



MARGARET RIVER SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

December 2017

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

WEEK 9

December 6th

Yr 7-8 Rewards Day

December 7th

Yr 9-10 Rewards Day

December 8th

Celebration Concert

WEEK 10

December 11th

Lower School Dance tour to local Primary Schools

December 13th

Yr 7-10 Presentation Assemblies

December 14th

LAST DAY OF TERM 4

2018—Term One

WEEK 1

January 31st

Students Commence Term 1

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

The 2017 year is rapidly drawing to an end. It has been a Year full of challenges and opportunities for our staff, students and parents. The school has been busy starting the Year 12 courses early for our Year 11 students, preparing for our new Year 7's coming in 2018 and organising our reward excursions for the end of the Term.



The school will again grow significantly in 2018 with our school population increasing to above 1050 students. We will also have a number of new staff members who have been specifically chosen by the school through a number of selection panels. The increase in student numbers is a bonus for all students across the school as it will enable MRSHS to offer an increase in subject offerings. This will be particularly pertinent in the future with upper school offerings.

We just completed the Year 6 to 7 Orientation Days for students coming to Margaret River Senior High School in 2018. These were exciting days for the school as our future students get to experience High School life and we were very pleased to see so many parents attend. I would like to thank staff involved in preparing and presenting over the two days of our orientation and thank all the parents who attended information sessions.

Attendance

From the beginning of 2018 the school we will continue our clear focus on improving attendance rates at MRSHS. The number of students with regular attendance (90% attendance and above) in 2017 for Margaret River Senior High School was 71%. This is a significant improvement from 2016(61%) and ensures that these students have the best possible chance of achieving their potential. All vacations at Margaret River senior High School, that take place during the school term will be processed through the school as unauthorised absences. Whilst I understand that work commitments and schedules affect when families can take holidays, students missing school during these times is having a significant impact on their progress. I encourage parents to think carefully when planning holidays and take into account the impact on their children's education. Work will not be provided for students who are taking holidays and assessments that are missed may not be able to be rescheduled, thus effecting student's overall grades. This is particularly pertinent for students who have cumulative assessments in Year 11 and 12. Work will be provided for students who are on Australian or State representation, long term illness or exceptional circumstances that are approved by the Principal.

Student attendance rates will be a key factor in the School's Good Standing Policy, which will determine which students attend events such as end of year reward excursions.

I look forward to parent's cooperation on this matter.

Uniform

I would like to remind parents that the school uniform is compulsory. Parents can access information in relation to the school uniform from either the front administration office or via our website:

www.margaretrivershs.wa.edu.au.

Principal's Address..... cont'd

We are currently running our annual Sydney/Canberra tour and from the daily feedback all staff and students are having a great time. We have 48 students attending the tour, where students have the opportunity to experience life on the Eastern seaboard of Australia. We hope that this tour will provide students with lifelong memories.

As this is the last Newsletter for 2017 I would like to thank students, parents and staff for their work this year. This has been a very successful year for Margaret River Senior High School, in which the school was once again a finalist for Western Australian Secondary School of the Year.

Stop Press

We have just heard that our three surfing teams have all just won the Australian Surfing Titles for their age groups.

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| • Under 16 Girls Mark Richards Team | Arabelle Gibson / Maddie Cawood |
| • Under 16 Boys Mark Richards Team | Jed Gradisen / Seth VanHaeften |
| • Under 19 Boys Mark Richards Team | Jack Haslau / Cy Cox |

Jack Haslau, Cy Cox and Seth VanHaeften will represent Australia in next Year's World Junior Titles.

I wish all in the community a very Merry Christmas and a safe and rewarding 2018.

Andrew Host
Principal



Financial Information

Dear Parent/ Guardian

The 2018 Voluntary Contributions & Charges have been posted you should receive it at any time. Payment in full of Compulsory Charges and Extra Cost Options is due by 2nd March 2018.

Please note that any outstanding charges that you currently have will be carried over into 2018. If you wish to discuss a payment plan please contact me on 9757 0704 or via email Cristina.oliveira@education.wa.edu.au.

Below are some links that you may find useful as you prepare for the 2018 school year. Where a student's current year (2017) Compulsory Charge has not been paid in full, the School Board has endorsed a 50% confirmation charge for extra cost options for the following year (2018). If you do not have access to the internet and would like a hard copy of the documents, these are available in the front office.

✓ **2018 Booklists:**

<https://www.margaretrivershs.wa.edu.au/2018-booklists/>

✓ **Financial Information Booklet:**

<http://www.margaretrivershs.wa.edu.au/parents-and-community/financial-information/>

✓ **Secondary Assistance Scheme (SAS) \$350 towards school expenses:**

People with a Health Care Card (held in the name of a parent/guardian) & other concession cards may be eligible for up to **\$350** towards school expenses. The SAS application forms will be available in Term 1 2018 and can be collected from the front office or downloaded from our website.

Please feel free to contact the school on 9757 0700 if you have any questions.

I thank you for your support of our school and I wish you and your families all the best for the festive season and school holidays.

Yours sincerely,

Cristina Oliveira

Manager Corporate Services

Student Absences

Missing School Matters



Informing us about your child's absence from school

The education act requires parents/guardians to inform the school as to why their child is absent from school within 3 days of the absence.

This can be done by one of 3 methods:

1. Sending a note to the form teacher with your child
2. Ringing Student Services on 9757 0745 or 9757 0795
3. Sending an email to MargaretRiver.SHS.Absentees@Education.wa.edu.au

Should you have any queries please contact me on 9757 0720.

Hetty Bogerd

Deputy Principal

Student Reports

Hard copies of student reports are no longer posted to parents.

Reports will be emailed to parents/guardians during the last week of term.

Please note, that this report will only be available for four weeks from the date sent, so we suggest that you save and/or print a copy for your records.

If your email address has changed please contact the school.

If you are unable to save or print a hard copy of your child's report, please contact the school to arrange to pick up a copy from the Administration Office.



Kara Beecham
Deputy Principal

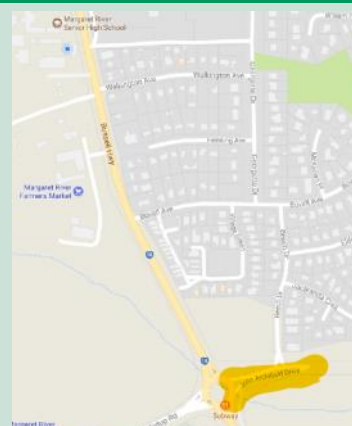
Courtesy Message from Main Roads

Main Roads advises that construction of John Archibald Drive is underway as part of the construction of the Margaret River Perimeter Road.

We wish to stress the importance of safety around work areas as bulk earthworks have commenced for the construction of John Archibald Drive.

Road construction works present a number of hazards, for example heavy plant and machinery and excavation activities, which may be present even when work is finished for the day.

It is important that members of the public, including school children and animals stay out of the area for everyone's safety.



Uniform Shop

BACK TO SCHOOL OPENING TIMES – TERM 1 2018

The uniform shop will be open as follows:-

- Monday 22nd January 9:30am - 1:30pm **Year 7 and 8** purchases
- Tuesday 23rd January 9:30am - 1:30pm **Years 9 - 12** purchases
- Tuesday 30th January 8:30am - 11:30am **All purchases**

First Day of School

- Wednesday 31st January 8:30am - 10:30am **All purchases**

Pickup of any online orders will be available all of these days

TERM 1 ONLY - For all students ordering uniforms for back to school 2018, there will be a maximum of up to 3 garments for every individual item purchased (i.e. 3 x polos, 3 x trackpants, 3 x shorts etc..) per student.

This will enable all students to be in uniform at the beginning of the year. Additional purchases can be made later in the term.

BACK TO NORMAL OPENING HOURS

The uniform shop will return to normal opening hours 8:30am - 10:30am on Thursday 1st February 2018.



Please refer to the MRSHS Website for the Uniform Policy:

<https://www.margaretrivershs.wa.edu.au/school-policies/uniform-policy/>

Arts News

VISUAL ART

Congratulations to Visual Art staff and the team in Technology and Design for such a wonderful night at the Creating Identity Exhibition. As always, this evening provided a perfect chance to gather socially as a school community (in a beautiful gallery space) while enjoying the incredible standard of art works our students produce.

YEAR 10 PRODUCTION

On the 23rd November the Year 10 Drama class performed a comical, yet touching performance based on Tim Winton's story "Lockie Leonard". Performing for a large audience (including parents and Year Nine English students) the cast were focused and highly engaging. I would like to thank Harrison Lambert and Fynn Boylan who supported this show with sound and lighting operation. Congratulations to the talented cast of students who overcame many last minute obstacles to ensure our audience enjoyed a great show.



ACTING WORKSHOP VIVienne GARRETT

A chance meeting at the Old Kate Park alerted me to the fact that actor Vivienne Garrett had moved to Margaret River. Vivienne is an actor, voice-over artist, voice and acting coach and corporate trainer. With over forty years of experience working professionally Vivienne offers our Drama students an amazing opportunity for growth through tuition. Her workshops with Year 11 Drama students offered challenging fresh approaches to monologues and her insights into the industry helped Year 12 students as they prepared for written examinations. We look forward to inviting Vivienne back to our school in 2018.



STILL TO COME...

- ⇒ On the 8th of December our **Year 9 Drama** class will perform a challenging play based on the story of a girl who is losing her little sister to cancer. This production will be supported with multiple musical items to form our **Celebration Concert** for 2017. Students from Margaret River Independent School are looking forward to visiting our school to see this show.
- ⇒ On Monday the 11th of December our Year 9 and Year 10 Dance students will travel south to tour their original dance items at local feeder primary schools for this year's **Dance Road Tour**.
- ⇒ On Wednesday the 13th of December classroom music bands and Year 10 Dance students will play an important role in our **presentation assemblies** as they provide entertainment on stage at the Margaret River Cultural Centre.

Students and staff are still very busy polishing performance work for these special events.

I would like to thank the dedicated Arts staff for what has been a hugely successful year filled with entertaining and high quality performances and exhibits.

Our work is made more rewarding by the positive energy our young artists bring to their work. We look forward to a relaxing break and another exciting year in 2018.

Mem McCormack

Head of Learning Area: The Arts

Ben Hopkins - National Junior Volleyball Championships

Ben Hopkins has just returned from competing in the National Junior Volleyball Championships on the Gold Coast.

Ben represented Western Australia in the Under 17's Men's team and played Queensland, Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia and the ACT. The competition ran over 9 days and the WA team was very competitive. Western Australia was the only team to take a set off Queensland in the last two years.

Ben was successful in being selected for the 20 man squad after a two phase trial conducted in Perth. The squad then trained twice a week for 5 weeks in the last half of term 2, including a fitness test and physiotherapist screening whilst at Country Week.

After his successful selection in the final team of 10, Ben travelled to Perth twice a week after school to train for all of term 3. His commitment to the team and training was commended by the coaching staff at the presentation ceremony, as he was the only regional person to represent WA in any age group. Western Australia ended up placing 5th overall in a very close competition.



Farm News

WINE LABELLING



We purchased a very fancy bench top labelling machine this year which made labelling our school wine so much easier. The students enjoyed the engineering of the machine and the ease of labelling up to 1,000 bottle of wine.



GARLIC



We harvested our garlic and students enjoyed learning how to plait it. I'm not sure what we will do with all this garlic but for now it will be hung for the school holidays to dry out and we will decide when school returns next year. The planting on Anzac Day and harvesting on Remembrance Day worked a treat. We fertilised it with a dilution of sulphate of potash every week 10 weeks before harvest to get a huge crop of healthy, fat garlic bulbs.



Sydney - Canberra 2017



As the school year of 2017 draws to a close the educational opportunities for 48 of our Year 10 students takes an exciting turn as they jet off on the 2017 annual Sydney-Canberra National Capital Visit. In Canberra, Excursions to both old and new Houses of Parliament, the Australian War Memorial and several of our National Art Galleries and Museums are interspersed with a packed itinerary of social and educational opportunities for the students. Physical activities such as an evening ice skating are balanced with the more cerebral visits to Questacon and evenings in with fun activity/quiz nights.

Special thanks for the success of this trip go to the whole school community whose support makes it possible for such trips to take place. We would also like to thank the Federal Government whose support in the form of \$260 per student through the PACER program make this excursion affordable for so many students each year.

For those contemplating joining us for the 2018 trip, keep your eyes open, information will be coming out soon through the school website and morning notices.

Already looking forward to taking a new crew in 2018,

Martin Keen

Sydney-Canberra Excursion Co-ordinator



Year 9 Abseiling/Climbing Excursion

On Friday 17th November, the Semester 2 Year 9 Roping students travelled to Wilyabrup Sea Cliffs to put abseiling and safety belaying skills, developed in class, to the test in a natural and challenging environment.

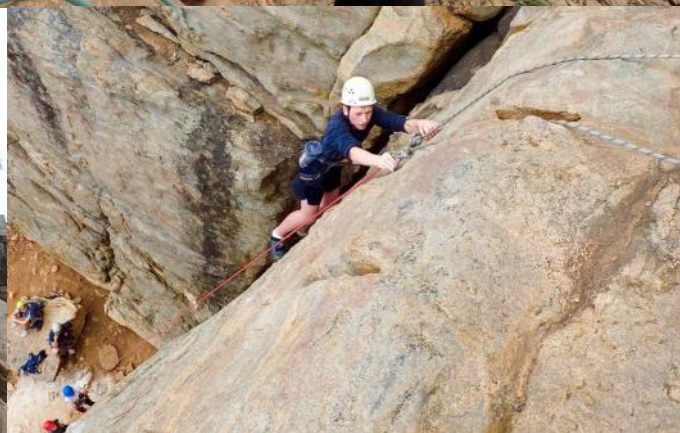
A series of four climbs, ranging in difficulty and climbing techniques required, and four abseils, one with a top-line belay and the other with an active bottom brake, were rigged and manned by 3 qualified instructors affording the students many opportunities over the course of the day.

We were blessed with great weather, the sun shining with light winds and a rising swell in the adjacent ocean; the conditions could not have been better.

The students displayed very good skills and safety awareness ensuring a rewarding experience for all, both students and instructors.

Special thanks to Mick Dempsey of the Margaret River Climbing Co. for lending us his expertise on the day. We are very fortunate as a school to have been able to draw on his services for many years and look forward to continuing this into the future.

Stuart Kupfer-Hollis
Year 9 Outdoor Education



HASS Award Examinations

Last week, the highest achieving HASS students were invited to sit the 2017 HASS Award examination. All candidates are placed in the top 10% of their cohort. The student with the highest combined course and examination score will receive the subject accolade during the Lower School Presentation assemblies on 13th December. The HASS Department wishes to congratulate these committed and enthusiastic students of humanities.



Asian Languages

Chinese Calligraphy—Year 7 Asian Languages students



Indonesian Teachers and Students Visit

Recently a group of teachers and students from Yayasan Etika Dharma schools Surabaya Indonesia visited Margaret River SHS.

The guest students enjoyed experiencing our school life with some of our Year 7 and Year 8 students acting as school buddies. The guest teachers took the opportunity to review the differences between their own schools and the teaching strategies utilised by Margaret River Senior High School leaders. This will enable them to take back fresh ideas and apply to their own methods.

Thank you to the following students for their assistance and care of our guests: Caspian Wilson (Year 7), Hannah Wenman (Year 8) and Freedom Noonan (Year 8).

Angela McCoy
Asian Languages Teacher



Semester 2 Year 10 Canoeing Camp

During Week 7 of this term the Year 10 Canoeing classes embarked on an overnight camp at Sues Bridge bush campsite followed by a one day canoe paddle down the Blackwood River. The camp was designed to consolidate the skills learned through the course in a practical environment and to reward students for their consistent attendance and effort throughout the Semester.

The weather forecast was very favourable and we were lucky to have a clear, mild night to play spotlight and tell stories around the campfire. The Blackwood River water level was dwindling, as summer approaches, so the rapids were not large the narrow chutes provided some interesting obstacles.

I would like to thank Mr Farmer and Mr Andrews for their support both on the river and as support vehicle driver. Due to the remote area of the Blackwood River it was essential to have their knowledge, experience and support.

Thanks also to the students for their wonderful attitude, motivation and overall ability to work together as a team.

Sue Buckland
MRSHS Outdoor Education



Year 10 HASS: Geography Environmental Impact Models

The Year 10 HASS Geography were required to choose and research a local development focusing on the environmental impact and the environmental management plans the developers implemented.

The students' findings were used to create a report and an accompanying "before" and "after" model. The developments chosen were varied and included those that have already taken place: e.g. Ten Mile Brook, Augusta Marina; those under way at the moment, e.g. Margaret River SHS, Rapids Landing Primary School, Busselton and Koombana Bay foreshores or those planned in the near future, e.g. AMR Cultural Centre or the main street redevelopment.

Many students contacted those undertaking the developments, made site visits in their own time taking photos and drawings sketches and/or arranged interviews with key people from each of the developments.

As you can see from the photos of our own Margaret River SHS Stage 1 redevelopment, created by Jodi Barnett, Georgia Jennion and Zali Morgan, the quality of the research and models was of a very high standard.

Mr Caudle

Head of Humanities & Social Sciences (HASS)



MRSHS Stage 1 Redevelopment - BEFORE



MRSHS Stage 1 Redevelopment - AFTER

Ellenor Cleans up in Humanities

At the recent Year 11 end of Year Award Assembly Ellenor Sibon was the top student in no less than four List A ATAR courses including Drama, English Literature, Modern History and Music.

In addition Ellenor also was awarded the top student for ATAR Maths Applications.

A very impressive achievement as all ATAR courses are extremely challenging.

Mr Caudle

Head of HASS



Year 11 End Of Year Awards

The Year 11's finished 2017 with their awards assembly on Friday the 24th of November. Congratulations to all award winners! It has been a pleasure working with the Year 11's this year and we look forward to having this group as our leaders in 2018.

Kara Beecham

First Name	Surname	Subject	Learning Area
Ellenor	Sibon	Drama - ATAR	Arts
Nethmi	Gauthamadaja	Certificate III Visual Arts	Arts
Ellenor	Sibon	Music - Western Art - ATAR	Arts
Mackellar	Field	English ATAR	Eng
Kate	Keightley	English General	Eng
Ellenor	Sibon	English Literature	Eng
Ellenor	Sibon	Modern History - ATAR	HASS
Ester	Pedrick	Economics - ATAR	HASS
Kate	Keightley	Mathematics Essentials - General	Maths
Ellenor	Sibon	Mathematics Applications - ATAR	Maths
Jykia	River	Mathematics Specialist - ATAR	Maths
Jykia	River	Mathematics Methods - ATAR	Maths
Mason	Beecham	Physical Education Studies - ATAR	HPE
Jykia	River	Physical Education Studies - General	HPE
Georgia	Gillam	Certificate II Outdoor Recreation	HPE
Zoe	Skivinis	Certificate II Sport Coaching	HPE
Dodi	Anderson	Physics - ATAR	Science
Jykia	River	Chemistry - ATAR	Science
Summer	Rice	Biology - ATAR	Science
Hudson	Spooner	Human Biology - ATAR	Science
Dodi	Anderson	Computer Science - ATAR	T & E
Catherine	Mottershead	Certificate II Business	T & E
Holly	Keightley	Certificate II Information Technology	T & E
Kate	Keightley	Certificate II Rural Operations	T & E
Jasper	Seisun	Material Design and Technology - Wood	T & E
Kate	Keightley	Food Science and Technology - General	T & E
Zac	Pool	Materials Design and Technology - Metal	T & E
Danielle	Campbell	Design - Photography - General	T & E
Lachlan	Rees	Building and Construction - General	T & E
Sunny	Kemp	Workplace Learning	VET
Holly	Keightley	Career and Enterprise - General	VET
Tess	Mann	Edith Cowan Year 11 Citizenship Award	
Monique	Thompson	Year 11 VET - Runner Up	
Kate	Keightley	Year 11 VET - DUX Award	
Dodi	Anderson	Year 11 ATAR - Runner up	
Jykia	River	Year 11 ATAR Dux Award	



Jykia River
&
Dodi Anderson



Kate Keightley
&
Monique Thompson

Career and Vocational News

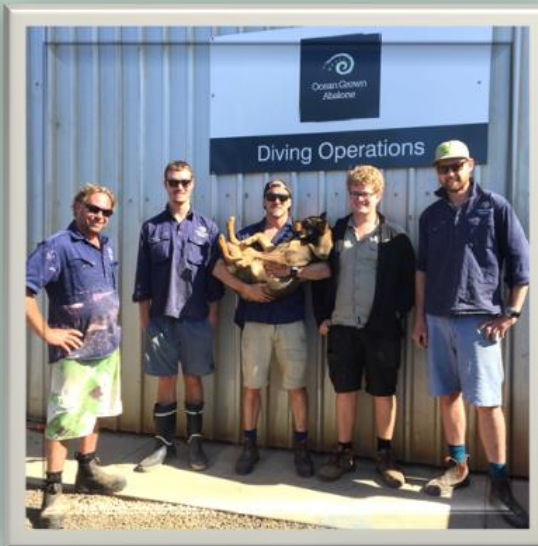
This has been another very successful year for our students pursuing Vocational Pathways in 2017. Year 12's completed their Certificate courses on and off campus and many engaged in flexible programs. Year 11's successfully completed a second round of WPL, with many securing part time employment for the summer. We thank our ever expanding group of supportive employers who continue to provide our students with the opportunity to learn a little more about the world of work, and a lot more about themselves.

It has also been a busy time with nearly 40 Year 10 and 11 students signed up for VET in Schools programs at Bunbury, Busselton and Margaret River TAFE Campuses for 2018. Entry is highly competitive with only 350 places available for the 1000 applicants across the whole South West. Furthermore an increasing number of students are taking the strategic decision to sign up for School Based Traineeships as an alternative to leaving school full time.

I would also like to thank the VET Team; we have enjoyed the company of two graduates Emma and Matt who have enthusiastically embraced the programs, being guided by our very wise Laurie Barker, and all those who have stepped in to support this year. Donna Burgess has provided constant office assistance under increasing administration requirements for both VET and WPL. We look forward to an exciting 2018.

Michelle Miller

HOLA Vocational Education and Training



Workplace Learning Thank You's

Margaret River Senior High School would like to sincerely thank the following businesses for taking our students for Workplace Learning this year:

A Maze'n Margaret River
A.B. Tiling
Abbs Electrical (WA) Pty Ltd
Adam English Motorcycle Repairs
Alive and Kicking Goals
AMR Physiotherapy
AMR Plumbing and Gas
Annapurna Wholefoods
Augusta Hospital
Augusta Hotel
Augusta Margaret River Library
Beauty by the River
Blackwood Electrical
Blackwood Mechanical
Brewshack Espresso Bar
Brumby's Margaret River
Bushtucker River and Winery Tours
Busselton Men's Shed
Cape to Cape Cabinets
Carlon Building
Caves Electrical
Caves Mechanical Services
Chase Plumbing
Conscious Craves
Cookies Galore
Cowaramup Agencies
Cowaramup Childcare Centre
Cowaramup Primary School
Cowntown Classic Cafe
D & B Clarke Painting
Department of Parks and Wildlife
Down South Camping and Outdoors
Down South Mini Earth Movers
Down South Wholesale
Drift Cafe
Dunsborough Veterinary Hospital
Eagles Heritage
Early Learning Centre
Echo Clothing
Edible Art
Empire Events
Everyday Potted Plants
Fudge Factory
Gabriel Chocolate
Gardner's Complete Earthmoving & Landscaping Supplies
Gav's Bikes and Boats

Geersen's Cabinets and Renovations
Glitterati
Gozzi's Gas and Plumbing Services
Heritage Trail Lodge
Hi Tech Ag Solutions (Bunbury)
Home Timber and Hardware
Hopscotch 4 Kids
Indian Ocean Fresh Australia Pty Ltd (Geraldton)
J, L & S Brooks
Josh Palmateer Surf Academy
Kerfuffle Wine and Sheep Farming
Lazarus Horticulture Services
Leeuwin Electrical
Lightening Ridge Electrical Contracting
Loop Design and Build
Madson Plumbing & Gasfitting
Margaret River Bakery
Margaret River Beads
Margaret River Beauty
Margaret River Bookshop
Margaret River Busselton Tourism Association
Margaret River Community Centre for Children
Margaret River Cowaramup Electrical
Margaret River Engineering and Supplies
Margaret River Gallery
Margaret River Hemp Co
Margaret River Hospital
Margaret River Hotel
Margaret River Motorcycle Repairs
Margaret River Mowers and Chainsaws
Margaret River Pet Retreat
Margaret River Picture Framing and Print Gallery
Margaret River Primary School
Margaret River Produce & Pet
Margaret River Steel Products
Margaret River Surf School
Margaret River Swim School
Margaret River Veterinary Hospital
Margarets Beach Resort
Middletons Business Advisory
Millers Ice-Cream Pty Ltd
Mirrambeena
Moon Haven Australia
Naturaliste Charters
Naturaliste Skin Clinic
Nature Conservation Margaret River Region
NewsXpress Margaret River
Ocean Grown Abalone

Olio Bello
Pandanus Homes
Paradigm Constructions WA Pty Ltd
Pateman Stables
Peninsula Downs Pty Ltd
Pharmacy 777
Plus Fitness Margaret River
Prestige Panel Repairs & Spraypainting
Priceline Pharmacy
Quality Inn
Rent A Car Margaret River
Retravisson
Riversmith
Riverview Tourist Park
Rosabrook Veterinary Services
Sandra Morgan Family Day Care
Sea Froth
Sea Soaring Marine
Settlers Tavern
Shimmer For Hair
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River Depot
Sidekick Cafe
Spool and Spindle
St Thomas More Primary School
St Vincent de Paul Society
Sunflowers Farm
Swell Lines Property Management
Swings and Roundabouts
Take 2 Hair Studio
Target Country
Tectonics Building Design
Temper Temper Fine Chocolate
The Childrens Centre of Margaret River
The Frame Shed
The Joinery Shed
The Leisure Collective Pty Ltd
Two Oceans Automotive
Tyrepower
Vanguard Construction
VJ Auto Repairs
West Coast Radiology
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Xanadu Winery
Yahava Koffee Works
Yahoo Surfboards - Dunsborough
Yallingup Steiner School



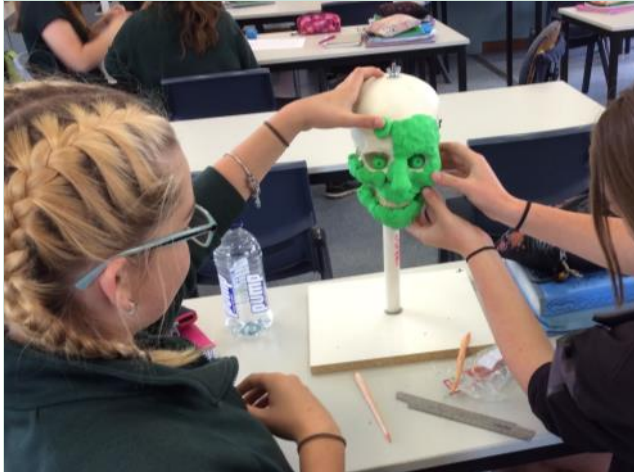
Science News

FORENSICS

Science classes have been a frenzy of Forensics for the year 9 students. Students enthusiastically participated in Facial Reconstruction, by moulding plasticine onto skull models to replicate soft tissue structures to depict realistic facial features.

Pollen detectives examined various pollen samples under microscopes to determine if the “suspect” “John Doe” had been at the murder scene when forensic scientists found pollen grains on his pants. The super sleuths had to determine if John Doe was guilty by analysing which pollen grains were on his pants and if they matched the type of pollen found near the victim.

Finger print analysis and using fingerprints to determine whether a suspect was at a crime scene has always been an essential part of forensic science due to the unique nature of a print. Students used several methods of lifting prints from porous and non porous materials as a starting point of piecing together a crime.



Water Wise News



The Water Wise Committee

is now meeting every Thursday lunch time to discuss water issues around the school. We are currently collating all the data that was collected by the students for the Inaugural Water audit held in early November. We found many faulty bubblers and wasteful urinals- that were flushing a lot of excess water each use. The committee will be presenting the findings of their audit along with some ideas for improvement to the next Pand C meeting. This week in our meeting, the students were able to hold an animal that loves water....baby ducklings



*This weeks Water wise tips
for your Garden...*



Mulch, mulch, mulch

Applying mulch and a soil wetting product not only reduces evaporation loss, it improves the soil, reduces plant stress, weed growth, prevents wind and water erosion, and makes your garden look great.



 WATER EDUCATION

Reduce your sprinkler time

Most irrigation systems can be reduced by 2 minutes per station and still maintain a healthy garden.



 WATER EDUCATION



SchoolTV is now available at Margaret River Senior High School!!!

This month on SchoolTV - Surviving Year 12

The final year of secondary school is a year of hard work and a huge commitment for students. With so much going on it can be hard to find the balance between study and life. It is a time when personalities start to emerge, there are more complex interpersonal relationships and there is the pressure to perform academically. With all of this going on, it's not surprising that some students have an emotional response and it is therefore extremely important for parents to know how to support their children during this time.

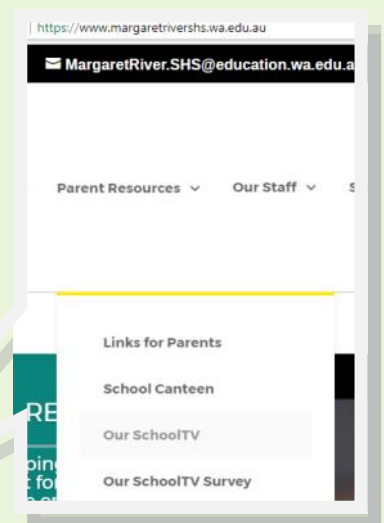
Some kids will need more support than others. Keeping the communication lines open with your child, their teachers, mentors and other parents will be crucial. Being aware of your child's mental and physical wellbeing can play a vital role in their success.

In this edition of SchoolTV, parents will discover practical advice for students and parents to help get through the final year of secondary school. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this month's edition and we always welcome your feedback.

If you have any concerns about your child, please contact the school counsellor for further information.

Here is the link to this month's edition:

<http://margaretrivershs.wa.schooltv.me/newsletter/surviving-year-12>



FEATURING: Dr Michael Carr-Gregg

THIS MONTH:

Surviving Year 12

How can parents support students during their final year at secondary school?

It is so exciting to see the many months of consultation and planning coming together to create Rapid's Landing Primary School. With less than two months before the start of the 2018 school year, a significant number of outcomes have recently been achieved. These include:

- **Creating excellence together** are three words that capture our vision and we have ensured plans for 2018 and the future embody this strong belief as we build our new school culture.
- **Staffing:**
 - ⇒ Already appointed are the Principal (Lisa Helenius), two Associate Principals (Hayley Kirkup and Larissa Marchant) and our Manager Corporate Services (Julie Walkden).
 - ⇒ A pool of talented teachers has been formed and with some appointments already made. These include Theresa Host, Amanda Higgins, Kellie Colquhoun, Nicola Petkovic and Leigh Westcott.
 - ⇒ A pool of Education Assistants (Special Needs and Mainstream) was formed last week with positions hoping to be offered this week.
 - ⇒ The panels for Cleaner in Charge, Cleaners and Gardener/Handyperson closed last week with the appointments to be made in the next fortnight.
- An **Interim Board** continues to support the strategic direction of the school with a School Board being formed in 2018.
- An inaugural **P&C Meeting** was held last week with all leadership positions filled quickly (what awesome support our students and families have already!).
- **School Colours** are **navy and teal** with **white** trim, with uniforms now available to be ordered. Thanks again to our amazing Steering Committee who designed these.
- **Enrolments: Kindergarten – Year 6**
 - ◊ Our numbers have continued to grow this term, more than doubling from the end of Term 3. It is so rewarding to now have names and faces of our students as we plan for their needs and interests.
 - ◊ Parents and carers can access enrolment forms and information by:
 - *Calling in to our office at Margaret River SHS (Student Services)
 - *Emailing us at Rapid'sLanding.PS@education.wa.edu.au
 - *Telephoning 9757 0787
- Some forms are also available at Margaret River PS (please ask Karen).
- **Transitions:** We held our Kindergarten and Pre-Primary transitions at Little Monsters and a Years 1-6 at the Rapids Landing park. We loved interacting with our students and families and responding to questions and inquiries.
- **Finance:** Contributions and Charges, along with Booklists, have been emailed to all enrolled families. Please contact Julie with any questions on 9757 0787.
- **Bus services** are being worked through. To help us determine which buses would be utilised and firm times, it would be appreciated if parents and carers submit an application to School Bus Services. You can apply online at

<https://www.schoolbuses.wa.gov.au/Parents/Online-forms/Application-For-Transport-Assistance>

- **Before and After hours** care pick up and drop off has been confirmed.

To keep up to date with the progress of what is happening at Rapids Landing PS, please follow our Facebook page – **Rapids Landing Primary School**

Looking forward to meeting more of our students and families.

Lisa Helenius

Principal

creating *excellence* together

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Science experience is an opportunity open to budding scientists in **Year 9 and 10**. It's a four day course at UWA, Curtin, Murdoch, or ECU, across various dates in December and January.

Each program is designed to provide students who have an interest in science with an opportunity to engage in a wide range of fascinating science activities under the guidance of scientists who love their work.

Participants perform experiments in the laboratories, meet and hear senior lecturers in the lecture theatres, attend site visits and walk around and experience what it is like to be on the campus of a university or tertiary institution. More than 65,000 students have taken this rare opportunity, up to date.

The program also provides information about further studies in science, technology and engineering. It highlights the wide range of careers that allow students to pursue their interest and abilities in the sciences.

Universities & Tertiary Institutions	Program Dates	Best Apply Before
Edith Cowan University, Joondalup	16 - 19 January 2018	30 December 2017
Murdoch University, Perth	11 - 14 December 2017	2nd December 2017
University of Western Australia, Perth	16 - 18 January 2018	10 January 2018

Visit www.scienceexperience.com.au for further information or see Mrs Miller to apply for funding through Rotary Club.



Book launch event

'Can I come too Eliza-Lou?'
By Rebecca Cool and Sian Turner

Thursday 7 December
6 - 7.30pm
Light refreshments provided
Free, family-friendly event

Join us to celebrate the much awaited new children's picture book illustrated by local artist Rebecca Cool and written by Albany author, Sian Turner. This bright and cheerful fun story will delight with its classic Rebecca Cool artworks and Australian story.

'Can I come too Eliza-Lou'. Join happy little Eliza-Lou and her friends for a day of colourful fun as they walk, hop, skip and jump to Granny and Grandads for a barbecue.

There will be an opportunity to purchase a signed copy of the book and meet the author and illustrator.

RSVP by Wednesday 6 December 2017 to
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NEWS ALERT: LEEUWIN WOODSIDE MARINE SCHOLARSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE STATEWIDE

The Leeuwin Foundation have wonderful news, previously regulated Woodside funding is now available state-wide. Which means, there's still time for youth in your community to have an opportunity of a lifetime on a Leeuwin Ocean Adventure Voyage!

Due to some fantastic ongoing support from Woodside means that students in your community can join any upcoming Leeuwin voyages for the incredible fare of \$750.

A Leeuwin voyage provides young people with **confidence, courage and resilience**; with **tolerance, self-esteem and teamwork skills**; with **new friends and new interests**. At the same time, as a **SCASA endorsed program**, successful completion of a 7-day Leeuwin Youth Explorer Voyage is **equal to one WACE unit**.

Students need to demonstrate an interest in a maritime or marine career to be eligible for the Woodside sponsored place – which includes careers as diverse as:

⚓ Naval engineering; Naval architecture; Marine engineering; Ocean engineering; Shipwright / Boatbuilder; Marine electrical; Marine mechanical; Marine tourism; Marine biology; Oceanography; Navy; Fishing industry

⚓ The participant must fill in the scholarship application form (go to <https://sailleeuwin.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Woodside-Marine-Scholarship-application2017FINAL-1.pdf>) and reply to me asap

This is an opportunity we are most excited about, so please support us in allocating this funding.

Please do not hesitate to contact the office with any questions.

Warm Regards,

Rachel Le Moignan

Marketing and Communications | School Liaison | Media

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- Sei appena arrivato in Australia? SEI NUOVO/A IN Australia?
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- Uri munyowani (mutsva) here mu Australia?
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- "Is jy nuut in Australie?"
- Oba aluthenda Australia wata sancramanaya une?
- Bago lang po kayo sa Australia?
- 你是不是最近到澳大利亚来的?
- Новоприбывший в Австралию?

- آیا شما تازه به استرالیا آمده اید ؟
- هل أنت جديد في استرالیا ؟

Contact us on 9791-5281
At 9A Wittenoom Street, Bunbury
Monday – Friday, 0900 - 1700



HOMEWORK HELP

Having trouble understanding or keeping up with your homework?

We help new migrants and their families by providing FREE homework sessions after school *

Contact us:

Multicultural Services Centre
9A Wittenoom Street, Bunbury
9791-5281



* pending eligibility for Settlement Services Program, funded by Department of Social Services

NEXT EVENT:

- Saturday 16th December 2017
- Saturday 20th January 2018
- Sunday 18th February 2018
- Saturday 10th March 2018

@ BUNKER'S BAY 9:00AM

DISABLED SURFERS ASSOC. SOUTH WEST

FREE EVENT

let's go Surfing DAY

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Sausage sizzle, drinks & rashies supplied

Volunteers are always welcome + needed

For more information ring Ant: 9755 4037
Or Find us on Facebook!

Participants must be accompanied by a carer if necessary. All Surfing gear supplied on the day for participants. Free barbeque and awards following the event at 1pm. Contact details for the event directed to Ant Pursell: apursell@yahoo.com.au or call 9755 4037

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Northbridge office

Suite 44a, 7 Aberdeen Street
Northbridge WA 6000

Hillarys office

Whitfords Library
Corner Marmion and Banks Avenue
Hillarys WA 6025

or via telephone or video call

To book an appointment call
(08) 9261 4451

Crisis Support

13 11 14

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Chat online 7pm to 4am (AEST)
7 days a week

For more information visit
www.lifelinewa.org.au



Supporting Separated Parents across WA

Video call and
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How to book a video call counselling appointment with Lifeline WA:

1. Call Lifeline WA on (08) 92614451 to book a date and time
2. Connect with Lifeline WA's Skype account using the email: counsellingatLifelineWA@outlook.com
3. Just before your appointment, log into your Skype account and a Lifeline WA counsellor will video-call you
4. Click accept on your screen and begin your session

If you don't have a Skype account we can send you a link via email for a secure video connection.

We can offer after hours appointments for your convenience.

Guiding you through separation

Lifeline WA is committed to supporting separated Mums and Dads, including LGBTIQ+ parents throughout WA. We offer individual counselling for parents before, during and after separation.

This free service is available to anyone in regional WA by video call (eg. Skype) or over the telephone.

Our counsellors provide one-on-one support to develop strategies to manage conflict and discuss and identify options and solutions. We can also refer to other support services relevant to individual family situations.

Lifeline WA does not provide legal advice but we can supply information on how to access legal advice where needed.

Our counselling team provides individual support and education for parents who want to:

- Negotiate shared care arrangements for their children
- Communicate effectively with the other parent
- Be prepared for mediation and to better understand the mediation process
- Understand the complexities of the Family Court and the legal system
- Access practical and emotional support and assistance
- Create a parenting plan designed to specifically meet the needs of their children



To book an appointment
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Lifeline WA aims to create opportunities for emotional well-being and provides other support services including:



Counselling Services that provide affordable, confidential, face-to-face counselling for separated parents and people experiencing financial difficulty.



Our 13 11 14 service is a nationally routed crisis support number, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



Online Crisis Support Chat service via lifelinewa.org.au is available to all Western Australians from 7pm until 4am (AEST).



Education and training programs that increase understanding of suicide prevention and mental health within the community and workplace.



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