Mr Paul Paplia M.L.A and Commander Andrew Nelson both gave commemorative addresses to the audience and special guests. After the ceremony the members of the 10th Light Horsemen were kind enough to give the school a display of their horse riding skills on the school oval.

They shall not grow old as those who are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn,
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.
Lest we forget.

Jade Fitzgerald
The term has been busy in other ways too. We have had students involved in a number of activities that have highlighted their strengths and have shown the community just how talented our students really are:

- Year 7–10 flautists played for the Governor of WA at a charity fundraiser hosted by Murdoch University
- Tayla Mouna and Indianna Kellett participated in a Women run by the Kwinana Industry Council, resulting in Tayla being named student of the course and winning an amazing adventure aboard the Leeuwin
- Selected CASP students had their artwork on display at Warnbro Fair Shopping Centre
- Year 12 Health students organised and ran a Health Fair at the school
- Year 10 Big Picture students organised and ran a Career Expo for all Year Ten students
- MAPI students have begun working with an Urban Artist to produce artworks

This is just a snapshot of the myriad of ways in which our students are showcasing their talents. The diversity of talent and aspiration amongst our students continues to amaze and inspire me.

‘Dream wide and dream big…then work hard to get there.’

A recent visit by the United States Consul General reinforced for me a concept that I have been working towards with the staff and students: ‘Dream wide and dream big…then work hard to get there.’ I firmly believe that our students can achieve whatever they set their minds to. One of the “18s” that the school is focusing on is ‘Be Your Best’ – all students can achieve this if they have a plan! If they ask for help and then listen to advice given by those people around them and they are truly committed and determined to, they will achieve their goals.

On another topic, you will begin to notice over the coming months changes in how we present some of our information to you. We are giving our image a bit of a make-over…starting with our promotional material, including a long overdue re-design of our website.

- Our aim is to have all documentation and policies loaded onto our website, and have a fully functional and up to date calendar of events. The P&C and School Council will also have a presence on the website, helping to connect our families with the school community.
- Our goal is to use our website as our main means of communicating with our community. Our School Bulletins will move to an electronic format for term three. In order to stay informed of upcoming events and issues for the school, we will be contacting parents electronically more often.

This requires us to have an email address for parents. Over the past month we have endeavoured to update our system so that we have accurate contact details for our families – including mobile phone numbers and email addresses.

A strategy we are using to help students achieve their goals, is to acknowledge the very important influence family has on goals and aspirations. To this end, the P&C has been conducting workshops with parents with a focus on developing a high quality distinctive school, with strong parent community connections. If you need to update your contact details, please phone the school as soon as possible to ensure that we have the most recent information in our system.

Ultimately, I would like to introduce a school app that we could use to better stay in contact with our community and families in ‘real time’ to ensure better communication of events and information relevant to our school community. Our students – and indeed some, if not the majority of our parents – live in a world where they stay connected and informed digitally. We should replicate this in how we conduct ourselves if we wish to stay connected and relevant in today’s society – or even more importantly, in our community. I wish all our students and their families a safe holiday break.

I encourage students to come back well rested and eager to show us just how they are dreaming big, and what they are prepared to do to achieve their dreams!

Ms Graves
Principal
The iWomen Project 2014

The iWomen Project selected 32 female students who were lucky enough to be handpicked from among 17 schools in the Rockingham, Kwinana and Cockburn areas. I was proud to be chosen to represent Warnbro Community High School.

The project took place over 1 weeks at the KaoFlury Arts Centre and began with an opening ceremony, where students were presented with special shirts and badges. Students then participated in team building games which allowed everyone to mix and get to know each other. Each day was different and included activities such as tours of industrial sites, mock interviews and talks from key speakers. Students were able to gain experience in personal branding resume writing and were also given advice by hair and make-up experts on how to look at interviews.

On the last day students took part in the Graduation Ceremony, each student was called up to the stage and presented with certificates. I was also lucky enough to be awarded a scholarship donated by the Leeuwin Foundation. This allows me to voyage on any Tall Ship Leeuwin trip of my choice, as part of the award I also won an underwater camera to film my experience on the trip.

The iWomen Project was a great experience and helped me gain the necessary skills for life after school. I’ve kept in touch with the other girls who participated and can’t wait for my voyage on the Leeuwin in June.

Taylor Mouma Y10

UNIFORM SHOP Opening Hours

Every Tuesday and Thursday 7.30am – 10.00am

Please note that we accept cash only and that layby is available.

CATCHING UP WITH FORMER STUDENTS

Here at Warnbro Community High School, we thought it was about time we caught up with some of our former students and discover how they have progressed since leaving us.

Our First Interview with Taylor Clark who graduated in 2010

1. You’ve recently won the 3rd Year Prize for your course at Curtin University, tell us about your course and how you found university life.

In February I was awarded the HASSEL student prize for third year Interior Architecture.

2. How do you feel your time at Warnbro helped prepare you for university life?

My time at WCHS made me who I am – I’ll always be proud to say that I came from WCHS. I think the fact that Warnbro was such a big school with a busy and sometimes crazy atmosphere it really prepared me for university life. I work very hard to prove that there is no reason why anyone can’t go on to University, no matter your background or where you are from. One thing the teachers at WCHS taught me is that if I put my mind to something I could do it. “If it is to be, it is up to me”.

3. What was your favourite memory of the school?

It’s hard to point out one favourite memory of high school. I think other than having the opportunity to learn who I am, what I wanted to do and spend large amounts of time with my friends. I would have to say that my favourite memory would have to be the opportunities I was given to learn outside of the classroom. It was those extracurricular activities and guest speakers that helped me find my feet and gave me the values and beliefs that have become a big part of who I am.

4. What do you intend to do once you leave University?

The iWomen Project 2014

That’s a big question – it’s like the end of year 12 all over again, but it really is the start of the rest of my life. At this point my main focus is successfully finishing my Fourth Year Thesis. I know that I’m not wanting to start out in a traditional office job after November, and I have the opportunity to continue my work with a not-for-profit organisation, based out of Fiji for 8 months next year – with the main focus of “Sustainable Community Development and Empowerment”. I’m only 21 years of age I have the rest of my life to work in a traditional office, the world is huge and I’m hoping to do my part and use my degree to create change and improve the life for those in poverty.

5. What advice would you give to Warnbro students when it comes to deciding on their future careers?

I think the advice I would give is that you are young, explore what your good at and what you enjoy – don’t choose something because everyone else is doing it. It’s the right path. There is no correct or incorrect path to take, it’s just what’s important and right for you as an individual – whether that’s University, TAFE, the workforce or travel. It’s important to know that Year 12 is not the end of the path – it is just the beginning and you are always able to change your mind. Work hard in Year 12 and keep your options open – but remember it’s all about you, and what you want from the future not what your friends want – and lastly ENJOY the ride it’ll be finished before you know it!

6. If you could go back in time, what advice would you give to your Year 8 self or what would you do differently?

I honestly wouldn’t do anything differently, yes I took a few wrong steps here and there, however without them I wouldn’t be the person I am today. I’m a strong believer that everything happens for a reason and no matter what happens it’ll make you stronger you just have to stick with it or make the change. In Year 8 and Year 9, I was given the best advice however it wasn’t until the end of Year 12 that I truly understood it. ’If it is to be, it is up to me’. – Chris Hickman (Making a difference program Yr 8) and ‘Be the change you wish to see in the world’. – Gandi (Epic Talk Yr 9).

REMEMBER!

When calling the school about student absences, you can save time by phoning Student Services direct on 9553 0149 or 9553 0144.
Year 12 HEALTH FAIR

The Year 12 Health Studies students were working for about 5 weeks on their major assessment for the semester, which was the Health Fair Production. On 9th May their presentations were on display for the interested and keen Year 8 students in the school gym. With this group of Year 12’s being the ‘half cohort’ it was considerably quieter than previous years, which seemed to create a more calm and relaxed environment. I was very impressed with the level of professionalism and presentation skills that were on show by all of the Year 12’s. The attentiveness and genuine interest shown by the Year 8’s was evidence of this.

The Year 12 students learned what it was like to be a ‘teacher for a day’ having to repeat themselves for 3 session’s. The Year 8 students listened attentively and were very well behaved for their fellow students!

Congratulations to all the Year 12 and Year 8 students for making the Health Fair an invaluable learning experience for all involved and to the Science and Phys Ed teachers for attending with your classes.

Tracey Schmidt

WINNERS

Congratulations to the following parents who paid their compulsory charges and contributions in full by the end of Term. They are the lucky winners of a $100 Coles/Myer Gift Voucher:

Mrs Jill Erikssen
Mrs Joanne Gowans
Ms Hayley Skewes
Mr Antoni Verbakel
Ms Donna Rutherford

A big thank you to all of the parents who have also paid their charges and contributions in full.

From the SCHOOL NURSE

INFLUENZA

Influenza or the ‘flu’ is caused by an influenza virus. It is spread through the air when someone coughs, sneezes or talks. It is also spread by touching something that has the virus on it and then touching your nose, eyes or mouth. Common symptoms include sore throat, cough, fever, headache, chills, tiredness and muscle aches.

People with the flu should rest and drink plenty of fluid. Use paracetamol in recommended doses if necessary – but do not give children any medication containing aspirin.

Be sure to keep your child home from school while he or she is sick.

If you require school work for your child contact the school to prepare some for you to collect.

The best way to prevent flu from spreading is by washing your hands regularly.

Flu vaccines are available prior to winter starting. For more information, contact your GP or Local Immunisation Clinic.

Why should I consider having my child vaccinated against the flu?

The National Health and Medical Research Council, Australia’s peak body for health advice, recommends annual vaccination for anyone six months of age or older who wants to reduce their chances of becoming ill with the flu.

Annual flu vaccination is strongly recommended for anyone six months of age or older with a medical condition that places them at higher risk of severe illness from flu. Children and adults with heart, lung or kidney disease or a weakened immune system, are eligible for free flu vaccine through the National Immunisation Program.

Children without underlying medical conditions who become infected with flu can also develop serious illnesses. Flu can cause high fever and pneumonia, and make existing medical conditions worse. Flu can also cause convulsions and diarrhoea in children.

Influenza viruses are always changing. Each year scientists try to match the strains of influenza viruses in the vaccine to those most likely to cause flu illnesses that year. It takes up to two weeks for protection to develop after vaccination against flu and protection lasts about a year.

The seasonal flu vaccine is available on prescription or via GP and immunisation clinics and is provided free for certain groups. Flu vaccines are available prior to winter starting. For more information, www.health.wa.gov.au or contact your GP or Immunisation Clinic.

CASPer Away

Many Thanks to Year 8 CASP, Joa Chorlton and Mr Healey (who greatly assisted in de-installation)

Jo Sweetman
Arts HoLA

The Futurelinks HEALTH FAIR

The 2014 Future Links Health Fair was a great success. Year 8 and 9 students from across the school had the opportunity to view a number of health presentations, took part in the hands on learning, had their questions answered and were rewarded with fantastic prizes. The Year 11 and 12 Health Studies class worked extremely hard all term to develop eye catching and informative presentations. Teachers and students that observed the presentations commended our hard work and efforts.

Jessica Dutton and Kailah Russell produced an excellent presentation on pregnancy. Their interactive activities and interesting facts had the Year 8’s and 9’s captivated throughout the presentation. Jessica and Kailah reflected on their presentation and stated that the Year 8’s and 9’s were enthusiastic, asked questions and thoroughly enjoyed their presentation.

Well done to all the students from Future Links in developing and presenting very informative and interesting topics.

The Goals PROGRAM

The GOALS program is for a small group of students from Year 9 who show potential and are recognized as young leaders. Each student gets paired with an external corporate mentor who will guide them through the course. We then go to business locations such as the Commonwealth Bank, Norton Rose Fullbright and the Subiaco Arts Centre.

We learn about what it’s like to be in a working environment and gather more information about the corporate ladder. It’s a great experience for the students as well as the mentors; it starts with a tour of the school and ends with a fabulous morning tea. The program goes over a period of 6 months and it is a very educational experience for everyone. Thanks to the Year Coordinator Mr. Healey, Ms Gribblebaar and other staff who made this possible.

In the 2014 Castaways Exhibition hosted by the City of Rockingham, the latest Year 8 CASPeR’s worked collaboratively with Artist in Residence Jacq Chorlton to produce Warnbro’s first entry ‘CASPer Away’. Inspired by the sourced recycled materials and student devised ideas the final piece was a whimsical construction of cloth, strong, metals and wire to form a spiralling dream catcher that entangled students individual motifs.

The school was represented by Year 8 Trisha Meredith-Fraser who was presented with a certificate of participation on the exhibitions opening, held on Wednesday 14th May. Our entry was exhibited alongside other secondary, primary schools and community groups as well as entries produced by art industry practitioners.

Many Thanks to Year 8 CASP, Jacq Chorlton and Mr Healey (who greatly assisted in de-installation)
SEA TREK 2014

Throughout term 1 the students of the E & T class within Future Links, attended the Marine Education Boatshed to complete their Recreational Skippers Ticket as part of an endorsed program. The boatshed is a hands-on learning facility with specifically trained educators who help schools incorporate marine safety education into the regular school curriculum.

Woodman Point Yacht Club. On arrival the camp was set up and students were taken back out on the water for training in higher level sailing techniques. As the sun set the boats anchored up and the BBQ was given a tough workout.

Day 2 brought some rough weather so a quick brief and a change of plans saw the camp stay at Woodman Point for another night and a day of boating over to Garden Island for lunch and sailing back along the coast. The weather stayed overcast for the majority of the day but by late evening it had cleared up enough for the boys to play a few team building games.

The final day’s travel ended in the Freemantle Boat Harbour with a jetty tie up and some fish and chips for lunch. Back to the boathed for the dreaded clean up with some of the students being tired, this resulted in a longer than expected process. Students showed maturity above their ages and hopefully they continue to work hard towards graduation and Sea Trek 2015 in Shark Bay.

The students have thoroughly enjoyed their experiences, and have learnt many exercises, fitness circuits, boxing and cross fit exercises. The students have been working with a personal trainer and completing fitness circuits, boxing and cross fit exercises.

If you are interested in applying for the Industry Links or Work Place Learning Program you need to make sure that you have returned your application pack to the Future Links Office no later than 22nd August.
ANZAC DAY

Warnbro Community High School, were delighted to invite the 10th Light horsemen Bunbury Troop with Alan Fairhead and Anthea Ward, supported by Sergeant Michelle Eddy of Rockingham Cadets, in this year’s ANZAC celebrations. Giving the students and staff members a demonstration of their battle techniques and duties performed when in combat. We were also honoured to have the New Zealand Servicemen support this year’s ANZAC event, for the first time.

ADF Careers Expo

On the 2nd May 2014, 22 students from WCHS had the opportunity to attend the Australian Defence Force Careers Expo at Irwin Barracks. The students explored the interactive activities, the vehicles displays and the range of careers offered by the ADF as well as talks by officers explaining the entry pathways into the ADF. It was an informative day with students getting a gift bag of amazing ADF materials at the end. Thanks to the year 9 Coordinator, Andrew Healey for the excellent bus driving and the DTM for the opportunity.

If your child is interested in the ADF – please talk to the WCHS Defence Transition Mentor –
Teresa Millard
teresa.millard1@education.wa.edu.au

CASP 10
Guest Speakers

As part of their Semester One work for the Creative Arts Specialist Program, the Year 10s have been exploring the theme of ‘working with professionals’. We have had several guest speakers come in and show some of their work and discuss what it is like working in the Perth, National and International Arts Industries.

PJ Kinder, the Chair of Buzz Dance, came and spoke about the importance of internship, as well as how to put together an Arts Grant.

Jen Payne, an up and coming young fashion designer and entrepreneur visited to show some of her designs shortly to be entered into the Perth Fashion Week, and how she made the journey from being a UWA business and finance student, to an independent fashion designer, after travelling Europe.

Bec Sneddon, Education Officer for the WA Ballet, spoke about her own internship in San Francisco last year and brought lots of goodies to share!

The CASP 10s are looking forward to working with MylesPollard, Brad Major, Jeremy Shaw and the rest of the MAP4U team in Week 9 on the short film shoot for the Zombie High School project!
At the end of Term One the Year 9 Media students completed a Critical Analysis on the Michael Jackson music film clip Thriller. This term they are creating their own short horror films, with Zombies, Ghosts, Demons and worst of all... scary teenagers!! In week 5 they got to experiment with the special effects, make up, and thought they would love to share the gruesome results, wearing the scars proudly for the remainder of the school day!

On Monday, June 9, US Consul General Cynthia Griffin spoke to approximately fifty Year 10, 11 and 12 students at Warnbro Community High School about her role as the United States Consul General in Western Australia and about her background as an American diplomat. Students heard about her experiences of living in different countries and the skills and attributes required to be a foreign diplomat. Consul General Griffin had a message that resonated with the students of setting goals – no matter how big, then working hard to achieve them.

The Q&A session was appreciated by students who got to ask questions about the role of the Consul General and the purpose of having a Consulate in Perth. Consul General Griffin was very informative and engaging as she described the processes behind being assigned to a new post and the focus on learning the local language to a professional level.

Year 12 student Jaydon Cannella said he “appreciated speaking to the US Consul General and that it was an excellent opportunity for students to learn about possible jobs available in the political world.”

Warnbro Community High School Principal Kya Graves said her students enjoyed meeting inspiring individuals who gave them perspectives and opinions that are different to perhaps what they had heard about previously.

Principal Graves stated “The opportunity to have the US Consul General visit our school and speak with our students about topics and possibilities post-school is invaluable and very motivating for students thinking about their future directions.”

Consul General Cynthia Griffin assumed the position of U.S. Consul General in Perth on July 29, 2013 with responsibilities for Western Australia.

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**GRANDCARERS SUPPORT SCHEME**

For all enquiries call

Wanslea Grandcarers Support Scheme

1800 794 909 10.00am - 4.00pm Monday to Friday

What is the Grandcarers Support Scheme?

- An annual payment to grandcarers who have the full-time care of their grandchild / grandchildren

Criteria

- Providing full-time care for grandchildren under 16 years
- Minimum of four months care in the past year
- Not receiving financial support from the Department for Child Protection and Family Support
- Willing to sign a Statutory Declaration confirming that the information provided is true and correct

How much is the payment

- Eligible grandcarers will receive $400 for the first grandchild and $250 for each additional grandchild under 16 years

How to apply

- Telephone Wanslea 1800 794 909 to apply or
- Online at: [www.wanslea.asn.au/gss](http://www.wanslea.asn.au/gss) to download the application form
- Send your completed application form to: Wanslea Grandcarers Support Scheme PO Box 1142 Cloverdale WA 6985