



# BELRIDGE SECONDARY COLLEGE

An Independent Public School

Gwendoline Drive, Beldon, WA 6027  
Tel: 9408 8000 | Fax: 9307 7133

Email [school@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](mailto:school@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)  
[www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](http://www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)

## WHAT'S INSIDE ...

Dates for your diary

Student Achievements

Year 7 Welcome BBQ

Belsurf 2017

Belridge Dance Company

VET News

Talented Young Writers  
Program

Sculptures by the Sea

GRIP Student Leadership  
Conference

Apply now for Cricket Trials  
for 2018 academic year

College Board Matters

Money Matters from the  
Business Manager

Belridge SC First XI Cricket  
Team Winners of the Kim  
Hughes Shield

Attendance -  
Every Day Counts

DON'T STRESS WITH YOUR  
HOMEWORK! FREE ICT  
support program  
'yourtutor' available for  
you and your child

Harmony Day 2017

... AND MUCH MORE

## Principal's Message

Welcome to parents, students and the general community to this edition of our newsletter for 2017.

After a solid start to the year I am pleased to see students attending more often, arriving at school prepared and engaging in their learning.

The 2016 Annual School Report will be published prior to the end of Term 1. This report includes the achievements of the College for 2016, and includes our achievement against the targets set in the 2016 to 2018 Business Plan. In almost every aspect of school performance, the College is performing better than Like Schools (schools that have similar students to Belridge SC). In all assessment areas in NAPLAN, our students perform better than WA Public Schools and all Australian Schools in terms of average achievement. We are very proud of this standard that has been set at the College. In addition to this superior student achievement, we have also made strategic changes to support the values and ethos of the College. These include:

- The increase in bandwidth from 10 mbps to 50 mbps, and a spend of over \$500,000 on hardware and software, directly impacting on our ability to develop ICT strategies to develop further: the ability for all students to be able to investigate, communicate and create using technology; the capacity for teachers to facilitate teaching and learning through ICT; and the engagement of all parents in their child's education through the online environment, particularly Connect.

- Increasing momentum in the whole school approaches to literacy, numeracy and ICT including the articulation of clear and measurable targets for literacy and numeracy and other priority areas.

- The trial of the classroom observation regime to enhance the efficacy of teaching at the College.

- Acting as a trial school for the Department of Education's Governance Audit, allowing the College to forensically examine governance risks, and to manage or mitigate these risks.

- The roll-out of the Aboriginal Cultural Standards Framework for all staff at the College.

- The College commitment to catering for students with disability by accessing best practice PD for the successful Management Successfully Students with a Disability (MSSD) trial.

I encourage you to seek an electronic or hard copy of the Report and to celebrate the success of our students, staff and local community.

On a final note, I want to acknowledge the Belridge SC First XI Cricket team (see article on page 13). On Monday 27 March they became the holders of the Kim Hughes Shield, the premier schools cricket competition in WA. Playing in a round robin format against private and public schools, our boys won through to the final and had a convincing victory against Mary McKillop College. This is another example of students at our College excelling against the highest of standards. Well done to the boys and the Specialist Cricket Program staff.

Regards,

**JOHN BURKE**  
Principal

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Printable School  
Calendar available on the  
school website Please  
check regularly for any  
updates or amendments**

## March to June 2017

31 March	Year 12	School Ball
31 March		Cricket Skills Testing Day applications close academic year 2018
3 April		Cricket Skills Testing Day at WACA for academic year 2018
6 April	Years 11/12	Dance to State Theatre Company 7.30pm
7 April	Year 10	Careers Program concludes
7 April		Last day of Term 1 for Students and Staff
8 - 23 April		<b>SCHOOL BREAK</b>
24 April	Whole School	First day of Term 2 - Students resume
25 April		<b>ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY</b>
3 May	Year 12	ECU presentation portfolio entries (Period 5)
3 May	Year 8	AEP Excursion to Matilda
4 May	Year 8	Immunisation
5 May	Years 8/10	AEP Girls to STEM North Metro TAFE
8 - 10 May	Senior School	School Production
9 May	Years 7/9	NAPLAN Tests - Language conventions
9 May	Year 10	Lightning Carnival
10 May	Years 7/ 9	NAPLAN Tests - Reading
10 May	Year 10	Create your opportunity presentation (Period 3)
10 May	Year 12	ATAR presentation Lisa Mack (Period 5)
11 May	Years 7/9	NAPLAN Tests - Numeracy
12 May	Years 7/9	NAPLAN Tests - Catch-up
15 May		School Board Meeting
17 May		Chaplain's Dinner - SAVE THE DATE
17 May	Year 12	ATAR presentation Lisa Mack (Period 5)
17 May	Year 12	OLNA tutoring with Ms Tahnee Smith (Period 5)
23 May		Newsletter published
24 May		Open Day and Tour 9am
24 May	Year 12	OLNA tutoring with Ms Tahnee Smith (Period 5)
29 May -1 June	Whole School	Reconciliation Week
29 May - 9 June	Years 11/12	Semester 1 Examinations
29 May - 9 June	Years 11/12	Workplace Learning placements
31 May	Year 9	Lightning Carnival
2 June	Whole School	<b>SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY</b> - Students do not attend <i>(except where Year 11/12 students may have examinations)</i>
5 June	Whole School	<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
8 June	Year 10	HASS examination (Periods 1 & 2)
		English examination (Periods 3 & 4)
		<i>Students dismissed to go home at end of Period 4</i>
9 June	Year 10	Mathematics examination (Periods 1 & 2)
		Science examination (Periods 3 & 4)
		<i>Students dismissed to go home at end of Period 4</i>
12 June	Years 11/12	Re-commence normal timetable
12-13 June	Year 10	Examination catch-up in Library

**It is extremely important that parents do not book holidays during exam periods**

## Vice Principal News - Years 7, 8 and 9

### Interim Reports and Parent/Teacher Evening

All Year 7, 11 & 12 students have received their Term 1 Interim Progress report. A parent / teacher night was held on Wednesday 15 March to further discuss student progress. I encourage all parents/caregivers to take an active role in the education of their children. If you were unable to attend on the night or unable to secure an interview timeslot please contact the school so alternative arrangements can be made.

I urge all students and parents to review their interim report and to make the necessary adjustments to work and study routines to ensure academic success and achieving to potential. Students still have time to produce results which reflect their capabilities.



### Year 8 Vaccinations

The first round of vaccinations were held on Friday 23 February. The next round of vaccinations will be conducted on **Thursday 4 May** with the final round on **Thursday 14 September**. Please note these dates in your diary as there are no catch up sessions.

Students absent on the day will need to get vaccinated through their local doctor.

### Year 7 Elevate Education Study Skills Seminars

On Friday 24 February all Year 7 students participated in workshops conducted by Elevate Education. The workshops were titled **Study Skills Kick Start** and **Junior Management Time** and were presented by university students. 99% of the students said that they

would recommend the seminars to their peers and it was time well spent. I believe this program further assists the students in their transition to high school.

Elevate Education presented a follow-up Year 7 Parent Seminar on Wednesday 1 March from 6.30 – 7.30pm in the Performing Arts Centre. Some examples of student feedback are listed:

- *It teaches you how to get all your work done faster*
- *How to spread your homework out in your week*
- *There are much easier ways to study*
- *To not use as much words when writing notes*
- *How to study effectively and time manage*
- *Tackle small things at a time*
- *That studying isn't as hard as people explain it to you*
- *Dynamic reading – fantastic!*
- *How to balance my time*
- *using pictures and colours like a mind map*

### Student Planners

With the end of Term 1 rapidly approaching, it is timely to remind all students and parents about the Student Planner use. Students are expected to use their Planners in **every** lesson. There is also a **'Term Planner'** page which enables students to record all assignments and tests for each term on the one page to give them a visual picture of when everything is due. This encourages students to **forward plan** and **time-manage** better. Please check your child's planner and see if they have used this tool effectively in Term 1.



**HAL SPEDDING**  
Vice Principal Middle School

## Vice Principal News - Years 10, 11 and 12

### Senior School Student News

#### Year 11

Year 11 students should be in full stride now. They should be using their school planners to organise their time effectively to not only have all their assessments completed on time, but also to be doing study. Every week, they should be adding to their notes and factsheets and continually testing themselves. A sample study program was recently emailed to all parents.

#### Year 12

On the matter of assessments, teachers are still giving me the names of students that have failed to submit these on time. Students lose marks for late submission and this has an adverse effect on their grades and results. Please do your best to help your son/daughter to be organised and plan ahead of time. Students should write all assessment items in the term planner section on pages 16 to 22. This gives a clear picture of what is due and when. The sample study program I emailed to parents would also help keep students on track.

#### Year 12 ATAR Students

I gave all the ATAR students a study program taking them up to the end of Week 1, Term 2. It is not

compulsory for them to use it, but they must be using some sort of study program. The one I gave them had some very handy hints on it. Please discuss these with your son/daughter.

#### Year 10, 11 and 12 Students

School holidays will be upon us soon. Although students should be using this period to refresh themselves, it can also be wise to put aside a few days to consolidate the concepts they learnt in Term 1.

#### Years 11 and 12

I recently emailed to parents the 'Master Mind Semester 1 Exam Preparation Program' to give students extra confidence for exams. These might be worth consideration.

#### School Environment

I continue to be impressed with the lack of litter in the school. This shows that the vast majority of students take a great deal of pride in the school. This is not only a credit to the students and staff of the school, but also a great reflection on our parents.

**ROB STRICKLAND**  
Vice Principal  
(Senior School)

Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 interested in medicine or dentistry will need to sit the compulsory UMAT (examination). The National Institute of Education (NIE) will be conducting a full day UMAT preparation workshop on the 20th of April 2017.

Places are strictly limited.

All details are available via [www.nie.edu.au](http://www.nie.edu.au)

## Manager of Corporate Services

Thank you to parents who have paid school contributions and charges to date - this is much appreciated.

Year 11 and 12 charges are compulsory and we ask that all charges/balances owing be paid on or before the end of Term 1 - Friday 7 April.

For Years 7-10 contributions, we request full payment by the end of Term 2 at the latest on Friday 30 June.

Those parents who are still on time payment plans or have yet to pay outstanding fees, please continue with your agreed arrangements.

The school offers EFTPOS facilities and credit card payments over the phone for your convenience. We also offer Direct Deposit via internet banking. Our account details are as follows:

<b>Account Name:</b>	BELRIDGE SECONDARY COLLEGE
<b>Bank:</b>	ANZ
<b>BSB:</b>	016-261
<b>Account No.</b>	102744334
<b>Reference:</b>	STUDENT NAME AND YEAR

IMPORTANT NOTE: WHEN MAKING A DIRECT DEPOSIT PLEASE DETAIL THE **STUDENT NAME AND YEAR** AND CHECK YOU DON'T MAKE AN EXTRA PAYMENT.

**IMPORTANT - Secondary Assistance Scheme applications close on 7 April.**

**GREG CAREY**  
 Manager of Corporate Services

## School Board Matters - March 2017

The Belridge Secondary College Board most recently met on 20 March. During the meeting the Board was provided in-depth analysis by Mr Burke around the performance of students to the end of 2016. This information will form the basis of the Annual Report required to be submitted to the Department of Education shortly.

The results were extremely pleasing to the Board and demonstrate a positive upward trend in learning outcomes for the students of the College. Although early days, the trend appears to be continuing into this academic year which also gives the Board great confidence in the teaching staff, Mr Burke and most importantly the diligence of students in their academic pursuits.

Mr Carlos Notarpietro provided the Board with an in-depth overview of the Vocational and Educational Training opportunities available to students at Belridge. The presentation is part of a plan to invite different educational disciplines across the college to

present their portfolios to Board members. Following the great success of the Open Meeting in August 2016, as a group we decided we wanted hear more from the teachers and academic personnel on the subjects that they teach and feel so passionate about. We felt that this will assist in providing support to our dedicated College staff as well as provide meaningful insight into the practices undertaken at the College.

It is difficult to believe that the first term of 2017 is drawing to a close, and with Easter quickly approaching, the Board will meet again in May. The Board hopes that you enjoy your time at school each day, have a restful break when it comes around, and most importantly be community minded and take care of one another.

**JANINE ESPEY**  
 Chairperson  
 Email [schoolboard@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](mailto:schoolboard@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)

## Associate Principal

### VET News

#### 2017 Vocational Education and Training (VET) Operational Plan

##### Context

Belridge Secondary College delivers a range of Certificate II & III courses in partnership with a number of Registered Training Organisations (RTOs). VET Certificates provide a graduation pathway for the 60-70% of students not choosing an ATAR pathway to achieving a WACE.

The majority of the college's ATAR students also complete one VET Certificate II/III course as part of their study load (4ATAR + 2 VET, 5ATAR + 1 VET combinations), as all VET Certificates are scheduled on the school timetable model of 4 x 62 minute periods per week. All certificates are delivered over a two year period (7 x 10 week terms), hence ensuring that *Volume of Learning* and *Amount of Learning* standards are met. VET students also undertake up to 220 hours (4 x 10 day blocks) of Workplace Learning (ADWPL) to develop employability and vocational skills in a workplace setting.

Belridge students with a well-developed career direction are able to apply for selection in externally delivered VET programs through funding made available to TAFEs and private RTOs by the Department of Training and Workforce Development (DTWD). Successful candidates attend the RTO for one day a week, and generally drop one of their six school based courses. As a result, students report to the library for supervised private study during 'free' periods, and are able to catch up on any work missed while training with the external RTO.

##### Teacher / Trainers

All Belridge SC VET staff hold the appropriate qualifications, vocational knowledge and industry currency. Staff delivering VET courses on behalf of our partner RTOs are required to meet and maintain RTO standards. As part of the Standards, an RTO's training and assessment may only be delivered by trainers and assessors who have:

the vocational competencies at least to the level being delivered and assessed current industry skills directly relevant to the training and assessment being provided, and current knowledge and skills in vocational training and learning that informs their training and assessment.

In addition, training and assessment may only be delivered by persons who have:

*TAE40110 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment*, or its successor\*, or a diploma or higher level qualification in adult education.

A trainer's **vocational competency** means that they have the particular skills and knowledge relevant to the industry area in which they are delivering. The training product identifies the competencies that the relevant industry requires.

It is the responsibility of all Belridge SC VET teachers to ensure all copies of relevant qualifications and professional learning / industry currency logbooks (evidence) are accurately maintained and available in the college's central records.

## Courses Available

Delivered at Belridge Secondary College in classroom and simulated workplace settings, some online delivery of RTO developed course material, facilitated by our RTO approved, fully qualified teacher/trainers.

<b>AUR20712 Certificate II in Automotive Technology Pathways</b>	VETIS Consulting Services	RTO Code 52499
<b>BSB20115 Certificate II in Business</b>	VETIS Consulting Services	RTO Code 52499
<b>CHC22015 Certificate II in Community Services</b>	Australian YMCA Institute of Education and Training	RTO Code 3979
<b>CPC20211 Certificate II in Construction Pathways</b>	VETIS Consulting Services	RTO Code 52499
<b>SIT20313 / 16 Certificate II in Hospitality</b>	Hospitality Group Training	RTO Code 0386
<b>ICT20115 Certificate II in Information, Digital Media and Technology</b>	AICT Australian Institute of Commerce and Technology	RTO Code 52499
<b>ICT20115 Certificate II in Information, Digital Media and Technology</b>	AICT Australian Institute of Commerce and Technology	RTO Code 52499
<b>MST20616 Certificate II in Applied Fashion Design and Technology</b>	South Metropolitan TAFE	RTO Code 52787
<b>MEM20413 Certificate II in Engineering Pathways</b>	VETIS Consulting Services	RTO Code 52499
<b>SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport &amp; Recreation</b>	Australian YMCA Institute of Education and Training	RTO Code 3979
<b>SIS 20313 Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation</b>	Australian YMCA Institute of Education and Training	RTO Code 3979
<b>SIS30513 Certificate III in Sport &amp; Recreation (Cricket &amp; Netball )</b>	Australian YMCA Institute of Education and Training	RTO Code 3979

# Student Services

## Attendance

As we draw close to the end of Term 1, it is an opportune time to reflect on our progress over the course of the term. It has certainly been a very busy start to 2017. On behalf of the Student Services Team we would like to congratulate staff, students and their families on all of their hard work around ensuring that our young people attend school regularly. Attendance is a key area of focus within the College and an area in which we are always seeking to improve; largely because research shows that positive attendance behaviours that are established early on ultimately lead to better outcomes for students.

Students at Belridge SC are expected to be attending at or above 90% in line with The School Education Act 1999, where research clearly shows that students must attend school on a regular basis to gain the maximum benefit from schooling and optimise their life opportunities.

At the end of Week 8 of Term 1, our data shows that 73% of students within the College are attending school regularly. This is a 2% increase on the same time-period last year and significantly up from 60.9% at the end of Semester 1, 2016. It is important to note that the school cannot improve attendance alone; that supporting positive attendance is a combined effort from all within the College community.

**Every day counts.** In fact every minute counts. Did you know that if a young person misses 10 minutes per day, it equates to 1.5 weeks per year and nearly half a year over 13 years of schooling? That is just missing 10 minutes per day. The table below details just how significant an effect absences from school have on the educational opportunities for students through time missed. We ask that you reconsider taking vacations during the school term. We understand there are times that it is unavoidable, but if at all possible, please make the most of the school holiday periods.

### \*Attendance Procedures

Absences for part of the day, all day, or for several days, must be covered by a written explanation or a phone call from the parent or guardian. These notes must be dated and specify the reasons for the absence/s. They should be brought to school by the student returning from a period of absence, and handed in to the Form Teacher or the Student Services office. Where a student is absent for a prolonged period of time, parents should contact the school as soon as possible.

### Student Absence Direct Lines

Middle School (Years 7, 8 & 9) **08 9408 8063**  
Senior School (Years 10, 11 & 12) **08 9408 8058**

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but ...			
If you miss ...	That equals ...	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that's ...
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 <sup>1/2</sup> years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 <sup>1/2</sup> years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
4 days per week	160 days per year	32 weeks per year	Nearly 10 years
How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my attendance?			
I only miss	That equals ...	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that's ...
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1 <sup>1/2</sup> weeks per year	Nearly half a year
20 mins per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2 <sup>1/2</sup> weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 <sup>1/2</sup> years
1 hour per day	1 day per month	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2 <sup>1/2</sup> years

## EVERY DAY COUNTS

If you want to be successful at school then YES, attendance does matter!

# Belridge SC celebrates Harmony Day

Our diversity makes Australia a great place to live. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. Did you know we have 52 different cultures represented at Belridge SC. The message of Harmony Day is *'everyone belongs'*.

We asked students to come dressed to represent their cultural heritage or just wear Orange in support of Harmony Day. There were prizes for best dressed and each form participated in a cultural quiz; the winners being from Middle School **Form 8.06 Ms Soloway** and from Senior School **Form 12.05 Mr Mouritz**. There were sporting activities happening in the gym at both breaks and all in all it was a day of fun and sending the message **here at Belridge SC everyone truly does belong.**



Special thanks to our student council who supported the smooth running of the day, Mr Spedding for running the sporting activities and Ms Holliday for providing the wonderful challenging quiz. It's hoped that this will be the start of a wonderful tradition of celebrating Harmony Day

**BRIDGID LAFFERTY**  
 Head of Student Services  
 Middle School



Tahlia Deville (Year 7)  
 BEST DRESSED



Karolina Alarcon (Year 8)

# Belsurf 2017



Belridge Secondary College **Belsurf Carnival** was held at Sorrento Beach on Friday 10 March. The weather was absolutely perfect with comfortable temperatures, clear skies and a light southerly breeze. The students supported the day, with many students attending the carnival.

The Year 7 students attendance was fantastic with the majority of students participating enthusiastically in all events. Their first experience of a whole school Belsurf Carnival was a positive experience with students actively being involved and showing expressions of pure enjoyment.

All students seemed to have a pleasurable day whereby staff and students were able to socialise in a relaxed atmosphere. The day allowed competitive individuals to perform, whilst others just enjoyed the myriad of events they chose to enter.

The day commenced with the traditional Iron Man and Woman event, consisting of swimming, running and body board legs. This event is open to all students and individual medals are given to the winners and runner-ups. The results were as follows:

Year 7	<b><i>Iron Man</i></b> Charlie Young <b><i>Runner up</i></b> Blake Evans	<b><i>Iron Woman</i></b> Alina Moore <b><i>Runner Up</i></b> Luek Nelson Marsden
Year 8	<b><i>Iron Man</i></b> Jaxon Poole <b><i>Runner up</i></b> Cooper Connolly	<b><i>Iron Woman</i></b> Maya Smith <b><i>Runner Up</i></b> Maddie Varcoe
Year 9	<b><i>Iron Man</i></b> Joseph Taylor <b><i>Runner up</i></b> Cameron Swift	<b><i>Iron Woman</i></b> Laila Gibbs <b><i>Runner Up</i></b> Chloe Stevens
Year 10	<b><i>Iron Man</i></b> Sam O'Boyle <b><i>Runner up</i></b> Jayson Dolzan	<b><i>Iron Woman</i></b> Kiara Webb <b><i>Runner Up</i></b> Natasha Dolzan
Year 11	<b><i>Iron Man</i></b> Sean M <sup>c</sup> Bride	<b><i>Iron Woman</i></b> Lauren Allen <b><i>Runner up</i></b> Claire Dalziel
Year 12	<b><i>Iron Man</i></b> Sean Coventry <b><i>Runner up</i></b> Lachie Halvorson	<b><i>Iron Woman</i></b> Lauren Styles-Lambert <b><i>Runner Up</i></b> Shai van den Broeke



BELSURF is as much about participation as it is about performance and throughout the rest of the day we saw fine examples of both. Students participated in a variety of competitive and novelty beach and water events in order to gain valuable points for their house. An individual medal for the winners of the beach flags was presented to each student on the day. The results were as follows:



Year 7	<b>Winner</b> Kyle Pearce	<b>Winner</b> Luek Nelson Marsden
Year 8	<b>Winner</b> Angga Erlangga	<b>Winner</b> Maya Smith
Year 9	<b>Winner</b> Alex Thompson	<b>Winner</b> Abbey Monaghan
Year 10	<b>Winner</b> Flavius Decan	<b>Winner</b> Taylor Coventry
Year 11	<b>Winner</b> Lachie Bonolo	<b>Winner</b> Holly Fieldgate
Year 12	<b>Winner</b> Brandon Paull	<b>Winner</b> Jacinta Valentini

At the end of the day the following houses emerged victorious:

**Winning House for each Year Group**

Year 7	Marlins
Year 8	Marlins
Year 9	Manta Rays
Year 10	Sharks
Year 11	Marlins
Year 12	Manta Rays

**The Overall Results**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Marlins (560 points)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Manta Rays (534 points)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sharks (560 Points)



Special thanks must go to the Physical Education staff in particular for all their preparation and hard work on the day, and to the year coordinators for assisting them run the events. Also thanks to all staff that re-train every year to be qualified so that they can supervise students in the water. Finally to the form teachers and other staff who helped ensure the day ran smoothly and safely, well done.

**PAUL BENNETT**  
HOLA Health & Physical Education

*See next page for more Belsurf fun ...*

# Belsurf 2017



## Belridge SC winners of the Kim Hughes Shield



Belridge Secondary College's First XI won the toss and elected to bat first in the Kim Hughes Shield grand final. A great contribution from everyone saw the team to an emphatic total of 300 off their 50 overs.

Outstanding efforts from Kyle Whitehurst (64) and Fred Mare (47) and Cory Bradnam (46) helped post a huge total for St Mary McKillop to chase. A great start from Belridge with the ball put the pressure on St Mary, having them 5-50 after 15 overs with Callum Morrell taking 4 wickets. A consolation hundred from Fraser Oates, St Mary's captain saw his team reach the 150 mark before being bowled out for 161.

A superb effort from all Belridge players for a well deserved win. Special mention to Oran Pattison, whose leadership throughout the season was truly inspirational.

**DALE MEYER**  
Health & Physical Education Teacher

## PIAF International Writer's Festival

The PIAF International Writer's Festival promised to be a "day filled with talks, storytelling, art and performance in fun and informative sessions designed to excite and inspire your students" and for our Year 11 and 12 ATAR English and English Literature students, it certainly fulfilled its promise.

The students attended lectures by Australian writers, at the beautiful UWA grounds; hearing of the inspiration behind their stories; their personal experiences, their influences and the reactions to their work, which certainly took English and Literacy outside the four walls of the classroom, giving them a new understanding of course concepts, and a new appreciation for the art of writing.

We're looking forward to seeing these understandings shine through in our students own writings throughout the year.

**NOELENE HALES**  
English & Visual Arts Teacher



# Student Achievements



A number of students were acknowledged for their achievements in academic year 2016 at the whole school assembly on Tuesday 21 February. The following students received Honour certificates (*outstanding achievements*) and Merit certificates (*outstanding effort*) for the success in Semester Two reports:-

## HONOUR CERTIFICATES

### YEAR 7

Abbey Boliver  
Riley Bonolo  
Rhythm Brinkworth  
Angga Erlangga  
Kaitlyn Favacho  
Alex Ferluga  
Jessica Firth  
Amber Fletcher  
Aimee Gleeson  
Zjana Herangi  
Evie Innes  
Bonnie Kerlake  
Kade King  
Felix Longworth-Baker  
Oscar Longworth-Baker  
Sophie-Rose Loreta  
Jade Mackinnon  
Taya Mackinnon  
Victoria Rukavytsya  
Dylan Stewart  
Emme Warner  
Trinity Wilson

### YEAR 8

Ashley Balin  
Jessica Banks  
Natasha Banks  
Radha-Priya Brooks  
Huriana Collier  
Jasper Dawe  
Mary Dillon  
Gracie Hitchings  
Katie Hunter  
Isla Kerr  
Jillian Leahy  
Ellena McIlroy  
Jessica McShane  
Christine Moller

Abbey Monaghan  
Jones Naylor  
Tristyn Phipps  
Max Price  
Chloe Putelli  
Lauren Reid  
Zoe Sawatzky  
Bianca Shepherd  
Tiana Whyte

### YEAR 9

Zachary Booth  
Casey Dalla-Costa  
Nathan Deville  
Zane Gazey  
Jacqui Harvey  
Charlie Kinsella  
Jordyn Kruger  
Hannah Moro  
Daniel O'Neill  
Faith Reid  
Tamara Savage  
Jasmine Warner  
Samantha Wilson  
Sinead du Toit

### YEAR 10

Lauren Allen  
Lachlan Bonolo  
Alyssa Booth  
Sarah Burgess  
Akasha Carstairs  
Isabelle Casley  
Andrew Freeland  
Calan Harris  
Sienna Manvill  
Roedolf Mare  
Layla Pense  
Katie Savage  
Stephen Shallcross  
Schyler Whyte

### YEAR 11

Aryana Eraman  
Olivia Gomez  
Dylan Rea  
Lauren Styles-Lambert

## MERIT CERTIFICATES

### YEAR 7

Sarah Andrews  
Jordyn Baily  
Aaliyah Biahgi  
Jordan Blee  
Abbey Boliver  
Riley Bonolo  
Max Burke-Rowe  
Cooper Chappel-Wood  
Mikayla Charles  
Patrick Clitheroe  
Lily Coles  
Teringamau Collier  
Cooper Connolly  
Kye Cooper  
Angga Erlangga  
Kaitlyn Favacho  
Alex Ferluga  
Jessica Firth  
Amber Fletcher  
Nic Harrold  
Vannevar Helgeland  
Zjana Herangi  
Jessica Jolley  
Kade King  
Felix Longworth-Baker  
Oscar Longworth-Baker  
Jade Mackinnon  
Julian Menegaldo  
Kiera Olsen  
Zara Patterson  
Jaxon Poole

Beth Reilly  
Chloe Richardson  
Chris Roberts  
Indianna Rowan  
Victoria Rukavytsya  
Shawn Seeley  
Emily Sharp  
Darcy Sheahan  
Maya Smith  
Dylan Stewart  
Joel Taulelei  
Courtney Thompson  
Chelsey Townsend  
Amelia Valentini  
Maddy Varcoe  
Emme Warner  
Trinity Wilson

### YEAR 8

Maha Al Awadi  
Jamie Attree  
Ashley Balin  
Jessica Banks  
Natasha Banks  
Romony Beams  
Indianna Bishop  
Radha-Priya Brooks  
Camryn Carter  
Svetlana Chevenkova  
Katie Clune  
Huriana Collier  
Hailey Condon  
Jasper Dawe  
Mary Dillon  
Hannah Finlay  
Cameron Glanville  
Ben Herbert  
Gracie Hitchings  
Faith Hunter  
Katie Hunter  
Tia Hyne



Isla Kerr  
Jillian Leahy  
Ellena McIlroy  
Jessica McShane  
Christine Moller  
Abbey Monaghan  
Jones Naylor  
Tristyn Phipps  
Max Price  
Chloe Putelli  
Lauren Reid  
Zoe Sawatzky  
Bianca Shepherd  
Raquel Smith  
Tiana Whyte

**YEAR 9**

Eve Allen  
Olivia Allen  
Callum Andrews  
Francis Apurado  
Kye Armanasco  
Keri-Rose Baker  
Ashlee Bettini  
Zachary Booth  
Joshua Carlyon  
Rachael Carlyon  
Madison Carroll  
Ebbie Carter  
Flora Cezar de Andrade  
e Almeida  
Taylor Coventry  
Brooke Crane  
Casey Dalla-Costa  
Mariah De Rizzo  
Nathan Deville  
Brooke Di Silvio  
Jayson Dolzan  
Natasha Dolzan  
Dominic Duncan  
Blake Fletcher  
Jack Forrest  
Alysia Fox  
Lauren Gahgan  
Tahlia Garland  
Zane Gazey

Tara Ghorbanpour  
Jack Gleeson  
Daniel Gorst  
Montana Hansord  
Tom Hartnell  
Jacqui Harvey  
Tiannanh Hewitt  
Colby Hoggarth  
Sophie Hummerston  
Antony Huynh  
Hollie Johnson  
Danni Karmelich  
Heather Kent  
Charlie Kinsella  
Holly Kirwin  
Alyssa Kraft  
Jordyn Kruger  
Alexis Lardis  
Jack Lee  
Manny Llonora  
Tahnee Lynch  
Aisha Mayhew  
Heather McDougall  
Emilia McKerracher  
Imogen Menegaldo  
Hannah Moro  
Daniel O'Neill  
David Panaia  
Joanne Paull  
Kaisee Pollock  
Layla Pronk  
Zac Purcell  
Breeann Rayner  
Faith Reid  
Liam Riley  
Kyle Rose  
Sahara Rowan  
Jerome Salinas  
Tamara Savage  
Will Shepherd  
Tamsin Stephen  
Mikaelah Thorpe  
Nikki Valinouri  
Jasmine Warner  
Bianca Webb  
Samantha Wilson

Hannah Wood  
Courtney Wright  
Sinead du Toit

**YEAR 10**

Chloe Archibald  
Alannah Bellchambers  
Lachlan Bonolo  
Alyssa Booth  
Caitlin Byers-Pickavance  
Akasha Carstairs  
Isabelle Casley  
Jessica Dippenaar  
Andrew Freeland  
Cheyanne Fripp  
Miha Grandlic  
Ethan Grant  
Calan Harris  
Anna Huynh  
Jade Jenzen  
Lauryn Jones  
Bailey Kendall  
Sienna Manvill  
Roedolf Mare  
Layla Pense  
Stela Reyes  
Stephen Shallcross  
Cherono Sigei  
Hendrina Smith  
Callum Stevenson  
Doberth Sulat  
Jai Superville  
Cooper Vallence  
Bam Watcharamon  
Fairouz Whitwell  
Schyler Whyte  
Kate Williams  
Jeanette Woods  
Thomas Wyeth

**YEAR 11**

Ben Abel  
Emily Abrehart  
Neeve Anderson  
Kyle Bell  
Maddison Boliver

Leonard Bright  
Joely Carroll  
Sean Coventry  
Paige Dodsworth  
Eden Ellis  
Robyn Emms  
Aryana Eraman  
Nikhil Eraman  
Daniel Frost  
Kaylee Gale  
Yashar Ghorbanpour  
Lauren Gibbons  
Faith Hussein  
Lianah Ingram  
Jason John  
Koana Kari  
Roisin Kealy  
Brendon Lan  
Bree Liddell  
Lauren Mathers  
Joshua McCarthy  
Jaimy McClelland  
Emily McKellar  
Ashleigh Medew  
Emma Milne  
Callum Morrell  
Daniel Mountfort  
Ella O'Reilly  
Oran Pattison  
Jaiden Price  
Dylan Rea  
Alana Saunders  
Matthew Stasinowsky  
Lauren Styles-Lambert  
Chloe Summers  
Lachlan Tyler  
Jacinta Valentini  
Bailey Viney  
Shauna Williams  
Gemma Wilson  
Alyssa Wishart-Brown  
Sommer Yance  
Chante van der Watt

*Congratulations to all students who received an award*

# Year 11, 2016 Subject Awards Top Students

Bennjamin Abel	Cert II Outdoor Education
Connor Barker	Cert II Information Technology
Leonard Bright	Cert II Automotive Vocational Preparation
Aiden Brown	Woodwork (General)
Aryana Eraman	ATAR Visual Art, ATAR Literature
Lauren Gibbons	Health (General)
Olivia Gomez	Food, Science and Technology, English (General)
Linsay Gray	ATAR Geography ATAR Human Biology
Christie Hammond	ATAR Health
Courtney Isitt	Cert II in Community Services
Roisin Kealy	Mathematics: Essentials (General)
Luci Mann	Mathematics: Applications (ATAR)
Lauren Mathers	ATAR Chemistry
Jaimy McClelland	Career & Enterprise
Kyle Nonis	ATAR Physics
Taj Paki	Cert II Engineering Pathways
Jaiden Price	Applied Information Technology
Dylan Rea	ATAR Modern History Integrated Science
Georgia Sneddon	Cert II Hospitality
Lauren Styles-Lambert	ATAR English ATAR Physical Education Studies
Chloe Summers	Cert II Sport & Recreation
Bailey Viney	Drama (General)
Gemma Wilson	ATAR Dance
Karlee Wilson	Cert II Business Cert II Applied Fashion & Design Design Photography Media Production & Analysis
Alyssa Wishart-Brown	Ancient History (General)



Thank you to Lieutenant Oliver Clen Denning for your presentation on behalf of 507 Army Cadet Unit (based at Belridge SC)

## Sculptures by the Sea



Year 11 Visual Arts and Year 11/12 Photography students attended the 'Sculpture by the Sea' exhibition at Cottesloe Beach on Thursday 16 March. This was the thirteenth time the exhibition has been held in Perth. Similar exhibitions are run throughout the world. Seventy eight local, interstate and international artist's works were on display.

This was a fantastic opportunity for students to view, record, discuss and critically analyse first hand artworks displaying a variety of techniques, observing: the 3D, colour, texture, transparent /opaque, kinetic quality and size of the artworks - qualities which are often lost in reproductions.

**NOELENE HALES and JODIE GRIEVE**  
Visual Arts Teacher and Design Photography Teacher





## AGWA Arts excursion

The following Year 12 students recently visited the AGWA (Art Gallery of Western Australia) on Thursday 23 March:

Yashar Ghorbanpour, Aryana Eraman, Linsay Gray, Emma Milne, Charlotte Greenham, Serene Richmond, Ketajah Ringin, Jessica Watts and Cheyenne White.

Students had a very busy time on their excursion. They attended lectures, where they had to participate by giving their opinions regarding art works and did this extremely well.

The highlight was seeing the 2017 Year 12 Perspectives. Students really enjoyed this exhibition of works and came away with some great ideas they could put into practice.

### CAROLYN WRIGHT Learning Support Coordinator



## Year 12 Ball health and awareness talks



As a lead up to the Year 12, 2017 ball, which is being held at the Hyatt Regency on Friday 31 March, the Year 12 group have been attending talks on Wednesday period 5 in the PAC.

The first of these was by DR YES (youth education sessions) a program by the AUSTRALIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION where medical students go out to schools to have open and engaging communications about the big issues facing youth health, particularly alcohol and drugs, mental health and sexual health.

The second talk was by David Hobbs and Rod Bridge from SIDEFFECT. This organisation was formed by Rod, a grieving father, who had to deal with the death of his son when he jumped from a balcony after taking a single \$2 synthetic LSD tablet after his school ball. Speaking from the effects this tragedy has had on the extended family, not to mention the loss of a young life.

Both sessions were interesting and the Year 12 group hopefully will benefit from listening and engaging in these talks.

### LAZO NJEGICH Year 12 Co-Ordinator

## We need your help with Workplace Learning

Belridge Secondary College has a comprehensive VET program, supported by industry work placements.

Each year, our senior students in Years 11 and 12 (16-18 years old) undertake work placements with host employers for a two week block. We need to place around 150 students for the first nine day block release, from Monday 29 May to Friday 9 June (Monday 5 June is WA day public holiday).

We are seeking host employers willing to mentor one or more of our students during this period. Students have been assessed as 'work-ready', have completed Worksafe Certificates and White Cards if seeking experience in the construction industry.

All participating students are fully insured by the WA Government insurer, RiskCover, while on work placement. Participating students are enrolled in a range of AQTF Certificates II & III in the automotive, business, community services, construction, engineering, fashion, hospitality, information technology and sport & recreation industries, and are developing skills that they need to apply in the workplace.

If you are able to offer a placement to any of our students from May 29 to June 9, in any (safe) workplace, we would love to hear from you. Students are supported and visited by college staff during work placements, your role as Workplace Supervisors is to provide some supervised work related activities, opportunities to learn about your business/workplace culture, routines and expectations and to provide written feedback to students on a 'tick a box' form included in student log books.

If you are able to help by hosting one or more of our students please contact our Workplace Learning Co-ordinator, Meredith Fuhrmann on:

P: 9408 8000  
M: 0422 111 365  
E: [meredith.fuhrmann@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:meredith.fuhrmann@education.wa.edu.au)

## Online support



Have you activated your **YourTutor** account?

**FREE online tutoring assistance**  
(3pm – 10pm, 6 days per week)

Kindly provided to our school by Edith Cowan University

Enquiries to [elizabeth.cassidy@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:elizabeth.cassidy@education.wa.edu.au)

## Year 7 Welcome Barbeque

On Wednesday 15 February over 400 staff, students and parents gathered at Belridge Secondary College for the Year 7 Welcome BBQ. This was a fantastic turn out and it was so lovely to see such a great school community developing between the staff and the new parents and guardians of our students. The BBQ was an opportunity for students to introduce their parents to their new teachers and also new friends. The atmosphere was brilliant and everyone was really buzzing, especially after the yummy food supplied by Larry and our Canteen Staff.

Thank you to all staff, parents and students who attended the BBQ and contributed to making the evening so successful.

**Miss Currie**  
Year 7 Coordinator



## GRIP Student Leadership Conference

On Thursday 9 March the Student Council participated in the GRIP student leadership conference at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

GRIP (Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity and People) provided us students with a wide variety of opportunities to discuss and gain new leadership skills and ideas with leaders from other schools. The discussions and activities enabled us to learn from other leaders, and the interactive presentations allowed everyone to learn practical strategies to contribute to our school community. Highlights of the conference included:

- Fun and exciting "Loud Noises" segments in which fellow leaders Kai Schenk (Year 12) and Leonard Bright (Year 12) participated in representing our school positively;
- Receiving the conference leadership workbook to write down helpful ideas that were presented to us via intriguing PowerPoint's and videos;
- Meeting leaders from other schools and getting to know our fellow student councillors better.

Once again, GRIP surpassed our expectations and we look forward to following up on ideas, strategies and goals as the Student Council in 2017

**LAUREN STYLES-LAMBERT**  
School Captain



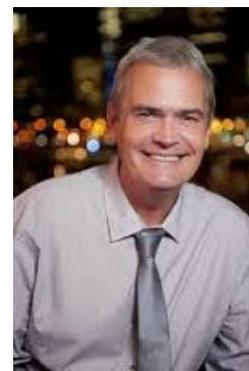
# Talented Young Writers' Program



A group of six, Year 9 students, participated in the first of four Youth Literature Day workshops at The Literacy Centre in Fremantle on Wednesday 8 March, 2017.

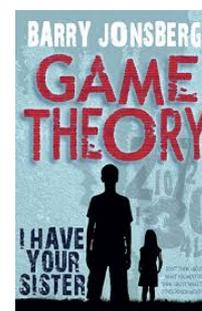
The aim of these workshops is to nurture both the skills as talented writers and the confidence to share and be edited.

Students were privileged to listen to the inspirational Barry Jonsberg (pictured right), who shared his comic recollections of his journey as a published author. They also had the opportunity to write, "polish" and present their work, which will be published and displayed at the Literature exhibition in Elizabeth Quay on Western Australia Day this year.



All students are looking forward to continuing their personal writing journey at the next workshop with Anthony Eaton on Tuesday 20 June.

**MRS GLYNNE BARTLE**  
AEP Coordinator



# Year 9 Enrichment

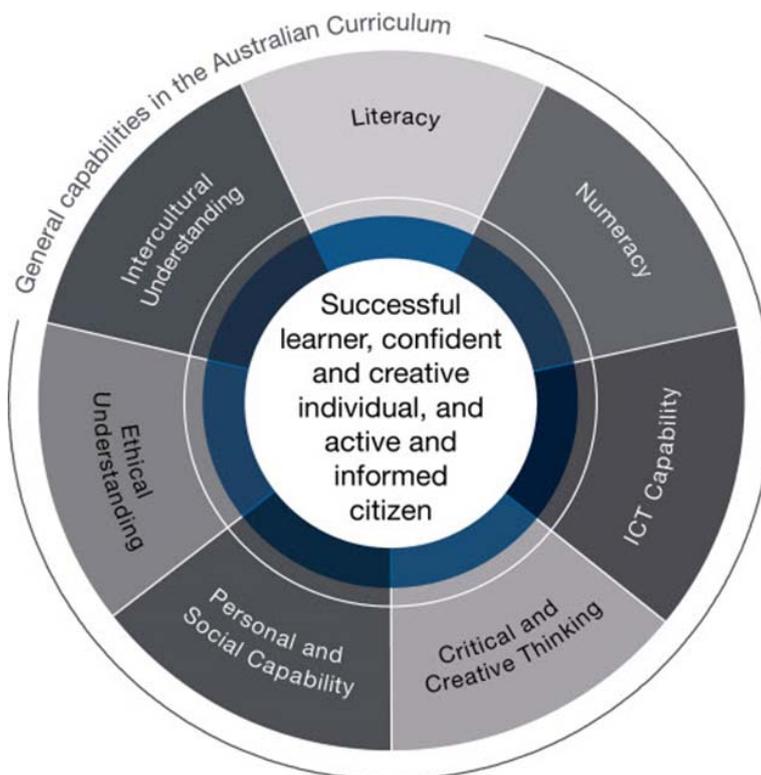


Shrek stated that *"life is like an onion"*. I, however, believe *education is a like an onion: there are many layers.*

An integral part of the enrichment program at Belridge S.C. is developing students' general capabilities which are essential in life. Currently, the Year 9 Class is devoting some maths time to work on a group project, which tackles both Critical and Creative Thinking and Intercultural Understanding. This task allows students' opportunities to work as a group and be responsible for all aspects of this project in a unique and rich educational environment.

Mr Papasergio and I look forward to viewing the final product soon.

**MRS GLYNNE BARTLE**  
AEP Coordinator



## Design & Technology

**We need your recycled wood donations please ...**

***The Design Technology Department is in need of recycled timber ...***

If anybody is pulling down timber pergolas or has access to building or construction timber that they could donate to the school it would be greatly appreciated. The material could be dropped off to the Design Technology Department or contact Lazo Njegich on 0432 478 123 to arrange to have it picked up. Thank you.

**LAZO NJEGICH**  
Design Technology Department



**SAVE THE DATE ... CHAPLAIN'S DINNER**

***Wednesday 17th May 2017***  
***6.30pm***

***Come along and meet the new  
Chaplain***

***Venue : School Café***

***Three course meal prepared by our  
Year 11 and 12 Cert II Hospitality students***

***Tickets available early Term 2 - \$20***

# Visual Arts



Brooklyn Jones



Nelie George



Nicola Low

Year 8 Visual Art students have worked on the theme Flying Creatures (animals and insects). They have used the linear tonal technique of stippling with a focus on creating the illusion of form (depth and relief).

Year 11 Visual Art students have been drawing a series of self-portraits exploring different drawing techniques and media to portray impassive and expressive facial expression as they reflect on their character, personality and cultural background.

They worked from direct observation using mirrors and photographs focusing on the Art Elements: Line, Form and Value to create the illusion of depth and relief.

**NOELENE HALES**  
Visual Arts Teacher



Caitlin Byers-Pickavance



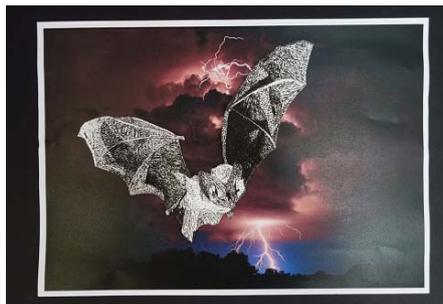
Kobi Freind



Kobi Freind



Hollie Littlecott



Angga Erlangga



Jaxon Poole



Jeremy MacKenzie



Jordan Lee Bailey



Kaide Lynch

## Hosting French Students in July (14 July to 16 August)



For the last 9 years a program has been in place offering the opportunity to young French students aged 14-17 years to discover Australia and its education system.

We are looking for families willing to host students for the four weeks of their visit. They will travel to and from school with your children.

The purpose of the program is for these French students to experience living with an Australian family, to see how an Australian school operates, to improve their English language skills through this full immersion and to create a strong friendship with their Anglophone peers. The program is highly successful and both Australians and French students greatly enjoy the exchange. Many families still keep in touch with each other.

The students are fully briefed about the school rules, are not to leave the school premises and will attend classes daily. They will be fully covered by appropriate insurance.

Host families will be visited prior to the arrival by the organiser to explain the program.

We believe such an exchange is also highly beneficial for our Modern Languages students, opening their eyes (and ears!) to similarly minded students for an extended period. If you are interested in hosting, please contact:

**Martine Floyd**

Email: [martine.floyd@inet.net.au](mailto:martine.floyd@inet.net.au)

Mobile: 0403 019 609

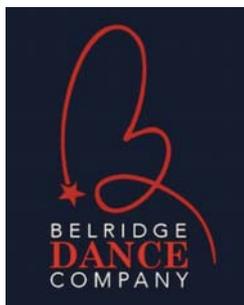
### **UNIFORM SHOP HOLIDAY CLOSURE**

Uniform Concepts  
Shop 5, 7 Delage Street, Joondalup, WA 6027

T: 9270 4660 E: [Joondalup@uc.nellgray.com.au](mailto:Joondalup@uc.nellgray.com.au)

Please note that the uniform shop will be closed for the first week of the April school holidays from Monday 10 April and re open on Tuesday 18 April. They will also be closed on Tuesday 25 April on the ANZAC day public holiday.

# Belridge Dance Company



Belridge Dance Company held their audition on Monday 13 February. We had over 30 excited and enthusiastic dancers audition to join our Company of 12 members already. An external teacher, dancer and choreographer came to the school and ran the audition in a professional manner and chose our successful applicants with great difficulty as she was overwhelmed by the talent of our students.

Congratulations to the successful applicants and I look forward to working with you in 2017. We have already begun working on our first performance for the end of April. Keep your eyes open for the exciting opportunities prepared for our 2017 company. Company Members:

Maddalyn Riddell (Captain)

Keri-Rose Baker  
Aaliyah Biahgi  
Akasha Carstairs  
Paris Hall  
Jessica Hoyland  
Roisin Kealy  
Daisi Le Blanc  
Nicola Low

Ben Luplau  
Jessica McShane  
Christine Moller  
Beth Reilly  
Indianna Rowan  
Stephen Shallcross  
Faye Whitwell  
Gemma Wilson  
Lucy York



**HEATHER CURRIE**  
Dance Company Coordinator

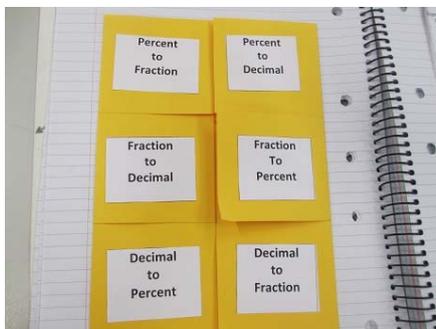
## Year 8 Maths

Year 8 students have recently completed a unit of work on fractions, decimals and percentages as part of their Maths program.

In our class, students have made a foldable notebook to help them remember how to convert between fractions, decimals and percentages. This foldable contains not only the method/steps required to perform the conversions but also examples to help cement student understanding.

One of the benefits of having such a notebook is that the information is organised by students themselves. It can be a useful source of revision of key concepts during current studies but also in preparation for reviews, tests, etc throughout the year.

**EDNA PIVETTA**  
Mathematics Teacher



**We love to see the books being borrowed from the Library, but we also need them to be returned.**

A large number of books have not been returned from 2016, and instead of buying new books in 2017 we are having to buy new copies of books that we already had, but are now "LOST". A lot of these are popular titles or belong to a series, and are being requested by students.

- \* Books may be borrowed for 2 weeks.
- \* Please take care of your book and please return promptly.
- \* Reminders of overdue books are sent out to form classes weekly.

Thank you for your support

**MRS L MANNING**  
Library Coordinator



**PLEASE  
RETURN  
YOUR  
LIBRARY  
BOOKS!**

### School Holiday Programs

The City of Joondalup Youth Services team are running multiple events and activities over the April school holidays for 11-18 year olds. Activities include Adventure World, horse riding, music comps and art workshops, Moore River sand boarding & waterslides, Darklight, cooking, wheelchair basketball, gaming and heaps more.

Go to [y-lounge.com.au](http://y-lounge.com.au) and register now as spots are filling up fast!

Register now ...



**OPEN DAY**  
**WEDNESDAY 24 MAY 2017**  
**Guided tour at 9.00am**

- Superior academic performance over the past five years
- STEM Science programs to ATAR level.
- Comprehensive extension program for high ability students (AEP)
- Merit selected, highly qualified and enthusiastic teaching staff
- Approved Specialist Programs in Cricket and Fashion Design
- Quality, acknowledged Performing Arts program
- Excellent pastoral care and student support programs
- Exceptional facilities and grounds
- Extensive VET program
- Elite Netball Academy
- Active and supportive School Board

**PLUS YEARS 5 & 6  
 SPECIALIST COURSE TASTER**

**DO YOU WANT TO TRY  
 CRICKET, NETBALL or FASHION & DESIGN?**

Children in Years 5 and 6 are invited to participate in our Specialist Cricket, Netball and Fashion & Design programs from:  
 8.45am to 12 noon.

Please contact us for more information and timetable.

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR ALL EVENTS**

Call 9408 8000 to book a tour or place for the student taster morning  
 17 Gwendoline Drive, BELDON, 6027  
[www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](http://www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)

# Hello from the Community Health Nurse



Hello, my name is Deborah Lawrence and I am one of the Community Health nurses allocated from the Child and Adolescent Health Service to Belridge Secondary College. Community Health Nurses are members of the Schools Student Services team and provide a valuable service to various high schools across the region. We work on different days at each school and our availability at Belridge Secondary College can be accessed at Administration or through Student Services.

## So what do we do in schools?

**Our focus is on Health Promotion and Illness Prevention, rather than cure.**

This includes, but is not exclusive to;

- Providing access to students for health counselling
- Referral to other health service's and agencies when appropriate
- Monitoring and follow up of students at risk
- Assisting students to set goals and make decisions about their own health care needs
- Support teachers with health related curriculum and facilitate Health Promotion Programs e.g. mental health, sexual health and relationships
- Supporting teachers to identify, monitor and manage health conditions within the classroom and wider school community
- Providing information and advice to students and their families so they may make informed decisions about their health, well-being and development

The School Health Centre, located in Student Services, is a place where adolescents can drop in or make appointments to discuss health issues. Students may independently seek assistance from the Community Health Nurse but can also be referred by parents and staff. Some of the health issues that young people present with include; anxiety, stress, depression, relationship problems, sexuality, reproductive health, lifestyle behaviours and drug misuse.

Our health service is not designed to provide care for sick students, or supply medications and medical supplies. In the event of students becoming sick or sustaining an injury whilst at school we ask that you provide the school with emergency contact people (three contact people is preferable) who would be available to arrange transport, care and treatment for your child if required.

We hope you and your child have a happy and stress-free school year.

**DEB LAWRENCE**  
Community Health Nurse

**Applications close Friday 7 April**

## SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEARS 7 TO 12  
YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO:

# \$350

*towards school expenses*

DO YOU HOLD A: ● **CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD**  
(OR) ● **CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD**  
(OR) ● **VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD**

Applications Close  
**Friday 7 April 2017**

**ASK SCHOOL RECEPTION FOR MORE INFORMATION**



Government of **Western Australia**  
 Department of **Health**  
**Public Health**  
 Communicable Disease Control Directorate

3 March 2017

Dear Principal,

The Western Australian ACWY vaccination program for adolescents has been launched. This is in response to a recent increase in meningococcal infection caused by a particular type of the bacteria, 'serogroup W'.

Please be advised that immunisation nurses will be contacting your schools shortly to arrange vaccination visits. Your support in assisting this program to run smoothly is appreciated.

We anticipate you may want to share some information on this program with parents of your students through your website and newsletters. To this end, we have provided some content below to be used in those communications and a link to the relevant page on the Department of Health website.  
[http://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/J\\_M/Meningococcal-disease](http://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/J_M/Meningococcal-disease)

#### **What is the Meningococcal ACWY Vaccination Program?**

The Meningococcal ACWY vaccination program is in response to a recent increase of meningococcal infection caused by a particular type of the bacteria, 'serogroup W'. Individuals aged between 15-19 years within the WA community will be targeted to receive this vaccine in order to reduce the spread of this disease.

#### **Why is the program targeting 15-19 year olds?**

This age group experience some of the highest rates of meningococcal carriage and illness. Once infected, they can transmit the bacteria to people who are at increased risk of infection, including young children. It is expected that providing the meningococcal W (Men W) vaccine to this age group will reduce the spread of this potentially life threatening infection within the WA community.

#### **Why is this targeted vaccination program necessary?**

Although numbers are low, Men W cases have been increasing each year since 2013 with one case notified in that year and 14 cases in 2016. Two more cases have been notified in 2017. Prior to 2013, serogroup W was uncommon with only six cases diagnosed in the 13 year period from 2000 to 2012.

#### **Which vaccine will be used?**

The meningococcal ACWY vaccine will be used. This vaccine protects against four groups of meningococcal bacteria: A, C, W and Y. The conjugate meningococcal ACWY vaccine Nimenrix®, supplied in Australia by Pfizer will be used in this program.

#### **How will the program work?**

In 2017, WA Health and local council nursing teams will conduct the vaccinations at schools to students in Years 10, 11 and 12. Additional vaccination clinics will be conducted at community health clinics to capture 18–19 year olds and other age-eligible persons not attending high school. In 2018 and 2019 the program would target incoming Year 10 students only.

Parents can expect to receive Men W vaccination consent materials through their child's school in Terms 2 /or 3. They are urged to complete the form and return to their child's school promptly to protect their child and their community.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Paul Effler  
 Medical Coordinator, Prevention and Control Program  
 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL DIRECTORATE

RECEIVED  
 7 MAR 2017

# Information Technology

 Office of the Children's **eSafety Commissioner**



**Get in the know**  
– research the ‘terms of use’ and age requirements on social media services and explain them to your child.



**Keep it private**  
– show your child how to use privacy settings to control what others can see.



**Play nice**  
– encourage your child to respect others online and to always think before posting.

## Should my child be on social media?

Parents can sometimes feel the pressure of peer power to allow their children on social media, even if they don't feel comfortable doing so.

While these services are a fun way to stay connected with others, there can be downsides like cyberbullying, risks to privacy and contact from strangers.

**If you allow your child to sign up to a social media service, consider these handy tips.**



**Report**  
– show your child how to report inappropriate content, especially cyberbullying.



**Beware of bad eggs**  
– teach your child that not everyone they meet online can be trusted, even if they seem nice or friendly.



**Join in**  
– create an account yourself and find out what your child is likely to encounter.

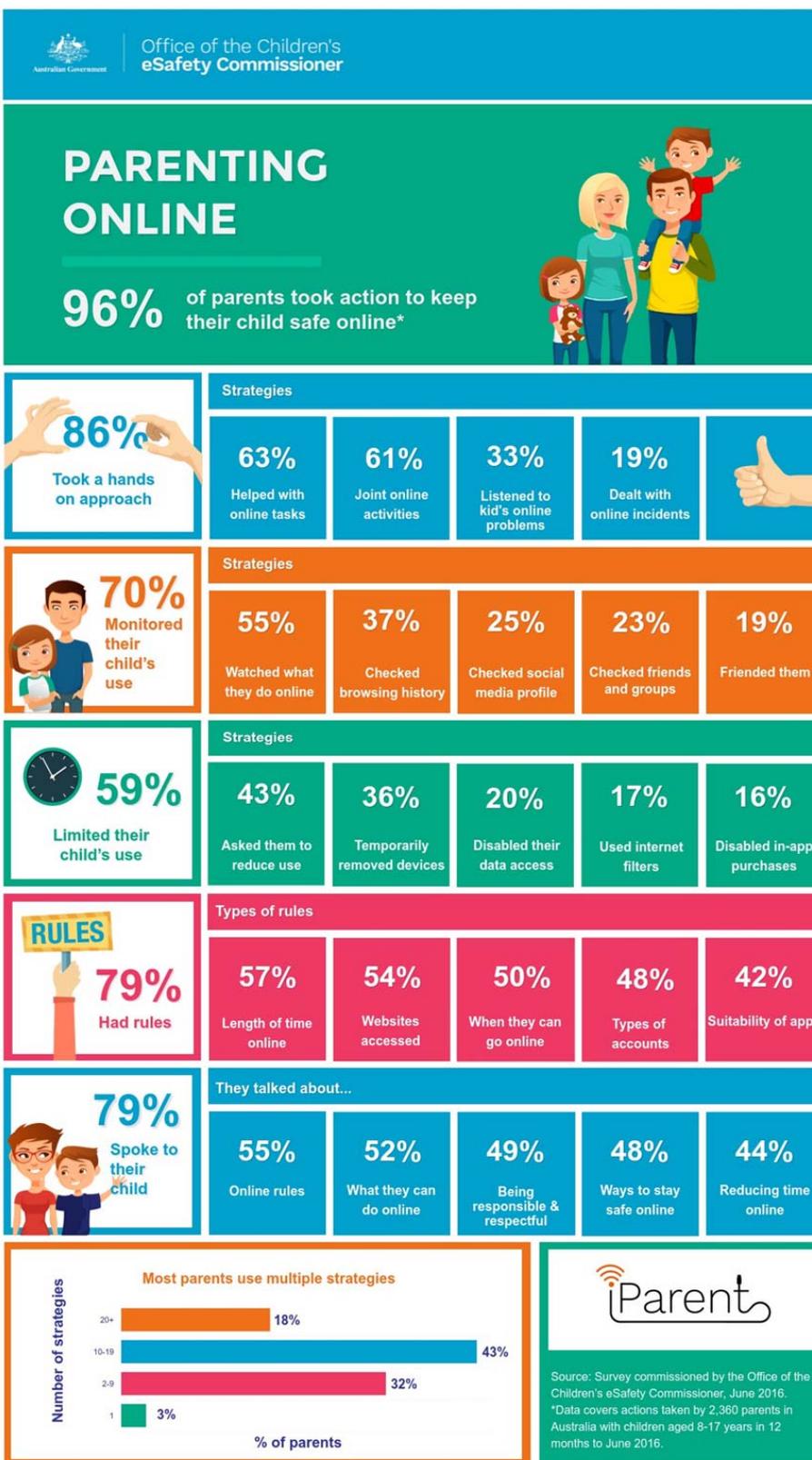


**Talk**  
– maintain open communication with your child so they feel safe talking to you about any concerns.



**Learn more**  
– keep up to date with popular social media sites at [esafety.gov.au/quickguide](http://esafety.gov.au/quickguide)

[esafety.gov.au/iparent](http://esafety.gov.au/iparent)



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](mailto:elizabeth.cassidy@education.wa.edu.au) or 9408 8000

**ELIZABETH CASSIDY**  
Head of Information Technology

## Community News



### Approved Specialist Program in Cricket

#### Cricket skills testing day

Parents with children in Year 6 are invited to apply for our 2018 Approved Specialist Program in Cricket.

#### **CHOOSE CRICKET AS A FULL-TIME SUBJECT**

Closing date for applications  
**Friday 31 March 2017**

Testing venue: WACA  
**Monday 3 April 2017 at 9:30am**

For more information or to request an application form and trial pack email Scott Ogilvie (Cricket Coordinator) at [scott.ogilvie@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:scott.ogilvie@education.wa.edu.au)

**BELRIDGE SECONDARY COLLEGE**  
An Independent Public School  
17 Gwendoline Drive, Beldon  
[www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](http://www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)  
T: 9408 8000

Endorsed by



### PARKING ETIQUETTE REMINDERS SCHOOL PICK AND DROP OFF

Following on from the February newsletter, parents are still unfortunately using the left hand side of the school driveway to drop-off and collect their children from school.

**THIS LEFT HAND LANE MUST BE  
KEPT CLEAR FOR BUSES USE ONLY**



Can parent's please pull over and make your drop-offs on the right hand side of the main driveway to assist with student safety and traffic flow. Your cooperation is much appreciated.



**Whitford City Football Club**  
Est. 1975  
Warrandyte Park, Craigie

**iconic**  
home loans

### PLAYERS WANTED

#### FOR U16 TEAM

We are looking for players born in 2001

Email: [registration@whitfordcityfc.com.au](mailto:registration@whitfordcityfc.com.au)

Mobile: 0477 018 165

Website: <http://www.whitfordcityfc.weebly.com/>

Please keep in touch ....

## CONTACT US



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](mailto: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**

You can also **contact us** or **notify of absences** quickly and conveniently  
via the **Belridge Secondary College app**  
**DOWNLOAD TODAY - FREE OF CHARGE**  
for iPhone, Android and Windows phones

Email: **[school@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](mailto:school@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)**

School Board: **[schoolboard@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](mailto:schoolboard@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)**

Website: **[www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au](http://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](mailto:schoolboard@belridgecollege.wa.edu.au)**

## ESC Principal's News

*It is hard to believe that we are almost at the end of Term 1 of the 2017 school year and all students have settled into their new classroom environments across all year levels.*

We hope that you enjoyed being able to share the range of activities and educational experiences that your child has been participating in at our parent evening on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March. Please take note of the many events that are mentioned in each newsletter as this is the primary method of communicating with our community particularly in reference to activities, meetings and parent information evenings. Reminder letters are also often sent home with students, however, the newsletter contains all of the dates for parents to take note of.

Our school website and App are being updated and we hope that this will be updated and fully operational by the beginning of Term 2.

### Keep us informed

Thank you to those parents who are informing their School Bus Service of any changes to their child's routine, contacting your individual bus driver in the event that your child is not travelling on the bus is essential. Thank you also to those parents who contact the school or send in written notification advising us of any changes to your child's travel arrangements or if your child is unwell. Student attendance is paramount to the continuing development of our student's abilities as well as addressing their academic, social and emotional needs. Whilst we understand that some of our students may have medical issues that impact on their attendance it is a Department of Education requirement that an explanation of a student's absence be provided to the school within **three** days from the start of the absence.

### Uniforms

The cooler weather will soon be upon us and a reminder about the need to adhere to school uniform. Uniforms can be purchased at UNIFORM CONCEPTS, Shop 5, 7 Delage Street, Joondalup. Students are required to wear navy track pants and plain navy windcheaters/school tracksuit jackets in winter. Other colours or Windcheaters with logos are **not** acceptable.

### Parking etiquette

Please remember that the parking facilities around the school are at a premium and the car park at the front of the school is not to be used by parents/carers for the collection or drop off of students except for ACROD holders. Should you need to collect your child from

school during the day please collect them from the front office and not directly from their classroom as a sign out process needs to be completed. Students are also required to go through the front office if they arrive after the school day has commenced.

### Parent Information Evening

As our Year 11 and 12's are continuing to participate in learning experiences that are preparing them for life beyond school, it is a timely reminder to parents that liaison with your Local Coordinator from the Disability Services Commission is essential as it is imperative that families have engaged with them to address individual school leaver plans and aspirations in preparation for the future. A Beyond School Parent Information Evening is being held next term and further information will be sent to families when students return for Term 2. Parents of students who are turning 16 are also encouraged to consider their child's eligibility for the Disability Support Pension through Centrelink and your Local Coordinator may also be of assistance in this process.

### Student Council

Congratulations to all of our Student Councillors who were elected by their peers in our special elections held earlier this year. Well done to the following students:

**Year 7:** Maddison Sharp and Charli Mihaljevich

**Year 8:** Sarah Eiffler and Joey King

**Year 9:** Mailey Kelly and Callum Spickett

**Year 10:** Jamie Harris and Liam Bell

**Year 11:** Chloe Price and Courtney Harrison

**Year 12:** James Wright and Samuel Rowan

An assembly will be held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 2.00 pm in the Performing Arts Centre (PAC) to acknowledge and congratulate our worthy student councillors. I look forward to presenting each of you with your badges and I hope that you wear them with pride.

I wish each and every family a safe holiday break and we look forward to seeing all of our **students return for Term 2 on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2017** which is followed by Anzac Day on Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

Kind regards,

**JENINE WALL**  
ESC Principal