THE COURT CHIMES

2019, THE YEAR WE HONOUR INTEGRITY



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

PATRICIA RODRIGUES, PRINCIPAL FRIDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 2019

Orientation day

This week we held our annual orientation day for new students in our Primary School and those entering Year 7 in 2020.

I can proudly report that it was one of the best we have held. I was delighted with the many positive comments. Some families went home wishing to enrol siblings and certainly some very disappointed that we are unable to enrol more into our Kindy Programme next year, as we already have a wait list.

Can I remind parents with little ones that it is ESSENTIAL you book into Kindy for 2021 and 2022, if you wish for a place.

The most wonderful comments were from new Yr 7's for 2020 who felt warmly welcomed by our present Yr 6's. All the Yr 7's for 2020 were introduced to Mrs Claire Blyth, who has been appointed as their Year Coordinator.

Well done everyone!

Sports Awards Night

Last week we held our 2019 Sports Awards Night. This was very well attended and it was a pleasure to be able to highlight those students who have excelled in sport during the year. Thank you to Mr Bristow and the PE staff for organising such a wonderful event.

Parent Survey

You will have received this week an email from the School, asking you to complete a 2019 CGS Parents/Guardians Survey. As this is a registration requirement, all schools must seek feedback. I encourage you to complete the survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LN2BTMG

Uniform

Reminder to our all families that as of next year only Court Grammar uniform is to be worn. When the School Board decided to change the name all families were notified that the SJGS uniform was able to be worn until the end of 2019. The only exception to this is the school bag and socks.

Presentation Night

This year's Presentation Night will be held on Friday, 6 December at 7.00 pm in the Wellstrand Centre. All students and their families are encouraged to attend this evening, where we celebrate the year's academic success. Students receiving an award will be notified by letter early next week.



Court Grammar School

Upcoming Events

Monday 25 NovemberPolice Rangers

Tuesday, 26 - Friday, 29 November Yr 10 Exams Yr 11 Week of Challenge

Tuesday 26 November School Tour

Friday 29 NovemberYr 6 Celebration Assembly
Yr 9 Soiree

Monday 2 December
Yr 10 Peer Support Training
Police Rangers
AFL Launch
Yr 6 - 2020 Camp Parent
Meeting

Tuesday 2 - Friday 6
December
Yr 10 Work Experience
Yr 7-9 Exams

Wednesday 4 December K-Yr 2 Nativity

Friday 6 December Presentation Evening Students conclude

Thursday 12 December School Office Closed

Wednesday 18 December -Monday 6 January School Office Closed

Congratulations - Kano Unghango Yr 9



The Stephen Michael Foundation delivers a Rising Leaders Program in several schools across the South Fremantle region, including Court Grammar. Students were recently asked to design guernseys that relate to story about their communities, schools and town. Kano's design was chosen as the winner for our School. Congratulations Kano! Your design is wonderful!

Yr 8 Woodwork

The Yr 8's recently completed their profiles of an Australian animal. They selected a profile, then glued it onto a block of timber and sawed the shape out on the bandsaw. The rest of the work was done by hand, shaping the animal to the required shape, using a rasp and different grades of sand paper. The animal was then polished and mounted on a wooden base. An amazing amount of talent was uncovered. *Mr Ferriera*



Primary AFLW



On Friday 8 November, our Primary AFLW Academy students took the road to Anning Park to compete in the Freo Dockers Cup carnival. With temperatures soaring past 35 degrees, the girls stayed cool with an esky full of ice and plenty of water. Some of the girls took the liberty in pouring a bucket full of iced water over themselves, only to be dry in almost an instant!

Our girls were lucky enough to meet some of the Fremantle Dockers AFLW newest players in Aine Tighe and Kate Flood, Freo's Irish recruits as well as Roxy Roux, Fremantle's number one pick. Kate, Aine and Roxy put the girls through some fun activities during their bye and even learned a few dance moves!

We faced some tough competition throughout the day, playing against teams with players almost always taller and older than our girls. What we lacked in size, we made up with heart! No matter how the games were going or how hot it was, our girls never gave up and ran all the way until the siren sounded.

Out of 10 teams, our girls came 5th, which is an extraordinary effort!

I look forward to seeing the girls compete again next year! *Miss O'Sullivan*

Yr 3 and 5 Poet Tree!

On Friday, 8 November, the Yr 5's in Mr Taylor's class joined up with their buddies in Yr 3 for a joint poetry writing session. The Yr 5's had been learning how to write a 5 line poem called a cinquain, so they spent the afternoon teaching the Yr 3's how to write a cinquain about a topic of interest. They wrote their poems on large 'leaves' and decorated them. We then made a Poet Tree from the leaves to display in the primary school with the help of one of our wonderful Education Assistants, Mrs Jodie Brown. *Mr P Taylor*





HASS Yr 9 Business Day





Yr 6 Hospitality



This week saw friends and family of the Year 6's attend a morning/afternoon tea which were catered for by the Yr 6's.





PRIMARY NEWS

STUART LEARMONTH, HEAD OF PRIMARY



Orientation Day

This week, we held our Orientation Day; a day for new and existing students to come together with their teachers and education assistants for 2020. Being able to offer all of our students a day in the life of 2020 is very important to us. It allows students to feel more at ease with who they will be learning with and where their learning will take place. As a community, we must accept that decisions for class and teacher placement should not be a secret, but rather shared and celebrated in order to relieve any anxiety or worries that children may have. By all accounts, it was a successful day. I must offer an apology that we ran out of sausages at the sausage sizzle! On previous occasions, we have been left with so many sausages which have

gone to waste, so this time, we took this into account. It is testament to our strong community flair that so many people attended, but I do feel so bad that we ran out. However, I am very pleased that families and staff had the chance to mingle and meet one another, which is of course the intention behind the event. Could I please take this opportunity to remind everyone that lots of careful consideration goes into the placement of students with staff and other children. In making these decisions, we consider many factors such as gender balance, ability spread and friendship groups. Class teachers largely make these decisions as these are the people who hold the most accurate information about our students on a day-to-day basis. May I also make a reminder that class and teacher placements remain at the discretion of the School. As previously communicated, requests are always taken into account, but never guaranteed.





Early Learning Environments

Following on from our Orientation Day, students are now fully aware of where their learning environments will be for 2020. Please note that there are changes to the physical layout of some Early Learning environments next year. Some of you may recall that the present Year 1 building was originally our Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten building. This building will revert to this purpose in 2020 as it is best suited to younger, smaller children in terms of its size and functionality. Year 1 have been more than adequately accommodated here in 2019 with only 29 students, but with increasing numbers for 2020, we feel that these older students require a larger space in which to learn and grow. This has a knock-on effect in other learning areas. Therefore, the present Pre-Primary classrooms (2019) will accommodate Year 1 in 2020 and the present Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten space (2019) will accommodate Pre-Primary in 2020. We are very fortunate that we have beautifully designed and maintained learning environments across the whole School and we have a wonderful team of staff delivering top quality educational experiences to all children throughout the School. Our staff team have already started preparing for how these environments will take shape in 2020 following our nature pedagogy and 'home from home' feel. We are all looking forward to 2020.

SECONDARY NEWS

BRAD KROKOSZ HEAD OF SECONDARY

On Tuesday 19 November, our current year 6 students were joined by students from local primary schools for our 2020 Year 7 Orientation Day.

The theme of the day was based around the school's values of Community and Humility. The focus was to get to know one another and have new experiences. The day began with a series of ice-breaker challenges. The birthday line challenge required students to find others who had birthdays nearest to theirs, in which we discovered some 'secret twins' amongst the students. Answering 20 questions in a speed-dating format required the students to share personal stories, experiences and interests with each other.

Once the students began to know each other, it was time for many of our new students to discover the school campus in more detail. What better way to explore the campus than engage in an amazing-race style activity with our current year 6 students. Students explored Foundation Square, the sporting facilities, the year 9 challenge activities completed by past students and even ventured over to the Early Learning Centre in search of the answer to the challenging questions.

The students were then divided into groups and attended demonstrations and activities in Science, they challenged each other in a spaghetti tower competition and Physical Education engaged students in a basketball camp.

Students finished the day reflecting on their newly-made friendships, and experiences. This group of students truly demonstrated humility towards each other and a strong sense of community. I look forward to 2020.

Yr 11 Integrated Science

This term, the Yr 11 Integrated Science class investigated the process of decomposition. They designed an experiment to investigate the rate of decomposition when chicken carcasses (standard raw roast chickens from Steggles) were placed on different substrates or environmental conditions. The control situation was on a concrete block, and the other substrates were on mulch, on sand, suspended in the air, and submerged under water. As expected, blowflies were the first insects to arrive on the scene, along with meat ants, while the chicken on sand was visited by bandicoots who consumed a portion of the carcass over the first few nights. By Day 4 while our chickens were in the process of "Active Decay" and were nice and

smelly, we welcomed thousands of maggots into the world who would begin their very important 'clean-up' job. We returned after the weekend to find the decomposition process had stalled, sadly, with the death of all the maggots due to the extremely hot weekend weather. Although there should have been a new round of maggots laid on the Monday in the cooler weather, the unusually cold weather and rain for the rest of the week set this process back once more and we concluded the experiment on Day 10 amidst the storm. In conclusion we found that the environmental substrate definitely had an effect on the process, (our sand carcass was the most decomposed by Day 10) however the weather was the single most important factor since temperature effects so many of the life, and death, processes!

Ms Lowry



MIKE JENZEN DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Anglicare Christmas Appeal

I would like to remind our community that we are again participating in collecting goods for the Anglicare Christmas Appeal.

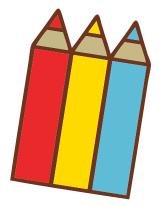
Anglicare staff tell us that one of the things that families often struggle to afford when going through hard times is school equipment. Items such as backpacks, lunchboxes, water bottles, pencils, pens, textas and exercise books are items required for all students attending school and we all know how quickly the cost of these items can add up, but in some cases they become unaffordable.

Not to be able to send your child to school with the correct school supplies impacts not only their education but their confidence and dignity. Every year, Anglicare WA works with around 10,000 children across the state, and during this Christmas season we want to make sure that as many of those children receive the back to school supplies they need, ready for the 2020 school year.

I have listed below a list of the school supplies that Anglicare are appealing for. They will also accept financial donations and donations of gift cards to purchase the supplies with.

Each day Student Ambassadors will come around to classes to collect items.

Thank you in advance for your support.



School Supplies Needed

Backpacks Lunch Boxes

Drink Bottles

Display Books A4 20 pocket refillable

Exercise Books A4

Scrapbooks Megasurus 335 x 245

Headphones

Pencil Cases

Glue Sticks

Artline Markers Black

Highlighter Markers

Crayons Crayola Twistables



Coloured Pencils

Oil Pastels

HB Pencils

2B Pencils

Blue Pens

Red Pens

Erasers

Pencil Sharpeners

Rulers 300mm

Scissors

Gift Vouchers













Pen Pals

On Wednesday, 20 November, the Yr 7 and Pre Primary students met their Pen Pals for the first time. It was a very exciting moment for all children as they discovered who and what their penned friend was like. A fabulous opportunity for the high school and primary school to connect.

Mrs Vos





Careers in STEM for Peel Schools Launch

Representatives from the School attended the official launch of Peel Bright Minds, with Prof Lyn Beazley in Mandurah recently. There were 5 young speakers showcasing their paths through schooling, university, TAFE and young adult life. One was our very own, past student (2016), Reece Jerret who is now employed by Landcare in Mundijong, monitoring Black Cockatoos and creating tree corridors for this endangered bird.



Reece Jerret, second from right

Music Tuition 2020

Parents if you wish to withdraw your child from Music lessons in 2020, a withdrawal form must be submitted to Mrs Barlow **no later than the end of next week, (week 7) of this term**. If no withdrawal form is submitted by the end of the term then your child will be put back into the timetable for next year and invoices sent home during the summer holidays. Withdrawal forms can be obtained from the Front Reception or by contacting Mrs Barlow.

Spaces are still available for music lessons in 2020 in Piano, Strings, Voice, Guitar and Drums. If you would like your child to participate in instrumental lessons, forms can be obtained from reception or alternatively by contacting Mrs Barlow.

School Dates - 2020

Monday 6 January School Office Opens

Monday 27 January Australia Day Public Holiday

Term One

Thursday 30 January Yr 12 ATAR Students commence Friday 31 January Yr 11 Peer Support Training

Monday 3 February All Yr 7 Students and Yr 11 Peer Support Students

commence

Tuesday 4 February All classes commence

Monday 2 March Labour Day

Thursday 9 April Teaching staff and students finish Term One

Term Two

Monday 27 April ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 28 April Students Commence Monday 1 June Western Australia Day

Friday 26 June Teaching staff and students finish Term Two

Term Three

Monday 20 July Students Commence

Monday 24 August Staff Professional Development Day

Friday 25 September Teaching staff and students finish Term Three

Term Four

Monday 12 October Students Commence
Wednesday 9 December Presentation Night

Students finish Term Four

Friday 18 December School Office Closes

^{*}Dates as at 9 November 2019: Dates may be subject to change.

^{**} Uniform Shop Opening Hours in January are by appointment

Uniform Shop -Opening Times

The uniform shop is open on Mondays, 8.00 - 11.00 am and Wednesdays, 12.30 pm - 3.30 pm.

Students are able to access the Uniform Shop during recess on Mondays and lunch time on Wednesdays.



Online Canteen

Please remember the cut off time for online ordering is **8.00 am** with QuickCliq.

Court Grammar Uniform News

All uniform items, except the school bag and socks with the SJGS logo, are to be with the Court Grammar logo from 2020.

How to Order copies of the Whole School Photo

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RECYCLABLES NEEDED

THE PRIMARY STEM TEAM ARE PLANNING AWAY IN PREPARATION FOR S.T.E.M LEARNING IN 2020.

WE ARE AFTER A RANGE OF EVERYDAY RECYCLABLE ITEMS TO HELP US STOCK SUPPLIES FOR A RANGE OF YEAR GROUPS ACROSS THE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE BELOW ITEMS, COULD YOU PLEASE DROP THEM OFF TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASS TEACHER.

-ALUMINIUM CANS
-PLASTIC BOTTLES
-ICE-CREAM CONTAINERS
-YOGHURT CONTAINERS

-SHOE BOXES
-BOXES
-FABRIC SCRAPS

-PAPER PLATES
-PLASTIC STRAWS
-PAPER CUPS
-FOAM PACKAGING OR STYROFOAM



PIC.COLLAGE

Information from the Child and Adolescent Health Service

Scoliosis

Scoliosis is an abnormal sideways curvature of the spine. It can be detected by a simple examination of the back.

The normal spine has three curves – one in the neck, on in the upper back and one in the lower back.

These curves can be seen from the side, but when you look from behind the spine should appear straight. If the spine has a sideways curve, this is scoliosis.

An information leaflet about Scoliosis will be distributed to all year 6 students in term 4. Please read through the information provided and check your child for scoliosis as described in the leaflet.

If you have any concerns, please contact your General Practitioner or Community Health Nurse, Jane Skoll 9390 2289.

Colour Blindness

Colour blindness means that a person cannot distinguish some colours or see the colours differently to other people. Very few people who are colour blind are 'blind' to all colours. Commonly, the colours seen differently are greens, yellows, oranges and reds.

An information leaflet on colour blindness will be distributed to all Pre-Primary and Year 6 students in term 4.Please take the time to read the pamphlet.

For more information and see the Colour Blind Awareness and Support Group on http://www.members.optusnet.com.au/~doverton/

If you have any concerns, in any year group regarding colour vision please consult with your GP as testing can be performed by some general practitioners, eye specialists or optometrists.

Child and Adolescent Health Service





Down South Therapy is excited to announce that we will be offering a range of groups for your child in the upcoming 2020 January school holidays.

SCHOOL READINESS GROUPS will provide your child with the skills and confidence to promote success in the upcoming school year targeting specific skills surrounding phonological awareness and handwriting skills.

These groups are run for children of all ages and abilities.

WE THINKERS SOCIAL SKILLS GROUPS Based on the We Thinkers! Series this group will help your child to better understand themselves and others, develop self-awareness, perspective taking, social problem solving, and will support your childs social-emotional learning, relationship building, classroom learning and academic performance. The We Thinkers Social Skills Groups are run for children of all ages and abilities.

STRONG BODIES GROUP will provide your child with the opportunity to further develop their core, gross motor and fine motor strength. This group will help your child in their academic and social performance at school and overall confidence in participating in a range of activities at home school and in the community. The Strong Bodies Groups are run for children of all ages.

LEGO SOCIAL SKILLS GROUPS will provide your child with the skills and confidence in cooperation, problem solving, conversation, communication and social skills and most importantly building friendships. These groups are based on the Lego Therapy Program to assist children of all ages and abilities.

BOARD GAMES SOCIAL SKILLS GROUP will provide your child with the opportunity to develop their social skills, communication and conversational skills, problem solving skills, cooperation and winning and losing skills whilst having fun learning and playing board games with their peers. The Board Games Group is suitable for children from 8 years old to teenagers.

CHILL-OUT GROUP will provide your older child and teenager with the skills and confidence to manage and regulate their feelings around anger. Based on the RAGE program (Re-navigating Anger and Guilty Emotions) it will help your child to recognise provides their body responses, the impact on others and regulation strategies. Chillout groups are suitable for children from 10 years old to teenagers.

COMMUNITY EXPLORERS GROUP will provide your older child and teenager with the skills and confidence for participating in activities in the community with a group of their peers, developing independence, problem solving, communication and social skills. Members will participate in a selected activity in the community as decided on by the group, focusing on developing skills for planning, preparation and participating in the activity by the end of the week.

All families will be provided with useful handouts including activities for home and school and a summary report of their child's performance.

These groups are planned for and facilitated by Speech Pathologists, Occupational Therapists and Physiotherapists. Developed using current evidence based practice and research our groups are unique and specialised in providing your child with the best opportunities for growth and development

Spaces are limited and fill quickly, please contact us 0404 698 218 or enquiries@downsouththerapy.com.au for further information and to secure a placement. NDIS, NDIA, Government, Medicare and Private Health Insurance Rebates are available.

Where: Venues in Rockingham, Mandurah, Armadale and Fremantle regions When: Each group runs Monday – Friday for 2 hours per day for one week. Groups will be on offer every week in January pending numbers.

Who: For children and teenagers of all ages



Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Activities



The Spring Program of Community Events and Activities is available at http://www.sjshire.wa.gov.au/news-and-events/events-calendar/month/November/2019