



# Balcatta Bulletin

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# Welcome



**Seeing both staff and students engaging in creative ways of presenting concepts is really exciting.**

I love the cover photo on this edition of the Bulletin which features Micah Prestipino, Johnny Le and Josh Barron (Left – Right) engrossed in their Science class and making use of technology. Almost a year into our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program it is evident that both teachers and students are benefiting from ready access to individual devices to support their learning activities. Visiting the students in classes and seeing both staff and students engaging in creative ways of presenting concepts is really exciting and I am sure students enjoy taking a more active role in their learning.

Term 3 is drawing to a close and what a busy and productive term it has been with many activities taking place including the Athletics Carnival, After Dark - the Year 12 Choreography Night, Career Expos, the Young Originals Exhibition, the RSL Spirit of Anzac event and a variety of other incursions and excursions.

A number of individual students have achieved success both academic, artistic, sporting and in the leadership area and their efforts have been acknowledged at year assemblies held during the term. It was pleasing for the first time to acknowledge the Year 7 Academic Excellence Award winners who are pictured below. We are very proud of all students who have achieved success and recognise that they are wonderful ambassadors for the school.

For our Year 12 students especially this term has been a very important one as they will shortly be finalising their courses. A number of learning areas have been offering revision classes, either before or after school, and it was pleasing to see students taking advantage of these opportunities. Thank you to all the staff who have been involved in providing this additional support to our students. Your efforts are appreciated. We hope that the Year 12 students enjoy their final few weeks at school and make the most of the remaining time to ensure they achieve the very best results that they are capable of attaining.

Planning is already well underway for 2016, the timetable is being constructed and most students will have chosen their subjects for next year in the next few weeks. Mr Pestana has been busy conducting interviews with upper school students and their parents to ensure students are in place in courses that will enable them to achieve success.

On behalf of the entire school community I wish our Year 12 ATAR students every success in their written examinations which commence on Monday 2 November 2015.

**Lesley Street  
Principal**



**Year 7 Academic Excellence Award winners**

# Civics & Leadership Tour



During the July holidays 22 students, accompanied by Mr Schmiedte, Miss Walker, Ms Williamson, and parent helper Nathan (Pheobe-Lee's dad) took part in a Civics and Leadership Tour to Sydney and Canberra. The 9 day tour was filled with a variety of educational activities, social events and visits to places of interest.

After the flight arrived in Sydney the students were transferred to their accommodation in Darling Harbour. The first evening was spent sight-seeing around Darling Harbour and getting prepared for the days ahead.

The Sydney program included educational, social and cultural activities including visits to Taronga Zoo, which was of particular interest to our Biology students, a tour of The Rocks area, shopping and a night visit to Sydney Tower. The next morning saw the students re board the coach for the journey to Canberra.

The focus in Canberra was on our political system and our history. The Commonwealth Government provided a subsidy of \$240 to each student to enable them to visit the national capital. The students packed a lot into the two day visit and came away with a different perspective on Australian Democracy and our system of government. They visited both old and new Parliament Houses and enjoyed both tours. In addition to a tour of Parliament House students had an opportunity to take part in a mock sitting of Parliament which involved the passing of a piece of legislation.

Another highlight of the Canberra experience was a visit to the Australian War Memorial where the students were given a guided tour of the various galleries including

the Victoria Cross Gallery, the Vietnam Gallery and the World War 1 Gallery. The students found the experience very emotional, especially those who were able to find the names of relatives inscribed on the Wall of Honour.

In addition the students took part in a number of cultural and tourist activities including visiting the Telstra Tower, the Australian Institute of Sport headquarters and the National Portrait Gallery. After each full day of activity the students were happy to relax and write up their daily reflections.

For most students the visit to the snowfields was the highlight as it was a new and novel experience. Despite the lack of snow the students enjoyed the Perisher ski fields and eagerly took part in skiing and snowboarding lessons every morning. By the fourth day everyone was able to ski or snowboard, some of course were better at this than others. Mr Schmiedte was very impressed by the way that every student took part in all snow activities and overcame their fears. Students took every opportunity to have snowball fights and their snowman skills definitely improved during their visit.

The last day was a long one as it involved a three hour coach trip back to Canberra, and a flight home via Melbourne. Although the students were glad to be home they all said the tour had been a highlight of their high school experiences and thoroughly recommend that other students take part in the next tour which is planned for July 2017.



# Our People

In each edition of the Bulletin we highlight the achievements of current students and staff as well as letting you know the activities and achievements of former students and staff. Many of our ex-students have gone on to interesting and fulfilling careers in a wide variety of professions. I am aware that we have lawyers, doctors, actors, computer engineers, small business owners and even a professional dancer among our alumni. If you know of someone you think should be featured in a future edition of the Bulletin please email me at [Lesley.Street@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Lesley.Street@education.wa.edu.au) so I can contact them to arrange for them to be featured in a future edition.

## Multi - talented staff member



**Nathan Setzinger**

It is always interesting to find out what our teachers do when they are not working and Nathan Setzinger is a case in point. Nathan has been teaching at Balcatta Senior High School since 2007 in the Arts learning area. As the photography specialist he currently teaches students from year 10 to year 12. Originally trained as a Visual Arts teacher Nathan's passion is for sculpture especially using recycled industrial materials. He is now so highly regarded that earlier this year one of his works titled Sphere V was selected in The City of Rockingham's Castaways 2015 Sculpture Awards.

'Castaways' is now in its 8th consecutive year and incorporates the sculpture awards and exhibition, photography competition, poetry prize, artists' talks, recycling poster competition and primary/secondary schools entries.

City of Rockingham Mayor, Barry Sammels said that the exhibition raises awareness about waste reduction and recycling. While the artworks are fascinating and striking, the underlying message is to think about the amount of non-bio-degradable rubbish for landfill that western societies generate.

Apart from his teaching and his commitment to sculpting Nathan is kept busy renovating his house and spending time with his young daughter Edith.

## Double 50th anniversary looms



**Joan Ewers**

Mrs Joan Ewers has been associated with the Balcatta Senior High School Canteen since it opened in February 1967. She began by volunteering as her children were attending the school. After 4 years she took up a position as Canteen Assistant. She stayed in this role until she retired in 1995.

Now 87 Mrs Ewers still volunteers in the Canteen once a week. Over the years she has served thousands of students and staff and is highly regarded by all. Her efforts on behalf of the school over such a long period are to be commended. She has no plans to retire and we are looking forward to celebrating a double 50th anniversary – hers and the schools in 2017.

Mrs Ewers' talents extend to knitting and she has been heavily involved in knitting for premature babies at King Edward Maternity Hospital, knitting beanies for homeless men and knitting jumpers and other items for World Vision.

# Our People

## Globetrotting ICT guru visits



**Ex Student David Ellis**

In 1980 David enrolled at Balcatta Senior High School to attend the Special Arts program (now called the Gifted and Talented program) and finished year 12 in 1984.

He was then selected to study Engineering at Western Australian Institute of Technology (now Curtin University). After several years he decided Engineering was not his passion, and so in 1987 he began a career in the State Government Department of Industrial Development. Life became busy, he married at 21 and in 1989 he and his wife moved to Sydney.

David began working on technical documentation, learnt how to use Macs and the new 'Windows' operating system. From here his expertise was recognised and in 1991 he was recruited to a Technical Support position with Microsoft Australia. David spent 10 years at Microsoft, progressing through different positions and finishing his Computer Science degree. He even got to meet Steve Ballmer and Bill Gates. He moved to the United States and spent three years living and working in Seattle at the Microsoft Campus.

Returning to Sydney in 2002 David created his own internet start-up business, and through that learnt about online advertising and how Google worked. In 2006 he secured a position with Google and worked there for what he describes as "three amazing years".

He then moved into corporate consulting and travelled to Europe, China and India. In 2011 he began working with

an Internet cloud business, which was promptly acquired by Oracle. Since then, he has completed his Masters in Business Administration and is still with Oracle, working on cloud computing platforms for large businesses.

Outside of work, David has worked on two TEDxSydney satellite events in recent years. He stills lives in Sydney with his wife and two daughters. David recently returned to the school to speak to Year 11 and 12 Business Administration students and joined the ICT Committee for lunch to discuss ICT in Education.

## Talented duo share their expertise



**Karen Mobilia and Bev Dainton**

In August Bev Dainton and Karen Mobilia were selected to present a workshop about Balcatta Senior High School's Life Skills program at The West Australian Association of Teacher Assistants annual state conference. Their session proved to be popular with fifty education assistants from around Western Australia attending the session. The presentation gave participants an insight into how the Education Support Life Skills program is structured.

Bev and Karen said that the delegates were eager to hear about the program and look at the resources that had been developed. Delegates were keen to ask questions so they could take back information to their schools. The pair developed a PowerPoint presentation detailing the life skills needed by students with disabilities.

Bev's expertise was further recognised when she was invited by Ms Sharyn O'Neil, Director General to join the judging panel for the WA Education Assistant of the Year as part of the 2015 WA Education Awards. Bev has been busy since August assessing nominations and the winners will be announced at a prestigious breakfast presentation held at Crown Perth on Monday, 30 November 2015.

# Athletics Carnival

**On one day each year the whole school gets together for a mixture of fun and competition.**



**Year 12 Champions Mohammed Ibrahim & Nikita D'Souza**

On Friday, 4 September 2015 the whole school Athletics Carnival was held. This is the one day each year that the whole school gets together for a mixture of socialising, competing, exercising and playing games.

Participation in the competition is by choice but any student who competes in any event scores points for their House. Most students took part in a number of events on the day to maximise the number of points awarded to their house.

As well as standard athletics events there were also novelty events so students could "have a go" and have fun with their friends.

Students certainly displayed lots of energy on the day with many choosing to rap away during the lunch hour with the visiting DJ. Other students chose to exercise their brains taking part in Giant Chess, Connect 4 and Snakes and Ladders. Some of the extra energy possibly came from calories consumed at the cake stall and sausage sizzle.

As well as the fun events there was a serious side to the competition and elite performers were recognised and medallions were awarded to Champion Boys and Girls in each year. Our inter school athletics team were selected based on individual performances on the day.

A major highlight of the day is the camaraderie between staff and students as they worked together for a common goal. A highlight was the imaginative costumes worn by many of the Year 12 students and some staff. There were bears, cheer leaders, movie characters and cartoon characters wandering around the oval. It was good to see the students acknowledge the outstanding efforts of Mr Birkett, the Health and Physical Education Team and many other staff who contributed to the day.

## **Athletics Carnival Results**

**Water 1529 Ice 1693 Fire 1618**

### **Champions:**

#### **1st Place Winners**

Girls: Alyssa Manumua-Saena (Year 7), Aluel Lual (Year 8), Micaela Loi Resurreccion (Year 9), Danielle Venables (Year 10), Kayla Hogg (Year 11), Nikita D'Souza (Year 12)

Boys: Romano Liberti and Thomas Walsh (Year 7), Johnny Le (Year 8), Robert Kollie (Year 9), Nuradin Hassano (Year 10), Kelvin Strachan (Year 11), Mohammed Ibrahim (Year 12)

#### **2nd Place Winners**

Girls: Emilie Graham (Year 7), Teodora Sronic (Year 8), Brianna Patrick (Year 9), Afraa Arshin (Year 10), Tijana Sronic (Year 11), Renee Montgomery (Year 12)

Boys: Christian Rodriguez Rivera (Year 8), Tyler Te Mana and Sarawut (Owen) Thaweesap (Year 9), Jacob O'Halloran (Year 10), Mark Filippou (Year 11), David Migisha (Year 12)

#### **3rd Place Winners**

Girls: Cameron Croucher (Year 7), Latoya Charman (Year 8), Janssen Pilapil, (Year 9), Zarah Charman (Year 10), Emily Burney (Year 11), Sarah Denney (Year 12)

Boys: Jamie Filipou (Year 7), Aden O'Malley (Year 8), Ari Gillespie (Year 10), Henry Wilson (Year 11), Christian Kuzmanovski (Year 12)





Boys' 100 metre dash



Cheer leaders at work



12s with their hero



Relay baton change



Staff student relay



Out of the blocks in the 100 metres



Everyone having fun





# Students Support R U OK? Day



Smiles all around during this crazy game

Thursday September 10 was R U OK? Day Australia wide. R U OK? is a not-for-profit organisation founded by Gavin Larkin in 2009, whose vision is a world where we are all connected and are protected from suicide. Their mission is to encourage and equip everyone to regularly and meaningfully ask "Are you ok?"

We know that suicide prevention is an enormously complex and sensitive challenge the world over. We also know that some of the world's smartest people have been working tirelessly and developed credible theories that suggest there's power in that simplest of questions - "Are you ok?"

Balcatta Senior High School supports R U OK? Day by raising awareness about mental health and encouraging staff and students to ask the simple question – are you ok? This year staff were adorned with yellow R U OK? wristbands, buttons, t-shirts and lanyards. They were treated to specially shaped biscuits made by Ms Bartley's Hospitality Certificate class. Needless to say, there were none left at the end of the day! Special thanks to Val Terry who assisted with the organisation

With guidance from their form teacher classes were encouraged to open discussion on how you can start a conversation. The skills covered included

- o Ask the question - R U OK?
- o Listening without judgment and taking the responses seriously
- o Encouraging people to take action
- o Ensuring that they follow up on the conversation.

A lucky group of students entered the competition to

win the opportunity to participate in Bubble Soccer as a reward. Physical activity is just one of the many great ways to promote and support a healthy mind and body. Approximately 10 students from each year group participated in the event by either developing posters promoting the R U OK? message or had their names drawn in a raffle to fill the remaining places. Year 7 and 8 students were grouped together, 9 and 10 students, then Year 11,12 and staff played against each other. Everybody participated in the activity in good spirits and all thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

If you or anybody you know is in need of mental health support you can call the following numbers:

- o Kids Help Line – 1800 55 1800
- o Lifeline – 13 11 44
- o Acute Response Team - 1800 048 636

Miss Walker, Student Services Manager was thrilled with the level of participation by students and staff and hopes to repeat the activity next year.



Bubbles in action



## Year 7/8 Indoor Soccer



### The Champions

Mr Adam Taseff, Physical Education teacher introduced a new initiative in the form of an inter-form indoor soccer competition during Lunch 1. The competition involved boys and girls in Years 7 & 8 who volunteered to take part in the competition. After playing several games during the group stages, a knock-out tournament was held to decide the champion team.

After some great games and displays of equally great sportsmanship, the winning team was Reblz from Form 7.3. Well done to all students who were involved.

## Go Set a Watchman



Prince Buenos Aires and Kayla Hogg pictured with Mrs Bodycoat

2015 was an exciting year for literature fans around the world with the discovery of a previously unpublished manuscript by Harper Lee, the author of the much loved classic, American novel *To Kill a Mockingbird*. The newly published sequel *Go Set a Watchman*, which had been in a safety deposit box for fifty-five years, sold 1.1 million copies in its first week of publication.

A number of Year 11 English students who had studied *To Kill a Mockingbird* earlier this year were interested in the sequel and had several literary conversations about the narrative conventions of both books with their English teacher Mrs Bodycoat.

## Youth Challenge Program



William Chiew, Renaz Mizori, Saraah Hashimi & Matthew Kacki

In August seven of our students were selected to take part in the Spirit of ANZAC Youth Challenge Program. The program, a partnership between the Returned Services League of Australia (RSL) and the Department of Veterans Affairs, was an opportunity for students to take part in a number of activities that explored the significance of the ANZAC spirit to Australians today.

Prior to attending the program the students were required to undertake pre reading. During the day our students, along with students from a number of other secondary schools, took part in a range of activities including the launch of the website, a panel discussion, a video hypothetical, role playing, workshops and group presentations.

The students, accompanied by Mr Ramsay, came away with a greater understanding of the ANZAC tradition and the role the RSL plays in our community today

We hope that the RSL will run the program again next year as Mr Ramsay and the students thought it was a very innovative way to explore the significance of the ANZAC legend.

# 2015 Ball

## “Paris By Night” at the Pan Pacific Perth.



Nihanth Devarapalli, Chol Deng, Michael Vu, Peter Milner

The 2015 Balcatta Senior School Ball was held on 5 June at the Pan Pacific Perth. This is the first time that the school has used this venue and students, their partners and staff were very impressed by the ambience, the food and the service.

This year's theme, “Paris by Night” featured a one metre high Eiffel Tower and miniature Eiffel Towers on every table. The photo booth was a new addition this year and was a huge hit with everyone.

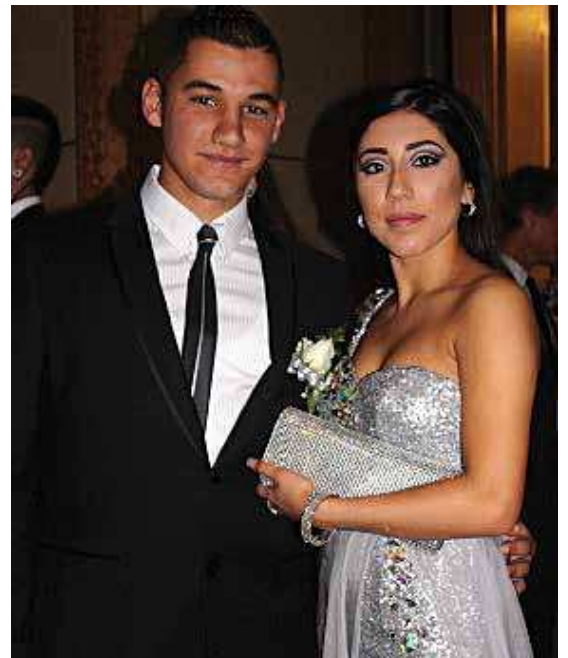
It was a pleasure to see our students resplendent in their beautiful gowns and suits. Choosing the award winners was difficult, but the awards for the evening went to:

- Belle of the Ball – Angela Nguyen
- Beau of the Ball – Jacob Stephenson
- Best dressed – Nikita D’Souza and Taylah Lee
- Best dancer – David Migisha
- Princess of the Ball – Niamh Carey
- Prince of the Ball – Alieu Chol
- Duchess – Val Terry
- Duke – Mr Adam Taseff
- Best Couple – Cristina Martinez and Saman Mizori.

Congratulations to Mrs Keep and the Ball Committee for their outstanding efforts in making this year's ball one to remember.



Angela Nguyen 'Belle of the Ball'



Saman Mizori & Cristina Martinez



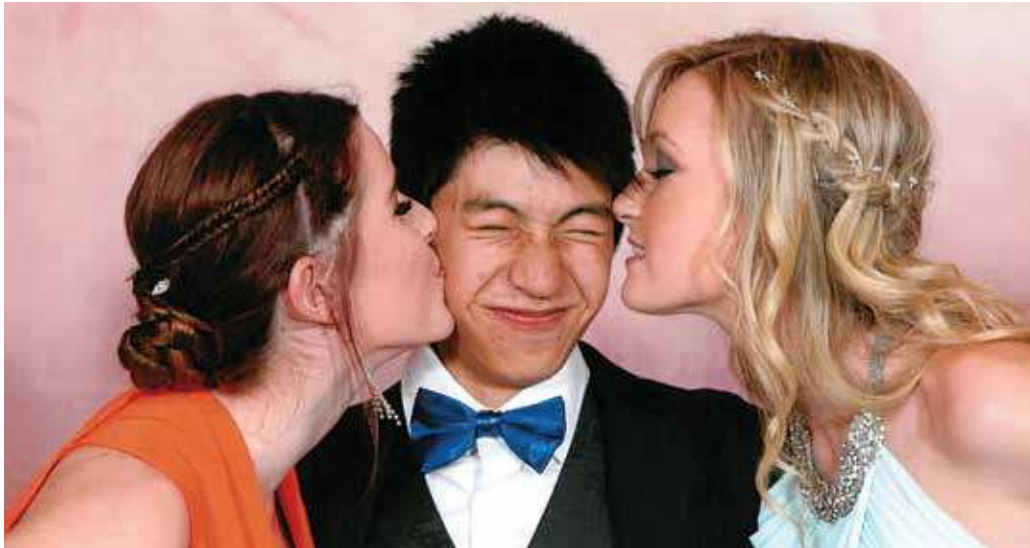
Cheyenne Choo, Ali Behsat & Tessa Williams



Girls just want to have fun



Renee Montgomery, Sharna Ravi, Nikita D'Souza, Madison Carruthers, Mari Spanja, Shaoon Moffat, Sarah Denney, Riahanon Vincent



Tessa Williams, Phi Ngyuen, Erica McGregor



Alieu Chol & Chol Deng looking suave



Shannon Moffat & Sharna Ravi - chic Shannon & Sharna

# What's Been Happening

## Year 12 River Cruise



### Winter weather didn't dampen the spirits

On Wednesday 19 August, Year 12 students became eager weather watchers, as for a time, it looked like the River Cruise would have to be cancelled due to the wild winter weather. Eventually students decided to brave the elements and set off for a fun filled night of dancing on the Swan River.

Mohamed started the evening with a Happy Birthday for Erica McGregor (Happy 18th) and then the dancing commenced and didn't stop till the boat docked back at the Barrack Street jetty.

Mrs Keep and other staff who attended were impressed by the students' dance moves and energy. As usual their behaviour was impeccable and they were a credit to the school.



The ladies



The lads

## Collaborative Learning In Science



### There's a lot happening here!

It was a case of the principal learning from the students in Science recently when the Year 8 students shared their group projects with Ms Street. Students in 8.1 Science used the recent Collie earthquake as the opportunity to choose current technologies to showcase their understanding of how earthquakes happen.

The Science of earthquakes was investigated along with the movement of tectonic plates, the Richter scale and seismograph recordings of world earthquake activity. Some groups investigated the fact that Australia exists in a relatively earthquake-free zone due to the distance from tectonic plate boundaries.

The collaborative group learning task involved brainstorming, guided discussion and consideration of the technology each group would use. Demonstrating their expertise with PowerPoint, time lapse animation, video and stop motion animation students were very focused and engaged in their tasks.

One group of extremely motivated students even met at a student's house on the weekend and filmed a news broadcast. The Science activity in Mr Blitvich's class was a wonderful demonstration of the schools Bring Your Own Device initiative in action.

Ms Street was very impressed with the level of engagement and enthusiasm demonstrated by the students in the 8.1 Science class.



# Royal Commonwealth Society Awards



**Bill Green, Afraa Arshin, Robyn Bennett and Terry Spiro**

On July 24, for the first time, Balcatta Senior High School entered 2 students in the Royal Commonwealth Public Speaking and Leadership competition.

The competition is designed to give the youth of the Commonwealth a voice in issues that concern them and members of the Commonwealth. The competition is aimed at upper school students. The students need to present a prepared 6 minute speech followed by a 3 minute impromptu speech, and finally they take part in a 10 minute Leadership interview. This year the competition was opened up to Year 9 and 10 students, but for these students the 3 minute impromptu speech was omitted.

The HASS department discussed the competition and decided that the students from Ms Manera's Year 9 and 10 class would be given the opportunity to enter if they wished. Two students, Robyn Bennett and Afraa Arshin took up the challenge to present on a very broad topic - "A Young Commonwealth".

The girls' represented Balcatta Senior High School with distinction, and competed against students from Methodist Ladies College, Perth Modern School and Guildford Grammar School. Afraa and Robyn were warmly welcomed by the organisers, and given encouragement through every step of the competition.

Professor Liz Beazley presented the girls with certificates and a gift for their participation. Mr Bill Green, Chair of Adjudicators and Terry Spiro, President of the Royal Commonwealth Society of WA attended our Year 9 and 10 Assembly on Thursday 17 September to commend the girls and present another special certificate to them in front of their peers.

The girls thoroughly enjoyed their experience and we hope to have students enter the competition next year.

# Semester One Presentation Assemblies

The school is committed to acknowledging students who achieve to the highest levels and their efforts are regularly acknowledged at formal assemblies. On June 29, the school held the Semester One Award Presentations. A number of students were awarded certificates of excellence and merit in each subject. In addition to academic awards students who display the school values are presented with Respect, Unite, Excel Awards. Congratulations to all the students who were recognised on the day for their outstanding academic results and their commitment to school values.

Thank you to Tre Rodgers (Year 12) for taking photographs of the award ceremonies and the award winners.

**Respect Unite Excel Awards** – These awards are presented to two students in each year group who consistently demonstrate the school values of Respect Unite and Excel. Worthy students are nominated by school staff.

- Year 7: Melissa Josevski and Jade Shaw
- Year 8: Iman Sultan and Josh Barron
- Year 9: Anisha Pereira and Simon Naumoski
- Year 10: Giada Liberti and Tahnee Brookes
- Year 11: Andrey Sabile and Muhammad Mohammed Firdaus
- Year 12: Alisa Jakupovic and Nikita D'Souza

**Academic Excellence Awards** – These awards are presented to the top 5 students in each year group based on their Semester 1 results.

- Year 7: Katie Graham, Lilian Johnston, Neeyanta Nakarmi, Igor Pavkov, Thomas Walsh
- Year 8: Joshua Barron, Nicolas Gopcevic, Harvey Ma, Suhasi Patel, Wenxin Zhou
- Year 9: Edwin Boampong-Appiah, Patricia Camil Gabriel, Alicia Gregg, Anisha Pereira, Shairyn Legacion
- Year 10: William Chiew, Shannon Muggerridge, Tahnee Brookes, Matthew Kacki, Matthew Milner
- Year 11: Khai Nguyen, Sonja Drljaca, Caitlyn Richworth, Ira Fortun, Riki Morrow
- Year 12: Pariya Ghanbari, Lauren Hislop, Nihanth Devarapalli, Mari Spanja, Madison Carruthers

# Art Highlights

## A busy term with awards and exhibition preparation.



### Kody Mason with his Hypervision Entry

It has been a very busy and productive term for the Art Department who are busy creating and making art in preparation for our annual art exhibition on Wednesday 21 October. The exhibition will be held at school in the Ron Murphy Art Gallery. Parents and community members are very welcome to attend the event and view the amazing artwork produced by our students. This year the students have had the opportunity to work with many different professional artists and this has resulted in a diverse range of artwork being on display.

All the hard work by our Gifted and Talented students, art staff and tutors has been definitely worthwhile and individual students have been very successful in winning many competitions and exhibitions.

Year 11 students Kody Mason and Blake Downes had their work entered into the HyperVision Exhibition. This youth art competition is run, by the Hyper Team in the City of Swan. This year's theme was What's Missing? This theme enabled young people to explore what they feel is missing from their lives, communities and the greater socio-political context.

Kody and Blake's artwork was also exhibited at the Midland Gate Shopping Centre for three weeks in July. During this time over 250,000 people were able to view their artwork.

As a finalist in the competition Kody was asked to compete in an "art battle" with two adult professional artists. All three were given a canvas, paint and 3 hours to complete their artwork with an audience cheering the artists on. Although not the winner, which was judged by a public vote, Kody thrived on this wonderful opportunity.

## Shaun Tan Awards

The Shaun Tan Art Awards was held recently at the Subiaco Library and 7 of our students entered into the competition they were; Robyn Bennett, Greer Medley, Wilbert Tagle (Year 9s), Joshua Figliomeni and Kody Mason, Ivy Nguyen (Year 11's) and Felicity Neal (Year 12). Kody Mason's piece 'Open-Up' was awarded the sponsors choice award for his age group and his work was on display for the duration of the exhibition. All students were awarded participation certificates and were highly commended for their artwork.

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### Robyn Bennett, Wilbert Tagle & Greer Medley

The Organ Donation and Transplant Foundation of WA held its first 'New Life' Art and Photographic Exhibition. The theme aimed to portray the 'New Life' that is made possible for transplant recipients through the gift of organ tissue donation. Kody Mason's work was entered and displayed at Belmont Forum shopping centre on the weekend of August 8.

The Outside the Frame Art Awards is an exciting exhibition open to Year 11 and 12 students. The unique awards exhibition showcases an array of artwork expressions from Perth's up and coming artists. We had 4 students represent the school in the exhibition, Reece Cahill, Kody Mason, and Ivy Nguyen from Year 11 and Cheyenne Chooi, Year 12. The award night was held at the Armadale District Hall on the 14th of August and opened by the City of Armadale Mayor.

MetaMORPHosis is an exhibition open to all upper school students who study Art or Design subjects. Ivy Nguyen and Caitlyn Richworth, 2 of our Year 11 Art students had their work selected for this very prestigious exhibition. Caitlyn was highly commended for her piece Advertising Atrophy.





**Caitlyn Richworth Artwork**



**Caitlyn Richworth & William Atkinson**

The Young Originals Exhibition is open to aspiring Western Australian high school students in public schools. The exhibition is an exciting event that promotes excellence in the arts across a range of mediums. Once again we were successful and had 7 of our students' works selected out of the 10 pieces that were entered.

Those students who had work selected were; Cheyenne Chooi, Vanessa Love, Kody Mason, William Chiew, Shannon Muggeridge, Harriet Williams and Sebastian Bazan-Carr. This is the most entries that any school had on display, and is an indication of the hard work the students, teachers and art tutors have put in during the year to create such excellent and original artworks.



**Shannon Muggeridge and William Chiew**



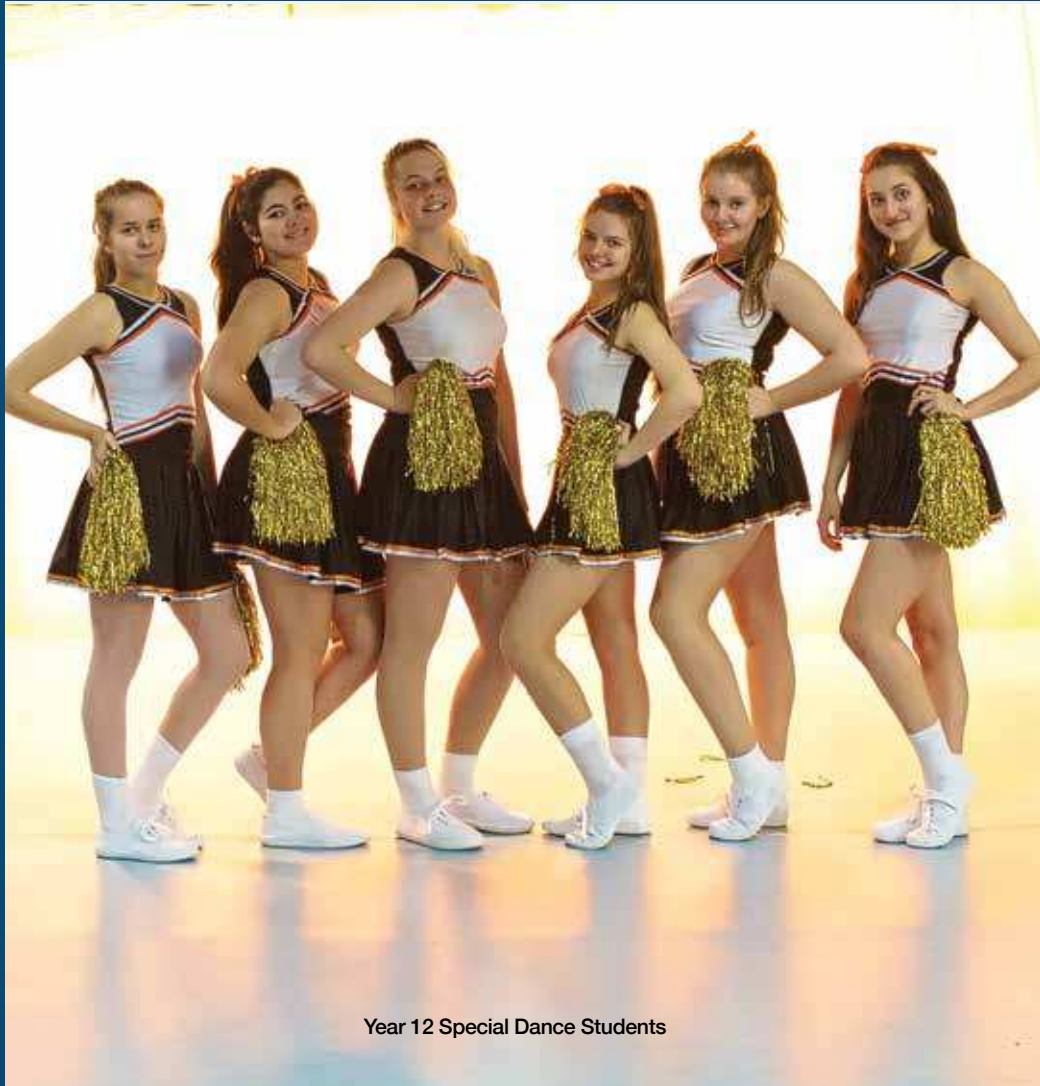
**Tess Williams & Erica McGregor**

On Saturday 5th September the Fathers' Day weekend, Spotlight Innaloo ran a 'Craft Carnival'. Our Gifted & Talented Art students were invited to participate in the carnival and showcase their artwork. They ran workshops with small groups of younger children and helped the children create Fathers' day gifts. The workshops featured children being taught to paint plates, make cards, and learn the art of glass making and bead making.

The students gave up their whole Saturday to run these sessions. They had a great time and loved the experience of being the teacher and expert. The school received very positive feedback about our students' successful involvement in the carnival and as a result one Year 12 student was offered a part-time job on the spot. This was because she had displayed such enthusiasm and demonstrated excellent people skills.

The carnival provided a great opportunity for our school to be involved in a community event and it gave our students the opportunity to display their artistic skills in a different setting.

We would like to congratulate all those Gifted & Talented students who have done so well during this year. We offer our congratulations to all our award winners. The staff want to encourage all Art students to continue to explore their creative talents and keep up their focus and hard work. We know your efforts will be definitely rewarded by the great art that you will create.



Year 12 Special Dance Students