



CENTRAL MIDLANDS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter No 7

14 November 2023



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome to our mid-Term 3 newsletter.

This term commenced with a School Development Day where staff engaged in professional learning and consultation. This term we farewelled our Year 12 graduating class and the morning tea, ceremony and dinner saw an emotional and worthy representation of the memories, hard work and partnership journey for staff, students and parents. I would like to acknowledge the class of 2023 for their determination, fortitude and commitment to their studies and pathways throughout this journey and celebrate the skills and abilities they have acquired during their years here at Central Midlands Senior High School. I have no doubt their experiences will serve them well into their futures and be an inspiration for our future students.

This term we welcomed Mrs Lori Newman to our staff in the Science/Maths area and she and her family have joined us all the way from the United Kingdom.

We celebrated and participated in a number of events and excursions including Book Week, the Cricket Carnival and recently our Year 9s have been visiting local Automotive and Industry businesses. OLN testing was conducted over the last couple of weeks and of course, our Year 12s and 11s have undertaken their important exams.

Our Student Council have been very proactive in representing our student voice this year. Over the last couple of months, we had opportunities to dress up and fundraise with Book Week and Bandana Day. The team has been instrumental in exploring ways to represent students and build the positive culture in our school. I am pleased to announce our 2024 Lead Students; Riley Hall and Alexa Masagnay, who collaboratively with Paige Smith and Zara Lawson, will be our Year 12 Leaders next year.

Last week we held a School Council meeting led by our Chair Marita Harris, and the 2024 Contributions and Charges and Booklists were endorsed. We will be emailing all families shortly with further information about our Council and the 2024 year.

Recently, the P & C held their Annual General Meeting following a year of supporting the school, students, events, and raising funds for projects and activities. Adeline Chapman stood down as the Chairperson and we would like to thank her for her contribution and welcome Emerson Lawson to the Chair.

Our staff will be collating evidence and results over the next few weeks as we move into the end-of-year reporting cycle. I look forward to celebrating more student achievements with you all before the end of the year and please feel welcome contact us to discuss your child's learning if you wish to.

BRONWYN WRIGHT
PRINCIPAL



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Parent Surveys: The Parent National School Opinion Survey is currently active and a great way for parents to let the School know what is working and what needs improvement. It would be great if all parents could complete the survey before Friday 24 of November, when it closes. To access the survey you can use the link below.

<https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/aEWn9KVV>

MindFlight: Last Thursday the Year 9 and 10 students all had the opportunity to experience a different sort of Careers experience, this one was powered by Virtual Reality. Mindflight was an incursion organised by Central TAFE and an opportunity for students to experience different careers through a virtual headset. This is all part of providing students an opportunity to think about their futures and work out what they enjoy and would like to do as a career.

Try-a-Trade: In Week 9 all our Year 10 students will have the opportunity to experience several trades when Central TAFE visit our school to conduct a Try-a-Trade experience. Once again this is another great opportunity for our students to consider their future work opportunities and have a look into the different types of trades that are available to them.

Reporting to Parents: As we approach the end of term students will be completing their final assessments and starting to wrap up their topics for the year. Teachers will be marking these assessments and starting to finalise report comments and grades. If you are concerned with your child's progress or results this semester, then please contact your child's teacher and organise to have a meeting with them. As a school we want to work with parents and caregivers to help all students to develop and improve.

**PETER HALL
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**



WHAT'S ON

Fri 17 November Scholarship nomination forms due back

Fri 17 November Year 11's last day

Mon 20 & Tues 21 November Follow the Dream excursion

Thurs 30 November Year 10 P.A.R.T.Y excursion to hospital

Mon 4 to Wed 6 December Try-A-Trade incursion for Year 10

Tues 12 December Year 7 - 11 Presentation afternoon starting at 1:15pm

Wed 13 December Reports sent out

Thur 14 December Last day of Term 4

Wed 31 January Students return to school





YEAR 12 PRESENTATION EVENING

On Tuesday 17 October, we celebrated a significant event—the Graduation Ceremony of our “Class of 2023”, marking the culmination of their high school journey. The day commenced with a special gathering dedicated to our graduating students. Subsequently, a morning tea was arranged for both the graduates and their parents.

As the day transitioned into evening, our Year 12 students, accompanied by their families, donned their finest attire for a formal and unforgettable Presentation Ceremony and dinner, meticulously coordinated by our dedicated staff. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all our Year 12 graduates, and we eagerly anticipate witnessing and supporting the paths they will embark upon in the future.



Relief Teachers

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We are looking for Teachers to add to our relief register. If you are interested, please send your resume and availability to Marion.Hook@education.wa.edu.au



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YEAR 12 AWARD RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the below students who received awards at the Year 12 Presentation Evening

Top Student:

ATAR Chemistry	Cameron Turner
ATAR English	Mollie Burnett
ATAR Business Management & Enterprise	Siobhan O'Reilly
General English	Cameron Abbey
General Mathematics Essentials	Kelly Taylor
General Physical Education Studies	Charlee Taylor
General Automotive Engineering and Technology	Charlee Taylor
General Food Science & Technology	Emily Wilkin
Certificate II Engineering Pathways	Andrew Brown
Certificate IV Preparation for Health and Nursing	Emily Wilkin
Certificate II Horticulture	Siobhan O'Reilly
Certificate II Building and Construction	Robert Warrell
SIDE Top Student Overall	Mollie Burnett

Special Awards:

Myles Victor Ludorum – Female	Charlee Taylor
Myles Victor Ludorum – Male	Robert Warrell
Workplace Learning	Emily Wilkin
Ampol Best All Rounder	Mollie Burnett
ADF Future Innovators Award	Mollie Burnett
ADF Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Award	Andrew Brown
Indigenous Achievement Award	Robert Warrell
Citizenship Award	Andrew Brown
Personal Excellence Award	Kelly Taylor
McIntosh & Son Most Industrious Award	Cameron Abbey
Rotary Horticulture Award	Siobhan O'Reilly
Principal's Award	Cameron Turner
VET Dux	Charlee Taylor
ATAR Dux	Mollie Burnett

YEAR 7 ENGLISH

Year 7s have been looking at overcoming adversity through their novel study. Adversity is being faced with a difficult or unpleasant situation. We looked at the sad situation in Afghanistan and compared our lives to children the same age as us living a refugee status.

We studied the novel *Boy Overboard*. This book tells the story of a young boy named Jamal who lived in Afghanistan in the early 2000s. We looked at the hardships in Jamal and his sister Bibi's life and compared them to ours. Jamal and his family find themselves in trouble with the Taliban and are forced to flee, first to a refugee camp, then on a trip across dangerous seas to Australia. In this time Jamal and Bibi are faced with landmines, bombings, pirates, assassins, storms and being torn away from their mum and dad for the long journey to Australia. No matter what they faced, they overcame it and looked to a brighter future. Australia meets them with a detention centre. Jamal's dream of becoming a famous soccer player are not crushed though, he continues to overcome the tough times.

Miss Felle made us use chalk to draw an outline of a body on the ground. This was Jamal. We had to label everything about Jamal on the chalk outline; his looks, ambitions, family life, dreams and aspirations, as well as the difficulties he faced. Then we had to compare our life to Jamal's. Sadly we realised how lucky we are to be living in the land of Australia. The story of Jamal and Bibi may be fictional, but it is based on true events that children in war torn countries face daily.

Congratulations to our new Head Students for 2024 Riley Hall and Alexa Masangcay and our Vice Head Students Zara Lawson and Paige Smith.

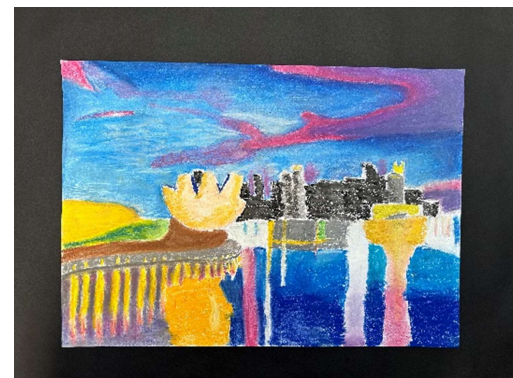
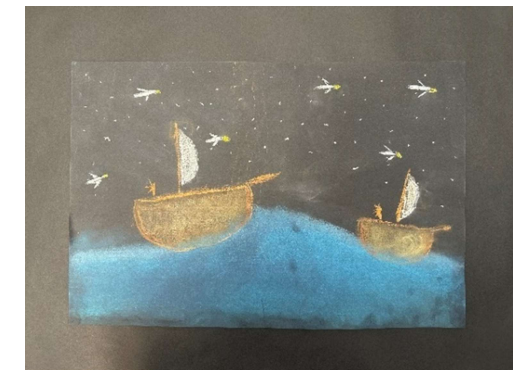
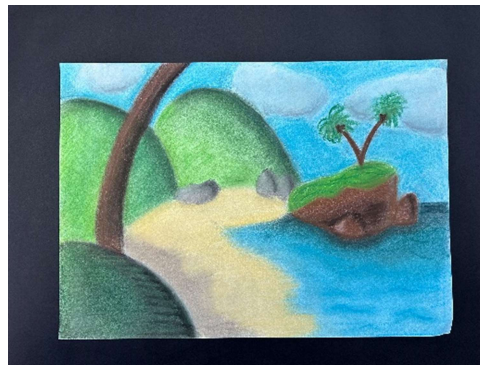
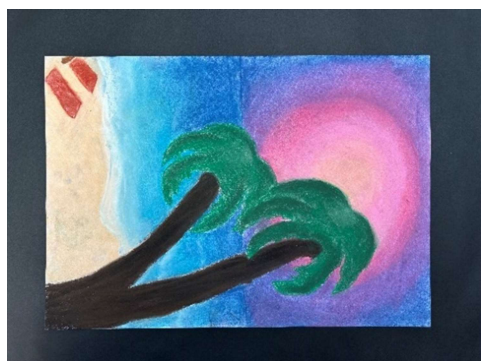
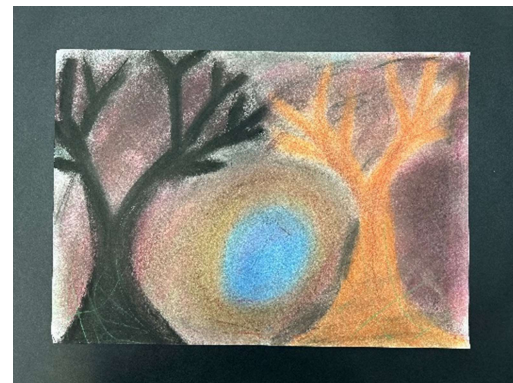
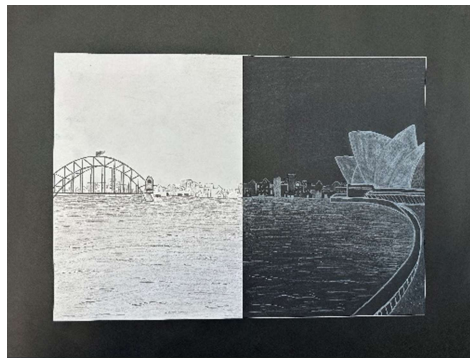
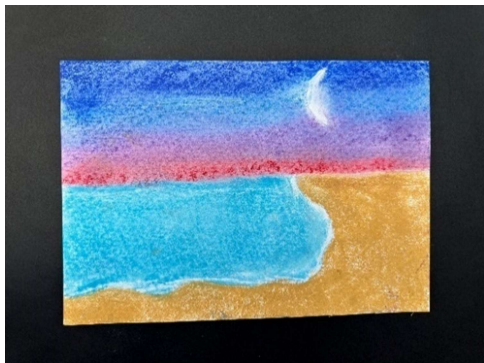
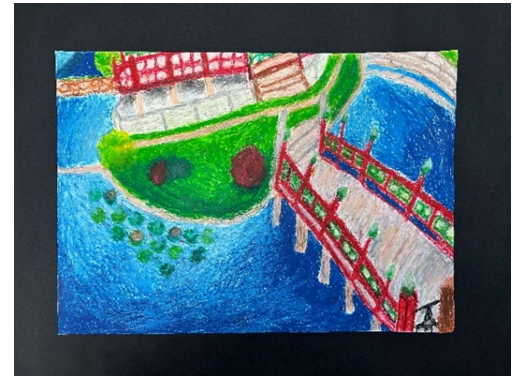
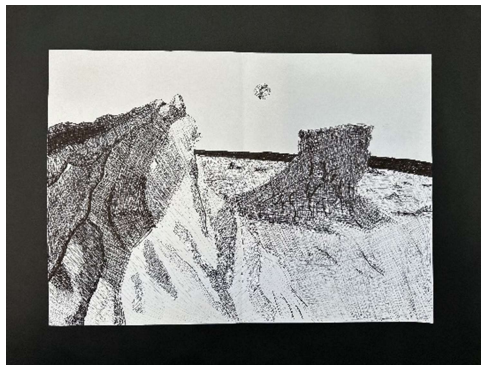
We look forward to watching the continued growth and enthusiasm of our student council going forward.



Overcoming Adversity Year 7 English

YEAR 8 VISUAL ART

Last term the Year 8s experimented with drawing mediums including graphite pencil, marker, chalk pastels, and oil pastels to explore visual language. They then selected one material to use to complete their final landscape. Whether it was somewhere they've been, somewhere they'd love to go, or somewhere in their imagination, the students all completed beautiful and unique drawings that explored the connection between people and places. These artworks are on display in the Front Office



YEAR 7 FOOD SCIENCE

This term we have a small but very committed class in Food Science. Having examined breakfast dishes last term, the Year 7s are now planning and preparing lunch foods that are suitable for a lunchbox. Students' theory is examining healthy lunchbox food types and the importance of eating vegetables and protein without too many processed foods. The cooking lessons have covered zucchini slice, mini quiches, homemade dips and designer sandwiches.



Be Kind

- Checking in on and looking after your friends and classmates
- Holding the door open
- Using kind words
- Using manners (please, thank you)
- Smiling at others, saying hello, good morning, good afternoon
- Give a compliment
- Boost others up

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STUDENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

Bandanna Day

This fundraiser was an initiative of Student Council to raise money for National Bandanna Day which assists teens and their families who are affected by cancer.

The Student Council sold bandannas in the weeks leading up to Bandanna Day, ran a quiz on Friday of Week 4 and promoted the cause. In all, the students raised an impressive \$370 through these initiatives which will directly assist three families.



Christmas Biscuits

The Student Council has created an initiative to bake Christmas biscuits and sell them to students. Students can anonymously gift the biscuits to their friends. Student Councillors have two designs on offer – a Christmas tree biscuit or a gingerbread man. Each is selling for \$1 each. Students need to place their orders by the end of Week 7 and put their orders in through Home Room, a Student Councillor or Mrs Keeffe. Funds raised through the sale of biscuits will be used to assist the P&C in building and fitting out the shed for sporting equipment to be used at recess and lunch.

Place your Christmas orders now!

Delicious Christmas biscuit gifts



Give your friends a secret surprise.
Order anonymously. Buy as many as you like.
Student Council will distribute the treats.

Pre-order by Friday W7.

Choose from a Christmas tree design or a gingerbread man. \$1 per biscuit

See a Student Councillor for an order sheet, or ask at Home Room

This project is brought to you by the CMSHS Student Council. Funds raised will go towards games and equipment for recess times.

Student Council Elections for 2024

Nominations are opening for the 2024 Student Council positions. Students in Year 7-10 can nominate for a year group leadership position or two positions for Indigenous leaders (who are elected from any year group). Students can collect a nomination form from the front office or from Home Rooms. Elections will be held during Week 8.

Secret Santa

Students in Years 7-10 can take part in a Secret Santa in the weeks leading up to Christmas. Students can put their name in and are drawn a student to purchase a gift. The maximum value of the present is \$10. Students can put their names on the list in Home Rooms.



WORLD TEACHERS DAY

On Friday 27 October we celebrated World Teachers day. Some of our students participated in making a video to say thank you to all our wonderful and dedicated teachers with 2023 slogan 'Hats off to our teachers' Visit our Facebook page to check out the video.

HALLOWEEN

On Halloween there were some spooky things happening at CMSHS, a class of ghosts descended on the school. They got stuck into learning in our Science department, visited Curriculum Coordinator and Principal. The ghosts enjoyed an array of games and books in our re-vamped and thriving Library space and visited our Front Office to check in, say hi and sign out on their way home. Check out our Facebook page to see the Ghosts journey around CMSHS.

FIRST AID

A large group of our staff volunteered to complete their First Aid training on a weekend recently to ensure they are up to date with the skills and necessary knowledge to keep all our students safe and well. We take pride in our ability to look after our student under any circumstances.



SENSORY AREA

Wow!! We have some very exciting news around our support room. This project has been in the making for 18 months and we have finally been able to get our fabulous plan into action.

I would like to acknowledge that without the amazing community support we have received we would not have been able to achieve what we have. We are so excited to be able to have this area within our school to offer our students individualised activities and programs. It isn't complete yet, so stay tuned for more updates. When the area is finished, it's going to be spectacular.

We have involved the students with our planning as much as we can. We have incorporated the measuring and planning of the area into our core subject areas like Maths and Literacy. We have measured the area, mapped out the area plan, looked at the area and what area we needed to fit the equipment in safely. The students were able to get out and help us prepare the area and look at where we would position the equipment.

Here are some before pictures and the transformation we have made so far.



MILING CRICKET CARNIVAL

On Thursday 2 November 40 students from Years 7-10 attended the Woolworths Cricket Blast in Miling against Dalwallinu. There were two Year 7/8 teams, and three for Year 9/10. Teams played 4 games each across the day, hitting sixes and fours, as well as taking lots of catches to get plenty of wickets. Two Central Midland teams were undefeated and crowned champions on the day. A special mention to Madison Wilkin and Terrace Nkunkumuye who won the catching competition at lunch time.



YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY

The Transition Program for Year 6 students attending Central Midlands SHS in 2024 as Year 7s continued on November 9 and 10. Students were given a timetable to follow and were exposed to a variety of subjects that they will be undertaking in the future. Some feedback from the students:

It was fun. It was good doing some subjects that we might not have at primary school. Sport was really fun and so was Art. Meeting other Year 6s from different schools was good. All the teachers were great. - Albert

Very fun. - Tylah

Very welcoming. - James

On 9 November we had our transition day. It was really fun. All the teachers were lovely and all the subjects were great. HASS was my favourite because the activity was fun and Mrs Dewing is such a great teacher. - Mia

On 9 November we had our first day of transition! It was so much fun talking to our next year's teachers. Home Ec, the memory game, HASS, English and PE really were amazing. The teachers were so kind and I loved introducing myself to them. My personal favourite subject was PE, I adored the ball game we played.- Ella

Yesterday we had so much fun participating in exciting activities such as kickball, an activity where we became archaeologists, and writing a narrative. All the teachers were amazing and has incredible manners.- Mackenzie



MID TERM ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates at Friday's assembly:

Zara Lawson	Bodhi Brown
Rean Radoc	Liam Newman
Emahli Ryder	Grace Burnett
Mackenzie Hall	Noly Chinyanga
Bryon Stromquist	Nicholas Willmott
Callum Workman	Bella Toia
Austin Chapman	Abigail de Fin
Quinn Cocking	Shylah Walters
Julian Ryder	Bekah Upton
Sophie Crago	Ella McFadden

Congratulations to the following students who received Positive Behaviour Certificates at Friday's assembly:

Mike Fledderus	Riley Hall
Alexa Masangcay	Liam Newman
Michael Stream	Cruz Abdullah
Cillian Magry	Scarlett Mearns
Dolynda Ryder	Jade Taylor
Cameron Murphy	Bekah Upton
Killara Wyatt	Armani Wilkie
Vanessa Tuale	Noly Chinyanga
Max Butcher	Amelia Watts
Joseph Egan	Violet Reimers

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship nomination forms are now available from the front office. These are due back Friday 17 November 2023
Scholarships that re available are:

- Wheatbelt Timber Scholarship for a Year 7 Student going into Year 8
- Shire of Moora Scholarship for a Year 7 Student going into Year 8
- Madarah Farm Scholarship for a Year 7 Student going into Year 8
- Moora Lions Club Scholarship for a Year 8 Student going into Year 9
- Nixon Family Scholarship for a Year 9 Student going into Year 10
- Moora Rotary Mick Rodan Memorial Award for a Year 10 Student going into Year 11
- Nixon Family Scholarship for a Year 11 Student going into Year 12



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Moora Community Immunisation Drop In Clinic

- Pfizer COVID-19 vaccinations for ages five years and above* including Bivalent booster (for eligible clients).

*Please note: Six month intervals are required between a COVID-19 immunisation and booster dose, or COVID-19 infection and either of the above.

Date: Wednesday 18th October 2023

Wednesday 15th November 2023

Time: 10.00am - 2.00pm

Location: Moora Hospital

No appointment is needed.

If you have previously had a COVID-19 immunisation with the GP or pharmacy, please

Get in touch

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NDIA is visiting regional WA

Do you live in rural or regional Western Australia and have questions about the NDIS?

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) and partners (APM and Wanslea Family Services) will be visiting rural and regional WA, on board the Services Australia Mobile Service Centre.

You can visit the Mobile Service Centre and connect with our NDIS representative virtually or face-to-face about a range of topics including:

- Understanding the NDIS, including early childhood and local area coordination services
- Applying to access the NDIS for funded supports
- Understanding the options of managing your funding
- Requesting services with an approved plan.

Dates listed below for a location near you.

[When and where to find Mobile Service Centres - Mobile Service Centres - Services Australia](#)

Wednesday 6th December: 9:30am – 4pm

- Gingin

Thursday 7th December: 9am – 3pm

- Moora

Monday 8th December: 9am – 4pm

- Cervantes

➤ The Location of the Mobile Service Centre will be advised closer to the event.

[ndis.gov.au](https://www.ndis.gov.au)