

The Jungle Book delights



In 2023 Shenton's school production was *The Jungle Book* by Briandaniel Oglesby, inspired by Rudyard Kipling's book and directed by Kate Lloyd, courtesy of Evoke Performing Arts. A 90-minute show held in the Hub Auditorium, it included approximately 100 cast and crew members from Years 7 to 12. The crew mainly worked backstage operating the sound, lights, props as well as the front of house.

The leads were Reuben Saggat as Mowgli, Manuela Coentro de Souza as Baloo, Max Hingston as Shere Khan and Elisa de Carmo as Bagheera.

The show began with a preview performance to delight over 400 local primary school students. It ran from May 4 to 6, including a Saturday matinee. Kate Lloyd said:

"The effort the cast and crew put into this show was outstanding. Constantly building up each other's confidence, having fun with their characters and taking creative risks is everything a director could ask for. The initiative shown at each rehearsal and the ownership of their characters and roles helped make this show exactly what it is, a wonderful journey. I'm so proud of each and every one of them".

Seven wins to Shenton

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SHENTON COLLEGE SCSA AWARDS

GENERAL EXHIBITION	
Siena Reid	
SUBJECT EXHIBITIONS	
Tony Jing	Computer Science
Jude Metcalf	Physics
VET EXHIBITION	
Chanel McKinnon	Community Services, Health & Education
SUBJECT CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE	
Beth Allely	Mathematics Applications
Niamh Hardcastle-Sharpe	Modern History
Tony Jing	Chemistry; Computer Science; Maths Methods
Jude Metcalf	Physics
Charlotte Parker	English
Siena Reid	Modern History; Politics & Law
Ella Riley	Accounting & Finance
Kaja Todorovic	Economics; English
Carrie Zhao	Modern History
VET CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE	
Chanel McKinnon	Community Services, Health & Education

STUDENTS ATAR OF 95 TO 98.95
Tia Agnello Aaron Barneveld Labbe Julian Brantjes Will Cayley Oscar Collins Jeremy Fox Omar Hamadeh Gabriela Hudzik Antun Janekovic Ruofan Jin Kamesha Jones Esslemont Kate Leslie King Anna-Grace Lau Jason Liu Ciara Lynch Alejandra Marginet Fuentes Yaswini Patchirajan Bao Phan Devon Rawstorne William Rayner Mason Robb Adib Rohani Julie Strunk Alana Tran Vasudev Trisal Cara Van Rooyen Samantha Vreugdenburg Catriona Wade Jess Wilkes Tess Wilshusen Joel Wright



DUX AWARD

Tony Jing

TOP 1% OF STATE: 99 PLUS CLUB
Marcus Dhillon Niamh Hardcastle-Sharpe Tony Jing Liah Jones Robert McIntyre Jude Metcalf Siena Reid Edward Ryan Kaja Todorovic Alexander Wong Carrie Zhao

CERTIFICATE OF DISTINCTION
Beth Alley Jackson Belcastro Priya Bhatt Annika Byrne Justin Chew Erin Cooke Marcus Dhillon Niamh Hardcastle-Sharpe Catherine Hickman Ruofan Jin Tony Jing Liah Jones Lara Kirchner Poppy Knapton-Lonsdale Aaron Lai Elizabeth Lai Lithesh Manivelan Robert McIntyre Jude Metcalf Katherine Moeskops Gwendolen Murray Marco Norman Hannah Owen-Conway Sophia Pavicic Jaiden Pearson Siena Reid Reihaneh Rezagholilou Katherine Riley Philippa Sanderson Chloe Santos Rebeka Seah Kaja Todorovic Josephine Vandezande Majella Warpenius Alexander Wong Sharee Zhang Carrie Zhao

SHENTON COLLEGE PRIZE WINNERS

Shenton College Dux	Tony Jing
Shenton College Runner-up Dux	Jude Metcalf
Vocational Education and Training Dux Award	Chanel McKinnon
General Courses Award	Dimity Paull
Principal's Award - Much More Than Marks	Kamesha Jones
Deaf Education Centre Principal's Award	Tasha Moore-Grant
Sue Taylor Memorial Prize for Art & Design	Gwen Murray
Sportsperson Award - Male	Nathan Sason
Sportsperson Award - Female	Malia Tharpe
Futures Program Award	Logan Tootell
Ausenco Scholarship	Lithesh Manivelan
ARTS	
Certificate II in Creative Industries	Sophie McWilliams
Design Photography, General	Ella Connolly
Design Photography, ATAR	Sophie McWilliams
Drama, ATAR	Vivienne Hingston
Media Production and Analysis, General	Isaac Rodgers
Media Production and Analysis, ATAR	Rohan Hammond
Music, ATAR	Adib Rohani
Certificate III in Music	Perry Kronberger
Certificate II in Visual Arts	Dimity Paull
Certificate III in Visual Arts	Ella Connolly
Visual Art, General	Sienna Lindsay
Visual Art, ATAR	Gwen Murray
ENGLISH	
English, General	Keanu Luyke
English, ATAR	Liah Jones & Charlotte Parker
English Foundation	Luis Liu
English as Additional Language, ATAR	Alejandra Marginet Fuentes
Literature, ATAR	Carrie Zhao & Ciara Lynch
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION	
Certificate II in Sport Coaching	Izzy Pietrzak
Health Studies, General	Isla Forsyth
Outdoor Education, General	Kane Barrett & Ben Stark
Physical Education Studies, General	Cade O'Brien
Physical Education Studies, ATAR	Hannah Owen-Conway
HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES	
Accounting and Finance, ATAR	Oscar Collins & Cate Hickman
Ancient History, ATAR	Carrie Zhao
Business Management and Enterprise, General	Leah Mack
Careers and Enterprise, General	Doug Batzorig
Certificate II in Tourism	Sophie McNaughton
Economics, ATAR	Kaja Todorovic
Geography, ATAR	Beth Allely
Modern History, ATAR	Carrie Zhao
Politics and Law, ATAR	Carrie Zhao
LANGUAGES	
Auslan, ATAR	Poppy Knapton-Lonsdale
Chinese Second Language, ATAR	Anna-Grace Lau
French Second Language, ATAR	Kaja Todorovic
Japanese Second Language, ATAR	Jason Liu
Certificate IV in Auslan	Rebeka Seah
MATHEMATICS	
Mathematics Essential, General	Keanu Luyke
Mathematics Foundation	Nic Tempra
Mathematics Applications, ATAR	Niamh Hardcastle-Sharp
Mathematics Methods, ATAR	Tony Jing
Mathematics Specialist, ATAR	Tony Jing
SCIENCE	
Biology, ATAR	Edward Ryan
Chemistry, ATAR	Tony Jing
Human Biology, ATAR	Charlotte Parker
Human Biology, General	Yoezer Lhayul
Integrated Science, General	Lily Cassarchis
Certificate IV in Prep for Health & Nursing Studies	Brooke Dunstan
Physics, ATAR	Tony Jing
Psychology, ATAR	Charlotte Parker & Devon Rawstorne
TECHNOLOGIES	
Applied Information Technology, General	William Clark
Certificate II in Hospitality	Ruby Alpers
Computer Science, ATAR	Tony Jing
Engineering Studies, ATAR	Jeremy Fox
Food Science and Technology, ATAR	Katherine Riley
Food Science and Technology, General	Elijah Swarts & Starley Lund
Materials Design & Technology Metals, General	Dimity Paull
Materials Design & Technology Textiles, General	Ella Connolly
Materials Design & Technology Wood, General	Kane Barrett



From the
Principal

Shenton’s commitment to culture & community

As many of you will no doubt know, our Principal, Mr Michael Morgan, has taken a position working within the Department’s Executive team as Senior Principal Advisor for 2023 and I have been appointed to the principal’s position in his absence. It’s an incredible privilege to lead the College again, after having previously acted as Principal in 2017-18, and having been at the College since its very first year.

I extend a warm welcome to the many new families who have joined the Shenton College community in 2023. Our continuing strong enrolments from local primary and high schools, as well as from interstate and overseas, reflects the tremendous success and achievement of the College over

many years. Staff are empowered by the trust and confidence of our community and are providing opportunities for growth and success for all our students.

Having worked at the College since its foundation and observed and keenly participated in its evolution, I’m mindful of the unique importance and role of Shenton as ‘the local public school’: how our culture and programs are shaped by the local community and how in turn, we shape it. I’m also reminded of our responsibility as a proud public school to be educational and community leaders, both through example and advocacy.

In recent years there has been community acknowledgement

that the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on mental health and wellbeing has been substantial and particularly so for adolescents. It is also the case that the capacity of families to get timely appointments with specialist support like clinic psychologists is more difficult now than ever before. In response the College has moved to develop its resources to enhance the social and emotional lives of our students. Our Student Support Team is likely the largest in any West Australian school, ensuring that there are appropriate staff to respond to the needs of students, and to initiate broader programs to build wellbeing. Our team of Year Leaders, School Psychologists, Student Support Officers and Chaplains, under the leadership of our newly appointed Student Service Manager, do an outstanding job in supporting our most vulnerable students.

This year we have well over one hundred of our students eligible to participate in the Referendum on an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice. In recent years our *Danjoo Djena Koorliny – Walking Together For the Future* staff committee has worked quietly behind the scenes to initiate opportunities and advance our school as a culturally responsive community – one where students feel connected to culture and curious towards First Nation cultures and histories. We hope to equip our students and staff to listen, learn and walk beside Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. As the broader community engages with the Voice referendum, at school we will ensure there are opportunities for students to build their

appreciation of the issues and to be full participants in this historic constitutional process.

This edition of Highlights publishes the outstanding performance of last year’s Class of 2022. What a brilliant job they did! We celebrate them as a collective because their care for each other and community was always apparent - and we also recognise the many inspiring individual achievements, because whatever the pathway, they excelled. Our performance in placing students into successful pathways is our core business. Teaching staff have already engaged with performance data, whether it be NAPLAN or ATAR, or one of the many other ways we are measured to inform our understanding of what we have achieved and what needs to be done – we are led by the evidence. In this way the *pathways* we establish to give safe and successful passage for our students are properly reviewed and improved.

In this Highlights we also announce a special new scholarship – the Stella Berry Scholarship. Stella was a proud Shenton College student who passed away earlier this year. She exemplified all the positive qualities that we would wish for in our students. Through this Scholarship we honour the memory of Stella and in her name provide support for another young person to fulfil their ambition for adventure and learning. ■

Mr Chris Hill
Principal
Shenton College

2022’s High Achievers excel

Shenton’s Class of 2022 are to be congratulated on a wonderful overall performance. Their dedication, along with the hard work of their teachers, certainly produced some very impressive results. In February the College welcomed back the 2022 Year 12 graduate winners for a special presentation assembly to congratulate them.

Full details are on Page 2 but, in summary, the Class of 2022 produced a median ATAR of 90.9 along with 1 General Exhibition, 2 Subject Exhibitions, 1 VET Exhibition, 13 Subject Certificates of Excellence, 1 VET Certificate of Excellence; 37 Certificates of Distinction, and 51 Certificates of Merit.

The outstanding success of the 2022 Year 12 graduates speaks to the commitment these young people demonstrated. The Shenton staff is so proud of them all and wishes them every success for their future endeavours. ■

Shenton wins Leadership Award

On November 18, Shenton College was announced as the winner of the Excellence in Leadership Award by the WA Department of Education.

This award recognises the depth and breadth of leadership throughout our College. It recognises that at Shenton, leaders are found in the classroom, as much as the boardroom.

Shenton's leaders are our teachers, our senior leaders, our executive, our board, our P&C Association and our students. Moreover, they are our non-teaching and support staff, including our cleaners, front office staff, canteen workers and gardeners.

The Award, along with a \$10,000 prize, is in recognition of the inclusive approach to fostering leadership at all levels. Mike Morgan said the school was ecstatic about receiving the award.

"Leadership is about trying to give teachers, non-teaching staff and students the ability to collaborate, take risks and to be curious to create success for

each student. We have invested a lot of time and resources to ensure quality teaching occurs, plus we measure the success of initiatives and provide platforms for teachers and students to have a voice in a safe space."

The then Education and Training Minister, Sue Ellery MLC, said schools that received an award demonstrated excellence at the highest standard.

"It's important to recognise the collective impact that a whole school has on the growth and achievements of its students. The winning schools have gone above and beyond to provide students with an outstanding education, ensuring they have access to life-changing opportunities, and are set up to succeed in their chosen pathways."

The impact of Shenton's exceptional leadership approach is seen in the outstanding student results. No matter the pathway, whether it be ATAR or VET, student success is the result of the continued efforts of our teachers and leadership teams. ■



Remembrance Day Service

The Shenton College 2022 Remembrance Day Service was held on Harmony Hill and the school oval on Friday, November 11. This is the first ceremony held since 2019.

The service was well organised and enjoyed by all. Special thanks to the staff and students who helped, in particular the Year 10 Student Councillors, the Air Cadet Corps under Cadet Sgts Criticos and Pakhotin, the Wind Ensemble under Amanda Noordzy, Heidi Ramshaw and her Food Studies students, Alex Coutts-Smith our Arts Technician, the gardeners, the College Co-Captains and the Year 10 Access group. ■



International Women's Day Breakfast

Four Year 12 Politics and Law students attended a *Women In Media* International Women's Day breakfast. We mixed with highly successful women from a wide range of industries and were part of the ABC interview with Senator Fatima Payman. She is both the youngest Senator and first Hijab wearing woman in Australia's Federal Parliament. Hearing about her journey into Parliament, the challenges she has faced, and the support she has been given was inspiring.

Hearing about the hardships endured ignited a flame of pride in all of us - that to be a woman is not just to endure, but to overcome in the face of adversity. It was really motivating to hear from a young woman in politics, particularly one who embodies the idea of being the "change she wishes to see".

Fatima was an approachable, driven person who encouraged us to reach out to local MPs and get involved in the issues we felt passionate about. It was a pleasure to attend the breakfast and meet so many inspirational women. ■

Hannah Nguyen, Carolyn Cui, Amira Teoh Seeber, and Charlie Wrzokiewicz Year 12 students

Visitors to Shenton

Visual Artists aplenty

This year Shenton has had several artists visit our Visual Arts students to pass on their knowledge and skills. We thank these artists for being so generous with their time.

- * **Leesa Padgett** worked with the Year 9 students to develop their skills in sculpturing and create unique sculptures.
- * **Andy Quilty** continues to challenge our Year 9 students to experiment with drawing in a fun and creative way.
- * **Melissa Clements** went through colour mixing using the Zorn palette with the Year 10 students to create an oil painted still life artwork.
- * ReMida artists **Stephanie De Biasi** and **Isabelle Young** used recycled plastics to make artworks with the Year 10 students.
- * **Tara Wilson**, a Shenton alum, showed the Year 11 ATAR students how to use dry pastels to create a vibrant and textured drawing.
- * **Rachelle Dusting** spent the day with our Year 11 ATAR students exploring colour language through oil paint. ■

Ms Lisa Pignatiello
Visual Arts teacher



Visitors to Music

The Certificate II Music class was very fortunate to have a Q & A session with Arno Faraji. Arno graduated from Shenton College in 2017 and the same year won the *Triple J Unearthed* competition. He spoke about his success, including touring both nationally and internationally and making it onto the soundtrack of the popular Netflix series *Heartbreak High* with his track *On the Move*. Arno highlighted the importance of music literacy in the music industry and credited both the Certificate and ATAR Music pathways for preparing him well for his career.

Dr Ingrid Martin from Melbourne visited our Year 8 Wind Ensemble in April. She workshopped the students on the importance of holding a collective pulse and listening to each other sharing a common understanding of the character in the music. The students were encouraged to divide the pulse amongst them to hear the power of a collective sound when 55 students synchronised together! ■

Ms Amanda Noordzy
Music teacher



Japanese Tea Ceremony

The Shenton Tea Ceremony was not what I expected, I thought it was just drinking or trying out different teas from different places.

During the ceremony there's a lot you need to do; from preparing the tea, the way you walk on the tatami mat, to the correct way of drinking the tea. It is all very traditional and considered wrong or disrespectful if you do it incorrectly. I was fortunate to be taught how to walk on the tatami mat properly along with some other students from my class, with the help of Mr. Fukumoto and the Tea Ceremony advisers. They teach you which foot to step with, how to bow and where to face when sitting.

As stated, this was a tea ceremony, so of course we drank some tea. The advisers don't give you a tea bag, they give you the tea powder and show you how to mix it. The tea itself was pretty good although I didn't mix mine enough, so it was a little powdery. All in all the tea ceremony was good fun. ■

Nic Wang
Year 10



Shenton students shine



Paul McGovern, Post Newspapers

Lottie Ercleve

Year 10 student Lottie Ercleve's pencil drawing Ocean Eyes was selected as a finalist in the prestigious Lester Prize 2023 Youth Awards. The drawing is a portrait of Lottie's older sister.

Her Art teacher, Ms Pignatiello said *"This is a massive achievement and acknowledgment of Lottie's dedication to her art practice. It is a moment Lottie will remember for many years to come and hopefully inspires her to continue pursuing success within visual art"*.

The Lester Prize Youth Awards are on show at the WA Museum Boola Bardip until July ■.



Sina Metzger, Year 11, won a gold medal at the recent Australian Rowing Championships in the Under 17 Women's Double Scull. She and her partner Sophia Cross were rowing for Fremantle (Sina) & Bunbury (Sophia) Rowing Clubs. Sina also won a silver medal in the Under 17 Women's Coxed Quadruple Scull. ■

Bailey Riordan and Ethan Roets

Shenton students Bailey Riordan (Year 8) and Ethan Roets (Year 7) competed in the WA Karting State Championship held at Bunbury late in 2022. This event, one of the most prestigious on the karting calendar, attracted over 200 competitors. Bailey and Ethan both race for the KF Racing Team and competed in the KA4 Junior Championship class against a strong field of 24 drivers.

Bailey took top honours and is the WA State Champion for 2022. Ethan finished 8th position overall. A top 10 finish at State competition level is a terrific effort considering the talent of the field. As State Champion, Bailey gets to race with the coveted blue number on his kart. ■



Athletics success

Athletics success at the State Championships for Year 12 student **Jacob Sarto** who won gold in the Under 20s Mens 3000m in a PB of 8:39. It was only the second time he had competed in the event. Then Year 10 student **Josiah John** won gold in the 100m final in the Under 17's, in a blistering time of 10.63. ■



Jacob is second from the left



Sina is on the left

Leeuwin Renwick

After a successful 2022 season playing baseball for Wembley Baseball Club, Leeuwin Renwick was selected to play for WA with the Western Rays at the Downunder Winter Classic in Queensland. During this tournament, Leeuwin was selected as part of the All-Star team to represent Australia at the 12-under Cal Ripken World Series in the USA. *The Aussie Waves* played in Branson, Missouri. Leeuwin played centre-field and was a relief pitcher in games against Taiwan, Bahamas, Canada, Puerto Rico, Oregon State and Arkansas. ■



Sarah Major

Late in 2022 Sarah Major (Year 12) competed in her first international event with the Australian Canoe Sprint Junior Team in Japan. Australia won overall in the Asia Pacific Cup. Sarah took gold, silver, bronze and 5th from her four events. She also had the chance to share her experiences as a talent ID athlete with the current Aussie 2022 talent ID squad, of which seven are Shenton students. ■



Sarah is on the right

Shenton Sport

Seven wins to Shenton

In what was a very competitive & challenging competition, it was ultimately the sheer depth and quality of the Shenton swim squad that swam its way to a seventh consecutive A-grade SSWA Swimming Championship.

Both the Senior Boys and Girls relay teams beat Churchlands by .01 of a second in their respective races. The other relay winners were the Year 7 girls, Year 8 boys, Year 9 girls and Year 10 boys. The following students took out age champion and runners up.

- Year 7 Girls Champion – Zara Callo
- Year 7 Boys Champion – Hudson Absalom-Hornby
- Year 9 Girls Champion – Kayla Browne
- Year 10 Girls Champion – Lucy Porter
- Year 10 Boys Champion – Atlan Devin
- Year 11 Girls Champion – Jemma Apps
- Year 12 Girls Runner up – Talia Wilkinson
- Record on the day: Atlan Devin – 50m Freestyle Year 10 Boys

What makes the Shenton Swim Team so successful is the dedication of its students; the willingness to put the team before themselves and the reserves who at the last minute swam above their age group and did so without hesitation. The Year 12 students led and set the example for the rest of the team. We are so proud of them all. ■



Outdoor Education at Rottnest

After weekly snorkelling trips around Perth, the Year 10 Outdoor Education students explored Rottnest Island for a day. They learnt about the history of the island (Wadjemup) and snorkelled amongst the beautiful marine life at Salmon Bay & The Basin. ■



Futsal Champions

The Year 10 Boys Futsal team played a terrific tournament to win their competition in Term 4 last year. ■



Interschool Junior Tennis

The Junior Boys tennis players at the SSWA Interschool Tennis Competition held in Term 1. ■



Triathlon Teams

On what was a long and warm day out at Champion Lakes, Shenton did very well at the SSWA Interschool Triathlon Competition held in Term 4. We finished in the top three schools on the day in the teams category and had some excellent individual results also. ■



Learning Support Volunteer of the Year

Shenton College is part of EdConnect Australia's School Volunteer Program, which sees volunteers from the wider community spending time each week at Shenton to provide academic, social and emotional support to our students. Volunteers work individually with students in a mentor capacity, or in a classroom support role as learning support volunteers.

At EdConnect Australia's recent awards night, Deb Singleton was awarded Learning Support Volunteer of the Year. Deb has volunteered at Shenton four times a week for the past four years. Her patience and kindness has reached hundreds of students at Shenton and we are delighted she's received this national recognition for her passion and dedication.

To find out more about EdConnect Australia's Volunteer Program, please visit edconnectaustralia.org.au ■



Helping Hands

Shenton's student-led service in action team completed another Helping Hands Project in 2023. Forty two students from Years 7 to 11 worked in teams to build prosthetic hands for children who are landmine victims. The College has been involved with this very worthwhile project for eight years. In this time more than 80 hands have been assembled and transported to young children around the world.

Service based learning is an important part of the College, developing our core values in a practical way and coming together to bring about collective change. Thanks to all the students and staff who supported this project. ■

Mr Gary Green
Head Lower Senior School



Smoking Ceremony

Nyoongar Elder Dr Noel Nannup conducted a smoking ceremony at Shenton to welcome staff & students to the day of activities for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. ■

Stella Berry Scholarship

Shenton College will establish a new scholarship - the Stella Berry Scholarship, to honour the memory of Stella Berry. Stella was a proud Shenton College student who passed away earlier this year. She exemplified all the positive qualities that we would wish for in our students.

Stella won the hearts of friends and staff with her adventurous spirit and her ambition to find her place in the world through travel and study. She was a passionate student of literature, the arts and languages and touched everyone she met with her bold optimism and joy in life. We remember her as a warm and engaged presence in class, as a great friend and as a strong joyful young woman.

Through this scholarship we remember Stella and will provide support for another young person to fulfil their ambition for adventure and learning. Awarded annually, the recipient of the Stella Berry Scholarship will receive a college-sponsored homestay cultural immersion program in France to the value of \$5,000.

The decision to establish the Stella Berry Scholarship has been made with Stella's family and generously supported by the College's P&C Association and will be awarded annually to a Shenton student. Our P&C invite donations to help support this scholarship. Please email to shentoncollegepandc@gmail.com if you wish to support the Stella Berry Scholarship. ■



Voucher winners

Congratulations to Lucy and Sean Pezzali, this year's winners of a \$500 Coles/Myer voucher, donated by the Shenton P&C Association. Shenton parents who paid their charges and contributions in full by March 4 were eligible to win this voucher. ■

World's Greatest Shave

Some of our senior students shaved & cut their way to raising \$10,000 for the Leukemia Foundation - a fantastic effort. ■



HASS @ Cottesloe Beach

In February Year 10 HASS students caught the train to Cottesloe Beach as part of their unit on coastal change and management. The course requires them to evaluate the social, economic and environmental value and observe changes to the beach over time; evaluate strategies to mitigate the impacts of environmental change as well as complete practical

skills such as mapping, field sketches and photographs. The students take part in fieldwork (a significant component of the Geography discipline) and practise their field skills in a real world setting. It also gives them time to make observations and take photographs of any signs of environmental degradation or restoration of the area. They also observe the use of the area and its potential conflict with competing zones (human vs physical environment).■

Ms Sarah Warren
HASS teacher



An eye-opening experience

Foodbank WA is a not-for-profit organisation established in 1994 as a bridge of support between the food industry and community welfare agencies looking after those in need. A group of Year 12 ATAR Food Science and Technology students visited Foodbank to see firsthand how this organisation is working to achieve food equity and how food insecurity affects the nutritional health and wellbeing of individuals in the community. The students were given a tour of the warehouse, the commercial & training kitchens and the community garden. Foodbank aims to provide access to food through relief plus to educate for change.

After the visit, students were asked to reflect on the experience; one of them said:

"The experience was both uncomfortable and eye-opening. The statistics presented were shocking and deeply saddening, but really brought attention to the severity of the issue. It was very encouraging to hear how little is wasted once the food has been donated and repurposed".

Developing students' knowledge & skills is a powerful tool for life after school, which is why the Food Science course is such a pleasure to teach.■

Ms Lilian Flockenhaus
Year 12 Food Science and Technology teacher



Students' signature dishes

Students from the Year 11 Food Science and Technology course worked individually to showcase their specialty signature dishes which encapsulated their own style of food. They were asked to prepare a signature dish, using the creative skills learnt throughout the year, suitable for the hospitality industry. Everyone took up the challenge with an open mind. Teachers and students appraised each dish; a difficult task as the standard was high and it was easy to fall in love with several of the dishes. The food was photographed by the Year 11 Media students who did a terrific job. ■

Ms Heidi Ramshaw
Food Science & Technologies teacher



Science at the Zoo

Shenton's Year 11 Biology students attended an excursion to the zoo in February. Hosted by the Zoo's Education staff, the students began their day with an interactive talk. They collaborated and were challenged to identify skulls based on observable features. During this time, our students were highly engaged, confidently asking and answering questions.

With booklets in hand, they roamed much of the Zoo, coming to understand how large it is, especially when identifying and classifying animals. They were also able to apply and extend their class-based knowledge and skills to relevant situations.

Excitement prior to the excursion was justified, the students clearly enjoyed the chance to learn in a practical environment and have frequently brought their new knowledge into class discussions. ■

Mr Tom Brownlie, Mr Luke Diepeveen & Ms Emily Phillimore
Science teachers & **Mr David Stanley**, Head of Science



Charity Day @ Shenton

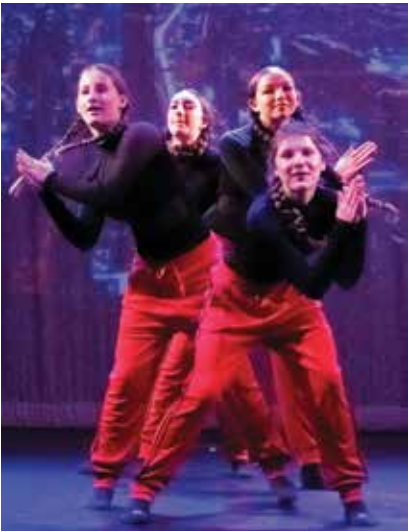
The Middle School hosted Charity Day, an annual festival event, in April. Students organised & participated in a fabulous day of festivities, with each Mentor Class charged with co-ordinating an activity or food stall. The students spend cash at these stalls and all the funds raised go to charity; this year being the Story Dogs, a literacy support program for children.

The stalls were many & varied, including a Bucket Dunk, Face Painting, Eat a Donut Race, Wheel of Luck & Shenton's Got Talent. To keep their energy up, the students bought food from the Sausage Sizzle, Donuts, Cup Cakes, Lemonade, Lolly & Ice Cream stalls.

As well as being a fun-filled day, the students learn about leadership, money management and organisational skills by running their own stalls. A fabulous effort from all involved.■



Middle Pulse 2022



Marcus wins a Chicken Dinner

Year 7 student Marcus Von Sivers was one of a small group of students who Mr Morgan asked at the Middle School assembly to tell the audience what they thought success meant at Shenton College. For his efforts, Marcus was given the option of receiving a Principal's Award (select an item from the school cafeteria) or take home the frozen chicken and Marcus chose the chicken!■



Alumni Corner



Adam Rees – Class of 2012

Adam Rees has been called one of the country's most talented young chefs. He won the WA Good Food Guide's Young Chef award, at the age of 24, in 2019. Now still not 30, the work he's doing at Madalena's in South Fremantle is so impressive he recently won the **2023 WA Good Food Guide's Chef of the Year**.

The menu is a model for seafood restaurants anywhere. It's no accident that Madalena's is high on the list for locals, drawn by Adam's delicate touch and direct interpretation of the ocean's bounty.

Adam completed his years at Shenton in 2012, having studied Food Science under Heidi Ramshaw. Heidi remembers Adam as a talented student, who showed flair & creativity even then. Adam himself says of his time at Shenton,

"Honestly, I enjoyed going to school, though I was much more interested in socialising.

After school, I went straight into an apprenticeship which eventually took me to Melbourne where I was fending for myself and working really hard.

After two years, I came back to Perth and then travelled around the world, eating and learning as much as I could. I'm a practical and visual learner, needing to touch, see and smell things to be able to understand them. I attribute travelling to much of my success, it gave me the confidence to achieve anything I set my mind to.

I opened Madalena's with my brother Joel over four years ago. It has been a wild ride considering we both didn't have a lot of prior experience, this made it a very natural process which is why people feel so comfortable in the venue.

When I look back on my time at Shenton I have mixed emotions. Part of me wishes I had tried harder and pushed to excel but I just didn't care enough about my studies. I don't know if that's due to my upbringing or my personality. I didn't respond well to this kind of learning. However I did enjoy school as a whole though". ■



Dr Ruby Wright – Class of 2013

Ruby was runner-up Dux at Shenton College in 2013. She went on to study Astrophysics at the International Centre for Radio Astronomy Research (ICRAR) and UWA, completing her BPhil with 1st Class Honours in 2018 and her PhD in 2022.

Now working as a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Helsinki, Ruby is a theoretical astrophysicist interested in understanding gas flows and galaxy evolution using cosmological simulations. Prior to Helsinki, she spent some time at the Flatiron Institute in New York City as an Australian Fulbright postdoctoral scholar.

Ruby remembers her time at Shenton very fondly. She recalls having teachers through middle and senior school who would take the time to eagerly answer her curious (but often completely irrelevant) questions during class. The cafeteria's tempting cheesies and muffins were a favourite during recess and lunch breaks, often shared with her fellow 2013 graduates Caitlin Smith and Francesca McGrath. These friendships have endured, with Caitlin and Francesca also currently pursuing PhDs at UWA.

Beyond academics, Shenton also introduced Ruby to floorball, a sport that has become a significant part of her life. Ruby has represented Australia playing for the Women's National Team, and recently signed a contract to play in the top women's division in Finland. She credits the school for igniting her passion for the game. ■



Blake Whyatt – Class of 2020

Blake won a gold medal at the Australian Rowing Championships in the Men's Double Scull. He and partner Sam Toland were rowing for the West Australian Rowing Club. ■



Shenton Staches

The Shenton Staches (Shenton staff members) wish to thank the entire Shenton community who got behind them for the 2022 fund raising. As you can see some moustaches are more impressive than others, a point not lost on the bunch of 10. The final amount raised for the Movember Foundation was over \$5000. Sincere thanks to all for their contributions and support throughout the month of November. ■



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