

THE COURT CHIMES

2019, THE YEAR WE HONOUR INTEGRITY



Court Grammar
School

Upcoming Events

2 - 7 July

AFL/W Academy Tour -
Melbourne

Monday 22 July

Secondary Parent/Teacher
Interviews

Tuesday 23 July

Students commence

Wednesday 24 July

Yr 1 -12 Principal's Awards
Assembly

Thursday 25 July

PP - Yr 6 RAC Little Legends
Incur.
Yr 2 Water Corporation Incur.

Tuesday 30 July

Yr 3 - 6 Little Athletics
Programme

Wednesday 31 July

Yr 10 ACC Football Carnival

2 - 9 August

Yr 7 Canberra School on the
Road

SHREK Jr

**Wednesday, 31 July
to
Saturday, 3 August**



4M

Primary Assemblies

3S



PATRICIA RODRIGUES, PRINCIPAL
FRIDAY, 28 JUNE 2019

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As I have spent the past week signing reports I have been struck by the enormous amount of work put in by our dedicated staff. While the vast majority of our students have risen to the challenge of rising to their best some clearly have a way to go. I encourage all our students to avail themselves of the many opportunities at Court Grammar next semester.

Some of our staff are on a well deserved stint of long service leave next term. We wish Mr Bristow and Mr Fitton well on their adventures.

Thank you to Mr Taylor Matthews who has been on a short term contract with us in our Secondary School. We wish him well for his future as well. We will introduce our replacement staff to our community with our first Court Chimes next term.

We wish all our families a wonderful 3 week break and hope the rest dries up the colds and coughs we all seem to have had recently.

Primary Assemblies

We have been spoilt the last 2 weeks with having Mrs Mader's year 4 class host last week's assembly and Ms Schutz's year 3 class host this morning's. I am sure that the parents who attended them, enjoyed the items as much as I did. Thank you 4M and 3S! We have learnt some excellent lessons with a sense of humour and lots of music and dance too!

Student and Family information update

Enclosed in the report package, you will find a coloured sheet with the personal information we have for your child/ren. Please take the time to read through it and make any necessary changes and return the form to Reception by Friday, 26 July. We are now required by law to report on student's immunisation history.

Equestrian

In the last newsletter I congratulated students who competed in a recent Saddles Plus Interschool Equestrian Festival. I unfortunately did not mention the whole team which included Chloe Miller, Emily Anderson, Darcey Donald, Indie Smith and Anneke Williamson, who put in an amazing effort. 3 of the students Jamie Baker, Shania Benbow and Anneke Williamson have been selected to represent WA at the National Interschool Championships in Sydney later in the year. Well done everyone!



Primary Community Garden

On Friday 14 June, Mrs Clues' Year One class carefully picked some produce from our Primary School Community Garden. After selecting a range of lettuce, tomatoes and various herbs, the Year One's delivered the produce to the Secondary cooking class.

Mrs Clues



Lego Club

In Lego Club this term, the PP-Yr 2 students were challenged individually and in small groups to use their imagination and creativity to plan, build and modify various objects out of Lego. Some of the challenges included making their name out of Lego, constructing something only made of yellow Lego pieces and building their favourite animal.



It has been a wonderful opportunity to watch the children work together as a team and use their individual skills in the challenges to build within a time frame of 1 hour per session.

As we are coming to the end of term, we are now seeking new Lego members for Term 3. If you have a child in PP, Year 1 or Year 2 and loves to play with Lego then this is a club for them 😊 We run from 3.05-4.00pm on Monday afternoons during school term in the Kindy room ELC.

To secure your spot email lcant@cgs.wa.edu
Spots are limited, first in best dressed.



Secondary School Science

Year 12 Biology

Homeostasis Investigation

Students investigated how the body counteracts/responds to cold temperatures compared to hot temperatures.



Year 11 Integrated Science

Students collected plant samples from the school grounds and examined the cell structure and function under the microscopes.

Year 11 Chemistry

Students planning and conducting an experiment that measures the reaction rate.



Year 10 Science



Students raced balloon rockets which they designed.



Year 7 Science

Learning about balance and unbalanced forces as part of the Physical Science unit.

Keys for Life - Perfect Results



Our Yr 10's have been taking part in the Keys for Life Programme run by Mrs Riseley and the Year 10 Pastoral Care Advisors, Mrs Blyth, Mr Snashall and Mrs Koshy. Students spent semester 1 learning about the road rules, driver safety, the effects of drugs and alcohol when driving and various others topics related to driving. The purpose of this endorsed program is to prepare young people for life on the road. We have had police talks and visits from RAC speaking to the students about driver safety. To be eligible to sit their learners test they must first complete all in school and at home tasks. They have recently sat the test with Dannielle Smith, Thomas Piotrowski, Takara Smyth and Bailey Artemis achieving a perfect score! 21 out of 24 students who sat the test passed A second test will take place next term. Well done to our year 10s.



Woodwork with Mr Ferreira



Year 6 Fremantle Trip

What an end to the semester! A recurring focus throughout Semester One was the many different migration stories of people moving to Australia. The topic as a whole was taught in Humanities and Social Sciences, with parts lending themselves to writing in English. This culminated in our Year 6 trip to Fremantle. Our visit to the Maritime Museum allowed us to relive the memories of 6 migrants to Australia. We discussed what sorts of challenges they would have endured, we looked and handled some of their personal items; and finally, we looked at their personal contribution to the development of Western Australia.



The migrants we learnt about were Stephen Anstey (1968 - England), Ilona Hrubos (1951 - Czechoslovakia), Yasukichi Murakami (1897 - Japan), CY O'Connor (1891 - Ireland), Nonja Peters (1949 - Holland) and Giacomo Iannello (1900 - Italy).

After a short bus ride, we found ourselves at the stone gates of Fremantle Prison. We wandered through the old gaol in awe of the construction and trying to imagine the conditions. To their horror, our pupils listened to stories about solitary confinement and floggings. We also learnt about the types of jobs convicts were given which contributed to the landscape of Fremantle as we know it today.

PRIMARY NEWS

STUART LEARMONTH
HEAD OF PRIMARY

It's hard to believe that we have hit the mid-point of the year already. As always, we have had a fun-packed and learning-filled few weeks in the life of the Primary School. With Shrek the Musical coming soon, our assembly plans have changed slightly so it has been lovely to have quite a few assemblies in succession. I say this regularly, but assemblies are one of my favourite things that happen in a school. Seeing children express themselves and put themselves out there in ways that we do not normally see is always beautiful to observe.



End of Semester Reports

As we end the semester and begin the holidays, you will receive your child's Semester One report. This will be posted during the holidays. These go to all Kindergarten to Year 6 students.

When putting reports together, staff take on board many different aspects of learning. Report grades and comments are based upon day-to-day learning activities, formal and informal assessments, discussions, observations and ongoing teacher judgement. Teachers also use something called Judging Standards. These are produced by the *School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA)*. In essence, the Judging Standards allow teachers to compare student assessment work with what is judged to be a satisfactory, benchmarked standard across the state and country. This satisfactory level equates to a 'C' grade. We also use Judging Standards to ally student learning to all other grades; however, it must be remembered that a 'C' grade is a solid grade which should be celebrated. Most schools use this framework when formally assessing student learning as grades cannot and should not just be plucked from thin air so-to-speak.

As you are aware, we send home our Learning Journey Folders in the penultimate week of each term. The work samples and assessments within these folders are often day-to-day work samples so that you can see exactly what your child is producing and learning. There are also work pieces in these folders that are formal and informal assessments which have been marked in accordance with the Judging Standards.

Where a child is not achieving the satisfactory, benchmarked standard for a particular core subject across the Semester (Mathematics, English, Humanities and Social Sciences and Science), we feel it is the best course of action to alert parents and caregivers to this before the report goes home. This is standard practice in most schools. In some cases, where students are achieving below the benchmarked standard, a short and sharp burst of intervention can help to raise this. In other cases, children may need a Curriculum Adjustment Plan to identify particular areas of development. However, it can sometimes be the case that this is the maximum level that your child has reached, and this is fine. As a School, we promote and develop the whole child, not just the development of curriculum content and skills. This is why we spend so much time and effort on putting together the left-hand side of the report which details and celebrates work habits and attitudes towards learning.

I hope that you have a lovely break with your families and I look forward to welcoming all of our students back after a much-deserved break.





Try a Trade

Try A Trade was another experience that our several of our students were involved with this semester. Christian Inglis-Hodge, Caleb Ramsay, Hugh McKay, Leroy Pascoe, Zak Marsden and Jye McMinigal were able to participate in painting, decorating, carpentry, joinery and bricklaying. Christian Inglis-Hodge summed up his experience

"TAFE was a great experience which allowed myself to gain experience about what the real world is like and what is expected of you. Rockingham TAFE was very supportive and professional, they allowed me to make a decision in whether or not I would desire to pursue a career in bricklaying or tiling. Bricklaying was very interesting and knowledgeable but not for me. This course and 'try a trade' was a great help to make a plan and decide what I am interested in doing in the near future. South Metropolitan TAFE is very well organised and a great help. I would highly recommend enrolling in one of these courses just for a taste of what TAFE is like and whether it is for you. The 'Try a Trade' Pathway provides students with the essential theory, skill and workplace experience for entry into construction trades."

Workplace Learning

Recently a number of year 11 and 12 students were involved in Workplace Learning experiences whilst ATAR students were engaged in exams. Students who undertake Workplace Learning gain valuable industry insight and experience, whilst the hours completed can be used as credit towards TAFE entry points.



All students should be commended on the way they conducted themselves, representing themselves and Court Grammar School with RESPECT. Host employers provided positive feedback on their enthusiasm, appearance and dedication to tasks being performed.

Workplace Learning is not possible without the ongoing support of local business and industries. I would like to acknowledge the following host employers for partnering with our school to aid in the growth and development of our students.

Jordan Hughes was hosted by **Genesis Fitness Byford** and undertook roles including gym equipment maintenance, learning the correct use of equipment and participating in personal training sessions.

Catalano and Co Baldivis hosted Brooke Hillman who was provided with the opportunity to work in both the kitchen and front of house.

Jorgia Pyper was hosted by **Giddy Up Riding School** where Jorgia was able to undertake a number of roles associated with maintaining a busy stable.

Independent Piling Services hosted Jake Finerty where Jake was able to assist with duties on an offshore barge.

Glenorchy Miniature Horse Stud hosted Zoe Chatfield. Zoe was kept busy with a number of stable tasks including the erection of a new shelter.

Michelle Krokosz
Workplace Learning Coordinator

Yr 8/9 AFL Academy - Congratulations

Congratulations go to the yr 8/9 AFL Academy who finished on top of the 2019 Eagles Schoolboys Cup Eastern Division. Please see the website below to find the ladder after the annual term 2 fixtures. This is the second year in a row that Court Grammar has won this competition, an outstanding achievement!

http://websites.sportstg.com/comp_info.cgi?c=0-10744-0-529392-0&pool=1&a=LADDER

MIKE JENZEN
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Here is a snapshot of a week at Court Grammar and a small insight into just how varied the education experience for our students is these days

Shrek Jr - the musical

Please remember to purchase your tickets to our whole school production, Shrek Jr - the musical. Over 60 students and 20 staff have devoted a lot of time and effort in making this a must see event for the School. Shows are on Wednesday, 31 July through to Saturday 3 August at 6.30pm. Tickets are only \$10 and are on sale through <https://www.trybooking.com.BCSVG> I am sure it will be a great night's entertainment.

Yr 9's High Tea

As part of the Yr 9 Hospitality course, students planned, prepared for and served a high tea for their parents. It was a wonderful opportunity for the students to show their appreciation for their family and for the parents and grandparents to see the things the students learn here at school. A huge thank you to Mrs Hills and Mrs Mellor for two amazing afternoons.



Yr 2's

Yr 2 was never this much fun when I went to school. What an amazing day our yr 2 students were treated to last week as Ms Silvi turned her classroom into "Mario's Pizzeria!"



Chess Club Finals

On Thursday this week, the CGS Primary Chess Competition was another hard fought battle this term. Both games went on past the lunch bell. The third place went to a stalemate after anyone could have won! The first place battle went down to 3 pieces on the board with Tayte Wardrobe taking home the win! What a great battle it was!



Tickets for Shrek Jr. are on SALE NOW!

Please purchase your tickets online and promote this event to your students and the wider community.

There are four shows Wednesday 31st July, Thursday 1st August, Friday 2nd August and Saturday 3rd August.

Show begins at 6:30pm.

<https://www.trybooking.com/BCSVGbheading>



Uniform Shop - Holiday Hours

The uniform shop will be open on the following days during the July holidays

Wednesday 17/7. Friday 19/7 and Monday 22/7

from 9.00 am - 3.00 pm

Student Sign In

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

This can be done via;

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

Online Canteen

Change in Ordering Time

Due to the large number of online canteen lunch orders we receive each day, we are changing the cut off time to **8.00 am.**

It may be wise to place an order the night before.

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$240 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



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AND
KEEP
UP TO DATE**

Student Information Update

Please update and return the coloured sheet of paper, enclosed with your school report by **26 July 2019.**

It is imperative that we have accurate information at all times.