

# THE COURT CHIMES

2020, THE YEAR WE PRACTISE HUMILITY - "OTHERS BEFORE SELF"

# WELCOME

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

**PATRICIA RODRIGUES,**  
**PRINCIPAL**

**FRIDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2020**

Welcome back to Court Grammar for 2020 to those who are already part of our Court Grammar community and a special welcome to those who are joining our community for the first time. We are delighted that you are with us. If the last fortnight is anything to go by, we are going to have a jam packed, eventful 2020.

As you know, each year we rotate the value on which we focus for the year. This year we are focused on humility - "Others before Self". This value will be forefront in our minds in everything we do and say during 2020.

Thank you to all our families for making the change to Court Grammar a smooth and successful one. I am aware that some believed that this was not necessary however, it is important to embrace our new name wholeheartedly.

Our new Art Centre is well under way and we hope to be able to move in, in Semester 2.

### New staff

A special welcome to our new staff

Candice Brown	LAC English
Tim Moore	Physical/Outdoor Education & Police Rangers
Stacey Ashton	Year 6
Tanya Van Den Dries	Year 5
Kahli Bedford	Year 2
Tabitha Dennis	Primary DOTT
Angela Gileno	Inclusive Education
Joey Wong	Primary Music
Kerry Brown	Education Assistant
Claudia Greeff	Education Assistant
Jacob Curulli	ICT Manager

We are also delighted that the following staff have returned from their maternity leave

Karen Johnson	Science/Maths
Sarah Powell	Education Assistant
Melissa Ward	Education Assistant

We also have Dion Anthony covering Robert Furzer's classes while he is on long service leave this term.



**Court Grammar  
School**

## Upcoming Events

### Tuesday 18 February

Sec. Swimming Training  
Parent Information Sessions  
4 pm Pre-Kindy and Pre-primary  
4.45 pm Kindy  
Keys 4 Life Parent Session 6pm

### Wednesday 19 February

Yr 7 & 10 Immunisation  
Parent Information Sessions  
4 pm Year 1 and 2  
4.45 pm Year 3

### Thursday 20 February

Parent Information Sessions  
4 pm Year 4  
4.45 pm Year 5 and 6

### Friday 21 February

Head of Primary Assembly  
Marron Cup

### Monday 24 February

Pre-primary Incursion

### Tuesday 25 February

Sec. Swimming Trials

### Wednesday 26 February

RKAS Sport

### Friday 28 February

Yr 6 Greeff Assembly

### Monday 2 March

Public Holiday

### Tuesday 3 March

Yr 12 Photography Exc.

# Welcome Assembly

On Tuesday, 4 February, the first day for the majority of our students we commenced with our Welcome and Principal's Awards Assembly. At this Assembly students were welcomed and wished a happy and productive start to the year.

Students who received all "A's" on the left hand side of their report (attitudes, behaviours and effort) for Semester 2, 2019 were acknowledged.

Those students who received all "A's" in both their Semester 1 and Semester 2 reports for 2019 were presented with a "Respect for Learning" pin.

Congratulations to both sets of students for a wonderful achievement in 2019.



Primary students with their "Respect for Learning" pins



Secondary students with their "Respect for Learning" pins

## Sir Charles Court Futures Assembly

Our annual Sir Charles Court Futures Assembly was held last Friday, with Mr Ron Dullard, Board member and recent recipient of an Order of Australia in the Australia Day Awards delivering the Oration. The year 12's were presented to the School along with the student leaders for 2020.

### 90's Club

We inducted four students from 2019 into our 90's club following their excellent ATAR results.

Reuben Jeffreys

Kyle Benbow

Joel Braovich

Maxwell Denholm



### Primary Leaders

Joshua Emons - Music

Chelsea Hicks - Sport

Emma Mladenovic - Whitby

Zac Workman - Whitby

Kiana Carnaby - Yarrabah

Cameron Rann - Yarrabah

Nellie Eaves - Primary Captain

Fletcher Tinsley - Primary Captain

### Secondary Leaders

Mitchelle Homodza - Service

Elodie McKeig - Arts

Shrie Muthumagesan - Yarrabah

Max Ritchie - Academic

Georgia Seymour - School Captain & Sport

Ross Freeman - School Captain & Whitby





## YEAR 12 BALL

Before school had even begun for most of our students, the graduating class of 2020 were celebrating at their year 12 school ball. Our Year 12 students arrived at the Hyatt Regency ready for an evening filled with friends, food, laughter and prizes.

A wonderful evening was had by all with students and staff dancing the night away at this wonderful venue.

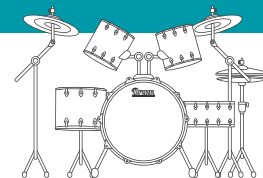
Jake Finerty and Georgia Seymour were crowned Beau and Belle of the ball, Keisha Miller and Ella Dysart awarded Cutest couple, Best Dressed went to Ross Freeman and Tiarna Clarke and Most Transformed was awarded to Mitchelle Homodza.

*Ms Tupicoff*

*Year 11/12 Coordinator*



## Music Tuition - 2020



There are still limited spaces available for Drum, Voice, Piano, String and Guitar lessons. Lessons are charged at \$30 per half hour lesson and students will be on a rotation based timetable for the term. Instrument Hire is also available to Violin and Cello students.

Application forms are available from Reception or by contacting the Music Coordinator Kim Barlow at [kbarlow@cgs.wa.edu.au](mailto:kbarlow@cgs.wa.edu.au) or via Direct Message.

The cut off for beginning lessons in term one is the end of week 5.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs Barlow





# Peer Support

A selected group of Year 11 students attended school during the last week of their holidays to participate in the Peer Support training program. These students have been tasked with assisting our Year 7 students as they transition from primary school to high school. This is a tremendous opportunity that will allow them to develop their leadership skills as well as making a significant impact on the younger members of the school community. During the day these students participated in many team building and bonding activities that they went through with Year 7 students on their first day of school. The day was capped off by a badging ceremony where all Peer Support leaders were formally presented with their Peer Support badges in preparation for the year 7's first day. I am extremely proud of all of these students for the commitment that they have undertaken.

*Ms Tupicoff*

*Yr 11/12 Coordinator*



## Year 7 Orientation

The Year 7 students arrived brimming with excitement and nerves for their first day of high school. The students were ushered into the gym with the assistance of our Year 11 Peer Support Leaders. After some housekeeping, the students curiously walked up to their new Pastoral Care Classrooms and had the opportunity to meet with their Pastoral Care Advisors. Under the watchful eye of the Peer Support Leaders the students engaged in a range of activities to help them settle into their new surroundings. This included 'circle names', an activity which enabled students to learn some of their peers names and interests. After a series of ice breaker and team building activities the students were given a guided tour of their new high school. This helped them to find their classrooms and teachers involved in their education. The day ended with a prize ceremony where the Peer Support Leaders acknowledged the most helpful, encouraging and engaged members of each group. This was a tremendous start to the students 'Year of Change' as they begin to transition into a high school environment.

*Mrs Blyth, Yr 7 Coordinator*





# Year 6 Camp

10-12 February 2020  
Bickley Outdoor Camp

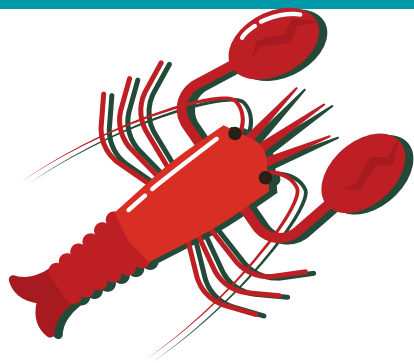
Traditionally Year 6 Camp has been held in November. This year, however, camp took place in Week 2. What a privilege it was to accompany our fifty Year 6 students as they got to experience an education outside of the classroom. Our students participated in a number of activities that required teamwork, effective communication and sometimes a healthy dose of humility for an outcome to be successfully achieved. This has certainly been an excellent start to our Year 6 journey and it bodes well for the rest of this year.

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who were able to push past their personal boundaries and all who were an excellent advert for our school.

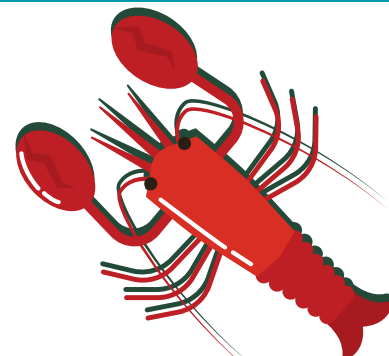
*Mr Greeff*







## Marron Cup 2020 Friday 21 February



For the last thirteen years, we've celebrated the annual Marron Cup event. The Inaugural event was held in 2007 with the objective to begin a tradition to celebrate the new school year.

The Marron Cup trophy itself represents the community spirit that was involved during the establishment of Serpentine Jarrahdale Grammar School, the first High School within the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. In our second official year of Court Grammar School, we'll continue with this tradition of celebrating the commencement of the school year.

The trophy itself is awarded to the winning house, either Whitby or Yarrabah, which gathers the most points throughout the day by participating in a range of activities. This year the Marron Cup is being held on Friday 21 February, with festivities commencing at 3.10 pm and finishing off at 6.15 pm on the Main oval.

The Marron Cup is also designed to commence the Challenge Cup competition, an award that congratulates the winning house from the combined aggregate of the many sporting and co-curricular events held throughout the year. With all students wearing their house uniform to school on Marron Cup day, it's a great opportunity to set the scene for a competitive year between the Whitby and Yarrabah houses.

For each house to be awarded points on Marron Cup day, students will have the opportunity to participate in Year 7-9 Whitby Vs Yarrabah and the CGS Sport Captains XI Vs SJGS/CGS Alumni cricket matches held between 3.20 pm and 6.15 pm on the main oval.

Cricket isn't the only activity that is available during the afternoon festivities, there will be a range of amusements that I'm sure will keep the younger and older students, and even some keen parents (and teachers) amused for the entirety of the afternoon. To give you all a hint, bring a towel and a dry change of clothes.

There will be the following attractions available from 3.15 pm-6.15 pm;

- Giant Slip and Slide (wet): See if you can slide the distance of the giant slip and slide into the pool within the fastest amount of time against your house rival.
- Bounce and Slide combo (dry): Bounce on the jumping castle and/or slide down the attached 10m slide.
- 10m Giant slide (wet): gather momentum down the 10m high waterslide.
- Beach Volleyball
- Face Painting
- Mr. Whippy Ice Cream van
- Boost Juice Van
- 3 C's Coffee Van
- Massage station (for parents only)
- Music

All students, parents and families are encouraged to attend this wonderful event, and with many families new to the School Community this year, it provides a great opportunity to get to know all of the friendly faces in our vibrant community.

Entry and exit after 3.30 pm will be via the front main gate only. This event is for students and immediately family members.

The optional participation cricket matches are at the following times;

- Year 7-9: 3.15pm-4.30pm
- Sport Captains XI Vs Student Alumni: 4.30pm-6.15pm

I look forward to seeing everybody and their extended families on **Friday 21 February**.

## PRIMARY NEWS

### STUART LEARMONTH, HEAD OF PRIMARY

What a productive start to the year we have had in the Primary School! It has been an absolute pleasure welcoming back our students and families and adding to our School community with new students and their extended families. Our classrooms are a hive of activity and filled

with the buzz of learning. One thing that we pride ourselves on in the Primary School is our *home from home*, nature-inspired classroom environments. We believe that these set a really important tone in the day of our students. If students feel calm, they are in a better space in which to learn. I am sure that you have seen many of our learning spaces and we look forward to them evolving over the weeks and months to come.



Our Year 6 students had a wonderful time at Bickley Outdoor Education Centre this week. More news and photographs about this experience is shared later in this newsletter. Moving Year 6 camp to February has been a positive step in the Year 6 calendar. Having the opportunity to gel and socialise as a cohort in the very beginning of the year has proven very successful. Students and staff alike had a great experience. Many thanks to Mr Greeff, Ms Ashton, Mr Fitton, Miss Dhu and Mrs Brown for organising and leading this event.

Our new *Kiss and Drive* system is working well. This offers parents and families the opportunity to drop and drive. Please be reminded that there are generally 3 members of staff on duty at this location. This is so that we have enough people to physically help children in and out of cars and with bags. We can also help in taking younger children to their classes. Could we please remind everyone using Kiss and Drive to drive as far to the top of the lane as possible, as opposed to stopping midway. Could we also remind and advise parents that parking is not something that we, as a School, can control or manage. However, please be advised that we have had communication to advise us that some cars are parked in dangerous spots and that this will be monitored via the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale.



Next week, all classes will host parent information sessions. These sessions are a chance to receive important information about the class and how it operates. We understand that not all parents and families can make these meetings and that some families have several siblings. For this reason, we have staggered these sessions with some beginning at 4pm and some at 4.45pm. If you cannot attend, teachers will be able to send you information via SEQTA. The meetings are as follows:

Tuesday 18 February: Pre-Kindergarten @ 4pm, Kindergarten @ 4.45pm, Pre-Primary @ 4pm;

Wednesday 19 February: Year 1 @ 4pm, Year 2 @ 4pm, Year 3 @ 4.45pm;

Thursday 20 February: Year 4 @ 4pm, Year 5 @ 4.45pm and Year 6 @ 4.45pm.






#### Co-curricular

One of my favourite parts of the day is seeing students engaged in some of the co-curricular activities available at Court Grammar School. Life beyond 3 pm is a hive of activity as students finish timetabled classes and head either home or towards one of the many activities that occur around the school beyond the standard teaching and learning programs.

We're fortunate enough to be supported by a passionate group of staff members who have set up a variety of after school clubs and activities that students can participate in. Heading home now is the Co-curricular Information Booklet which will detail all the clubs and events that are available for students to sign up for.




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#### CO-CURRICULAR IN 2020


At Court Grammar School, we understand the value in the holistic development of each child. Our co-curricular program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to participate in clubs and activities which are not part of the regular school curriculum.

These co-curricular activities are usually focused on assisting in the development of a child, not only academically but also socially and emotionally.

The following are brief explanations outlining the programs on offer in 2020

Students interested in joining a co-curricular activity should speak to the staff members associated with each activity or club.

Students and parents should keep watch on the CONEQT Daily Notices for information such as meeting times and locations for the different activities or clubs.



Co-curricular activities can be an exciting time for students to shine as they participate in a wide variety of activities from Mountain Bike Club to Police Rangers, E-Sports, Film Club, Motor Workshop and more. In addition to specialised clubs, free tuition is also available for students to access in English, Mathematics, HASS, Science and the Arts. Students should take full advantage of the free tuition available to improve their academic standing. In the information booklet, students and parents will find a description of the clubs and activities, information on the day and time they occur and the teachers who will be involved in them. Most clubs and activities have no charge and are inclusive for all students.

**MIKE JENZEN**  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

On Tuesday 11 February, students in Years 7, 8, 11 and 12 attended a series of seminars focusing upon Study Skills. The sessions were presented by an organisation called Elevate and the workshops introduced students to key skills which research has shown have the most significant impact upon student learning.

Some of the concepts introduced to the students included: Dynamic reading, Summarising, effective Note taking, Mind Mapping and Studying effectively for exams and assessments.

It isn't enough that students simply understand what they need to do in their study. The challenge in any study skills program is getting students to use and apply the skills they learn.

Designed to achieve behavioural change amongst students these initial sessions will now be followed up in class through our teachers delivering a series of lessons reinforcing the concepts introduced.

If you are interested in finding out more you can visit the following website which has additional information specific to parents: <https://www.elevatecoaching.info/resources>



Our School is participating in **Scholastic Book Club** this year, during the school year, Club catalogues with a different selection of books will be sent home.

It is easy to order. The **Book Club LOOP** platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. Your child's order is submitted directly to school safe and sound and the books will be delivered to class. You can place your child's order at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or using the **LOOP** app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

Owning your own books is something special. Each order helps earn free books and teaching materials for our classrooms, however there is never any obligation to order. There is no better way to encourage reading than to allow children to choose the books they want to read.





## *Uniform Shop - Opening Times*

The uniform shop is be open at the following times

Mondays 8 am to 11.30 am

Wednesdays 12.30 pm to 3.00 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.



### **Serpentine Jarrahdale MiniRoos Kick-Off**

**Mundijong Oval for Ages 4-9**

3:30pm - 4:15pm, Monday 17 February - Monday 23 March

\$80 for 6 sessions which includes a participation pack

Participants can win a chance to be mascot at the Socceroos World Cup Qualifier against Kuwait on March 26 2020 at HBF Park

For more details and to register please email: [lisa.byrne@footballwest.com.au](mailto:lisa.byrne@footballwest.com.au)

