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Principals Report

For the 2010 edition of the Archway I would like to adapt part of my 2009 Speech Night address.

When it comes to writing my annual address I like to think about the year we've had, not to report on - you've been reading that in newsletters all year - but instead, to get a sense of what have been the major issues/triumphs/failures that we have been dealing with. The bottom line of everything that we do must be the education and well being of our students - the buildings we build, the staff we employ, the programs we follow and the strategic direction we adopt. A good teacher can enthrall a class of students without any trappings, but there is nothing without the students.

We are coming to the end of another school year - another great year in the life of Geraldton Grammar School. We know that next year we are going to face new classes, new subjects, new people, new challenges. Once more we shall be in new territory where we have to blaze our trail by our daily choices, actions and attitudes.

We have all heard the expression, "It's a jungle out there!" Every television and newspaper headline seems to warn about dangers at every turn. We begin to believe we are living in the most difficult time in history, but is life really a jungle?

It is true that life can be savage, especially for the uneducated, the unskilled and the ill-informed. But life can be a wonderland to those who have learned to stay optimistic, who welcome new learning, who see mistakes as chances to do better and who are lifelong learners. When we know our way, we can be comfortable and confident in the world. We are not scared of what we might face because we know we have the knowledge and skills to make good decisions.

The world is a backdrop for our own personal safari. We need not fear the jungle because what we have learned, at school, from our parents, and through our own experiences will carry us through. We need not fear the future because we are preparing ourselves for everything it may bring.

Any employer will tell you, employ great staff and there is very little that you can't do. And that is one of the things GGS does well - we get great staff. Thank you to everyone who works at GGS - your contribution is immeasurable.

I must also thank the school's executive team - John Royce, Nicola Davidson, Scott Cox, Anne Faichney, Berrice Lodge, and Graeme Munday. These people do a magnificent job on a daily basis. Thanks also to the Board of Governors under the fine leadership of Mr Darren Lee. I have always enjoyed the Board's guidance and support, and their interest in the school is unquestioned.

While I am thanking people I must thank our parent body, and the P&F under the leadership of Melinda Borchers. I am constantly delighted at the generosity of our parents when called on for help - with camps, sleepovers, sports days, classroom activities, house activities etc.

And my final words are to the students, and I refer to the words of the great Maya Angelou.

Maya Angelou is a remarkable Renaissance woman who is hailed as one of the great voices of contemporary literature. As a poet, educator, historian, best-selling author, actress, playwright, civil-rights activist, producer and director she travels the world, spreading her wisdom. She says,

'I've learned that you can tell a lot about a person by the way he/she handles these three things: a rainy day, lost luggage, and tangled Christmas tree lights.'

Maya Angelou says;

'I've learned that regardless of your relationship with your parents, you'll miss them when they're gone from your life.'

'I've learned that making a 'living' is not the same thing as 'making a life.'

'I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance.'

'I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands; you need to be able to throw some things back....'

'I've learned that whenever I decide something with an open heart, I usually make the right decision.'

'I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one..'

'I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back.'

'I've learned that I still have a lot to learn..'

'I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.'

Thank you for making many of us feel as though there is nowhere else we would rather be.

Susan Shaw
Principal

Board of Governors

The Geraldton Grammar School Board of Governors is composed of members with a diverse set of skills and experience. I acknowledge and thank Deputy Chair Pauline Bogle and Members Peter Hobbs, Eric Broad, Rob Dines, Craig Topham, Janie Ballinger, Garry Hamersley, Jenny Rolston, Melinda Borchers, Murray Wilding and Marilyn Newport for their commitment to the school whilst serving on the Board.

Working with the Principal Mrs Susan Shaw and the Business Manager Mr Graeme Munday, the Board ensures the school is operating in a sustainable manner financially whilst ensuring the best quality of education and student development opportunities are delivered.

The Board commends Sue and Graeme on their leadership qualities and we note the working relationship we enjoy with them is testament to their professionalism, commitment to excellence in all that the school undertakes and the work ethic they offer in their roles respectively.

The Board further acknowledges the work of our Executive, academic and support staff for their continued efforts in 2010. We often receive compliments about the state of the grounds and the cleanliness of our facilities and this is a great reflection of the quality of our support staff.

With the assistance of Federal Government funding, the Board was able to approve the extension to the Library and the build of new primary classrooms due for completion in time for the 2011 school year. This will give us much needed new capacity and take some pressure off in terms of new building requirements for at least two to three years.

It is our hope that the Geraldton Grammar School delivers a value proposition that makes it easy for you to consider our school for your children. We thank you for your support during 2010 and hope to have your continued support well into the future.

Darren Lee
Chair

P&F Report

This has been another successful year for the Parents & Friends Association. To the Committee, parents, staff and friends who have helped during the year, thank you all.

With the object of making new friends, interacting with the School Board and Executive as well as fundraising, the P & F School aims to make a positive difference to the School and this year has been no exception.

Socially we have enjoyed meeting at regular meetings including one at Dongara. The Sundowner at the beginning of the year was great fun with the tug of war being a highlight. Other great occasions were the Quiz Night, Golf Day, 100s Club wind up and the inaugural Alumni gathering which were all a success. The newly started coffee club for middle school parents called the "Keeping in Touch" Group has also been a success.

Financially the P & F have provided the blackout blinds to the Batavia Hall (\$9,000), bought 2 quality telescopes (\$2,000), purchased a multi CD burner (\$1,300), assisted the junior council with funds

towards the new cubby house (\$1,200) and sponsored the Courtesy and Cooperation prizes for all year levels and with funds combined from the previous year, donated \$30,000 towards the upgrading of the new Art facility.

Thanks to committee, Jenny Feltham, Dave Whettingsteel, (Vice Presidents) Mel Scott (Secretary), Kate Stone (Treasurer), Kim North, Adam Semple, Andrew Royce, Julie Christoffersen, Glenys Walker, Leah Outram (Dongara rep.) and ex-officios Susan Shaw, John Royce, Berrice Lodge and Graeme Munday for their dedication, sense of humour and hard work. Without their support the P & F would not be able to contribute to the extent they do.

Thanks for your support in 2010. We look forward to welcoming some new faces and the regulars to our meetings and social events and encourage all parents and friends to continue to support the P & F in 2011.

Melinda Borchers
President

RE Team Report

- 6 They will tell of the power of your awesome works,
and I will proclaim your great deeds.**
- 7 They will celebrate your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.**
- 8 The LORD is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love. (Psalm 145:6-8 (NIV))**

This has been a year to celebrate God's abundant goodness at our school and throughout the Anglican Church of North West Australia with its Centenary. A highlight was having Bishop Joseph Abura and his wife Mama Margaret at our end of term 2 Service all the way from Karamoja, Uganda. The primary students welcomed them with a Swahili song 'Faraha' which means 'We wish you joy!' Students actively participated in formal and informal times of prayer and reflection. These times occur in the classroom context, or at whole school services and assemblies. The primary enjoys the thoughtful assembly devotions given by Mr Swartzentruber and Mrs Hamersley. The high school devotions were read by the Chapel Captain, Sarah McLay or student leaders.

Christian Education has continued this year to help students develop in their spiritual life and character. In the primary, Mrs Hamersley has taught weekly lessons for kindergarten to year 3/4s, Mrs Wyles taught the year 4/5s and I taught the year 5/6 and year 6 classes. We have examined the ways Jesus revealed God's purposes, tracing his life and ministry from age 12, showing his fulfillment of Old Testament promises and his power to give new life and wholeness. Then there were lessons looking at Old Testament salvation history from Samuel to Solomon. We also looked at Jesus teaching from the Sermon on the Mount.

I took most of the high school classes with help from Mrs Wyles and Mr Lord with concurrent classes. Year 7 used "Big Questions" to explore contemporary issues from a biblical perspective, teaching the major events, concepts and doctrines of the bible. Year 8 used "mistaken identity?" to investigate the life of Jesus from Mark's gospel while year 9 used "Another dimension" to see Jesus' picture of life from the Sermon on the Mount. Year 10 used "your sneaking suspicions?" to see the relationship between faith and behavior as they began to examine a range of personal and public ethical issues - like life, death, relationships, suffering, forgiveness and meaning.

Year 11 & 12 are encouraged to apply their Christian framework and develop a personal Christian ethic that they will take with them well beyond their years at Geraldton Grammar. This is facilitated through our fortnightly Beliefs and Values program that covers areas such as personal decision making, ethics and current topics from a Christian perspective.

I would like to thank those mentioned as well as students who took part up front or behind the scenes in our services, for their enthusiasm and support in 2010.

God bless,
Jenny Day - Chaplain



School Captains' Report



As we come to the end of our schooling life, we reflect on our years at Geraldton Grammar. We think of the good and bad times we have been through, the memories we have and also the life long friends we have made. Grammar provides many extra curricula programs encouraging teamwork and cooperation skills as well as building an individual's confidence and leadership, which will be beneficial traits required in the future. Outward Bound is just one of these programs and is something I will never forget. Despite its difficulty and reputation it serves to make us grateful for the small things in life such as a toilet. Other activities include Round Square conferences, exchange program, and Country Week.

As Captains this year Dimity and I have attended various events to represent the school. These include the community's ANZAC Day service, as well as school balls and multiple leadership conferences. Along with the representative council we have organised school events such as the Batavia Games, assemblies and charity fundraisers. We believe this gives the school body a broader outlook on community and our involvement.

As School Captains it has let us show the community and the student body what we as a school stand for. Geraldton Grammar has guided and supported us to prepare for the future by providing us with the skills and knowledge needed to live a successful life. This is because of the special help our teachers have given us over all our schooling years. Without it we probably wouldn't be graduating. Their efforts haven't gone unnoticed and are we deeply thankful.

we would now like to say a special thank you to Mr Cox who has been there all year, as our year coordinator and his humour will be truly missed by all of us. To the year 11s we wish you luck in 2011 and hope that you make the most of all the opportunities that Grammar provides. George and Indy as the school captains for 2011. We're sure you will take on this role with pride and confidence and represent the school well. Good luck.

And finally to the graduating class of 2010 we thank you for the friendships and memories and we wish you the best with whatever your future holds. Thank you.

Dimity Chivers and Lewis Walden
School Captains 2010

Staff



Front Row: Gail Davey, Megan Jones, Dawn Regan, Katie Sotiroff, Kerry Morgan

Second Row: Susan Shaw (Principal), Joyce Hamersley, Sharon Bradley, Janelle Kadry, Simone de la Morre, Amanda Cook, Linda Males, Alan Evans, Berrice Lodge, Diane Hamilton

Third Row: Aggie Broomfield, Anne Faichney, Claire Gasper, Shelley Sipila, Lisa Brennan, Judy Kapor, Jenni Winterbine, Julie Carroll, Heather Conroy, Merry Jackson, Sue-ann McArthur

Fourth Row: Dallas Bruce, Jenny Beeck, Tyler Swartzentruber, Nicky Martin, Betty Della-Franca, Simon Moffatt, Shahid Jefcoate, Mischia Westlake

Fifth Row: John Royce, Annette Rowland, Tanya Pannell, Chester Lord, Gary Racey, Damon Angelatos, Chad Greenaway, Nicki Morton, Steve Adamini

Sixth Row: John Aston, Tonia de Meur, Amanda Gauder, Angela Padman, Charlotte Jones, Marilyn Crosthwaite, Nicola Davidson

Seventh Row: Warwick Glenister, Bernard Gray, Scott Cox, Tony Duffield, Christopher Sheridan, Stacey Purcher, Sean Bennett, Graeme Munday, Marion Nelson, Christoffer Zander, Oliver Murray

Absent: Raelene Aston, Michael Biblik, Georgie Bowtell, Jayne Caley, Kim Chatfield, Fiona Currans, Jenny Day, Liz Elliott-Lockhart, Louise Finnis, Ashley Friesen, Kerry Goddard, Rose Gray, Caroline Hann, Jaci Irving, Karen Jackson, Tanya Jeeves, Colin Johnson, Sally Johnson, Evan Konstantouras, Andy Krolikowski, Gladys Lauder, Leanne Lefroy, Danielle McKay, Judy Minissale, Susan Mundy, Susan Philson, Meagan Plummer, Amy Price, Russell Pusey, Bernie Rooney, Loula Schofield, Ben Stephens, Toni Wacura, Helen Webb, Jan Wilton, Geri Wyles

Year 12



Front Row: Amy Ying, Kanza Stort, Melissa Black, Chantelle Watson, Molly Wellington, Kirsty Holmes, Jacqueline Meares, Ashleigh Stade

Second Row: Colby Wheatley, William Ramsay, Stefano Reale, Joel Bones, Matt Schulze, Sebastian Neuweiler, Sheldon Eley

Third Row: Hailee Philipps, Dimity Chivers, Sarah McLay, Emma Whettingsteel, Lucy Ayling, Amber Gerrard

Fourth Row: Rhys Cardinal, James Masiello, Torkel Tennberg, Lewis Walden, Thomas Campbell

Teacher: Mrs Shaw, Mr Cox

Kindy 1



Hugo
Allsopp



Georgie
Boys



Ava
Chesson



Thomas
Dunn



Rangga
Evans



Layne
Gillingham



Clancy
Hann



Ahalya
Hari Kumar



Lewin
Herring



Hamish
Lawrence



Rose
McCaskie



Harry
Nairn



Aditya
Natarajan



Jasmine
Roderick



Neil
Shah



Taya
Weldon



Campbell
Wood

Absent: Saxon Anderson, Starzia Turner



Kindy 2



Sonny
Arangio



Jonathon
Brown



Jack
Campbell



Penny
Chadwick



Matthew
Chamberlain



Ella
Crook



Eliza
Della-Marianna



Rangga
Evans



Imogen
Ferguson



Siannah
Fleay



Jaxon
Graham



Riley
Jefferies



Mitchell
Jordan



Nina
Morton



Xander
Pieterse



Kiera
Reynolds



Alice
Tonkin



Kaleb
Vlahov

Absent: Matthew Doncon



P1C



Rose
Adamson



Sarah
Chadwick



Eliana
Davison



Mark
Desmond



Lily
Edwards



Bradley
Fletcher



James
Hollins



Ronin
Jones



Jaime
Jordan



Caitlin
Kruize



Silke
Linton



Manha
Malik



Ethan
Mann



Kristy
Orr



Holly
Ruttle



Noor
Salah El-Din



Patrick
Smyth



Teigen
Turney



Amity
Vince



Ryan
Wilton



Fynn
Young



P1 D



Erin
Buckle



Georgia
Burrows



Toby
Davison



Samuel
Denton



Oscar
Finlay



Ruby
Freeman



Torin
Gardner



James
Gething



Kade
Gillingham



Connie
Greeve



Jimmy
Hyde



Arabella
Ismail



Karly
McArthur



Jameela
Msuo



Hugh
Norris



Jarrod
Purcher



Summer
Roderick



Jacob
Royce



Scarlett
Singleton



Ashley
Tuffley



Thea
Volkerts



Jacob
Walton



Raine
Wheatley



P1 M



Mia
Bender



Annabelle
Draper



Kory
Dunn



Oliver
Easton



Samara
Edwards



Ross
Forth



Grace
Gouge



Mylee
Grant



Olivia
Hancock



Hannah
Heitman



Sunni
Hunt



Lily
Klein



Poppy
Lockley



Madison
Nelson



Aidan
Peacey



Jan
Pieterse



Jai
Plummer



Owain
Price-Walkley



Taylor
Racey



Shelby
Reed



Mikayla
Reynolds



Sebastian
Seidl



Year 1-2 M



Elijah
Burrows



Darcy
Cardinal



Charlee
Chmielewski



Emily
Cook



Georgia
Cook



Lachlan
Cook



Wade
Cuthbert



Leah
Davies



Nicholas
Grima



Libby
Hyde



Heidi
Lefroy



Ronin
Mayne



Degan
McDougall



Hayden
Messina



Caitlin
Mundy



Indi
Smith



Lisa
Tamoua



Daniel
Thorniley



Abbey
Winterbine



Lawrence
Yerex



Year 2-3 G



Tess
Adamson



Stephanie
Boehlke



Lucas
Chesson



Zoe
de Meur



Ryan
Dennett



Neisa
Dunn



Angus
Elliott-Lockhart



Kent
Forsyth



Wil
Gething



Tessa
Grima



Owen
Heitman



Daisy
Herring



Fraser
Ismail



Cooper
Jefferies



Madisyn
Jeffery



Reece
Maisey



Omari
Msuo



Teagan
Mundy



Samuel
Pepper



Kain
Selem



Ruby
Singleton



Callum
Teakle



Abby
Topham



Bronte
Volkerts



Year 3-4 D



Harry
Adamson



Bridget
Baldock



Luke
Black



Halina
Boehlke



Andrew
Carroll



Kelsey
Christoffersen



Asha
Criddle



Matthew
Donaldson



Riley
Edwards



Tashi-Anne
Elliott-Lockhart



Kelli
Fletcher



Tye
Jolley



Jarred
Link



Ciedelee
Mezger



Arron
Nguyen



Elodie
North



Louis
Pepper



Natalie
Robbins



Tabitha
Rowe



Lucy
Smith



Meg
Vlahov



Jacques
Wasley



Emmett
Yerex



Year 3-4 S



Emily
Brown



Kane
Chesson



Ayden
Dalglish



Zachary
Dennett



Adam
Desmond



Lachlan
Donaldson



Amy
Figueiredo



Isabelle
Fleay



Paige
Horo



Danial
Khong



Tayla
Kolln



Jack
Lockley



Ella
McDonald



Lauren
McKay



Anna
Nguyen



Tahni
Orr



Jean-Jacques
Perry



Irene
Roy



Dazza
Sweeney



Paul-Ross
Tuffley



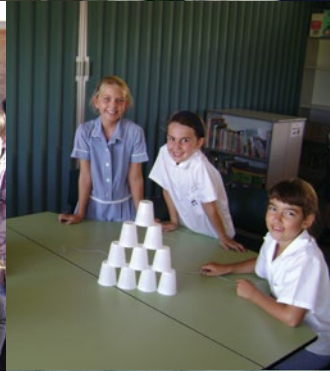
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Vince



Maggie
Walton



Zali
Young



Year 4-5 J



Kyla
Buckle



Amelia
Burrows



Eleanor
Collins



Megan
Courtney



Bailey
Crothers



Caitlyn
Epps



Cameron
Fawell



Charlie
Freeman



Ryan
Gates



Jessica
Giudice-Nairn



Maddison
Jefferies



Joshua
Jennings



William
Klein



Mason
Larard



Coby
Lee



Ali
Malik



Alex
Nguyen



Ashlee
Orr



Taj
Rowe



Eboni
Seymour



Abdul
Wahhab



Ethan
Wasley



Lauren
Watt



Sophia
Whettingsteel



Emily
Winterbine



Year 4-5 M



Tayla
Bailey



Mackenzie
Bignell



Annabelle
Blake



Daemin
Cook



Alexandra
Cuzzola



Jacob
Davies



Jordan
Greenwood



Eliza
Hebiton



Shae
Horo



Kyla
Irving



Thomson
Jeeves



Ella
Johnson



Thomas
Johnston



Abbey
Kerr



Brooke
Maisey



Megan
McClurg



Clark
Millman



Georgia
Rowe



Omar
Salah El-Din



Sahil
Shah



Brynn
Teakle



Jake
Tonkin



Angus
Wood



Reuben
Woodcock

Absent: Zachary Longhurst



Year 4-5 S



Dylan
Austin



Digby
Boschetti



Kayla
Butcher



Thomas
Cant



Isabella
Cuzzola



Nathanael
Day



Samille
Edwards



Neve
Fitzhardinge



Hayley
Frank



Emily
Grima



Oakley
Hewison



Cairo
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Summer
Irving



Ali
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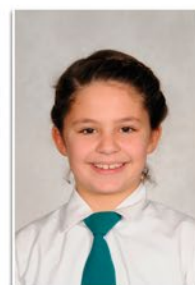
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Taylor
Jones



Adam
Khong



Isabella
McIvor



Blake
Messina



Leighton
Mundy



Benjamin
Rowe



Eliza
Singleton



Grace
Smith



Blake
Weldon



Year 5-6 C



Gabrielle
Baldock



Owen
Blayney



Emily
Bradley



Danielle
Carroll



Sarah
Courtney



Rhianna
Figueiredo



Stuart
Forsyth



Catie
Gates



Emily
Gill



Joshua
King



Spencer
Larard



Shannon
Marsden



Obie
Mayne



Alex
McKay



Quinn
Outram



Jaiden
Peddie



Lily
Pepper



Brendan
Scott



Zac
Selem



Paul
Sutherland



William
Todd



Courtney
Watt



Isabella
Willcocks

Absent: Alexander Ashworth-Preece



Year 6S



Georgina
Ashworth-Preece



Kate
Black



Rosie-Ann
Bogumil



Rebekah
Bones



Molly
Boschetti



Laetyn
Cook



Jordan
Criddle



Georgina
Dalgleish



Mikaela
Desmond



Brayden
Fleay



Rhett
Forsyth



Hannah
Greenaway



Reginald
Hayward



Lachlan
Holt



Cassidy
Jeeves



Cathy
Johnstone



Bayley
Messina



Eden
Morgan



Rukaya
Msuo



Blake
O'Meara



Christopher
Robertson



Lucy
Robertson



Amanda
Tamoua



Bailey
Vlahov



Year 7A



Callum
Bender



Coby
Brown



Marc
Christoffersen



Sean
Crawford



Kyle
Duda



Padraig
Earnshaw



Kendra
Evans



Amelia
Harris



Ryan
Hobbs



Michael
Keogh



Christopher
Leonard



Mitchell
McLeary



Rett
Millman



Alisha
Panting



Carly
Peddie



Ashley
Purcher



Melissa
Salter



Ned
Selem



Brianna
Short



Ebony
Teakle



Year 7B



Theo
Davidson



Lewis
Earnshaw



Brendan
Fawell



Brooke
Gil de Matos



William
Glass



Jarrod
Heelan



Wade
Humphrey



Tahlia
Irving



Jake
Maisey



Nikayla
Moodley



Joseph
Palmer



Abby
Rayner



Jonathon
Robbins



Kyle
Smith



Laura
Stribley



William
Sturcke



Ella
Tomkins



Stuart
Vlahov



Amy
Wakelam



Year 8A



Lauren
Atkin



Ben
Bannister



Ariane
Greenfield



Erin
Harring



Jack
Hearman



Jesse
Hunt



Christopher
King



Michael
McKay



Sinead
O'Meara



Ainsleigh
Powell



Alan
Roy



John
Servaas



Tessa
Spence



Dulyarit
Srilak



Sarah
Summers



Messina
Tully



Lluwannee
Walker



Ethan
Walton



Courtney
Webb



Riley
Wilton

Absent: Carmen Wilson



Year 8B



Samara
Austin



Alexa
Borchers



Kayleena
Burton



Matthew
Carroll



Mark
Douglas



Tiahn
Fitzhardinge



Benjamin
Hearman



Jesse
Lee



Alyssa
McDonald



Brooke
McKenzie



Jack
Mitchell



Oliver
Padbury



Kate
Pannell



Jamie
Reynolds



Rachael
Scott



Logan
Stahl-Horne



Miles
Starling



Sophie
Taylor



Broderick
Thorniley



Langley
Thurkle



Sheridan
Yelverton



Year 9A



Alise
Bender



Nikolaos
Bouzalakos



Red
Crothers



Amery
Drage



Shahriar
Haque



Chloe
Hickey



Emmanuella
Inyang



Quinn
Lefroy



Jade
Melsom



Caitlin
Morgan



Sally
Moustaka



Jake
Nicholls



Darrien
Nightingale



April
Porter



Matthew
Robertson



Kieran
Thomas



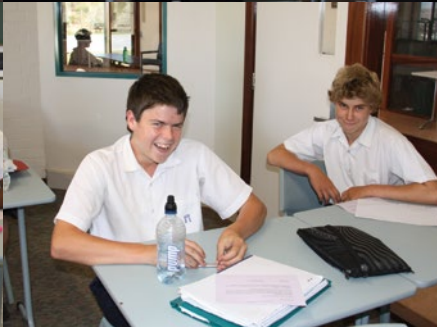
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Year 9B



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Barracrough



Amy
Bradley



Ailish
Burbidge



Jessica
Ellis



Kate
Forsyth



Dylan
Hallas



Jaime
Marsden



Claire
McArthur



Aliyah
Msuo



Megan
Rogers



Ben
Rolston



Farah
Salah El-Din



Emily
Semple



Rydel
Stanton



Rhianna
Tunks



Denver
Weldon



Dean
Williams

Absent: Charlie Francis, Chloe Taylor



Year 9C



Shaun
Burges



Joshua
Cooper



Caitlin
Crothers



Matilda
Keynes



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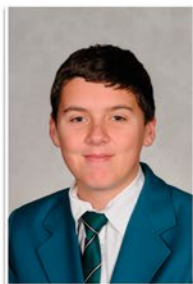
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Stacey
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Lucas
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Emily
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Jarred
Smith



Tayla
Smith



Harry
Wellington



Demi
Williams

Absent: Yani Connors, Shahzeb Imram



Year 9D



Kayleigh
Bavoillot



Angus
Blake



Cameron
Borchers



Lachlan
Burr



Liam
Christensen



Ryan
Galloway



Kieran
Harris



Monique
Johnstone



Jessica
Kendall



Kara
Markham



Layuren
Moodley



James
Murgatroyd



Brydee
North



Kate
O'Donnell



Grace
Royce



Phoebe
Royce



Vivienne
Smith



Sonja
Tennberg



Aliesha
Watson



Jayden
Wheatley



Year 10A



Jayden
Beckwith



Samuel
Bones



Steele
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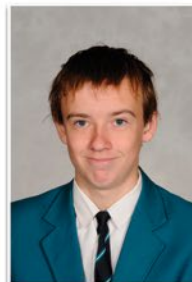
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Hayley
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Jeremy
Crabb



Liam
Earnshaw



Denby
Evans



Jason
Fawell



Jacinta
Heyward-Criddle



Taylor
Hoey



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Reece
McKenzie



Josephine
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Angus
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Calvin
Plozza



Benjamin
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Morgan
Short



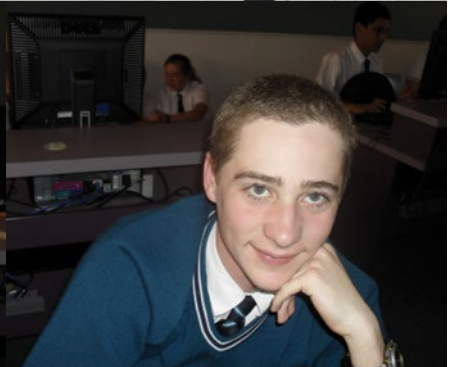
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Curtis
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Andrew
Wilding



Year 10B



Marshall
Burton



Patrick
Butler



Andrew
Crabb



Bonnie
Glass



Jason
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Jarrad
Holmes



Siobhan
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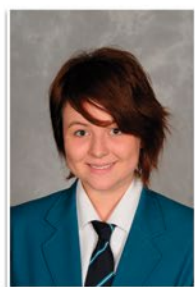
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Jay
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Parmenter



Hollie
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Kyle
Robertson



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Lydia
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Year 10C



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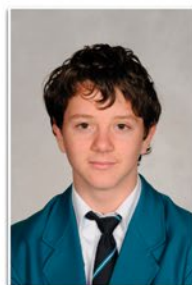
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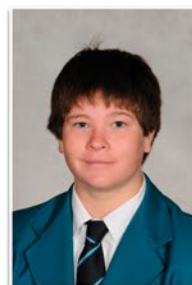
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Hasan
Jehangir



Thomas
Lawley



Alison
McLay



Robert
Mitchell



Chrushla
Nicholls



Carly
Scott



Chelsea
Silvasi



Liam
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Louise
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Alexander
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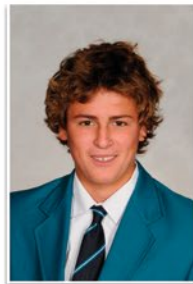
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Karleigh
Anderson



Mitchell
Baillie



Samuel
Baker



Sam
Bannister



Samuel
Bulten



Indyana
Chambers-Galloway



Elliot
Cleghorn



Emily
Cole



Treerak
Corner



Amy
Davis



Wiehan
de Bruyn



Cody
de Meur



Sarah
Dring



Jean
Duncan



Clara
Fickl



George
Giudice-Nairn



Kara
Hay



Kellie
Hobbs



Bonnie
Hughes



Amelia
Keynes

Absent: Rachel Black, Molly Moustaka



Charles
King



Rachel
Marsden



Stephanie
Mateljan



Sally
McClurg



Cale
Millett



Sophie
Moustaka



Chantelle
Muir



Alexis
Payne



Alecia
Perry



Michaela
Perry



Adrianna
Poot



Thomas
Rayner



Emma
Reynolds



Samuel
Royce



Klay
Sipila



Darren
Smith



Ian
Spencer



Tyler
Stuart-Davies



Charles
Thurkle



Mark
Welsh

Year 12



Lucy
Ayling



Melissa
Black



Joel
Bones



Thomas
Campbell



Rhys
Cardinal



Dimity
Chivers



Sheldon
Eley



Amber
Gerrard



Kirsty
Holmes



James
Masiello



Sarah
McLay



Jacqueline
Meares



Sebastian
Neuweiler

Absent: Elina Bry, Antoine Morel



Hailee
Philipps



William
Ramsay



Stefano
Reale



Matt
Schulze



Ashleigh
Stade



Kanza
Stott



Torkel
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Chanelle
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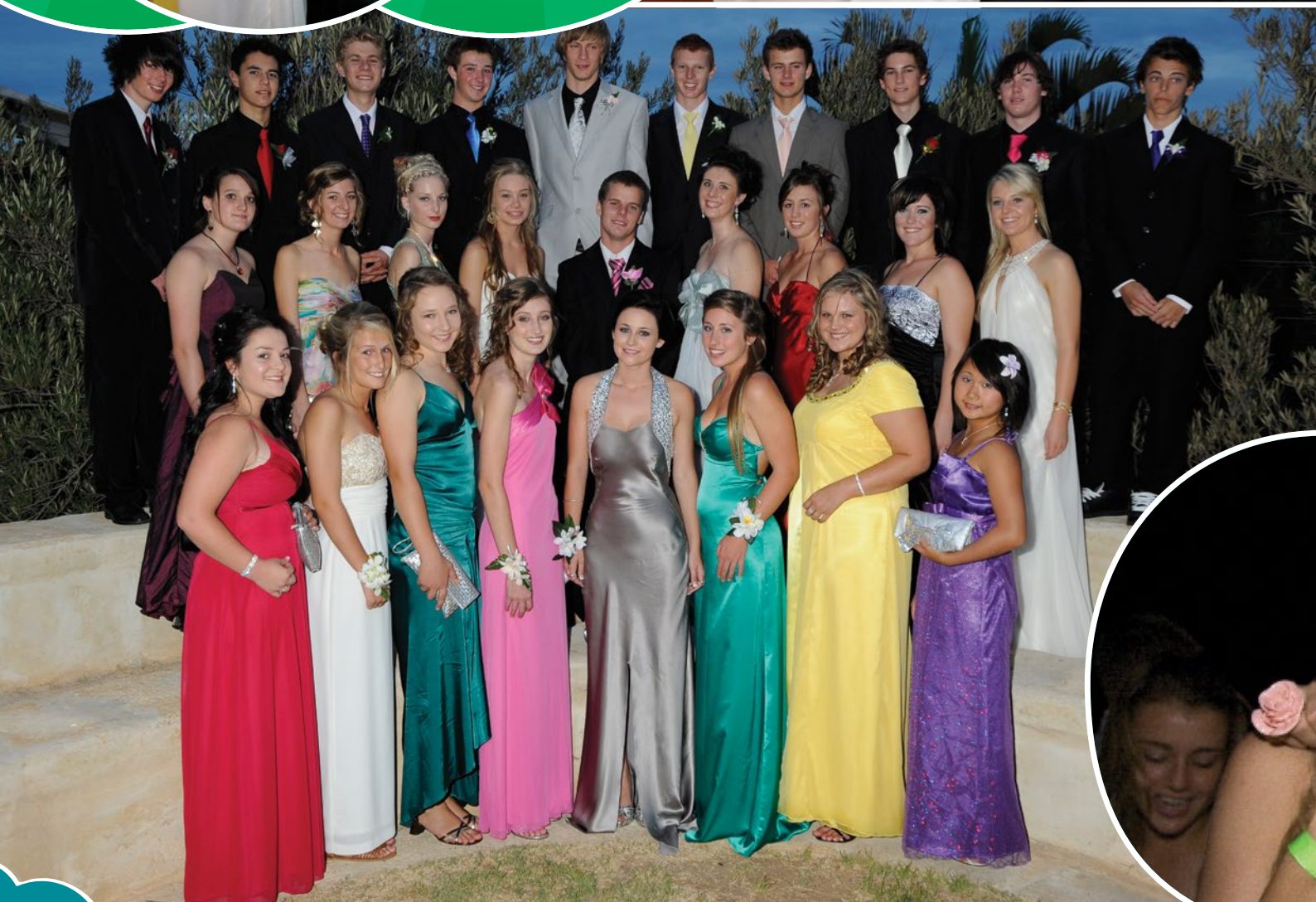
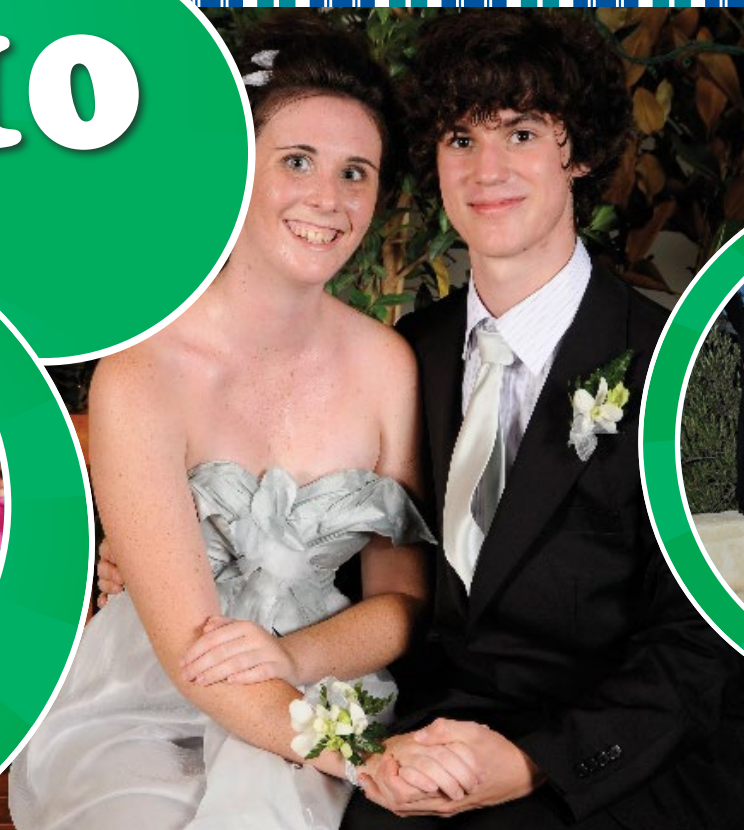


Emma
Whettingsteel



Amy
Ying

Senior Formal 2010





Senior Formal 2010



Graduation



Graduation



Chapman House

Chapman in the secondary school 2010

It has been an exciting year for Chapman, sneaking a peak at the top half of the leader board for most of the year. I'm not sure if we will have the points to take out the number one spot this year, but I have been impressed with our House's overall participation and spirit in 2010. Possibly the most exciting part of Chapman's year was the amazing effort Chapman 4 put into the House quiz activities during term 3 (they came first out of all of the home groups in the secondary school). Well done Chapman 4 - you must have a super duper home group teacher who led you to victory.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our House Captain, Thomas Campbell for being such a fabulous leader and a perfect role model - he consistently sets a great example for our younger Chapmanites. On behalf of the team of the 'red triangle', I'd like to wish Tom all the best for his future and look forward to continuing Chapman's battle to the top of the ladder next year.

Primary House Director

Linda Males

Secondary House Director

Louise Finnis

House Captain

Thomas Campbell

Middle School Captains

Rhianna Tunks (Semester 1)

Jessica Kendall (Semester 2)

Primary School Captains

Molly Boschetti (Semester 1)

Shannon Marsden (Semester 2)





Greenough House

Greenough students successfully participated in a range of House activities during 2010. The swimming, poetry, cross country and athletics competitions provided our students with many opportunities to display their effort and excellence. Students also enjoyed sharing in various activities with their primary buddies. Rukaya Msuo and Laetyn Cook served Greenough well as primary House Captains during first and second semester. They ably encouraged their House to compete in a spirit of outstanding sportsmanship. Throughout 2010, our primary school students have strived for excellence and contributed to the rich tradition of Greenough House.

Primary House Director

Tyler Swartzentruber

Secondary House Director

Gary Racey

House Captain

Chanelle Watson

Middle School Captains

Matilda Keynes (Semester 1)

Pheobe Royce (Semester 2)

Primary School Captains

Rukaya Msuo (Semester 1)

Laetyn Cook (Semester 2)





Irwin House

One of the highlights of my three years here at Geraldton Grammar School has been working with Irwin House. I have found the dedication and enthusiasm to developing House spirit unparalleled. This spirit came to the fore at the athletics carnival, and whilst we have not dominated the sporting and House competitions this year, Irwin has always been in the running and never far from the lead.

We have been led by truly worthy leaders this year in Jacqui Meares and Alise Bender. These two Irwin Captains have excelled in stepping forward to rally our troops into battle in addition to taking on a big role in organising the House competition in term 2.

We all wish our year 12 Irwin graduates the best for the future as we look forward to regaining our rightful position as the bearers of GGS trophies in 2011.

Primary House Director

Gail Davey

Secondary House Director

Damon Angelatos

House Captain

Jacqueline Meares

Middle School Captain

Alise Bender (Semester 1 & 2)

Primary School Captains

Blake O'Meara (Semester 1)

Brayden Fleay (Semester 2)





Murchison House

With great power comes great responsibility. Those were the words that Mr Zander COULD have passed on as he handed over the reigns as House Director for Murchison. Alas, this was not to be. Instead he opted for dancing an ancient Nordic jig and singing "I'm free! I'm free!"

With such a display of confidence ringing in everyone's ears, Murchison once again harnessed the power of the crayfish to dominate the swimming carnival, thus baptising the new order. Under the always enthusiastic guidance of Captains Kanza Stott and Amy Bradley, Murchison have participated admirably in all House-related endeavours, be they theatre games, tabloid sports or House quizzes. We may not have always come first, but we certainly looked good while we were competing.

A big thank you to all members of Murchison, staff and students, for their efforts this year. We look to the future for greater achievements and continued sportsmanship.

Primary House Director

Christopher Sheridan

Secondary House Director

Russell Pusey

House Captain

Kanza Stott

Middle School Captain

Amy Bradley (Semester 1 & 2)

Primary School Captains

Emily Bradley (Semester 1)

Rhianna Figueiredo (Semester 2)





Boarders



The Geraldton Residential College is called home to many of our students from both the middle and secondary schools. Its philosophy is to make the students feel contented in a safe, happy and enjoyable environment. New friendships are forged, comfortable accommodation and good food is provided and friendly staff are always available to assist where needed.

The College is to host the Annual Presentation Ceremony for our year 12 learners in October each year where they are farewelled and remembered in characteristic style and humour. We share the College's sentiments and wish them the very best as they move onto the next exciting chapter of their lives.

Expressions of thanks need to be extended to Mrs Joyce Hamersley who has accompanied me on many a Wednesday evening to share time and delicious dinners with our students at the Residential College. Her warmth and generosity of spirit are felt and appreciated.

Last but not least, heartfelt thanks must be made to the Residential College's Management and staff for the sincere, friendly and professional manner in which they conduct all the day to day runnings of the College and for making our students feel so welcome. From the activities and entertainment, the transport and lunches they provide, the academic support and for the care and guidance always freely given while away from home.

Chester Lord
Geraldton Grammar School Liaison teacher to the Geraldton Residential College

Media



1. INT. F5 - THE MEDIA ROOM. DAY

Students stream into the classroom. A steady flow of smiling, happy children. In this room, colours seem a little brighter, food tastes sweeter and everyday sound take on an almost musical likeness. Life is good, and life in the media class... is gooder.

MR. PUSEY
Good morning class!

THE CLASS
(in melodic unison)
Good morning, Mr Pusey!

LAUREN
What will we be learning about today, sir? Not that it feels like learning. Your classes are so much fun, it's as if we become magically more intelligent and overall better human beings, just by coming into the room.

MR. PUSEY
Well, Lauren, I'm glad you asked. Today we will be looking at what students in different year groups have been doing in Media Studies this year.

THE CLASS
(in a mixture of awe and wonder)
Ooooooohhhhhhhhhh!

The class all instinctively take out paper and pen. They know

that once again, despite the apparent informal setting, this will be information they should write down and commit to memory for later.

ANGUS
Do all year groups study Media, sir?

MR. PUSEY
That's a good question, Angus, thank you for asking. Actually, no they don't. Students begin studying media in year 8. Even though they have been exposed to the media all of their lives, this will be the first time that they learn about ideas of construction, the use of symbols and audience targeting.

HAYLEY
That must be very difficult, to learn about something they've never had to think about before.

MR. PUSEY
It can be, Hayley, and this is why some student do struggle in their first year. Not to worry though, most get better as they progress.

LUCY
I'm sure having you for their teacher makes it easier, sir....

Maths

$$1+2=3$$

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♥
MATHS!

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \times 7 &= 7 \\ 2 \times 7 &= 14 \\ 3 \times 7 &= 21 \\ 4 \times 7 &= 28 \\ 5 \times 7 &= 35 \\ 6 \times 7 &= 42 \end{aligned}$$

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During 2010 (a **composite** number with **prime factors** 2, 3, 5 and 67), the **Mathematics** Department consisted of **Sharon Bradley**, **Scott Cox**, **Claire Gasper**, **Oliver Murray**, **Jenni Winterbine** and **Chris Zander**. A **survey** among the students (free of bias), revealed that algebra, as predicted, was the favourite topic closely followed by **trigonometry**. The student's favourite mathematician was **Pythagoras** but surprisingly the regular **pentagon** beat the **triangle** in the favourite shape category. Worst formula was again taken out by the **formula** for **standard deviation** and easiest was the **quadratic** formula

Highlights during the year were the **significant number** of students who consistently learnt to use the word **multiplication** instead of 'timesing' and the senior students managing to master the concept of **differentiation** in **calculus**.

All words printed in bold can be found in the word sleuth. The first student to present the correct solution to the Mathematics Department will receive a free 30 minute crash course in fractions with the teacher of their choice. Competition closes week 2, term 1 2011.

English



There have been many highlights throughout the year with students striving to achieve their best in the English learning area.

A group of year 9 and 10s (along with a few English teachers) kick started the year in term 1 with a fantastic trip to Perth to attend the All Saints Literature Festival. Students met, mingled with and took advice from many published authors, including the main attraction Craig Silvey (author of “Rhubarb” and “Jasper Jones”) along with Hazel Edwards (“There’s a Hippopotamus on Our Roof Eating Cake”) Barry Jonsberg (“The Whole Business with Kiffo and the Pitbull”) and Melaina Faranda (“The Circle” series).

By the time term 2 swung around, we welcomed the energy and vitality of final year teaching student, Jennifer Ley who guided the year 10 and 11s through an eleven week term. The year 10s were furiously studying for their first ever English exam and the year 9s were busy creating their picture book masterpieces - which never cease to impress their English teachers. The year 7s and 8s both completed a film study with the year 7s building some amazing dioramas detailing the film’s themes and the year 8s writing their first English essays.

After studying feature articles for a large chunk of their stage 2 English studies, some year 11 students shared their insights and talents with the community by having their articles chosen to be published in the local newspaper “The Geraldton Guardian” through the Junior Journalist program. The year 8s also got to share their writing at the Lynton Station camp whilst using their presenting skills in the haunted house. They really enjoyed using their writing talents to craft chilling ghost stories and even managed to scare their audience a little (including some staff). Attending the Randolph Stow Awards night was another highlight of term 3, where many of Geraldton Grammar’s up and coming writers emerged to receive prizes for their talents; Theo Davidson (year 7 - second place in the upper primary prose), Amy Bradley (year 9 - Highly commended in the lower secondary prose), Hamish Holt (year 10- first place in the middle secondary poetry) , Jesse Webb-Smith (year 10 first place in the middle secondary prose), George Giudice-Nairn (year 11 - first place in the upper secondary poetry).

Whilst the year 10s were busy contemplating their future English studies in upper school, the year 9s were sinking their teeth into a term long novel study producing many exciting projects including a paper bag book report, weekly book circle discussions and analytical essays (we love them so much here in the English department!) We discovered that we have many aspiring young poets in year 7 as they expressed themselves through a variety of different poetic styles during their poetry study in term 3.

Finally as the year draws to an end, the overall highlight of the year has once again been watching our dedicated and passionate (most of the time) students immersing themselves in all that is English.

The English staff of 2010

Science



The Geraldton Grammar School Science Department has celebrated the International Year of Biodiversity by enjoying another typically diverse year of hands-on learning. Along the way we have:

- planted hundreds of plants down at our Wetland Sanctuary
- met Harry Butler (not in the wild but at QPT)
- extracted DNA
- grew the yummiest spinach and broad beans
- chased ghost crabs down a hole
- created the loudest bang possible with a coke bottle and dry ice
- made instant ice-cream with liquid nitrogen
- determined cause of death of various heart diseases to assist the 'Coroner'
- scared ourselves at the Adventure World Physics Fun Day
- looked to the stars
- become cultured with the assistance of bacterial life forms
- eaten 212 scones thanks to Mrs Beeck's secret recipe
- won High Distinctions in the UNSW Science Competition Tests
- attended the annual Bayliss Youth Lecture, "Chemistry in Our Lives"
- bred Darwin's 'children'
- showed our Engineering prowess at the Engineering Challenge
- surveyed dune vegetation
- counted rock-shelf molluscs
- measured the radioactivity of our polonium-210
- welded railway tracks together with thermite
- discovered gravity at Gingin
- made our own musical instruments
- trialled the draft Australian Curriculum
- parachuted into a topic on forces
- made biodiesel
- visited the windfarm
- chased ants around the scrub
- discovered the insides of rats
- came second at the Astronomy WA Challenge Cup
- became friendly with the animals at the Perth Zoo
- learned what an asset a trolley of laptops can be to our learning
- pressed wildflowers
- preserved seaweed
- turned an old satellite TV dish into a solar cooker
- photographed the flowers of the school grounds
- tested the Aquarena's pool water

and in doing all this become better and more diverse scientists ourselves.

Thanks to all our Science Department staff:

Mrs Jenny Beeck, Mrs Caroline Hann, Miss Dallas Bruce, Miss Amanda Gaudet, Ms Sharon Bradley, Mr John Royce, Mr Chester Lord and especially Mrs Angela Padman who, in completing her own science experiment, will be bringing another young scientist into the world!

SOSE

The aim of the SOSE department is to teach students about the world in which they live. We cover the topics of geography, history, economics, law, government and social issues.

In middle school we concentrate on Australia's place in the world. We hope that students will come to appreciate how unique their family, the local area and Australia are in comparison to the rest of the world. We do this by developing the skills of research assignments, class discussions and hands on practical activities such as map reading and middle school camp.

Senior school includes developing SOSE skills in preparation of the student for entering society as an independent thinker and success in WACE. The WACE subjects offered this year under the banner of SOSE are Geography, Modern History and Philosophy and Ethics.

The outstanding and dedicated teaching team this year has included John Aston, Marilyn Crosthwaite, Andy Krolikowski, Chester Lord, Angela Padman, Amy Price and Russell Pusey.

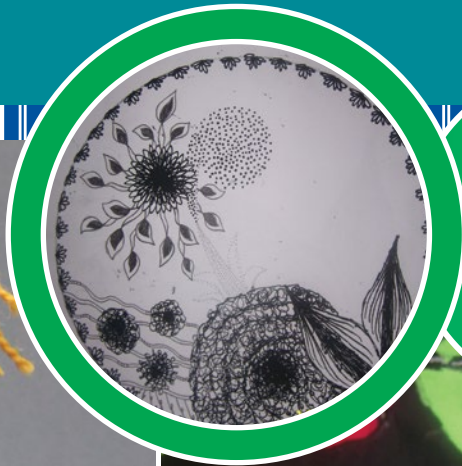
Angela Padman
Head of Society and Environment



Fine Arts



Fine Arts



ICT



2010 has been a very hectic and exciting year for ICT at Geraldton Grammar School. We have undergone massive infrastructure changes and purchased much cutting edge hardware and software. This increase in technology will provide a platform to allow us to deliver an outstanding education now and in the future in a safe and secure environment.

The summer holidays were a very busy time for the Network Administrator, Mr Tony Duffield and his Assistant, Mr Sean Bennett. They:

- Replaced a number of servers and upgraded others so we could move onto a virtual environment
- Set up projectors in most secondary classrooms
- Installed interactive electronic whiteboards in all primary classroom
- Replaced a number of old computers with Dell workstations
- Upgraded existing software and installed Adobe Web Premium on all school computers
- Increased the wireless network coverage
- Prepared laptops for all full time staff

During term 1 we rolled out 3 laptop trolleys around the school. Each trolley securely stores and charges 28 laptops. During the day it is not uncommon for laptops to be shared amongst a number of classrooms.

Early in term 3 Mr Sean Bennett left the school after 3 years of service and was given a special send off by the primary staff and students. His replacement Mr Mark Wilkinson hit the ground running and has been welcomed by staff and students.

Towards the end of term 3 all staff participated in a full day Cybersafety training program. The many relevant references and concepts presented will complement and enhance our existing Cybersafety programs and help us to better guide the students towards becoming safe and responsible online citizens.

ICT



Technology & Enterprise



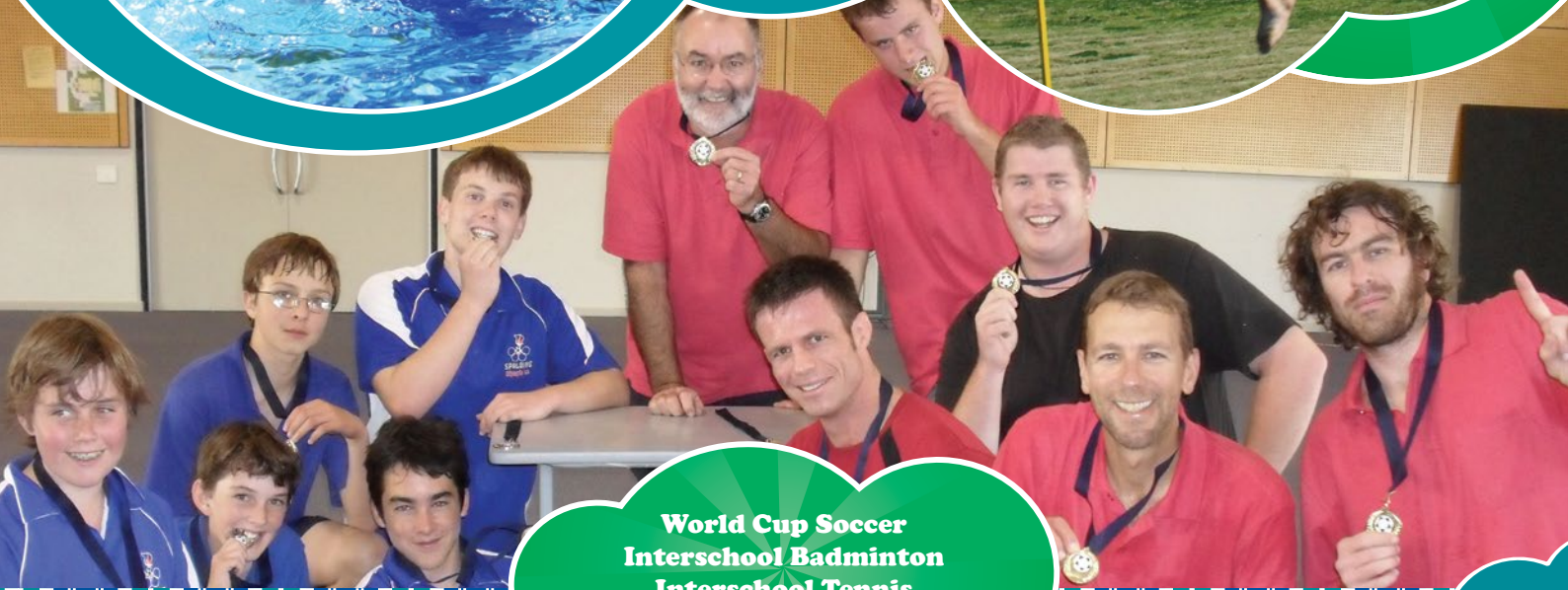
The Design and Technology Centre was the sole preserve of senior school students during 2010. Students were able to take advantage of the excellent facilities available at the school to thoroughly plan and produce a broad range of high quality projects. From entertainment units, popular with the year 12 students, through to planter boxes in year 10, and a variety of other projects in between. Students have shown dedication to and interest in the courses presented this year with many attending after school classes to continue working on their projects. With the Technology Centre facilities being continually updated, the school has maintained a stimulating environment in which students learn many life skills.

**District High School Country Week
Interschool Football
Interschool Netball
Cycling**

Health & PE



**Athletics Carnival
Swimming Carnival
Cross Country
Senior Country Week**



**World Cup Soccer
Interschool Badminton
Interschool Tennis
Interschool Surfing**

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Drama



This year the students have enjoyed learning about many different styles of theatre including puppetry, Commedia Dell Arte, clowning, monologues, mime and small skits. GGS Drama students always know the importance of having focus when performing, reflecting on your performances and the positive impact that warm ups and group building games have on your Drama troupe. Students have explored various roles in Drama including costume, makeup and set designing along with acting and directing skills. It has been a pleasure watching the students gain more confidence and valuing the ideas of others, over their time in Drama.

Ms Wyles, Miss Gasper and Miss Finnis.

Music



2010 has seen some musical activity in the community, with the Geraldton Music Festival in term 2 and the Geraldton Iluka Showcase in term 4 at the Queens Park Theatre, where the students have had opportunities to play and sing after many weeks of rehearsing. Closer to home, the Showcase Assembly in the last term of school featured the Chamber Choir, consisting of 13 female voices - tenor, alto and two sopranos groups from year 7 to 11 age groups - have practised hard at tone quality, breathing and technical abilities in choral singing. We had a shaky start to the year, but the girls have grown together to perform with a great attitude, sonority, commitment and loyalty to the group. Having a recent addition of an accompanist (year 8 student) has established the choir even further. The choir rehearses on stage in the Batavia Hall Monday and Thursday lunchtimes. Also performing at this and two other performances over the year is the Combined Schools' Orchestra, a new group to the school this year, which features a number of students from the Strathalbyn Christian College Senior Band (clarinet, drums/violin, alto saxophone), two home school students (violin/alto saxophone, flute), as well as four year 8 students (clarinet, flute, violin, tuned percussion) and one year 9 (guitar) student from GGS. The musicians have worked hard all year to bring their technical ability up to a level they themselves can be proud of, performing pieces by Mussorgsky, James Horner, Henry Mancini, Frankie Sullivan III and Jim Peterik (Rocky III), Mexican folk song and Black's "When the Saints Go Marching In". The orchestra rehearses together Wednesdays after school for an hour and a half. We can never have enough musicians, and I really do recommend anyone who has played an instrument for at least three years should be planning to play in a band in the near future. It is the best way of getting out of your comfort zone and propelling your music skills to a higher level very quickly. So, closet musicians, dust off your saxophone/tuba/clarinet/guitar and join up!

The year has gone very quickly, with year 7, 8 and 9 developing their performance skills in keyboard and guitar, voice, bass, drums and Samba ensemble. Writing music is part of the course here and a number of students have performed their own pieces as part of their assessment. Well done to them! Year 10 tackled Stage 1 music, covering Music in the Media - Film, TV and Advertising in the first semester, and Rock Music - pre and post 1980s in the second semester. The boys are especially keen to show their abilities in the metal and rock areas with songs by Bullet For My Valentine. We acquired four new laptops in the second term, which has aided in the arranging and composition side of the music course. Other instruments acquired this year have been ten digital Yamaha keyboards, Ashton electric drum kit and double kick for the acoustic set plus drum stool, Greg Bennett metal style electric guitar, SX Signature electric guitar, Peavey 60W bass amplifier, Canon Legria video camera F5306 and tripod, six new headphones, and two new AKG mics.

To all the musicians who have put themselves out there to rehearse and sacrifice their own free time for the sake of the call, you have made me proud of your achievements. Just keep going next year!

Ms Geri Wyles
Secondary Music

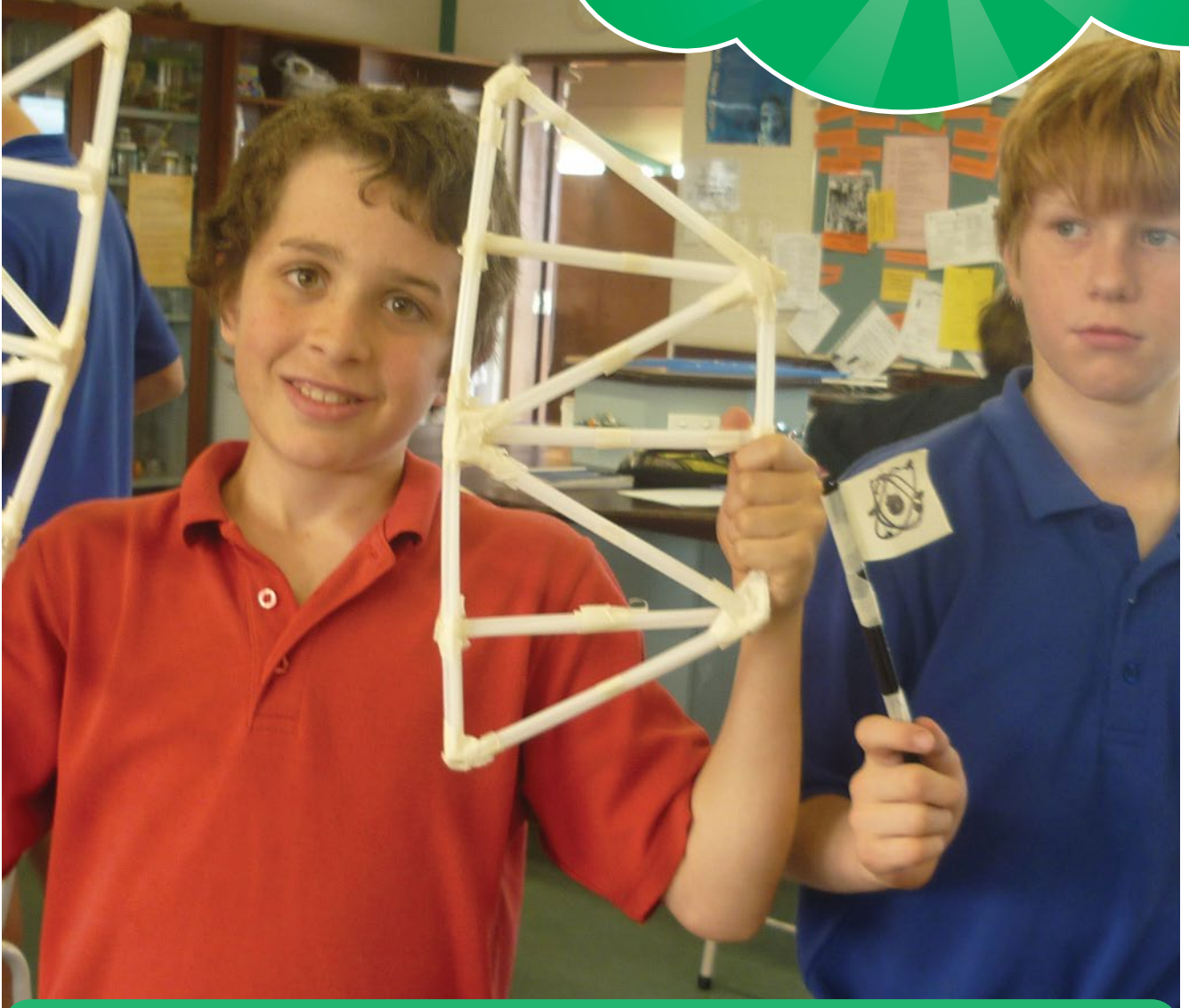
Middle School Electives



Gifted & Talented



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In the middle school teachers invite very able students to participate in special extension classes in Science and English. In these classes students spend some time each week with a small group of like-minded peers developing their interests.

In the extension English class we have had fun exploring literary terms and analytical skills during semester 1. We read a variety of texts and picked them apart searching for meanings and literary techniques used to position the audience and worked on writing analytical essays deconstructing our studied texts. In semester 2 we have continued to expand our analytical skills whilst also focusing on short story structure. We ended the year with a focus on creative writing and constructed a short story subverting popular stereotypes within our society.

In the extension Science class we have been investigating radioastronomy and the Physics and Maths involved in electromagnetic spectrum, wave motion, cosmology and astronomy. Then we moved on to looking at the development of the theory of the atom and learning about the periodic table. Soon we are going to be looking at chemical reactions and tests.

Outdoor Education

Abseiling & Camping



**Team Building
& First Aid**

Outdoor Education

**Canoeing
Snorkelling
& Climbing**



**Camp Cooking &
Fire Lighting**



Primary

A collage of photographs of primary school children in various costumes and settings. The images are arranged in a circular, overlapping fashion. The children are shown in different outfits, including a green shirt, a pink dress, a blue shirt, a red hat, a straw hat, a white dress, a white shirt and tie, a black and red shirt, and a white dress. The background is a teal color with a white and blue striped border at the top and bottom.

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Primary





Primary Sport



2010 has been an action packed and exciting one for all students involved in Physical Education. The students have participated in events such as the athletics carnival, interschool carnivals, Friday Fun and house activities. The students thoroughly enjoyed their time during Physical Education and have learnt valuable skills which enabled them to maximise their participation. Geraldton Grammar continues to strive for excellence in the academic and sporting arenas. With opportunities given to students through Physical Education we can unlock the potential in everyone.



The 2010 Interschool Carnival was held in magnificent conditions with the athletics track a buzz with anticipation. It was a tremendous day with all schools competing to the best of their ability and with great sportsmanship. Geraldton Grammar students represented the school with much pride and enthusiasm. Our fantastic interschool preparation was well rewarded by great individual efforts and runner-up champions. I would like to congratulate all our winners and a big thank you to all the staff and parents who made the day such a huge success.



Round Square

This year in late June four lucky students boarded a plane bound for Singapore. Caitlin Crothers, Grace Royce, Jesse Lee and Jessica Kendall travelled with Ms Faichney and Mr Greenaway to the Junior Round Square Conference hosted by the United World College of South East Asia.

We arrived safely in Singapore and spent our first two days as tourists. We had a great time experiencing a different culture and food. The highlights of our two days included visits to the Changi War Museum, Orchard Road and 'Wet and Wild' water park. Day three was the beginning of the Round Square Conference where we united with schools from all round Australasia. The conference was full of fun and educational activities such as the cultural day which included visits to the Malay museums and Arab Street. One of the most significant activities we participated in was the global concern workshops. These workshops raised awareness about many things including animal cruelty and poverty, along with speeches from two students from Cambodia. The final day of the conference was spent discovering Singapore. We were sent on an 'Amazing Race' type adventure, which included stops at the Singapore Flyer, Botanic Gardens, Little India and concluded on Sentosa Island.

After the conference we joined up with four of the other schools for a post conference trip. We travelled to Malaysia and boarded a ferry to Tioman Island, a tropical island which is located two degrees south of the equator, where we spent four fantastic days. Activities on the island included snorkeling, kayaking and trekking. The most important activity we had the privilege of doing was volunteer work with the Juara turtle project, where we got to learn about the beautiful creatures and see new turtle hatchlings.

Everyone on the trip enjoyed the experience and learnt more about themselves and the world around them. Of his time away at the conference, Jesse Lee said that "The Round Square Conference was one of the greatest experiences of my life. It was lots of fun and we learned a lot about the world. I hope that next year's delegates have as great a time as we did."



Primary HATS



Outward Bound





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Country Week



Country Week



Camps Week

Year 7 Camp



Camps Week

Galena



Choir



Primary School Music 2010

Our music students have been busy in class learning keyboard, theory and percussion skills.

Classical guitar is also offered to the upper primary school.

Volunteer choir students attend rehearsal two mornings each week.

The two year 3-4 classes combined to create a Choral Speaking group which won first place in the Music Festival in August. Amy Figueiredo made a most impressive witch!

Year 3/4D - first place in the Lower Primary Percussion.

Year 4/5M - first place in the Middle Primary Percussion.

Year 6 - first place in the Upper Primary Percussion.

Junior Choir - first place in the Junior Primary School Choirs.

Senior Choir - second place in the Primary School Choirs.

ABBAMANIA invited a small group to prepare two songs and join with them to sing on stage.

A small choir of volunteers joined in the Centenary Celebrations of the Anglican Diocese.

