



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we move closer to the end of term, I am happy to report that Term 1 has been a very full and busy term for students and staff. In particular, our Year 8 students have made a very successful start to their secondary school studies and our Year 12 students have been working with a great sense of purpose in their approach to this very important final year. For our Year 12 students, the college year is relatively short and the importance of working consistently from the very first part of the year and staying focused on the goal of achieving the requirements for the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) becomes very critical. Some of our Year 11 and 12 students will be striving for entrance into university, whilst others will be looking towards TAFE entry or employment opportunities. To assist Year 12 students to achieve their goals a Staff, Student Mentor Program has been put in place. All Year 12 students had the opportunity to select a staff mentor. The mentor's role is to guide and coach the student to take responsibility for their own future (academic achievement). The mentor helps the student to solve any issues with time management, prioritise assessment schedules, recognise academic issues and provide or seek appropriate teacher help.



20 A grades over Year 11 and 12.

- Kshitij Bhatt
- Maddison Weekes

Kshitij Bhatt also achieved an outstanding ATAR score of 99.60. Ranking Kshitij in the top 1% of ATAR students in the state.

The following students achieved an ATAR score above 90: Bettina Tran, Lynn Lu, and Luke Mammon. James Latta, Leon Wormuth, Natasha Milosavljevic, Isabella Macri and Tyner Brown achieved an ATAR score above 85. Congratulations to our 2013 Year 12 students for their outstanding achievements.

Kshitij addressed the assembly, inspiring our students to set goals and aspire for excellence.

In addition, the 2013 Year 8 Dux Cherry Chen, Year 9 Dux Erica Ketterer, Year 10 Dux Jenny Huang, Year 11 WACE Dux Trish Ly and Year 11 VET Dux Jake Payne were announced and presented with a fifty dollar voucher and Dux Achievement Certificate. Successful Year 8 Academic Excellence Program scholarship recipients Michael Hart, Tyreece Bateson, Alex Killick, Sophie Wan Ying Ching and Baden Wirtz, were also recognised in front of parents, teachers and their peers at the assembly. Congratulations to all our 2013 students for their outstanding achievements.

All students are encouraged to set personal goals and to work hard to achieve their goals. Natural ability is only one contributing factor to achieving at school. A positive attitude, effort and sincerity in doing the best you can are equally important factors that contribute to achieving good results.

Attendance

This year the college is focused on achieving 90% and above attendance for all students. The required

attendance level at 90% or above is critical to optimise student learning and success. It is very important that students are at school. Family holidays outside the set school holiday periods should be avoided and need to be negotiated with the college to avoid student assessment periods. Please contact Mr Walsh (Year 8-10) or Ms Somerville (Year 11-12) to discuss planned absences outside the school term.

Years 6 and 7 to High School

In less than 180 school days Years 6 and 7 students will officially become a part of John Forrest Secondary College.

Considerable work has been completed over the past two years to ensure that this shift will provide access to specialist teaching and facilities that best support the Australian Curriculum and that it is a smooth and positive experience for all our Year 6 and 7 students. Together with the local feeder primary schools, we have developed a Transition Program that focuses on a smooth and stress free transition to high school. By the end of Term 1 enrolment and course information will have been distributed to primary schools and we would have conducted visits to our local intake schools. Testing for our highly successful Academic Excellence, Music and Sporting Programs will have also commenced. A Year 5, 6 and 7 parent information session is scheduled at the college on 6 May. Information regarding the parent evening is included in the Year 7 and 8 enrolment packages and will also be forwarded to Primary schools early Term 2.

Staff Farewells

This term we are saying farewell to Mr Alby Nuich, Deputy Principal, who is taking leave and retiring later in the year after a 43 year teaching career and 11 years at John Forrest. I extend our thanks and best wishes from all members of the college community for his outstanding career in education and contribution to our college.

Mrs Janice Mangano is taking long service leave Term 2. We wish her a relaxing break.

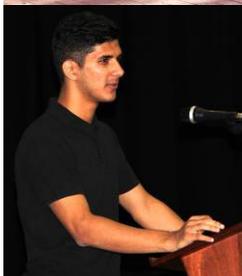
New Staff

We welcome Ms Sue Somerville who will be joining the Administration Team as the Senior School Deputy Principal and Mr Matthew Collier, Computing teacher, at the commencement of Term 2.

Best wishes to all our students, staff and families for an enjoyable and relaxing Easter holiday break.

Judy Silsbury, Principal

Student Achievement



On 13 February the college conducted the first assembly for the year celebrating the outstanding achievements of our 2013 senior school students. Successful School Curriculum and Standards Authority winners for 2013 were invited back to

the college to receive recognition of their significant achievements.

The following students received Certificates of Distinction awarded for achieving at least

DATES TO REMEMBER (Dates are Subject to Change)

Please check the John Forrest website for recent updates (Important Dates/Dates for Parents)

Students commence—29 April.
 Cross Country (House) Event—2 May.
 Year 7/6/5 Information Night—6 May.
 Year 7/6/5 Netball Trials—2, 14 and 21 May.
 Interscholar Cross Country—22 May.
 Year 11/12 Exams—26 May-6 June.

Year 10 Work Experience—26-30 May.
 Year 8 Exams—26-30 May.
 Year 7/6/5 AEP Testing—29 May.
 Year 9 Exams—3-6 June.
 Year 10 Exams—9-13 June.
 Year 10 Counselling Information Evening—17 June.

Cricket Academy Day—18 June.
 Bush Ranger Camp—19-20 June.
 Assembly—24 June.
 Mid Year Concert—27 June.
 Talent Quest—2 July.
 Netball Gold Coast Tour—4-11 July.

TENNIS NEWS

Australian Open Tour 2014

Twenty one students from John Forrest Secondary College Specialist Tennis Program went on a seven Day Australian Open Tour.

The tour included students playing Beach Tennis at Port Melbourne and visiting Luna Park, Eureka Sky Deck, The Ice Bar, Royal Tennis and Indoor Tennis in Ballarat (the largest indoor tennis centre in Australia). The students attended three day sessions, and two night sessions in the Rod Laver Arena at the Australian Open and had a chance to see the world's best players in action.

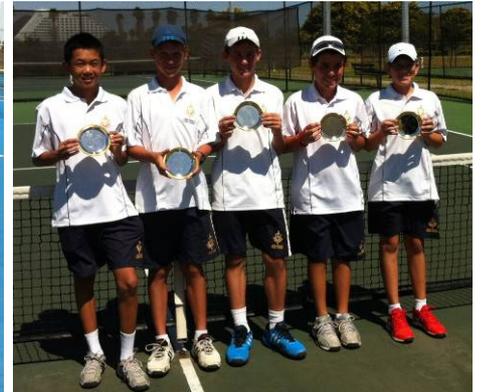
One of the highlights of the Australian Open was when the students were involved in two on court demonstrations of 'High School Cardio Tennis' on the Margaret Court Arena as part of the pre match entertainment. On the Friday demonstration of cardio tennis, to the students' and crowds' delight, Thanasi Kokkinakis joined in and had a hit and a photo with the students.

The students' enthusiasm never wavered, even though they were exposed to extreme temperatures of above 40 degrees during five days of the tour. It was a



fantastic experience and will be something that the students and traveling staff will remember for a lifetime.

Outstanding Tennis Results—Mursall/Slazenger Cup and Herbert Edwards Cup School Championships



Two boys teams and two girls teams played in the Mursall/Slazenger Cup at the State Tennis Centre and Belmont Park Tennis Club during week 8. The event consisted of around 50 boys' teams and 20 girls' teams from different schools around Perth.

The boys' team, comprising of Alex Downey, Rhys Bertrand, Harshad Hirani, Phi Dang finished **Runner Up** in the Mursall Shield in a closely fought encounter with the final going down to the doubles.

The girls team consisting of Nikita Hill, Ignacia Riquelme, Kimberley Millar, Madison Cooper and Lily Zupinszki **won** the event with a convincing

four matches to love win in the final, which was a fantastic result.

In the **Herbert Edwards Cup** the boys' team competed against a large number of schools in the round robin format. The boys' team consisting of Daniel Downey, Nikola Dotlic, Antonio Josifovski, Bojan Novakov and Steven Quach **won** the Division Two final. This again was a fantastic effort by these students and they all displayed fantastic tennis skills and sportsmanship throughout the event.

Match Play Day

On the 14 February the Tennis students participated in a Match Play day at Mount Lawley Tennis Club. This was the first match play for the Year 8s and they competed well throughout the day. The competition was close between groups and the round robin format ensured plenty of competition during the day. The divisional winners were – Gabriel Riquelme, Harshil Hirani, Mackenzie Epps, Nikola Dotlic, Jacob Cheetham, Kent Amingay, Cathrine Sheridan- Brown and Morgan Gillespie.

Well done to these students and all the students involved in the competition.



Free Shirts

As part of the High School Cardio Tennis Pilot Program the Year 10 tennis students received a free tee shirt. The students were involved in a demonstration to local coaches who came to Mount Lawley Tennis Club to watch them in action. Here are some of the tennis students showing off their freebies.



John Campbell, Specialist Tennis Teacher

CRICKET AND TENNIS TRIALS

Trials for the Specialist Cricket and Tennis Programs were held on the last week of Term 1. Many Year 7, 6 and 5 students came along to try out for selection into these programs. Letters of selection will be sent out next term. Additional trials for those who missed out will be held at a later date. Please contact Lynn McPherson (T: 9473 4035, E: lynn.mcpherson@education.wa.edu.au).

Thank you and well done to all those students who attended.

NETBALL NEWS

The Netball pre-season is coming to a close. The weather has been hot and challenging but all students have worked well and are preparing themselves for the Inter-school and Club Association season which will commence at the beginning of Term 2.

Singapore Game



On Friday 20 December 2013 a group of Year 9 and 10 students returned to school on the first day of their holidays to host a touring Netball team from Temasek Polytechnic - Singapore. It was a friendly but competitive game. At quarter time the much younger John Forrest team were two goals away from their opponents. At half time the scores were level. With a large squad of players our friends from Singapore ensured they had a regular rotation of players. Our players were competitive to the end but were denied a win but contested strongly throughout the second half. After the game players and coaching staff enjoyed breakfast together. There was an exchange of gifts and a lot photos taken. We are looking forward to the return visit from Tamasek Polytechnic in 2016.

Academy Day 2014

Our 2014 Netball Academy Day started off with a show case game from our Year 11 and 12 Netball athletes. The lower school netball students watched this game in awe and completed statistics on the players whose positions they play. It was then time for the Year 8s, 9s and 10s to display their skills and they did not disappoint. Agility and speed were our definite strengths amongst our lower school students. It was soon time for lunch and a rest where the girls enjoyed their Subway. The last stop of the day was Terry Tyzack Aquatic Centre for a recovery swim and stretch. It was an enjoyable day for all athletes and all is looking very positive leading into the competitive phase of our program in Term 2 with the SSWA Champion Schools Netball Tournament.

IMPORTANT NETBALL DATES

Year 8, 9 and 10 Lightning Carnival – Noranda NC Dates TBC.
SSWA Champion Schools Tournament - Wanneroo NC
9 May 2014.

2015-16 Netball Trials held at Morley Sport and Recreation Centre -
14 and 15 May 2014.

SWIMMING CARNIVALS

The 2014 swimming carnival was held at Bayswater Waves in week 5. While slightly down on numbers from previous years, the carnival was a huge success, thanks to the glorious weather and fierce but friendly competition in the pool.

It was good to see so many Year 8 students participate, and their enthusiasm was certainly contagious. All four houses battled it out during the day but Mitchell came out on top. House Captains Rakesh Dimbala and Kimberley Millar were there to accept the trophy.

Soon after the Interhouse Carnival, the interschool team was selected to represent John Forrest at the annual carnival at Challenge Stadium. We were battling it out for first position all day until we lost a few races by narrow margins, which meant we finished second overall.

We won the Meritorious Award, which goes to the school with the best result in relation to their size. This was mainly due to the efforts of Leah Trenaman

Pre-season Training



Pre-season training is not something everyone really enjoys but this year we have been fortunate to have our own fitness instructor in Simone Jones from Step Into Life. Simone's wonderful personality and enthusiasm has motivated the students to work through a challenging and varied strength and conditioning program. We are confident that our players will benefit from this specific aerobic and anaerobic training for their game. We look forward to seeing each student display a strong presence on the court throughout 2014.

2014 Gold Coast Netball Carnival



There was a keen expression of interest in the 2014 Gold Coast Netball trip. The group selected this year is comprised of Year 10 and 11 students and one Year 12 student. All members of the group have an outstanding record for their work ethic and commitment to their game and the college Specialist Netball Program. The team can boast height and strength in their circle players and speed and agility throughout the centre court. This combination of players can look forward to playing some of the best Netball of their high school careers both individually and as a team. We wish them all the best as they prepare for the Gold Coast Carnival to be held in Surfers Paradise in the first week of the July school holidays.

Diane Papas/Hayley McKee, Specialist Netball Teacher



(Year 8), and Matthew Hart (Year 12) who won the champion swimmer in their age division. Well done to those two, and all the other swimmers and helpers who attended.

Reece Phoenix, Health & Phys Ed Teacher

CROSS COUNTRY EVENT (HOUSE)

The House Cross Country Event will be held at the college on Friday 2 May (Week 1 Term 2). We encourage all runners to be part of this great event. Following this event some students will be selected to represent the college in the All Schools Cross Country Championships later in Term 2.

Forms are available from the Health & Physical Education teachers and are also on Moodle. So get on your running shoes and start training.

Health & Physical Education Learning Area Staff

CRICKET NEWS

Year 9/10 Big Bash T20 Carnival Bunbury

Billy Boyd led the John Forrest Blue Team in a T/20 competition held in Bunbury. Vedit Poojary shined with the ball while Billy Boyd batted exceptionally well. Shasa Molgaard-Angel performed well considering he was playing against older players. Christian Lee and Billy Boyd excelled in the second last match putting on an unbeaten opening partnership of 123 in twenty overs.

Overall the results did not go the boys' way as they lost all six games. However the effort was sensational!

On behalf of all the students we would like to thank Mr Davis and Mrs Verco for their organisation and support on the camp.

Billy Boyd, Year 10 (Blue Team)

Day 1: It wasn't a good start to the Tournament with a loss to Kent Street straight up. Kent Street made 130 and we got rolled for 70 with no real big performances.

The next game was against the other Kent Street team. We batted first and made 100 and Kent Street chased it down in 18 overs. In those two games we only got five wickets, four of those were run outs and one was a bowling wicket.

Day 2: We versed Daleyup. We batted first and made 117. It was a tight match. Daleyup needed 11 off the last over and then it came to the last ball and we won our first game on camp in a nail biting finish.

We had a bye followed by the big game, John Forrest Blue vs John Forrest Gold. We won the toss and elected to bat. We made 105 and bowled them out for 70. Brad Newman took 4/16 off 4.

Day 3: On the final day of camp we versed Bunbury Catholic College. We made 110 and then rolled them for 86. They needed 17 off the last over and Emmanuel bowled a very good last over.

In our last game we versed Bunbury Grammar School. We bowled first and had



them 6/21 and ended up bowling them out for 77. We got the score fairly easily, Kevin and Mark got a 50 run partnership. Mark went onto win the game and made 51.

John Forrest ended up finishing second, winning four games out of six.

Star players:

- Mark Winton had a great tournament making the most runs. He made a match winning 50.
- Kevin Carlson batted an average of 20 every game and was a very economical bowler.
- Meet Upadhyay took a ripper catch to seal the victory against BSC.

Year 10 Students (Gold Team)

Sri Lanka

As this newsletter goes to print members of the John Forrest Secondary College Cricket Academy and three students from Narrogin Senior High School Specialist Cricket Program are embarking on a trip to Sri Lanka.

We wish them a successful and enjoyable trip.

Sam Davis/Peta Verco, Specialist Cricket Teachers

CAPS News

Cricket Academy Parents Committee (CAPS Committee) would like to welcome all new families to the John Forrest Cricket Academy. We look forward to working with you. We would also like to welcome back our current Cricket Academy families.

The CAPS year started with the traditional welcome BBQ for our incoming Year 8 students and their families. It was a good turn out with strong support from our new families. This event was followed by the Annual General Meeting on the 24 February. The 2013 Committee stood down and new committee members were elected together with many previous members being re-elected. The 2014 Committee comprises of the following members: Peter Killick, President, Helen Killick, Treasurer, Nerissa Berry, Vice President, and Fiona Affleck, Secretary.

The committee are planning a big year of fundraising events and we look forward to the support of all the Cricket Academy parents and students. Money raised through fundraising will help to subsidise and assist with annual camps and international and interstate trips. Funds raised are also used in the rapid

acquisition and maintenance of training and game equipment assets, such as bowling machines and sight screens. This all helps to keep college fees to a minimum and gives our children the opportunity to be the best they can be.

Events planned for this year include:

- A BBQ Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Morley—21 June.
- The Annual Quiz Night at Noranda Bowling Club—16 August.

Further events will be announced during the year.

To make these events a huge success we are calling for the donation of prizes and auction items for the quiz night. We are also seeking anyone who may have contacts for the purchase of sausages, bread rolls, sauce etc, to assist with the sausage sizzle.

Please contact Helen Killick through the college if you can assist with donations for either of these events.

We look forward to seeing all our Cricket Academy parents at the next meeting of the CAPS Committee to be held on the 26 May.

CAPS Committee

ROTTNEST CAMP 2013

On the 16 December 2013 the then Year 10 students of John Forrest Secondary College set out to spend three days at Rottneest Island. It was a reward for our hard work and also to prepare us for the challenges of senior school. For many of us it was our first trip to the Island and we had no idea what we were in for (probably because most of us lost the itinerary sheet). During the ferry ride over we cracked jokes and found ways to keep our selves entertained. Upon our arrival we set out to buy supplies like snacks, a quick afternoon bite and cards and dice to keep ourselves entertained. The bike hire shop was our next stop and we were faced with our first problem figuring out which helmet actually fitted our heads. Once we had received our bikes it was a short ride to the Kings Town Barracks, which we would call home for the next few days. The highlight of the day came when we went to a small hidden beach behind the barracks. The cool water was a nice way to relax for a few brief moments and apart from a few jellyfish stings every thing went swimmingly. The day came to an end when we all converged on the town to take part in a scavenger hunt for local history. The lack of air conditioning in an Australian summer made sleeping in the dorms a little uncomfortable but that didn't stop us. The next day we split into two groups, one that felt adventurous and wanted to go on a long bike ride to a lighthouse while everyone else went to a closer lighthouse. I have it on good authority that half of those that went on the longer trip died before making it to the lighthouse (joke). Once there, only about six actually climbed the lighthouse to what I can only assume was an amazing view. Once we went back to camp we were given a presentation by two Year 12s, Kit Bhatt and Issie Macri, about how to best prepare for senior school. That afternoon we sat down to find out more about ourselves and how best we should tackle the study we will face in the upcoming years. That night we sat down to watch Ms McQuiggin's favourite



movie to try and unwind from the days events. On our final day we went on one more colossal ride around Rottneest Island and its many steep hills to enjoy one final look at the Islands most spectacular views. On the last afternoon we went for lunch and spent the afternoon relaxing or walking around the city. Before we finally headed home (which I think was a great relief for our stressed out Year Coordinator, Ms McQuiggin). We found out that boats could fly as the ferry ride home was incredibly rough. We arrived home to get our reports and prepare for the last day of school before the much-deserved six weeks off. Thank you to the teachers who took time out to present to us and look after us on Rottneest Island, we appreciate all your hard work.

Oscar Howells on behalf of the Year 10 Group 2013.

CAREER AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION NEWS



Year 10 Try-A-Trade

Seventeen John Forrest students participated in a program to try out three Building and Construction Industry trades. The three day program in Plumbing & Gasfitting, Carpentry and Painting & Decorating was funded by the Construction Training Fund and delivered by MPA Skills in the John Forrest Trade Training Centre.

During the plumbing program the students learnt how to measure, cut and work with plumbing glue as they made a set of cricket wickets. The students soon found out that bending and joining copper pipes is not as easy as it looks. In Carpentry students made a coat rack and in Painting & Decorating they learnt

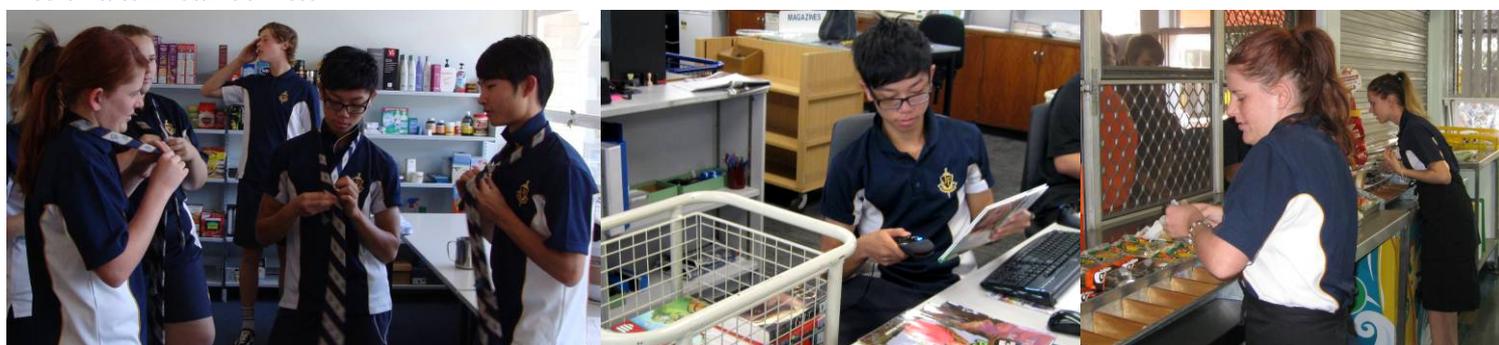
to "cut", "roll" and apply decorative techniques to the walls of the trade centre.

Year 10 and 11 students interested in these and other trades need passes in English and Mathematics and good reports from all of their courses.

Towards the end of Term 2, after work experience, interested students can apply for the Year 11 Pre-apprenticeship Certificate II courses in Plumbing & Gasfitting, Painting & Decorating and Building & Construction Trade Pathways. Information on these and other VET in school courses for 2015 will be advertised to students in the Daily Notices as information becomes available.

Kaye Pearson, VET Coordinator

Certificate 2 Retail Services



This newly introduced VET course for Year 11 students has started well. Students are involved in a range of activities to develop their employability skills in a retail environment. It is planned that students will complete 14 competencies over two years to graduate with a Certificate 2 Retail Services at the completion of Year 12.

This term students have been rostered in both the John Forrest Secondary College Canteen and Library where they are developing skills in filing and organisation, using and monitoring industry equipment, stock rotation and replenishment, scanning stock, cash handling and customer service.

A guest speaker from Wageline, SDAWA (Shop, Distributors and Allied Employees Association of WA) attended the college as well as David Ingram,

from RAPS (Retail and Personal Services Training Council). David was a former John Forrest student and member of the inaugural cohort of John Forrest. (then Embleton Senior High School) These guest speakers have given students the opportunity to hear first hand and ask about industry information.

As good personal grooming is an essential part of being in the retail industry, students have also engaged in a number of practical skills activities such as tying ties, ironing business clothing and sewing on buttons. Students are also being trained in using a commercial coffee machine to make cappuccinos, lattes, moccas and hot chocolates.

Bronwyn Sinclair, CERT 2 Retail Services Teacher



PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Parents of Year 5, 6 and 7 students are invited to attend an Information Evening.

Where: John Forrest Secondary College

Date: Tuesday 6 May 2014

Time: 6.15pm

There will be an opportunity for questions about the college organisation, curriculum and student services.

SCHOLARSHIP AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE TESTING

Testing for admission to the John Forrest Secondary College Academic Excellence Program will take place on **Thursday 29 May 2014**. The results of the testing will also be used to determine the recipients of the College Scholarships.

For further details and an application form please contact the college (T: 9473 4000 or E: brad.walsh@education.wa.edu.au).

YEAR 8 ACTIVITY DAY

It has been a busy and exciting start to the year for our new Year 8s. They have completed the orientation program and the peer support program, as well as working hard through all their class work.

To complement the Orientation Program, the group had their Activity Day at Whiteman Park. It was a fun day with lots of different activities for the students to participate in. The activities ranged from team building games, tram rides and a presentation at the Motor Museum. The purpose of the day was to give the students a chance to chat to their peers and teachers in a context outside of the classroom. It was a great opportunity for the students to make some new friends and work with people that they may not ordinarily get a chance to.

A highlight of the day was the presentation from WA Reptile Park. Students saw a range of different snakes and lizards and some students even got a chance to hold them. Check out some of the photos!

Rachel Hawes, Year 8 Coordinator



NEWS FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Peer Support

Peer Support was once again run in the first weeks of Term 1. Thirty-five Year 11 leaders participated in this program over three weeks with a range of activities to help the Year 8 students in their transition into the College. It was a great opportunity for the Year 11 students to develop



their leadership skills and form friendships with the Year 8 students. This process is an important and valued part of Year 8 transition into high school.

Our thanks go to the Year 11 Peer Support Leaders that help make this program a success.

Breakfast Club

Every Wednesday morning students in the College have the opportunity to have something to eat from the Breakfast Club, it is so good to see so many come and eat, relax and mix with their friends creating a positive atmosphere in the college before school starts.

The breakfast club has been very busy this term with many students enjoying the



pancakes, fruit, toast, scrambled eggs, yoghurts, cereal's, tin fruits, milo and orange juice.

Many thanks go to the people and organisations that make the Breakfast Club so successful, the volunteers for their time: Wembley IGA, Eternity Christian Church, Bedford Community Church and the Morley Salvation Army and especially Foodbank.

Phil Glossop, College Chaplain

JAPANESE EXCHANGE VISIT

Students from Torei Fujisawa in the foothills of Mt Fuji made the long trip to John Forrest Secondary College for ten days of English, culture, friendship and interaction with teenagers on the other side of the world. Our visitors were pro active, getting involved in lessons and break time activities including Cricket, Tennis, Origami, Sound Way, Buddy Classes, Japanese, Dance and Soccer. What really made their time special was the friendliness of our students who ensured that the Torei group were comfortable and entertained throughout their stay. Our visitors felt very welcome and cared for which is a great credit to our student group.

Many thanks to host families Gibbs, Fletcher, Moore, Jeffery, Heikaus, Endo,



Viska, Koch, Manderson, Bunayeva, Fakira, Randoph and Emmens for opening up their homes. Thank you to buddy students Angus Holmes, Jakob Thompson, Sascha Webb, Adam Viska, Meika Koch, Tim Manderson, Pippa Hall, Tim Randolph, Kateryna Bunayeva, Grace and Rosie Emmens and reserve buddies who also pitched in.

When the limousine bus left John Forrest our visitors were sad to leave our college but looking forward to holding a wombat at Caversham and seeing the Pinnacles later that day, before the long trip back home to the foothills of Mt Fuji.

Mr Phil Chadwick, Japanese Teacher

GREETINGS FROM THE LIBRARY

What a great start to 2014! We welcomed our Year 8 students with orientation sessions; we have celebrated *Library Lovers Day* with a flurry of bookish hearts and Harmony Day got us thinking about the beauty in the world. We also welcomed our newest staff member Mrs Kerry Rollings to the library team.

Have you checked out our electronic resources? All John Forrest students have access to E books, E Library Australasia journal database and World Book Online Encyclopedia. We've added to our reference collection with some wonderful hard back World Book collections and have subscribed to interesting and useful

magazines. Some of our favourites this year include National Geographic, Recipes+, Film Ink and Hyper. All magazines are available for short loan.

YOUR TUTOR (free online tutoring for John Forrest students)

Did you know that all our students have **access to free online tutors?** Thanks to Edith Cowan University students can login via <http://yourtutor.com.au/> and have access from Sunday-Friday between 3.00 and 10.00pm. Login details have been emailed to all students and cards will be supplied to them shortly.

Please see Mrs Nye in the library for more details.

Bernadette Nye, Librarian

YEAR 11 AND 12 STUDENTS STUDYING ENGLISH 1C/1D - Mrs Faletti will be in the college library Monday afternoons from 3.00-4.00pm to assist any students studying English 1C/1D. During this time students can work on their assignments, conduct research, get help with the various tasks, have work edited or catch up on work missed due to excursions or illness. Many thanks.

COLLEGE BALL 2014—A NIGHT WITH THE STARS



aquarium where they enjoyed pre-dinner drinks surrounded by colourful fish and corals. By 7.00pm they entered the Aquarium Suite, a function centre overlooking Hillary's Marina and the Indian Ocean, with its own private terrace.

The décor matched the theme for the night, with everything in black, silver and gold and stars and balloons forming an exquisite backdrop. The students were mesmerized by the beauty of it all and immediately took advantage of this beautiful moment and lined up to have their photographs taken.

A sumptuous buffet was served, before the students took to the dance floor. Midway through the celebrations, the most mouth watering and delicious looking desserts were placed on the buffet. So many good choices, it was like we were in heaven, surrounded by all these sweets. It did not take the students too long to hit the dance floor again – this time getting all the staff members involved.

Everyone had a fantastic time. It surely was a night to remember.

Awards for the night:

Stars of the Night: The student that was the most friendly, vibrant and cheerful ie. The life of the party – went to Nefeli Perdikouli and Damien Knight.

The Red Carpet Award – The most elegant, sophisticated and graceful students were Shea Connolly and Raureti Engelen.

The Best Dancers – Lily Zupins-Hodgson and Timothy Randolph.

The Best Couple for the night was Li Wei Lin and Lina Huang.

Sharlene Sookraj, Year 12 Coordinator

On a beautiful afternoon on the 4 April 2014, a bevy of beautiful girls and handsome young men from our college met at one of the most spectacular ocean-side venues, the AQWA Function Centre, for their Year 12 Ball. Aptly named "A Night with the Stars", all students looked stunning and shone like stars in their formal attire.

As soon as the limousines started to pull up to the entrance, Hillary's Marina was transformed and was abuzz with colour and glam. Students were greeted at the door and moved to the

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

It has been a busy year for the Student Council so far.. During the first two weeks of school we had a team building day. After participating in a series of activities encouraging teamwork, we planned our commitments for the rest of the year. Term 1 has seen two formal assemblies, Valentine's Day, the organisation of a Year 8 and 9 River Cruise, and fundraising for Children with Cancer. As this newsletter goes to print we are doing a guess the teacher from their baby photo competition, a fruit raffle and helping to run the ANZAC Ceremony on the last day of school for the term. Next term we will be looking for entries for our annual Talent Quest.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our ventures this year and remember we would love to hear your ideas on how we can make John Forrest Secondary College even better.



Year 8 and 9 River Cruise

The Year 8 and 9 River Cruise was held on Wednesday 2 April and was attended by 160 students and 12 teachers. It was one of the events organised by the Student Council in order to foster positive relationships between the older and younger students in the college.

On the cruise, students spent their time listening to a great selection of music provided by the Crystal Swan DJ. Prizes of double movie passes were also given

out to those students who showed talent, enthusiasm and style as they danced the night away.

The Student Council would like to thank all the students for their attendance and their outstanding behaviour on the night. We would also like to thank the teachers for joining us on the boat and giving up their free time to help us supervise the students.

Lori Redwood, (Student Council Coordinator)

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Recognition of Outstanding Achievement at John Forrest Secondary College



Congratulations to Alex Downey, Year 11, on being selected to represent Western Australia in the 2014 State Pizzey Cup Tennis Team. Alex will be competing at the National Schools Championships in Perth from the 3 May to 11 May 2014. Well done and good luck Alex.

Congratulations to Mackenzie Epps, Year 9, on being selected to represent Western Australian in the Under 15s Women's State Hockey Team. Mackenzie will be competing in the Tournament being held in Tasmania from the 12-21 April 2014.

PERFORMANCE RECOGNITION AND ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS — YEAR 11—2013

Suittida Huang	Performance Recognition	Jake Payne	Mathematics 1C
Nefeli Perdikouli	Performance Recognition	Nefeli Perdikouli	English 2A/2B
Ham Tran Ly	Performance Recognition	.....	Drama 1B
Hayley Kershaw	CFCL Living Independently 1A	Mandana Razavian	EALD 1C/1D
.....	History 2A/2B	Thi Lan To	Mathematics 2C/2D
Louise Letica	Workplace Learning 1A/1B	.....	Media 1B
Ham Tran Ly	Mathematics Specialist 3A/3B	.....	Physics
.....	Mathematics 3A/3B	Wenxin Zhang	Applied Information Technology 1A
.....	Physics	Lily Zupins-Hodgson	Geography 2A/2B
Kimberley Millar	Human Biology	.....	Careers & Enterprise 1A/1B

COLOURS AND HONOURS AWARDS—YEAR 11—2013

Courtney Blissett	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	Hayley Kershaw	ACADEMIC COLOURS
Craig Campbell	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	Ham Tran Ly	ACADEMIC COLOURS
Shea Connolly	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	Kimberley Millar	ACADEMIC COLOURS
Madison Cooper	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	.....	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS
Raureti Engelen	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	Nefeli Perdikouli	ACADEMIC COLOURS
Rachel Fallon	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	Timothy Randolph	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS
Ciaran Fereday	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	Stephen Re	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS
Harshad Hirani	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS	Wenxin Zhang	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS
Suittida Huang	ACADEMIC COLOURS	Lily Zupins-Hodgson	CITIZENSHIP A COLOURS
Arunmaniraj Kamaraju Shanthy	ACADEMIC COLOURS		

**YEAR 8 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE PROGRAM
 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS—2014**

Michael Hart	Sophie Wan Ying Ching
Tyreese Bateson	Baden Wirtz
Alex Killick	

COLLEGE BOARD VACANCY

The John Forrest Secondary College Board has a vacancy for a parent representative. If you are interested in joining our College Board please see the attached information flyer and Nomination Form or alternatively contact the college on 9473 4000 for further information.

Nominations close on Friday 2 May 2014 and should be addressed to the Principal.

APPLICATION FOR A TAX FILE NUMBER

The staff in the Humanities & Social Sciences Learning Area (formerly Society & Environment) have made Tax File Number Application Forms available to all of the students in Years 9, 10 and 11 and have assisted them to apply for their Tax File Number. This is a free service and is available to students of John Forrest during Term 1 only. Late applications will not be accepted.

If your child missed out on this opportunity Tax File Numbers should be applied for on line through the Australian Tax Office.

April WACE Revision with *Academic Task Force* – 6 hr subject revision at Rossmoyne SHS, Churchlands SHS and Perth Modern School. Enrol now online at www.academictaskforce.com.au or call 9314 9500 or email learn@academictaskforce.com.

April Holiday Course with *Academic Associates* – 8 hr WACE course revision at University of Western Australia. Enrol online at www.academicassociates.com.au or call 9314 9500 or email info@academicassociates.com.au.

April Skills Development Program for Years 7 – 10 with *Academic Task Force*. *English, Essay Writing, Maths and Learning Skills* at Rossmoyne SHS, Churchlands SHS and Perth Modern School. Enrol now online at www.academictaskforce.com.au or call 9314 9500 or email learn@academictaskforce.com.