Key Dates

Friday 1 July
Frog Jog
End of Term

Sunday 3 July
Production Rehearsals 1 - 5pm

Thursday 14 July
Production Rehearsals 10am - 5pm

Friday 15 July
Production Rehearsals 10am - 5pm

Sunday 17 July
Production Technical and Dress Rehearsals 10am - 5pm

Monday 18 July
Home Study Day
Year 10 Course Counselling

Wednesday 20 July
Triangular Meetings Year 10-12 3-7pm

Sunday 24 July
Production Technical and Dress Rehearsals 10am - 5pm

Wednesday 27 July
Triangular Meetings Year 7-9 3-7pm

Principal’s Report

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of another term! When I spoke at our recent College Assembly I reflected on our commitment to a holistic education for students and linked it to Aristotle’s belief in education providing balanced development. Holistic education provides much more than curriculum content. Time is also devoted to activities and events that foster spiritual, physical, social and emotional development. It is through these many opportunities that students learn about and enact the Mercy values of compassion, excellence, justice, integrity and service. Students are so fortunate to have such a wide range of activities at Mercedes including service and retreat experiences, music and drama performances, sport events, tours, socials and lunchtime clubs to name a few. Thanks to our dedicated staff members who are prepared to “go the extra mile” and provide these enriching activities for our students.

Last Thursday we held the Inter-House Athletics Carnival. House spirit was strong and students enjoyed not only competing in the serious track and field events but also the novelty activities. Our Year 12 students continue their countdown of last time to experience certain events.

Staff and students were represented at the recent National Catholic Education Commission Conference ‘Faith to Lead, Lead to Faith’. A number of students attended the Catholic Youth Summit held on Friday, 24 June learning a great deal about key issues as they mixed with students from a wide range of schools.

Last Friday our music students performed at the Trinity and Mercedes Music Night. The standard of the music was very high and the highlight for me was the combined choirs. Our music students continued to be busy with a performance in the Mercedes Chapel on Monday afternoon and that evening at Trinity College giving them a chance to perform items they will present on the tour to England and Ireland. They departed for the tour on Wednesday of this week.

Last Saturday Evening the P & F ran a very successful Bollywood quiz and bingo evening. Most guests took the opportunity to dress according to the

Insight from Catherine McAuley:
If we are humble and sincere, God will finish in us the work He has begun. He never refuses His grace to those who ask it.
theme and our hall was beautifully decorated with colourful Bollywood images. An enjoyable evening was had by all!

The weather forecast is fine for our Frog Jog to be held this Friday. Funds raised from the event do not go to the College but to assist with the work done to eradicate Human Trafficking. I appreciate the support of the community in raising funds for this worthy cause.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Ms Rosa Speranza, who has been offered a leadership position at Santa Maria College next year. Rosa will be greatly missed by the College community and we wish her all the best in her new position.

Finally, I would like to share with you a letter from Dr Tim McDonald, Executive Director of Catholic Education.

Enjoy the holiday time with your daughters. If you are travelling for a family holiday during the break my best wishes go with you for a safe journey.

Mrs Kerrie Fraser, Principal

Important: Pick-Up/Drop-Off

Parents are asked not to drive onto the premises to drop off students before and after school. Please do not block entrances to the campus or drive onto the driveway to drop off your daughter. Reversing out of the driveway is extremely dangerous. We have experienced a couple of near misses of casualties, it is dangerous for students as well as for staff.

Perth City Council will be patrolling the area to ensure the safety of our students and staff.
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Pastoral Care News

Year 7/8 Community
Year 7 - Mrs Melissa Trolio

With great excitement and fanfare we celebrated the fantastic learning that has taken place over the last 100 days that Year 7 students have spent in high school at Mercedes College. We paused to reflect on what we have achieved in the last 100 days, and what learning and new experiences we have embraced. It was indeed a time to reflect and think of our achievements but also a time to perhaps set some new goals and commit to an openness to even more opportunities. The 100th day of high school is more than just a milestone worth noting - it was the perfect time to have fun with the number 100. The activities provided each student with experiences of team building, creativity and reflection. Students focused on 100 ways they had shown mercy to others, 100 pieces of knowledge they had gained and 100 things they have learnt about the new friends they have made. Year 7s were also provided with the opportunity to write a letter to their future selves. It is hoped that these letters will be returned to them as young mercy women who graduate from the College in 2021.

Students also enjoyed the competitive 100 Days of High School quiz with a small group from Wright taking home first prize! Moving out into the sunshine on the College oval, students worked diligently to form the phrase “Year 7 100 Days”, which was photographed from above and also by a drone. Look out for the image and footage shortly! My sincere thanks must go to Ms Nilar Nyunt, Mr Lyle Bell, Mr Dave Green, Mr Greg Smith and the PE Department, Mrs Jackie Stacey, the College Marketing Team and the Year 7 homeroom teachers for their support of a fantastic event. I wish all Year 7s and their families a very well deserved and restful holiday and I look forward to seeing you all again in Term 3.

Year 8 - Mrs Alicia Sharpe
The Annual Frog Jog is being held this Friday. The event involves the entire College community walking or running around the bridges to raise money for a worthy cause. I would like to encourage all girls to go above and beyond in raising money for this event, with all funds raised going towards Mercy International Association’s End Human Trafficking campaign. All sponsorship forms and money need to be returned to their homeroom teachers ASAP.

As we now come to the half-way point of Year 8, it is important for the girls to reflect on the year to date. I strongly encourage you to discuss your daughter’s report with her, so that she can reset her goals and priorities for the remainder of the school year, so that she can achieve her best in all areas of her schooling.

The holidays also allow a perfect opportunity for an overhaul of the uniform, making sure that there are no ladders in stockings, blazers are clean and shoes are polished. I would like to thank the Year 8s for another busy and productive term and I wish them a safe and restful break and look forward to seeing them back for what will be a very busy Term 3.

Year 9/10 Community
Year 9 - Mrs Bernadette Dell

This is the end of a busy but productive term. The girls have been involved in challenging academic programs, completing
work for their Mercy Service, a great deal of co-curricular activity across a range of sporting, academic and artistic fields and, of course, our ballroom dancing lessons and the Social that provided a finale for all their efforts. Many girls can look back on a term in which they gave of their best in every field but for those who have regrets, we have a fresh start after the holidays. We are people of the Gospel so know that everyone can change for the better and the staff at this College really love seeing the growth and development in our students as they find a more positive path through life.

It was wonderful to hear the praise heaped on our students after the Social. College staff and the staff from Gilkison’s observed that this has been a particularly cooperative and receptive group. The instructor who ran the Social for us declared that they were the best group he had worked with for at least ten years! It was certainly an enjoyable evening and we appreciated the generosity of the parents who came and assisted with a variety of roles.

I hope that the Year 9s respond enthusiastically to the appeal for funds to assist the victims of human trafficking. Some of the girls have assisted in promoting the gravity of the cause by sharing information they have discovered. As Sarah, from 9-1, pointed out to her peers via school email, it is particularly poignant to note the ages of some of the victims and realise that they are the same age or younger than our students. It will be wonderful to think that our girls’ efforts will help rebuild lives. Students can continue fundraising over the holidays if they need to catch up with sponsors during the break.

Year 10 - Miss Nilar Nyunt
It has been a busy term for the girls. As reports are being issued within the coming days I remind the students to continue to strive for excellence, learn from mistakes that were made and ensure that study habits are tightened if need be. There is potential for greatness from each and every student.

All students will have received documentation that is required for their subject selections. As these course discussions continue, I remind all parents the importance of choosing the right pathways and courses to suit the abilities of your daughters. Your daughters know their strengths and have had many discussions in Vocational Education classes this term which have equipped them in making choices for their future. The girls will find success in their pathways and their future direction in life, if they are happy and passionate about what they do and given support from parents and College staff. Please ensure all documentation is completed for the Course Counselling day on Monday 18 July.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Year 10 community for a wonderful term. The girls have been absolutely lovely and it has been my pleasure to have been their Year Coordinator for the term. They will be back in the care of Mrs Sherrin Adams as she returns from leave next term. I wish everyone a well deserved holiday and hope that they return feeling refreshed and ready to tackle Semester 2 head on.

Year 11/12 Community

Year 11 - Mr Liam Smith
As term two comes to a close and we reach the half-way point of the 2017 academic year, I hope the girls have had an opportunity to reflect on their studies over the past twenty weeks and assess their efforts and commitments to all aspects of College life and activities. It is important to make time to rest, relax and revitalise over the two week break, whilst also allowing time to catch up, revise or prepare for the upcoming term. As always we hit the ground running at the commencement of Term 3 and school life is only going to get busier as the year progresses and those end of year exams approach. I encourage the girls to ensure they are up to date with school work and have a solid study plan prepared for the start of term. Successful students always say that preparation, time management and ensuring you are on top of the work right from the start, are essential to ensuring strong academic achievement. Enjoy the family time over the holidays and safe travels to all.

Year 12 - Mrs Hannah Lalor
After the Year 12 exams, the Year 12 Retreat to New Norcia was a great time for our students to reflect on the journey they have taken through high school and where they may be heading in the future. On all accounts, it was a huge success, with activities designed to give the girls time to be mindful, reflective and creative.

Students enjoyed time spent with friends in their group sessions and getting know their teachers in a more relaxed environment. During the night time sessions, students had the opportunity to listen to stories presented by Fr Brennan, Miss Fresson, Mrs Alach and Mrs Strutt, participate in a Music Quiz run by Mr Bull and Minute to Win It activities organised by the prefects.

I would like to thank all the staff who not only came along to the retreat to supervise students, but also organised and ran
activities during the time we had together. It was a huge success due to the time and effort our staff put in and the participation of our students.

Mentors Breakfast held in Week 8, was another great success. Students were given the opportunity to hear from guests from different fields of work over breakfast. It was obvious from their engaging conversations, that the students enjoyed the time spent with their mentors. Students got a real insight into the career that they have been interested in. Thank you to Cheryl Alach who organised and ran the event for our students.

Our annual Interhouse Athletics Carnival was held last week and our students involved themselves as much as possible. From track and field events, to cheering in the stands or assisting staff with jobs around the grounds – it was great to see them enjoying the day with their peers.

Students are looking forward to Frog Jog tomorrow. All money raised will be donated to Mercy International Association’s End Human Trafficking campaign.

I hope the year 12s have a restful and relaxing holiday break, with a focus on preparing themselves for their final term of classes. It is important that they are getting into good, healthy habits relating. For example - getting 7-8 hours sleep each night, eating a balanced diet and making time to exercise. This will all contribute to a healthier mind coming back in Term 3.

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**Curriculum News**

**Academic News - Mrs Liana Strutt, Deputy Principal - Academic Services**

**Semester One Reports**

Reports will be available through SEQTA from 3.30pm on Friday 1 July (Last day of Term Two). As the release process of reports is scheduled from this time, you may not immediately see the reports. If your daughter’s report is not visible over the weekend or on Monday 4 July, please contact Liana Strutt at istrutt@mercedes.wa.edu.au to notify us and we will ensure these are made available to you through SEQTA. Access the reports through the Parent Portal on the Mercedes College website at [www.mercedes.wa.edu.au](http://www.mercedes.wa.edu.au).

**Triangular Meetings Term 3**

Follow up Triangular Meetings will be held over two dates: Wednesday 20 July and Wednesday 27 July from 3.00pm – 7.45pm. Details for PTO bookings have been sent home via students and emailed to registered email addresses. If you have any queries, please contact Angela Ngaata at angaata@mercedes.wa.edu.au.

**Course Counselling – Monday 18 July**

Year 10 students and parents will participate in the Course Counselling day to be held on Monday 18 July (pupil free day). We ask Year 10 parents to book times with counsellors through PTO as described in the email sent last week. If it is anticipated you will not be able to attend on this day, please contact Liana Strutt, Deputy Principal, Academic Services at istrutt@mercedes.wa.edu.au or phone 9323 1379 to organise an alternate appointment before Friday 29 July.

**Maths – Mr Peter Mee, HOLA**

**Australian Mathematics Competition – Thursday 28 July 2016**

This prestigious competition is fast approaching, and no doubt many students will want to start preparing. Participating stu-
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students include all ALP mathematics Year 9 & 10 extended mathematics and Year 11 & 12 Mathematics Methods. Within the next few days a past competition paper (or two) and worked solutions will be placed on the front cover of your SEQTA course. Students are encouraged to download and attempt these papers, using the solutions to not only self-correct, but also to look for additional strategies that will help with their problem solving. Students are reminded that this is a calculator-free competition. Timing for the competition will be released early next term – we wish students all the best.

**Borrowing Calculators**

On occasion, a student will borrow a calculator from the Mathematics Department for an upcoming assessment – usually because they have left their own calculator at home. Sometimes these calculators are not returned, which is very disappointing, and costly to the College. To minimise the likelihood of this occurring, the department will collect a deposit (either a Smart-Rider card or a Mobile phone) in exchange for borrowing the calculator. Once the assessment is completed, the student should promptly return the calculator to the Mathematics Department to collect their deposit.

**Calculators in Lost Property**

Students are reminded to check with student services if they have lost a calculator. A number of these devices have been handed in, yet few seem to get collected. Students are also reminded that they should have their name on their calculator (in multiple locations).

**Absentee and Late Notices – Chris Cole, Deputy Principal Student Life**

Please note that SMS messages and phone calls advising Student absences and late arrivals must be followed up with written documentation. Early Departure and Absentee slips can be found in the Student Diaries. The absentee line is 9323 1387.

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**General News**

**Sport - Mr Greg Smith HOLA, Health & Physical Education**

**Interhouse Athletics Carnival**

The Inter-House Athletics Carnival on Thursday 23 June proved to be a tense contest indeed. There were some very close tussles between the girls, across all year levels, and the final result was not decided until the last relay race. The efforts of each student involved in the track, field and novelty events were impressive and the girls are to be commended on their attitude and participation.

The final individual and team results are as follows:

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Congratulations to McDonald House on winning the Athletics Shield and well done to all of the students who participated on the day. Thank you to the staff who assisted on the day especially the work of the House Leaders, and the respective captains and vice captains.

**Sports Uniform and Changerooms**

During Term 2 a significant number of students have returned to the changerooms after class to find uniform items missing and replaced with another item in the changerooms. There have also been a lot of clothing left in the changerooms, and in the lost property box, without any names marked on the clothes. To ensure students can find lost items, clothing must be clearly labelled.

To solve the issue of clothing items being taken, or misplaced, students will be instructed not to leave their sports bag and college uniform in the changerooms during Physical Education lessons. They will be placed in a designated area, nominated by their teacher during the lesson. This will mean all bags and clothing will be in view and reduce the problem of students having their clothes mixed up or interfered with by students going into the changeroom to use the toilets.

Students will also be instructed not to leave their sports bag in the changerooms if they get changed at recess or lunch because some students are leaving their bags in the changeroom for extended periods of time before they have their lesson. Students will need to take their bag with them to their locker once they have got changed into their sports uniform. They then should bring their bag with them to class when they have Physical Education.
During the holiday break, I would also encourage parents to check to see if their daughters have names on their school and sport uniforms. This will assist staff to return items found in the changerooms to the correct owners. More importantly, I would encourage your daughter to look after their uniform and not leave it on the changeroom floor, and to check that they have placed everything in their bag before they leave the changeroom.

Mercy Service Learning—Mrs Christine Aldous

The Year 10 students have recently submitted their Mercy Service journals for a progress check. The girls are working towards 20 hours of community service by 2 September and were asked to have 10 hours completed by 7 June. Part of the recent check involved reading the girl’s comments on their service experience thus far.

Nicolette Sparks 10.6, has chosen the Ability Centre’s children’s respite home as one of her placements. I have always maintained the ‘right’ students pick this activity. It can be confronting for a young person, however, the feedback is always positive. This is how Nicolette described her experience.

‘This activity has deeply impacted on me. As soon as I got there they were all so welcoming. Every girl gave me a hug and that made me relax a lot more. I recognised that I had a strength I never knew I had. I can say that with each and every child I made a special bond. We had nicknames for each other and they would surprise-hug me and always wanted to play games together.

I was able to observe our supervisor feed one of the boys who had a serious condition and had to be fed through a tube in his stomach. She explained why and how this happened and it was such a personal experience. I felt grateful for being able to participate in this activity and it has left such a huge impression on me and was such an eye opener and an amazing experience. I hope to go back again.’

Christina Mathew 10.7 took on a very different task of setting up for the College Mother’s Day Breakfast. Christine commented:

‘The activity made me reflect as I put each individual element onto the table, of the care, thought and effort a mother does for her family – especially her children. Therefore, I felt that participating in the service was very rewarding, knowing I was giving back to my mum and all mothers in the College by setting up the Mother’s Day Breakfast.’

Sarah Crowley 10.6 chose the Salvation Army and speaks about the importance of finding something that interests you.

I was interested in volunteering at an op shop. My friends in older years told me that they didn’t like it or they found it really boring. I was soon feeling unsure about doing service there. After my first day of service there I loved it. I never thought I would have enjoyed it that much. Being the shopaholic that I am, I was able to sort through clothes all day (a dream) and I was lucky enough to dress the mannequins in the front window and throughout the shop. I was also able to meet a range of new people from the customers who were all wanting to have a chat to the other volunteers. I also learnt that certain uni courses require community service, as another volunteer there was completing a nursing degree.
Languages - Mrs Cynthia Villarosa

We have been very fortunate over the past term to have had three very talented and dedicated Language Assistants helping in our classes: Giulia Cavagna from Italy, Justine Berthon from France and Bin Meng Luo (Sarah) from China and they will continue with us in Term 3. We would like to thank the Casserly family for their generosity in hosting Giulia Cavagna in Term 2 and the Graves family who have kindly offered to host in Term 3. The students benefit greatly from the conversations they have with their assistants in their respective languages.

In more exciting news, two Italian exchange students arrived on Monday. Giovanna Intrieri from Rome will be staying with the Bitt family and Silvia Cantoni from Scandiano will be staying with the Dooley family until the end of August. We thank these host families for their hospitality. It is due to the generosity of families that programs such as this are able to go ahead, enabling our own students to broaden their knowledge of the language and culture and making lifelong friendships. The girls will be following their host sisters to all classes throughout this week, then choosing subjects to attend in Term Three. During the holidays they will get to see a little bit of our beautiful city and we look forward to getting to know them in classes next term.

Magis Carnival – Miss Callie Steven

After the gruelling physical exertion of the Athletics Carnival, six dedicated students journeyed to John XXIII for an intellectual carnival: the second annual Magis Carnival. This is a fabulous opportunity for students to gather with other schools to debate important philosophical topics. Monica Buckley, Hannah Anderson, Hannah Skinner, Aisling Incerti, Lauren Walters and Celeste Muscat represented the College to an extremely high level, and should be proud of all their efforts.

The non-competitive nature of the Carnival meant that students were under no pressure, and could fully engage with topics such as ‘The law is the highest arbiter’ and ‘We are morally responsible for poverty’. The question ‘Are we masters or slaves of technology?’ drew many interesting comments but the most heated topic of the night was surely ‘There is a natural order to things and it applies to gender’. Luckily the boys were also well represented, but the debate never sunk to an us versus them mentality, with students collaboratively building on each other’s ideas to explore the topics depth.

The mystery ethical question of the evening followed the screening of a section of the German film “Night and Fog” and a TED talk on the way DNA can now be manipulated. This discussion was at a very high level indeed, looking at the ethics of eugenics and the question of whether we have a moral responsibility for people in the future.

It was a rich and rewarding evening overall, and the students left buzzing, still discussing the issues raised on the night.

Purple Bra Day - Eva Davidson, Sophie Hadfield

On 21 June the Year 10 Student Representative Council, along with Miss Fresson’s help, held a fundraising event for the Breast Cancer Foundation. With over 1 in 8 women being diagnosed with breast cancer in their lives we felt like this cause was one worth supporting. Many students have had breast cancer impact their families and this fundraiser helped build a sense of belonging not only amongst the Year 10s, but the whole school. Our purple theme with purple lollies, home baked cupcakes and biscuits, together with donated cakes from Dolcetto Bakery, all helped to make the bake sale a huge success raising $1000 to help support the research the Breast Cancer Foundation carries out. These funds not only go towards research but also to support groups, and raising awareness of the disease. Thank you to everyone who supported us, every dollar counts. Also, to Miss Fresson and Mrs Stacey for all their hard work in organising this amazing fundraiser.
IT Angels MakerSpace Pop Up – Mr Paul Reid, Director of Learning Technology

The Library was buzzing yesterday lunch time (Wednesday 29 June) when the IT Angels ran a Pop Up MakerSpace. In the week prior the IT Angel students were provided with a range of robots, Virtual Reality headsets, apps, coding circuits, a Minecraft world, Augmented reality, and simple electronic circuitry and challenged them to turn up to the Pop Up MakerSpace with something to show and share related to STEM - Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

With much excitement the IT Angel’s peers and teachers took part in a range of activities including programmable robots, printing 3D bracelets, a virtual piano, a virtual heart, Virtual tours through the human nervous system and much more.

Part of developing students that are future ready means encouraging them to make connections to their own interests and to bridge their links between different content areas through projects that excite and engage. Everything we know about the way the world is evolving is saying that STEM is becoming a more important part of not only the technology sector, but every sector of the economy—and, solving most of the world’s most important problems. So STEM education is important for every student, no matter what they want to do in life. In general, “makerism” is also a culture of creation over consumption.

Via these student driven activities where they are agents of their own learning we see a range of excellent outcomes:

- Empowers students to showcase their abilities.
- Encourages Teamwork - students work together to solve problems.
- Promotes Student Engagement - students are focused and on-task.
- Cultivates Creativity & Innovation - students become creative and innovative.
- Encourage girls exploring STEM - development of skills and understanding of cross-curriculum link
- Facilitates Critical Thinking - students develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

The Arts - Mrs Kathleen Cocks, HOLA

Hairspray
We are now heading into the final weeks of rehearsals and will showcase some of our school’s best performers. Rehearsals continue in the second week of the school holidays. Tickets are about to go on sale!! Cast have preferential bookings until the first Monday of Term 3 and then tickets will be offered to the rest of the College community. Order forms will be available from Student Services from the first day back of term 3. Come and support your friends!

Mercedes & Trinity Choral Tour
The Mercedes & Trinity Choral Tour left for Ireland and England very early Thursday morning. They sounded wonderful at all their farewell concerts and we wish them good luck and best wishes for the Festivals and performances they will do overseas. Special thanks to this group for their dedication and commitment to producing such wonderful work. Thanks also to all the staff who have accompanied this group. We can’t wait to hear all about their adventures when they return!

FLYZB - Mrs Alicia Sharpe, Year 8 Co-ordinator

This week during Pastoral Care, the Year 8s together with the Year 10s had the pleasure of listening to two amazing faith filled young adults Burundi from - Fablice Manirakiza from FLYBZ, and an amazing young women named Mimi, who is a women’s rights advocate. Both came from Tanzanian refugee camps where their lives were hardly worth living as they waited for some-
Wellbeing

The holidays are here! This is a good time to focus on your physical wellbeing and start some new healthy habits. Your physical wellbeing is vital for good learning. The following links might provide you and your daughters with some good advice.

https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/positive-habits-good-learning-sleep-patterns-nutrition-allan-shaw
http://services.unimelb.edu.au/__data/assets/mp3_file/0004/525469/Sleep.mp3
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Student News

Cricket
Madeline Gardiner has been selected in the WA Cricket Team, Western Wolves State 17s. Madeline is the youngest player to be chosen apart of the team and is excited to be heading to Dubbo to compete.

DanceSport
Over the weekend, Sabrina Serra (10.4) competed in Canberra, representing WA, at the 2016 DanceSport Australia National Championship Event (D.A.N.C.E). Sabrina and her dancing partner (Lucien Maart), won the Junior Open Standard, Junior Open Latin and Junior Open New Vogue events, so they are now the 2016 National Junior DanceSport Champions in all three styles (three gold medals). They also won each of their Level B events for Standard, Latin and New Vogue (three gold medals), came first in the Junior 8 Dance Event (gold medal) and they came third in the Under 19s 10 Dance Event (bronze medal). Such an amazing achievement for Sabrina, her dance partner and for WA.

Volleyball
Good luck to Jasmine Serra and Tess Bowers (Year 10) have been selected to represent WA in the U16 State Volleyball team and will travel to Sydney in August. Good luck and all the best.

Soccer
Morgan Aquino recently competed in the Soccer Nationals Competition. Morgan was one of three players identified at the competition and chosen to play in the All Stars Teams against the winning state.
The College Hall came alive last week with colourful Saris and Kurtas and decorations, and the sound of Bollywood music reverberated around the room. Special thanks to Lisa Fernandez, who happens to be Anglo-Indian, for hosting the event. Lisa brought a lot of humour and fun to the event and was the perfect MC for the night. Also to Bolly Active for performing their special dance and for helping with decorations.

In addition thank you to Brad Kirwan-Ward, Alison Kundid, Colleen Anderson, Arletta Ralph, Juliet Bruining, Rita Santostefano, Sara Baker, Rosie Geracitano & Katarina D’Cunha who assisted with the decoration of the hall. The decorations were provided with the help of Helen Jerkovich who made the beautiful Elephants, and Pasca Foley for the Taj Mahal. All of this added to the atmosphere and success of the evening. Special thanks to the committee; Helen Jerkovich, Rita Rocca, Pasca Foley, Naomi Chapman, Louise Comiskey, Suzanne Biundo for helping bring this event together. It was an amazing team who helped with the success of the night.

Retrospective Exhibition by Noongar artist Bella Kelly - Monday 20 June to the 21 August / 11 - 5pm Monday to Friday and 1 – 5pm on Sunday/ John Curtin Gallery, Bentley. For more information visit http://www.bellakelly.com.au/

Abilities Expo - Thursday 8 September / 9.15am – 1.30pm & 4.30pm - 7.30pm / Crown Perth - Grand Ballroom. The Abilities Expo is for people with disability, their families and carers who want to know more about the services they can access and the organisations that provide those services.

Group Fitness Training - Led by experienced instructors Circuit Training incorporates varied functional movements and exercises to build muscle tone and increase cardiovascular fitness. Maximise your workouts and try new exercise routines! Sessions are run for children aged 10 - 18 years. Tuesday and Thursdays 4:00 - 4:45pm at the Coady Sports Centre. To enrol in Term 2 classes contact Courtney on 0403 953 317 or email courtney.spanbroek@hotmail.com.

RYDE Program provides young people with the opportunity to complete their 50 hours of supervised driving experience with a volunteer Driving Mentor. For more information about the RYDE Program you can visit www.ryde.org.au or contact the Bassendean Youth Services on 9279 2329.