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EXECUTIVE

When we first started thinking about the Executive page for the Archway I was interested to find out what each person's highlight for the year had been – always a difficult thing to think of in a very busy school. Business Manager, Graeme Munday has had the satisfaction of managing his first big building program for the school – the BER initiative which saw the library extension, the new primary block and the extension to the art space – a wonderful windfall for the school. Berrice Lodge, Head of Primary has seen the successful implementation of two major programs – the introduction of Indonesian into the primary years and the designation of GGS as a BRIDGE school, and the imbedding of the Early Years Framework into the lower school – both enormous undertakings and a real credit to the staff involved. Anne Faichney, Head of Middle School has been delighted with her transition initiative, the STEP program which looks at some exciting activities for the specific needs of year 7 students. Nicola Davidson, Head of Curriculum has been focusing on the Australian Curriculum and what it means in a whole school scenario; she has also been grappling with turning our timetabling into an efficient process – not necessarily a highlight for her, but a great achievement nonetheless! Scott Cox, Head of Student Development has seen another great group of student leaders develop and then hand the mantle on and he is busily planning a trip to Nepal in December with some students to work at the school we support there – I'm sure that will be a highlight!

I look at all of the things everybody does in the school and feel so proud to be a part of it, and so lucky to be working with such a fine group of teachers and students – far too many highlights for me to single any one out. But I will leave the last word to Deputy Principal, John Royce – he writes about something quite specific but the lessons learnt cover the whole spectrum of school life. He says:

"Each year students from GGS have an opportunity to attend camps and excursions – events that take them outside the classroom. Almost without exception it is a wonderful experience and usually is indelibly written into the pleasant memory bank. Staff often rave about how wonderful Billy or Sally or little Johnny are on these occasions (the fact they are devils in the classroom is often lost in this appraisal). All students at GGS are fortunate to have these extra curricula routines as part of their life at school. Many schools do not run camps for a painfully obvious reason.

We exist in a changing society regarding responsibly and blame. Accountability and litigation issues fill up pages in the newspapers and worse, infiltrate the running of schools. To run an excursion or camp at any school requires much paperwork and preparation. It is no wonder that some teachers in some schools are saying no because of this requirement. It is therefore with much pride that I see camps and excursions as a significant aspect of education on this campus. Further, it behoves all students to acknowledge the staff who organise, run and attend these events. This really is a good school."

Mrs Susan Shaw Principal



BOARD OF GOVERNORS



The Geraldton Grammar School Board of Governors works in close partnership with the Principal, Mrs Susan Shaw to shape the strategic direction of the school and to ensure the delivery of quality education and student development outcomes. It is a privilege for us to know that the decisions we make as a Board, along with the effort and dedication of the staff, contribute positively to the lives and education of every student who attends Geraldton Grammar.

We are a Board composed of members with wide ranging skills and experience and I am indebted to the efforts of Deputy Chair, Pauline Bogle and Members Darren Lee, Peter Hobbs, Rob Dines, Gareth Rowe, Paula Purcher, Greg Smargiassi, Janie Ballinger, Murray Wilding, Craig Topham and Garry Hamersley. I thank each member sincerely for their commitment to the Board again this year. I make special mention of Darren Lee, immediate past Chair of the Board for his stewardship and strategic focus over the past five years and his continued guidance and support as a member of the Board.

I acknowledge and thank the Business Manager, Graeme Munday for his executive secretarial support to the Board. It goes without saying that the working relationship we enjoy as a Board with both Susan and Graeme contribute enormously to the shared successes and achievements of the Geraldton Grammar School. The Board acknowledges the efforts of the Executive team – Susan Shaw, Graeme Munday, John Royce, Anne Faichney, Berrice Lodge, Scott Cox and Nicola Davidson - and each and every member of the academic and support staff who work tirelessly to ensure that our students enjoy high quality educational experiences and outcomes in such an attractive environment.

This year, as a result of the BER funding received from the Federal Government we saw the completion and official opening of the extensions to the Sheila Flanagan Library as well as the additional primary classrooms. In line with the Board's long term plan, retro fitting of air conditioning throughout the school continued with Blocks C and D being completed this year. The primary toilet block/ change rooms building project commenced and will be completed in early 2012. We also received a grant for solar panels and these have been installed on the roof of the Design and Technology block.

Geraldton Grammar School continues to receive positive feedback about the quality of our facilities and grounds. This is in no small way as a direct result of the dedication of our support staff and their efforts and support are warmly acknowledged.

On behalf of the Board of Governors I take this opportunity to thank all staff and parents for your support during 2011 and we look forward to your continued support in the years ahead. It is our hope that Geraldton Grammar School continues to deliver outcomes that make it an easy first choice when considering a school for your children.

Mrs Jenny Rolston Chair

PARENTS + FRIENDS

2011 has been a very successful year for the Parents and Friends Association, not only in terms of money raised to support school projects, but also with the support and enthusiasm of the committee members, parents and staff in planning and implementing our activities throughout the year. Thank you for your involvement.

The role of the P&F is to coordinate fundraising projects within the school. This year's events included the 'Red Dog' movie night; Playschool; our AFL 100's club; our amazing Adidas School Fun Run, and our highly successful Art Exhibition. Along with the support of our community based partners of Queen's Supa IGA, Bakers Delight, Stuck on You Labels, Student banking and our Living fundraiser, this year the P&F has raised over \$30,000 towards school projects.

Following the donation in 2010 of \$15,000 to the new Art facility, the P&F has allocated these and additional funds accrued to purchase the Lexile program for the Primary School (\$5,000); donated \$2,000 to the Library for book purchases; pledged \$12,000 to the upgrade of lighting in the Batavia Hall and pledged \$15,000 per year to the upgrade of the school oval from 2011-2013.

Thank you to the Committee, Narelle Dennett (Vice President), Mel Scott (Secretary), Julie Christoffersen (Treasurer), Rob Grima, Julie Ann Chesson, Adam Semple, Peta Dunn and Natalie Wheatley, and Ex-officio's Susan Shaw, John Royce, Berrice Lodge and Graeme Munday for their dedication and hard work throughout the year. Without their support the P&F would not be able to contribute to the extent they do. We sincerely thank the amazing efforts of the GGS Art Department in their contribution to the Art Exhibition and the work that they do with our students. We thank the parents and friends of the school for their valuable support and look forward to this continuing in 2012.

Jenny Feltham President



RE REPORT

We enjoyed having puppet Roger at our Easter Service again with the help of students from Perth's Trinity College and were sad to say goodbye to Bishop David and Maureen Mulready at our end of term 2 service. Karleigh Anderson has contributed well to services and Assemblies as Chapel Captain.

Christian Education continued to help students develop their spiritual life and character. Mrs Hamersley taught weekly lessons to students from Kindergarten to Year 4/5 and I taught from Year 6 to Year 12. Primary classes had lessons about Knowing our Creator, Old Testament people who trusted a faithful God, Jesus revealing the secrets of God's Kingdom and the Mission enabled by the Holy Spirit for Jesus' followers.

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 and 9 used a new course "Finding your Way" as a journey through the Bible's story of salvation which shows the chronology and big picture of the Bible. Year 10 worked through "A spectator's guide to world religions" studying the history and teachings of the 5 major world religions, coming to understand the various religious worldviews on offer.

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. For the first time this year they also enjoyed a full day Auslife seminar on Relationships run by YFC and local volunteers.

I would like to thank Mrs Hamersley, Karleigh and the students who took part up front or behind the scenes in our Services, for their enthusiasm and support in 2011.

God Bless,

Mrs Jenny Day Chaplain



SCHOOL CAPTAINS

We write this page to talk about the role this school has played in our lives, and how we imagine it will influence us for years to come. We'll begin with Outward Bound. Our instructor Mikey once said, "Pain is weakness leaving the body". Voltaire said "A witty saying proves nothing." Mikey was right, the purpose of Outward Bound is to push our boundaries, and we believe the experience has had a positive impact on the character and fitness of all who have attended. But Outward Bound isn't the only experience Grammar encourages students to take. Various camps, trips on the Leeuwin, Round Square, exchanges, overseas ventures, forums, dances, and Country Week are offered to give students not only a "comprehensive education", but a great time.

The great experience that many year 12s have shared over the years has been due in part to their year coordinators. Ours was Mrs Winterbine, who we thank for being such a great mentor to us; and organising almost everything... apart from homework....Actually, with your promotion of study timetables we suppose homework could be added to the list as well.

As School Captains, we've learnt a lot about hosting events, some of which didn't come to fruition. As Thomas Edison said, "I have not failed, I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work." So students, when things don't work out, don't worry. If you truly want to achieve something, you will find a way. Hopefully this will apply to the class of 2011 as we move into the future.

This school has played a large role in both of our lives, and will surely do so for the following years of graduates. When you experience difficulty, don't give up. Remember the words of Winston Churchill, "If you are going through hell, keep going". Always work hard, the results of your efforts will reward you. You alone have the power to make things happen for yourself. Also, be kind to each other and do your best to enjoy life no matter where you are.

We look forward to making the journey into the future; and we hope to remember the words of Yoda, because if there's one thing we've learned that applies to everyone, it's that "Much to learn, you still have."

George Giudice -Nairn Indyana Chambers Galloway



Johnston, Miss Lana Winfield, Mrs Lisa Brennan, Ms Kerry Sainsbury, Mrs Amanda Cook, Mrs Gail Davey, Mrs Shelley Sipila Fourth Row: Mr Russell Pusey, Miss Claire Gasper, Miss Rowland, Mrs Caroline Hann Fifth Row: Mr Tony Duffield, Ms Dallas Bruce, Mrs Jayne Caley, Mrs Amy Price, Miss Kattie Sotiroff, Miss Natalie Steer, Mrs Marion Nelson, Mrs Silvana Mrs Nicole Morton, Mrs Sue- Ann McArthur, Mrs Vanessa Barber Third Row: Mrs Jenni Winterbine, Mrs Hannah Haskew- Jones, Mrs Jackie Brown, Miss Simone de la Motte, Miss Sally Amanda Gaudet, Ms Sharon Cole, Miss Anne Faichney, Mrs Sandra Pardaella, Mr Mark Wilkinson, Mr Simon Moffatt, Miss Sinead O'Callaghan, Mrs Marylin Crosthwaite, Mrs Annette From, Mrs Bernadine Tooney, Mrs Georgie Bowtell, Miss Narissa Alford, Mrs Betty Della-Franca Sixth Row: Mrs. Meagan Plummer, Mr Christopher Sheridan, Mrs Susan Philson, Mr Front Row: Mrs Raelene Aston, Mr John Royce, Mrs Dawn Regan, Mrs Di Hamilton, Mrs Susan Mundy Second Row: Mrs Jenny Day, Mr Scott Cox, Mrs Linda Males, Mr Ashley Friesen, Michael Bibrlik, Mr Derek Lange, Ms Nicola Davidson, Mr Oliver Murray, Mr Rob Vickery, Mr John Aston, Mr Christoffer Zander, Mr Batsirai Vudzijena

Geraldton Grammar School Staff 2011

STAFF PHOTO



Teacher: Mrs Jenni Winterbine

Row: Samuel Royce, Peter (George) Guidice-Nairn, Samuel Baker, Cale Millet, Charles Thurkle

Amelia Keynes Third Row: Sophie Moustaka, Molly Moustaka, Caitlin Tully, Sally McClurg, Indyana Chambers Galloway, Adrianna Poot Fourth Row: Setphanie Matelijan, Tyler Front Row: Kellie Hobbs, Amy Davis, Esther Guerisse, Rachel Marsden, Karleigh Anderson Second Row: Alexis Payne, Alecia Perry, Michaela Perry, Treerak Corner, Emily Cole, Stuart-Davies, Jean Duncan, Sarah Dring, Bonnie Hughes, Wiehan de Bruyn Fifth Row: Mark Welsh, Darren Smith, Charles King, Klay Sipila, Mitchell Baillie, Sam Bannister Sixth

Geraldton Grammar School - Year 12 2012





PRE – KINDERGARTEN



Isabel Bartlett



Oliver Campbell



Nicole Chamberlain



Lucas Clarkson



Kelvin Cosey



Noah Dunn



Latham



Gilby Lodge



Mann



Hamish Sojan



Remi Wheatley



McDougall



Amara Starling



Jude Tanham

Absent: Jameson Nolan

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Phoebe Teakle



Storm

































KINDERGARTEN 4B







Ella Beven









Elena Davidson



Freeman



Jasmine Gerlofsma



Ella

Grant



Caley



Eva

Carlberg

Jermyn



Ryan Jermyn



Zac McDonald



Cameron McGrath



Hann

Lachlan Norris



Penberthy



Sarah **Price-Walkley**



William Smart



Todd Vince Woodhouse



Wright

































KINDERGARTEN 4I







Georgie Boys



Jack

Caley

Jasmin Duncan



Trent Ellis



Rhama Evans



Finlay



Harris



Hewison



Daniel Jennings



Timothy Kruys



Poppy







Bailey Wetters



Callum Mountford



Taj Racey



Kristian Seidl



Talan Turney





Lanaway



P1A





Sonny Arangio

Georgia Burrows



Campbell



Ava





Ella Eliza Crook Della-Marianna



Annabelle Draper



Kory Dunn



Imogen Ellis



Torin Gardner



Gething



Lewin Herring



Isabella Langer



Silke Linton



Msuo



Isla Ariel

Mulligan Teariki-Tautea



Jefferies

Alice Tonkin



Teigen Turney



Raine Wheatley



Ryan Wilton













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P1C



Charlotte Barber



Mia Bender



Sarah Chadwick



Eliana Davison



Matthew Doncon



Samara Edwards



Rangga Evans



Imogen Ferguson







Gillingham



Clancy Hann



Jimmy Hyde





Kristy Orr



Amity Vince



Xander Pieterse



Jarrod Purcher



Jasmine Roderick



Neil Shah







P1M





Lana Astill

Jonathon Brown



Penny Chadwick



Matthew Chamberlain



Samuel Denton



Ruby Freeman



Jaxon Graham



Hancock





Hunt



Arabella Ismail



Klein



Nina Morton



Tess Mulligan

Taya

Weldon



Aidan Peacey



Campbell Wood



Jai Plummer



Kiera Reynolds



Kaleb Vlahov







YEAR 1-2M











Edwards

Oscar Finlay





Gillingham

Grace Gouge



Nicholas



Grima



Denver Hopkinson



Caitlin Kruize



Manha

Malik



Karly McArthur



Hugh Norris



Healey

Jan

Pieterse



Owain Price-Walkley



Taylor Racey



Summer Roderick



Jacob Royce



Noor Salah El-Din



Sebastian Seidl



Scarlett Singleton



Patrick



Amara Smyth Stainton-Owen



Fynn Young









































YEAR 2-3D





Erin Buckle

Tafadzwa Chiureki



Emily Cook

Leah Davies



Desmond



Tessa Grima



Odin Heier



James Hollins



Madisyn Jeffery



Heidi Lefroy



Lockley



Maisey



Reece



Degan McDougall



Hayden Messina





Madison Nelson



Sophie Patterson



Mayne

Samuel Pepper



Mikayla Reynolds



Jeremy Scott



Mulligan

Ashley Tuffley



Abbey Winterbine



























































YEAR 2DF



Tess Adamson



Elijah **Burrows**



Lucas Chesson







Lachlan Cook

Wade Cuthbert



Ryan



Angus Dennett Eliott-Lockhart



Bradley Fletcher



Mylee Grant







Daisy Herring



Libby Hyde



Caitlin Mundy



Holly Ruttle



Georgia Seymour



Lawrence Yerex



Indi Smith



Tamoua



Thorniley

Walton

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YEAR 4-5K





Harry Adamson





Kayla Butcher







Isabella Cuzzola



Ayden Dalgleish



Zoe

Riley Edwards



Caitlyn Epps



Figueiredo



Criddle

Isabelle Fleay



Paige Horo



de Meur

Jack Lockley



Lauren McKay



Aaron Nguyen













Emmett Yerex



Jean-Jacques Perry



Irene Roy



Meg Vlahov



Ethan Wasley

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Wood









































YEAR 4-5KL







Amelia Burrows

Alexandra Cuzzola





Nathanael

Day



Adam Desmond



Lachlan Donaldson



Neisa Tashi-Anne Dunn Eliott-Lockhart



Kent Forsyth





Zachary

Dennett

Emily Grima



Fraser Ismail



Thomas

Abbey

Kerr











Freeman



Jessica Muller



Natalie Robbins



Ruby Singleton



Dazza Sweeney



Jake Tonkin



Paul-Ross

Tuffley



Maggie Walton



Tayla Kolln











































YEAR 4-5M



















Christoffersen



Cameron Fawell



Kelli Fletcher





Ryan Gates



Tye Jolley





William Klein





Hayley

Mason Larard



Sam Lockhart



Isabella Mclvor



Anna Nguyen



Elodie North



Alex Reimers



Rowe

Jarred

Link

Tabitha Rowe



Sahil Shah



Reuben Woodcock



Zali Young

Absent: Abby Topham







































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YEAR 4-5TL





Tayla Bailey





Luke Black



Inoke Bula

Kane Chesson



Matthew Donaldson



Wil Gething



Cairo Hopkinson



Cooper Jefferies



Jennings



Crothers

Johnson



Ella McDonald



Healey

Ciedele

Teagan



Tahni Orr





Jaimee Scott



Emily Winterbine



Lucy Smith



Callum Teakle



Imogen Vince



Jacques



Wasley



Lauren Watt







Pepper

Weldon







Louis



LIDDLE'S LEGENDS 2011 REFLECTION

Inoke enjoyed running the cross country I was the Year 4 Athletic Champion Boy – Jack All the Year 5's enjoyed ice-skating on camp – Lucy We won the Interschool Cricket Competition - Blake Emily won Champion Girl for Year 5 at the Athletics Carnival Louis was the Year 5 Champion Boy at the Swimming Carnival I won Year 4 Champion Boy at the Swimming Carnival – Callum Maverick came first in the Year 5 throws at the **Athletics Carnival** We sung beautifully at the Music Festival and came second – Jaimee I was Runner-Up Year 4 Champion Boy at the Swimming Carnival – Kane I learnt much about the book 'Fox' at the All Saint's Literacy Festival – Cairo I was amazed at how far the 'Rocket Man' made the rockets travel into the air - Wil Imogen recited the poem 'Get out of Bed' to win the Year 4 poetry competition for Irwin I enjoyed the Indonesian volley ball game on Indonesia's Independence Day - Teagan Ella recited the poem 'Polite Children' to be the Year 4 Greenough poetry winner I won the Randolph Stow Middle Primary Prose Competition – Ella Johnson During the 'Fun Run' we had an obstacle course and 3 legged race - Luke I met many great authors at the All Saint's Literature Festival – Lauren I came first in the Year 5 throws at the Athletic Carnival - Tahni Ciedele enjoyed the Big Samba and Music Viva performances

Cooper won the Yr 4 Runner-Up Athletic Champion Medal

I was Year 5 Champion Girl for the Cross Country - Tayla

The music at the discos was awesome - Josh I ran 28 laps during the 'Fun Run' – Bailey Matthew has enjoyed PMP this year





























YEAR 6CE



Annabelle Blake



Kyla Buckle



Thomas Cant



Daemin Cook

Saad

Jehangir



Samille Edwards



Adam Khong



Lily Pepper



William Todd



Shae Horo

Joshua

King

Taj

Rowe



Summer Irving





Alex



Eliza Singleton



















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Omar Salah El-Din






























YEAR 6S





Alexander Ashworth-Preece

Ethan Barry



Justine Brown

Jessica Giudice-Nairn





Eliza Hebiton Oakley Hewison



Solomon Inyang



Kyla Irving



Ali-Ahmed Jehangir



Brooke Maisey



Muhammad Malik



Megan McClurg



Clark Millman



Michael Muller



Leighton Mundy



Quinn Outram







Benjamin Rowe



Eboni Seymour

Grace

Grace Smith





































YEAR 7A



Kate Black



Gemma Burges



Rebekah Bones



Jordan Criddle



Alex McKay



Amanda Tamoua

Absent: Rhett Forsyth



Molly Boschetti



Lachlan Holt



Rukaya Msuo



Bailey Vlahov



Chelsie-Leigh Buck



Jordana Jenkins



Jaiden Peddie



Courtney Watt



Adam Royce

Obie



























YEAR 7B





Georgina Ashworth-Preece

Rosie-Ann Bogumil



Emily Bradley



Danielle Carroll



Laetyn Cook



Sarah Courtney



Georgina Dalgleish



Catie Gates





Hannah Greenaway



Shannon Marsden



Bayley Messina



O'Meara



Paul Sutherland



Christopher Robertson



Rolston



Christopher Saunders



Brendan Scott























YEAR 8A



Timothy Biddiscombe



Coby Brown



Marc Christoffersen



Kendra Evans



Brendan Fawell



Brooke Gil de Matos



William Glass



Ruechelle Hallas



Ryan Hobbs



Maxwell Holliday



Jane Inyang



Tahlia Irving







Amy Wakelam



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Cheyenne Wedge



Matthew Wenzel



Caitlyn Reimers















YEAR 88





Callum Bender

Montana Criddle



Theo Davidson Kimberley Douglas





Jarrod Heelan



Wade Humphrey



Tia Markham



Mitchell McLeary



Shanae Payne



Jacob Pears

Brianna



Carly Peddie



Shanarlah Pickett



Bianca Powell



Jack Reynolds



Ellie Williams



Oscar Wilson



Kyle Smith



Stribley



Ella

Tomkins













































YEAR 8C





Cathryn Brown

Gabrielle Butler



Christensen

Holly Freeman





Reece Hallas



Amelia Harris



Christopher Leonard



Maisey



Millman



Gibson



Jesse Mouritz



Joseph



Ashley Purcher



Abby Rayner







Melissa Salter



William Sturcke



Ebony Teakle



David Thackray



Kayleigh Wagland

Absent: Chanoah Wear

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CHAPMAN HOUSE

Once again the year has been full of excitement, encouragement and a small whiff of victory for my fellow Chapman members (or "Chappers" as I affectionately call them). Chappers were strong competitors in term 1 during the board games competition and came second place in the swimming carnival. We finally flew the flag after taking out the "Minute to Win it" championship in term 2, along with being the winning House for both term 1 and term 2 in the credit slips/stamps competition. I was stunned at the level of participation during the athletics carnival in term 3 but after sitting in second place for most of the day, we finally settled into our comfort zone in third place at the end of the day.

Congratulations must go to our House Captain Rachel Marsden; she demonstrates true Chapman qualities and we wish her all the best for her bright future. Thanks must also go to our two middle school captains who have both fulfilled their roles with pride.

Finally, thank you to all of Chapman's gallant competitors and cheerers; we will endeavour to reach the summit of the House competition and reap our rewards for truly being the best House.

- Primary House Director Shahid Jefcoate Secondary House Director - Louise Finnis House Captain - Rachel Marsden
- Middle School Captains Jesse Lee (Semester 1) Tessa Spence (Semester 2)
- Primary School Captains Sophia Whettingsteel (Semester 1) Samille Edwards (Semester 2)



























GREENOUGH HOUSE

Greenough House has been outstanding in their attitude, performance and participation levels throughout the year. A slow start at the swimming carnival lead to a turning point of massive proportions with 2nd place in the cross country, Batavia Games and 'Minute to Win It'. This all culminated with a glorious win in athletics.

The green machine demonstrated a balance between competitiveness and sportsmanship that made our staff extremely proud during each and every House activity.

A great big thank you needs to go out to the Greenough staff who lead by example:

Simon Moffat, Chad Greenaway, Nicole Morton, Claire Gasper, Jacky Brown, Katie Sotiroff and Gaile Racey.

Primary House Director - Nicky Martin

Secondary House Director - Gary Racey

House Captain - Mitchell Baillie

Middle School Captains - Messina Tully & Oliver Padbury

Primary Captains - Kyla Irving (Semester 1) Summer Irving (Semester 2)









































IRWIN HOUSE

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with Irwin House this year.

The House Captains have been great in providing support and encouragement towards us all, both on and off the sporting field, as well as ensuring all Irwin House members have been active in our House activities and competitions, including Irwin's term 2 'Minute to Win It' games.

This year we have been well represented and performed competitively in the school carnivals. Irwin House has shown great spirit throughout the year, taking out the House spirit trophy in both the Swimming and Athletics carnivals.

A huge thank you must go to the whole of Irwin, from the students and House Captains, to the staff. Your help and enthusiasm this year has been fabulous. We also wish our year 12 Irwin graduates the best for the future.

Thank you and well done. Looking forward to moving up the ladder to number 1 position in 2012.

Go Irwin!

Primary House Director - Narissa Alford

Secondary House Director - Sally Johnston

House Captain - Charles Thurkle

Middle School Captains - Courtney Webb & Sinead O'Meara

Primary School Captains - Eboni Seymour (Semester 1) Brynn Teakle (Semester 2)















































MURCHISON HOUSE

Who knew having the blues could feel so good?

Murchison House members...That's who.

Once again, the mighty Murch muscled masterfully through the marine to take out the year's first major event, the interhouse swimming carnival. This may have something to do with our team strategy of swimming backwards, "crayfish style".

While 2011 has not seen too many victories for us, I cannot express enough how proud I have been to lead a House that has consistently impressed with the excellent participation rates and how students have conducted themselves in each event. Whether the activity has been Minute to Win It, board games, running, jumping, throwing or quizzing, Murchison students have participated with enthusiasm and fine sportsmanship. And as I gaze at that hue of blue at the top of the House leaderboard, your efforts have been rewarded.

To the outgoing House Captain, Bonnie Hughes, your freakishly small and pixie-like feet filled those big shoes beautifully, well done to you. Congratulations also go to our middle school captains, Jesse Hunt and Brooke McKenzie for the fine job they have made of leading the 7s-9s.

Next year...onward and upward.

Primary House Director - Chris Sherridan

Secondary House Director - Russel Pusey

House Captain - Bonnie Hughes

Middle School Captains - Jesse Hunt & Brooke McKenzie

Primary School Captains - Maddison Jefferies (Semester 1) Leighton Mundy (Semester 2)





















YEAR 9A





Lauren Atkin

Ben Bannister



Alexa Borcherds



Mark Douglas



Jackson Giles



Leanne Gundill



Hearman



Jesse Lee



McDonald





Servaas



Sheridan Yelverton



Brooke McKenzie

Logan

Stahli-Horne



Ainsleigh Powell



Sarah

Summers





Broderick Thorniley









Miles

Starling





















YEAR 98



Kayleena Burton



Matthew Carroll



Harring



Jack Hearman



Michael McKay



Jack Mitchell



Sinead O'Meara



Padbury





Langley Thurkle



Riley Wilton



Alan Roy



Messina Tully



Tessa Spence

Lluwannee

Walker



Dulyarit Srilak



Ethan Walton

Absent: Monique Greyson





Shaekiara

Courtney Webb



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YEAR 10A







Liam Christensen



Galloway



Emmanuella Inyang



Monique Johnstone



Kara Markham



Jade Melsom



Neuweiler



O'Donnell



Semple

Emily



Jayden Wheatley



Ben Rolston



Grace Royce



Phoebe



Vivienne Smith



Aliesha Watson

Absent: Brydee North



























YEAR 10B



Amy Bradley



Clark



Yani Connors



Caitlin Crothers



Matilda Keynes



Mahnoor Malik



Dylan Noble



Stacey Purcher



Emily Salter



Jarred Smith



Tayla Smith



Kieran Thomas



Avon Vlahov



Harry Wellington

Absent: Joshua Cooper, Thomas Pollard





YEAR 10C





Bui



Burbidge



Ellis



Joshua Fitzpatrick



Kate Forsyth



Shahriar Haque



Kieran Harris



Jaime Marsden



McArthur



Aliyah Msuo



Jake Nicholls



Matthew Robertson



Megan Rogers



Dorothy Teariki-Tautea

Absent: Charlie Francis



Toni Walden



Hovea Winston



Farah Salah El-Din



















YEAR 11





Jayden Beckwith Steele Brennan



Georgina





Tanya

Burges

Patrick Butler



Annabelle Campbell



Ainsley Chivers



Hayley Cowcill



Broad

Andrew Crabb



Crabb



Jeremy Crabb



Denby Evans



Kate Feltham



Bonnie Glass



Jarrad Holmes





Brody Humphrey



Jenkins

Matthew Kowald



Thomas Lawley



Jessica Mateljan



Absent: Stevie-T'Neal Broadbent, Hamish Holt, Liam Hunt, Daniel Owen, Courtney Parmenter, Jamie Williams





Alison McLay



Minissale



Mitchell



Morgan



Leanne

Nguyen

Jay Nicholson



Angus Parker



Hollie Patterson



Benjamin Ramsay

Eva Scheuermann



Scott



Aaron Short



Morgan Short



Liam Simpson



Brayden Smith



Louise Symons



Isabelle Tanti



Ti'ana Thompson



Thurkle



Stevie van Duyn



Jesse Webb-Smith



Marshall Yelverton



Lydia Young



YEAR 12



Karleigh Anderson



Mitchell Baillie



Samuel Baker



Sam Bannister



Indyana Chambers Galloway



Emily Cole



Treerak Corner

Jean

Duncan



Amy Davis



Wiehan de Bruyn



Esther Guerisse



Charles King



Sarah Dring



Kellie Hobbs



Bonnie Hughes



Giudice-Nairn



Amelia Keynes





Rachel Marsden



Stephanie Mateljan



Sally McClurg



Cale Millett



Molly Moustaka



Sophie Moustaka



Alexis Payne



Alecia Perry



Michaela Perry



Darren



Mark Welsh







Adrianna

Tyler Stuart-Davies





Charles Thurkle

Klay Sipila



Caitlin Tully

SENIOR FORMAL








SENIOR FORMAL











































BOARDERS

The Geraldton Residential College continues to be well attended and enjoyed by Geraldton Grammar School students. Our students, old and new, have experienced a secure and happy year living, working, playing sport and making memorable friendships at the Residential College.

A big thank you to Mrs Joyce Hamersley who continues to bring her warmth, generosity and nurturing to the students. She regularly came down to share a roast dinner at the college with us. We would like to thank the Residential College Management and staff for consistently making all of us feel welcome and the sincere, friendly and professional manner in which they conduct all the day to day running of the College. Thank you for making our students feel at home while they are away from home.

Ms Amanda Gaudet and Ms Sally Johnston

Geraldton Grammar School liaison teachers to the Geraldton Residential College





ICT

ICT in the classroom at Geraldton Grammar includes web & graphic design, image editing, flash animations, computer programming and even audio editing all while being educated in safe web and social networking practices for modern society.

























ICT



MATHEMATICS

The first student to present the correct solution to the Mathematics Department will receive a pen from the Mathematical Association of Western Australia that will surely impress your peers. Competition closes week 2, term 1 2012.



Across

- 1 triangle with no equal sides
- 4 tilted square
- 6 not timesing but ...
- 9 fraction top
- 10 irrational number
- 13 angle less than 90 degrees
- 14 six sided shape
- 15 not prime but ...
- 16 circle diagram
- 17 nasty

Down

2

3

5

7

8

12

- circle perimeter
- interest on interest
- circle generator fraction of 100
- line slope
- 11 middle observation
 - C in SOHCAHTOA

ENGLISH



SCIENCE





2011 has been the International Year of Chemistry and of Forests. As such, our fearless leader, Mr Angelatos took himself and his family over to Europe to experience some of both on the back of a bicycle.

Back at school we have been doing many exciting and challenging things ourselves.

- Year 7s became malacologists (studied snails) and collected and observed micrometeorites
- Year 8s attended the SciTech Careers Expo
- Year 9s took part in the Engineering challenge
- Year 10s attended the Mid West Youth Science Forum
- Year 11s identified and photographed species of the school sand dunes to create a **Biology trail**
- Year 12 Biology students identified bird and frog calls during their camp at Western Flora
- Psychology students became "brainy".
- Physics students experimented with Clay target shooting
- Year 11 Chemistry students presented hands-on workshops for primary students during Science Week
- Year 12s battled it out in the Chemistry Titration competition
- Extension students took part in a variety of challenging and exciting projects, including a very professional Science Week show.

All this plus the interesting and challenging day to day learning in our classrooms as we fully implement the Australian Curriculum and expand our use of technology in Science classes.

This year we welcomed on board the energy and enthusiasm of Mrs Jacky Brown who has complemented the existing fabulous staff of Ms Sharon Cole, Miss Amanda Gaudet, Mr John Royce, and Mrs Caroline Hann. This year more than ever we are indebted to Ms Jenny Beeck for her knowledge, organisation and support.

Miss Dallas Bruce Acting Head of Science













The Studies of Society and Environment

This year has been a busy year in the department of Society and Environment. The team consists of Ms Katie Sotiroff, Ms Sharon Cole, Mr Russell Pusey, and Mr John Aston. I would like to thank them for their endeavour and professionalism throughout the year. The department has some significant challenges over the next few years with the roll out of National Curriculum and I am confident that the team will provide a smooth transition into the new areas of study.

Katie Sotiroff aka Miss Soti has been the year 7 expert and guided the students through courses that have ranged from the study of Culture, Economics and Government.

Russell Pusey, John Aston and Sharon Cole have led the year 8s on a journey through Ancient Egypt, lessons in Australian identity including convicts, climate and weather. Their study of Western Australia was capped off by a fantastic trip to Lynton Station as can be seen in the photos attached.

The year 9 cohort was led by John Aston and Russell Pusey. They undertook studies of our Australian Landscapes, Law and Government and local history. The year 9 group were lucky enough to head to Galena as part of a cross curricula endeavour that included much of what they learnt throughout the year.

In year 10 the year has effectively been shortened to three terms to give the students more time to adapt to senior school, an initiative that should give the students greater transition time into the more onerous studies in senior school. The short but intense three terms saw the students study Economics, Geography, Australian experiences throughout the Vietnam and Second World War.

The senior school studies of Geography, History, Philosophy and Ethics and Economics in year 11 will be taught in 2011. We wish all those students partaking in higher studies of Society an Environment in year 11 and 12 the best of luck.

Once again, I reiterate my thanks to the staff for their hard work throughout the year.

Mr Derek Lange Head of Society & Environment

TECHNOLOGY + ENTERPRISE



LOTE

Bahasa Indonesia

This year sees the introduction of Bahasa Indonesia to the LOTE program in the primary school from years K-6. Some of the highlights of the year have included a visit from Bapak Edi and Bapak Jeki from our partner school in Surabaya. Through the BRIDGE program our guests participated in a two week stay which allowed them to observe and experience education from the perspective of Geraldton Grammar School and to share with the students many facets of their own language and culture through explicit instruction, games and the arts.

This year also included the first Independence Day Games in celebration of Indonesian Independence Day. Staff and students dressed in red and white or traditional clothing and after a flag raising ceremony, everyone participated in an afternoon of popular Indonesian games. At the conclusion of the day students were able to sample Klepon, a traditional Indonesian sweet.

As part of the LOTE curriculum, many students have had the opportunity to further develop Information, Communication and Technology skills. With the integration of ICT and the learning of Bahasa Indonesia, students have been able to use technology to complement their learning and create digital works based on language objectives.

Congratulations to all the students who embraced the learning of a new language with such enthusiasm.

Ms Kerry Sainsbury

Primary LOTE Teacher





















HEALTH + PE

CYCLE TO SCHOOL DAY, INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS, SWIMMING, CROSS COUNTRY, ACC SWIMMING COUNTRY WEEK – SENIOR AND DISTRICT HIGH, INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY, INTERSCHOOL SURFING, BADMINTON, AFL, CROSS COUNTRY, NETBALL, CRICKET, AND TENNIS.



























PERFORMING ARTS - DRAMA



I BELIEVE THAT CREATIVITY WILL BE THE CURRENCY OF FUTURE CIVILISATIONS

- Gerald Gordon





ART ENABLES US TO FIND OURSELVES AND LOSE OURSELVES AT THE SAME TIME - Thomas Merton



THE FUTURE BELONGS TO YOUNG PEOPLE WITH AN EDUCATION AND THE IMAGINATION TO CREATE - President Barack Obama



LOGIC WILL GET YOU FROM A TO B, BUT IMAGINATION WILL TAKE YOU EVERYWHERE - Albert Einstein





WHERE WORDS FAIL, MUSIC SPEAKS - Plato







SECONDARY GIFTED + TALENTED

Students have been busy participating in various curriculum extension programs over the year. Selected students have been involved in both Science and Humanities programs that develop and extend their skills.

The programs are designed to provide a positive challenge and help encourage students in different subject areas.

Students have created feature articles and engaged in experiments. They have been involved in Science IQ, become CSIs and taken part in a Citizen Science Project observing powdery mildew in barley.

The Year 7 students presented a thrilling and professional science show featuring 'Wormy' for the lower primary students during Science week!









PRIMARY HATS

HIGH ACHIEVING + TALENTED STUDENTS











FINE ARTS





















PRIMARY ART

























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PRIMARY MUSIC

Students from kindy through to year 6 have been learning Music with Miss Winfield this year, and the new Primary Music Room has provided us with a fantastic space to play and move around in.

Many students have discovered sol-fa for the first time, which is a way to learn songs and melodies without having to know specific note names. Percussion instruments have been an integral part of the learning process across all age groups, as well as moving and singing in a range of fun and practical activities. This means students are learning through music, not just about it.

Students have also experienced Indonesia's musical culture through singing and movement activities, including learning to sing the Indonesian National Anthem and their version of 'Happy Birthday'.

Grammar entered six groups into the Geraldton Music Festival this year – our two choirs, Senior Percussion Ensemble, 4/5 KL Recorder Consort, and two Choral Speaking groups – 4/5 KL and PP/1 M. Both the Percussion Ensemble and Recorder Consort were awarded First Place in their own categories with outstanding remarks from the judge. Both 4/5 KL and PP/1 M Choral Speaking groups received Second Place. All students performed brilliantly and should be very proud of their achievement!

We were also lucky enough to be visited by a jazz group called 'Adam Hall and the VPs'. Students had been learning all about the ensemble and their songs so it was great to finally see and hear the group in action, and participate in lots of different ways – including singing, moving and playing. The concert was a fantastic opportunity to see experienced and talented musicians doing what they love – and making it fun and accessible to students of all ages.

Ms Lana Winfield Primary Music Specialist











OUTDOOR EDUCATION





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PRIMARY



























































PRIMARY





























































PRIMARY EVENTS - SCIENCE WEEK























+ GRANDPARENTS DAY























PRIMARY SPORTS

2011 has been another fantastic and memorable year as students have taken part in many sporting initiatives and events. The students have participated in events such as the athletics carnival, interschool carnivals, Friday Fun and House activities. We have also been involved in a number of coaching clinics from sports such as badminton, cricket, tennis and soccer. Exposure to a variety of sports, not only enables our students to make better lifestyle choices, but also keeps them fit and healthy. I have been extremely proud of our efforts in both the school sports and Interschool carnivals. I wish the school community the best of holidays and look forward to seeing you back on the sporting field in 2012.

This year we had a great increase in the number of teams competing in Interschool sport competitions. We were fortunate enough to win our first ever trophy as the Super 8 Cricket team took home the title. We also competed valiantly in the Eagles Cup and Dockers Cup football competition. I am very proud of our efforts and the passion and determination we displayed when competing. All students represented Geraldton Grammar with pride and distinction.

Mr Shahid Jefcoate Primary PE Specialist













































SERVICE - NEPAL



Sister School Fundraising

- By Emmanuella Inyang

During first term the senior school had some visitors from Nepal. Nepal is a land-locked country situated in the Himalayas and from what we were told very different from Australia. The three visitors presented a power point featuring a local primary school located in the north of Nepal. The Janakalyn Primary School, we were told, runs from year 3-6.









Most of the children who attend the school are from the nearby village and for them going to school is a great opportunity. Though the children love their school it was quite evident that the school lacked basic resources. Roof repairs, wall painting and new desks and chairs were just some of the upgrades the school couldn't afford.

Hearing about the Nepalese school that needed funds and assistance, Geraldton Grammar School decided to act as a 'sister school' for the small primary school. With the help of Mr Cox and the Student Council, some year 10 girls volunteered to start a fundraising committee.

So far the committee has been active with fundraising for the sister school holding days such as Ties & Tights and Beanies, Scarfs and Socks day. High school students were encouraged to wear their most colourful ties, tights, beanies, scarfs and socks with the contribution of a gold coin (or more if they were generous).

On these days year 10 girls made pancakes to sell at 20c each. More than \$800 has been made so far from these fundraisers to go towards the improvement of our Nepalese sister school. The Student Council hopes that more fundraisers will be brought up in the future to continue to help our Nepalese sister school.







SERVICE - FIJI

Teachers help out in remote Fijian village

Ms Simone de la Motte, Ms Narissa Alford and Mrs Joyce Hamersley trekked to the jungle settlement of Namuamua Village, Fiji in July 2011 to help renovate its kindergarten. They spent more than a week helping with various village projects and learned the way of life while enjoying a homestay experience with village families.

The Geraldton Grammar School staff were part of a Round Square party of 18 from Australia to make the journey. They were the only representatives from WA. A series of fundraising efforts including soup for the staff and a free dress day for the students were held in order to raise funds for the project. The Geraldton Grammar staff raised over \$2500 and this, combined with the Round Square group funds went towards the successful renovation of the kindergarten and their toilet facilities. All three staff agreed it was an amazing experience as they had the opportunity to live the Fijian culture, food and way of life as a "local". Simone, Narissa and Joyce felt privileged to have been able to volunteer their time and skills to help provide the children of the village with a higher standard of educational facilities.



















OUTWARD BOUND



























OUTWARD BOUND
































YEAR 4 CAMP - JURIEN













YEAR 5 CAMP - PERTH

























YEAR 6 CAMP - CANBERRA





















YEAR 7 CAMP - NUKARA





















YEAR 8 CAMP - LYNTON STATION





















YEAR 9 CAMP - GALENA

























COUNTRY WEEK - PERTH













CHOIR

This year we have two choirs, Junior (Pre-Primary-Year 3) and Senior (Years 4-6), with members attending rehearsals twice a week before school and some lunch times.

Choir highlights of the year include the Geraldton Music Festival and other events such as Grandparents' Day and whole school Church Service. End of year performances include the Primary's 'Thank You' Assembly and Presentation Evening.

At the Geraldton Music Festival, the Junior Choir performed the set piece 'Children Of The World' and our own choice 'This Little Light Of Mine' and received Highly Commended for our impressive effort. The Senior Choir's set piece was 'Jambo Rafiki' and our own choice was the fun and energetic 'Humpty Dumpty', which was a hit with the audience. The Senior Choir placed second in their category!

We have had a very successful year and new members are always welcome.

Miss Winfield Primary Music Teacher









ROUND SQUARE - JUNIOR

In term 1 of this year, five lucky students boarded a plane bound for Alice Springs. Rett Millman, Ashley Purcher, Kyle Duda, Ellie Williams and Holly Freeman, along with Mrs Winterbine and Mr Greenaway were on our way to the Junior Round Square Conference at St Phillip's College.

We arrived safely in Alice Springs and spent our first three days as tourists. We had a great time experiencing some fantastic sites which included visits to Ayres Rock, King's Canyon and The Olgas. 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 and had a theme of "One road, Many Voices." Highlights included a 17km bike ride to Simpson's Gap, rock climbing and poverty simulations. One of the most significant activities we participated in was a visit to the small community of Santa Teresa. The visit included spending time at the local school and donating sports equipment for the local kids.

Everyone on the trip enjoyed the experience and learnt more about themselves and the world around them. Of his time away at the conference, Kyle Duda said that "It was an awesome experience that I would love to do again".

















MIDDLE SCHOOL























CHESS

Playing chess has a number of benefits, from having fun to developing memory and increasing logical and mathematical skills. Many of the students build discipline and show good sportsmanship.

GGS has a large number of enthusiastic chess players. Students were frequently playing chess during their lunchtime which culminated in an individual chess competition where over 50 players competed. Well done to the following winners.

1st place - Christopher Robertson (Yr 7)
2nd place - Wiehan de Bruyn (Yr 12)
3rd place - Jayden Beckwith (Yr 11)

Mrs Jacky Brown Chess Club Coordinator











BUILDING PROGRAM

The Building Education Revolution initiated buildings were completed earlier this year and officially opened by Senator Louise Pratt on the 30th August.

This extension provided the school with a better equipped library which includes extra classrooms and staff rooms. A new locker area adjacent to the library was also a welcome addition.

Two new primary classrooms have also been built and under the school Board's directive these have been equipped with air conditioning.

The gardeners also were fortunate to receive a much larger work area by the way of a new shed. Their old shed area has been renovated and is now the new Primary Art Shed.

The State and Federal Governments also provided the school with a grant for solar energy. This has been utilised by placing 69 solar panels on the Design and Technology building. This will assist in reducing the energy requirements of the school for years to come.

The first Board initiative for retro-fitting of air conditioning was commenced on the 11th July. I am happy to report that the Science building and "C" block are now completed. The retro-fitting of air conditioning will continue until all class rooms are completed.

The Information and Technology Department (IT) is relocating into a converted classroom at the rear of the Batavia Hall. This will become the dedicated IT office and service area and will be completed by the end of the year.

The planning stage of the new primary ablution block is nearing completion and building should commence later this year, with it being operation by the middle of next year. This will be a welcome relief for not only the students but for the staff as well.

Mr Graeme Munday Business Manager









ANCILLARY STAFF

























