

# The Charter

BRIGHT FUTURES



A cast of  
characters  
come to  
life

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ANGLICAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL



# Farewell Class of 2018

It was bittersweet as we farewelled the Year 12 Class of 2018 at the end of Valedictory Week in Term 4. Tears of joy and sadness were evident as parents, friends, students and teachers said their final goodbyes before Year 12s departed for exams, further study or the workplace.

The Year 12s enjoyed a number of celebratory events including the Gift of a Candle Service, Veterans' Morning Tea, the Principal's Lunch, Valedictory and Prize Giving and the Leavers' Fancy Dress Breakfast.

Head Prefects, Ashlee King and Tom Ayres expressed their gratitude for their time at John Wollaston and left some valuable advice for their successors.

We are proud of all our 2018 Leavers and wish them every success in their future endeavours.



## ATAR-ific!

Congratulations to our 2018 Leavers on their ATAR Results.

We are very proud of their commitment and dedication to their studies. As a cohort they performed well overall achieving a Median ATAR of 85.65, 3.85 above the State Median ATAR of 81.80. More than two thirds of the students achieved a ranking in the top 20% of ATAR students in WA.

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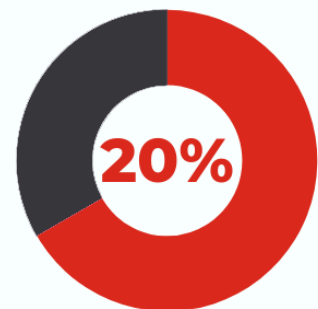
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## STUDENTS WITH A RANKING ABOVE 90



- ★ Martha Dodge 96.80
- ★ Stephanie Lursen 96.60
- ★ James Chellew 94.60
- ★ Katelyn Clark 93.50
- ★ Hannah Landwehr 93.10
- ★ Emma Winship 91.60

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# From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends

I write as the dust has settled on another full and rewarding year at John Wollaston. The end of year events were successful occasions with large attendances and happy students. One of the more memorable was the Guard of Honour held after Primary Praise and Thanksgiving for the Year 6 students, marking their rite of passage to the Secondary years. The applause and proud faces of the parents, staff and younger students were matched by the bearing of the Year 6s who walked a foot taller along the path from the Berry Durston Indoor Sports Centre to the Upper Primary Building for the last time. This celebratory gesture is symbolic of all year levels transitioning to another phase, such as the cycle of schooling.

There are so many highlights when I reflect on the past 12 months. Our students lead full and active lives both

within and external to the School and their achievements are a credit to them. When I read of criticism in the press about the apathy and disengagement of young people today, I believe such generalisations do not accurately reflect the spirit and purpose of our youth, the majority of whom are keen to contribute and give of their best. To that end, I commend the many students who participated in service related activities during the year. Purposeful and attentive giving of one's time and energy to assist others is reflective of true engagement and caring.

Congratulations to all of our students for their contribution to John Wollaston this year. My staff and I are very proud of them.

In this season of Advent I wish all members of the school community a blessed Christmas with family and friends.



*This is the day that the Lord has made.  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.*

**Psalm 118.24**

**With best wishes  
Anne Ford**



## Eye-catching murals bring wonder and imagination

Two large eye-catching murals featuring a girl bursting with imagination, a dinosaur, a black cockatoo, a pigeon and native plants now adorn the Primary School's walls inspiring students and staff alike. Perth Artist, Brenton See was recently commissioned to paint two murals within the School through generous funding by the Parents and Friends Association.

The first mural facing the School's central avenue, evokes a child's imagination which aligns so well with the philosophy of the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme.

The second mural, featuring visually striking images of Australian flora and fauna, is a wonderful addition to the Primary nature playground. Interestingly, a photograph of this mural featured in a recent edition of The West Magazine showcasing the artist's work.



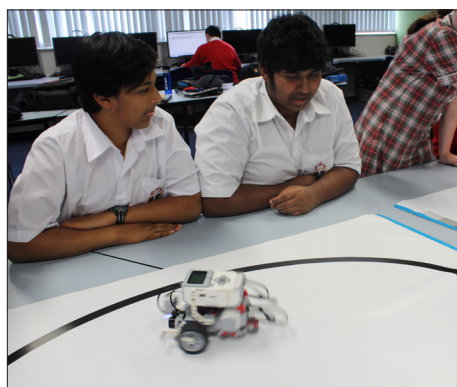
*Two new murals by Perth Artist, Brenton See now adorn the Primary School walls.*



# LEGO Mindstorms take over the classroom

Computer Studies students in Years 8 and 9 have been hard at work designing and creating their robots using LEGO Mindstorms. Students work through a number of tutorials to build and program the robots to achieve various tasks such as following a black line using a colour sensor or stopping an object.

As part of the Digital Technologies curriculum, students are learning to program using blocks of code which they must put together in the correct sequence. The course teaches students problem solving and computational thinking skills.



## Jordy's legacy continues

Year 12 student, Jordy Collins was busy over Semester 2 mentoring and training a team of Year 8 apprentices to take over Jordy's Shed after he graduates, continuing the legacy that he started. Year 8 students Brad Illingworth, Riley Hawtin, Alex Benbow, James Pou and Troy Plummer have been working with Jordy learning the tools of the trade as they strip down and repair unloved bikes to donate to Anglicare WA.

The team recently donated five bikes to Anglicare WA's Foyer Oxford service in Leederville. This innovative housing service has supported accommodation for young people who have experienced homelessness. The bikes will be used by the tenants to get them to and from jobs or job interviews and training institutions.

Anglicare WA's Foyer Oxford service also donated eight unused bikes to Jordy's Shed for the students to repair or use for parts.



*Jordy with his apprentices outside their workshop.*

# Grandparents' Day

In Term 3 we had the pleasure of welcoming our grandparents to the School for our annual Grandparents' Day celebrations. Approximately 400 grandparents, great grandparents, aunts and uncles joined us with the highlight of the morning being the ABBA House Shout performances. Hale House emerged triumphant in the competition with their entertaining interpretation of Super Trooper. Visitors could be seen tapping their feet and singing along to the ABBA favourites of the 1970s.

Grandparents had the opportunity to spend time with their grandchildren while visiting classrooms and the Art Exhibition in the Technology Centre.

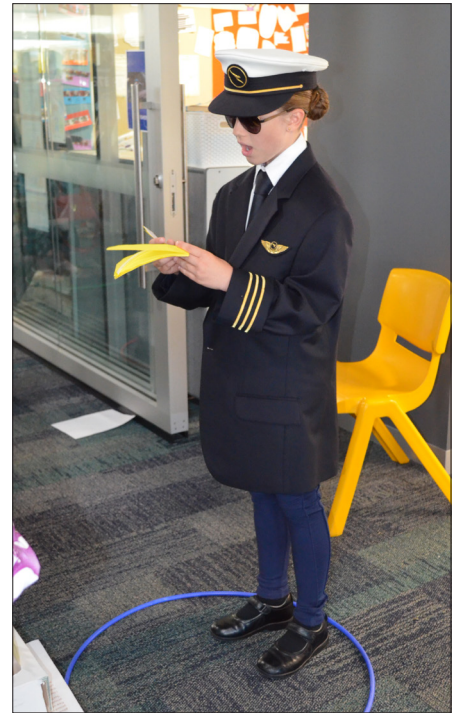


# Night of the Living Treasures

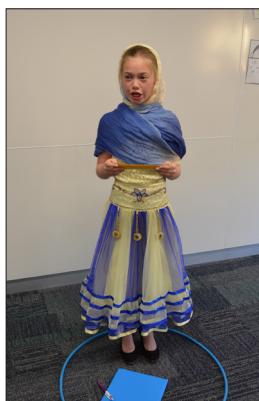


The inaugural Year 5 'Night of the Living Treasures' was held in the final weeks of Term 4. Year 5 students dressed up as their chosen 'Treasure' and presented an autobiography on the person they had chosen. The students were given the brief to choose a 'Treasure' that was a role model to them. The person had to be real, either alive or deceased.

Each 'Treasure' stood like a statue coming to life to present their autobiography when a token was placed in their box. All Year 5s worked extremely hard on their autobiographies, starting with planning and brainstorming. They made palm cards, rehearsed, organized costumes and created their token boxes whilst being nervous, worried and excited along the way. It was a fantastic night enjoyed by all!



**Charlotte Dell**  
Year 5 Junior Reporter



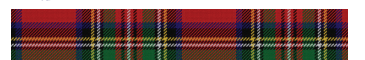
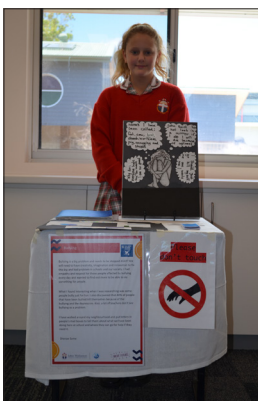
# PYP Exhibition - A culminating experience



The 2018 Year 6 Primary Years Programme Exhibition night marked the culmination of six years of PYP schooling with students coming together to deliver a presentation on a real-life issue or problem they were personally passionate about. Students engaged in an in-depth collaborative inquiry with mentors researching their topics, gaining a better understanding and devising ways that they could take action and apply their learning outside of the classroom.



Each student made a statement piece for their exhibition enabling them to showcase their creativity. Some of the topics explored through the exhibition included deforestation, overconsumption, quality education, declining bee populations and animal cruelty.



# Music beyond the classroom

The Primary and Secondary Instrumental Concerts in Term 4 showcased our very talented music students with a range of soloists, ensembles and bands taking to the stage. Parents were treated to a wonderful evening of entertainment.

The concerts are a celebration of what the students have learnt throughout the year in the Music Program. The event continues to grow, and it is such a delight to see the enthusiasm and excitement of all students involved. Music Coordinator, Rory Marchant and his Music tutors are to be congratulated on their fine work with the students during 2018.



## Outside the Frame Awards

Each year aspiring and talented young artists enter the City of Armadale's Outside the Frame Art Awards. This year more than 80 entries were received from Year 11 and 12 students across Perth.

A number of John Wollaston students entered and Year 12 student, Abby Gleadhill was awarded the Local Artist Award for her piece *Conservation vs Urbanisation*.

Acting Head of the Arts, Luke Morgan said, "It is pleasing to see that Abby's hard work and creativity have been acknowledged by winning this award. Abby's drawing highlights important, ongoing environmental concerns and through this exhibition her message has reached a wider audience in the community."



Year 12 student, Abby Gleadhill won the Local Artist Award at Armadale's Outside The Frame Awards for her piece titled 'Conservation vs Urbanisation'





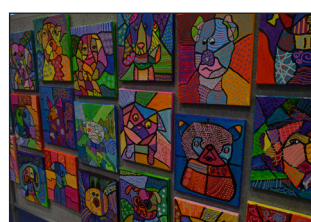
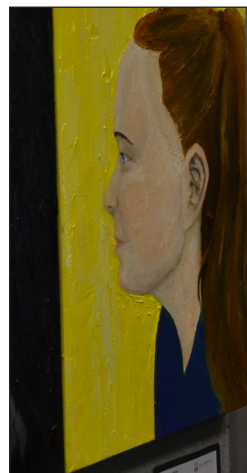
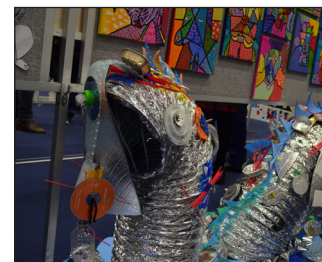
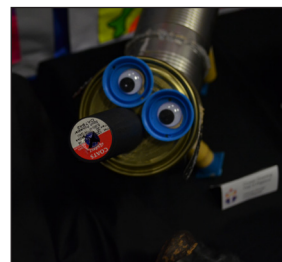
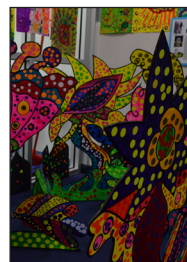
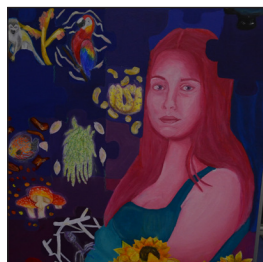
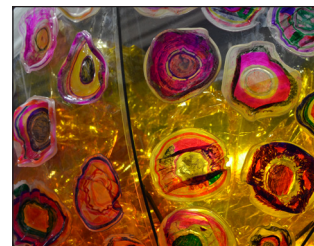
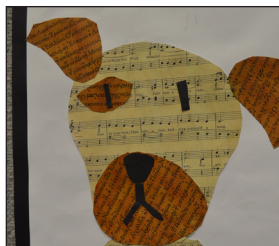
# Artistic Delight

The Annual Art Exhibition once again proved to be a highlight of Semester 2 delighting visitors with our students' creative excellence.

Diverse artworks by students from Pre-Primary to Year 12 were showcased throughout the Technology Centre. Special guest, Kathryn Haug opened the Exhibition speaking about her journey as an artist and the positive impact of art, in all its forms, in our lives.

The Year 12 Principal's Art Acquisition Prize was awarded to Abby Gleadhill for her piece titled *Conservation vs Urbanisation*.

Congratulations to all students who had their work exhibited in the showcase and to the Arts Staff who curated the Exhibition.





## 2019 Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to the following recipients who have been awarded an Academic Scholarship commencing in 2019:

### YEAR 10 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Rossi Macri, John Wollaston Anglican Community School

### YEAR 7 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Joel Knapp, West Byford Primary School

Mia Wall, John Wollaston Anglican Community School

### YEAR 5 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Tuppence Cornelius, John Wollaston Anglican Community School

## DFES Volunteer Employer Recognition Awards

The School was delighted and honoured to have been nominated for the 2018 Department of Fire Emergency Services (DFES) Volunteer Employer Recognition Awards. At the Awards Ceremony at Government House, Principal Anne Ford accepted a Bronze Award on behalf of the School. Primary Physical Education Specialist, Melanie Fowler a member of the Serpentine – Jarrahdale State Emergency Service (SES) nominated Ms Ford and the School as being supportive of her commitment to the SES.

A total of 91 businesses were recognised for supporting WA's emergency services by going above and beyond to enable their staff to respond to emergencies during work hours. The Commissioner of DFES, Darren Klemm emphasized that the organization relied heavily upon the 25,000 volunteers across our large State to support the work of DFES.

In 2018 there were a record number of winners as pictured below.



Principal Anne Ford receiving the Bronze Award.



# 2018 Japanese Adventure

At the end of Term 4, seven students from Years 10 and 11 accompanied by Head of Languages, Tatia Sly and Japanese teacher Akiko Fuchino, embarked on a study tour to Japan to spend two weeks immersed in the culture and language.

The students stayed with a host family who helped expose them to the culture and introduce them to new experiences. They also attended our Sister School, Shizuoka Gakuen, a private co-educational Junior and Senior High School in Shizuoka. Their language skills were put to the test as they attended a variety of classes and took part in a tea gathering ceremony.

The group took in the sights of four cities whilst in Japan – Tokyo, Hiroshima, Shizuoka and Kyoto. Highlights include the Hiroshima Cenotaph, Eternal Flame and Atomic Dome, visiting Mt Fuji, Asakusa and Shibuya.

The students were all sad to say goodbye at the end of the tour having enjoyed the trip of a lifetime to Japan.

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## New mobile billboard hits the streets

Have you spotted the new-look John Wollaston buses in your travels?

The smaller school bus has been wrapped in vinyl featuring the Bright Futures Campaign advertisement. Completed in Term 4, the bus travels along the Forrestfield, Kenwick, Maddington, Beckenham and Gosnells bus route.

In 2019 we will be building on the Bright Futures campaign featuring some fresh student faces and careers.

During this process the larger school bus will also be wrapped in vinyl to promote the School along the morning and evening bus routes.



## 2019 School Tours

We invite prospective families and students to join us for an Open Morning or Twilight Tour in 2019.

You will have the opportunity to meet our Principal, Anne Ford, staff and students while touring our expansive campus.

We encourage you to join us on one of the dates below:

- Twilight Tour: Thursday 21 March, 5:00pm
- Year 7 Transition Open Morning: Thursday 23 May, 9:00am
- Open Morning: Friday 21 June, 9:00am
- Open Morning: Friday 20 September, 9:00am
- Twilight Tour: Thursday 17 October, 5:00pm

For more information or to book your place contact the Registrar, Ann Brightmore on 9495 8100 or email [registrar@jwacs.wa.edu.au](mailto:registrar@jwacs.wa.edu.au).

