A Message from Ms Tiedtke

Students have settled into Year 9 with ease this Semester. Our Year 9s are no longer the youngest in the school and are often seen as role models for their younger peers. This Semester, the Year 9s have shared many successes both as individuals and as a group which I would like to acknowledge in this newsletter. Our standards of uniform have been exemplary, thanks to the support of parents, and the Year 9s in our College have upheld the schools values of “respect, responsibility and relationships”.

Semester 1 reports have shown that the majority of students are working to the best of their ability. School reports can often be daunting for parents as they worry about how their child will cope with the increased demands of the school year. Parents are encouraged to speak to their child’s teacher if they are concerned and also discuss with the child how they feel about school and school work. If homework appears to be a concern in your child’s report the following suggestions may be helpful:

- Create an environment conducive to study – a quiet study zone without distractions.
- Schedule time for study and have a plan – a routine will hold them in good stead for the increased pressures as they approach upper school.
- Target areas of weakness
- Take breaks
- Teach and build confidence
- Don’t give up!
- Encourage the use of a homework diary where students can cross off tasks as they are completed to achieve a sense of accomplishment.

Finally, I would like to wish our students a safe and enjoyable holiday break. I look forward to seeing you refreshed for Semester 2.

Please enjoy our newsletter! 😊

Ms Richelle Tiedtke
Year 9 Coordinator
Year 9 Reward Evening

On Wednesday 4 June, I had the pleasure of hosting the Year 9 Reward Evening. The evening began with a delicious meal at the “Sovereign Arms” in Joondalup, followed by a movie at “Grand Cinemas Joondalup”. Teachers were asked to nominate one student from their year 9 class that “always tried their best, and consistently displayed respect, responsibility and developed positive relationships”. The list of nominated students was then circulated to all staff for approval. Forty students made the final list, and they are to be congratulated on their efforts. A special thanks to Mr Richards, Mr Cuenca and Mrs Siciliano for their support in attending this event 😊.
Year 9 Lightning Carnival

On Tuesday 10 June, Year 9s competed against a number of schools from the Northern Suburbs in a variety of sports including hockey, volleyball, netball, football, soccer and basketball with outstanding results:

- Boys Basketball – 1st place
- Girls Basketball (2 teams) – 1st and 2nd place
- Girls Soccer – 1st place
- Boys Soccer – 2nd place
- AFL – 1st place
- Netball (4 teams) – 3rd, 4th places
- Hockey (2 teams) – 3rd and 8th places
- Volleyball (4 teams) -

Congratulations to all teams and coaching staff on your successes. Our Year 9s represented the College in a positive manner and were commended for their competitive approach and outstanding sportsmanship on the day.
Year 9 Academic & Sporting Achievements

We have many talented Year 9s and in this newsletter I would like to acknowledge some of their achievements.

Ilah L – Ilah represented W.A in the Australian Allstar Cheerleading Federation Nationals. She won both her division and overall level 1. Ilah will be competing on the Gold Coast in July in the “Aussie Gold International” and we wish her all the best.

Eryn F – Eryn has made the under 16 state team for basketball. She will be competing in the National Championships to be held in Geelong in the July school holidays and we wish her all the best.

Ciara-Mae C – Ciara Mae competed in the World Championships in Irish Dancing earlier this year and came 42nd. An amazing effort. Last month in June, Ciara Mae competed in the Nationals in Melbourne and came second. Congratulations, Ciara Mae, we look forward to following your future successes.

Jacob N- Jacob will be competing in the International Tri Country Athletics Championship in Singapore in July. He was invited to attend because he got a silver medal 2nd place in the high jump and 4th place in the triple jump at the State Championships in March. Congratulations on a fantastic achievement, Jacob and we wish you all the best for Singapore in July.

Riley C – Riley competed at the National Champbikz BMX Competition in Victoria in May and came 3rd overall. He will be competing in Holland in July for the World Championships. We wish him all the best and look forward to hearing about his successes.

Kyle G – Kyle represented WA in the National Champbix BMX Competition held in Victoria earlier this year and came 8th overall. Kyle will also be competing in the State Championships in October and we wish him all the best.
Jacob M – Jacob is vying for a position in the National Squad for the under 19s Lacrosse team. Jacob may be competing in Canada in 2016 and we wish him all the best in his endeavours.

Amy G – Amy is a mature and responsible student who works is capable of working both collaboratively and independently when required. Amy sets a very high standard for herself and as a result has achieved “Straight A’s” (9 A grades) this Semester. An outstanding effort, Amy! A fantastic achievement!

Shenhav N – Shenhav is a conscientious and self-motivated student who has a positive approach to her learning. She approaches all learning tasks with enthusiasm and diligence. Shenhav is to be congratulated on achieving “Straight As” (9 A grades) on her recent 2014 Semester 1 Report. A fantastic achievement!

Jevin P – Jevin competed in the Language Perfect Championships to achieve a Gold Award. He was in the top 2% in a worldwide competition involving over 300,000 competitors. An outstanding achievement. Jevin also competed in the Royal Australian Chemical Institute’s Crystal Growing Competition late last year and won first place as well as best overall crystal.

Olivia & Maddy A – Olivia and Maddy also competed in the Royal Australian Chemical Institute’s Crystal Growing Competition. Olivia took home second place and Maddy was highly commended for her efforts.

Semester 1 Report Commendations:

Students with 9 “A” Grades – Amy Gebert, Shenhav Nave.

Students with 8 “A” Grades – Kathleen Marcionni, Jacob Nock, Jevin Parmar, Chelsea Watts, Sheldon Gill, Olivia Antulov.

Students with 7 “A” Grades – Jack Mingay, Brianna Fisher.

Students with 5 “A” Grades – Brooke Walker, Taymar Gordon, Olivia James, Lauren Butterfield.

Other commendable reports – Students achieving A or B grades in all areas – Liv Moynihan, Brandon Royce, Selina Korb, Adam Lamb, Jessica Miles, Meka McCormack, Yashni Patel, Tatyana Muller, Amy Scotland, Madeline Antulov, Madison Raven, Kade Fitzgerald, Shun Yeo, Liam Coetzer.

Congratulations to all students on a fine Semester’s work!

Meanwhile at school …

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Building & Construction