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THE COURT CHIMES

2022, "RESPECT FOR SELF"





PATRICIA RODRIGUES, PRINCIPAL

I remember reflecting in our last Court Chimes for 2021 that "2020 was chaotic, 2021 has been full of adventure on many levels and has flown by", well, 2022 is proving to be no different.

We were lucky to start our year with the **Year 12 Ball**, please see Mr Sullivan's article further in, while many schools needed to postpone theirs.

Our **Sir Charles Court Futures Assembly t**his year was exceptional, especially in the circumstances. Commissioner Chris Dawson provided us with a video of his oration as he was unable to attend in person. This is available on our website and I would encourage you to view it as his message of "Respect" was brilliant. We were also fortunate to have Ken Court, along with members of the Court family in attendance at the Assembly. Barry Court presented the Year 12's with their badges while Richard Court presented the student leaders with theirs.

As you know, we have had to make many changes over the last couple of weeks, due to the COVID restrictions. I sincerely thank you for your continued support as we navigate our way through the pandemic. The remainder of the term will be challenging, however we will continue to keep you informed and together we will come out stronger and wiser.

I encourage you to continue reading, to see the other good things happening in our School.



Court Grammar School Upcoming Events

Wednesday 16 March Yr 7 - 12 ACC Interschool Swim Carnival

Tuesday 22 - Friday 25 March Yr 10 OED Camp TBC

Monday 21 - Thursday 7 April

Primary Parent Conferences via telephone

Wednesday 6 April Primary Cross Country

Thursday 7 AprilSecondary Cross Country

Thursday 7 April
Students conclude Term 1

Friday 8 April Staff PD Day - Pupil Free

Friday 15 - Tuesday 19 April Easter - School Office closed

Monday 25 April ANZAC Day - Public Holiday

Tuesday 26 AprilStudents commence Term 2

Friday 29 April and Monday 2 May

Pre Kindy Orientation

Tuesday 3 May Secondary 3 Way Meetings

Court Grammar Leavers' Ball 2022

We must be the luckiest school in WA. Before the Covid wave and the restrictions on school events and one day before the vaccination mandate was expanded. Our Year 12 started the school year with a wonderful evening at Optus Stadium. Our smallest cohort of students turned up with their guests



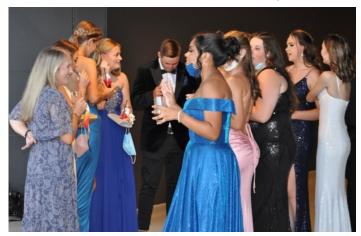
and enjoyed a balmy evening overlooking the magnificent oval that has been so under-used during the COVID years. In the absence of Ms O'Sullivan, who was trapped on the East coast for the purpose of playing football, Ms West and Mr Sullivan welcomed our glittering students to the venue.



A large number of staff turned up to support the event, which speaks volumes about the relationships between teachers and students at CGS. As Mr Sullivan said, in his after-dinner speech:

"The greatest strength of the school and the key word to take into 2022 is 'respect'.

Respect for one another and respect for ourselves. Whatever happens this year and whatever the challenges may be, the respect that we have will see us through and out the other side of these strange times. This evening is a celebration of the support and friendship that comes from that respect."





Speeches by Head Girl Isabella Noble-Andrew and Head Boy Lewis Hales indicated how much the final year of schooling was both anticipated and welcomed by the student body. After a magnificent meal, the students hit the dance floor, and sashes were awarded. Staff recognised what a pleasant and relaxed evening this had been, and what a great way to start the 2022 school year.... whatever it may hold!









Year 8 Science

This week in Science, the Year 8 students have been learning about Sedimentary Rock and it's formation. During the lessons, students showed some interest in fossils and the fossilisation process.

Mr Andersson - Science Coordinator



Year 7 Chemistry

The Year 7 Science classes are studying Chemistry at the moment. This week they investigated Concentration and Solubility in the lab. Firstly, the students prepared dilute and concentrated solutions. Next they made unsaturated and saturated solutions, comparing these and recording observations. Finally, they observed what happens when an insoluble substance is added to water. Students are getting experience working with a range of solutes and solvents. I am particularly proud of how safety conscious and methodical the students are becoming. They are naturally inquisitive and really enjoy the practicals.

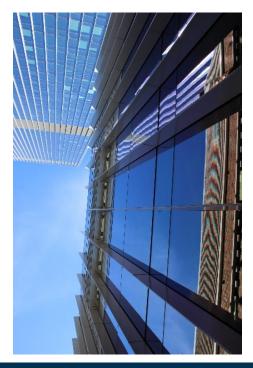
Mr Snashall - Science Teacher











Design Photography Excursion to Perth CBD

On Tuesday 8 March, the Year 11/12 design photography class took a break from the classroom and ventured off to the city. The focus was on the architectural design of buildings in Perth CBD which linked to our assessment task.

The day started with the students meeting at the design room to collect cameras and then we hopped on the transit bus. We made our way to Optus Stadium, pulled out our cameras and began taking photos. Walking over Matagarup Bridge we jumped on the CAT bus to Perth Town Hall.

We then walked to Elizabeth Quay, capturing some awesome shots along the way, and had a quick snack in the park before venturing through London Court, the Museum, Yagan Square and weaving our way through the lane ways around King Street. We ended up finding lots of new and old architecture buildings which looked spectacular. We stopped for a quick lunch break at Grill'd, as George and Ashley were eager to try the new Bruce Wayne burger. Finally, we got back on the CAT bus that was meant to take us to the minibus but instead we did a whole loop of West Perth. Eventually, we got on the right bus, made our way back over Matagarup Bridge, marched across to the minibus and began the ride back to school. What a great day.

Article by Lilli Manners & Ashley Davey

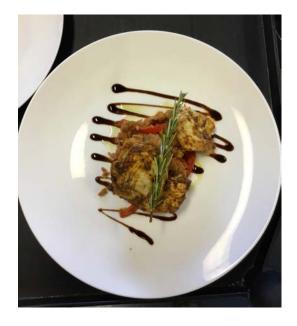


Year 12 Hospitality

Year 12 students started back in Term One with a Board dinner of spicy chicken on a chick pea harissa Dahl. Well done year 12 students.

Mrs Hills - Hospitality Teacher





Year 8 Pizza Design Brief

Despite COVID restrictions, the Year 8 students have been busy designing pizza logos and making a pizza design for their pizza box. Great fun was had by all.

Mrs Hills - Hospitality Teacher





Twosday Celebrations in Year 2

On Tuesday, 22 February 2022 (22/2/22), the students and teachers in Year 2 were able to celebrate a "once in a lifetime" event, "Twosday".

The Year 2s and staff in Year 2 came to school on Twosday, wearing tutus and socks from two different pairs. They participated in a variety of activities and challenges including the Two Person Race, construction using only 22 things, a 2-minute Dance Off, Guess Who at 2 years old and more. The children described it as "The Best Day Ever!" .

Mrs Higgs - Year 2 Teacher and Primary Curriculum Co-Ordinator















The Rite Journey Program

This year we see the Year 9's as part of their Pastoral Program involve themselves in a great personal journey. This journey is facilitated by The Rite Journey program which is in its second year at Court Grammar School. Last year we saw the Year 9 students really grow throughout, as a group they bonded friendships that will hopefully last a long time, as well as lots of students did some amazing personal growth.



Unfortunately, the program was supposed to really kick off on Friday 11 March

with "The Calling" however due to restrictions we decided to postpone this to a later date. The Year 9 students have already made some amazing starts in the program this year, which has seen them learn and understand about Rituals, and looking into family history.

Each newsletter I will be aiming to update the community on the progress of the Year 9 students this year, so keep an eye out!

I will leave a parent comment from last year who found the program extremely beneficial to her son:

"As a parent watching your child grow from a young boy to a young man, or in fact a young girl to a young woman I would imagine, is a mix of sadness and overwhelming pride. We watched our son go from a disheartened boy to a confident young man who loved the year he had and is ready to take on more responsibilities, looking towards the future with confidence and gratitude instead of self-entitlement."

Mr Campbell - Year 9 Coordinator

ASX Game

Ever wanted to learn how to play the stock market like the pros?



With all the challenges that we will face this year, why not try, and experience a new, fresh, fun and exciting challenge? Some students have already commenced Game 1 of 2022 in the ASX Schools Share Market Game. This game is aimed at challenging young brilliant minds where they are given a virtual \$50,000 to invest in the top 200 ASX listed companies and try their hand at seeing how much money they can make!

Last year we had a number of students achieve a positive return, they learnt valuable skills like what shares are and how they are traded. One of the biggest things that students can learn about this is the idea of investments. Investment understanding sees the students take a deeper understanding in the risks and rewards investing can have.

The game runs until 19 May so keep an eye out in this section to see our investment gurus! If parents want to learn and challenge themselves there is also an adult friendly version of the game which has also already commenced running until the end of June with entries closing at the end of April. For more information head over to the ASX website: https://www2.asx.com.au/investors/investment-tools-and-resources/sharemarket-game

Mr Campbell - HASS & Business Teacher



House News



Marron Cup Respect Bears - Primary



What a wonderful day it was, full of colour and excitement as the primary students dressed to impress with their dazzling Whitby and Yarrabah outfits. Although the normal programme couldn't go ahead, students had lots of fun in their individual classes doing all sorts of activities. We had sand castle building competitions, Word Mania challenges, art competitions, quizzes and many more fantastic activities for the students to enjoy. In the end, there could only be two Respect Bear winners though. These were Mackenzie Withers – Year 2 (Yarrabah) and Boston Welsh – Year 3 (Whitby). Well done to all the students and parents for all the hard work you put in to make the costumes shine on the day!!!



Mr Taylor - Primary House Coordinator

Secondary House News

House Tunnel

Court Grammar School is a fair bit more Orange & Purple this year, with the awesome addition of the "House Tunnel"; a wonderful focal point in the School for Yarrabah & Whitby. Split down the middle for each House with beautiful art from Noongar Aboriginal Artists Deborah Newenham-Coertse (Woods) and her daughter Kristy Spillman from YirraKurl.



Marron Cup Dress Up

We may not have had a Cricket match but boy, did the students get into the House spirit on Friday of Week 2 none-the-less!

Superb effort from the Best Dressed students on the day;

·Whitby: Year 7 Chase Dale

·Yarrabah: Year 9 Lucas Green

Both students securing themselves 20 House Colours points and a personal surprise class visit from Mr Jenzen and Ms Rodrigues to present them with their respective House Bears on the day.



Swimming Carnival

I am pleased to announce that Yarrabah have officially claimed the first win on the House Sporting Calendar! The scores coming in at Whitby 646 – Yarrabah 728 after a hotly contested day.

This is an excellent first step in the race for the House Shield and cementing Yarrabah's 3-in-a-row title for 2022!

Secondary House Update cont...

Following this triumphant victory, we continue the tradition of allowing students in Year 7 - 12 from the winning House to wear their House Sports Uniform on the following Friday. This year, we are stepping it up by also flying their flag with pride at the front of the School to celebrate the occasion!

Honourable mentions to the following students who swam their purple guts out! All Yarrabah students and staff have them to thank for the privilege of our House Uniform Day;

Year 7
Alyssah Nunn
Acacia Lindsey
Lucas Bryan-Sherwood
Layla Macey

Year 8
Sune Snyman
Chelsea Hicks
Fletcher Tinsley
Cameron Rann
Zac Johnson
Luke Griffiths

Year 11Seamus Galvin

Year 9 Chevy Grayson Lucas Green Gracie Mansey

Year 12 Milla Semple Lachlan Sgarlata Year 10
Ava Tinsley
Tayla Altieri
Shruty Keewul
Keeley Thomson
Phoebe McQuade
Michael Altieri
Cooper Johnson
Uno Javier



Thanks also to Mr
Furzer's Elite Sport
Performance class who
officiated the day and the
Whitby's who put up a
decent fight too! After all,
the best swimmers on the
day will be representing
everyone at the
Interschool carnival.

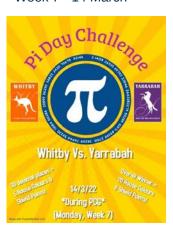


·Whitby / Yarrabah Promotional Poster Competition (Ongoing, Term 1)



Upcoming Events / Activities

Pi Day Challenge Week 7 - 14 March



Cross Country Carnival and Best Dressed, Thursday 7 April



House Colours

Don't forget... every House event / activity attracts Colours Points! PCA's can track their students in Seqta now too! The point distribution for awarding House Colours Badges is as follows;

BRONZE 100 points

SILVER 200 points

GOLD 300 points

I can't wait to hand out the first ever Gold Yarrabah badge – This is a chance for someone to go down in CGS history!

Moreover, Mrs Johnson and I will be crowning the respective inaugural "Whitby & Yarrabah's of The Year" at Presentation Night for students who accumulated the most House Colours points this year.

CHAPLAIN'S NEWS

REVEREND NOEL OAKEY

I was asked the other day by a Year 8 student, "What does a chaplain do?" So I thought I would take the opportunity to introduce and give a brief snapshot of myself at the same time.



A chaplain is a certified clergy member who provides pastoral and spiritual care for individuals in a non-church setting. Chaplains can work in government roles and serve members of the military in different locations. They can serve patients in healthcare or hospice facilities. Working in police departments, fire departments, sporting clubs and prisons are also common for chaplains.

As an ordained Anglican priest, I can and do officiate at ceremonies such as weddings, funerals and baptism services. As a chaplain, I also take on the role of a spiritual leader and pastoral carer for individuals who do not belong to a specific religious community.

I come to Court Grammar as an experienced educator of 48 years having initially trained as a primary school teacher. I have been ordained for 32 years and have worked in both city and outback parishes in two states. I have over 22 years of experience as a school chaplain in four Anglican schools (CGS being my fourth) as well as 6 years as a sports chaplain at Peel Thunder.

My wife and I have a passion for working with disadvantaged groups and spent ten years taking students overseas to Myanmar, the Philippines and Cambodia. Covid 19 prevented us taking our first group of teachers away to be involved in voluntary work in Laos.

I am encouraged by the positive response of staff and students to my appointment as chaplain at CGS and look forward to getting to know more members of the school community.

Charlie Chaplin, the great silent film actor, has been my meme and nickname for over 10 years,, and many of his quotes about life and relationships are memorable.



PRIMARY NEWS

STUART LEARMONTH, HEAD OF PRIMARY

Learning from our Children



As a Head of School who likes to be fully immersed in the life of the School and the learning in the classrooms, it has literally filled my heart with joy to watch our students settle and learn in this first half of the term. A wise person once told me that if a child is not happy, they cannot learn ... how basic, but true. I have been heartened to see so many smiles, hear so many laughs and witness such positivity across the different areas of the Primary School over the last five weeks. I have always felt that there is much that we, as adults,

can learn about life from children. In the main, our children are coming to school happy, settled, resilient and strong in the face of the adversity that the world is presenting us with right now. One of our over-arching aims in the Primary School is to make our learning environments calm, low pressure, home-from-home areas. The combination of this and our collective growth mindsets is proving to be a winning recipe – onwards and upwards! Thank you for your ongoing support.

Parent Conferences

Traditionally, parent conferences take place in Weeks 9 and 10 of Term 1. This time is optimal as teachers have built relationships and established firm learning routines. This year, we are extending this window to include Week 8 as well as Weeks 9 and 10. Next week, you will receive a letter offering information about booking an appointment with your teacher(s). Sadly, this cannot be done face-to-face; however, we can easily manage this with phone calls. Usually, you would use our online booking system to book a meeting time. This time, you will use the system to book a call time. The letter will offer more information on how to do this. Parent conferences are a great opportunity to discuss how your child is settling and achieving in their class. This is an opportunity for you to



ask any questions you may have or for our staff to share assessment data with you about your child(ren). I encourage you to book an appointment.

Technology in the Primary School

The world that we live in is changing every day and the ways and means of how children learn are doing the same. In facilitating 21st century learning and embracing technology, we have purchased many new resources that will benefit all children across the School. Each year level (Pre-Kindergarten to Year 3) now has a full set of iPads and a state of the art charging station. Years 4-6 students have their own iPads; however, we are awaiting delivery of a full class set of iPencils to support e-learning with our older students. In addition to this, we have taken delivery of a class set of Spheros for coding alongside a class set of rechargeable Bee Bots for our younger students to begin early coding. Our next project is to look into purchasing drones to support Digital Technologies – watch this space!



Thanks for your ongoing support of the School in this first term of the year. 2022 is set to be a great year filled with exciting challenges.

2022 Calendar

Wednesday 5 January Monday 10 January Wednesday 26 January School Office Opens (Limited)
School Office Opens
Australia Day Public Holiday

Term 1

Thursday 27 January
Friday 28 January
Monday 31 January
Monday 7 March
Thursday 7 April
Friday 8 April

Yr 12 ATAR Students commence and Yr 11 Peer Support Training
All Yr 7 Students and Yr 11 Peer Support Leaders commence
All classes commence
Labour Day Public Holiday
Students finish Term One
Staff Professional Development Day - Pupil Free

Term Two

Monday 25 April Tuesday 26 April Monday 6 June Friday 24 June ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Students Commence
Western Australian Day Public Holiday
Teaching Staff and Students finish Term Two

Term Three

Monday 18 July Tuesday 19 July Friday 26 August Friday 23 September Staff Professional Development Day - Pupil Free Students Commence Staff Professional Development Day - Pupil Free Teaching Staff and Students finish Term Three

Term Four

Monday 10 October Tuesday 11 October Thursday 8 December Tuesday 20 December Staff Professional Development Day - Pupil Free
Students Commence
Presentation Night - Students finish Term Four
School Office Closes

^{*}Dates as at 24 February 2022. Dates may be subject to change.

** Uniform Shop Opening Hours in January are by appointment

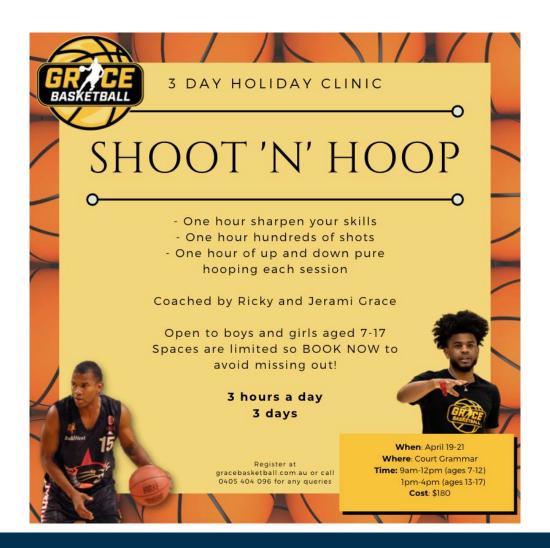
A note from the Community Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Tien (Tierney) Whelan and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program. I will be offering free vision and hearing health checks to all kindy kids. Please keep an eye out for the consent form that will be provided by your class teacher.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on 0498 573 239 or via email, Tierney.Whelan@health.wa.gov.au



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Bring your own bike or try

Long sleeve race jersey & tear resistant race pants Gloves and a full face helmet

Bike requirements:

No frame mounted reflectors, no chain guard, free spin back pedal & real brakes

FRIDAY CLUB NIGHTS

REGISTRATION 6PM-7PM MINI-WHEELERS - FROM 6.45 PM

BRIGGS PARK, MEAD ST, BYFORD.

GATE DROPS - 7.30 PM

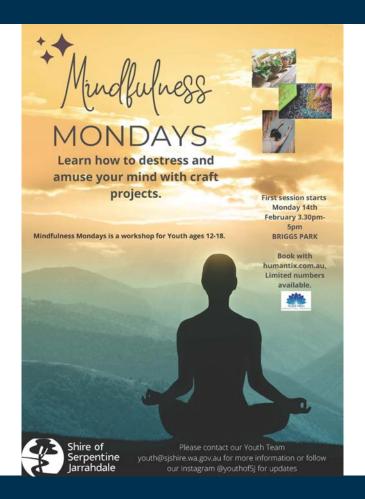




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Workshop Details

Week 1-14/2/22

Make your own Kokedama

Week 2- 21/2/22

Mindfulness session

Restful Waters-Tosh Kha

Week 3-28/2/22

Complete your own Diamond Art

Week 4 -14/3/21

Create with Macrame Expert

Week 5-21/3/21

Mindfulness session

Restful Waters-Tosh Kha



