

sevenoaks newsletter

Students Win Defence Scholarships

Two Sevenoaks students, Trevor Armstrong and Chris Dewey, were awarded the first Defence Technical Scholarships (DTS) receiving \$2,000 each. This nationwide initiative is designed to encourage young people to consider a technical and vocational career in the Armed Forces.

The boys were awarded their prizes at a ceremony held at the College, which was attended by teachers and political



Trevor Armstrong with Minister Fitzgibbon

their future technical trade career goals," he said.



Bill Jonston MLA, Trevor, Dr Partridge, Senator Mark Bishop, Chris & Minister Joel Fitzgibbon

"Indeed, as part of the DTS selection process, students had to successfully demonstrate their interest in pursuing an ADF trade career, however, they remain under no obligation to join the ADF on completion of their Scholarship," he said.

dignitaries; Federal Minister for Defence, the Honorable Joel Fitzgibbon, Senator Mark Bishop and Bill Johnston, MLA for Cannington.

Chris and Trevor's applications were accepted ahead of 900 others across Australia.

"This is a prestigious award and I would like to congratulate these students on this great achievement", Mr Fitzgibbon said. "These Scholarships will be invaluable for the students, providing them with financial assistance towards

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Chris Dewey with Minister Fitzgibbon



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HEALTH EXPO

Last term the College displayed its dedication to health and fitness with its second Health Expo. The event was part of our "Be In It" program and was funded by a Federal Government grant (Health and Ageing).

The event encouraged students to try a range of activities to reinforce the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Every student received a healthy show bag, which included a pedometer, towel, bottle and more. Students took part in activities such as wall-climbing, martial arts, tai chi, juggling, zorb balls (see photo right) and a laughter workshop. Healthy food samples were also given out (see photo below).

A big thank you goes to the committee who organised this mammoth event, especially Ms Carolyn Whiting and Ms Jade Kazimierczak, our College "Be In It" Coordinator.



DID YOU KNOW?


Our website is **updated daily** and is used to keep everyone informed about College life.

Parents are encouraged to look through our news, photo galleries and calendar.

You can also keep up to date by visiting our **current students page** for daily notices and activities.

www.sevenoaks.wa.edu.au

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Dr Kath Partridge



Congratulations to our students Trevor Armstrong and Chris Dewey who were awarded inaugural Defence Technical Scholarships. Chris and Trevor were selected from hundreds of young people from all around Australia. I am delighted for both of them and I am sure that the \$2000 they receive will help them further their education.

National VET qualifications. Students from Cannington Community College, Yule Brook College and Southern River College will also participate in programs allowing them to access these new facilities.

I am very grateful for the tremendous support I received from local business, industry and the community groups as part of the Trade Training Centre application process. SWAN TAFE will join the College as the Registered Training Organisation that will deliver and assess on site in the new centre and a number of local companies including DVG Motors, RAC, Midalia Steel, Jason Windows, WA Freight Group, TOLL IPEC, AMCAP have pledged support to the new centre. It is hoped that work will begin on the Trade Training Centre this year and it will be operational in 2011.

The good news continues for Sevenoaks Senior College (and consortium schools; Cannington Community College, Yule Brook College and Southern River College) with the campus being awarded \$4.5 million (as part of the Federal Governments' Education Revolution Strategy) to build and resource a state of the art industry Trade Training Centre. This new centre will house our very successful Industry Access program that caters for students who have a vocational interest in automotive and metals and engineering. Students will be able to complete their College courses whilst also achieving

Good luck to all students who will be sitting their semester one examinations very shortly. I am looking forward to meeting parents at our Parent Report Evening that will take place on July 1.

SPORTING TEAMS

The following teams now operate at the College:

AFL Football (boys)
Soccer (boys & girls)
Basketball (boys & girls)
Volleyball (mixed)
Netball (girls)
Cross country (individual)

We have already had some wins and we wish the teams the best of luck for future games.

VENUE HIRE

All rooms of the College are available for hire to community groups, churches, sports groups etc.

Lecture Theatre, Dance Studio,
Gymnasium & Classrooms

Competitive Prices

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STUDENTS VEG OUT!

Students in our Move On and Fast Track Flexi courses have created their own vegetable garden as part of their Healthy Eating and Food Bank Breakfast programs. The project was funded by a Healthway grant.

Students were taken to Food Bank where they learnt about how to grow their own vegetables. The students organised to get the plants they needed from Dawson's Garden World in Forrestfield, who kindly donated some of the plants.

The planting started the next day and the group now has healthy veggies growing, including potatoes, beetroot, lettuce, strawberries and herbs. When the vegetables are ready for harvest the students plan to sell some to raise money for this worthwhile program. Some produce will be used for cooking and eating (*Student Reporter: Casey Kuhl-Furey*)



STUDENT GUILD

Last March the Guild Elections were held and the following students were elected:

Ash Mancini	Brendon Sutton (Head Boy)
Noor Nazari	Nur Azman (Head Girl)
Renee Jones	Will Hampson
Reanne Ryan	Brooke Piccolo
Ben Gibson	Jake Bolam
Brandon Spurling	Lou-Anne Anderson
Matt McDonald	Kertisha Derschaw
Reece Bilson	Tarsha Gasmire

Last week the Guild went on a Leadership Camp as part of their partnership with the Fogerty Foundation. The Guild is now a local drug action group and learnt about the adverse affects of drugs and ways to promote a drug free youth lifestyle. Students had a great time participating in lots of events including surfing, cooking, and other group activities.



STAFF UPDATE

PHIL DEALLY: PHIL RETURNS TO US THIS YEAR AS THE COLLEGE **ACHIEVEMENT TEACHER**. HE WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE LIBRARY FOR APPOINTMENTS WITH STUDENTS TO HELP THEM SUCCEED WITH THEIR STUDIES AND WORK TOWARDS GRADUATION.

SCOTT TETLEY: SCOTT RETURNS IN HIS NEW ROLE AS MAINSTREAM **YR 11 CAREERS TEACHER**. HE WILL BE INDIVIDUALLY WORKING WITH STUDENTS TO DISCOVER AND DEVELOP THEIR CAREER GOALS.

CALLY NELSON: CALLY WILL BE CONDUCTING SOME **COMMUNITY SERVICES** ACTIVITIES AND WILL ALSO BE TEACHING ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE/ DIALECT.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TERM 2

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
May 4	18 Yr 12 Group Photos for Year Book	19 Volleyball Tournament	20	21 Full Staff Meeting	22
5	25 Yr 11 SWL Week Yr 12 Exams	26 Yr 11 SWL Week Yr 12 Exams	27 Yr 11 SWL Week Yr 12 Exams	28 Yr 11 SWL Week Yr 12 Exams	29 Yr 11 SWL Week Yr 12 Exams
June 6	1 Public Holiday	2	3	4	5
7	8 Yr 12 SWL Week Yr 11 Exams	9 Yr 12 SWL Week Yr 11 Exams	10 Yr 12 SWL Week Yr 11 Exams	11 Yr 12 SWL Week Yr 11 Exams	12 Yr 12 SWL Week Yr 11 Exams
8	15	16	17	18 Full Staff Meeting	19 End of Semester 1 Courses
9	22 Yr 12 SWL Week	23 Yr 12 SWL Week	24 Yr 12 SWL Week	25 Yr 12 SWL Week	26 Yr 12 SWL Week
July 10	29	30	1 Report Evening for Parents	2	3 Last day of Term

EXAM & WORKPLACE LEARNING WEEKS

Yr 12 Exams & Yr 11 SWL: 25 - 29 May

During this exam week all Yr 12 classes are suspended. The Library is open for study. All Year 11 classes will run as per normal for students who are not involved in SWL. No new content will be covered except for TEE classes.

Yr 11 Exams & Yr 12 SWL: 8 - 12 June

During this exam week all Yr 11 classes are suspended. All Yr 12 classes will run as per normal for students who are not involved in SWL. No new content will be covered except for TEE classes.

Industry Access and Fast Track Programs will run as normal during these weeks.