Dates to Remember

Term Dates		
Friday	September 26	Term 3 concludes
Tuesday	October 14	Term 4 commences for students
For Your Diary	,	
Monday - Monday	September 1 – September 8	Arts Week
Tuesday	September 2	Music Performance Evening
Wednesday	September 3	Parent Information Evening "Protective Behaviours"
Saturday	September 6	WA Schools Jazz Festival
Monday	September 8	Year 12 Original Solo Production Evening
Monday	September 15	P&C Meeting
Student Events		
Friday	September 12	School Athletics Carnival
Examinations		
Monday	September 15	Year 12 Mock exams begin
Friday	September 26	Year 12 Mock exams conclude
Structured Wor	kplace Learning	
Monday	September 15	SWL begins
Friday	September 26	SWL concludes

Graduation Ceremony Tickets on Sale NOW

Parents of year 12 students should have received by post a letter explaining the process for purchasing tickets to the 2008 Graduation Ceremony at 7pm on November 24th 2008. A copy of this letter was also handed to students via their care group. If you have not received either of these letters please see Ms Forman.

Students can purchase a maximum of 3 tickets each from Monday 1st September until Friday 5th September 2008 during lunch 1.10pm – 1.45pm. Parents can make credit card purchases over the telephone during this week between 8.00am – 12.00pm.

Jan Knuckey

Business Manager







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SCHOOL BULLETIN

Year 12 History Excursion Army Museum

On Thursday 19th June 2008, fiftythree Year Twelve History students set out, by double decker bus, to visit the Army Museum of Western Australia, accompanied by History Teachers Mr Chapman and Ms Milnes. museum is located in the historic Burt Street Artillery Barracks on Cantonment Hill in Fremantle, just up the hill from the Swan River. The barracks have previously been used as a transit point, a hospital, a Prisoner of War site and a military reserve depot. In previous wars, the barracks have been used to assemble Western Australian troops before they were sent overseas to fight, many never to return. After parking in the parade ground we were able to examine various weapons, machinery and military vehicles that had been used in the two World Wars and the Vietnam War and were now displayed all around the museum grounds. These authentic armoured vehicles and weapons have been preserved and maintained by volunteers at the museum.

We were divided into three groups; each group was joined by one of the museum's 88 volunteers, mainly war



Sam Lawrie, Bridget Davis, Vicki Sutherland, Rebecca Pierluigi, Susan Liu and Esmeralda Ramic.

veterans, who act as guides around the museum. For one volunteer, Mr Clarance Cole, it was his first tour but he managed very competently along with his more experienced colleagues, Mr Frank Beadmore and Mr Steve Fleming. In the museum army memorabilia, photos, uniforms, letters and handcrafted exhibits are on display. These displays range from the colonial armies participation in the Boer War in South Africa to the present War in Iraq and are displayed throughout the museum's five galleries. One gallery in particular, the Prisoner of War gallery,

was particularly horrifying as it showed the harsh conditions that Australian soldiers, who were captured and held by the Japanese in World War Two, had to endure. The guides also explained some amazing stories. One of which was the well-planned Australian evacuation of Gallipoli in 1915, which allowed 55,000 Australian ANZAC troops to escape, with only two injuries! Inspirational slogans also emphasised the importance of the soldier's sacrifice in the wars', "When you

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go home tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today." These men died for "for freedom and honour" and will always be an integral part of Australia's history. We also discovered that units of the Australian Defence Force assisted police to maintain security and safety at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games through "Operation Gold."

No one dared to get sick (thanks to Mr Chapman's instructions) and Suzy McKenna, given the task of guarding the medical kit, upheld her position as appointed volunteer nurse well. The fees we paid to tour the museum will go towards the museum's displays for future generations to see. The Army Museum of Western Australia Foundation also provides funding and volunteers, thus enabling the museum to operate successfully. It is currently open on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday from 11am to 4pm, while group bookings can be made for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; adults \$5, children \$3 or a



Christine Burns, Ebonnie Buckley and Deblina Mittra.

family (two adults and unlimited children) for \$12. If you feel like learning a bit more about your country's military past, drop by the Army Museum of Western Australia at the Artillery Barracks Burt Street, Fremantle, or visit the web site at http://www.armymuseumwa.com.au/.

The museum can also be contacted by Telephone 9430 2535, Fax 9430 23519 or by sending an email to info@ armymuseumwa.com.au.

By Year 12 History Students Chloe Jourdain, Lisa Klifunis and Ebonnie Buckley

Postponed

The 40th Anniversary Special Art Exhibition has had to be postponed until Term 4 due to a government media blackout leading into the election (the same weekend as the art exhibition).

More information regarding the event is avaliable on Page 11. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Solar Panel

Over the past 9 weeks, the solar panel at Applecross SHS has produced around 205 kilowatts of electricity. This gives as a total of 2032 kilowatts of the last 2 years, breaking the 2000 barrier! Due to the season, rain and cloudy weather has minimized the amount that could be produced in the past few weeks.

Julia Grynynchyn and Claire Hoad Year 9 Science Extension

Congratulations

Congratulations to Samantha Fenwick (Year 11), Zoe Kemp (Year 10), Justin Johnson (Year 9) and Troy Ansell (Year 9) who have been selected to represent Western Australia in the 2008 Pacific School Team in Canberra in November/December. The team will be the largest sporting contingent presented by School Sport WA with 395 athletes and 55 officials competing in the sports of basketball, diving, hockey, swimming and track & field.

The Principal

From the Principal's desk

The Japanese students from Takarazuka were in the school for 2 weeks and provided the host families and students the opportunity to improve their Japanese language skills. All of the students involved had a great time as there were a number of excursions, a formal reception at the City of Melville chambers as guests of Mayor Albury and a farewell dinner here at school to attend.

Language students were also rewarded by the chance to see a wonderful performance of traditional Japanese puppetry presented by a team of junior high school students (equivalent to Year 9) from Minamiawaji City, Hyogo Prefecture. Later this term Ms Rose and Mr Lilleyman will accompany fifteen Year 10 students to Japan as part of the cultural exchange.

Upgrades to the back entrance to Ardessie Street and the gym foyer have been undertaken by the school's P&C Association. The school is very grateful to the P&C and particularly the President, Linda Deutsch, for their commitment to the continual improvement of the grounds and facilities.

Finally, the time for Year 12 students to commence their mock exam period on September 15th is drawing close. Students are encouraged to be well organised and if possible reduce their part time work commitments leading into and during these and the final exams. A realistic balance between socializing and study is recommended for all students.



Student of the Month

The Student of the Month is a school wide initiative aimed to promote and recognise the academic and social achievements of students. Each month, staff are asked to nominate students who they felt have demonstrated a particular attribute. The nominations are considered by the Student Services Team who then select the winner. Each nominee's parents/guardians are sent a letter of congratulations from the Principal and the student receives a \$25 gift voucher from the school as well as a meal voucher from the canteen. The Student of the Month for June is Jessica Regan (Yr 12) for demonstrating outstanding commitment towards academic achievement.

2008 Shoebox Appeal

Last year's shoeboxes were colourful, creative and crammed with cool things any kid would love!

A yo-yo ... a mouth organ ... a tennis ball ... hair clips ... crayons ... even exercise books! These small gifts bring smiles and joy to so many needy children who share our planet!

Each Care Group has been invited to decorate and pack ONE shoebox [or more!] with small gifts appropriate for a child of a specific gender and age. [In 2007, CG2 contributed FOUR shoeboxes!]

Individuals and families are also welcome to pack their own shoebox ... but please ask about special conditions and requirements.

For 2008, our target goal is 100 boxes. Please show you care!







Words are Mighty at Applecross

Applecross students are proving themselves a dab hand with a pen. In a recent writing competition they have swept all opposition aside and emerged as a strong and diverse creative force. In the recent West Australian Young Writer's Competition, Applecross had finalists in the top ten students for their section and age group from Years eight through to twelve. Such results indicate a depth of talent and promises well for the future. Applecross was awarded the prestigious **Eric Carlin Prize** for best high school. This award is made to the high school which has the most representatives in the finals. Seventeen finalists was the Applecross total. This prize is becoming part of the Applecross tradition and we hope more creative writers will continue to emerge in future years.



Eric Carlin Prize Winners

The finalists were:

Henry Anderson, Mai Barnes, Alanya Campbell, Amy Clarke, Nicole Dakin, Victoria Diep, Dora Foley, Claire Hoad, Jacob Lam, Elisa Thompson, Caitlin Toogood and Jack Wansbrough.

Other winners from the competition included Jack Wansbrough, who won the Year Nine/Ten poetry section with his poem The Actuary, plus Nicole Dakin, Henry Anderson and Elisa Thompson who were all double prize-winners in both the poetry and prose sections for their Year group.

Finally, Nicole Dakin was awarded the prize for the Young Writer of the Year for the entire competition. This is a wonderful recognition of her sensitive and fluent writing and the judges were unanimous in their choice of Nicole for the prize.

Royal Commonwealth Essay Competition

In a more formal style of writing, Applecross students have also performed well in the Royal Commonwealth Essay Competition. These essays are sent to England to

be assessed and six of our students have been recognised for their work by the London Examiners.

CLASS B: Alanya Campbell Highly Commended CLASS C: Jaeger Wieland Commended Alexandra Hargreaves Commended Jennifer Kent Commended Nicole Dakin Commended Co

The following students have received recognition as Local Prize Winners: Elisa Thompson, Nicole Dakin, and Alex Hutchins

Well done all of you and keep on writing.

Veronica Lake HOLA



Young Writer of the Year Nicole Dakin (Y10)

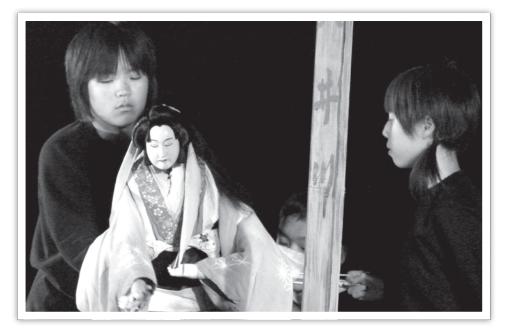
Applecross Senior High Hosts

Bunraku Puppet Performance

On Friday the first of August a delegation from Minami Awaji City in Japan visited Applecross Senior High School and staged a performance of Bunraku, Japan's traditional puppet theatre. The group came to Western Australia to celebrate twenty years since Western Australia donated koalas to the city of Minami Awaji as part of the Sister State relationship between Hyogo Prefecture and WA. As a form of thanks and educational exchange, the delegation brought two groups of junior high school students, who have been learning the art form of Bunraku to Perth to perform for high school students and their families here.

Applecross was invited to host this amazing performance as our school is well known for its excellent Japanese language program and enthusiastic The school gym was students. transformed into a stage for the production. Each of the puppets used in Bunraku are manipulated by three people dressed in black. The puppeteers are able to create very lifelike movements, but it requires tremendous cooperation between the three. The story is "sung" by a narrator and musical accompaniment and sound effects are created by a person playing a "shamisen" traditional three stringed instrument. Although the presentation was done in Japanese, the audience was fascinated by this amazing art form and showed their appreciation with enthusiastic applause.

Many adults commented later on the skill





and self discipline of the young Japanese students who performed the Bunraku. Students also enjoyed the performance.

Chris Year 8: "It was exciting and amazing how the puppets changed their expressions. You could really feel the emotion through the songs."

Kim Year 8: "It was very professional. They were really talented students." Albert Year 8: "You could see that it took real skill to manipulate the puppets, to play the shamisen and to do the vocal parts."

Ms S Rose Head of Languages Learning Area





Work Experience Report – June 2008



Conor Faulds wants to be a Vet and found some new friends at Pets Parade, Melville.



Jack Byrne helping out at Boom Fitness, Myaree.



Jimmy Berryman selecting his work vest at Asset air and Electrical, O'Connor.



The children loved Natalia Widjaja when she taught them at Winthrop Primary School Kindergarten.



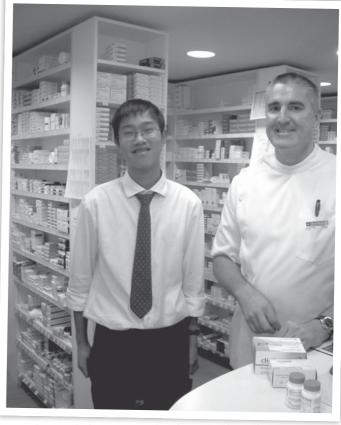
Rose Bacon learning nursing procedures at Attadale Hospital

Fifty six Year 10 Career Education students embarked on an adventure to the world of work when they went on a week's work experience in June. The employers from all the companies unanimously agreed that the Year 10 students from Applecross SHS were terrific and were great representatives of the school. A number of students were offered part-time work straight away, and possible school-based traineeships and pre-apprenticeships for next year. In fact many of the students said "Can we do work experience again next semester?"

The students went to small companies such as Endeavour Accounting, new companies such as The Silk Road Restaurant, large government departments such as the Department for Planning and Infrastructure and multinational companies such as BHP Billiton. Both employers and students enthused about the benefits of this program. Any work experience that a student can get during their school life gives insight into possible future career directions as well as improving their confidence and employability skills.

It has also given the students a handy reference that they can put into their career portfolio. Well done Year 10's.

Mrs Glyn Barber
Career Education Teacher



Kenneth Ng with pharmacist Mark Peden at Winthrop Pharmacy.



Marcus Chong with one of his culinary delights from the kitchen of the Trade Winds Hotel.





Mathematics Talent Quest – Year 8



L-R Emma Logan Y 9, Jessica Juwono Y10, Nicole Dakin Y10, Simon Shook Y9 (back), Melissa Hayes Y10, Oliver Eisenlohr Y10, Peter Kennelly Y10, Michael Frigger Y10 and Pardis Maghami Y10

Once again three Mathematics teachers; Mr Hughes, Mr Boyadjian and Mrs Pang have worked tirelessly with 7 Year 8, 12 Year 9 and 17 Year 10 students from their Academic Extension classes on a Mathematics Talent Quest competition. Term 2 was extremely busy for these very talented Mathematics students.

They were required as individuals or in groups of up to four to produce a project investigating some number patterns from real life situations. Their projects involved extensive investigation of patterns and then to produce a formal report. Their work has been evaluated for State awards and also currently being evaluated with possible State representation in a National competition.

The State results achieved were excellent.

Year 9: Simon Shook and Emma Logan were awarded Highly Commended for their "Soap Bubbles" project.

Year 10: Nicole Dakin, Jessica Juwono and Melissa Hayes were awarded Highly Commended for their "Riffle the Cards" project.

Year 10: Pardis Maghami, Oliver Eisenlohr, Michael Frigger and Peter Kennelly achieved a 1st prize for their "How truthful is the Map" project.

All students with their teachers and in particular Mrs Pang worked tirelessly over Term 2, dedicating hours of their personal time at lunchtime and at home to produce outstanding projects. We wish all students every success and await the judges' verdicts as to which projects may be put forward for the National competition.

ECU Mathematics Problem Solving Program

A number of students are enrolled in this program run by Edith Cowan University during this year. It is a program for more able students doing enrichment studies in problem solving. Students regularly attend the University for an after school program run year long.

Note: For 2009

Secondary Level 1 (Euler) for students in year 8-2009 (Weekly Tuesday)

Secondary Level 2 (Gauss) for students in year 9-2009 (Weekly Wednesday)

Secondary Level 3 (Noether) for students in year 10-2009 (Weekly Wednesday)

Enrolment for next years course is available now by completing a set of problems and the enrolment form available at http://www.chs.ecu.edu.au/courses/mpsp/

Enrolments close on September 25, 2008. Any interested students should attempt the problems on their own time at home and under no time constraints. The solutions should be sent to Dr Hoffman at the address on the website. The solutions should clearly state the student's name, address, home telephone number, current school and current year-level.

There will be a charge of \$100 for the year long program. There is an additional charge of \$75 for students in Years 8-10, for participation in the Mathematics Challenge program. See Mr Nesa if you require any further information.

Mr Nesa
Head of Learning Area, Mathematics

Chirag to represent Australia in Chess

Congratulations to CHIRAG SAROHA (Year 9) who has been selected to represent Australia in the U14 Boys division at the Commonwealth Chess Championships in Nagpur, India, in September and October.

The Commonwealth Championships are conducted under the auspices of F.I.D.E., the international chess association, and the All India Chess Federation.

Chirag's selection follows his excellent performance in the 2008 W.A. Junior Grand Prix and his victory in the U14 State Championship. He completed his Primary schooling in Delhi, so the championships are also an opportunity for him to return to India.

As the chess coordinator at Applecross, I am delighted by Chirag's selection.

Chirag is a fine player. He has ability and, what is more important at this level, he works at it. I would be very grateful if members of the school community were able to make a small financial contribution towards his participation.

Denis McMahon
Teacher-In-Charge English

Takarazuka Exchange 2008

We have just farewelled our visitors from Takarazuka City, Japan, after a very successful twenty second year of the exchange program. Fifteen Applecross students and their families hosted fifteen Japanese students for two weeks. The visiting students were accompanied by three adults, who participated in the exchange every day. We especially enjoyed seeing the Japanese students perform the "Soran Bushi" traditional fisherman's dance at the welcome assembly. It was so energetic and lively.

During the two weeks our visitors interacted with many classes of Applecross students at school, painted boomerangs as a craft activity, participated in cooking, physical education and library activities and enjoyed many excursions around Perth. Both visitors and Applecross students and staff were invited to a Mayoral Reception at the City of Melville with Mayor Aubrey. Dr Leonie Stickland, whose father started this exchange when she was living in Takarazuka, acted as translator at the ceremony.

This is a fantastic program. I must thank the many staff of Applecross Senior High who helped during the visit. Without their goodwill this program would not be so successful. Deputy Principal Mr Rex Lilleyman and I look forward to taking our group of Year Nine and Year Ten students on a return visit to Japan in September of this year.

Ms S. Rose

Head of Languages Learning Area and Exchange Coordinator



Takarazuka Exchange Visit





Year 10 Success Again

The Year 10AE Society and Environment class participated in the Petroleum Club Schools' Information Programme in Term two. The competition run by Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration (APPEA) encourages students to work in teams to create an original, innovative project with the aim of educating a target audience of their choice, about the operations of the upstream petroleum industry, safety and environmental impact issues and related career opportunities.

After experiencing a series of classroom lectures and field trip provided by industry representatives, the participating teams produced outstanding projects which incorporated huge models, brilliant videos and informative booklets. The quality of presentation was exceptionally high and all competing students are to be commended for their excellent level of achievement.

Applecross SHS team consisting of Melissa Hayes, Claire Olsen, Alicia Le, Stephanie Jones, Laura Crouch and Nicole Dakin received an award for the use of print media at the semi final presentations held at Kelmscott SHS on the 1st July.

These students progress to the grand final which will be held in the Ballroom at Government House on the 6th November.

The Petroleum Club competition is a challenging and rewarding experience. It provides participants with important life skills such as team work, problem solving and independent learning. Tantalising prizes are offered by sponsoring companies which include BHP, IFAP and Apache. Hopefully the team representing Applecross will be successful in achieving a top place in the grand final. We wish them luck.

Lee Annear

Teacher Year 10, AE Society and Environment



L-R Nicole Dakin, Laura Crouch, Melissa Hayes, Alicia Le, Claire Olson, Stephanie Jones

Kate Smith

Community Service Program

The Community Service Program was introduced into all secondary schools in 2007. This program requires all students in Year 10 to complete a minimum of twenty hours of community service before the completion of Year 12.

Congratulations to the following Year 10 students who have completed their community service: Kevin Tjakradinata
Pardis Maghami
Marissa Scott
Laura Tudge
Bryce Teo
Kenneth Ng
Rheanne Jakelski
Danae Blennerhassett

Zijian Wang Mincho Kang Joseph Ukalovich Torrens Revell Michael Wieteska Jo-Marie De Villiers Mim Kempson

Katie Goor
Katelyn Boucher
Beth Masters

George Sekulla

Program Manager Administration

2008 ICAS Science Contest Results

Forty-seven students won 6 High Distinctions, 13 Distinctions and 17 Credits as follows:

High Distinction: Year 8 Alex Bray

Year 9 Claire Hoad

Year 10 Nicole Dakin, Philip Gehrmann, Kenneth Ng, Thomas Sullivan

Distinction: Year 8 Caleigh Faulkner, Jhil Rudrum,

Year 9 Waikei Chu, Amber Cunningham, Deborah Lee, Emma Logan,

Jack Looby, Caitlin Toogood,

Year 10 Oliver Eisenlohr, Yuan Qing (Bill) Yang Year 11 Christopher De Valle, Joel Jeevaraj

Year 12 Jessica Regan

Credit: Year 8 Michaela Gartz, Flynn Jagoe, Lakna Kariyawasam,

Year 9 Ioulia Grynychyn, Alexzarandra Hutchin, Jiayi Zhao,

Year 10 Jessica Fitzgerald, Aneketh Gurumurthi, Juliana Ng, Alex Scott, Year 11 James Griffiths, Biyanka Jaltotage, David Rothnie, Starling Sim,

Michael Wawryk,

Year 12 Tracey Han, Chelsea Hayes

The Year 9 and Year 10 cohorts were extremely strong and indeed all our year groups compared with State means as follows: Year 8 29% above; Year 9 44% above; Year 10 42% above; Year 11 10% above and Year 12's equal to the State mean.

Year 10 High Distinction winners (Nicole, Philip, Ken, and Tom) will also receive a Tristan Dravnieks Memorial Award for their achievement which includes a \$50 prize. Tristan Dravnieks was a Year 10 student at Applecross Senior High School in 2001, when he sadly died in a road accident. He loved science and he had also just won a High Distinction in the Science Contest. For this reason, his parents asked that the scholarships they donated go to successful Year 10 Science students.

Roger Dring

Science Teacher

