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From the principals desk - Patricia Rodrigues

And just like that the first 10 weeks of the school term have drawn to a close, and what a wonderful Term it has been. I am encouraged by the way our students have embraced our theme for the year "Responsibility for learning" and the shared partnership between both the School and parents. Across both the Primary School and Secondary School there is a positive and engaging atmosphere on both an academic and a cultural level.

On Thursday last week we enjoyed our Primary School Athletics carnival, and you couldn't wipe the smiles off both the students and parents' faces as they all enjoyed the day, and on our last day of term we came together as a whole school to enjoy the Easter Assembly and participate in a small ANZAC service. The Secondary students then moved into competition mode ready for the Cross Country Carnival which always brings out the house spirit in them all.

As you would have seen there are building works happening around the school as we move closer to having our Aquatic Centre and additional classrooms. We thank all our families for your patience during the drop-off and pick up times and ask for your continued support when it comes to your children's safety around these times.

In staffing news, we will see Mrs Jill Petley and Mrs Cheryl Burgess leaving us and we have Mrs Debbie Bull and Mrs Riley Wixted taking leave at the end of this Term.

School Events

- **Friday 11 April** - Y7-Y12 House Cross Country, Easter Assembly, Last day of Term
- **Friday 18 April** -
Tuesday 22 April - Administration Office Closed
- **Friday 25 April** - ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- **Monday 28 April** - Staff return (Pupil Free Day)
- **Tuesday 29 April** - Students First Day of Term 2
- **Friday 2 May** - PK Orientation Day
- **Monday 5 May** - PK Orientation Day, Y10 OLNA Round 1 commences
- **Tuesday 6 May** - 3 Way meetings
- **Friday 9 May** - Primary Assembly
- **Tuesday 13 May** - SSWA Netball Carnival (Y7-Y10)
- **Wednesday 14 May** - Primary School Cross Country
- **Friday 16 May** - Y10 OLNA Round 1 concludes
- **Sunday 18 May** - Y10 Ningaloo Camp
- **Monday 19 May** - Y12 EST's
- **Tuesday 20 May** - School Tours
- **Friday 23 May** - Primary Assembly

As such I am delighted to welcome the following new teaching staff members who will be joining us for the start of Term 2, Mr Jack Opie (Y2), Mrs Debbie Smith (PP) and Mrs Leanne Fletcher (Y6), and we also have in Administration Mrs Nola Thomas, as our Accountant and Mrs Maxie Breytenbach full time in Reception.

As we head into our Term break, I ask that we all reflect on what has been this term and appreciate all the achievements of everyone in our School Community, both big and small. May you all have a wonderful holiday break with your family, and I look forward to reconnecting with you **Tuesday 29 April** for the start of Term 2.

Chaplain's Chat - Reverend Noah Mbano

Term 1 has come and gone, and we all now look forward to a much well-deserved break. During this holiday break Christians celebrate the Festival of Easter, the most significant and important Holiday on the Christian Calendar.



This is because Easter is at the heart of the Christian faith—a time of deep reflection, renewal, and profound hope. At its core, Easter celebrates the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. On Good Friday, Christians remember how Jesus gave His life out of love for the world. In doing so, we believe that we too, in spirit, die with Him—letting go of sin, selfishness, and all that separates us from God and one another.

Then, on Easter Sunday, we celebrate the joy of new life. Jesus rose from the dead, and with Him, as Christians we rise too, transformed, forgiven, and renewed. This is not just a future aspiration or hope, but a present reality. We become new creations, empowered by God's Spirit to live differently—more lovingly, more justly, more compassionately.

In Serpentine Jarrahdale, may Easter inspire us to be people of resurrection—neighbours who embody hope, who lift others up, who forgive and seek peace. As we walk together in this beautiful part of Perth, may our lives mirror the love of Christ: self-giving, welcoming, and full of grace. May we rise together into the better versions of ourselves, for the good of our community and the glory of God.

Wishing you a joyful and hope-filled Easter.

Deputy Principal - Mike Jenzen

On Saturday March 22, more than 30 students and staff attended Leighton Beach to volunteer as helpers for others less able. Organised by Disabled Surfers Association of Australia, the day is an opportunity to enable people with disabilities to experience the thrill of the ocean and surfing.

Court Grammar has a well-established reputation for service through our motto of 'Standing alongside others', and this was particularly evident on this day. Ably led by seven of our Prefects, the students once again did our school proud.

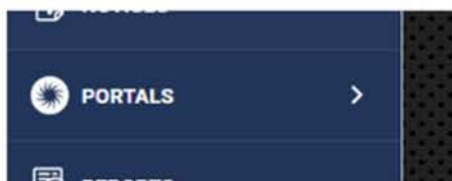
Next year we are looking to expand the number of opportunities for students to participate in these days so watch this space...



Head of Secondary School - Brad Krokosz

Sometimes, studying can seem like a unicorn (everyone's heard of it but no one's ever seen it!). Humour aside, studying can be one of the most misunderstood educational activities.

Court Grammar School now has a dedicated Study Skills for Success portal page, accessible in SEQTA. The top 6 study skills, as backed by research, can be found here. Over the coming terms, students will be led through the program to ensure they know and can practice the skills required.



Police Rangers - Mr Krokosz

Police Rangers have participated in a number of outdoor activities. We went to the Munda Biddi hut, past Jarrahdale, and showed the students the hut and explained about the Munda Biddi Trail. The trail of over 1000 km is a multi-day mountain bike trail. Students were interested in finding out that the fastest known time to complete end-to-end is only just over 2 days!

Rangers have also been preparing for our fishing trip to Golden Ponds next term. Learning the 'fishing-fool' knot, along with basic tackle set up and precision casting practice, the Rangers are well prepared to hook up some trout next term.



Head of Primary School - Patricia McLoughlin

As we wrap up Term One, we celebrate a term filled with learning, activities and a strong sense of community. Over the term, our students have shown commitment, enthusiasm and growth in their learning journeys. A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated staff who have worked tirelessly to support our students both academically, creatively and emotionally. Their efforts create the safe, inspiring and positive learning environment that makes our CGS community what it is.

NAPLAN Testing (Years 3 and 5)

NAPLAN has now concluded for 2025. Thank you to our Year 3 and Year 5 teachers for their calm, focused support during this time. Their efforts to maintain a positive and reassuring environment helped ease nerves and set students up for success. We will receive the result in Term Three and will post to parents when advised by the NAPLAN team.

Primary Athletics Carnival

A big thank you to Ms Stacey Cavill and our Primary team for organising a fantastic Athletics Carnival. The day was a great celebration of participation, skill and team spirit. We're also grateful to our families - your energy and encouragement helped make the event more memorable.

Easter Egg Donations

We sincerely appreciate the generosity of our school community in donating Easter Eggs. Your support helps build a strong culture of care and togetherness in our school.



Seesaw for Schools

Seesaw continues to be a powerful way for you to stay connected with your child's learning journey. Through the platform, you can:



- Receive real-time updates on learning activities
- View snapshots of your child's work and progress through photos, videos, and teacher comments
- Celebrate your child's achievements with comments and encouragement
- Stay in contact with your child's teachers

If you are not yet connected to your child's Seesaw class, please reach out to their teacher to receive your access code.

Term Two Parent Meetings

As we move into Term Two, we will be holding parent meetings to discuss your child's progress in English, Mathematics and their personal, social and emotional development. Meetings will take place from Week Two, with teachers providing after-school time slots. A late session will also be offered on Tuesday, May 6th, for those who require after-hours options. Please note that due to class sizes, some meetings may be scheduled outside of Week Two, including before or after the set week. If you've already had a meeting arranged with your child's teacher, this will serve as your Term Two parent meeting. These are parent-only sessions. However, if you wish for your child to attend, please discuss this with your child's teacher beforehand.

Wishing You a Safe and Happy Easter

As we head into the Easter holidays, we wish your family a peaceful and joyful break. May it be a time of rest, reflection and renewal. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term Two on Tuesday April 29.



What's happening around the School

Year 9 Food Science - Mrs Nash

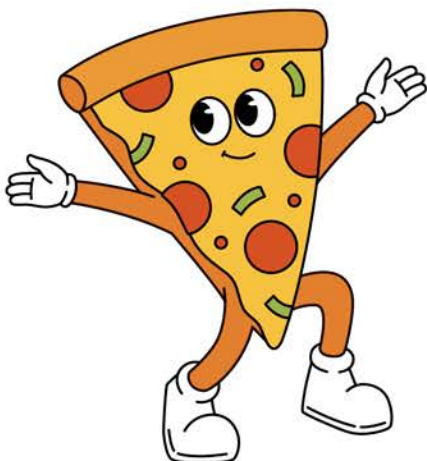
Year 9 students have been busy mastering a range of cooking methods, from the sizzle of frying to the gentle simmer of poaching! Putting their newfound skills to the test, they worked in groups to design and create delicious meals showcasing summer's vibrant seasonal vegetables. The results were truly impressive, highlighting their creativity and cooking talent. We saw a fantastic array of dishes, each demonstrating a thoughtful application of techniques like baking, boiling, and shallow frying. The dedication and innovation displayed by these young chefs were remarkable, and we're incredibly proud of their accomplishments. Here are just a few glimpses of the incredible meals they produced.



Fri Pre Kindy News - Term Highlights

This term in Pre-Kindy, the children have been exploring the five senses through a variety of hands-on learning experiences. One of the highlights was making pizza dough together! The children had a wonderful time placing their own toppings, using their sense of touch, sight, and smell throughout the process.

After patiently waiting for their pizzas to cook in the oven, they were finally able to taste their delicious creations – and they certainly smelt as good as they tasted! It was a fantastic way to engage all five senses in a fun and memorable way.



Pizza



Y9 Rite Journey - Mrs Conway - Mortimer

On Friday 14 March, our Year 9 students participated in The Calling/Departure ceremony — a significant and symbolic event marking the beginning of their Rite Journey. Arriving at school before sunrise, students gathered quietly with a sense of reflection and anticipation. As the sun rose, they engaged in a meaningful smoking ceremony, acknowledging the end of their childhood and the start of their transition into young adulthood.

Following the ceremony, students spent time with their mentors to write a personal reflection. They each identified a childhood behaviour they were ready to release—something that no longer serves them as they move into a more mature stage of life. This was a profoundly thoughtful process, giving students the chance to consider their growth and the kind of person they are becoming.

Students then shared their chosen childhood behaviour and reflection with their parents and carers, inviting them into this crucial moment of transition. It was a powerful exchange, reinforcing the supportive role families play in their journey.

The morning concluded with a shared breakfast, where students, families, and staff came together in the community to celebrate and honour this important milestone. It was a memorable and moving start to the Rite Journey, setting a respectful and intentional tone for the year ahead.

Thank you to those who supported this worthy event.



Environmental News - Mrs Waddell

The launch of Gardening Club got off to a wonderful start this term, with our team of sustainably passionate year 5 and 6's. We have been planting, harvesting, worm farming and recycling.



We have also had our first busy bee for 2025, a huge thankyou to all the families that braved windy weather to support the children. Carrots were harvested and sold, winter crops were planted, and our garden arch has been assembled and placed ready for some vines.



Careers and VET - Ms Stringer

Building Your Employability Skills for a Changing World

The world of work is evolving rapidly, shaped by new technologies, industries, and ways of thinking. At Court Grammar School, our Secondary students are actively developing the essential **employability skills** that will set them up for success—no matter where their careers take them.

Beyond technical expertise, future workplaces will demand **critical thinking, strong communication, teamwork, problem-solving, curiosity, initiative, and adaptability**. Employers are looking for individuals who can **self-manage, embrace digital literacy (including AI), and apply enterprise skills** to real-world challenges. These skills are key to thriving in emerging industries and navigating an ever-changing job market.

To help our students explore their pathways, the **CGS Career Expo on 28 May** will provide Years 9–12 with valuable insights into career opportunities, further education, and industry expectations. This event is an important step in preparing them for the future of work.

Stay engaged, stay curious, and continue building the skills that will unlock your potential!

Where are they now?

It's always inspiring to see the paths our graduates take after Year 12. Two of our 2024 graduates, Drew Crabb and Finn Mallon, have chosen exciting yet distinct directions for their futures.

Drew secured direct entry into the University of Western Australia, where she is pursuing a degree in Media and Communications. She finds her studies both engaging and challenging, particularly her immersion in Philosophy and the ethical aspects of media.

Finn, on the other hand, is enrolled in a Uni-Ready course as a stepping stone toward a Business/Commerce degree. This pathway is helping him build the skills and confidence needed for university study.

We wish both Drew and Finn every success in their academic and professional journeys!



Photo L to R: Drew Crabb, Mrs Hugill and Finn Mallon

Year 10 ODE High Ropes and Abseiling Excursion - Student Review

‘On April 7 our Year 10 ODE students visited Manjedal Activity Centre and here’s a few comments that they had to say about their time there.

What We Did

“We had gone to Manjedal Activity Centre. The courses that we had participated in included the Rockclimbing Wall and the High Ropes Course. The rock wall was 15 metres tall, and three were able to go at once. I had gone on the furthest one from the entrance of the rock wall; I think it was the hardest one of the three, with several points where I was struggling. The high ropes courses was a tough challenge that consisted of what the instructors call the zombie ladder, rope wall, planks, and balls the other courses had different: smaller planks, a bridge, and a tyre swing. I had gone on the second option with the tyre swing, being scared, I just don’t like heights at all, it’s too scary. The day consisted of the rock wall and high ropes, both being tough challenges that scared a lot of people, including the rock wall, my favourite of the two. I would’ve participated more and had another go on it, but I had gained blisters.”

-Jet Langley

What We Learned

“We learnt how to proceed with the activities safely, how to open carabiners and the two types we were using and how to work as a team to support each other and reach an ultimate end goal.”

-Deegan Lamont



What We Enjoyed

“The experience taught us the importance of different knots and how they help with the safety of people’s lives. I also learnt how to correctly put on a harness. “

-Kyle Bailey

Honourable Mention

“I want to mention Jet Langley, because when he got up to the tyre swings, he was out of his comfort zone, but he still tried to finish the course.”

-Jason Droogan



Year 10 HASS - Mrs Hugill

'Last Wednesday 2 April our Year 10 HASS students participated in an incursion led by the 'Courage to Care' organisation which aims to raise awareness of prejudice and discrimination and how this can lead to segregation and even genocide. The workshop supported our History unit about WW2 and specifically the Holocaust. Our students were exemplary in their attitude and behaviour throughout both sessions, asking lots of poignant questions and demonstrating a very mature attitude to this difficult topic.

Well done Year 10'



Year 9 HASS - Mrs Hugill

Year 9 HASS students had an amazing experience at the WA Law Courts on March 10 and March 13. Not only did they have the opportunity to watch real-life court cases in action but also experience justice for themselves during the mock trial in the old courthouse.

Well-done Year 9.



Student Achievements

Congratulations to Olivia King who competed earlier this Term at the Junior Track and Fields Championships. She competed in the U13G 80m hurdles and got Bronze 🥉 (3rd), also 200m hurdles Silver medal 🥈 and 400m 4th place. She also qualified for Athletics Australia Nationals and competed in the U14women 80m hurdles and 4x200m mixed relay.



Congratulations to Taj McDonnell (Y7) has been competing in State Level traditional Archery Competitions since Mid 2024. Last weekend he finished 3rd at the State Interclub Competition held in York & Districts Archery Club in the Junior Division (12-16 years). Taj currently holds the WA State Championship Junior division title, winning at the Rainbow Coast Archery Club event last month.



Congratulations to both Colm Galvin and Daragh Galvin who have been selected to join the WA U21 Men and WA Junior Mixed Polocrosse teams, and will be competing in Albury and Barastoc during April and May. We wish you both the best of luck!

Congratulations to Jasper Stingle and Seth Lonsdale for making the U16 BWA State Performance Programme for Basketball 2025 🏀🔥

In Football news Congratulations to the following students for their selection in the Roger's Cup. Ester, Ruby and Ava representing Peel Thunder and Ava in the Perth Squad.

We also congratulate Tom & Jed for making it through to the South Fremantle Colts team.



Administration News

Office Hours during the Holidays

During the School holiday period please be aware the school office will be closed for the following days:

Friday 18 April - Good Friday,

Monday 21 April - Tuesday 22 April - Easter Monday and Tuesday

Friday 25 April - ANZAC Day

Uniform shop Hours

During the School Term our standard hours and days are as follows:

Monday: 8.00am - 11.00am

Wednesday: 12.30pm - 3.30pm

The uniform shop is open to students Monday during recess (10:15am - 10:30am) and Wednesday lunchtime (12.50pm-1:15pm)

During the April School holidays the Uniform shop will be opening during the following days and times:

Thursday 24 April: 9.00am - 1.00pm

Monday 28 April: 8.00am - 11.00am

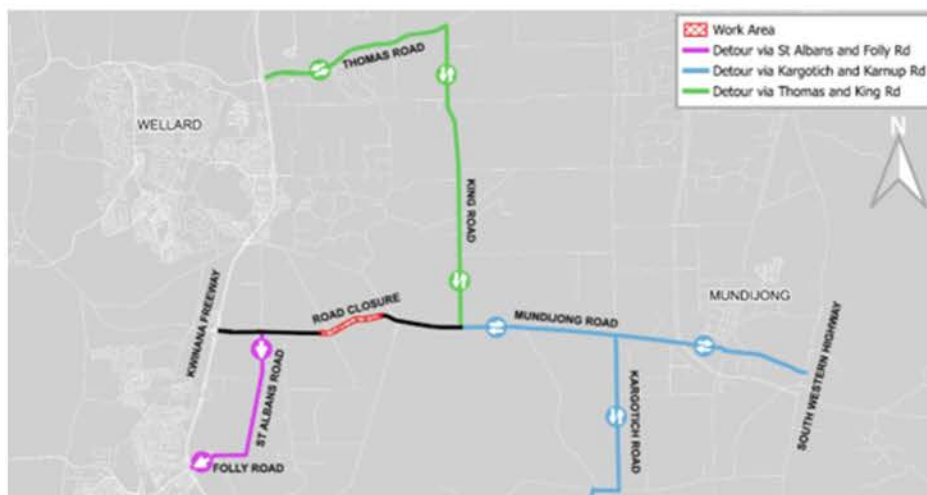


TASS Parent Lounge

Families are reminded that you can now update all of your contact details including addresses, phone numbers, your child's photo permissions and medical details all through the TASS parent Lounge. If you haven't yet activated your account you can contact our IT department who will be able to assist you.

Mundijong Road Closure - Bus Routes

As families will be aware a section of Mundijong Road between Telephone Lane and Duckpond Road is now closed from 8 April to 1 August. While this closure has had some impact on the route of our Baldivis South and Secret Harbour, we are pleased to advise it has had no impact on the designated stops and timing of these Buses. If you have any questions in relation to our Buses please contact the School Office.



Picture provided by the City of Rockingham - Alternate Routes suggested



ANZAC DAY SERVICES

25 APRIL 2025

Lest We Forget

Dawn Service

**Mundijong War Memorial,
Paterson Street, Mundijong**

5.40am

Assemble at
Mundijong
War Memorial

5.50am

Dawn Service

6.30am

Free Community
Gunfire Breakfast
(Served on site)



Commemorative Service

Mundijong War Memorial, Paterson Street, Mundijong



To participate in the
Processional March

8.15am

Assemble on
Cockram Street

8.30am

Call to order and form up

8.50am

March departs for
Mundijong War Memorial



To attend the
Commemorative Service

8.45am

Assemble at
Mundijong War Memorial

9am

Commemorative Service

10am

Free community morning tea
(served in the Shire Civic Centre)

Community News

FUN AWAITS! YOUR AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Forrestdale Primary School

Address: 35 Broome St FORRESTDALE WA 6112

Phone: 0447139602 Program Times: 06:30 am - 06:00 pm

Mon 14 Apr Special Event: LEGO® Masters Training Day

This is it - your ticket to LEGO masterdom starts here! With special video guidance from Brickman, sharpen your building skills and tackle an epic build challenge.

Full Fee \$95.00 | After Max. CCS* \$9.50

Tue 15 Apr Operation: Hop, Skip, Play!

Get ready to jump into a day of fun and games! From bouncing challenges to creative activities, it's all about movement, laughter, and creativity—no bunny business, just pure fun!

Full Fee \$73.00 | After Max. CCS* \$7.30

Wed 16 Apr Adventure: Aussie Rules Road to Glory

Step onto the field and train like a future Aussie Rules star! This exclusive clinic offers elite coaching, high-intensity drills, and expert tips to sharpen your skills. Are you ready to take your game to the next level?

Full Fee \$126.50 | After Max. CCS* \$12.65

Thu 17 Apr Big Art Day: Eco Masterpieces

Everyone's favourite day is back - and it's time to think BIG! Transform recycled materials into spectacular sculptures. Robots, animals, or wild inventions—the only limit is your imagination.

Full Fee \$73.00 | After Max. CCS* \$7.30

Tue 22 Apr Adventure: Disney's Snow White at Reading Cinemas

Step into a fairy tale as we watch Disney's Snow White! Join Snow White on a magical adventure as she faces the wicked Queen, finds friendship with seven dwarfs, and discovers the true meaning of bravery, kindness, and love.

Full Fee \$121.50 | After Max. CCS* \$12.15

Wed 23 Apr Project: Day Dreamers

Grab your PJs and join us for the ultimate feel-good day! Build a teddy with a recorded message, make yummy banana sushi and take part in wellness activities. It's a cosy, happy adventure to remember!

Full Fee \$95.00 | After Max. CCS* \$9.50

Thu 24 Apr Experience Takeover: Wild Wonders

Get up close with Australia's most amazing wildlife! Meet giant snakes, a juvenile crocodile, powerful birds of prey, and even marsupials. Learn, touch, and experience the wild like never before!

Full Fee \$106.58 | After Max. CCS* \$10.66

Mon 28 Apr Project: Super Hero Academy

Swing into action! Build your own Bolt Blaster, craft Spider-Man masks, and join an epic Super Hero treasure hunt to help the masked heroes save the world from a powerful villain!

Full Fee \$118.60 | After Max. CCS* \$11.86




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by  Camp Australia

*Please note the fees on the following pages are only of the maximum Child Care Subsidy (CCS) a family may be entitled to. To find out your eligibility, simply log into MyGov and complete your CCS Assessment.

Vacation Care Calendar

Serpentine Jarrahdale

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
14 April	15 April	16 April	17 April	18 April
Mini Master Chefs In-house Cook up a storm, making some of our favourite foods- muffins, scrolls, fruit kebabs. (Pasta lunch provided)	WA Wildlife Incursion WA is filled with wildlife and today we will get up close and learn about some of our favourites.	United Cinemas (Dogman PG) Excursion Join us to watch Dogman and enjoy movie popcorn. What crimes will Dogman solve?	Easter Fun Day In-house Let's get crafty, making bunnies, baskets, and yummy treats to take home.	Good Friday Public Holiday Service Closed
21 April	22 April	23 April	24 April	25 April
Easter Monday Public Holiday Service Closed	Lollipops Jandakot Excursion Learn to dribble a basketball and shoot a basket from a Cube Sports coach.	Cube Sports SAS Bootcamp Incursion Learn to dribble a basketball and shoot a basket from a Cube Sports coach.	Silent Disco In-house Learn to dribble a basketball and shoot a basket from a Cube Sports coach.	Anzac Day Public Holiday Service Closed
28 April	29 April			
Character Day In-house Pupil Free Day Let's celebrate our favourite characters with games and role play opportunities. (Check your school for return date)	Term 2 Begins Before & After School Care resumes			

FUN!
Activities & games



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