

Our students get the 'good oil'!

For the 15th consecutive year, Applecross Senior High School Year 10 students participated in the Petroleum Club Schools' Information Program during term 2, eventually being awarded 6th place at a recent awards ceremony.

This is an outstanding achievement – both in terms of the quality of our team's presentation and the longevity of our involvement via Year 10 Society & Environment classes.

The Schools' Information Program requires students to work in teams to research and produce a project describing the operations of the upstream petroleum industry, to evaluate safety and environmental impact issues and to show awareness of related career opportunities. Our team of Joel Jeevaraj, Edward Ting, Biyanka Jaltotage, David Rothnie, Daniel Bhinda and Keith Yap produced an interesting multi media project including

a comprehensive journal, booklets, a CD, a 3D model of particular petroleum compounds and a board game.

Alongside the invaluable knowledge these students learnt about the petroleum industry, our Year 10s commented on the important life skills involving problem-solving, team work and cooperation that they gained. Indeed the team adopted a quote from basketball player Michael Jordan as their guiding ethos: *I can accept failure, everyone fails at something, but I can't accept not trying.*

At the Grand Final Awards Ceremony at Government House held on November 8th, coincidentally the day the price of oil reached \$US100 a barrel, Applecross Senior High School was presented with a Participation Award in recognition of the 15 years continuous participation in the program and 6th place donated by ROC Oil – a two day tour of the offshore

facility at Cliff Head including overnight accommodation at Dongara for our team.

We congratulate all Year 10 Society & Environment students who entered the competition, in particular our representative team, and we extend sincere thanks to Society & Environment teacher Ms Lee Annear for her dedication to the project and for her expertise and guidance.

John Stone
Program Manager Administration



L-R: Joel Jeevaraj, Edward Ting, Biyanka Jaltotage, David Rothnie, Daniel Bhinda, Keith Yap

Student Councillors Leadership Training

This semester, year ten and eleven councillors had participated in a leadership development program with Challenger TAFE. Students completed a Certificate One in Leadership completing units in; developing self, Introduction to Leadership, Effective Team Management, Personal Role in Society, Applying Basic Communication Skills and Solve Problems in the Workplace. The Leadership course ran every Tuesday afternoon at Applecross Senior High School with their TAFE Lecturer Sam Dunbar.

At these meetings we learnt about the different leadership styles, what we can do to help our community and how we can be good leader ourselves. We learnt through research, projects, and many group discussions. I know that I plan to use the knowledge gained throughout my school years and continue my leadership development into adult life.

The leadership course was a very rewarding experience; one I am very grateful for and proud to have completed because it has already impacted on me in many ways. Sam commented on the maturity and the eagerness of all student councillors to learn and grow as individuals and as a team.

Laura Hall
Year 10 Student Councillor

Can you help in the Uniform Shop?

The Uniform Shop requires volunteers to help serve every Wednesday morning from 8am to 9am.

If you can help (even on a rotational basis) please phone Ratna on 0432 503 341.



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Some Key Dates for Term 1 2008

Term Dates

Monday	February 4	Term 1 commences for students
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Public Holidays

Monday	March 3	Labour Day
Friday	March 21	Good Friday
Monday	March 24	Easter Monday
Tuesday	March 25	Easter Tuesday

Parent Events

Tuesday	February 19	7.30 pm Year 8 Parent BBQ
Monday	March 10	6.00 pm School Council meeting
Monday	March 17	7.30 pm P & C Meeting

Student Events

Saturday	February 16	Special Art begins
Wednesday to Friday	February 20 to 22	Year 8 Tennis Camp
Tuesday	February 26	6.30 pm Year 11 River Cruise
Friday	February 29	School Swimming Carnival
Monday to Tuesday	March 10 to 11	Year 8 Big Day Out
Wednesday	March 12	Year 10 River Cruise
Friday	March 14	A Division Interschool Swimming Carnival
Monday	March 17	7.00 pm Year 12 Performance Evening
Wednesday	March 12	Year 12 Ball

For Your Diary

Saturday	March 8	Big Clean Up
Saturday	March 29	50th Anniversary Celebrations
Monday	November 3	TEE & WACE Exams commence
Monday	November 24	Year 12 Graduation Evening



From the Principal's desk

It has been a busy period leading up to end of term with both staff and students involved in a large variety of events and awards presentations.

The Graduation Ceremony for the Year 12 students was a highlight for staff, and the venue of Winthrop Hall at the University of Western Australia provided a sense of occasion for the parents and families of the students. Our congratulations to the students who were the recipients of the "special awards" for 2007 in acknowledgement of their outstanding achievements:

Dux of Tertiary Entrance Examination Subjects

Elaine Pang

Dux of Wholly School Assessed Subjects

Claire Price

Caltex Best All Rounder Award

Holly Thillainath

P&C Award for Citizenship

Amy Coetzee

Alina Brady Art Award

William Coldicutt

Special Art Dedication & Commitment Award

Marika Moriyama

Special Art Most Improved Performance Award

Ian Bell

Special Art Excellence Award

Jim Riley

Sports Star of the Year

Claire Price

Westscheme Award for Excellence in VET

Claire Price

Also, the following students have achieved academic excellence over their final two years of schooling, having achieved a minimum of ten "A" grades. Congratulations to:

Cameron Barnes, Udayasistha Halim, James Pruden, Jesse Deane, Diksha Koul, Cheran Ramkumaran, Jessica Frigger, Dian Nurman, Madhavi Rangaiah, Stephanie Graskoski, Elaine Pang, Daphne Voon

The winners of the individual Year 12 subject awards can be found inside this Bulletin and we will have the opportunity

of acknowledging students from the other year groups at assemblies held early in 2008.

There are some staff changes anticipated for 2008 but unfortunately I am unable to give you a definitive list at this point. However, I would like to thank all staff members for their contribution to the school throughout 2007. For those people who are moving on to new schools I thank you for your commitment to Applecross SHS this year. Finally I would like to acknowledge three teachers who are retiring at the end of this term. Ms Anne Davies from the English Learning Area who has been on Long Service Leave for Semester 2 and has had a long association with the school is leaving us. Ms Helen Reid from the Business & Information Technology department who for the last two years has been on a combination of Long Service Leave and other leave has also made a decision to retire. Ms Reid has had a long commitment to Applecross SHS. And finally Ms Mary Paul from the Home Economics department who has only been with us this year is retiring. We thank all three teachers for their professionalism and dedication to the students' best interests and wish them a wonderful future.

On behalf of all the staff at Applecross Senior High School I would like to thank you for your support of the school this year. I wish all parents and students a relaxing and safe break and a great start to 2008.

Head Boy and Head Girl for 2008

Congratulations to Jackson Riseley and Danielle Lam for being selected as Head Boy and Head Girl for 2008.

Applicants had to go through a selection process which included a written component (curricula vitae) and a speech. In the case of the girls they also had an interview.

All applicants were very professional in their approach to the process and the selection panel had an extremely difficult task choosing from such outstanding students.

Management of Student Mobile Phones

The Department of Education & Training has issued a policy statement regarding the use of mobile phones by students at school. Essentially, mobile phones are to be turned off and not used in classrooms. Whilst parents provide mobile phones to their children for safety and other reasons, it is necessary to protect staff and students from disruption in classrooms and to maintain good order in our schools.

Applecross SHS already has a clear policy on the use of mobile phones which states – "Mobile phones should not under any circumstances be on or used during class time."

We appreciate your support in ensuring that students respect this instruction

Applecross Student Leaders Showing the way



L-R Lizzie Anderson, Claire Baker, Caitlin Toogood, Brad Zarins, Shane Falconer, Jezaniyah Tapsall

On Tuesday the 13th of November a Youth Leadership Conference was held at the Perth convention centre for student leaders from around the state. A group of 15 students from years 8 to 10 represented Applecross SHS at this conference.

During the day, several motivational speakers shared their leadership stories, and passed on their own leadership tips. These speakers came from all walks of

life and all their stories were different, but one common theme emerged, that was we can all be leaders and we can all have a positive impact on our lives.

The first speaker was Mark Martin, executive of the Halogen Foundation (the foundation that organised this day, and many other young leaders days). He spoke about well known leaders and why they became to be respected. He also emphasised four essential leadership qualities; discipline, judgment, style and fall.

Judith Fordham, Mary-Ann Keefe, Adrian Barrich and Mark Sheen were the other speakers and they discussed their own leadership journey, telling stories of lessons learnt and how we can learn from them, and internalise ourselves.

With all these words of wisdom, the

UNIFORM COMMITTEE

The P&C plans to review the school uniform early next year. There are no plans for a change to school colours but rather a desire to provide a range of suitable items of clothing that the students will find attractive.

Accordingly we will be setting up a committee with parents, students and staff members to consider a range of articles and consult with the school community.

The proposed clothing will then need to be endorsed by the School Council.

If you are interested in being part of this committee please contact Ms Lorimer at school on 9314 9393.



L-R Beth Masters, Jezaniyah Tapsall, Malcolm Farrel-Mitchell, Ng Juliana

Important Information for 2008

The Applecross Senior High School community places great importance on the wearing of school uniform. It projects a positive image in the community for our students and the reputation of the school. It also allows staff to identify outsiders as soon as they come into the school. Therefore, it has a major role to play in the security of our students. It is also useful for students to get used to compulsory uniform requirements as many will be required to wear a uniform when they enter the workforce either full time or part time. Finally it removes the potential for competition amongst students with what to wear to school. The uniform policy is approved by the School Council that represents parents at the school.

For some time now there have been some problems with some students regarding uniform. I therefore wish to clarify some areas of concern prior to

parents purchasing uniforms for the new school year. The three main problem areas are footwear, the lower half of the uniform and accessories.

Footwear needs to be safe and suitable for all areas of the school. The best form of footwear is some form of sports shoe as it protects the foot and the ankle. Pumps are not acceptable as there is no protection for the ankle and top of the foot. Thongs are obviously not acceptable as they simply are not safe, and students will not be able to attend classes if they come to school with thongs on (unless there is a specific foot injury)..

The lower half of the uniform is also often a problem. It needs to be plain black pants, shorts or straight skirts. Shorts need to be **modest** in length as do skirts. Very short shorts and skirts are not acceptable as are Logos. Frills, patterns etc garments are unacceptable.

Excessive jewellery and make-up are also not acceptable in the school environment. Large hooped or drop earrings for example are not to be worn. Students should use common sense in this area which will avoid upset if asked to remove either jewellery or make-up.

I would ask for all parents to support the uniform code. Parents of students who are out of uniform will be contacted and students who do not support the code will be excluded from non-academic activities such as river cruises etc. We would hope that this is not necessary and that students will support the policy and show pride in the school. When students are wearing the school uniform in the community they are ambassadors for the school and play an important role in enhancing our reputation.

Rex Lilleyman
Deputy Principal Student Services

Drama Students Set to Dazzle

As the year races to an exciting finish, I would like to highlight the projects undertaken by our lower school students this semester. Year 10's have spent this term working on creating and scripting original scripted pieces based on Subculture characters, and this has meant researching the era, as well as raiding parents' wardrobes for those long-forgotten kaftans and John Lennon glasses. The performances are as varied as they are unique, and we hope the lunchtime shows prove entertaining.

Not to be outclassed, Year 9 Playbuilding class have spent many weeks writing and devising an original piece based on the experiences of 'Alex and Tess' two new Year 8 students who find their first day at Applecross far from ordinary.

Our Year 8's, soon to be Year 9, complete their semester with performances based on original scripts that focus on skills learnt during two terms of drama. For the Year 8 class, the prospect of using costumes and props is always exciting, and some of the transformations are amazing!

I have enjoyed working with the talented and enthusiastic students we have at Applecross, and wish all of them a happy and safe holiday!

Angela Zaknich
Teacher in Charge of Dance and Drama

Year 9 River Cruise

Earlier this term 180 Year 9 students enjoyed a balmy evening on the Swan River aboard the MV Captain Cook for their first high school river cruise. Departing from Barrack Street jetty we cruised down the Swan River towards Fremantle. Because of daylight saving the students were able to enjoy the vista of the expensive real estate developments along the foreshore. We stopped at East Street to pick up pizzas for dinner, which were devoured with gusto by both students and staff. The students showed their moves on the dance floor to the resident DJ, even though they didn't like his original choice of music (just because the staff knew all the words to New York, New York).

A great night was had by all, with lots of positive comments by the students about the great time that they had. A big thank you to the staff who gave up their time to help supervise on the night and also to the parents who were very prompt in collecting their children. Another river cruise is planned for early next year, which the students are already looking forward to.

Jan Michell
Year 9 Coordinator



Alex Scott & Jessica Kretzmann

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Year 10 Career Education - Work Experience

The week allocated for the Year 10's work placement is designed to allow students to gain some work experience in an area that might interest them in the future. As a consequence, this semester we had students working with vets, medical specialists, architects, electricians, mechanics, musical professions, engineers, accountants and - believe it or not - with teachers! And what a successful week it was! Our students, once again, proved what a great group of students they are.

The outcome of these success stories are excellent reports for their job portfolios. These references, which testify to their work ethic, are the exact confirmation and encouragement future employers are looking for. The students not only gained skills but often a good deal of self esteem.

AAR Consulting said "they would love to have Shirley Chong as part of their team" and Melville Primary School said "thankyou for sending Emily Howat to us. She is a gem!" Mark Lewis from Mark Lewis Electrical said "given the opportunity, Luke Jackaman will become an excellent tradesman."

On behalf of all the Career Education staff, we would like to thank the class teachers who supported this programme - despite some interruption to classes; the Career Education staff who worked together to get out to visit most of the students; the parents who helped their children find work placements and helped with transport; the terrific employers who took the students for the week and last but not least, the students who make Applecross so proud.

Mrs Glynis Barber
Career Education Teacher



Robbie, tired after cleaning out the cages at the Attadale Vet



Ashleigh Smith cleaning up at the Kardinya Bistro



Tim promoting the Esplanade Hotel



James Culpin trying to sell me a didgeridoo at Didgeridoo Breath.



Rachel and Putti taking a break at Balast Finance

November 5th – November 9th, 2007



Jack Smith about to de-sex a cat



Hurray – a male Primary Teacher! Mr Coppard at Bicton Primary School



Lucy Vinar discussing specimen results at Western Diagnostic Pathology

M.M.R.

Measles, mumps and rubella are notifiable and highly infectious diseases.

This means that if there was an outbreak at the school, students who have not been fully immunised will be excluded for 14 days following the last recorded case at the school, in reality, this could mean a student is absent from school for weeks.

Students coming to Applecross Senior High School from overseas may not have been immunised with MMR or have only had one MMR. This is insufficient protection and consequently you will be advised to exclude your child from school during an outbreak of measles, mumps or rubella.

Please could parents check their child's immunisation status and if there is only one MMR recorded or NO record of an MMR having been given, please contact the:

Immunisation Clinic		Child and Adolescent Community Health
Rhoela StreetPERTH	OR	on 9339 1362 or 9337 2528 urgently
on 9321 1312 or		

Wishing families a safe and healthy Christmas holiday.

Jessica Reid RGN
Community Health Nurse

BIG CLEAN UP!

On Saturday 8th March 2008 the P&C and the Mt Pleasant Baptist Church are holding a "busy bee" to help give the school grounds and some facilities a good tidy up.

This will be very timely as the 50th anniversary celebration is scheduled for Saturday 29th March.

Early next year we will be calling for parent help. We will then be able to give you details of specific projects so that you can match your expertise to the work.

Please put this date in your diary.

APPLECROSS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Gifted & Talented Education: Visual Art Program

- AWARD CEREMONY 2007 -

A large crowd of parents, students & staff gathered in the School Hall on the evening of Thursday 22nd November 2007 to recognise the outstanding talents of our Special Art students. A number of Awards were presented to the 'best of the best' by our Principal, Ms Lorimer, H.O.L.A – The Arts, Ms McBride & Mrs Lewis on behalf of the Special Art Parents' Committee. The Parents' Committee receive our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for supplying the prizes presented on Thursday evening, and taking the initiative to introduce three NEW awards for presentation to Special Art students: The Year 9 Encouragement Award, The Year 11 Acquisition Award and the Year 8 Entry Scholarship (A \$1,000 prize to be presented for the first time to a Year 7 student entering Year 8 in 2009).

Congratulations to all the students who were awarded prizes in 2007. Applecross SHS is very proud of the talents and commitment of all the students in the Gifted & Talented Education Visual Art Program.

Liz Rankin - Coordinator



Year 8 'Special Art' Awards

- EXCELLENCE** (Top Student) – Jennifer Kent
- DEDICATION & COMMITMENT** – Amber Cunningham
- MOST IMPROVED PERFORMANCE** – Robin Candy
- Highly Commended:** Monique Pecotich, Rhiannon Walker & Tatiana Joannides

Jennifer Kent (Yr 8) receives her Award from Ms McBride



Year 9 'Special Art' Awards

- EXCELLENCE** (Top student) – Philip Gehrmann
- DEDICATION & COMMITMENT** – Katie Hirst
- MOST IMPROVED PERFORMANCE** – Imogen Bird
- Highly Commended:** Nicole Dakin, Luke Mackay & Torrens Revell

A proud Philip Gehrmann (Yr 9) receives his Award



Year 10 'Special Art' Awards

- EXCELLENCE** – (Top Student) Leah Allegretta
- DEDICATION & COMMITMENT** – Aninie Robinson
- MOST IMPROVED PERFORMANCE** – Delia Chin
- Highly Commended:** Sofie Lewis, Craig Rogers & Ashlea Turpin

Leah Allegretta (Yr 10) unveils her name on the 'Special Art' Honour Board with Ms Lorimer

Year 11 'Special Art' Awards

- EXCELLENCE** (Top student) – Emma Buswell
- DEDICATION & COMMITMENT** – Austen Mengler
- MOST IMPROVED PERFORMANCE** – Aubrey Lew
- Highly Commended:** Shola Pendergrast-Trope, Lauren Price & Nic Van Pelt

Year 12 'Special Art' Awards

- (Presented at Winthrop Hall U.W.A.)*
- DEDICATION & COMMITMENT** – Marika Moriyama
- MOST IMPROVED PERFORMANCE** – Ian Bell
- ALINA BRADY ART AWARD 2007** – William Coldicutt



Isabelle Kaiser & Craig Rogers cut the Year 10 'Special Art' Graduation Cake.

Special Art Parents' Committee – Awards 2007

- YEAR 9 ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD** – Eleanor Edwards (NEW Award in 2007)
- YEAR 10 ENDEAVOUR SCHOLARSHIP** – Hanae Meyer
- YEAR 11 ACQUISITION AWARD** – Amelia Herriman (NEW Award in 2007)



Winner of Yr 9 Encouragement Award Eleanor Edwards



Winner of the Yr 10 Endeavour Scholarship Hanae Meyer



Winner of the Yr 11 Acquisition Award Amelia Herriman

NOTE: The introduction of the Year 11 Acquisition Award is a collaborative partnership between the Special Art Parents' Committee and the Student Services Manager, Abe Kassab. Each year a Year 11 artwork will be selected as the winner of this Award. The chosen artwork will be displayed in the Student Services wing of the school as a lasting tribute to Applecross S.H.S. from the Year 11 artist who created it, and will become a part of the school's permanent student art collection.



Winner of the Year 11 Acquisition Award 2007

'A Fine Kettle of Fish' Amelia Herriman Year 11 Monotype print



Talking About Languages

Japanese

Year Twelve student Irene HO was selected as the only student to represent Western Australia in the Japan Foundation 2007 Japanese-Language Program for High School Students. The Japan Foundation offers outstanding students of Japanese language at high schools abroad the opportunity to visit Japan and deepen their understanding of the Japanese language, culture and society through its In-country study tour. Irene joined a group of Australian students at the Japanese Language Institute in Kansai, Japan for two weeks in July. The group visited a Japanese high school, cultural and historical sites and studied Japanese language and culture. Irene is an excellent student who made the most of this opportunity to improve her knowledge of Japanese.

S. ROSE

HOLA Languages

Excellent Results in the Alliance Française Examinations

Although the Alliance Française examinations have previously been compulsory for students in Year 11 and 12, the 2007 group of Year 10 students were exceptional in having 20 of their number volunteer with great enthusiasm. Their confidence was well placed as the following results show. Mentions of **TRÈS BIEN** (Distinction) were achieved by Kim FEDDEMA and Meiying THE, **BIEN** (Credit) by Leah ALLEGRETTA, Afiq AHMAD JAZRI, Heather DE ROZARIO, Christopher DE VALLE, James GRIFFITHS, Grace HOGAN, Clarissa KUSANTO, Lynette LIM, Karla ROVA, Jia Jon THE, Chané VAN DER MERVE, Jessica WARRINER **PASSABLE** (a very good pass) by Reem AL-BAHADIRI, Stephanie ATMAJAYA, Ashlea FINDLAY and Shenade FINDLAY.

Year 11 and 12 students were forced to display their brilliance. Their results are as follows:

Year 11

TRÈS BIEN: Chelsea HAYES (95.56%) and Ryla JAKELSKI (95.28%)

BIEN: Mai BARNES, Lisa ENGLISH, Jessica GLEESON, Lisa KLIFUNIS, Ingrid NASCHWITZ, Sophia RASMUSSEN, Clare TEMPLE and Monique WEINMAN

Year 12

TRÈS BIEN: Madhavi RANGAIAH who was amongst the top 30 students in W.A.

BIEN: Daniel COWEN, Joannes EASTON, Megan FEDDEMA, Sean GOMES, Alicia KILTY-TRIPP, Kate MCGILVRAY and Holly WATSON-REEVES.

PASSABLE: Amy COETZEE, Kelsey JOVANOU and Agnieszka MICHALAK



Chelsea Hayes is presented with her prize by Monsieur Hubert Sevin (Director of the Alliance Française WA)

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS go to **Chelsea HAYES** who gained second place out of 378 candidates who sat the Year 11 Alliance Française exam. Ms Amsberg and Mr and Mrs Hayes were very proud to attend the prize giving ceremony at the **Alliance Française** on 2nd November, to see her presented with her prize of a collection of books. She has also received a letter of congratulations from the Directors of the **Australian Languages Certificate** for attaining a French Certificate 3 with perfect scores in both Listening and Reading Comprehension.

Bravo Chelsea.

Julie Amsberg
French Teacher

Champion Schools Triathlon

Applecross Senior High School once again participated strongly in the recently held Champion Schools Triathlon. This is an event open to all schools (both private and government) within Western Australia.

Applecross was represented with distinction by 48 students who participated in the teams and individual events on the day. Special mention must go to the individual competitors Josh Monaghan in the 14/15 yrs boys and to Ashleigh Baker who placed a credible 10th in the Over 16yrs girls' event.

We had some really excellent results in the teams' event with several top three placing's. Results were as follows:

Year 8 Girls

4th Tara Thillainath, Monique Pecotich, Jennifer Kent
5th Hui Shan Seah, Nikki Massey, Claire Smith
11th Tessa Raetz, Caitlin Toogood, Ellise Watson

Year 9 Girls

9th Natalie Chemello, Merissa Scott, Thea Edwards

Year 10 Boys

2nd Nick Redbond, Luke Richards, Tom Smith
5th Chris Young, Andrew Griffiths, Ewan Austin

Year 11 Girls

6th Lucy Wheeler, Selina Murby, Kate Miller
12th Ingrid Naschwitz, Lisa Massey, Kate Barnard

Year 8 Boys

2nd Justin Johnston, Eamon Roche, Jannik Ramm

Year 9 Boys

2nd Alex Lester, Jared Lloyd, Philip Gehrman
3rd Oliver Eisenlohr, Brandon Hargreaves, Cody Milburn
19th Shannon Staples, Jeremy Leefhelm, Michael Byrnes
22nd Jason Andrews, Oliver Black, Graham Williams

Year 11 Boys

2nd Josh Henderson, Rob Kennelly, Sean Vukovich
3rd Rowan Crouch, Richard Docherty, Sam Evans-Thomson

Applecross finished second overall in the Teams Event which was a terrific result. We need students to start thinking forward to next year so that we can do even better in 2008.

Special thanks to Esther Deng and Andreas Rueber for their help on the day.

Mr Adrian Uppill

Physical Education Department



Paul Taylor with the championship shield from the 2007 Senior Chess Championships.

Applecross SHS students Jaydon Blackman & Chirag Saroha practising for the forthcoming Australian Senior Schools Chess Championships in Brisbane followed by the National Finals of the Chesskids Interschool Championships in Melbourne.

We wish them luck.



Year 12 Subject Awards for 2007

Arts Learning Area

Art & Craft

Art	Abel Ong
Art & Design	Ian Bell

Music

Music	Abel Ong
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Drama/Dance

Dance	Lucy Barrett
Drama	Stephen McCormick
Drama Studies	Kate McGilvray

Photography

Visual Communication Photography	Lottie Moore
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English Learning Area

English

English	Jessica Frigger
English Literature	Cameron Barnes

English as a Second Language

English as a Second Language	Jonathan Tay
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Health And Physical Education Learning Area

Physical Education

Outdoor Education	Alex Miller
Physical Education Studies	Claire Price
Physical Education Studies (Special Tennis)	Joshua Gliddon

Languages Learning Area

French	Madhavi Rangaiah
Japanese	Marika Moriyama

Mathematics Learning Area

Applicable Mathematics	Andrew Perica
Calculus	Irene Ho
Discrete Mathematics	Jennifer Lian Chiew Lim
Modelling with Mathematics	Gypsy-Rose Swain

Science Learning Area

Chemistry	James Pruden
Physics	Cheran Ramkumaran
Senior Science	James Pruden
Biology	Jesse Deane
Human Biology	Dian Nurman

Society & Environment Learning Area

Economics	James Pruden
Geography	James Brindal
History	Sheridan Gore

Technology & Enterprise Learning Area

Business & Information Technology

Industry Information Techn	Ian Bell
Information Systems	Hannah Price
Political and Legal Studies	Cameron Barnes
Small Business Management and Enterprise	Elise Sumner
Accounting	Jennifer Lian Chiew Lim

Design & Technology

Technical Graphics	Daniel Jeffery
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Vocational Education

Structured Workplace Learning	Lawrence Bayly
Work Studies	David Price

Home Economics

Early Childhood Studies	Udayasistha Halim
Food Production	Jaime Greenacre

Science & Engineering Challenge



Jeik Kim & Christian Joachim

On the 21st of November, the Year 9 Academic Extension Science class, accompanied by Mr Shields and Ms Lancaster, achieved an outstanding victory at the 2007 Western Australian Science and Engineering Challenge.

Organised by the Engineers Australia Division and held at the Perth Exhibition Convention Centre, the whole challenge ran for a week, involving 1,200 Year 9 students from 49 different high schools.

On the day, Applecross Senior High School was competing with seven other schools: All Saints, Willeton SHS, Ursula Frayne, Duncraig SHS, Mater Dai, Chisholm and Emmanuel.

Upon arrival, we were given an introduction and then set to work to complete our challenges. We were given a myriad of amazing tasks, from building bridges to designing Mars probes. Some groups powered model trains with wind turbines, while another group carefully manoeuvred a model airship across the room (precariously dodging unsuspecting students in the process!). Other groups created air-canons

and hovercraft, others sorted production lines and power supplies. It was fantastic to see all these different forms of engineering, and even better to experience them for ourselves.

After a quick lunch, some groups switched activities, while other groups, such as the bridge building and airship building groups continued to perfect their creations. Points were tallied up from the various activities, based on their performance and position in relation to the other schools. The day was concluded with the testing of the balsa wood bridges. We all held our breath as the tiny cart loaded with bars of metal rolled across the wooden bridges. But the Applecross team came first, with the bridge supporting every weight, before it finally collapsed at the massive "bridge buster" weight.

The points were tabulated and finally it was announced that Applecross was the winner of the day! With a grand total of 1780 75 points, we beat all of the other schools by more than 100 points! We were presented with medals, engineering hats and a plaque announcing our achievement. Tired but triumphant, we made our way back to school.

But it wasn't until the week after that we received the exciting news. We were the winners of the State, achieving a score which beat 49 other schools in Western Australia.

The Science and Engineering Challenge was an interesting and extremely fun way to introduce us to the world of science. We all had a fantastic time and thoroughly enjoyed the day. A very big thank you to Mr Shields, our Science teacher, for organising the event and for all of his help and well done to all of the Year 9 students who participated.

Nicole Dakin
Year 9 Student



Nicole Dakin, Andrej Dammer, Jade De Melo & Oliver Eisenlohr



Junior Mathematics Olympiad Competition – Year 8 & 9

The goal of this competition is to identify the most gifted students in Mathematics who can solve some very challenging problems. The competition was in two parts, an individual section and a team section.

The competition is popular and about 50 schools were represented on October 27 at the University of Western Australia with over 170 students competing.

We were represented by three teams; 2 of year 8 and 1 of year 9 students and the results were fantastic:

Team 1 - Year 8	Team 2 - Year 8	Team 3 - Year 9
Michael Lay	Waikai Chu	Scott Renner-Hahn
Simon Shook	Caitlin Toogood	Philip Gehrman
Claire Hoad	Deborah Lee	Marcus Chong
Jia-Wei Yeap	Emma Logan	Jessica Juwono

Outstanding results were achieved in a very difficult competition against a great number of schools. Individual honours must go to Simon Shook and Marcus Chong achieving Merit Awards for scoring 22 out of 25 to achieve an equal 7th position in the individual category and Waikai Chu and Philip Gehrman who managed to score 20 out of 25 to be ranked 30th.

Thank you to Mrs Pang for supporting these students, advising them over many lunchtimes as they practiced numerous papers and for giving up her Saturday to act as a marker and supervisor. Many thanks also to the parents for their support.

The competition showed what a wealth of talented students we have at Applecross SHS.

Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiad 2007 – Year 8 and 9

The goal of this competition is to give our Academic Extension students a challenge answering 5 problem solving questions in each of 5 rounds during the year. They were asked to answer some very challenging problems. Both year 8 and 9 students answered the same set of questions.

The competition is popular and about 3200 students competed from all over Australia. Once again the students achieved some excellent results and it is to their credit that they performed so well.

Yr	Student	Result (/25)	Finish
8	Michael Lay	20	Top 10%
	Simon Shook	19	Top 10%
	Claire Hoad	17	Top 25%
	Jia-Wei Yeap	17	Top 25%
	Waikai Chu	16	Top 25%
	Caitlin Toogood	15	Top 25%
	Deborah Lee	14	Top 25%
	Cassandra Giometti	20	Top 10%
9	Peter Kennelly	20	Top 10%
	Jeik Kim	20	Top 10%
	Shameer Muhammad Noor	20	Top 10%
	Scott Renner-Hahn	19	Top 10%
	Morgan Armstrong	18	Top 10%
	Dennis Venning	18	Top 10%
	Michael Frigger	17	Top 25%
	Philip Gehrman	17	Top 25%
	Pardis Maghami	17	Top 25%
	Yuan Qing Yang	17	Top 25%
	Marcus Chong	16	Top 25%
	Nicole Dakin	16	Top 25%
	Sviatoslav Lugovsky	16	Top 25%
	Oliver Eisenlohr	15	Top 25%
	Jessica Fitzgerald	15	Top 25%
	Aneketh Gurmurthi	15	Top 25%
Melissa Hayes	15	Top 25%	
Christian Joachim	15	Top 25%	
Kenneth Ng	15	Top 25%	
Jonathan Oon	14	Top 25%	
Matthew Salinovich	13	Top 25%	
Lauren Yates	13	Top 25%	

Mr Nesa, Head of Learning Area, Mathematics

Applecross 2007 Art Exhibition

The Special Art Parent Committee would like to thank Simon Mitcham, Manager Canning Bridge IGA, and also Grant Riley, Manager Liquor Barons from Canning Bridge IGA for their generous donations towards our Art Exhibition.

Without their continued support and generosity to Special Art our events would not run so smoothly and we really wish to express our heartfelt thanks to them both. We are constantly calling on them to help us with our fundraising and they are always there to lend us a helping hand.

Thank you both once again.

Special Art Parent Committee

HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED

We are at present urgently looking to find host families for the many students wanting to come to Australia on exchange.

Our next arrival date for the students is February 2008. We are expecting students from Germany, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Brazil and Italy. These students will stay for 3, 5 or 10 months, the students are between 15 to 17 years of age and re required to attend school.

Host families do not need to have a child the same age to have a student, what we require is people with a kind heart and a willingness to help bring different cultures closer together.

Anyone interested to know more can contact Jenny Hanson on (08) 83239563 or fax (08) 83239564 or email jeh1313@bigpond.net.au

Gifted & Talented Education: Visual Art Program

Applecross Special Art Student Wins National Gallery Scholarship

Applecross Senior High School student, Emma Buswell, has been selected to represent Western Australia as one of two recipients of the coveted National Gallery Scholarship.

The National Gallery of Australia and the Sony Foundation offer a *Summer Art Scholarship* for sixteen students (two from each state and territory) to spend one week in Canberra in January 2008.

Emma, who is in Year 11 at Applecross SHS, is a member of the Gifted & Talented Education: Visual Art Program. She will have the opportunity to engage with National Gallery staff, art professionals, artists and peers from around Australia.

All these talented students will enjoy a return airfare to Canberra, staying in four-star accommodation from 13 – 19 January with free membership to the National Gallery of Australia.

The group of sixteen scholarship winners will discover the national collection, learn how works of art are acquired, how exhibitions are developed, and go behind the scenes for an insider's perspective of the inner workings of the Gallery.

Emma, and the other participants will take part in workshops and receive expert tuition from Gallery staff and professional artists.

To secure this fabulous opportunity, Emma Buswell wrote a critical response to a reproduction of Richard Bell's painting 'Big brush stroke' 2005.

Emma is no stranger to success, she has also been awarded the *Award for*

Excellence (Top student) in Year 11 at this years Gifted & Talented Education: Visual Art Award Ceremony held at Applecross SHS recently.

Liz Rankin

GIFTED & TALENTED CO-ORDINATOR

