

EACS NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING EVENTS:

15-19 November
Year 10-11 Semester Exams

16 November
Year 7 Immunisations

22-26 November
Yr 11 Outdoor Ed Camp
Year 7-9 Semester Exams

23 November
Open Morning

25-26 November
Executive Principal in school

26 November
Year 6 Transition Day

30 November
Musical Soiree

3 December
Interhouse Beach Carnival

6 December
Celebration & Awards Evening
Executive Principal in school

9 December
Interhouse Volleyball Tournament
Final day for students

10 December
Staff Professional Development
Day

Chess Congress

The 12th Esperance Anglican Community School (EACS) Chess Congress took place on Thursday 04 November 2021. Participating schools were Castletown Primary, Esperance Primary, Our Lady Star of the Sea and Esperance Christian Primary. All up there were a total of 7 teams and 28 students contesting this year's event. Disappointingly, there was no Secondary division this year due to ESHS' inability to attend.

The day flowed smoothly with some very close scoring indeed. So close that in the final analysis of results Castletown Primary A and Esperance Christian Primary A were inseparable in score and factoring in the tie-break calculation. Consequently, both teams were awarded joint Champion medal winners. In a new award there was also a Player of the Tournament trophy and two players from Castletown A finished on 7 points each. This time the boys were able to be separated by the tie-break system with Riley Davies coming out on top of brother Lachlan Davies. A great achievement to both boys for finishing one and two respectively out of 28 participants.

A thoroughly enjoyable day of chess activity and congratulations to all students for playing with great spirit and sportsmanship.

Mr Iain Clark





From the Executive Principal



Why is Remembrance Day a special day for all Australians?

The History

(As paraphrased from <https://www.awm.gov.au/commemoration/remembrance-day/traditions>)

At 11 am on 11 November 1918 the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. The allied armies had driven the German invaders back, having inflicted heavy defeats upon them over the preceding four months. In November the Germans called for an armistice (suspension of fighting) in order to secure a peace settlement. They accepted allied terms that amounted to unconditional surrender.

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month attained a special significance in the post-war years. The moment when hostilities ceased on the Western Front became universally associated with the remembrance of those who had died in the war. This first modern world conflict left between 9 and 13 million dead, perhaps as many as one-third of them with no known grave. The allied nations chose this day and time for the commemoration of their war dead. They called this commemoration Armistice Day.

On the first anniversary of the armistice in 1919 two minutes' silence was instituted as part of the main commemorative ceremony at the new Cenotaph in London. The two minutes' silence was popularly adopted and it became a central feature of commemorations on Armistice Day.

After the end of the Second World War, the Australian and British governments changed the name to Remembrance Day. Armistice Day was no longer an appropriate title for a day which would commemorate all war dead. In 1997, Governor-General Sir William Deane issued a proclamation formally declaring 11 November to be Remembrance Day, urging all Australians to observe one minute's silence at 11 am on 11 November each year to remember those who died or suffered for Australia's cause in all wars and armed conflicts.

Why is it important to commemorate Remembrance Day?

The commemoration of Australia's role in the first World War, and the tradition of remembering the sacrifice of all men and women in all wars following, allows our students, and indeed all of society, to stop, pause and reflect on the reasons for the sacrifices made by men and women in wars.

By remembering their service and their sacrifice, we recognise the tradition of freedom these men and women fought to preserve. In fighting for their country, the soldiers of the past believed that their actions in the present would make a significant difference for the future, but it is up to us to ensure that their dream of peace is realised. On Remembrance Day, we acknowledge the courage and sacrifice of those who served their country and acknowledge our responsibility to work for the peace they fought hard to achieve.

Lest we forget.

Jason Bartell
Executive Principal

From the Associate Principal

As we pass the half-way point of the final term of the year, it is a good time to remind students that with reports being created they need to continue to be showing their absolute best in and out of the class setting. It is also a beneficial time to revisit goals from earlier in the year to make sure that everything is being done to not only achieve set goals, but to finish the year as positively as possible.

In reading our student's reports over the coming weeks, I will be hoping to see whether the values of personal best and good character are demonstrated in advisory comments and that consistent effort is demonstrated by action over the final weeks of term four.

Our Year 12 ATAR students completed their last WACE exam on Friday. In speaking with these students I know that whilst the WACE exams have been challenging, the students have felt well prepared and are quietly confident for their results.

Whilst our Year 12's are wrapping up exams, the rest of our students are shortly about to start theirs. Week six will see both our Year 10 and Year 11 students commencing exams. This year will be the first time that we have our Year 11 ATAR students sitting their exams at the Anglican Parish Hall. This provides them with a very quiet environment and is good practice for their Year 12 exams which all happen off site. Then finally in week seven, the remaining year groups all sit their exams. We wish all of the students from Year 7 to Year 11 the very best of luck with their exams, I know that teachers are preparing them well.

Finally, I would like to congratulate our five Student Prefects for 2022, Kacie Goodman, Ella Purchase, Codee Walter, Lauren Ware, and Joane Wilson. They all delivered fantastic speeches and represented themselves positively in their interviews. The individual roles they undertake will be announced at our Celebration and Awards evening, I look forward to working closely with them next year.

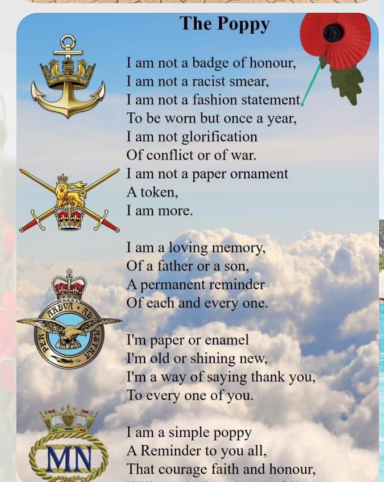
Mrs Lisa Marquis

Remembrance Day Service

Once again, this year the whole school assembled around the flagpole to commemorate and remember all Australians who have died as a result of war. The service was a solemn reminder to us all, not only about the first modern world conflict (WWI 1914-1918), which had brought about the mobilisation of over 70 million people and left between 9 and 13 million dead with perhaps as many as one-third of them with no known grave, but all conflicts where Australian men and women have served and sadly lost their lives.

The Flanders Poppy became accepted throughout the allied nations as the flower of remembrance to be worn on Armistice (Remembrance) Day. The red poppies were among the first plants that sprouted from the devastation of the battlefields of northern France and Belgium. 'Soldiers' folklore had it that the poppies were vivid red from having been nurtured in ground drenched with the blood of their comrades'. A poem of remembrance entitled 'The Poppy' was a fitting tribute to the Ode of Remembrance and a poignant reminder why we must never forget. AMEN.

Mr Iain Clark



Curriculum Focus: Netball Specialist

This year has been new and exciting for the Netball Specialist program with the introduction of netball as an elective for Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students. The lower school classes have had a wonderful mix of both boys and girls, each with their own strengths and weaknesses. The netball program was originally established to develop players not only as athletes, but as officials, coaches and umpires in order for them to become role models in our netball community. The program now involves the aim to teach students the importance of teamwork, organisation and leadership, as well as skill development, whether they are involved in the netball community or not.

The Year 7 and 8 classes have been focussing on the basics of netball. This includes the understanding of positions on court, passing, defending and attacking, shooting and team strategies. Many of the netball lessons are filled with fun games aimed at improving the students' fitness and footwork. One game that is particularly loved is 'Queen of the Court', a shooting game that goes through the levels of the royals.

The small group of Year 9 and 10 students have been working hard this semester to improve fitness and develop new skills on the court. It has been fantastic to witness the hard work they put in paying off over the weeks. The upper school class have also had a number of theory lessons looking at game preparation, nutrition, injury prevention and game analysis.

All of the students that have been through the netball program should be commended on their efforts in learning a new sport and working so well as a team. I look forward to the final weeks of netball as the year comes to an end.

Miss Imogen Stone



Curriculum Focus: Tennis Specialist

This year we have been fortunate enough to link in with Esperance Tennis Club (ETC) to deliver specialist tennis coaching services as part of EACS students' elective subject offerings. Esperance Tennis Club Professionals Neil Hyme and now Kelvin Maclean have delivered quality tennis coaching instruction, aligned with the national curriculum, in small groups and in a range of modified settings during periods of inclement weather.

Having this association with ETC is immensely beneficial for our students, quite simply the calibre of coaching received has been second to none. It is hoped that we can continue to forge a close working relationship with ETC in years to come.

It is appropriate to introduce the school community to ETC Club Professional Kelvin Maclean by way of a short biography documenting his background and accomplishments.

Kelvin MacLean was born in Geelong Victoria. He started playing tennis at six years of age taking lessons with the late Don Cameron who was Head Coach at Geelong Lawn Tennis Club (LTC) and later Coach of the Korean Davis Cup Teams.

At eight years old Kelvin began to play Junior Pennants and was successful in winning the Grand Final in his first season. At ten years of age Kelvin was runner up in the twelve and under Victorian School Boys Championships. At twelve years old Kelvin was asked to attend Victorian Talent Squad which meant travel to Melbourne to be trained by a State Coach. Over the next few years, Kelvin won Victorian Schools Boys titles in 14 years, 16 years and 18 years age groups and was ranked in the top five juniors in Australia. At 16 Kelvin was Captain of the Victorian Schoolboys Team and was National Australian School Boys' Champion beating Peter Carter who went on to become Rodger Federer's Coach.

Kelvin was subsequently invited to attend National training programs run by John Newcombe and Tony Roach – two of Australia's greatest players! The following year Kelvin was accepted into Australian Institute of Sport on a scholarship program.

At 20, Kelvin began to travel the world as a Professional Tennis Player competing on world stage on the ATP Tour. After two years on Tour, Kelvin was ranked in the top 400 in the world in singles and top 200 in doubles.

During Kelvin's tennis career he played many famous players, to name but a few: Pat Cash, Henri Leconte, Mats Wilander, Stefan Edberg, Boris Becker, Guillermo Vilas, Jimmy Connors.

Due to a shoulder reconstruction, he was forced to find a new career after two years on tour with Tennis Coaching an obvious career choice to maintain a close association with the game.

Kelvin completed his Club Pro coaching qualification with Tennis Australia and began as an assistant coach at Melbourne Park with Peter McNamara (three Grand Slam Doubles titles and former world number seven in singles) as his mentor. The opportunity then arose for him to take over as Head Coach from his first Coach at Geelong LTC, which was ranked in the top 20 Clubs in Australia.

Ten years later Kelvin moved overseas to play and coach tennis in Germany. During this time Kelvin started coaching a Bundesliga tennis team consisting of eight players ranked in top 100 in world, the highest being Sebastien Grosjean number two in the world at the time.

Following on from this Kelvin moved to the USA to work at the most famous tennis academy the IMG Nick Bollettieri Tennis Academy. Whilst there, Kelvin completed the USPTA tennis coaching course to highest level becoming an Elite High-Performance Coach.

Kelvin was then offered to travel to China to work as an Assistant to the National Coach, Beijing Tennis Academy where he got to work with Li Na who became Australian Open Ladies Champion. His next job took him to Singapore where he became a Tennis Director at the British Club for six years.

Having spent many years abroad he returned to Melbourne and became the Coach / Manager of Futures Tennis Academy (FTA), which was known as the best grassroots tennis coaching program of its time.

Kelvin has now spent a couple of years in Esperance and is continuing to assist with grass roots coaching all the way up to adult lessons. We thank Kelvin for the work that he has done with the students of EACS this year and we look forward to an ongoing association with Kelvin and Esperance Tennis Club in 2022.

Mr Iain Clark





McHappy Day

The year 10 Big Picture students once again had the pleasure of being invited by Esperance McDonalds to assist in the planning of McHappy Day this year which was held on Saturday November 13. For a number of weeks, they worked together to plan and prepare decorations for the store on the day. They did a great job of making the space colourful and a celebration of the awesome cause of the day. This year's theme was fluoro and the store certainly reflected this in its brightness!

Other students oversaw the brainstorming and implementing fundraising activities in the lead up to the day itself at school. Very successfully, they ran a free dress day for a gold coin donation, a Jelly Bean guess raffle, lolly bags and drinks stall and a take over of the canteen for recess selling cheesies and homemade cakes, all on Tuesday November 9. A big thank you for the canteen staff for their assistance on the day in preparing the recess service, and for the donation of cheese! Thanks also go to Brumby's Esperance for the donation of bread. The day raised \$577, all of which went into the pool of funds raised at McDonalds on McHappy Day.

Additionally, a small group of Year 10s bravely approached various local businesses appealing for donations of goods to be made up into raffle hampers, of which tickets were sold at McDonalds Esperance in the week's leadup to McHappy Day. Local businesses were very generous and the donation of items were incredibly impressive. Huge thanks go to ESP, Naturally Esperance, Innertube, Flickr, Luxe Floral, Dempster Sporting, Esperance 4x4, Bunnings, McCreeds Jewellers Woolworths and Toy Station and Farmers Centre for their kind donations.

Those students who gave their time on McHappy Day to stand at the driveway shaking buckets for donations, those that gave their own time to collect donations from various places around town, and investing time at school to help prepare activities and decorations deserve commendations for their support of a cause helping those that need to access the Ronald McDonald House Charity.

Thank you to McDonalds Esperance, in particular Mel and Chris Maguire, for having the Year 10 EACS students be a part of the local McHappy Day celebrations. This was an experience that allowed students to understand and embrace the value of helping others. Plus, having Charlie Tate wear a rainbow clown wig in public was an added bonus!

Mrs Mandie Abbott and Mr Blair Castelli



McVay House News

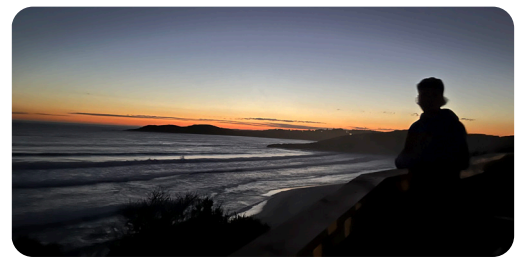
As the end of the 2021 academic year hurtles towards us, McVay House has been a hive of activity. Looming exams mean that study is certainly being encouraged, but there is still time for fun and activities coordinator Natahna Stone has been working hard to ensure that it isn't all work and no play!

Evening walks to West Beach, trips to the Museum Village Markets and the Esperance Library are just some of the extra-curricular activities sandwiched between sporting, community, and work commitments.


But the boarding house itself often comes alive to the sound of young people having fun, engaged in activities like Just Dance. For several night this term, ABBA songs like Dancing Queen have been among the tracks changing the common room from a quiet gathering place to a slightly noisy family living room: one which sees a bunch of young people enjoying themselves.

And during the last week of her ATAR exams, Kirsten McCrae was recognized as elder of the house, and bestowed with the honorary title of Queen Kirsten. As a monarch, she was able to use her privilege to obtain a tin of Milo (a highly valued commodity in McVay House!). Fortunately she was a benign dictator and actually benefit staff by using her superior position to help ensure homework was done, and that her sovereign subjects were even better behaved than usual. We will all miss Kirsten's calming influence and kindness, and her willingness to help younger students with school and boarding issues.


Mrs Dorothy Henderson




Community Notice




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Voyage Scholarship Application Form

CBH Group Australia's largest co-operative and a leader in the Australian grain industry, with operations extending along the value chain from grain storage, handling, transport, marketing and processing. Owned and controlled by approximately 3,900 Western Australian grain growing businesses, the core purpose of CBH is to sustainably create and return value to growers. In partnership with the **CBH Group**, Leeuwin Ocean Adventure Foundation has opened applications for sponsored places for a week-long sail training adventure onboard *STS Leeuwin II*.


Prerequisites for applicants

- You must be between the age of 14-25 years
- You must live in one of the five grain growing zones in which CBH operates.

The CBH Group is awarding six sponsored place of \$2,050. If you are successful in receiving sponsorship, you will need to pay the balance of the fare \$300.

How To Apply

- Fill in this form (Ensure all aspects of the form are complete for the best possible chance of receiving the sponsored place)
- Select an upcoming voyage (Check online to see what is available)
- Return the completed form to: ceo@salleuwin.com
- Download the voyage application form ready to complete if your sponsorship application is successful.



About the Leeuwin Youth Explorer Voyages

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Applicant Details

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Address _____

Suburb _____

State _____ Postcode _____

Phone number _____

Email _____

Parent/guardian Name _____

Parent/guardian Phone _____

School/Educational Institution/Work place _____

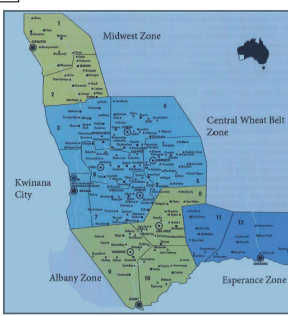
CBH Zones

Use the map below to indicate the region you live in:

Midwest Zone Esperance Zone

Central Wheatbelt Zone City of Kwinana

Albany Zone



Please let us know why you want to take part in a Leeuwin Ocean Adventure Voyage? (eg. skills you wish to develop/goals)

How did you hear about this scholarship opportunity?

School Leeuwin visit Newspaper

Friend Local Community Organisation A CBH channel (Social Media, Down the Line, Website)

Describe how you will use your skills in the future to participate and contribute in your local community?

What sets you apart from other applicants? (Why do you deserve this scholarship?)

I agree to give a provide a 1-page Letter of Thanks to CBH Group after completing my voyage and to promote the experience to other interested students in my area.

I come from a 'grain growing family'. Please note this is not a prerequisite to receive this scholarship.

I have attached a Reference Letter from a parent, guardian or teacher to strengthen this application.

If I am successful, I will be travelling to/from the ship with a third party company (ie. via bus, train or plane company)? Y N

I approve the Leeuwin Ocean Adventure to pass on my details to a CBH Group representative for a media story? Y N


Successful applicants will be offered a sponsored voyage place departing prior to 31 December 2022. Please indicate your voyage preferences:

Voyage 22-03 Voyage 22-07 Other (please specify) _____

I declare all information provided in this form is true and correct:

Applicant signature _____ Date _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date _____



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Applications close 30 November 2021

Community Notices



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TAFE OPEN DAY

SAVE THE DATE

4-7pm Thursday 18 November 2021

- ▶ Course information and assistance
- ▶ Discuss your training options
- ▶ Tours of the new campus
- ▶ Meet and talk with lecturers
- ▶ Games and interactive displays
- ▶ Local food and drink vendors



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