Welcome back to all staff and students for Semester 2 after the mid-year break.

Term 3 is a very busy term, with Year 12 students finishing their courses and preparing for ATAR examinations or work placements, Year 10 and 11 students will sit the OLNA (if required) and subject selections (for 2016) completed by students, just to name a few.

Last week the Senior and Middle School Award assemblies were held and the message in my address to the students is that they must set goals to achieve to their potential.

I wish all students a successful Semester 2.

New Principal
Belridge Secondary College welcomes Mr John Burke as the appointed Principal.

Mr Burke has been the Principal of Hedland SHS in Port Hedland since 2010. We all look forward to working with Mr Burke.

Independent Public School Review
The Independent Public School (IPS) three year review was conducted in week 1 of this term.

Three reviewers met with administration, teaching and non-teaching staff, students, parents, board members and visited classrooms over two days.

Our new Principal, Mr Burke, was also involved in this review to familiarise himself with the operation of the school.

A report will now be tabled with their findings. We await this report which will be used to plan the direction of the school for its next three year IPS phase.
## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### August to December 2015

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Important time for all students

Year 12 Students
Year 12 students should now be striving for the best results possible, in order to be competitive for university or training entry. It is important that after nearly 12 years of schooling students strive to do their best when the end goal is in sight. All students, but especially those that have to sit exams, should have a study plan and use the ‘Smart Study’ tips given to them by their teachers. The ATAR students need to take into account the WACE exam scheduling when planning their study.

Also, students applying for university entry have been given their TISC Guides and information. They must enter their preference online by 30 September or a late fee of $138 applies.

Year 11 Students
Year 11 students should now be aware of what is required to succeed in Senior School. The key element is regular attendance. Any student who attends less than 90% of the time is at serious risk of falling behind in their studies. Also, any Year 11 student that falls behind in their assessment work is required to remain at school Wednesday during period 5 to complete their work. Students should not make other arrangements, such as part-time work for this period. If we require students for meetings or to complete work as above, they are expected to be available and free to stay.

ALL STUDENTS

School Planners
All students should be using their planners to record their homework and plan to complete all assessment items. Often teachers write key messages for parents in the planners, so it would be appreciated if parents could check these planners as often as possible.

Timetabling for 2016
It is the time of the year when class lists for 2016 are being created and checked. All students should be striving to do their best and demonstrate to their teachers their true potential. Also Year 9 students need to have returned their selection forms for 2016 options no later than Friday 14 August.

Year 10 and 11 Students
The second round of the ONLA (Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment) commences on Monday 31 August. Parents should receive a letter if their son/daughter is required to sit this assessment. It is important that students attend for their tests and do their best - they are important for them to progress through Years 11 and 12.

Road Safety
Recently we have received two pieces of correspondence from drivers about students putting their safety at risk. It is a timely reminder to all to be careful on the roads. It is highly recommended that students cross Ocean Reef Road with the assistance of the crossing attendants. The speed limit on this road is 70kmh, and heading west past the school there is a blind corner. Also students riding bikes should be wearing helmets and need to look both ways when exiting the shopping centre car parks. We ask all parents to take great care when driving near the school during starting and closing times and when picking up and dropping off students.

Here’s wishing all students a safe and successful Terms 3 and 4.

ROBERT STRICKLAND
Vice Principal (Senior School)
Belridge Secondary College

From the Vice Principal (Middle School)

Year 10 (2016) Electives selections
Year 9 students have been given Course Selection Booklets for their Year 10 Electives 2016. Students must select three (3) electives with two (2) additional electives as reserves. These forms were due to be returned by Friday 14 August.

Students selecting high cost electives must pay a deposit of 50% of course costs by Friday 4 September 2015 in order to secure a place in the course.

Students are asked to select electives that they have a genuine interest in as they will be enrolled for the whole year. Changing electives during the year is not recommended and may not be possible in certain circumstances. Many of the electives also provide a solid grounding for some Senior School courses.

Year 7 Enrolments 2016
Parents are reminded that enrolments for 2016 are now due. I thank all the parents who have already submitted enrolment forms for 2016. This assists us in our planning for 2016.

Ms Holliday has been appointed the Year 7 Co-ordinator 2016. Ms Holliday will start to visit our feeder primary schools this term and get to know our new students. In addition, two orientation programs are planned for the students. Early in Term 4, half day orientations will be conducted on a school-by-school basis over a two week period. Then, in Week 9, there will be the full Orientation Day for the new cohort. Parents will also have an opportunity to have a tour of the school on this day. Hopefully by then all new students would have had two opportunities to spend time at Belridge SC prior to commencing in 2016. I look forward to meeting all our new students.

Student Planner
The use of the Student Planner and getting students into a good study routine has been a priority for Belridge SC this year. Students should be recording daily homework and revision in their planners. Within the planner there also is a ‘Term Planner’ page which students should use to outline assessment due dates.

This gives students a good overall picture of their requirements for the term and allows them to plan their time.

The most successful students are well organised students. I encourage parents/caregivers to monitor their child’s Planner and assist where necessary.

MARIO PISANO
Vice Principal (Middle School)

PASSING OF EX-PRESIDENT OF BELRIDGE SECONDARY COLLEGE P&C ASSOCIATION
NEIL CAVALI

On Tuesday 4th August 2015, Neil Cavalli lost his battle against leukaemia. Neil was a parent of Joe and Sophie Cavalli who attended Belridge SC. Neil became involved in the BSC Parents & Citizens Association and eventually was President from 2004 to 2008.

Neil was a polite and gentle man who had a wonderful sense of humour. These attributes made him a wonderful ‘people’ person and he used his skills with great effort as President of the BSC P&C. Through Neil’s hard work, the P&C was reorganised and he restructured the canteen and the bookshop. Through his astute guidance, he made both the canteen and the uniform shop profitable and ensured that all staff employed by the BSC P&C were properly trained and supported.

Neil’s sense of humour was best exemplified at the graduation ceremonies, when his President’s Address always had the audience appreciate his humorous anecdotes. Belridge SC has lost a parent who worked hard to make Belridge SC a better place for all students. On behalf of the school community, I would like to convey our sincerest condolences to Neil’s wife and his children.

NICK JAKOWYNA
PISA 2015: Programme for International Student Assessment

Twenty of our students born in 1999 or 2000 (15 year olds) were randomly selected to participate in the 2015 Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) Main Study.

PISA is an important part of the National Assessment Program in Australia, which is the measure through which governments, education authorities and schools can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes. All Australian Education Ministers have agreed to Australian schools’ participation in PISA, which is reflected in the Australian Education Act 2013.

International assessments provide a wide range of valuable information for education policy and review in Australia and overseas. This also enables Australia to consider the performance of our education system compared with others.

Since the first PISA assessment involving 32 countries in the year 2000, the survey has continued to raise interest amongst educators and policy-makers worldwide.

In 2015, Australia will be one of over 70 countries participating in PISA with around 15,000 students (from more than 800 schools) representing our country.

CARLOS NOTARPIETRO
Associate Principal

Belridge students participating in PISA 2015 assessment, together with Susan Pearce from ACER
The Belridge Secondary College Board (the Board) did not meet during July due to the school holidays.

However, August sees the beginning of an exciting time as we prepare to welcome new Principal, John Burke to the school. Mr Burke comes to us with extensive experience as both Principal and in his capacity as a Board Member at Hedland Senior High School.

I sense that the College will benefit greatly from Mr Burke’s enthusiasm for not only the education and welfare of the students, but also in helping develop a vision for the College now that we are three years into being an Independent Public School (IPS).

The Board is very much looking forward to working with Mr Burke to achieve the strategic outcomes for the students and the College. Please take an opportunity to welcome Mr Burke, and on behalf of all of the Board members, we wish him great success and happiness in his new position at Belridge.

Over the coming months, the Board will be reviewing its Governance obligations to ensure that its accountability is managed appropriately and in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Education.

During July, I had the great honour of speaking with the Department of Education IPS Review team who as you know, conducted its mandatory three year review of the College following its conversion to an IPS. I have not yet received the report, however, I gleaned from the discussions that we, the College community have collectively done very well during the transition phase. As with all new processes and structural changes, I expect some areas of improvement will be recommended. The Board, along with the Senior Management Team of the College, will undertake any necessary changes that may be required.

The August “Open Board Meeting” was better attended than all previous meetings, with five parents and three members of staff attending. A number of concerns and compliments were raised by the representatives, most of which were able to be addressed at the time. Future planning in terms of the Connect System was a significant point of enquiry. Elizabeth Cassidy, Head of Information Technology indicated that a working party is looking at ways to increase the user/teacher interface with the Connect system in the future.

Thank you to all parents and staff who attended and provided their input. Feedback will assist the College in achieving goals moving forward.

The Board will monitor the value of the open meeting, while continuing to develop a plan to better engage the general College community.

Janine Espey
Chairperson

New Design School Jumper - Place Your Orders!

The new design school jumper has now been agreed and finalised and the uniform shop is ready to start taking orders and assist with sizing.

UNIFORM CONCEPTS
Unit 3, 86 Winton Road
Joondalup, WA 6027

T: 08 9270 4660
E: Joondalup@uc.nellgray.com.au

Online ordering coming soon ...
Thank you to Parents who have settled their child’s school charge contributions for 2015. We encourage other parents to keep making an effort to finalise their school accounts.

Year 11 and 12 charges are compulsory and we ask that all charges be finalised by 28 August 2015.

For Years 7 - 10 contributions, full payment is requested by the end of Term 3 - 24 September 2015. Please remember the school needs funds collected from parents so we can plan and budget.

Time payment plans can be arranged. Please contact the Business Manager or office staff.

The school offers EFTPOS facilities and credit card payments over the phone for your convenience. We also offer internet banking (Direct Deposit).

Account details are as follows:

Account name: Belridge Secondary College
Bank: ANZ
BSB: 016-261
Account No: 102744334
Reference: Student name and year

WHEN MAKING A DIRECT DEPOSIT, PLEASE DETAIL THE STUDENT NAME & YEAR AND CHECK YOU DON'T MAKE AN EXTRA PAYMENT!

Course Selections for 2016 Advance Payments
If you are making an advance payment for next year’s courses, please also include “2016” in your description/reference.

Receipting System
Students going on excursion or camps etc., will be issued with an envelope showing details of the excursion, camps etc., and the cost.

These envelopes, containing cash or credit card details are to be returned to the school and deposited in a ‘drop box’ located in the front office. Class teachers are no longer responsible for collection of monies.

Office hours are between 8.00am and 4.00pm. Please do not hesitate to contact me for more information.

GREG CAREY
Business Manager

IMPORTANT
When making advance payments for 2016 course selections please ensure that you state in the reference description that it is for '2016 school fees'

Thank you

A Special Message for Parents with Children that have Parents or Grandparents that are ex-service men and women

AVCAT are pleased to announce that Applications for 2016 Scholarships and Bursaries open on 18 August 2015.

The Australian Veterans’ Children Assistance Trust (AVCAT) is a national independent charity helping the children and grandchildren of ex-service men and women to a better future through high education.

Through the help of our generous donors AVCAT administers scholarships to the children of those who have served our country in peace and war in the Australian Army, Navy and Airforce.

Scholarship selection is on a need and merit basis.

We are also very excited to announce the AVCAT Commemorative Bursary in recognition of 30 years of service to the veteran community. This special bursary is valued at $15,000 and aims to financially assist an Australian veteran’s child as they pursue their university studies.

Applications open 18 August, Vietnam Veterans’ Day and strictly close on 31 October 2015. Go to

www.avcat.org.au
Wow! How time flies .. we can hardly believe that we are almost half way through Term 3. In saying this, it is evident that there has been some great work going on in the school and that students are attempting to get the most out of their time here with us.

The majority of Middle School students were able to go and compete against neighbouring schools as part of their Lightning Carnivals. From all accounts these students represented themselves and Belridge extremely well.

Selected Senior School students enjoyed ‘pizza parties’ for progressing in their OLNA assessments. The Year 12’s were also able to partake of pizza for fulfilling some graduation responsibilities to Miss Soloway.

This term sees the Senior School students reach a crescendo with their studies and on the home stretch to exams/workplace learning.

The Student Services team wishes all students a productive and prosperous Term 3 and the offer of support should the need arise.

ATTENDANCE
Belridge Secondary College prides itself on providing a quality education for all students.

This ideal can only come to fruition with the efforts of each student and their family. Students only have the opportunity to excel if they give themselves that opportunity by attending every day possible. It was great to be able to recognise those students at a recent assembly.

Attendance champion certificates were awarded to students who had 100% attendance, attending every day since the beginning of the school year (see page 13).

Honourable mention certificates were awarded to students having 99% attendance which was the equivalent of having only one day absence since the beginning of school. Congratulations go to those students and their families for giving them the greatest opportunity for success.

UNIFORM
It is evident that the vast majority of students are now wearing our fantastic, new-look uniforms. With the change in weather however, there has been a decline in acceptable outermost garments. I am referring specifically to the jackets and jumpers that students are coming to school wearing, that are not in keeping with Belridge school uniform requirements.

Please remember that there are two options for jackets/jumpers that are available from the uniform shop (details on page 6).

Belridge Secondary College is sympathetic to the fact that there may be times that students will need to wear a waterproof jacket to school to protect them from the rain. We do ask, however, that this jacket be removed on arriving to school. There are ample walkways that traverse the school and provide shelter overhead to protect from getting wet. If the garment is deemed of an unacceptable standard, where appropriate, the student will be asked to remove the item. A replacement may be offered where available.

If this is not feasible, a phone call to the parent/guardian may be made asking for assistance in this matter.

We look forward to an improvement in this area to be more in keeping with our belonging to our school.

HAL SPEDDING
HEATHER FERRERI
Head of Student Services (Senior and Middle School)
School Nurse - Free Parenting Seminars

Parents and Grandparents,

You are invited to attend the **Triple P - Positive Parenting Program**, Seminar Series. You will learn practical, positive and effective ways to deal with common behavioural problems and ways to help your child achieve their best at school and in the future.

Parents/Grandparents are encouraged to attend all sessions:

- The Power of Positive Parenting
- Raising Confident Competent Children
- Raising Resilient Children

**Bookings essential & places are limited**  
For more information please phone 9400 9551  
or visit the website for full information  


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**Mental Health Week**

1 in 5 Australian workers experienced mental health problems last year with the annual cost of mental illness reaching $10.9 billion. With **Mental Health Week coming up in October**, now is a great time to start thinking about the mental wellbeing.

Go to [www.waamh.org.au](http://www.waamh.org.au) to sign up in a large range of workshops, community events and support.

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**Head Lice Prevention!**

A reminder to parents please check your child’s hair regularly for any signs of head lice.

See the school website for a Department of Health factsheet.


MEGAN DYSON  
Community Health Nurse
Lightning Carnival Time!

Year 7’s AFL
On 28 July, a group of 24 Year 7 boys travelled to Kingsway Sporting Complex to participate in the AFL lightning carnival. The carnival consisted of Wanneroo SHS, Butler College, Ocean Reef SHS and Kinross College. Belridge entered one team to the carnival and we were extremely successful winning every game. They represented the school with pride and their sportsmanship on the day was excellent. **Belridge finished 1st overall for the carnival.** Finally, thank you to the Belridge students who attended the day to umpire - Aidan Corbett, Elliott Laurance, Tristan Healy, Riley Wilford and Callum Morrell.

Year 8’s AFL
On 18 June a group of 35 Year 8 boys travelled to MacDonald Reserve in Whitfords to participate in the AFL lightning carnival. The carnival consisted of Wanneroo SHS, Butler College, Ocean Reef SHS and Kinross College. Belridge submitted two teams to the carnival and both teams did extremely well. They represented the school with pride and their sportsmanship on the day was outstanding. **Belridge Team A finished 1st undefeated through the carnival,** whilst **Belridge Team B finished 3rd,** suffering only two defeats. Finally, thank you to the Belridge students who attended the Year 8 day to umpire - Aidan Corbett, Elliott Laurance, Lachlan Sherriffs, Riley Wilford and Callum Morrell.

Year 7’s Netball
During the second week of this term the Year 7 girls took the court throughout the day in the constant pouring rain. I would like to thank all of the girls for keeping an enthusiastic approach even though the weather was so horrible. The entire six teams played with big smiles on their face even though some were new to the game.

We had Belridge teams in all four divisions, including Belridge 1 and Belridge 4, who won their division; Congratulations girls! Well done to all the girls for their fantastic behaviour and willingness to play.

A special thank you to Miss Hunt, Mr Bennett, Liv Stevens and Tianna Pollock for managing the day. Also to Mariah De Rizzo, Sophie Hummerston, Tayla Joseph, Kayla Langford-Smith, Kaea Emery, and Paige Dodsworth who all did a fantastic job at coaching and umpiring in the hideous weather. Congratulations to the helpers and participants for making the day a fun experience.

Year 8’s Netball
Last term the Year 8 girls who chose to participate in netball ventured off to HBF Joondalup Arena for the day. There was threat of a storm, however the girls’ attitudes remained positive. We had four teams representing Belridge and all girls participated to their full potential.

A huge ‘congratulations’ to Belridge 1 and Belridge 2 for winning their division! We had numerous representatives from other schools praising our girls’ behaviour and sportsmanship. Many of the girls took it upon themselves to explain rules and skills to opposing teams that hadn’t played the game before.

A special thank you to Miss Hunt, Mr Bennett, Liv Stevens and Tianna Pollock for helping coordinate the event. Also a big thanks to the following Senior School students who coached and umpired a team: Tayla Joseph, Robyn Emms, Kaea Emery, Jo Alexandre, and Paige Dodsworth. Without your support this wonderful day wouldn’t be able to go ahead.

**Miss Ashleigh Gray**
Physical Education Teacher
High School Cup

During Term Two the Belridge Netball Academy once again took part in the High School Cup Netball competition.

Students in Years 7 – 10 competed and won many of their games throughout the first round. We had seven of our teams make finals this year and one of the Year 10 teams progressed to the finals day carnival.

The carnival was held on Friday 24 July. I was so proud of the girls who played on this day. They demonstrated excellent skills and sportsmanship. It was a tough division they were in, playing against Melville and Aranmore who are both specialist schools. They lost by 7 goals to Melville and only 3 to Aranmore, so they are right up there with the best in the state.

They also played against Lumen Christi and won this game. From here, they made the next round where they played against Nagel College. The girls played a great game and came away with a win to move into the next round. The last round for the day was against Willetton High School, where they went down in what was a great game.

I can’t speak highly enough of the girls we have coming through the Netball Academy and am more proud every year. Congratulations to all those involved in what has been a great season. I would also like to thank all of the umpires who came and helped out each week.

PAUL BENNETT
Head of Physical Education

Well done to all students who participated and assisted in the Lightning Carnivals. Students who attended performed and behaved extremely well, representing Belridge with pride.

Our whole school Athletics Carnival is on 4 September, with Years 7 to 10 students preparing themselves for the events of the day. Let’s make the day an enjoyable one!

PAUL BENNETT
Netball Coordinator

Year 7 Girls Soccer

The Year 7 girls braved wet and windy conditions to participate in their Soccer Lightning Carnival on Tuesday 28 July.

The girls looked great in the new soccer uniforms. Both teams played seven games during the day. All students were enthusiastic and displayed excellent team spirit.

**Belridge 2 were undefeated heading into the finals and unfortunately narrowly lost in the final, placing them 2nd overall and Belridge 1 came 7th overall.**

A special thank you to helpers Cheyenne White and Shenae Gilmor who also spent the day in rain to umpire and manage both teams.

I was extremely proud of the way all the girls conducted themselves on the day. Well done.

MRS HELEN BRUNNER
Health and Physical Education Teacher

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PAUL BENNETT
Netball Coordinator
# Student Achievements for Semester 1, 2015

## Honour Certificates

### Year 7
- Jessica Banks
- Natasha Banks
- Radha-Priya Brooks
- Huriana Collier
- Jasper Dawe
- Katie Hunter
- Isla Kerr
- Hailey Knott
- Jillian Leahy
- Jack McDonald
- Ellena McIlroy
- Jessica McShane
- Abbey Monaghan
- Max Price
- Chloe Putelli
- Zoe Sawatzky
- Bianca Shepherd

### Year 8
- Eve Allen
- Keri-Rose Baker
- Kasey Bond
- Zachary Booth
- Madison Carroll
- Taylor Coventry
- Casey Dalla-Costa
- Jayson Dolzan
- Sinead du Toit
- Lauren Galagan
- Zane Gazey
- Jacqueline Harvey
- Liberty Hendrick
- Sophie Hummerston
- Daniel Hussein
- Danni Karmelich
- Maeson King
- Hannah Moro
- Daniel O’Neill
- Faith Reid
- Jesse Turgato
- Bianca Webb

### Year 10
- Aryana Eraman
- Linsay Gray
- Caleb Karmelich
- Bree Liddell
- Lauren Mathers
- Brandon Paul
- Lauren Styles-Lambert
- Chante van der Watt

### Year 11
- Nicole Balin
- Jarrod Caldwell
- Kiara Galipo
- Brad Hunter
- Rebecca Lewis
- Renee McCooke
- Zac Tompkins
- Kerry-Anne Vincent

### Year 12
- Mahshad Moeini,
- Celisha O’Driscoll

## Merit Certificates

### Year 7
- Natasha Amy
- Ashley Balin
- Jessica Banks
- Natasha Banks
- Indianna Bishop
- Radha-Priya Brooks
- Stacey Brown
- Camryn Carter
- Svetlana Chevenkova
- Ellie Coburn
- Huriana Collier
- Hailey Condon
- Jasper Dawe
- Mary Dillon
- Cameron Glanville

### Year 8
- Natasha Amy
- Atearia Henry
- Benjamin Herbert
- Faith Hunter
- Katie Hunter
- Tia Hyne
- Isla Kerr
- Hailey Knott
- Jillian Leahy
- Tia Littlecott
- Ellena McIlroy
- Jessica McShane
- Christine Moller
- Abbey Monaghan
- Megan Pearce
- Tristyn Phipps
- Max Price
- Chloe Putelli
- Ebony Rodrigues
- Zoe Sawatzky
- Tara Sneddon
- Sophie Williams

### Year 9
- Lauren Allen
- Isabelle Artuso
- Alyssa Booth
- Sarah Burgess
- Akasha Carstairs
- Heidi Cook-Barnett
- Chloe Cox
- Samuel Cullen
- Arno De Beer
- Andrew Freeland
- Nelie George
- Ethan Grant
- Calan Harris
- Anna Huynh
- Ben Luplau
- Sienna Manvill
- Frederik Mare
- Savanna Margeted
- Indianna Murphy
- Dionne Oehlman
- Layla Pense
- Imogen Perkins
- Stephen Shallcross
- Cherono Sigel
- Christa Smith
- Callum Stevenson
- Areeuk Watcharamon
- Shelly White
- Schyler Whyte
Attendance Champions!

Honourable Mention  99%

Year 10
Emily Abrehart, Tayla Joseph
Brendon Lan, Jayden Skinner
Leah Taulelei, Riley Wilford

Year 11
Joanna Alexandre, Nicole Balin
Matthew Banks, Amber Broyd
Jarrod Caldwell, Matthew Commane
Isaac Dawe, Paul Gregg
Nurani Habib, Vaina Joli
Elliott Laurance, Christopher Littler
Khan Miller, Conor O'Reilly
Louise Reglos, Anthony Russell
Liam Stevens, Rosebelle Vergara
Boy Watcharamon

Attendance 100%

Year 10
Kyle Bell, Brandon Paul

Year 11
Jian Gazey, Ricky Kan
Luke Morewood, Isaac Thompson
Lily Xu

Years 7, 8, and 9 attendance champions will be published in the next edition

Sporting Achievements

Athletics
Sinead Du Toit (Year 8) - State Team
Bree Liddell (Year 10) - State Team

AFL
Monycah Kelemete (Year 7) - State Team
Billy O’Callaghan (Year 8) - Subiaco Development Squad

Gymnastics
Taylor Coventry (Year 8) - State Team
gaining 1st Place in Australia in her events

Lacrosse
Dawson Caldwell (Year 10) - State Team

Cricket
Lauren Styles-Lambert (Year 10) - State 15’s Cricket Team
Axel Spearman (Year 11) - WA U17’s squad

Connor Chadwick (Year 9)
Played in the State U15’s championship as a two year player (earning his place over older players). He had a good tournament and will be in contention for selection again in the same tournament in Brisbane next year. He has also made the WACA U15’s high performance squad.

Keegan Finn (Year 9)
WACA U15’s high performance squad

In June, Mr Ogilvie (as coach) went to the State Championships in Darwin. The following Year 10 students made the team and performed admirably:-

Luke Cheshire had an excellent tournament and would of made the Australian U16’s team if he had not moved to the UK. He broke records for the leading wicket take for the tournament (both for WA and all states, beating previous records held by Pat Cummings).

Connor Thorn had a very good tournament and with solid performance was selected as standby player for the Australian U16’s team and as a result is in a Cricket Australia High Performance cricket pathway for elite players that has just been announced. He is likely to play in the U17’s State Tournament as a result.

Oran Pattison a very good job of wicket keeping for WA which helped us gain 3rd Place for the tournament, as did all the students who played.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL
The Year 7 Cricket Boys had a fun day out when they were treated to a day playing Indoor Cricket against John Forrest, Kent Street and Darling Range high schools.

The boys had a fantastic time and played some seriously good cricket! It was difficult keeping track of how everyone was going, as we had three games being played at once, but judging by the score sheets and statistics we did well.

Special mention should go to Aiden Nelson who picked up the 2nd place batting award scoring 67 runs in five games, averaging a touch over 13 runs per game and with a strike rate of 239.29. Also, to Jack McDonald who picked up the 3rd place bowling award with seven wickets and only conceding 18 runs in those overs.

DALE MEYER
Health & Physical Education Teacher

In Weeks 2-4 students have been preparing and serving themed cultural meals as part of the practical component of “Show social and cultural sensitivity”. Themes chosen by the students were Italian, Asian and Indian. Each of the three hospitality classes has had the opportunity to prepare and serve one meal.

Staff were invited to come along and at the conclusion each invited guest were asked to complete a customer survey which will go towards unit of competency “Interact with customers”. Everyone that came enjoyed the wonderful meal and service by the students.

Congratulations to all students for their participation and customer skills.

Provide responsible service of alcohol
On 1 July, 21 students completed a one day workshop on all requirements of this course. Students completed a number of questions, internet research and role plays. When these students turn 18 they will be able to work in any licensed premise serving alcohol. Congratulations to all Year 12 students who took part.

Prepare and serve espresso coffee
Over the last two terms students have been preparing and serving a range of espresso coffees to staff. Thank you to all staff that have supported the student’s development of these skills. This will continue until Week 5 of Term 4.

LYN GIRVAN
Certificate II Hospitality Teacher
Home Economic Department
Earlier this year students from Years 8 to 12 competed in nationwide competitions in Geography and History with some amazing results.

**Australian Geography Competition 2015**
Students were competing for a trip to Queensland and ultimately to Beijing, China as the major prize in the 2015 Australian Geography Competition. The competition was run by the Royal Geographical Society of Queensland and the Australian Geography Teachers’ Association and was proudly sponsored by National Geographic Channel.

Approximately 80 students across Years 8-12 from Belridge SC took part and they are among over 60,000 students from all around Australia participating in the event.

“Geography is a vitally important subject, because through it, students gain an understanding of the relationships between people and their environments. Whether it’s global warming, population policy or conflicts between countries, geography gives the context for a deeper appreciation of what’s going on”.

While the students from Belridge SC were not among the national winners, many performed very well. Nine students were awarded a Certificate of High Distinction placing them in the Top 16% of all participants, and eleven were awarded Certificates of Distinction. The winners are named below. All students will receive a Certificate of Participation.

**Certificates of Distinction**
- **Year 8**: Hannah Moro, Breeann Rayner, Sol Williamson
- **Year 10**: Yashar Ghorbanpour, Linsay Gray, Brandon Faull, Cameron Woodcoe-Bryant
- **Year 11**: Chelsea Knuckey, Issac Thompson
- **Year 12**: Ashley Alford, James Wells

**Certificates of High Distinction**
- **Year 8**: Kasey Bond, Zachary Booth, Falvius Decan
- **Year 10**: Lauren Mathers, Oguzhan Muntay
- **Year 11**: Michael Byers, Courney Crane, Jack Mattingley, Shane Overton

**Australian History Competition 2015**
The Year 9 AEP class joined over 23,000 participants across Australia to compete in the History competition. The competition is aimed at promoting the importance of history is their understanding of the world. All students will receive a certificate documenting their participation, however, the following students represented Belridge Secondary College with distinction:-

- **Year 9**: Arno De Beer, Calan Harris, Anna Huynh, Andre Papaioannou, Chloe MacLennan

A special mention to Andrew Freeland who achieved a High Distinction in the History competition. Congratulations to those students and I thank all for their participation.
Leavers Jacket

The Leavers Jacket Committee have been meeting regularly and working hard to organise the 2016 Leavers Jackets.

Two students from each Year 11 Form have been investigating options, discussing ideas, conducting surveys of their form’s preferences, narrowing down the designs, and meeting with the chosen supplier, our regular School Uniform company.

The final design is about to be approved and Miss Cheryl will receive her jacket as a sample for all to see. Fitting times will be organised soon and you will be advised of details in the daily notices.

Start thinking about the nickname you would like on the back of your jacket, however, please keep in mind that Miss Cheryl will need to approve it.

The 2016 Year 12 Leavers Jackets will be approximately $95.00 and Miss Cheryl hopes to have them all available at the start of next year.

JIAN GAZEY
Leavers Jacket Committee

2016 Year 12 Update

This year the Year 11 students have been invited to nominate to form committees to help organise the myriad of special activities associated with their final years at Belridge Secondary College.

The Leavers Jacket Committee have worked well together and done an excellent job of representing the wishes of their form members and not promoting their own preferences. My thanks to them for giving up their breaks time to benefit their whole year group. Thanks also to Mrs Orr for offering to assist with the remaining stages of this process, such as organising fittings and taking orders.

Forthcoming Events

The Year 11 River Cruise Committee and the Year 12 Ball Committee members are being finalised and I can already announce that the Year 12 Ball has been booked! More details will be announced soon...

Save the Date!
2016 School Ball

Thursday 24 March 2016
(day before Good Friday)

Venue:
Grand Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Perth.

MISS CHERYL
Year 11 Coordinator

LEAVERS JACKET COMMITTEE

11.01 - Amelia Pal & Ryan Crowder
11.02 - Renee McCooke & Travis Grigoratos
11.03 - Kerry-Anne Vincent & Jarrod Caldwell
11.04 - Jasmine Leighton & Nik Simpfendorfer
11.05 - Kiara Galipo & Matthew Commane
11.06 - Phoebe Cooke & Jian Gazey
11.07 - Tom Boerrigter & Axel Spearman
Year 12 News

Important Dates to Remember

Practical ATAR Exams: 24 September - 2 October for PES, Dance, Drama (1st week of Term 3 holidays)
Mock Exams: 5 - 9 October (2nd week of Term 3 holidays)
Year 12 Breakfast & Final Assembly: - 22 October
Big Day Out*: 22 October
Graduation Ceremony*: 27 October
ATAR Exams commence 2 November

Additional Compulsory Costs
* Indicates that these two events have a cost or other requirements associated with them. To attend Big Day Out and Graduation students will need to have maintained good standing. The charge for Big Day Out is $15, while Graduation costs are $45. Graduation costs were part of the Year 12 fees - please contact the school to check your balance if you are unsure.

Remember to stay on top of your work, get all assessments in and inform the school of any absences.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at Lisa.Soloway@education.wa.edu.au with any queries.

LISA SOLOWAY
Year 12 Coordinator

Performing Arts

Kayla Wynne and Kathleen Davis rehearsing Ruby Moon for the Joondalup Performing Arts Festival

Rebecca Low and Hayley Needham rehearsing The Witches scene from Macbeth

Students (pictured above) have been busy working hard on rehearsals for the Joondalup Performing Arts Festival 2015. We wish them the very best.

KIRSTEN LAMBERT
Performing Arts Teacher
ANY STUDENTS WHO INTEND TO REGISTER IN AN ONLINE CERTIFICATE COURSE WILL NEED TO SEE MR NOTARPIETRO - THANK YOU

Polytechnic West currently offers over 40 fully online qualifications in the areas of accounting, business, creative media and information technology. This extensive range of courses is offered to a large range of students, including those still studying at high school.

The successful completion of a Certificate II or Certificate III qualification will improve a student’s industry knowledge and skills, enhancing their standing at graduation and increasing employability skills.

The following Certificate II and III level qualifications are available fully online:
- D702 Certificate III in Financial Services (FNS30111)
- D703 Certificate III in Accounts Administration (FNS30311)
- J335 Certificate II in Business (BSB20112)
- J337 Certificate III in Business (BSB30112)
- J338 Certificate III in Business Administration (BSB30412)
- D191 Certificate II in Creative Industries (Media) (CUF20107)
- D192 Certificate III in Media (CUF30107)
- D555 Certificate II in Information, Digital Media and Technology (ICA20111)
- CT85 Certificate II in Information, Digital Media and Technology (ICA30111)

Study pathways are available from Certificate II and Certificate III courses through to Certificate IV, Diploma and Associate Degree qualifications.
The Belridge Music Program is Searching New Talent

The Belridge Music Program is looking for some fresh new talent to join our ranks next year. From Years 7 to 10 the Belridge Music Program accepts enthusiastic beginners to more experienced musicians with the only requirement being a passion for music. The program also offers an after-school vocal group and school band.

Students involved in our program partake in a range of activities to develop their musical skills and appreciation. These include the aural analysis and performance of songs from Western, Contemporary and Jazz styles, the development of theoretical knowledge, arranging and composing musical scores and an exploration of music’s rich history and culture.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

ZACHARY OFFSZANKA,
Music Teacher
Arts Department

MATHS HOMEWORK CLASS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS

- Do you need help for class, homework assessment items or preparing for tests?
- No need to come each week or stay for the whole hour
- Venue - M6
- Tuesdays 3:10pm to 4:10pm

Cleaning Ladies - Thank You So Much!

A big thank you from me for your hard work when we were without power last term. You were all cleaning using torches to see the desks and doing a great job! You are all fantastic ladies, who always do a great job.

Bev Hennings
Cleaner in Charge
We will be participating in the earn and learn program run by Woolworths this year. Please help support your school. Students can drop stickers into the Library or the Front Office to help us obtain valuable educational resources.

Thank you for your support!
Safe file sharing online

File sharing services can be a great way to share music, software and movies, but if the owner of that material does not want them shared, your child could be breaching copyright laws and opening themselves up to spam and viruses. Many media files shared using torrents are not legitimate and of poor quality, so it’s worthwhile utilising services where you can legally purchase exactly what you want.

Children can protect themselves when downloading files by:

- **Checking** that the content being downloaded is legally available. Some content online is licensed to be available for free, but most torrent sites share files illegally. By using legal file-sharing sites, your child will download much better quality files.
- **Being wary**. Many files on sharing networks are infected with viruses or are mislabeled and can contain offensive or illegal material. Ensure your virus software is always up to date.
- **Adjusting settings**. Your child may be unknowingly sharing everything, including personal information and files.

If you or someone you know wants to talk about online issues, visit the Cybersmart Online Helpline (www.cybersmart.gov.au/report.aspx) or call Kids Helpline on 1800 55 1800.

cybersmart.gov.au

Glossary:

**Spam**
The sending of unsolicited commercial electronic messages is known as Spam. Under the Spam Act 2003, spam is defined as including email, instant messaging, SMS and MMS (text and image-based mobile phone messaging) of a commercial nature. It does not cover faxes, internet pop-ups or voice telemarketing. ACMA is responsible for enforcing the Spam Act in Australia and actively works to fight spam.

**Torrent**
A Torrent is a small file or descriptor that contains information to set up computer file sharing utilising peer-to-peer techniques (BitTorrent protocols). The exchange of non-sequential file pieces between multiple sources and destinations can then occur over a network (internet) simultaneously to complete the whole file transfer.

**Virus and anti-virus**
A virus is a computer program that is designed to cause undesirable effects on computer systems. Viruses are often disguised as something else so that they can be transferred from one computer to another without the users knowing. They can be hidden in emails, on CDs or in files that are shared across the internet. Computer viruses can cause harm to computer systems and need to be avoided. Anti-virus software can be installed on computers to scan for and remove computer viruses.

A full cyber safety glossary may be found at www.cybersmart.gov.au/glossary.aspx

If you have any concerns in respect of your child’s usage of information technology or issues arising please do not hesitate to contact me at the school either by email to elizabeth.cassidy@education.wa.edu.au or 9408 8000

ELIZABETH CASSIDY
Head of Information Technology

Get cyberstarted
Swimming and Water Safety
Interim Swimming and VacSwim - learning lifestyle enhancing skills

Enrolments for the 2015/16 VacSwim Program opened 3 August and close 30 August. Register now for 9 and 5 day programs in the October school holidays.

VacSwim gives all Western Australian’s aged between 5 and 17 years the opportunity participate in a safe, quality swimming and water safety program. To register go to:

http://det.wa.edu.au/curriculumsupport/swimming/detcms/portal/

Bored?
Look no further than www.y-lounge.com.au

EVENTS
GET INVOLVED
STAYING SOCIAL

Check out this excellent website for a huge range of programs and events in the City of Joondalup, as well as support and advice in Travel, Health, Home, Finances, Work and Study.

SCHOOL ZONES REMINDER

40 kmph on school days 7:30–9am and 2:30–4pm (or as per signage)

40 kmph speed limit takes effect from the sign and ceases at the end of School Zone sign.

PLEASE TAKE CARE IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

THANK YOU

Register on the EVENTS page at sdera.wa.edu.au

Facilitated by 6PR Morning Show Host Gary Adshead

Light supper provided
To enable us to keep you up to date with newsletters, important communications and events please ensure that the school has your most recent email address and contact information. You can do this by updating your details via email to:-

school@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au

Please state your child’s name and year group in the subject heading or alternatively telephone the school office on 9408 8000

Thank you

Student Absence Line:
Tel: 9408 8063 - Years 7, 8 and 9 (Middle School)
Tel: 9408 8058 - Years 10, 11 and 12 (Senior School)
SMS: 0400 209241

Email: school@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au
School Board: schoolboard@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au
Website: www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au

College Board:
Should you have any suggestions, issues or questions you wish to raise with the Board please contact

Nicola Harris on 9408 8002 or
Email: schoolboard@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au
Term three has begun in earnest with students in all year levels engaged in a variety of different curriculum activities.

We also welcome new students and staff to Belridge. Mrs Cathy Kennedy (Year 10-13) is on leave until the end of the year and we welcome Ms Crystal Thompson who also teaches across all areas of the school. Ms Brianna Wimbridge has also joined our team on Mondays and Thursdays and we are sure that you will enjoy your time here.

We would also like to acknowledge Mr Nick Jakowyna who has recently retired as Principal at Belridge Secondary College and sincerely wish him all the best in the future. The two schools at Belridge have always had a positive and productive relationship with all staff and students and we look forward to working alongside Mr John Burke as the new Principal. Welcome one and all!

IEP meetings
Teachers have organised and held IEP meetings with Parents and Carers in all year levels across the school. Following on from your discussions regarding your child’s individual goals, a copy of the IEP will be forwarded on. It is important to remember that the IEP is not the extent of the program that your child participates in, but are priorities identified in each learning area.

If there are some IEP goals that have not been achieved in Semester One then these goals will carry over for this semester.

Planning for 2016
Students from Primary School and Education Support Centres have already begun their transition program as they prepare for secondary schooling. Last week’s visit was enjoyed by all students and staff who participated and are looking forward to returning in Week 8.

We are anticipating that our current student numbers will at the very least remain stable for 2016 and due to the structure of our classroom groupings, I have applied for another two transportable classrooms. With the increase in student numbers it has also become necessary for more office space to house our school psychologist, school chaplain as well as providing a room for meetings and therapy intervention as required.

School Board
Our next School Board meeting is on Tuesday 1st September and a report from our School Board Chair, Wendy Langford, will feature in the second newsletter of every term.

I would like to thank all of our Board members who willingly give up their time to contribute to school future planning, school guidelines and policy.

Important dates to remember:
There are a number of activities planned for different classes this term, including School Photographs.

An assembly is planned for the end of the term and details will be sent home closer to the date.

JENINE WALL
Principal