



Introducing Our New Website

This term the College launched its new website. This new site follows the latest trends in web design and was structured around parent feedback regarding their communication preferences.

The College website is designed to partner with our App that is available for free download in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

The new website has the following features to note:

- **College News** – find out the latest stories about students and staff.
- **Daily Announcements** – Short-term information that is aimed at students and staff.
- **Upcoming Events.**
- **Principal's Message.**
- **Student careers and employment,** including advice with how to look for jobs and how to successfully apply for them. There is also information on tertiary institutions.
- **Career News** – latest information of Uni/TAFE open days, jobs available and general employment updates.
- Information about the **learning programs** that we have to offer.
- Ways in which we **support** your child throughout their time with us.



- Learn how **parents** can be involved with their child's education.
- Information about our **facilities** and the hiring of them.
- Subscribe to the **College Newsletter.**
- Information about the **College Board** and **College operations.**

The site is mobile responsive, so you can easily read it on your phone or tablet. Besides our normal method of communicating via mail and phone, it is important that you refer to the website or app to keep up-to-date with the events that are happening around the College.

College Fees

Some parents and caregivers still have outstanding school fees to be paid. Did you know that you can pay your fees over the phone, pay directly into our College bank account or come in and see one of our friendly staff to organise a payment plan?

If you have outstanding fees we would appreciate your attention to this matter.

Why enrol with us?



Sevenoaks offers a comprehensive educational experience that is underpinned by our 'delivering for every child' philosophy.

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From the Principal



Read the latest thoughts from our College Principal, Dr Kath Partridge.

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Student Careers & Employment



The choice of careers & education options are important and forever changing. Gaining up to date information has never been so important.

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Student Achievers

Each semester, Sevenoaks recognises the student who receives the top grade in every course. We also offer an Endeavour Award, which is given

to the student who has worked hard to improve their grades. Congratulations to the recipients of these awards for semester one!

University Taster Experience

Over three days during the school holidays, 16 year 12 ATAR students visited Curtin, Murdoch and ECU Joondalup and Mt Lawley campuses.

At Curtin, university ambassadors, showed students the Engineering areas and gave them valuable insight to student life. They also toured around the Health Sciences, Commerce and Library facilities.

At Murdoch University, the Head of Science showed the students areas of engineering; the Lab Assistant at the Anatomy Department provided knowledge of the subject and allowed the students to handle specimens. Also the budding media stars of Sevenoaks were treated to 'behind the scenes' of filming, sound and radio production.

At ECU, students toured around the Joondalup campus, led by the Head

of Engineering, who showed them the Motorsports, Mechatronics, Electronic and Computer Systems areas. Students also viewed hospital wards and the simulated human models which allow nursing/midwifery and paramedical students to practice 'real life' medical situations.

At the ECU Mt Lawley campus, students toured through WAAPA's dance studios, theatres, fashion design, costume, and the many art studios, to whet the appetites of the creative members of the group.

A further 10 ATAR students were involved in UWA's Fairway three day winter school sessions involving master classes in English as well as other relevant study techniques.

Thank you to all the universities that have given their time to our students.



From the Principal

Dr Kath Partridge

Welcome to our term three newsletter. Recently Sevenoaks staff and students enjoyed hosting the year 10 students from Yule Brook College and Cannington Community College at a 'Showcase Day'. Each year, teachers of the various learning areas here at Sevenoaks spend time providing our prospective year 11 students with information and demonstrations about their courses. This year our 'Showcase Day' was very successful with students gaining positive insights into the learning areas they will be involved with next year.

As part of our preparations for our incoming students, a year 10 parent information session was also held in the College lecture theatre. This evening provided parents and caregivers with additional information about course selections and programs. We are looking forward to hosting our year 10 students towards the end of the year when they return to participate in a short transition program.

At our recent assembly I was very pleased to acknowledge the students who were awarded semester one course Achievement and Endeavour Certificates. I was also pleased to have the opportunity to speak with our students about the next important phase of their College academic year and in particular the need for each and every student to work toward achieving their goals, attend every class (on time)

and work closely with their Advocate and teachers to improve their semester one standing.

Parents would be aware that WA public schools will operate under a new Student Centred Funding Model in 2015. There are financial implications for our College; however, parents, students and community members should be reassured that our comprehensive, quality teaching and learning programs will continue to operate. We are currently taking new enrolments for 2015 and are expecting an increase in students entering our year 11 programs.

A final note for parents and caregivers of year 12 students; our Year 12 Presentation Ceremony will take place on Saturday November 15 at 2.00pm at the Cannington Exhibition Centre. Please note this important date in your diary.

Inspirational Hip Hop Artist

Blake Young, a young hip hop artist from LA and now an international speaker, gave an inspirational talk to our year 11 students during our Advocacy program.

Born and raised in Los Angeles, California, Blake grew up dealing with divorce, sexual abuse, drugs, gang violence, bullying and a number of other difficult issues.

The message that Blake stressed to students is that you can't lose something you have never lost; your unique character and qualities.

He spoke to students emphasizing that they were already winners and amazing

young people who, at times, may need a bit of direction to help them find their way.

Blake pointed out that the College staff have dedicated their lives to helping students on their journey. He urged students to ask for assistance if ever they felt at a loss.

Our appreciation goes to our College Chaplain, Kat Taylor, for organising this special event for our students.

Guest speakers are often engaged by the College to bring relevant and different perspectives to our students.



Prepare, Produce, Provide

"Prepare, Produce and Provide"...and that's exactly what the students did.

As part of their Certificate 1 Hospitality studies, thirty-two students from Sevenoaks formed part of the seven hundred students from twenty metropolitan and regional schools who aimed to cook 10,000 meals across a ten week program as part of the 5000 MEALS project.

This initiative, now in its second year, aims to turn surplus food destined for landfill into healthy meals for the homeless and those in need. The project, which is supported by Foodbank WA, local producers, and some of Perth's most successful chefs, was welcomed by our students who energetically spent four weeks producing 500 meals. There were times the students looked exhausted but they put their new 'Mise En Place' knowledge to work and pleasantly surprised themselves.

Their commitment to the project was ongoing and the skills developed through mass production on a tight time frame, gave our students the

opportunity to experience the pressure of a commercial kitchen.

The project culminated in July, with an Expo at Joondalup TAFE campus where students had the pleasure of networking and cooking with Perth chefs such as Adrian Tobin, Vince Garreffa, Gogo from Madras Curry House and Costa.



Join our College P&C - PLEASE

Sevenoaks Senior College Parents and Citizens committee needs you.

Our next meeting is on **Monday September 8 at 5.30pm** in the College Boardroom.

We are seeking new members to join us and support our College. The time commitment is not huge but your involvement as a member is highly valued.

Please come along to this one hour meeting, meet the Principal and Vice Principal and learn how you can really support our students.

Exploring Melbourne

On August 7, 13 Sevenoaks Clontarf Academy students participated in a leadership camp in Melbourne. This five night camp was to reward the Aboriginal young men who are on track to receive WACE graduation. Some of the highlights of the trip included Friday night football at the MCG, watching Fremantle play Geelong in Geelong, shopping and sightseeing around the CBD and spending three days in the snow at Mt Buller.

The students also visited Cricket Australia, who are a Clontarf Academy partner. As part of the visit the students did some cultural dancing and presented a PowerPoint on our College and Academy.

Overall the trip was very successful and all the students should be commended for the way they represented Sevenoaks and Clontarf.



Canning Arts Awards

Sevenoaks Photography and Woodwork students were once again winners at the annual City of Canning Art Awards. The following students won prizes and awards:

- Enya Serna Rodriguez - Youth 3D for her red hammock chair
- Jardon McLean - Resident Award

- Charlis Dang - Youth Photography
- Yonas Gebregziabher's chair was purchased by the City of Canning.

Congratulations to all the above students. The College also recognises the extra effort that their teacher, Mr Merv Alcock, puts into helping the students with creating their artwork.

World Skills Competition

Tammeeshya Vukojevich and Liam Brown are Trade Training Centre students who are well on their way to a bright future as mechanics.

While studying and training to complete their Certificate II in Light Automotive here at Sevenoaks both students achieved joint Gold medals in the State World Skills competition.

Both students were selected to be members of the state team, 'Team

WA', to represent WA in the national competition.

Tammeeshya and Liam have been supported by their teachers Rob Woods and Ryan Breadsell, as well as gaining support from Polytechnic West for their upcoming competition in September.

The national competition will take place at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre from September 18 to 20, 9.00am to 4:00 pm.

Workplace Learning

2014 has been a busy year for Workplace Learning students at Sevenoaks. 112 students were interviewed and went through an Induction process at the beginning of the year. Both year 11 and year 12 students began their work placements in term two.

Students are involved in a variety of industries including Child Care, Community Services - Teachers Aide, Aged Care, Health, Automotive, Retail, Office, Hospitality, Animal Care, Graphic Design, Cabinet Making, Plumbing, Painting, Electrical, Floor and Wall Tiling, Welding, Panel Beating and Photography. Employers frequently comment how delighted they are with the students' performance in the workplace; "A great team member", "Uses her/his initiative", "Is really helpful" are just some of the many positive

comments made about our dedicated students.

Alicia Stone, year 11, had a work placement at Red Dot Maddington and did such a great job that her employer converted the placement to a School Based Traineeship, as did the employer at Best & Less Maddington for Sophie Moore (year 11). Brayden Jones went through a competitive selection process to secure a School Based Traineeship at City Beach in Murray Street. These students are working towards completing a Certificate II qualification and they are getting paid!

Liam Saffiotti had a work placement at Royalty Plumbing. He was such a good worker that he was offered and accepted an apprenticeship and started at the end of term 2.





Annual Hockey Match

Wet weather was forecast but could not dampen the rivalry between the years 11 and 12 Physical Education Studies students for the annual Sevenoaks Hockey challenge!

Both teams had been coached under the watchful eye of Kaye Goulding, who ran this year's WA Hockey Coaching Clinic.

The year 12 students had the memories of last year's win as they lined up ready to take on the year 11 group. It was a fast and furious game of skill and determination from both teams as they

battled to score. With no score at full time the tension heightened as teams lined up to take penalty shots. Finally, the year 11 team clinched a 4 – 3 win. All players played extremely well and it was difficult to choose an outstanding player, however, based on skills and speed the year 12 Man of the Match was Brett Woods and Cedric Anderson was the Best Player from the year 11 students.

Laurie Packham, an icon of WA hockey, presented the trophy to the winning year 12 team.



NYC Fashion Week Calling

Year 11 student, Duana Councillor, is about to embark on an amazing adventure. She is one of eight girls chosen to participate in the IF Foundation International Leadership program, which will see her model in New York.

She will be participating in fashion shows in New York, as well as cross-cultural exchanges and leadership training throughout other cities. The

program will be conducted throughout September and involves travelling to New York Fashion Week to model for internationally renowned, Perth-based, fashion designer Betty Tran (pictured left), who will be closing the Fashion Week.

In the lead-up to her participation, Duana was also fortunate enough to have a "meet and greet" with shoe designer, Jimmy Choo, when he recently visited Perth.



NAIDOC Week Celebrations

Trade Training Partnership

Each Friday eight year 10 students from Cannington Community College have been taking part in a trade training taster program at our multi-million dollar training facility. This term the boys are building a Go-Kart.

The group project will focus on teamwork as well as the necessary skills required to build the Go-Kart. They have also been involved in using industry related

technology, including drawing in both 3D and 2D using Google SketchUp. In tandem with these tasks, students have been exposed to the design process and have been encouraged to design a project of their choice from recyclable materials.

Year 12 students currently studying metals and engineering are mentoring the year 10 students.



Showcase Day

Each year staff and students at Sevenoaks enjoy the opportunity to show year 10 students from Cannington Community College and Yule Brook College what it is like to study at the College.

Moving into upper school there are so many different and new courses and certificates to select. Teachers try to provide year 10 students with an opportunity to find out what the courses are about and to let them experience the Sevenoaks campus.

One year 10 student from Yule Brook

summarised the experience:

"At the end of the day... many kids had changed their minds about what course they wanted to study next year, questions students had were answered and everyone enjoyed the food at the café.

Overall everyone enjoyed the day, took all the information they received and came back to school the next day talking to teachers about what they had learnt, seen and how excited they are to return to Sevenoaks for year 11."



Calendar of Events - Term 4 - 2014

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October 1	13 Start of Term 4 for students	14	15 Yr 12 UNIPathway ATAR Exam Venue Visit	16	17
2	20	21	22 Yr 12 UNIPathway ATAR Exam Venue Visit	23 Diwali Festival - India, Festival of Lights	24 Last Day for Yr 12s, inc farewell breakfast
3	27	28	29 Yr 11 Pathway Program 2.40-3.20pm	30	31 Halloween
November 4	3 WACE Physics Exam	4	5 WACE Modern History Exam	6 WACE English & EALD Exams	7 WACE Math Specialist & Geography Exams
5	10 WACE Chemistry Exam	11 Remembrance Day WACE Math 3A/B & 3C/D Exams	12 WACE Human Biological Science Exam	13 WACE Psychology Exam	14 Saturday 15th Yr 12 Presentation Ceremony
6	17 Yr 11 Exams	18 Yr 11 Exams	19 Yr 11 Exams	20 Yr 11 Exams WACE Career & Enterprise 2A/B Exam	21 Yr 11 Exams Last Day for Yr 11 students
7	24 Festival of Floating Bowls, Thailand	25	26 Thanksgiving Day	27 Eid-UI-Adha	28 Yr 11 Reports Posted Home
December 8	1 Yr 10 Orientation	2 Yr 10 Orientation	3 Yr 10 Orientation	4 Yr 10 Orientation	5 Yr 10 Orientation
9	8	9	10	11	12
10	15	16	17	18	19 School Development Day

Semester 2 Exams (Yr 12)

During School Holidays
October 1-8

Timetables will be handed out and also put on the College website

College Board

We are looking for a parent representative for our College Board

Please contact Dr Kath Partridge, Principal, if you are interested in being considered for this important position on 9356 4900