





2020 TERM 4 ISSUE 2

# CHAMPION BAY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



**Newsletter** 





### **Principal News**

On behalf of the wider Champion Bay Senior High School community, I would like to thank you for your support of the school during 2020. While it has not been an easy year, it has been rewarding and your ongoing support is valuable.

#### Staffing

- Teacher Special Needs Jessica McLaren appointed to the role
- Teacher Design and Technology Rovaun Alexander appointed to the role
- Teacher ASD Project Rita Twigg appointed to the position
- Head of Learning Area The Arts process being completed
- Connor Doyle appointed to HASS teaching team
- Alex Marinelli appointed to Maths teaching team
- Chloe Vasic appointed to HASS teaching team
- Emma Forrester appointed to HPE teaching team

#### Year 11

The Year 11 cohort finished the year on Friday 20 November. We held a very successful Year 11 Presentation Assembly on Friday morning at the Sun City Christian Centre. Key among the awards presented were:

- Outstanding Academic Performance Kiona Fry
- Outstanding Performance VET- Brianna Hansen
- Geraldton Universities Centre Award- Chantelle Jonker
- · Caltex All-Rounder Award Kiona Fry



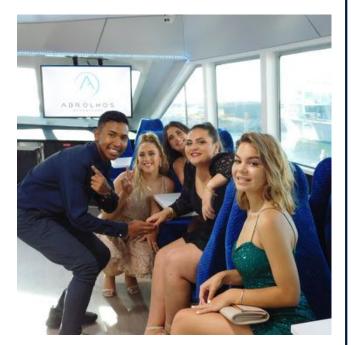


During the evening, students with Good Standing were invited to attend the Spring Dance. This event was held on the Abrolhos Adventures charter boat. The result was a fantastic event that was enjoyed by all who attended. The student behaviour was exemplary and a credit to themselves and the school.

Students on an ATAR pathway completed their exams on Friday 13 November - this included school-based and SIDE generated exams.

Students undertaking General and Foundation courses completed a practice Externally Set Task (EST) during Week 6. This is considered by CBSHS as an important 'training' event before Year 12.

A Year 11 academic statement has been forwarded to parents, this will be followed by the Semester Two formal report to be sent to parents, along with the contributions and charges and booklists during Week 10.



#### Year 6 Transition for 2021

This program commenced on Monday 23 November and continued until Wednesday 25 November. We currently have 124 Year 6 students enrolled, with about 11 others needing to be followed up. The group was very cohesive and worked well together and with staff.

Activities included support stalls, tours of the campus, RAR stalls and a big RAR prize draw.

A Parent Information Evening was held on Monday 23 at 6pm in the Dance Studio. While the numbers were not strong, we did meet parents that we had not met before. Year 11 Student Leaders Kiona Fry, Lily Burgess and Ali Zain Azman attended and were involved in a Q&A with parents.

Year 11 students who are interested in Teaching as a career pathway attended the three days as work experience. We started with 7 students and ended up with another 3. This was a great idea as the older students are very familiar with the school and are now role models and mentors for the Year 6 students.

A Feedback survey was completed with the year 6 students on Wednesday and provides some data for us to use when planning for 2022.

#### **P&C Book Store**

The CBSHS P&C have decided to create an annual Book Sale event, beginning this year. On Saturday 28 November, the first sale was held. Another event was held on Wednesday evening from 5:00-6:30pm. All students with Year 11 and 12 books to sell were invited to come along.

#### **Awards and Presentations**

Due to the fact that we do not have a venue at the school that is large enough to house all of our students, we had to create 3 more presentation events for 2020. With some COVID restrictions still in place, Sun City Christian Centre has a limit on the number of persons able to be in the building. As we still have a large number of Year 9 students, we were unable to combine 7/8/9 as one event.

As a result, the following events took place:

Year 10 Presentation Assembly Monday 14 December from 11:00

Year 9 Presentation Assembly – Tuesday 15 December from 09:00

Year 7/8 Presentation Assembly -Tuesday 15 December from 11:00 What was not evident from the day, was how much organization and work behind the scenes that happened to make the events happen. My thanks to Craig Tapper, Shirley Forrester, Chris Freegard and the Student Services team for much of this work. Thanks also to everyone else who helped make the events memorable.



#### **Reward Excursions**

The Student Teams from Years 7-9 and the Year 10 Team celebrated the semester with excursions to the Aquarena during Weeks 9 and 10. Students with good standing were invited to attend and all report having a great time.

Julie Campbell Principal Champion Bay Senior High School

#### Key dates 2020

- Thursday 17 December Students finish
- Friday 18 December Staff finish

#### 2021

- Monday 25 January Administration Office opens (closed Tues Jan 26)
- Wednesday 27 January School leaders commence
- Thursday 28 January all staff commence
- Monday 1 February
- students commence

#### A word from our Associate Principals



As the end of 2020 approaches, we look back at what has been another busy term and look forward to a well-deserved summer holiday for all. The vast majority of students in lower secondary have had a positive and productive term with many students displaying personal growth, increased maturity, good decision-making and respect for others. As always, I continue to enjoy classroom visits, chats in the yard and students visiting my office to share their good work.

To the Year 9 students who are leaving us, I wish you all the best in 2021 and beyond. It has been an absolute pleasure over the past three years getting to know you and watching you develop into unique individuals. I encourage you to embrace the next chapter in your education with positivity and dedication. Make the most of all the opportunities offered to you and strive to always do your personal best.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate students on a successful year and acknowledge the amazing CBSHS staff who create engaging lessons, encourage students to always strive to do their best and instil in our students the core values of RESPECT, ASPIRE and RESILIENCE.

Have a most blessed Christmas and peaceful holiday.

Mrs Waneen Bennett Associate Principal



With the end of the year rapidly approaching, I have had a chance to reflect on all the amazing opportunities our students have had in 2020, despite the many obstacles. I have captured below a snapshot of just some of the events that have occurred in Term 4 to wrap up the year.

Our athletics carnival, held in week three, was held on what was meant to be a very hot October day, however we were fortunate enough to get an early Southerly that cooled us all down.



Year 10's and 11's ready for the leader ball and 100m sprint.





Rotary Driver Education Day and Town's Football Club 12 November.





Transition Assembly for Year 10's going into Year 11.



We continue to have assemblies and celebrate achievements by our students who are aspiring to be their best.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable break and see you all in 2021.

Neil Wyatt Associate Principal

# YEAR 10 NEWS

Well, it is said that there is no elevator to success; you must take the stairs. 2020 certainly had staff and students taking the stairs, several flights of stairs, and then some. It's been a very unique year and this final term has seen students taking their own steps to success. Year 10 students have prepared for exams in week six, taken a Rotary Driver's Education course to assist in obtaining their 'L Plates', then spent a day in the sun and heat participating in our yearly CBSHS Sports Carnival. To wrap things up, some Year 10 students went out on work experience to dive into the world of work and be immersed in learning on the job skills and knowledge.

#### **Driver's Education Course**

The Rotary Driver's Education course opened some eyes to the dangers and responsibilities that come with driving vehicles and being on the road. Students were presented with hard-hitting facts to consider when taking the wheel and were equipped with valuable knowledge about car safety, travelling, and everyday driving conditions. We were fortunate enough to meet Danny who gave us a first-hand insight into the long term consequences of not being road safe. Our students, who are now preparing for their driver's license were reminded to be mindful of others and themselves on the road.

#### **Assemblies**

During the term, many of our students were rewarded and recognised for their efforts to uphold and maintain our CBSHS school values of Respect, Aspire and Resilience. Students were also recognised for their effort to increase attendance and achieve 100% attendance for Term 3.



#### **Exam Preparation**

Another round of exams and another round of exam preparation! Luckily, we have fantastic staff who volunteered their time after school to tutor and provide support in Term 4. Our students were provided with a range of yummy snacks and drinks to fuel their brainpower. It was great to see students independently take on this opportunity in their journey to aspire!

#### **Work Experience**

What a pleasure it was to see Year 10 students out on work experience, taking on the joys and responsibilities of work and the workplace. To see our students immersed in something they enjoy or of great interest to them is wonderful. We often see how amazing our students are at school, but seeing them transition into the world of work provides a whole new experience for staff.

Rebecca Bright

Year 10 Coordinator



### YEAR 11 NEWS

At the start of Term Four, we witnessed another awesome display of sportsmanship from our Year 11s as we hosted the Athletics Carnival. It was a 37-degree scorcher, but our Year 11s were undeterred. Again, the bays were near empty for much of the day as nearly every student went in every event. Some of our Year 11s were so determined to go that they rescheduled their work and TAFE commitments to attend. Congratulations to the winners - Midalia.

This term, we said farewell to Kealan Nightingale, Logan Cocker, Cooper Smith and Josh Black, as they commenced apprenticeships in the automotive, agricultural and engineering industries. We wish these students all the best as they start their careers.

The highlight of Term Four for Year 11 students was undoubtedly their last day, for many reasons other than the start of the holidays. Students started the day with their celebration assembly, where award winners and the Year 12 School Captains and House Captains were announced.

In 2021, our Student Leadership Team will be:

**School Captains** Kiona Fry

Brooke Martin Rauf Van Lierop **Vice Captains** Lily Burgess Leighton Reid

Ahmad Zain Azman

#### **House Captains**

Coronation
Chloe Woods
Ahmad Zain Azman

Midalia Nathan Burn Ali Zain Azman

Drummond **Brooke Martin Toby Pergunas** 

**Sunset** Declan Noble Mr'x Strowse

In the evening, students walked down the red carpet and boarded their Abrolhos Adventures harbour cruise spring dance. Students danced, sang, laughed, ate and danced some more. It was an outstanding night and both CBSHS and Abrolhos Adventures staff were incredibly proud of our students. If you would like to view any photos from the evening, these are available on the Year 11 Connect page. The Geraldton Guardian has also published photos taken on the night. If you missed these and would like to see them, there is a copy in our front office.

The following week, we welcomed back nine of our Year 11 students, who took time out of their holidays to assist with the Year Six Transition. We have also seen our Student Leadership Team return to school for multiple meetings to discuss the Year 12 Common Room and the School Ball. This is a great example of the school spirit within this group and another reason why we are so proud of this cohort.

Thank you to all of our Year 11 teaching staff. Your patience, persistence, dedication and hard work has seen our students have a great year, despite the challenges that have been thrown at us.

Finally, on behalf of the Year 11 teaching staff, congratulations to all of our Year 11 students for your efforts this year. We can not wait to welcome you back as Year 12s in 2021.

#### **Mr Tim Collier Year 11 Coordinator**





## HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

It has been a very different year for us all. The Health and Physical Education Learning area has again been involved in organising and running the annual swimming and athletics carnivals but has seen inter-school sport, including Country Week, put on the back burner due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

I would like to thank the many staff who have been asked to deliver programs in our Learning Area. To Mr Annen, Mr Croft, Mr Brennan, Ms Edwards, Ms Howard, Ms Crow, Mrs Bowron, Mr Iseppi, Mr Evans, Mr Doyle and Mr Tapper a big thank you from the students of Champion Bay Senior High School and myself for a fantastic effort in a trying year.

Programs were interrupted but continued to be delivered in Health Education, Physical Education and Outdoor Education. A highlight was the modified Athletics carnival that was held on the school oval in Term Four. Some new events were introduced along with traditional running events. The Flag relays, leader ball and tug of war events were very well received by enthusiastic staff and students alike.

The Outdoor Education program delivered by Mr Annen, Ms Howard and Mr Croft saw students still involved in a variety of engaging activities such as canoeing, bush cooking, raft building, rope bridge construction and surf survival skills.

In 2020, Year 11 General Physical Education Studies was introduced to our school. Two classes enthusiastically participated in biomechanics, physiology, anatomy and sports coaching theory as well a variety of sports that included badminton, soccer, basketball and European handball.

The fitness development and testing programs conducted in Terms and Two and Four have been very well received by students who have engaged enthusiastically. Both the circuit work prior to testing and the fitness testing sessions have seen the gymnasium buzzing.

2020 will always be seen as one of those different years. The students involved in the HPE programs have shown great resilience and drive and I believe they have all gained from their efforts in this Learning Area. We all look forward to the new year and I am confident that the students and staff will be able to handle whatever it may bring.

Mr Gary Davies **Head of Learning Area Health and Physical Education** 



# TECHNOLOGIES

















During Term Three the extension classes from Year Seven to Ten completed the National Geography Competition, in which they answered a range of Geography based questions from various aspects of their curriculum. This competition is usually held in Term One but as a result of the school closures across the country due to COVID-19, it was delayed till Term Three. The results for our students were fantastic; we achieved four High Distinctions (Vanessa Burn, Etienne Horn, Charlotte McGowan and Mason Coffey); 9 Distinctions (Jackson Burns, Chloe Cukela, Isabella Mitchell, Aeza Culallad, Callum Kerr, Seth Kersting, Annabelle Goforth, Jasmin Joyner and Schenay Blignaut), and twelve students received credits.

Earlier in Term Four, the cafeteria was turned into a polling station for the Year 9 General Election. As part of their Civics and Citizenship unit, the Year 9s created a "Political Party" with a platform regarding something they would like to change at school. The platforms were varied from providing school lockers, more comfortable furniture, changing the school jumper, more outdoor seating, seating at the bus stop to more shade around the school. The students had to create a slogan for their party, a party name, a logo, campaign posters and an advert informing the voters of their platform. The students held their Election Day in week 3 and were able to enjoy a "democracy sausage" while they waited to vote. Counting the vote was very interesting as students saw their favourite take the lead and others disappointed as their party was knocked out through the preferential counting method. It was a closely contested race with three parties holding the lead by a small margin, until it seemed that "School Refurbishment Party" was going to win, only to be overtaken in votes in the last three rounds with the "Anti -Homework Party" reaching the 65 votes needed to win. The winners are looking forward to discussing their platform with Mrs Campbell. Luckily the year 9 losing parties did not contest the counting and demand a recount.

## HASS NEWS

The Year 8s have been designing businesses that they think the Geraldton Community are needing and there have been some amazing ideas such as a Geraldton Boardwalk business, clothing stores to skateboard shops. Students researched Geraldton's demographics to determine the viability of their business, search for a suitable location and assessed which businesses would be competition.

While the Year 9s were having an Election and the Year 8s were creating businesses, the Year 7s were holding the trial of Goldi Locks who was charged with entering a premises without permission and committed the offence of stealing. Each class held their own trial with the persecution bringing in Sargent Snooper, Momma Bear and Poppa Bear to provide evidence as witnesses while the council for the defence had Goldi Locks provide evidence. The jury then deliberated and returned a verdict of Not Guilty due to the State not convincing the jury beyond reasonable doubt of Goldi Locks guilt. The Defence was able to sow some doubt into the juror's minds due to the conflicting testimony of witnesses, Momma Bear and Poppa Bear.

#### Colleen Byrne

**HoLA: Humanities and Social Sciences** 



















