

# sevenoaks newsletter

## Sevenoaks Farewells Year 12s

On the last Saturday of October, 137 Year 12 students attended their Presentation Ceremony at Curtin University.

College staff, family and friends witnessed the students graduate from one stage of their life and enter another.

The winners and dignitaries who presented the eleven College awards were:

*Youth Minister's Positive Image Award:* **Bianca Speranza** presented by Sharon Brown, Chair of the College Board

*Citizenship Prize:* **Nur Azman** presented by Eirlys Ingram, District Director, Canning District Education

*Caltex All Rounder:* **Jake Bolam** presented by Stephen Irons, MP Federal Member for Swan

*Caltex All Rounder (Education Support):* **Glen Hawke** presented by Andrew Wilson, Principal, CCESC

*WPL Prize (Education Support):* **Tarsha Gasmire** presented by Andrew Wilson

*Westscheme Award for Excellence in VET:* **Renee Jurgens** presented by Kath Partridge, Principal, Sevenoaks



*Aboriginal Achievement Award:* **Rebekah O'Meara** presented by David Wood, CEO, Curriculum Council

*School Based Traineeship Prize:* **Jennifer Hooper** presented by Bill Johnston, MLA Member for Cannington

*Kertisha Derschaw Memorial Sports Award:* **Will Waldon** presented by Lisa Hirini

*Commitment to Excellence Award:* **Meghan Blackstock** presented by Eirlys Ingram

*Dux Award:* **Jake Bolam** presented by Mayor Olwen Searle, Gosnells

*Outstanding Achievement Prize:* **Renee Jurgens** presented by Mayor Joe Delle Donne, Canning

Congratulations to all of our graduating students!



*Gosnells Mayor, Olwen Searle, presented Jake Bolam with the Dux Award*



*Canning Mayor, Joe Delle Donne presented Renee Jurgens with the Outstanding Achievement Prize*



## FOOTBALL CAMP

On the 1st of November, 13 Sevenoaks Football Academy boys were privileged to be able to fly to Broome to learn about the Aboriginal culture in the region and get involved with the local community. The camp was a reward for students who attended school regularly and made positive contributions to the College.

The boys stayed at Lombadina, a remote community run by the Sibosado family. The activities they took part in included fishing, kayaking and mud crabbing.

Part of the trip was to teach the boys about leadership skills and community spirit. The boys played footy with local children at One Arm Point and Cape Leveque and got to bond with the locals.



Thanks to the Clontarf Football Academy leaders, Garth Taylor, Matt Clucas and Ron Height for organising this amazing adventure.

### Harmony Day 2010

**Thursday 18th of March**  
*Celebrate your nationality!*

Dance performances, food, cultural activities and music.

Can you, your family or friends **help** with this popular College celebration?

Contact Natasha on 9356 4918 or [natasha.georgiou@det.wa.edu.au](mailto:natasha.georgiou@det.wa.edu.au)

### Student Induction Days

**December 1 & 2**


**9.00am - 2.35pm**

**2010 enrolled students welcome**

*More Information sent via letter*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

*Dr Kath Partridge*



Congratulations to all of our Year 12 and Cannington Education Support students who have now completed their education with us at Sevenoaks. Currently a number of our students are sitting their Tertiary Entrance Examinations. On behalf of the College Board and staff, I would like to wish all of these students the best of luck as they complete these exams.

On Saturday 31 October, 137 Year 12 and Cannington Education Support students participated in our Presentation Ceremony at Curtin University. Four hundred and fifty parents, guardians, family members and friends witnessed the celebrations as our students were presented with their graduation files, gifts and awards. Many dignitaries attended this function and I am very grateful for their contribution to this important College event.

Our College, however, is still a very busy place with Year 11 students working hard to complete their assignments and tasks and preparing themselves for their examinations which begin on Monday 16 November. A copy of the Year 11 Examination timetable is available on the College website ([www.sevenoaks.wa.edu.au](http://www.sevenoaks.wa.edu.au)) and copies can also be collected from the College reception. Students need to ensure that they arrive on time and are prepared for these important exams.

Well done to all of our students who participated in the recent College Performance Extravaganza! The dancing, theatre and music acts were fantastic. A big thankyou to the staff who contributed to the success of this event; Candice Clarke, Nicola Messervy, Sydney Smith, Melissa Goulding and George Mavros. Also, a big welcome back to our Sevenoaks Football Academy young men and staff who have recently enjoyed a brilliant week long excursion to Broome and beyond! Great job Garth Taylor, Matthew Cluckas and Ron Height. It sounds like one amazing experience!



## STUDENTS WIN PRESTIGIOUS USA SCHOLARSHIPS

Two Sevenoaks students have worked hard to earn full sporting scholarships at different US universities. Zhaccierra Kanari (*right*), Year 11, won a five year scholarship to the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), to play soccer. Jasmine Hooper (*below*), Year 12, won a four year basketball scholarship at the University of Troy in Alabama.

Both students impressed national talent scouts with their outstanding skills and potential at recent trials held in Perth. For Zhaccierra there were only 11 girls short listed so she was assured a scholarship but due to larger numbers Jasmine had to wait until she also passed the US Scholarship Aptitude



Test (similar to TEE exams) before she could be guaranteed a spot. She recently discovered that she has passed her SATs and therefore is also heading off to the US early next year.

Both girls are very excited about the opportunity given to

them. They will be representing their College teams next year in national games.

Jasmine hopes to eventually play for the NBA and Zhaccierra would love to play soccer in Europe.

We at Sevenoaks wish the girls the very best in their future sporting and academic ventures.



## PERFORMANCE EXTRAVAGANZA

On a Tuesday evening in November a performance extravaganza took place in the Sevenoaks College gym. The College dance, drama and music students created a variety show that entertained a large crowd of students and parents.

The Drama students performed an Italian Commedia titled '*Pantoloni's Surprise*'.

Students also performed Spanish and Contemporary dances throughout the night, culminating with a spectacular finale of Michael Jackson's '*Thriller*'.

Over \$200 was raised for the Performing Arts department. Thanks goes to Candice Clarke, Nicola Messervey, Melissa Goulding, Sydney Smith and George Mavros for making the event such a success.



## COLLEGE MAKEOVER

Sevenoaks received a fresh makeover recently as part of the Federal Government's 'School Pride' stimulus initiative. The College exterior was completely painted and new carpet was also laid in most areas. This makeover has been most appreciated.



### 100% ATTENDANCE WINNER

**Kieralee Humphries**

Won a LCD Flat Screen TV for attending College every day of the year.  
Congratulations!

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## TERM 1

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Jan 0				28 <i>Teacher School Development (No students)</i>	29 <i>Teacher School Development (No students)</i>
Feb 1	1 <b>Students commence</b>	2	3	4	5
2	8	9	10	11	12 <b>Last day for Ball payments.</b> <i>Valentine's Day Roses</i>
3	15	16 <i>UWA Talk 10.40am-11.20am</i>	17 <i>Parent Information Evening for Yr 11 &amp; 12 TEE students</i>	18	19
4	22	23	24	25 <b>Full Staff Meeting College Ball Novotel Langley 7.00pm</b>	26
March 5	1 Public Holiday	2	3	4	5
6	8	9 <b>Student Guild Elections</b>	10	11	12 Workplace Learning Employer Breakfast
7	15	16 <i>Notre Dame Uni Talk 10.40am-11.20am</i>	17	18 <b>Harmony Day 10.30-2.30</b>	19
8	22	23	24 <i>Parent Interim Reports Evening</i>	25 <b>Full Staff Meeting</b>	26
April 9	29 <i>Guild Camp</i>	30 <i>Guild Camp</i>	31	1	2