



Churchlands Bytes

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News in Brief

Claire Eaton Presentation

In Week 5 Claire Eaton came and spoke to the Year 10s about handling change, challenges and setbacks. Even though the presentation was for the Year 10s, one slide she shares is applicable and relevant for all students in all year levels. Parents could also use it as a great conversation starter with your child.

CHOOSE TO DO THE BASICS

- ▶ Notice what you eat, when you sleep, and how you move your body
- ▶ Stay in charge of devices and how you use social media
- ▶ Use simple morning, afternoon, evening and daily routines to your advantage

Claire Eaton
Author, Speaker, Youth Coach

School Board Nominations

Nominations for the Churchlands Senior High School Board, Parent Membership category.

On 13 March an email was forwarded to all parents and guardians with a registered email calling for nominations for three positions of parent members on the School Board. The tenure of these positions will be for three years.



Nominations close at 4.00pm on Thursday 20 March 2025.

If more than three nominations are received, an election will be held early April 2025.

Year 9 TAFE Career Taster

A group of students in Year 9 engaged in the opportunity to participate in a range of different Career Taster days at North Metro TAFEs Leederville and Northbridge campus'. Students experienced various career tasters in the music and beauty industries. Once completed, students will receive a Certificate of Participation which they can add to their resumes.



What's Coming Up?

Term 1, 2025

17-21 Mar	-	Harmony Week
18 Mar	-	Meet the Instrumental Music Teacher Night
19 Mar	-	Year 10 Study Skills: Science
	-	Photo Catch Up Day
20 Mar	-	Earth & Environmental Field Trip
	-	National Close the Gap Day
21 Mar	-	PD Day - NO STUDENTS
	-	Year 12 School Ball
24 Mar-11 Apr	-	Year 10 Career Exploration Program during English
24 Mar	-	P&C Meeting
26 Mar	-	Bstreetsmart RAC Arena: Year 10
25-27 Mar	-	Kangourou sans Frontiers
27 Mar	-	School Board Meeting
28 Mar	-	School Tour
	-	Twilight Jazz

Formative Assessment Strategy 1 - Learning Intentions & Success Criteria-

Imagine trying to assemble a puzzle without seeing the picture on the box. That's what learning feels like when students don't have clear learning intentions and success criteria.

- Learning Intentions describe what students are learning and why it's important.
- Success Criteria outline what success looks like so students can check their progress.

How it helps students:

- ✔ Keeps learning focused – Students understand the purpose.
- ✔ Promotes self-assessment – Students can check their work against the success criteria.
- ✔ Encourages improvement – Feedback is more meaningful when students know what they're aiming for.

The next few Formative Assessment Bytes will share specific examples of how learning intentions and success criteria are made visible in different classrooms.





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Library News

Yr 7 Reading time

Students take the time out to chill with a book during their fortnightly library sessions. Students have time to browse books selected for them and promoted by a Teacher-Librarian.



WAYRBA

West Australian Young Readers Book Awards 2025

The books have been ordered, and the displays are starting to take shape with help by our fantastic student volunteers and community service students.

Soon it will start.....



New Library Hours

We have a change in Library hours starting Week 8 (24 March) until further notice.

With a change in library staffing we have had to make changes to our hours. We are sorry about this and we hope this will be temporary. This is due to a reduction in staff and to enable any new staff adequate time for training and workload.



The Library will continue to open at 8.30am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

The library will be CLOSED before school on Thursdays.

Laptops may be borrowed during Form time and Period 1.

The library will close at 3.30pm every day.

Home Work club will continue to run on Monday from 3pm to 4pm.

Thursday Makerspace

Unfortunately we have had to cancel our Thursday Makerspace sessions during Break 1 and 2 until further notice - This, we hope, will be temporary.

However here are some of our students (left) taking part in painting a collaborative piece for display during Harmony Week.



Staff News

- Welcome -



Peter Shackles
Science



Charlie Vandenburg
Education Assistant



Pippa Lester
Music



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Learning Support News

This month is Epilepsy Awareness Month.

26 March is Purple Day

Purple is the official colour of epilepsy and March is the month when we recognise epilepsy and those who have the condition.

<https://epilepsyfoundation.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Epilepsy-Foundation-2020-Autumn-InTouch-Newsletter-WEB.pdf>

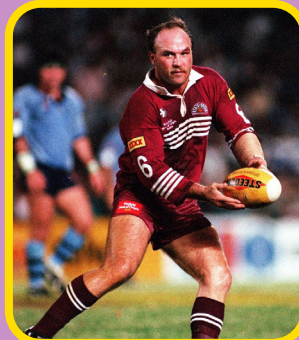
The Learning Support team are here to support your child. If any student has a diagnosis of epilepsy please let us know. Adjustments can be made in the classroom such as arranging seating by the door, and a seizure management plan.

Life as an athlete with epilepsy

Some of Australia's greatest athletes suffered epilepsy throughout their careers, keeping both the condition and their fears private. Lance Franklin, Tony Greig and Wally Lewis are among a number of high profile athletes to have played with epilepsy.



Wally Lewis, widely considered the greatest rugby league player of all time, said he would have been an even better player if not for the brain disorder. In 2006, Lewis' worst fear was realised when he suffered a seizure while reading a sports news bulletin on television. He had his first seizure at 19 years of age but only told a select few family members and friends that he was epileptic, keeping the secret for his entire playing career.



Late cricket legend and long-time Channel 9 commentator Tony Greig suffered his first seizure at the age of 14, during a tennis match. Greig was able to control the condition throughout his life with medication.



You can read more about it here:

<https://www.news.com.au/sport/sports-life/life-as-an-athlete-with-epilepsy/news-story/a2e2133327a11e096536eb8284dbb357>

Workplace Learning Program

The Workplace Learning Program (WPL) at Churchlands Senior High School continues to offer Senior Secondary students' invaluable opportunities to gain practical experience and explore potential career pathways. Partnering with a wide range of industries, the program equips students with the skills and insights needed to shape their futures.

In 2024, **152 students** from Year 11 & 12 participated in the program, completing **over 310 placements** with **190 Host Employers** across diverse sectors. These placements not only enhance students' practical knowledge but also contribute to achieving the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), underscoring the importance of real-world learning in their academic journey.

The program's success depends heavily on the support of our Host Employer network. Their generosity and commitment have been instrumental in providing students with meaningful workplace experiences. Therefore, we are always reaching out to the school community to help expand our network of host employers to sustain these vital opportunities.

We encourage businesses or professionals within the community to consider becoming a Workplace Learning Host. This partnership supports the development of future professionals while strengthening ties between the school and local industries. To register your interest, please email Rosa Taylor (Workplace Learning Coordinator) rtaylor@churchlands.wa.edu.au

Work placement Dates for 2025

Semester 1

Year 11 & 12 (2 week Block) – 26 May to 26 June 2025

Semester 2

Year 12s (2 week Block) – 15 September to 26 September 2025

Year 11s (2 week Block) – 3 November to 14 November 2025

Please feel free to click on the link for more information – <https://www.churchlands.wa.edu.au/learning/senior-school/workplace-learning>



Congratulations

Congratulations to Arata Samukawa (Year 9) for being selected to represent Western Australia in the 2025 Baseball 18s Championship.





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Student SmartRider

Dear Parents and Guardians

As part of Transperth's free travel initiative, all students must have a valid Student SmartRider and tag on and off for each journey. While no fare is required for free travel, the SmartRider must have at least \$2 loaded to prevent any issues.

Transperth requires students to tag on and off with their SmartRider, even though travel is free, for several important reasons, two of which are outlined below:

1. Accurate Data Collection – Tagging helps Transperth track public transport usage patterns. This data is essential for planning bus and train services, ensuring there are enough vehicles and routes to accommodate students efficiently.
2. Reducing Fare Evasion Habits – Teaching students to tag on and off builds responsible habits. When they transition to paid public transport (e.g., after school years), they will already be accustomed to proper fare-paying behaviour.

Ultimately, tagging on and off helps keep the system running smoothly while ensuring fair and efficient service for all passengers.

As Transperth are working to reduce instances of students riding without tagging on and off, please ensure your child is carrying an active SmartRider if they catch public transport.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Churchlands.Paperlyapp.com - How To Instructions -

To assist parents and guardians with our new payment platform, an email was sent on 4 March with two attachments:

1. How To Pay - Contributions & Charges
2. How to Approve - Excursions

Please check your email and junk email folders for this information.

2025 Secondary Assistance Scheme

Secondary Assistance applications must be claimed by Friday 11 April 2025. A current Health Care Card must be presented.

The Application Form and Instructions can be found on our website. Please click on the following link;

<https://www.churchlands.wa.edu.au/finances/secondary-assistance-scheme-application>

or alternatively forms are available from the Main Administration.

Growth Mindset

At our last PD Day, a group of Churchlands SHS teachers worked together to find ways to promote a growth mindset in our classrooms. Research shows that growth mindset strategies are more effective when reinforced at home.

To support this, we created "Mindset Movers" – simple phrases parents can use to encourage growth mindsets in their children. These phrases can either help students develop a growth mindset or unintentionally push them toward a fixed mindset.

Negative Mindset Movers (towards fixed mindset)
Positive Mindset Movers (towards growth mindset)

Negative: That's okay, I wasn't good at Maths either.

Positive: Maths can be challenging, what do you need to do to get better?

Negative: Give it a go, you might be good at it.

Positive: Give it a go, you might discover it's something you enjoy and want to get good at.

Negative: You're so smart!

Positive: You worked hard and your effort produced a great result.

Negative: You're a natural.

Positive: It was great that you kept going even when it was tough.

Negative: You're either good at it or you're not.

Positive: Skills grow with practice – what strategy can you try?

"Focusing on the Backstory" is another strategy to help students move towards a growth mindset. Encourage your child to look beyond talent and focus on the effort behind success.

When they admire someone's achievements—whether in sports, academics, or the arts—talk about the hard work, practice, and persistence that made it possible. This helps them see that growth comes from effort, not just natural ability. It's hard work to become an overnight success!

Public Transport Etiquette for Churchlands Senior High School Students

Please remind your young person the etiquette when using public transport:

- Give up your seat for an elderly person, or someone with a disability, or a parent with a baby and pram.
- Students must stand up for adults.
- Be nice to your fellow passengers.
- Be patient, don't push to get on or off. Wait until all passenger have exited before getting on.

Embrace the Churchlands value of Social Responsibility, be community minded and show respect.



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Churchlands School of Music

presents



Twilight Jazz



Friday 28th March 2025

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Family and friends, please join us for a fabulous night of swinging jazz proudly presented by the Churchlands jazz community.

Please bring a picnic, relax and enjoy the music whilst supporting our fundraising initiatives.

**Grazing boxes will once again be available to preorder.
Please remember to drink responsibly if consuming alcohol.**

Family and Community Engagement

Important

Drop Off and Pick Up Reminders



Parking around the school can become quite congested. For the safety of your children and our staff, please see below for a safer drop off and pick up:

Sports Hall - STAFF ONLY

Front Main Administration: STAFF with some Visitor parking (not suitable for drop off/pick up).

Memory Close: STAFF & Student 'P' Platers ONLY

For parents wanting to drop off/pick up students, please use either the Hale Road Drop & Ride near the tennis courts or Lucca Street (please be mindful of other students and buses when entering/exiting).

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Sustainable School Shop have preloaded items specific to our school onto their site. This makes it super easy to list your items for sale and to buy items.

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<https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/stocktake/churchlands-senior-high-school>

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So jump onto the site, register and list your items for sale, you will be:

- reusing items rather than adding to landfill
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