Our upper school students have just completed two weeks of exams and lower school students will be completing final semester assessments over the next few weeks. Semester 1 reports will be distributed in the last couple of weeks of term. Year 10 students will receive their reports early (June 17) as they form an important component of the Year 11 subject selection process.

Reports are an important part of the learning process as they provide valuable feedback regarding progress, strengths and areas requiring improvement. All students should be thinking ahead about career pathways and the prerequisite subjects and standard that they need to achieve to pursue their goals. While most students have the ability, most could achieve better results with improved work ethic and sense of purpose. As with most things in life, past performance is the best predictor of future success.

Last year I spoke to students at year group assemblies about an international recruiting firm who had advertised for 200 positions. Nearly 500 people were shortlisted for interviews in the city. However, over 100 people were left angry and frustrated when the company closed the doors at precisely 8.30am, the time when interviewees were told to arrive by. People who were refused entry to the interview explained that it had been a wet day, the traffic was horrendous and one of the three elevators to the venue was out of order. However, the company’s brief reply was that their client valued good timekeeping as one of their core values and suggested that people who could not get to an interview on time were unlikely to get to work on time either.

An important role of schools is to assist students in the development of good lifelong habits and skills. Our attendance data indicates that there has been a big improvement in students getting to school on time with the vast majority not recording a single late in 2015. However, I am concerned that we regularly have 20 or more students arriving late in the mornings. Students who arrive after the 8.25am siren will not be allowed to enter classes without signing in through Student Services and this can often add another 10 minutes or so before they get to class. Research clearly indicates that this has a significant negative impact on student’s learning and achievement. Tardiness is also habit forming and can become an entrenched mindset.

The school will be making regular visits to Garden City in the mornings to ensure that students have left by 8.15am at the latest. Any student who is seen to be loitering at the shops in the mornings rather than getting to school on time will be issued with a lunchtime detention and parents will be informed. Parents play a crucial role in reinforcing good habits and routines by making sure that students are ready to leave for school in plenty of time. A significant proportion of our students arrive at school by 8am in the morning when the library opens. Some of our students live considerable distance from the school and travel for over an hour each day. Most of these students are never late, yet those who arrive late most frequently live relatively close by.

Parents can also assist their child by NOT writing explanatory notes to excuse their tardiness and reserve these for the occasional genuine circumstance. The students who are required to do detention for being late are getting the message reinforced; those who are being supported by their parents are being denied a valuable lesson. I can assure you that employers will not accept late notes from parents as an excuse. We will be contacting parents of those students who are frequently late to school and recording lates on student’s reports from the beginning of Semester Two.

I will be taking some Long Service Leave over the last three weeks of the term and wish Mr Myles Draper all the best as he assumes the role of Principal in my absence. I wish all students and parents well for the remainder of this term.

Mr Paul Leech - Principal
Deputy Update

Towards the end of this term all students will be receiving their Semester 1 report. It is a great time for students to reflect on the learning journey and see how they are progressing towards their future goals. School reports have so much rich information in them which parents and students can utilise to engage in a conversation about how school is going. Firstly and most importantly is to celebrate the achievements in the report and then secondly identify the areas that you would like to focus on for improvement. Teachers spend a great deal of time crafting helpful comments to assist you in this process. For many students we know that you will be right on track due to your hard work and diligence. Students will be receiving their first lot of exam results combined with coursework results so far giving a real indication of how their courses have gone so far. It is interesting in our tracking of students that we note Year 11 results from Semester 1 are generally very similar to the results the same students receive in their Year 12 ATAR examinations. We would encourage all students regardless of their results to participate in the wide range of revision seminars that the school offers after school to help students get the most out of courses.

The exam period has gone very smoothly and we would like to thank the students for their exemplary behaviour and commitment to their exams. We would also like to thank Ms Emma Walker and the staff for doing such a great job of organising the exams. A great deal of work behind the scenes goes into creating the exams for students and we would like to thank staff for their efforts.

Subject selections for 2016 are coming up soon for our Year 7 – 10 students. It is a special time for our Year 10 students who will engage in the course counselling process. We will be using the Subject Selection Online system for all year groups this year. It is good for our Year 10 parents to be aware that Year 11 courses have pre-requisites that must be met to enable students to select their courses. Many of our students this year will not require a course counselling meeting as they have met all of the pre-requisites for their courses and are well on track to their desired post school destination. All students' selections are checked against their proposed post school destination and an email confirmation or follow up meeting will be scheduled should it be required.

This term we have been encouraging students to be mindful of others and through their individual actions make the school a wonderful place for all students. It has always been a strength of Applecross students to be inclusive and kind to others and it is great to see them enacting this in their day to day school routines and in the school yard at lunch and recess. It is amazing to see how each student being mindful of others sets the tone in our school.

It has been encouraging to see all Applecross SHS students wearing the school uniform. A reminder to students and parents that we are entering winter and students need to be wearing their winter garments in line with the uniform policy. This includes the school scarf. We have a wonderful range of nice warm garments for students that can be purchased through the school uniform shop. Details are available on the School's website.

We are looking forward to a great end of the school term.

Mr Myles Draper, Mr Rex Lilleyman and Mrs Glenys Campbell – Deputy Principals
Student Illness

As the weather gets colder it brings with it many colds and flus. To avoid the spread of these germs it is important to wash hands often, especially before eating and after coughing, sneezing and of course going to the bathroom. Often the only cure for colds and flu is keeping warm, fluids and lots of rest. Therefore it is very important if your child is coughing, sneezing and/or has a fever that they do not come to school and infect others. If they continue to come to school when unwell it will usually take them much longer to fully recover.

Please note the Nurse DOES NOT give out medication. As per the Department of Education policy students are able to bring their own and have it in their bag. Medication such as paracetemol, antihistamines or antibiotics can be carried in the students bag, “One day, one dose”.

The Health Centre only stocks emergency medication for Anaphylaxis, Diabetes and Asthma.

Thank you for assisting us to keep a healthy school environment.

Mr Daniel Chambers – Community Health Nurse

Year 10 River Cruise

On Tuesday 12 May our Year 10 students, dressed in their finest, boarded the MV River-Bells boat destined for the Fremantle Harbour. It became apparent early into the evening that the students were going to make the most of this exciting event.

The majority of the Year 10s hit the dance floor as soon as the DJ started the night’s music, and pretty much didn’t leave it until our pizzas arrived at 8pm. Once the 50 pizzas were demolished it was time to start the journey home. There were many photographic opportunities, with some seizing on this to take as many ‘selfies’ as they could.

Ms Walker ‘killed it’ on the dance floor with her amazing shuffling to the beats of LMFAO, while Mr Lilleyman, Mr Coppard, Mr Kelly and Ms Tubbs kept a watchful eye on the dance floor where attempts at crowd surfing were quashed.

It was an amazing evening and the students were on their best behaviour.

All students are now looking forward to their next social event for the year.

Ms Mileva Tubbs (For Hamish Pope), Program Coordinator
Years 9 - 10
Chaplaincy is not just one person in a school doing the job of “chaplain.” It’s actually about communities coming together for the good of the school community. That has been particularly evident throughout May, when the local Applecross YouthCARE Council members have been flat-out with fundraising events. Most of this hard work is done by volunteers from local churches, many of whom have been involved for around two decades. Their commitment is something the whole school body benefits from, even if you don’t normally see them in action.

Events in May included a sausage sizzle at Bunnings, concert and the annual ecumenical dinner. The dinner alone has raised over $69,000 in the past 22 years.

Together with these volunteers from the local churches, we have had a number of willing student volunteers who have come to the events (some students have been at every event) and have helped out with tasks ranging from serving meals to selling concert tickets or cooking sausages. What a joy it has been to receive so many compliments on behalf of the students, for their hard work, enthusiasm, presentation and commitment. Students can count the hours spent at these events in their community service, which will appear on their WACE certificates.

I would like to extend a warm “thank you” to everyone who volunteered at one of these events, as well as those who purchased a sausage or a ticket.

**PARENTS & TEENS**

Relationships Australia runs a number of courses designed to improve relationships between parents and their teenage children. Some courses running in June or July which may of interest:

- Parent-Teen Connection
- Kids and Today’s Technology
- All About Anger—For Parents and Teens
- Mums Raising Teenage Girls
- Mums Raising Teenage Boys
- Dads Raising Teenage Boys
- Dads Raising Teenage Girls

Courses run in either Kwinana, Fremantle or West Leederville. Costs start from $25.


**MENTORING OPPORTUNITIES**

Student Services are launching a new Student Mentoring program which provides a rewarding opportunity for volunteers to assist young people in variety of areas in which they may need support. We are recruiting prospective mentors now, to commence Term 3. If you know anyone who may be suitable and would have at least one hour per week available, please contact Bronwen Speedie or Felix Ross on 9314 9393.

**SECOND HAND UNIFORM “FIRE SALE”**

Lower school shirts only—just $5 each.
When: Wednesday 10th June (Week 8) @ recess
Where: Outside Student Services

**SECOND HAND UNIFORMS WANTED**

Brrrr...the cold weather is upon us, and students are changing over to winter uniform to keep warm. We have an urgent shortage of winter uniform items (track pants and jackets).

If you have old uniforms that your child has grown out of or which belonged to a child who has now graduated, then don’t let them go to waste! Uniform donations can be brought to the Chaplain in Student Services.

**YouthCare**

Chaplain in Student Services.

**School Chaplain**

Bronwen Speedie bronwens@youthcare.org.au

**Volunteers**

Student volunteers Jessica Khaw, Bernice Jiang, Phila Ng and Joe Huang with chaplain Bronwen Speedie at the Ecumenical Dinner

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Cross Country Championships 2015

On Friday 15 May 2015 a team of 43 Applecross SHS runners took part in the annual All Schools Cross Country Championships held at Mc Gillivray Sports Park, Mt Claremont. Each age event fielded large numbers of runners, from both government and private schools, over distances of 3km, 4km and 6km. Our runners are to be commended on their excellent behaviour throughout the day and their valiant efforts to run their races to the best of their abilities. It was a successful day for Applecross SHS, with some solid performances across the board from the entire team, and with two of our students gaining entry into the Western Australian State Cross-Country team.

Our most outstanding results of the championships came from Year 7 Malachy Davies (photo left) and Oliver Stenning (Year 12), who both gained entry into the Western Australian state team. Malachy finished 3rd in the Boys 12 years event, completing the 3km course, against a field of 106 other competitors in a time of 11 minutes 23 seconds, just 17 seconds behind the eventual winner. Congratulations Malachy on this fantastic run.

Year 12 student, Oliver Stenning (photo right), who has been a consistent performer for the Applecross team in recent years, improved his 18th place from 2014 to finish 9th this year, in the 17+ years boys race. Oliver finished the 6km race in a time of 21 minutes 53 seconds, in a field of 83 runners. A tremendous effort from both Malachy and Oliver, to finish in the top 10 in their respective events. We wish them all the very best as they prepare to represent Western Australia in Melbourne in August. Good luck boys!

Other strong performances came from Cameron Birkholz (Year 7), finishing 24th in the same event as Malachy; with Roc Hughes and Rhys Withey (Year 7) finishing mid field. Asha Birkholz (Year 7) was the best of our Girls 12 year’s runners, finishing 44th in a field of 134 competitors. Rory Cook (Year 8) was the best of our Boys 13 years runners, finishing 58th in a large field of 197 other runners and Xinyi Zheng (Year 8) our fastest 13 year old girl, finishing 48th in a huge field of 258 competitors. Neasa Flynn (Year 9) finished the best of our Girls 14 year’s runners, in 44th place, from a total of 167 other runners. And our sole Girls 15 year’s competitor, Hannah Burkhill (Year 9) crossed the line in a pleasing 42nd place in a field of 167 competitors. A commendable effort and result for all of these runners. Well done!

Cross Country Championships continued on page 5
The 2015 Applecross SHS Cross Country team

**Boys**
- Malachy Davies
- Roc Hughes
- Max Li
- Cameron Webb
- Andrew Gerovich
- Cameron Birkholz
- Rhys Withey
- Nigel Lee
- Jolyon Fereday
- Ben Nockolds
- Mitchell Peacock

**Girls**
- Rory Cook
- Blake Pobjoy
- Isaac Ho
- Max Uchino
- Shang Jian Low
- Harrison Buckman
- Mark Burns
- Jacques Lee
- Jethro James
- Shaun O'Dowd
- Oliver Stenning
- Jade Cairns
- Suzan Eyssautier
- Maiwenn Chesnay
- Zoe Dyer
- Asha Birkholz
- Teyah Duthie
- Ruby Brennan
- Jessica Ellis
- Ruby Braden
- Charlice Niese
- Chakris Srisuwan

Thank you to our team manager Mr Teo, for his management and assistance on the day.

Well done to the entire team on a terrific day of racing and good luck to Malachy Davies and Oliver Stenning at the Nationals in August.

Mrs Cathy Lyon - Health and Physical Education

Tennis - School Sport Australia Pizzey Cup

Five Applecross Senior High School students represented Western Australia at the 2015 School Sport Australia Pizzey Cup tennis competition, held recently in Hobart.

In extremely cold and wet conditions, the WA Pizzey cup team exceeded expectations by narrowly missing Bronze. At the completion of a gruelling week of matches, the fight for third and fourth placing was the closest in Pizzey cup history. Queensland and WA were even on rubbers and sets, with the difference being 24 games over the week’s ties. The team was disappointed, however, proud of their efforts and team spirit. Congratulations to Lachlan Napier (Year 12), Sam Alexander (Year 11), Gurkawal Bajaj (Year 11), Tsige Lacey (Year 9) and Hayley O’Donnell (Year 9) who were the Applecross SHS students representing Western Australia.

Mr Lee Jarvinen - Specialist Tennis Coordinator
health & physical education

Yr 10 Lightning carnival

**Girls Netball**
The Year 10 girls participated in the Netball Carnival with one team in A1 Division and the other in B2 Division. All girls played with great enthusiasm and represented the schools values of personal best and mutual respect. A big thank you to Ms Beresford and the Year 11 students: Holly Emslie; Chelsea Warcup; Georgia Antonioli and Drew Oxley who coached and umpired on the day. The girls who played in B2 Division were undefeated and won the flag for the Division. All the girls that played demonstrated great sportsmanship and had an enjoyable day. Well done!

*Georgia Antonioli*

**Basketball**
The basketball players headed down to Cockburn Stadium to compete in the A Division for both boys and girls. Kate Fletcher and Victoria O'Donnell did a great job coaching the teams, However, the teams were outclassed on the day. Congratulations to all the players for their display of sportsmanship on the day and a big thank you to Miss Griffiths for taking the team.

*Victoria O'Donnell*

**Boys Soccer**
The A/B Division was competitive this year, nonetheless both teams fought hard to secure third place. The B Division team were unlucky not to place second after a last minute equaliser from the opposition in their last game. The day was long and temperatures didn’t help, having an impact on the fitness of the boys, however, the boys stuck together as a unit and this proved to be their strongest asset on the day. The boys A Division team did extremely well, competing against specialist soccer schools. Finishing third in an extremely strong competition is a credit to the boys. Great effort A Team.

Individual efforts from Luke Ukalovich and George Thompson for the B Division side helped ensure the teams’ success and thus receive the MVP award for their extra efforts. Luke played his part in defence and was pulling all the strings, whilst George pulled off some incredible saves in goals. Well done to the B Team on a great effort and performance.

*Mr Sciascia*

**Girls Soccer**
The girls arrived at Winthrop oval and fulfilled their duties as the school host by putting the nets on the goals. The girls scored a total of 13 goals in 3 x 40 minute games. We continued our winning streak well into the grand final against Melville SHS. Melika Soltermann scored the winning goal in the first half and Mia Catharevic saved a magnificent shot at goals.

Thank you to the coaches Josephine Liantono and Caitlin Lavender who coached the girls. The players displayed the school values of personal best and mutual respect throughout the day.

The MVP for the tournament goes to Donaiya Wa Azaro. Well done girls for winning B Division.

**Boys Football**
On 5 May the Year 10 boys participated in the AFL lighting carnival at Satnich Oval. We played Rossomoyne, Willeton and Leeming Senior High Schools. Although the score did not go in our way on the day we fought honourably until the final siren. Carson O’Dell and Josh Harrison led the troops all day with the help of Mr Teo. We are proud of how the boys represented Applecross and hope they are proud of how they performed.

*Alex Dickson and Tren Newton*
Year 10 Woodwork

Year 10 Woodwork students are completing some outstanding work. The students worked through a creative design process to arrive at highly individual designs that they wished to produce on a coffee table. They have learnt and honed practical skills such as safe and correct operation of machinery, efficient use of materials, joinery, and working to tight tolerances. On a personal level skills such as working in a team, focus on the task at hand, and achieving one’s personal best were achieved.

Some of the excellent work can be seen in the photographs or viewed in person in the school Reception area.

Mr Simon Wende – Design & Technology
Year 9 Drama Inaugural Improvisation Night

And the winner is….

Have you ever ridden an Accent Rollercoaster? Competed in slow motion Olympic Archery? Or taken a taxi ride through New York in emotional turmoil?

An enthusiastic audience of parents and friends attended the inaugural Year 9 Improvisation Night on Monday 22 May and enjoyed a night of laughter, suspense and silliness!

Fun and frivolity was key as countless curly scenarios were played out by 6 teams battling it out for ‘bragging rights’! Under the skilful direction of stand-up comic and MC Libby Klysz, the students explored the spontaneous nature of Improv and the hilarious results of quick-thinking through a series of structured games.

The night marked the end of a 13 week course in which students explored the skills of “Offer and Accept” and developed confidence, teamwork and cooperation.

Many thanks to the Hostess with the Mostest - Libby Klysz, Technical Support - Tate Pender, Judges - Mai Barnes and Dan Jonkov and the dedicated Year 9 Drama students for their hard work and good humour!

Drama and Dance Showcase - Lower School

The Lower School Drama and Dance Showcase will be performed on Friday 26 June in the brand new Applecross Senior High School Performing Arts Centre. Family and friends are invited to attend as the Year 8, 9 and 10 students present their Semester 1 course work in the new theatre! We will see Dance, Theatre and Improvisation come together to create an engaging and varied performance that showcases the student’s hard work and many talents! We hope you can support the students of the Performing Arts and enjoy a fun night out!

Year 12 Drama “Cloudstreet”

"Would you look at us by the river, the restless mob of us…"

The Year 12 Drama Students in collaboration with Director Anna Brockway present “Cloudstreet.” Based on the award-winning novel from West Australian Author Tim Winton, the play explores themes of family, identity and country and is brought to life through the outstanding performances of the 2015 Year 12 Drama students. Family and friends are invited to attend a matinee performance on Sunday 28 June at 2:00pm. Tickets will be available soon via trybooking.com, so keep a look out for how to lock in your seats to this fantastic show!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Ms Angela Zaknich and Ms McKenzie Goldsmith
vocational education

VET Student: Year 11 Remi Curtis

Thinking she may enjoy a future in Business, Remi applied in Year 10 for a School Based Traineeship with the State Government. Remi was successful in her application and was employed by the Human Resources at The Department of Premier and Cabinet which is located in Dumas House in West Perth. Sitting at her spacious work station overlooking Kings Park and the Swan River, Remi advises that the best thing about her role is the “social aspect and the independence she has at work.” Being based in Human Resources, Remi works on many different projects and is rotated through different departments, much like an internship. Like her predecessors, Remi is hoping that she is offered a permanent position after completing her traineeship as she hopes to continue her studies in HR.

If you’re currently in Year 10 and are looking for an opportunity to kick-start your career, the PSC traineeship program is a fantastic way for you to gain valuable work and life experiences, earn money and a formal qualification, all while completing your high school education. Students attend school from Monday to Wednesday and attend paid on-the-job training each Thursday and Friday throughout senior school.

Students who are Australian citizens and have a grade average of C for Maths and English are eligible to apply when applications open in July 2015. Applecross currently has 4 senior school students undertaking a Public Sector School Based Traineeship. (Aboriginal Affairs, Department of Child Protection Services, Central TAFE & Department of Premier & Cabinet) We said an early farewell to Public Sector trainee Izabella Ormsby in Year 12, who departed in Week 2 this term after being offered a permanent position commencing at Level 2.

Applications are now open for the 2016 intake. Interested students should contact Ms Reed for more information.

Ms Julie Reed – VET Coordinator

University Open Days 2015

Murdoch University - Open Day

Sunday 29 July, 10am - 4pm @ Murdoch University, South Street Campus This is an opportunity to check out Murdoch University. Explore course and career options, see a range of demonstrations and course talks and ask lecturers and current students questions about university life. [http://www.experience.murdoch.edu.au/event/openday/](http://www.experience.murdoch.edu.au/event/openday/)

University of Melbourne - Perth Information Session

Thursday 18 June, 6:30m - 8pm @ Hyatt Regency Hotel, 99 Adelaide Terrace, Perth The University is visiting Perth to give potential students the chance to find out all about studying at the University of Melbourne, attend and learn about courses, housing options, entry pathways and scholarships. [https://futuresstudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/interstate/wa/university_of_melbourne_information_evening](https://futuresstudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/interstate/wa/university_of_melbourne_information_evening)

University of Notre Dame: School Holiday Outreach Programs

Wednesday 15 & Thursday 16 July @ University of Notre Dame, Fremantle

Notre Dame's Academic Enabling & Support Centre organise outreach programs for students to achieve success in years 11 and 12. The sessions cover time management, study skills, and dealing with procrastination. Cost: $60. [http://www.nd.edu.au/academic_support/outreach](http://www.nd.edu.au/academic_support/outreach)
vocational education

SEDA 2016 program - applications are now open

Information session on Monday 8 June at 7pm at the WACA.

Applications for SEDA’s 2016 program are now open and information sessions are being held for students wishing to find out how they can complete their WACE in a hands-on environment with direct links to industry. Through their personal growth and development, students who have completed their studies with SEDA have created positive pathways into further education, training and employment in a variety of industries (often sport related).

Under a new partnership, SEDA students who have successfully completed their Certificate III in Sport and Recreation can complete a six month prep course at Murdoch Institute of Technology before articulating into a range of courses at Murdoch University. In 2013, 53% of SEDA graduates continued their studies at University.

Programs are offered in conjunction with Cricket Australia, Perth Glory F.C, Fremantle F.C (Dockers), West Coast Eagles, Basketball WA and Netball WA. Sporting ability is not required, just a love of sport.

Students are placed in small classes and are based at the sporting club venues. The curriculum is delivered in a way that accommodates different learning styles such as visual, social and learning by doing. This program is particularly successful for students who struggle with a typical classroom setting, as the SEDA program enables them to learn in a “hands-on” environment which connects the classroom to the real world.

Applications for 2016 will commence this May 1st and interested students should see Ms Reed for details. More information/online application is available at http://sedagroup.com.au/wa/ or 1300 11 7332

Ms Julie Reed – VET Coordinator

SAMPLE STUDENT TIMETABLE

The SEDA program is a full-time, five day a week education program.

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AeroSpace Training Centre CAREER EXPO

Come down to the Polytechnic West hangar and find out about our training courses and facilities.

Tuesday 11 August 4-8 pm

14 Compass Road Jandakot Airport

For further information 9414 1590

Ms Julie Reed – VET Coordinator
Year 10 Work Experience

Inaugural Murdoch University/Applecross SHS Work Experience Program

Commencing 2015, Murdoch University and Applecross SHS have entered into an innovative and exciting new partnership. The partnership will include: Work Experience on South Street Campus for Year 10 students.

This new collaboration aims to create a broad range of opportunities for Applecross staff and students to engage with Murdoch academia to increase educational outcomes.

A pivotal part of this collaboration is the new Murdoch University Work Experience program which will annually provide a number of Year 10 students with an opportunity to spend a week working at the South Street campus. Work Experience vacancies from participating Academic Departments will be advertised on the Murdoch website with exclusive access for Year 10 Applecross students to apply online.

Work Experience helps students to clarify their career choices as they can ‘try before you buy’. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to find out about various courses, experience campus life, meet students and staff and get a feel for university life. There will also be opportunities for non university bound students to participate in work experience in the wide range of support roles required by such a large organisation.

Dates to remember

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Contact Ms Reed for further information. Julie.reed1@education.wa.edu.au
the arts

Student Artists Leave Their Mark

Winning Applecross art students visited Fiona Stanley Hospital to see their art that has now been installed in the children's areas. The artwork was entered into a competition last year and the winners were decided by local primary school students at an event at the hospital.

It has now been printed onto wallpaper and installed creatively in the Children's ward and Emergency Department to bring some colour and happiness to younger patients. There were smiles all round as the students spotted their art on the walls with most resized much larger than the originals.

Student Shannon Harbron from Applecross Senior High School was thrilled to see her depiction of two camels repeated continuously down a 35 metre corridor that transports seriously ill children on a daily basis. “Now we feel like professional artists”, she said.

Executive Director Dr Robyn Lawrence accompanied the students on their visit and noted that the competition was a unique opportunity to use the ‘blank canvas’ of Fiona Stanley Hospital to display artwork that resonates with younger people.

“It stands to reason that the best group of people to know what our younger patients would like to see is younger people themselves”, she said.

Jodine McBride - The Arts Head of Learning Area

Shannon Harbron (Year 12) and her parents

Valerii Quici (Year 12)
the arts

Melville Art Show Winner

I have been mesmerised by colour since I was a small child, but it wasn’t until I was 32 that I finally got to art school and I haven’t stopped painting since.

The opportunity came in 2000 to work as a Tutor in the GATE Programme at Applecross Senior High School and I remember it being a bit of a thrill to be asked to participate in such a fabulous program and I’ve been teaching painting to the Year 8s since then.

In 2008 I began to work also as the Special Art Assistant, which entails many and various tasks, including ensuring that all the Tutors are fully resourced with any of the specialist equipment they may require for the various workshops they teach, currently numbering 15.

The Art Department is a fantastic place in which to work and being part time dovetails nicely with my own art practice. Being an artist also means I have a good understanding of the highs and lows that an art student may go through.

It’s a privilege to see the artistic development of the students from their first, tentative steps in Year 8 (now year 7) through to their graduation as Year 12s, with a sophisticated set of skills and approach to their artistic pursuits and life in general.

I usually hold my own exhibition, often annually, sometimes biennially and have shared with another artists. This year I decided instead, to enter selected art awards in order for my work to reach a wider audience. The first cab off the rank happened to be the 2015 City of Melville Art Awards and I can proudly say that I won the oil painting category (with “Reflect”), a nice encouragement to continue with my plan.

I paint in oils and although I enjoy painting portraits and landscapes, I love the intimacy and the domesticity of still life painting and to that end, a hint to all cooks and painters - a nice, warm car on a sunny day is a good thing, not only to raise your bread dough, but it enables the speedy drying of an oil painting on a deadline.

Ms Marcia Hadlow – Special Art Assistant
the arts

The SIM Showcase Concert: OPUS 2015

Since 1974 the School of Instrumental Music has presented an annual concert of outstanding instrumental and choral music from government schools. The OPUS concert features both primary and secondary music students. This year a Combined Guitar Ensemble featuring students from Applecross Senior High School and Leeming Senior High School will be part of this showcase event. School of Instrumental Music guitar teacher, Mr Nick Kostourkov will conduct them. Congratulations to the following students who will represent Applecross Senior High School as part of this combined ensemble:

Sanjay McKeown (Year 12)  Alex Tomson (Year 11)
Luca Bonini (Year 10)      Sebbie Cruz (Year 10)
Daniel Ledovsky (Year 10)  Jacob Schott (Year 10)
Spencer Staples (Year 10)  Ashwin Suresh (Year 8)

The OPUS concert will be held on Monday, 29th June, 7.30pm at Perth Concert Hall. Tickets are free, but booking is essential. To acquire tickets, please contact Mr Tim Stapleton, Teacher in Charge of Music, via email (Timothy.Stapleton@education.wa.edu.au), no later than Wednesday, 17th June.

Mr Tim Stapleton, Teacher in Charge of Music

Back Row (L-R)
Alex Tomson, Ashwin Suresh, Mr Nick Kostourkov - conductor, Spencer Staples and Sanjay McKeown

Front Row (L-R)
Daniel Ledovsky, Jacob Schott, Sebbie Cruz and Luca Bonini
biology

Biology Year 11 Camp - Wellington Forest

This year we ran a trial overnight camp for the Year 11 ATAR Biology classes at the picturesque Wellington Forest where students stayed in the original Forestry Cottages on site. Outdoor toilets were a feature of some of the cottages and one group were lucky enough to have a resident bat in their lounge room.

The Department of Parks and Wildlife ran educational sessions on the biology of the Jarrah Forest and Fire. Students also engaged in a nighttime walk through the forest blindfolded. This was to develop awareness of the perceptions of the forest as nocturnal creatures would experience them. This was found to be one of the highlights of the camp along with the hands on tour of the fire truck.

Another activity was the setting of mammal traps at dusk and the release of captives at dawn. Several Antechinus (small carnivorous marsupials) were found in the traps and one group was particularly lucky to have caught a Chudich or Western Spotted Quoll. The students then observed the measurement and tagging of the animal for scientific purposes.

Conclusions to be drawn from our experience are:

- It is possible to eat 3 helpings of lasagna followed by sweets.
- The stars at night are spectacular away from the city lights.
- Cat food and peanut paste balls make very attractive baits for mammals.
- If a kangaroo is licking your fingers it will eventually take a bite.
- Girls look great in firefighting gear.
- Camps should be a fixture in the curriculum.

Ms Helen Lancaster – Science Learning Area
**Super Science - Feeder Primary Schools**

Ten very talented science students from Ardross, Applecross and Booragoon primary school joined us this week for Super Science. The fantastic Ms Helen Lancaster, Mr Ric Boelen and Mr Tom Bruns wowed students with their Physics and Biology experiments. It was great to see the students enjoying the program and testing out their scientific knowledge. Over a four week period students will explore topics such as why dry ice doesn’t get wet, explore how organisms work through the dissection of a cephalopod and test the nature of electric and magnetic forces and finally check out how to bend their mind in a test of mental skill. The program is always well attended and enjoyed by all.

**Mr Myles Draper – Deputy Principal Years 7 - 9**

**CONNECT - Parents of Year 11 and 12 Students**

As you may already know your child has access to the student portal ‘CONNECT’. This portal allows the student to view lesson worksheets, receive notices from their subject teachers and as a forum to catch up on work missed due to absences. The students are also able to view their progress with their marks/grades.

Parents can also access this medium by obtaining a ‘Connect Registration for Parents’ form either from the Administration office or through Adam Coppard, the Year 11 and 12 Program Coordinator, in Student Services (adam.coppard@education.wa.edu.au). This will allow the parent/guardian to access the CONNECT site and follow their child’s progress.

There is also additional information about University Open Days, scholarships, courses, revision programs, examination timetables and others which can be found either in the Year 12 2015 or Year 11 2015 classes. This is a useful forum for general information of interest to either year group.

**Mr Adam Coppard - Program Coordinator Year 11 - 12**
school activities

World Challenge 2015

In September of this year, 27 Year 10 Applecross students and 3 teachers (Ms Chris Raich, Ms Gail Michael and Ms Emma Walker) will be leaving Australia to go to Vietnam on a World Challenge expedition. These are student led expeditions that help develop leadership skills.

In the lead up to this trip, the students went on a training camp on the 2nd and 3rd May, camping over-night at the Manjedal Scout Camp near Byford. Students had a budget of only $10.00 per person for four meals and snacks. They had to shop for, and cook these meals themselves. Each day they had to trek over 10 kilometres with back-packs in preparation for the trekking component in Vietnam. There is a lot of additional kit to carry and Ashley has already volunteered to carry “Doug”, the latrine shovel. A World Challenge leader explained safety, health and emergency issues along the way. There were a few blisters, but no real life emergencies over the weekend.

Some of the students’ comments were:

Adam – “I enjoyed the walking experience that I got. I learned the most about emergency situations while on the actual trek.”

Ebony – “It was a great experience; we were able to work as a team. It was challenging to prepare the meals but we were able to cook a yummy curry.”

Sara – “I thought it was fun experience. Although there were lots of spiky bushes being whipped in my face and I froze to death in the tent, I still enjoyed it.”

Nathan – “I thought it was good as it gave a general idea of what life in Vietnam would be like.”

Jordan – “I witnessed the creation of a new snack…. Salami with peanut butter and Nutella in it!!!”

Whilst in Vietnam, each team will be spending time helping at a Street Kids Refuge. To have money to help these Vietnamese children, the students organised a movie night to see The Avengers: Age of Ultron, with all proceeds going to the Street Kids Refuge. They raised over $1000.00. Thank you to all the friends and family for supporting the students in their efforts.

Ms Chris Raich - English
THE ADVENTURES OF ALVIN SPUTNIK: DEEP SEA EXPLORER
A Weeping Spoon Production
Presented By: Perth Theatre Co.

“This exquisite multi award-winning one-man show is a unique and charming performance that’s emotional, uplifting, touching and funny – a heart-warming and beautiful experience that’s a remarkable pocket masterpiece of invention, staging and performance”.

Date: Monday 22nd June 
Time: 1:50pm
Where: Applecross Performing Arts Centre
Cost: $15.00

The Performing Arts Department is delighted to announce that the internationally acclaimed production “Alvin Sputnik” will be performing as part of the Semester 1 Drama course on Monday the 22nd of June. Attendance is compulsory for all Drama students Years 8-12 and is linked to their unit content.

Purchase your tickets using the QKR ****

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Congratulations to former Applecross SHS tennis student Astra Sharma (Class of 2012) who recently led the Vanderbilt University tennis team to the NCAA Division 1 national tennis championship in the United States. The NCAA Division 1 tennis competition is seen as a stepping stone to the professional ranks. Astra was named as the Most Valuable Player in the NCAA tournament, and led her team to the final, where she clinched the national championship match by winning the deciding rubber for her team.

Smartrider Information for Year 12s

"Up to Year 12 concession"

Your Student SmartRider card will work on a concession rate while you’re still a student. However if you turn 18 while you’re in secondary school you’ll need to update your card. Initially all ‘Up to Year 12’ concession expiry dates are set to expire on 31 March in the year after the student turns 17. If you attend a secondary school in the year in which you turn 18, you can seek an extension to their ‘Up to Year 12’ concession expiry by one year. You can do this by following the same process that you would use for obtaining a new card.

Secondary Students 19 years and above

If you attend secondary school in the year in which you turn 19 or older, you are ineligible for both the ‘Up to Year 12’ concession and the student fare.

You may apply for a Tertiary SmartRider card through the normal replacement card process. This will give you a Tertiary concession and it will expire on 31 March in the year after you obtain it.


Ms Emma Walker – Head of Student Services Years 10 - 12

Entertainment Book Fundraiser

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Ms Lisa Harbron, Fundraising Coordinator for the Applecross SHS Music Support Group
Join our Weekend Help or Master Classes

Available for all year levels

Yr 11 & 12 WACE and ATAR Master Classes
Classes available Sundays and afternoons after school
Teaching classes for students seeking higher achievement and mastery of their subjects and wanting to maximise their school and exam results.
Teachers: Dr. O.T. Lee, Dr Ulrich Seydel, Dr. Roy Skinner, Ashleigh Davison

Yr 11 & 12 WACE and ATAR Weekend HELP Classes
Various classes available Saturday and Sunday from 9am up to 3pm
Receive weekly help in your areas of need in your courses from experienced WACE and ATAR teachers. In the class you can ask questions about your school work and get one-on-one help to strengthen your understanding.

Yr 7, 8, 9 & 10 Weekend HELP Classes:
Various classes from 9am up to 1pm every Saturday and Sunday
Experienced teachers work with students to build their skills and understanding in Maths, Science or English in a small group environment.

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Venues: Churchlands SHS, Rossmoyne SHS, Perth Modern School and our Applecross Office.
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Email: learn@academictaskforce.com.au
Phone: (08) 9314 9500

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange

LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF!

“The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes”. (Marcel Proust, 19th century novelist)

Volunteer to host an international high school student arriving into Australia in July 2015 through Southern Cross Cultural Exchange and prepare to be amazed at the way this unique and rewarding opportunity helps your family to become closer, to understand themselves better and see the world in a new light.

Carefully selected students will arrive in July for one term, one semester or two semesters from France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Spain, Sweden, Norway, Finland, and Denmark. They will attend a local High School, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive health insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. To enquire about becoming a volunteer host family visit us at www.scce.com.au email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles and capture the spirit of family and friendship.
Leeuwin Adventure 2015

The Leeuwin Ocean Adventure Foundation has some exciting news which we would like to share with your school community. We have just released our full voyage program for 2015; another season packed with ocean adventures for 14-25 year olds, aboard the STS Leeuwin II. A unique experiential learning program which is endorsed by the School Curriculum and Standards Authority.

We have two remaining voyages coming up before our annual winter maintenance period and then we recommence in September with a couple of voyages to Bunbury, several school holiday voyages, our second Uni Challenge, a few 6-day voyages to accommodate those students who have weekend sporting commitments and our annual Ultimate Challenge voyage for those with a physical, sensory or intellectual disability.

Learning to sail a traditional tall ship is a unique and life-changing experience which will challenge participants to step outside their comfort zones and discover their true potential, equipping them with key life skills such as leadership, communication, teamwork and self-confidence. A Leeuwin voyage is not only the ultimate ocean adventure, it also counts as 5 WACE points for students in Years 10 to 12 and can now also count as a component of the Duke of Edinburgh Award and the Queen's Scout Award.

We have a range of scholarships available to cover part of the voyage fare for anyone in need of financial assistance. To find out more about our voyages and scholarship program or to download application form please visit www.sailleeuwin.com. Alternatively you can contact our office on 9340 4105 or email office@sailleeuwin.com for more information.

UWA Survey for Parents and Kids

Researchers at UWA are still looking for parents with children aged between 8 and 16 to participate in their research study. The survey is done over the internet and takes approximately 10 minutes each (parent and child). To participate go to: www.tinyurl.com/SSBParents

For more information please contact Kate Derry - 0411 811 212

Kate Loren Derry | PhD student
additional information

Simulated UMAT Day 2015 - UWA

In Year 10, 11, or 12? Considering a career in medicine, dentistry, or optometry? Then you should consider attending the Simulated UMAT Day (a test run to prepare for the real event) NIE will be conducting final UMAT preparation workshop on the 20th of June 2015. Places are strictly limited. All details are available via www.nie.edu.au

The Simulated UMAT Day is extremely beneficial for Year 12 students, who will be attempting the real UMAT on 29 July 2015, this workshop is also highly recommended to anyone in years 10 - 11 and aiming for a head start in UMAT preparation.

The workshop includes an overview of the entire UMAT process - exam, scores, standardising, applications, university requirements, interviews, past experiences, professional advice, performance expectations, and more. Each student is individually assessed and fine-tuned for peak performance. Strategic problem solving and tuition in each of the three UMAT constructs, and of course medical interviews (MMI and structured panel). The workshop will be conducted by two highly experienced and expert lecturers who will define and explain each UMAT construct. A full practice test conducted under exam conditions, followed by a feedback session. This intense full day preparation workshop allows students to identify and explore their true strengths and weaknesses.

Cost: $249 (Food and refreshments will be provided)

Note to all Year 12 students: UMAT registration deadline is 5 June, 5pm AEST.

University of Notre Dame

The University is holding Information Evenings for students and parents which provide an ideal opportunity to speak with academic staff and access the most up-to-date information on your chosen course.

**Tue 9 June** Course Information Evening & Expo 5.30pm EXPO / 6.00 presentation

Tannock Hall (cnr Cliff & Croke Streets). RSVP to: nd.edu.au/juneinfo

We invite Year 10, 11 and 12 students to consider career options and sample opportunities available at University at this free event on the last day of mid-year holidays:

**Fri 17 June** A Day in the Life of a University Student 9.30am to 2.00pm

Prindiville Hall (cnr Mouat & Croke Streets). RSVP to: nd.edu.au/dayinthelife
additional information

City of Melville Youth Advisory Council

Are you aged 12 – 25?

What?       Pool – Pizza - Ping Pong and Planning
When?       Friday 17 July, 2015
Where?      Stock Road Senior Citizens Centre (back Activity Room)
Time?       6pm – 8pm
Why?        It’s a new year for the YAC, which means new projects, calls for new ideas and to share what you are passionate about.

There’s $4,000 in the budget for a project that you will run – we ask you to put forward your idea on the night, we then put all the ideas up for a vote by all of our current YAC members and new ones!

In 2014/15 the Youth Advisory Council were involved in the following amazing Youth related projects:

Project Robin Hood
The Red Riding Hood event
Neon Lights Youth Disco
Social Sports
National Youth Week Photography Competition

There’s talk of a Junior Council too!

So come along and share some pizza as well as your ideas, or if you don’t have any – that’s OK too! Just come along and get involved.

RSVP to dee.skuza@melville.wa.gov.au or find us on facebook and ask to join: City of Melville Youth Advisory Council or go to our website www.melvillecity.com.au/youth

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Dee Skuza - Community Dev Officer (Youth)
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