



2020 TERM 1

CHAMPION BAY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



Newsletter

Principal News

As I write, I am thinking that the annual Swimming Carnival held just a few short weeks ago on Friday 6 March, seems like a hundred years ago! Could we have imagined that we would be aiming to move to an online platform for Term 2 (if required) – I think not. It seems that our world has changed, and we have had to move with it.

Unfortunately, I have no more certainty to offer regarding Term 2 and what this might look like. Planning is underway to provide alternatives to classroom delivery and two scenarios have been developed: online/offline and hard copy work packages. More detail around this will be given as Week 10 continues. You may have already been contacted by the school to determine your readiness for an online platform.



Despite the turbulance of the previous weeks we still celebrated several events.

Welcome to new staff

On behalf of the CBSHS community, I would like to formally welcome to our team the following staff:

- Mr Matthew Harding: Matt is teaching ATAR Chemistry, ATAR Mathematics Applications and Year 10 Science and Maths.
- Ms Renee Demeo: Renee is a Teach for Australia candidate and she is working in the Mathematics Learning Area, teaching ATAR Mathematics Methods and General Mathematics Essentials and working with year 10 in the Mathematics Learning Area.
- Ms Leah Vlatko: Leah is a Teach for Australia candidate and she is working with Year 7-9 students in Team 4 (Mr Croft). Leah is working in the Humanities and Social Sciences Learning Area.
- Mr Connor Doyle: Connor is teaching primarily in the Humanities and English Learning Areas. He is teaching Year 11 General Careers and Enterprise and English.
- Mr Simon O'Sullivan: Simon comes to us from the School of Instrumental Music. He is teaching Music across the school.

Farwells and Staff Changes

At the end of 2019, we waved farewell (very sadly) to Stan Fox (Mathematics Team 2 Mr Pritchard). Stan made the decision to retire at the end of 2019, and despite his spectacular lack of success with the staff Lotto funds, he was a much respected and well-liked team member. As a whole staff, we wish him and Kathy the best in their retirement.

Several processes for permanent staffing positions were conducted during Term 4 2019, and these included:

- Level 4 Associate Principal: Mr Neil Wyatt was the very worthy successful applicant for this position, created by the retirement of Mr Phil Pound in Term 3.
- Level 3 Program Coordinator Literacy Development: we are delighted that Mrs Natalie Worthington was successful in her application.
- Level 3 Program Coordinator manager Student Services: our congratulations to Mr Craig Tapper in winning this position substantively.
- Level 3 Program Coordinator Follow the Dream: this is the first time that this position has been substantively advertised and the successful applicant was Ms Helen Bell. Congratulations Helen.
- Student Program Coordinator (PS 4): Mr Fred Pritchard was the successful applicant our congratulations Fred.

I would also like to welcome Mr Steve Bower to the staff. Steve has joined us as a gardener/handy person, and he comes with a vast amount of experience. Welcome Steve!

Natasha Gilmartin and Jess Harvey have come back to join us as Education Assistants (Special Needs) for Term 1 of 2020.



Student Leaders 2020

Student Leaders and House Captains for 2020:

Student Leaders

Lily Burgess Rauf Van Lierop Kiona Fry Kealan Nightingale Cooper Smith Brooke Martin

House Captains

Coronation Chloe Woods Alyisha Weir

Drummond Brooke Martin Cooper Knight

Midalia Cooper Michael Smith Cacha Westwood

> Sunset Mr'X Strouse Declan Noble

Congratulations to these most deserving Year 11 students. I very much look forward to working with you.





Premier's 2020 ANZAC Tour

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Aleesya Amirizal (Year 10) on her selection for this most prestigious tour. Aleesya was due to travel with 9 other selected students to Darwin and Singapore during these holidays. Unfortunately, this state of emergency prevented the students from leaving their State regions and it is to be hoped that they can join the tour in 2021.

The selection process for this tour is extremely competitive and includes a written paper (which must be undertaken in the student's own time away from school) and several interviews. At the formal presentation, Aleesya gave the Student's response address to the Minister for Education and Training, the Hon. Sue Ellery MLC in front of invited guests. It was a very proud moment for both Aleesya and Champion Bay Senior High School.

2020 Interhouse Swimming Carnival

On Friday 6 March, staff and students from Champion Bay SHS converged on the Geraldton Aquarena for the annual swimming carnival. As always, it was superbly organized by the HPE team and a great day was had by all. Last year Midalia won the inaugural competition, but this year the might of Drummond could not be overtaken, and the Blues took out the shield.

Congratulations to all competitors for your incredible sportsmanship on the day.

OLNA testing opportunities

I would like to thank Nat Worthington and Neil Wyatt for their diligence (in difficult circumstances) offering as many Year 10 and 11 students as possible the opportunity to sit online assessments in Reading, Writing and Numeracy. Trying to schedule these assessments in the face of this COVID-19 situation has required much organization and patience.

NAPLAN 2020

As you will be aware, NAPLAN 2020 and associated testing events will not proceed for 2020 due to the evolving COVID-19 situation. What this will mean for students and schools into 2021 is not yet known.

Humanities and Social Sciences Tour and Country Week

Country Week 2020 has been cancelled for 2020, and at a recent meeting, parents involved in the HASS tour to Japan voted to reconsider the decision about the tour in Term 4. All camps, excursions and incursions have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 situation.

There will be a large amount of information coming from the school during this week in readiness for Term 2. We do not know yet what platform we will be operating on, but we will ensure that your child is provided with the best possible learning opportunity given the circumstances.

On behalf of all the CBSHS teachers to all students and families:

Words of wisdom from Dr Seuss

I will teach you in a room I will teach you now on zoom I will teach you in your house I will teach you with a mouse I will teach you here and there I will teach you because I care So, do your very best And do not worry about the rest

Julie Campbell Principal Champion Bay Senior High School















A word from our Associate Principals



This is a wonderful opportunity to welcome all new students in Lower Secondary, and their families, to our school community. It has been a pleasure getting to know our new students and the Year 7 cohort.

The Year 7 students have made an outstanding first impression. They are settling well into life at secondary school. Visiting classrooms, I have witnessed students working diligently, participating enthusiastically, and displaying our core values of RESPECT, ASPIRE and RESILIENCE. I am delighted to report that there have only been 3 suspensions in this cohort for poor behaviour choices.

With the addition of another Team this year our Year 8 and 9 classes were redistributed, resulting in some classes being shifted across Teams. This has meant a change in building, Team Leader and teachers. The majority of students have demonstrated great resilience and have adapted really well to this change. It has been pleasing to see many of these students maturing, setting personal academic or behaviour goals and working hard towards achieving them.

During these uncertain and ever-changing times I would like to encourage all students to remain positive, show compassion and love towards others, stay connected with family and friends and be kind.

Mrs Waneen Bennett

