 Crayons Crayola 1 pack Scissors 1 Twistables

EACH BACKPACK SHOULD IDEALLY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

Once each backpack is packed, if there are any remaining donations they should be sorted into categories, ready for pick up or delivery.

Thank you for your support this Christmas. For more information, contact Kelly Keall on 0407 284 771.

