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WORLD SKILLS Australia VET in Schools National Competition

Two of our students, Teija Blanden and John Sloman were the Gold medal winners in the State finals held in 2011. Brendon Bosanac received the Silver medal in the State finals in the Metals & Engineering division and Sean Loseby was the Bronze medal winner in the Information Technology division. A medal presentation ceremony was held at the Burswood Grand Ballroom last year.

On 29 June 2012, VETiS students and open category team members met for a sundowner in the Aboriginal People's Gallery, Parliament House, where Teija and John and all representatives for WA received

Certificates from WA Minister for Training and Workforce Development, Hon. Murray Cowper MLA and Mark Callaghan, Chief Executive Officer of WorldSkills Australia.

The national competition was held at the Sydney Showgrounds, Sydney Olympic Park, from Thursday 30 August to Saturday 1 September. The National Presentation Awards Ceremony was held on the evening of Sunday 2 September.

John Sloman – from Gilmore College represented Western Australia and competed in Metals & Engineering.

Teija Blanden – from Gilmore College represented Western Australia and competed in Business Services.

Patrice Kilpatrick
Industry and Enterprise Coordinator



TRY A TRADE

Construction Training Fund and the Challenger Institute of Technology June 25 to 27

Carpentry & Joinery or Wall & ceiling lining

During the week the students built a cladded room

Students learnt how to

- Read plans and take measurements
- Cut, sand and stain wood
- Drill and bolt frame work
- Prepare and assemble projects

16 Year 10 students participated

1 Denham Ansell	2 Sidney Delvalle
3 Nicholas Ellis	4 Bradley Fenner
5 Brice Finch	6 Matthew Hampshire
7 Blake Johnston	8 Zac Mitchell
9 Charles Parsons	10 Dylan Price
11 Jake Pugh	12 Kabinah Sesay
13 Anthony Smit	14 Nelson Warwick
15 Kaileb Werner	16 Trishan Yambao

Upcoming Try a Trade November 12 to 14

Bricklaying and solid plastering & floor tiling

Students will learn how to

- Read plans and take measurement
- Butter and lay bricks
- Handle solid plastering materials
- Prepare surfaces for plastering
- Prepare, cut and Lay tiles
- Grout project

Bottom Right Photo: Tiana Andreello, Brooke Kerr and Charisse Coleman

iWOMEN

Proud parents/caregivers, family, teachers and industry representatives gathered at the Town of Kwinana Council Chambers on Wednesday 20 June to congratulate Year 10 female students who participated in the Kwinana Industries Council 2012 iWomen Project.

Charisse Coleman, Brooke Kerr and Tiana Andreello represented Gilmore College. They visited a range of industry within the Kwinana Industrial area, met employees in a variety of roles and had the opportunity to discover the different of careers and professions in the local area as well as possibilities for future involvement in the workforce. Tiana participated in the evening by making a thank you speech after completing the polish program.

Patrice Kilpatrick
Industry and Enterprise Coordinator



FROM THE PRINCIPAL



*This is the third In Touch for 2012
I would like to see more regular newsletters in 2013
as one per term is not enough to inform you of your
children's achievements.*

Gilmore College students successfully participated in the House Athletics Carnival. This was well attended by students (and parents). Well done to the Physical Education team for all their hard work in making it happen.

Gilmore hosted the Community Cabinet Meeting in September. The College was selected as the venue from a number of Senior High Schools, which was an honour. I do hope many of you took advantage of the close proximity and came along to have your say to our Prime Minister and her Cabinet.

Most of you will be aware by now that Gilmore has been given Independent Public School status. The College Council will become a College Board. The College Board represents all parents. More information will follow regarding this. I am a firm believer in parent and community involvement in the College, which is why the Board is very important. It ensures the College is offering an education that fits the clientele and gives them greater insight into the wide range of activities that occur these days. (Very different from my school days!)

The Year 12s have almost finished High School

education. Next term we will have a Valedictory Ceremony for them and a range of other activities. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of the graduation students well for their futures. I know a number are applying for apprenticeships and others are studying to gain University entrance. I hope you all achieve your goals, whatever they may be.

Year 6 into 7 transition has been ongoing for a number of weeks now and will gain greater momentum as we move closer to Term 4. Students from the Primary schools attended Gilmore recently to sit a test in order to gain entry into an Academic Extension class for 2013. Well done! Our Robotics teacher has been visiting the schools as has an Associate Principal accompanied by former students from their Primary School. A Science road-show will also visit soon and more activities to attract students to the College.

Thank you for your support. Behaviour has improved dramatically since 2010 as has the wearing of uniform. Attendance still has room for improvement. With your support we can make Gilmore the best school it can be!

Have a great Term 3 holiday.

Carolyn Cook
Principal



Top Left: Is a picture of four Calista Primary School students playing "Snakes n Ladders" with the Beebots.

Top Right: Is a picture of Troy Fail working with some primary school students

PEAC ROBOTIC ROADSHOW

A group of Year 7 PEAC students from Gilmore College have been visiting local primary schools to demonstrate the robots they have been working with and building.

So far the students and Mr Morgan have put on the Road Show at Calista, Leda, Orelia and Bertram Primary Schools. We start off by asking students about robots and then we demonstrate the different models. Once this is completed we divide the primary students up into small groups and we then allow them to play with the robots.

The whole event takes about an hour and all of the students have a great time. Our students have been commended on their behaviour and how they interact with the primary school students. We are looking forward to visiting other primary schools in Term 4.

Chris Morgan
Head of Learning Area – Technology and Enterprise

GILMORE COLLEGE JUNIOR IT COMMITTEE

A team of students from Gilmore College have been selected to assist students with their laptops.

These students will perform tasks such as: re-imaging machines, help with network and internet connections, filling out documents and basic maintenance procedures. The team consists of: Maktoom Ahmed (Year 10), Travis Kelly, Ashley Mathers, Ashlee Watterson, Jordan McCulloch, Wesley Opie, Daniel Scheffer, Lisa Henriques, Andrew Henderson (Year 11), Michael Liao and Dion Hill (Year 12).

The team will be placed on a roster and students who are having difficulties with their laptops can access the team during Recess 1 and 2. This is a great opportunity for our students to participate in a program where they get real life experience as members of an IT Help Desk.

Some of the students can use this experience to complete competencies towards their Certificate II. This is a great programme and should contribute to the successful management of laptops in the College.

Jon Stanley
ICT Technician





Visual Arts

The Visual Arts students have worked with consistency and enthusiasm throughout Semester 1. With high levels of creative preparation and presentation the students have grown in confidence, while enjoying the exploration of various mixed media.

Semester 1 has been focused on preparation towards the K-12 Regional Exhibition of the Visual Arts from across the South Metropolitan Region, ART BLAST 2012. This exhibition runs from Monday 29 October – Friday 2 November at the Fremantle Town Hall. The

official opening is on 29 October from 4:30 pm until 8:00pm. This will include a Wearable Art Parade and the presentation of 30 South Metropolitan Art Schools Exhibits. All families are welcome to attend the opening or view the art works during the exhibiting times Tuesday to Friday 9:00am until 1:00pm. Ms Maxfield, Visual Arts teacher from Gilmore College will be supervising the exhibit from 9:00am – 1:00pm on Friday 2 November.

Sophia D’Rozario
Head of Learning Area – The Arts



HoT 'n' Deadly Health 'n' Science Camp @ ECU

Two Year 9 students in the Follow the Dream program were invited to attend the Edith Cowan University, School of Medical Sciences Health n Science Camp for Years 9-12 Aboriginal students held on Sunday 1 July until Friday 6 July 2012. Only 30 Aboriginal students across the metropolitan and rural areas had the opportunity to be part of the "Hot n Deadly" camp for 2012.

Tahj Hilzinger-Smith and Makayla Bulk participated in a number of Science and Health practical activities including observing a "real life" paramedic situation, fun science laboratory based experiments, sports science assessment trials and interactive sessions using birthing simulators.

Both Tahj and Makayla loved the camp and were able to meet and make friends with many other Aboriginal students from across the State. They both hope that they can be involved in the camp again next year.

Dave Smith
Follow the Dream Coordinator

Photo Above: Katelyn Wardell, Tiara Lovell-Herbert, Aaron Johnson and Aimee Widginton

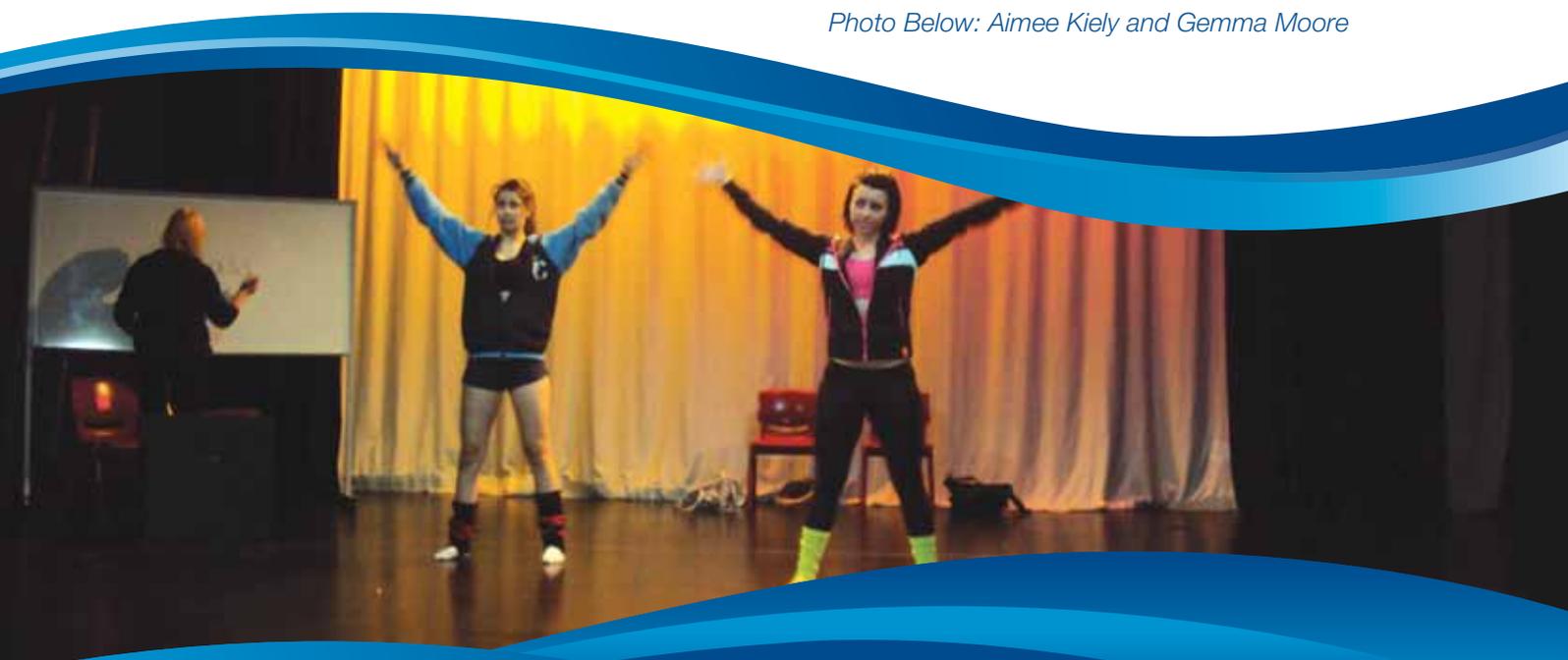
Photo Below: Aimee Kiely and Gemma Moore

Year 11 Dance

This year our upper school dance students have been busy getting their 'groove on'. At the moment they are working on scenes from famous Musical Theatre Pieces. Get ready for excerpts from everyone's favourites-Grease, Annie, Singing in the Rain and Fame! Some talented students also performed for our year seven assembly, including some very brave Year 7 students! Well done Dancers!

We would like to congratulate all the arts students in your achievements in this year's Youth on Health Festival.

Sascha Bragaglia
Dance Teacher
The Arts





NAIDOC WEEK

NAIDOC Week was held at the College during the week beginning 30 July 2012. This important event celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only by Indigenous communities, but by a cross section of the Australian community.

The theme for NAIDOC Week 2012 is Spirit of the Tent Embassy: 40 years on. The theme was selected by the National NAIDOC Committee to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy and recognise the key contributors to its long history.

During this week, students participated in Aboriginal story-telling with Mr A. Collard (AIEO), Mr B. Collard (Clontarf Academy), and Mrs Garlett (AIEO); boomerang making and painting with Mr Smith (Follow the Dream) and Mr A. Collard (AIEO); Aboriginal art with Ms D'Rozario (Head of Learning Area – The Arts) and Mr A. Collard (AIEO); social and cultural issues in English with Ms Hewitt (Head of Learning Area – English); cultural hand prints with the Work Connect students, Mr McLaughlan and Mrs Dickman; and traditional food

sampling with the students from the Clontarf Academy and Ms Glanville (Technology and Enterprise).

The College NAIDOC Assembly was held on 1 August 2012. Year 9 student, Tahj Hilzinger-Smith and Mr Lindsay Calyun (local Aboriginal elder) delivered the Acknowledgement to Country. The College Choir under the direction of Mrs Morgan, performed the song, Sorry, accompanied by Mr Smith and Mr A. Collard. Staff and students welcomed the Aboriginal Dance Group – the Yonga Boys who performed cultural dance items. The final item was performed by Drumbeat under the direction of Mr Clucas (Clontarf Academy) and Mr Pattiselanno (Youth Worker from the Zone).

George Sekulla
Associate Principal

Photo left to right: Bradley Pereyra, Alex Little, Tahj Hillzinger-Smith, Joshua Kickett, Jordan Riley, Bevan Indich and John Garlett



SEMESTER ONE LEARNING AREA AWARDS

THE ARTS

YEAR 7

Stephanie Dodd - Music
Ennalee Bialas - Drama
Luci Hipper-Smith - Choir
Negin Nawabi - Band and Visual Art
Shaamika Rangihaeta - Dance

YEAR 8

Amy Liao - Visual Art
Nicole Patterson - Music
Sarah Thorpe - Dance

YEAR 9

Brielle Clark - Visual Art
Jarriel Matesich - Music
Bonnie Purves-Kerr - Media
Bradley Talbot - Drama

YEAR 10

Reece Bayley - Music
Ella Jackson - Media
Leilani Lutui - Dance
Joemer Mendoza - Visual Art
Anthony Smit - Band
Larissa Whittingham-Smith - Band
Travis Wright - Drama

YEAR 11

Razmin Azman - Visual Art
Kayla Gibson - Dance
Zee Marincowits - Drama
Sofika Miles - Music
Ellen Parker - Drama
Crystal Wilcox - Media

YEAR 12

Joshua Atkinson - Music
Jake Dietsch - Media
Aimee Kiely - Drama
Nicky Le - Visual Art
Deanne O'Donnell - Drama
Amber-Lee Perakovic - Media

ENGLISH

YEAR 7

Heidi Matijevich

YEAR 8

Kaitlin Ruck

YEAR 9

Kaitlin Smith

YEAR 10

Larissa Whittingham-Smith

YEAR 11

Lisa Henriques

YEAR 12

Jake Dietsch

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

YEAR 8

Elia Strickland

YEAR 10

Julian Pereyra

MATHEMATICS

YEAR 7

Michael Smit

YEAR 8

Charlie McVeigh

YEAR 9

Shane Anderson

YEAR 10

Anthony Smit

YEAR 11

Gemma Moore
Kristie Read

YEAR 12

Jake Dietsch
Tiahne Koehler

SCIENCE

YEAR 7

Nate Edwards

YEAR 8

Marenka Erceg

YEAR 9

Jessie Franz

YEAR 10

Anthony Smit

SOCIETY & ENVIRONMENT

YEAR 7

Kearne Baylis

YEAR 8

Kaitlin Ruck

YEAR 9

Jayde Davidson

YEAR 10

Amber McIntyre-Butler

YEAR 11

Daytona-Rose Lydon - Career & Enterprise

Kristie Read - History

Crystal Willcox – Geography

YEAR 12

Jake Dietsch – History

Lisa Doomen – Geography

Dean Savage – Career & Enterprise

TECHNOLOGY & ENTERPRISE

YEAR 7

Kaycee Gorembalem – Home Economics

Huynh Le – Applied Information & Technology

Negin Nawabi – Home Economics

Joel Sandqvist – Design & Technology

YEAR 8

Elia Strickland – Robotics

YEAR 9

Ivan Basnillo – Applied Information & Technology

YEAR 10

Hannah Fisher - Hospitality

YEAR 11

Melody Foo – Certificate II Information Technology

Lisa Henriques – Hospitality

Ngawai Payne – Children Family & Community

Daniel Philip – Food Science & Technology

Veda Spence – Textile

Dylan Wright – Engineering Studies

YEAR 12

Alex Davis – Textiles

Vince Gingoyon – Certificate II Information & Technology

Courtney Hunter – Children Family & Community

Michael Liao – Applied Information & technology

Kristian Nielsen – Design Technical Graphics

Nicholas Pini – Materials Design & Technology

Dale Spencer – Engineering Studies

Aaron Turner – Food Science & Technology

Jayden Widginton – Kwinana Industries Graphics

Faith Yambao - Hospitality

LYRIK AWARD CEREMONY

The Lyrik Youth Incentive Program Awards Ceremony was held on 20 June 2012 at the Zone Youth Space.

The evening celebrated the wonderful achievements of young people in Kwinana. The Program is an aspirational initiative that nurtures the personal development of young people in the local community.

The following students from Gilmore College were nominated for awards:

- Joshua Kickett – Inspirational category
- Caitlin Turner – Teamwork category
- John Garlett – winner of Achievement category

Congratulations to each of these students.

STUDENT SERVICES

YEAR 7 COORDINATOR

Congratulations to Mr Brennan who has been appointed to the Year 7 Coordinator position for Semester 2.

The Year 7 Coordinator offers a broad range of support including pastoral care, attendance, behaviour management, academic progress and Year 6 – 7 Transition. The Year Coordinator also provides a communication link between students, parents/caregivers and the College. The Year 7 Coordinator is a member of the Student Services Team.



WELL DESERVED RECOGNITION

Congratulations to Mrs Strydom, College Chaplain, on being named Gilmore College's 2012 School Breakfast Program Volunteer of the Year.

Mrs Strydom coordinates the College's daily breakfast program that ensures students do not miss out on the physical, mental and social benefits of receiving a nutritious meal. Without her dedication and commitment the program would cease to operate at the College.



The Award was presented by Foodbank WA and is a core element of the Mentally Healthy WA's Act-Belong-Commit campaign.

George Sekulla
Associate Principal

YEAR 11 REPORT

2013 COMMITTEES

A number of Year 11 students have nominated themselves for the 2013 committees.

These committees provide students with leadership opportunities, organisational and communication skills and the chance to work within the wider community. Students have been chosen for the Ball Committee, Leavers Jumper Committee and the Year Book Committee. Involvement in these Committees will involve fortnightly meetings and making decisions for the Year 11 cohort.

BALL COMMITTEE

Marlee Bryden	Razmin Azman
Nikeasha Larsen Gray	Enyana Cain
Daniel Philip	Abbey-Lee Johnson
Josie Todd	Katelyn Thomas
Ebony Walker-Matthews	Natalie Tohi
	Katelyn Wardell

In an effort to keep the Ball at the same price as 2013, the Ball Committee has nominated AQWA for their venue for 2013. The reasons the students chose this was because of their creative input with decorations and theme, pre-dinner drinks while walking through the aquarium and the ocean views in the function centre. We understand that the distance is a while away from Kwinana so if you have any concerns about the venue choice please contact Mrs Morrison on 9411 1849.

YEAR BOOK COMMITTEE

Serena Collins	Abbey-Lee Johnson
Zee Marincowits	Milij Milovanovic
Natalia Tohi	Crystal Wilcox

LEAVERS JUMPER COMMITTEE

Marlee Bryden	Sharron Foo
Nikeasha Larsen-Gray	Ebony Walker-Matthews
Ellen Parker	Daniel Philip

RIDA EXCURSION

On 8 March 2012, 60 Year 11 students went to the Kwinana Motorplex for an informative RIDA excursion run by the Rotary Club of Western Australia.

The day started at 9:00am with a question and answer session based on the facts of drink driving, hidden dangers on the road and designating drivers. The session provided students with interesting facts and important warning signs that drivers need to be aware of.

The day continued with a video session run by the WA Police. The Police spoke to the students about horrific accidents that they have had to attend and the heartbreak of parents/caregivers who have lost children due to dangerous driving. The session made students aware of the impact dangerous drivers have not only on the families but the teachers, ambulance drivers, fire fighters, friends and Police Officers.

The day was lightened with a tasty sausage sizzle and the opportunity for the students to sit and ring the sirens in the Police vehicles. Apart from the noise and constant microphone messages the students enjoyed the opportunity to sit the back of a police car.

After lunch the students were involved in two sessions. The first session focused on a man suffering from traumatic brain injury as a result of a car accident. He spoke to the students about his life before and after the accident and how his disability has affected his life. The second session allowed the students the opportunity to drive around the racetrack in a licensed racecar. This session stressed the importance of breaking distances and encouraged students to race at licensed venues rather than on the roads.

RIDA was an excellent excursion for the students to participate in. The students were provided with important information about safe driving and the after effects of dangerous and drink driving.

PX2

Over the last two years at Gilmore College, the Year 11 students have been involved in the PX2 program, which is designed to prepare students to handle the pressures of Year 11 and 12. This year the students participated in two full days at South Street and Rockingham Murdoch University campuses.

Both days were filled with group activities, competitions with other local schools and independent challenges. The PX2 program challenged students to think about their futures and to find their own talents and interests. Both days were very informative and provided students with the necessary skills to be successful at school.

Murdoch University presenters commended all the Year 11 students on their fabulous commitment to the program and the way they conducted themselves on the day. I am very proud of the students' efforts and the way they presented themselves during the PX2 conferencing.



Photo Above: Josie Todd, Cheyenne Beazley and Natalia Tohi

RED CROSS YOUTH AMBASSADOR

This year Gilmore College will be the only school in the Rockingham-Kwinana area participating in the Red Cross Blood Donation Challenge. The program is set up so parents, teachers and students, aged 16-18, can donate blood at the Rockingham Red Cross center. Four dedicated Year 11 student have been chosen as Youth Ambassadors for this program. Natalia Tohi, Cheyenne Beazley, Katelyn Thomas and Josie Todd will undertake a leadership role within the school convincing students to "Be Brave and Save a Life".

The students will be holding blood drives throughout the year for enthusiastic and brave students who are willing to give up their time to donate blood. They have also run a Blood Day on 1 August to celebrate National Blood Donors Week which saw over 40 students sign up to donate blood.

GUEST PRESENTERS

This year Gilmore College has started the advocacy program with the Year 11 and 12s. This program is designed to prepare students for the pressures of Year 11 and 12, post school employment and further study.

As a part of this program the students have attended a number of Guest Speaker sessions. At the end of last term Richard Hill, a man who has Muscular Spinal Atrophy, spoke to the students about acceptance and what it is like to live with a disability. Students have also listened to guest speakers from Challenger TAFE, Murdoch University, The Red Cross and Polytechnic West. All of the presentations have been very informative and provided students with important information.

Melissa Morrison
Year 11 Coordinator



Top Left: Aaron Kirby
Top Right: George-Anna Gorman and Amy Read
Bottom Right: Melanie Parker and Jayde Davidson

YEAR 9 STUDENTS DISCOVER HOW THE WORLD REALLY WORKS!

On 5 July 2012, the Year 9 students at Gilmore College went to Scitech as a reward for the hard work they had been doing in class. The reward activity offered an engaging learning environment, which helped students understand science concepts in an unforgettable way.

The activities for the day allowed everyone to learn more about science, technology, maths and engineering. The exploration visit included free time in Scitech galleries, Csiro Lab-Global Change, Horizon Live and Wildest Weather in the Solar System.

The highlight of the excursion was Horizon-The Planetarium. The out-of-this-world experience started with a guided tour through the stars, planets and astronomical events in the night sky. Then the students took an amazing voyage to explore the mysterious weather phenomena in our Solar System.

Everyone had an interesting and valuable experience. I look forward to our next reward excursion!

Zoran Groznica
Year 9 Coordinator



Top Left: Tommy Lee Lewis

Middle: Brandon Bowles and Kurtis Jackson

Right: Brandon Bowles and Kurtis Jackson



FROM THE CHAPLAIN

MODEL BUILDING

During the year, students participated in model building projects under the supervision of the College Chaplain. It is a challenge to get started and to push on when mistakes are made or when the model takes a fall from the table and pieces are scattered all over the floor. However, it all came together at the end.

BREKKY CLUB

Monday to Thursday mornings from 7.55 am - 8.25, we have our Brekky Club from the rear service window of the Cafeteria. It is free for all Gilmore College students. Our Brekky Club is a wonderful opportunity to catch-up with friends over a cup of milo and piece of toast.

We all know the importance of breakfast and sharing it with friends is a real bonus. Not only are we ready to face the day with food but we also share a laugh or two.

While we enjoy a feed and a laugh together we also donate to World Vision any spare change we have as a token of our gratitude to those who support our Brekky Club financially.

The Rotary Club and the Reformed Evangelical Church of Australia are our beneficiaries and we want to thank them for their positive support towards, not only the Brekky Club but all our young people at Gilmore College. Your continued assistance and interest is sincerely appreciated.

Thanks also to our volunteers who are willing to give their time to help me in the morning; Mr Lee and Mrs Timmins "You guys shine!!!"

YEAR 7 CREATIVE KIDS

In the past few weeks our Creative Kids in Year 7 have been busy with the College Chaplain to do all kinds of creative things. This was an opportunity for our Year 7 students to learn new creative skills, to make new friends and to develop social skills.

There was the soap mobile for Mothers' Day to remind us that giving and saying thanks are very important. We all need a pat on the back from time to time and there are special people in our lives we often take for granted.

We listened to a story and discovered that we have a choice in how we treat others and ourselves, in how we behave and in what we do and don't do.

We made puzzles and played with them and saw that each one of us is a special unique person and that we do not have to pretend or put on a façade. Each and every person has special qualities and strengths and that being the best ME, I can be is all we need.

Thanks to all the Year 7 teachers who helped to make this possible.

Riana Strydom
College Chaplain



STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

KOREAN WAR VETERANS' DAY

Gilmore College Student Council was invited by the Kwinana Returned Services League, to participate in a remembrance service for Korean War Veterans on Friday 27 July.

The Student Council was represented by Wayne Henke and Sara McIntosh, our Head Boy and Head Girl, at the ceremony.

The ceremony took place at the Kwinana War Memorial on Pace Road and was attended by members of the Returned Services League, the Mayor of Kwinana Carol Adams, Town of Kwinana Councillors and many Korean War Veterans.

During the ceremony, Sara recited a poem by Banjo Patterson to reflect the feelings of Korean War Veterans upon their return from war. Wayne spoke about the need to reflect on the efforts and sacrifices of returned soldiers who have participated in all wars. Both Sara and Wayne were well received by the people present at the ceremony.

The students also laid a wreath on behalf of the Principal, Staff and students of Gilmore College. After the ceremony Wayne and Sara were invited back to the Kwinana RSL to have some lunch and talk to the war veterans.

The Student Council has been invited by the President of the Kwinana RSL to attend the Remembrance Day ceremony in November.

KWINANA JUNIOR COUNCIL

Students from Gilmore College who are participating in the Kwinana Junior Council meet in the Town of Kwinana Council Chambers on the last Tuesday of each month. During these meetings students are interacting with students from other schools in the area, as well as with Town of Kwinana Councillors.

The Kwinana Junior Council specifically focuses on Youth Issues within the area of Kwinana. On Tuesday 31 July, the Kwinana Junior Councillors from Gilmore College were invited to take a tour of the youth space in the Kwinana area known as, "The Zone". The Councillors were given a fully guided tour by Community Development Officer Russell Ingram, of all of the facilities that are available to the youth in the Kwinana area.

"The Zone" has a youth lounge where young people can 'drop in' and use facilities such as pool tables, gaming systems and have access to the internet. There is also a multipurpose sports facility available and many youth orientated programs. "The Zone" also has an art area, a music rehearsal space and offers a range of workshops. This was a fantastic opportunity for our students to find out and try out exactly what services are available to the youth in Kwinana. The next goal for the Kwinana Junior Council is to ensure that the youth in the area are aware of the facilities and services that are available. Participation in the Kwinana Junior Council also provides our students with a valuable networking tool and gives them an insight into how the Town of Kwinana makes decisions regarding youth issues.

Crystal Wieringa
Student Council Coordinator



Top Left: (L-R) Zac Millington, Jenivia Tai

Top Middle: Walter Smith

Top Right: (L-R) Jenivia Tai, Zac Millington, Curtis Pratt, Walter Smith

Bottom Left: Sara McIntosh, Wayne Henke

Bottom Right: Sara McIntosh, Wayne Henke

SCIENCE NEWS

HEALTHY BODIES

Early in Term 3 Gilmore College played host to the launch of the "Healthy Bodies" program.

The "Healthy Bodies" program is run by Scitech in partnership with BHP Billiton and is an interactive schools program that aims to teach young people more about the science behind a healthy lifestyle.

Year 8 and 9 students had the opportunity to visit the laboratory and interact with a variety of displays including measuring the amount of sugar and sodium (salt) in common drinks, measuring lung capacity, hearing damage caused by an mp3 player, the iron added to our breakfast cereals and using UV light to check how good our hand-washing is.

The program looks into the causes and effects of maintaining a Healthy Body and encourages students to use scientific processes to learn more about how their body functions.

In addition to staff and students from Gilmore College, the launch was attended by Hon. Roger Cook, MLA, Member for Kwinana and Shadow Minister for Health, Brett Swain, Head of Health, Safety, Environment and Community, BHP Billiton Nickel West, Scitech staff and media representatives.

Gilmore College students were the first of many school students across the metropolitan area as well as in Newman and Wiluna to access the Healthy Bodies program.



Photo Above: Philip Laku and Brandon Stack

ASPECTS OF LEMONS

Recently, students from 9.2 have been discovering some of the surprising aspects of lemons such as their acidic pH of 2.3 and their high levels of Vitamin C.

While we established that we would need an awful lot of lemons (or apples or bananas for that matter) to power a torch we did find out how simple it was to make a tangy lemon drink with the simple addition of dissolved sugar and water.

Helen Hocking
Head of Learning Area - Science



Photo Above: Marcelle Grant and Christine Stott



POWERING CAREERS IN LNG

The Year 11 students from the Powering Careers in LNG course from Gilmore College, Brodie Marshall, Reece Terry, Daniel Vi and Jasmine Treloar, joined five other schools for a week of immersion in Chevron's occupational health and safety culture and undertook hands-on science and engineering experiments relating to LNG production.

With students coming from Onslow, Karratha, Hamilton Hill, Pinjarra and Gilmore College it was important to start the week with team building activities such as indoor rock climbing at Woodman Point's the Cube to integrate the different cohorts and foster an empathetic view of working with diverse people. Some of Gilmore's students relished the challenge while others were happier to keep their feet firmly on the ground.

Tuesday saw the group travel to Dynons Plaza and into the Harry Butler Theatre to experience a fly through of the Gorgon Gas Project and a presentation from the Head of Quarantine on Barrow Island covering the extensive lengths Chevron go through to maintain Barrow Island's Class A Nature Reserve status. Hearing the passion in the presenter's voice for their dedication to preserving the biodiversity of Barrow Island was awe inspiring.

The following day had the group visit ACEPT and their training facility with a functioning micro refinery. Students were shown aspects of plant operations, maintenance, control room operations and occupational safety aspects of working on a refinery and oil rigs. Many students came away from the day with a richer understanding of the types of jobs available and the types of work involved in the energy industry.

A visit to Chevron Australia in QV1 gave the students the chance to interview employees of Chevron in a speed dating environment with over 30 staff from various departments within Chevron participating. Students conducted themselves in a highly professional manner while interacting with Chevron employees and have to be commended for how eager and insightful their questioning was. Rounding out the camp with plenty of fun activities such as visits to Scitech, ten pin bowling, the movies (a first for some country students!) and a hugely successful quiz night, participants from all schools left the camp thoroughly enjoying the time spent together and a little bit wiser to the potential careers on offer in the energy industry.

Michael Smith
Teacher – Powering Careers in LNG

CHAMPION SCHOOLS SOCCER COMPETITION

Gilmore College competed in the Girls Champion Schools Soccer Competition. The Girls Soccer Team competed against 3 other teams entered in their pool; Safety Bay Senior High School, Melville Senior High School and Emmanuel College.

In our first game against the soccer specialist school, the girls competed well and played all game in wet and cold conditions with the final result Safety Bay 3 – Gilmore College 0. Game 2 was an extremely close game played with two evenly matched sides with the final result Emmanuel College 3 – Gilmore College 2. Game 3, Gilmore College scored the first goal early and looked to be in control of the game. Unfortunately, late in the final half a penalty was given in front of the goals allowing Melville to draw the game 1 -1. Well done to all the girls that participated in the competition and represented the school.

Lauren Scott
Health and Physical Education



Educational

Scholarship

Applications are open for the Town of Kwinana Educational Scholarships for 2013 and will close on Friday 14 September 2012 at 5pm.

This year, the Town will be offering scholarships in the following levels:

Entering Year 7 – 4 places available

Entering Year 11- 4 places available

Entering Year 12 – 4 places available

Entering further education – 4 places available

Applications are to go directly to the Town of Kwinana Administration Office
(Cnr Gilmore Avenue & Sulphur Road Kwinana)



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