

Tree planting initiative

Shenton's student-led Sustainability Portfolio invited students, families & the local community to take part in a tree planting event aiming to reforest our school environment and improve habitat corridors for the local wildlife.

It turned out to be a very busy day in June when everyone from across the College came together for the tree planting. Over 440 tube stock and young trees were planted during the morning, followed by a well-earned sausage sizzle. Our thanks to Nick Cook from Friends of Lake Claremont for his expert advice, Carnaby's Crusaders for bringing the cockatoos and their ongoing commitment to our students, and APACE WA for collaborating with us on the plant stock. And finally to our students for planting the trees. ■



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Canberra & Sydney Tour

When recalling our travels to family and friends, we often wax lyrical about the highlights: the venues and landmarks we visited, the events we attended. But the often unspoken and truly special experience of going on a week-long school trip are the memories made with friends.

The Canberra and Sydney Tour certainly tested our independence, as some of us had never travelled without family before. We had to make our beds, pack our lunches, sort dirty laundry, lug our overpacked luggage upstairs and decide whether the early morning cold showers were worth shivering through. To the bewilderment of citizens going about their business, “bunch up” became a phrase of great importance to the group, discovering for the first time how difficult it is to get 49 people across a city crosswalk in one go. We could feel our appetites expand to match the steps we achieved, over 15,000 steps on some days.

We oooh-ed and ahh-ed descending the snowy tops of Mt Perisher and tried to suppress our squeals at the reptiles on display at the zoo. We explored five fun levels of STEM at Questacon and were thoroughly fascinated by the athleticism of our national gymnasts and volleyball players as they trained at the Australian Institute of Sport.

The power of being a Member of Parliament in the House of Representatives and the Senate was evident as we heatedly debated the need for renewable energy. Our visits to the War Memorial and Sydney Jewish Museum were solemn reminders of the atrocities of war. It was an honour to speak with and listen to two Holocaust survivors as they shared their personal experiences of hope and loss.

As eager as we were to set off on the trip, we dreaded the last day and the end of our adventure together. Along the way, we gained a better understanding and appreciation for democratic institutions and processes, creative expression and connection to community. The tour helped us build confidence in ourselves and each other, and to recognise the importance of self-identity. We will cherish the memories made together and encourage others to take up any opportunities to participate in school camps – they will be the best experiences.

A massive thank you to the staff who accompanied or supported the tour, as well as Jack-the-bus-driver! Without you, there wouldn't be a tour. ■

2023 Tour Cohort



Maths students excel

Andrew Trang (Year 11) achieved Best in School and a High Distinction (top 2% of Year 11s in Australia) in the Computational and Algorithmic Thinking Competition, as well as taking out 9th place in the senior division (across the globe) for the Oxford University Computing Challenge.

Max Campbell (Year 11) took out a bronze medal in the Australian Mathematical Olympiad, a 2-day Olympiad level contest comprising four questions each day conducted under school supervision. Entry is Australia wide, by invitation only and restricted to about 100 students. ■



PECAN Competition

Shenton's Year 11 team of four hackers - Hock Teh, Ning Xiaozhou, Alex Dennis and Andrew Trang, took part in the National PECAN Capture the Flag Cybersecurity Coding Competition. They did extremely well to take out second place in the national advanced division and were ranked 10th nationally overall (120 teams were registered), which is a fantastic effort. ■



From the Principal



Care, Curiosity and Collaboration

This is our last Highlights for 2023 and as we go to press, the Year 12s are preparing for their special Celebration Week activities that mark the beginning of their departure from formal schooling. Our week of fancy dress and good fun, while also keeping heads down and studying for the exams on the near horizon, is a uniquely Shenton experience. We are very serious about what we do, that is supporting students to achieve their best results in the pathways they have chosen, and we do this with a good-humoured perspective. I suppose this is what makes Shenton different from many other schools. We work hard,

compete hard – but know how to have fun!

Through the year I extended an open invitation to students to drop by my office before school on Thursdays. Some days no one showed, but on most, it was an opportunity to discuss important issues close to their hearts. I am grateful to every student who came along to ask questions or to give advice, whether it be about ChatGPT and AI in schools, the Voice Referendum or to press for better school dress options (when will we get a Shenton Hoody?). A standout was the dedicated

Year 12 Councillors from the Sustainability Portfolio who came regularly to strategize about the planting of nearly 1500 native plants – which they did. What a brilliant job.

In recent years the College has taken steps to focus on three virtues that have shaped our planning at Shenton: Care, Curiosity, and Collaboration.

Throughout their time here, the Class of 2023 has been nurtured by a community that cares deeply about their well-being and growth. The care they have received extends well beyond the academic realm, because at Shenton we proudly accept that our care should be for the whole child. Our social and emotional wellbeing supports everything we do. It is crucial to remember that care is not a one-way street. As our Year 12s venture into the world, we hope they carry with them our spirit of empathy and compassion. Extend a helping hand to those in need, and in doing so, you'll be contributing positively to society.

Education is a lifelong journey, and curiosity is the compass that guides us through it. During their six years at Shenton, they've been encouraged to ask questions, explore new ideas, and seek answers. We should all embrace this curiosity as we step into the future. Our contemporary world requires us to remain curious, to continue to learn and adapt. Don't be afraid to challenge the status quo, for it is through curiosity

that we make progress and find solutions to the world's most pressing problems.

The power of collaboration cannot be overstated – we need to work together. At Shenton we strive to create opportunities where we work with diverse groups of people, learning the value of teamwork and cooperation. As our twelves move forward, we should all remember that no significant achievement is the result of individual effort alone. Collaboration fosters innovation and drives positive change. We should all seek out opportunities to collaborate with others, and together, we can have an impact.

As our wonderful Class of 2023 leaves us to embark on a new chapter of their lives, one thankfully not framed by ATAR examinations and rankings, the values of Care, Curiosity, and Collaboration should remain useful as guiding lights to help navigate the challenges that lie ahead.

To the Class of 2023, we have witnessed your growth, your struggles and your triumphs during your time at this school, and we have every confidence that each one of you has the potential to achieve great things. Your journey may take you to different places, but you will forever be a part of this school's legacy. ■

Mr Chris Hill
Principal
Shenton College

Stella Berry Scholarship

Earlier this year, the College announced an application process for the inaugural Stella Berry Scholarship – an opportunity sponsored by the Shenton P&C for a student to receive a fully funded cultural immersion to stay with a family in France, set up to honour the memory of Year 11 student, Stella Berry.

We are delighted to announce Beth Vere as the recipient of this scholarship. Beth, a Year 11 student, hopes this wonderful opportunity will help her grow as a person and leave her with experiences she can share with peers. "I would like to converse more naturally in French and understand the language more quickly, and I expect the total immersion this program offers will enable me to do this. I also hope to gain an appreciation of French culture through exposure to French customs, music,



architecture and literature, and the experience of living as part of a French family."

Beth will venture overseas at the end of Term 4 and the summer break. We look forward to hearing of her adventures when she returns. ■

UWA Fogarty Scholarship

Year 12 Shenton student Eva Czislawski has been awarded a UWA Fogarty Scholarship for 2024.

This prestigious scholarship is awarded to ten Year 12 students from across WA. Those selected for the UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarship Program are provided with holistic support through opportunities to learn, acquire skills, build assets and create social networks.

Since 2004 the scholarship program has educated and supported almost 200 young people who encourage and inspire each other. Through this support they are empowered to make a significant contribution to WA. ■



Pathways Expo @ Shenton

After a three-year break, it was so good to see the Shenton Careers Expo back on campus with a fantastic turnout of stall holders, staff, parents and students. There was a constant flow of students and parents throughout the evening, armed with curious questions and keen for information about pathways, courses and options for 2024. Our thanks to all the various organisations and groups who came along to talk to our community and to the staff who worked hard behind the scenes to make the event such a success. ■



30 Under 30 Winner

The Head of Borneo Community in the Middle School, Mr Anish Badgeri, has been recognised as an educational leader by Out for Australia as part of their 30 Under 30 initiative. Anish was awarded this for his decade-long track record of championing LGBTQIA+ youth advocacy and access to educational opportunities. We are very proud of this dedicated and innovative educator. ■



A photo of Bronte Baxter, a young woman with dark hair, wearing a dark blue polo shirt and khaki pants, standing in front of a chalkboard.

Apprentice Finalist

The WA Training Awards are WA's premier Vocational Education and Training (VET) awards program. Bronte Baxter is a finalist in the category of WA School-Based Apprentice of the Year. This is very well-deserved recognition for the outstanding commitment, hard work and high performance she has demonstrated in the Community Services, Health and Education Industry section. Bronte completed a Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care in Year 11 and is ahead of schedule to complete a Diploma of Early Childhood and Care in Year 12, effectively managing her WACE subjects, vocational training and work experience commitments. ■

Rio Tinto Work Experience Program

In the July school holidays, ten Year 11 Physics students embraced the unique opportunity of being immersed in a three-day work experience program run by Rio Tinto. The first day saw them fly to Paraburdoo in the Pilbara. Once on the ground, the students were driven to the mining camp where they availed themselves of the food and facilities at the camp mess, making their lunch for later in the day. From there, they were taken to headquarters and welcomed by the mine's General Manager, before being handed over to various teams of professionals, technicians and operators who explained their roles in the mining

process. The students' eyes were opened to the possibilities of a career in mining. The day finished with the return flight to Perth. The follow up activity was held in Rio's city office block. The students were divided into small groups, assigned a project, then engaged with various Rio employees who perform a variety of roles in the business. This part of the experience culminated in the students presenting their projects to members of Rio's senior management who were very impressed with both the quality of the work and the way they conducted themselves. The students were very appreciative of the

opportunity afforded them by Rio, and, with a better understand of the mining industry, are thinking seriously of pursuing tertiary courses that could lead to employment in the mining sector. A big thank you to the Rio employees involved, in particular Jazmine Reading and James Cowin who mentored the students throughout the experience. A special thanks to Evelyn Chuk, (2008 Shenton alum) who is a mining executive with Rio and made it all possible. ■

Mr Dave Thompson
Science Teacher



Visitors to Shenton

Warm winter hugs for the Homeless

Every Tuesday lunchtime in Semester 1, an enthusiastic group of Year 9 to 12 students gathered to Crochet for a Cause. Students made scarves and neck warmers to donate to Mission Australia. Added to this the crochet group promoted a whole school socks and underwear drive for the homeless. So when Mission Australia's Paul Sanders came to Shenton he was thrilled with

the tubs of socks, underwear, handmade scarves and neck warmers. He told the group that their clients really appreciate receiving warm socks and new underwear. Also, the gift of something handmade is extra special as the homeless feel all the love and care that has gone into making these items just for them. ■



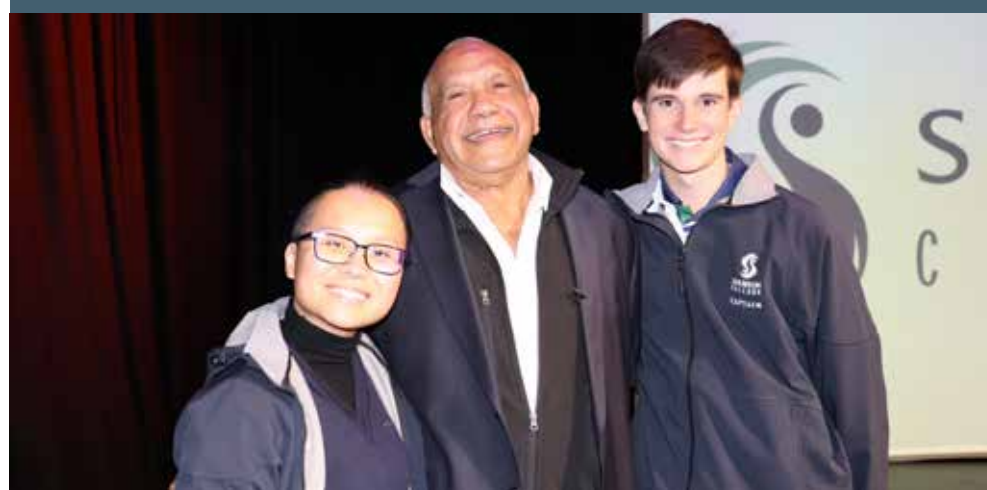
Emma Jolley on Printmaking

The Year 11 Visual Arts students took part in a full day's incursion with Emma Jolley from Curtin University. Emma is a printmaking lecturer, artist and expert in the field. She went through a wide range of printmaking history, techniques and processes. The students were totally engaged in the day's activities, enjoying the process while learning a new craft. ■



WA Elder speaks @ Shenton

Jim Morrison, WA NAIDOC Male Elder of the Year and Chairperson of the WA Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation, spoke to a group of over 300 students about his work with the Stolen Generation, also touching on the Reconciliation Week theme of 'Be a Voice for Generations' and the NAIDOC Week theme of 'For Our Elders'. During the course of his presentation, Jim spoke on the Indigenous perspective of the Voice to Parliament. Everyone was fascinated to hear firsthand how his people feel about the Voice to Parliament. ■



Year 12 Product Launch

The Year 12 Food Science students had their Product Development Launch late in August. All the healthy products the students created were very well received by those who tasted them. There were vegan quiches, gut healthy pancakes, low fat, high probiotic, low sugar cheesecakes, a me-too protein bar and a mug muffin also as gluten free and vegan. The students worked with ingredients including green banana flour, sorghum, almond flour, their own made yoghurt, monk fruit, tofu and lupin flour.

Ms Lilian Flockenhaus
Food Science teacher



Shenton students shine



Jeremiah Ng

Jeremiah Ng (Year 7) took out WA State Champion for Year 7 in the recent Australian History Competition. He received a medal & a certificate. ■

Ellie Rayment

Ellie Rayment (Year 10) won Gold (WA Team), Silver (Beam) and Bronze (Overall) at the Australian Gymnastics Championships on the Gold Coast. ■



Josiah John

Josiah John (Year 10) competed in athletics at the Australian Youth Commonwealth Games in Trinidad & Tobago. He made the semi-finals of both the 100m & 200m sprints. ■

Surfing

At the WA State School Championships Shenton was represented by two brother-sister combos: Margot (Yr12) & Leo (Yr11) Fallourd and Jesse (Yr11) & Indie (Yr8) Siedmiogrodzki.

The conditions were only average to begin the day and turned very choppy by the finals. The surfers were definitely challenged to showcase their skills.

Jesse and Leo were knocked out in the semi-finals by Cape Naturalist. The girls made it to the finals but came up against board riders from Margaret River who are on the Junior Professional Circuit. Both sets of surfers represented the College valiantly. ■



Hockey success

Ruby Phillips (Year 10) and **Sophie Baltis** (Year 9) were members of the Bronze Medal winning Girls Team at the SSWA 16's National Hockey Championships in Adelaide.

Finn Bell (Year 11) was named in the School Sport Australian Representative Team. ■



Luca Pratt

Luca Pratt (Year 9) came first in her state qualifying event in the equestrian division. She will compete in the State titles in September. ■

Shenton Storm



Basketball

2023 was another successful year for our Basketball teams. Both our Senior Girls and Boys finished 1st and 2nd respectively in the Central Division Carnival.

The girls went through to the SSWA All Schools Semi Final. They played a close game but unfortunately lost to Churchlands SHS by 5 points. The boys team played in the SSWA All Schools Grand Final, also against Churchlands SHS, in a terrific game that was extremely tight but on the final siren Churchlands were up by 4 points.

The Junior Boys and Junior Girls A teams both advanced to the SSWA North of the River Finals where the girls finished second highest and the boys in top place non-specialist schools. They played Rossmoyne in the SSWA All Schools Grand Final.

Our Senior teams had a terrific Friday Night Lights tournament, playing in front of over 1,000 family & friends. Games were thrilling to watch, with Shenton finishing second overall. The players had an excellent season, special thanks to the Year 12s and coaches who helped build a great culture for the Shenton Storm. ■



Soccer

Working with our senior soccer players has been such a privilege. I am really proud of the boys' efforts and the team we made. We had a terrific time and 2023 gave us some great memories. We beat some very big teams to make it to the semi-final and all our finals matches were nothing short of exciting. The team looks talented enough to take out the whole competition next year. We live, we learn. In 2024 we burn! Stay tuned.

Coach Lasso (aka **Mr Chris Jones**)

Junior Soccer

In the Junior Boys final, at the brand-new State Football Centre, Shenton gave it their all against CBC Fremantle but couldn't quite get there. We started the stronger team and were often more dominant. However at full time it was 2 all, and the same after extra time, so we went to penalties which just didn't go our way, losing 6-5. A huge well done to the whole team for their sportsmanship, teamwork and skill to make it this far in the competition. Hopefully the experience will be one to remember. ■

Mr Swallow and Mr Oldfield – Soccer Coaches



Orienteering

The Secondary Schools Orienteering Championships was held in June. Twenty nine Shenton students competed in various categories, many of them finishing on the podium.

Olive Wood came first in the female division while Oliver Spencer placed second in the male division. Other place getters included Ruby Phillips, Georgie Wyatt, Naroa Gresham, Tucker Ellery, Archie Brownlie and Liam Dufty. All students gave their best and supported each other, and for their hard work were rewarded with Runner-Up Best Overall School. ■

Shenton Rowing

Shenton rowing had the most successful season ever winning 4 Gold, 6 Silver and 5 Bronze at the recent All-Schools State Championships; coming second overall just behind Guildford Grammar School.

The gold medals went to the Year 10 Boys Coxed Eight, Year 10 Boys Coxed Quad, Year 10 Mixed Coxed Quad and Year 9 Boys Single Skull, Dylan Capewell. Year 10's Sam Lewis, Cooper Wood and Alice Fresson (cox) won three Gold medals; Lachlan Broomhall and Charles Potter two Gold medals and Sierra Eseltine, Kay Thi Boyle, Alan Wang, Liam Pietrzak, Charles Hunt and Jamie Callaghan each won one Gold medal.

Rowing has an amazing group of coaches (Shenton Alumni) who run the Shenton program at the UWA Boat Club. They are so dedicated & enthusiastic, particularly with the amount of hours they put in on many cold early mornings. It really exemplifies the Shenton difference. ■



Middle School Disco Nights

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Crescendo Music Concert

A wonderful night of music was held in the Hub Auditorium in early September, to celebrate the contribution of our Year 12 Music students as they performed with their ensembles for the last time. Fabulous performances were given by the Senior Chorale, Senior Guitar Ensemble, Jazz One, Senior Strings, the Symphony Orchestra and Wind One.

A highlight of the night was the premier performance of Yokolarang, a piece composed by Australian musician and composer Matt Klohs, with input from senior Music students. The work is the culmination of over two years of planning by music teacher Amanda Noordzy working in collaboration with local Nyoongar elder, Dr Noel Nannup.

Yokolarang is just one outcome from the College's wellspring Wartem experience on country, and represents the sounds, rhythms, movements and moods of the six Nyoongar seasons. The piece was performed by Wind One and directed by Ms Amanda Noordzy. ■



Young Originals success

Lucy Martin (Year 12), Tatiana Thomas (Year 12), Max Guj (Year 10) and Harrison Osgarby (Year 10) were amongst WA's top performing secondary Arts students in the 2023 WASSEA Young Originals Exhibition. This art exhibition, in it's fourteenth year, celebrates originality and excellence in design and visual art from students at WA public schools. ■



IRIS Award finalist

Shenton College is very excited to have had a finalist in the IRIS Award; an award that has been running for 18 years, which celebrates excellence in portraiture photography, revealing portraits that are unique, original and conceptually stimulating. Year 12 student Sophie Cook's work, called *Discovery*, was selected in this very prestigious exhibition. ■



Middle School House Games





Evelyn Chuk

Class of 2008

Evelyn attended Shenton College from 2004 to 2008 and throughout her years there she loved many aspects of the curriculum, but it was her interest and attention to all things STEM that would shape Evelyn's steps through school, university and into the wider world.

Evelyn commenced her BSc and quickly gravitated to Physics where she not only completed her degree but also her Honours in Astrophysics. Despite Evelyn's love of intergalactic travel, she realised that life post her Masters needed a little more than gravity waves and quarks, so she enrolled in a Masters in Mining Engineering at UWA, which she completed in 2015.

Evelyn then joined Rio Tinto in their Iron Ore division, working as a fly-in fly-out Graduate Mining Engineer at their Marandoo operation. Following two years at Marandoo, Evelyn moved site to join the Hope Downs 1 team. Her passion and enthusiasm for both technical delivery and leadership was quickly realised where she was promoted through roles from Graduate to Mine Planner to Senior Mining Engineer to Superintendent in the four years she was at Hope Downs 1. Evelyn has continued to grow through the business and is now Mine Technical Services Manager for two Rio Tinto Iron Ore mine sites.

In Evelyn's spare time, she is Chair of the **Innovators' Tea Party***, a Charity she founded in 2016 after being inspired by her work and volunteer positions with school students across Western Australia. The organisation aims to inspire women to pursue careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics by linking successful woman in science, engineering and innovation with high school students through speed-networking events.

This passion to educate and bring STEM to life is also replicated in initiatives being led by Evelyn within Rio Tinto and across both university and school sectors. She is educating the world, one step at a time.

To unwind on a weekend, Evelyn can be found scanning the night sky for intergalactic travellers or keeping a watchful eye on the weather as she races her 8m sail yacht on the Swan River. ■

***The Innovators' Tea Party**—linking successful women working in STEM with high school students in free and engaging events. The mentors are selected from a range of industries and backgrounds and are passionate about telling their stories and promoting their fields. Find out more at innovatorsteaparty.org.



Lauren Kempshall

Class of 2019

Lauren May (her stage name) has been selected to be a part of the UK National Youth Theatre, with famous previous participants including Dame Judy Dench, Matt Smith (of Doctor Who), Daniel Craig, and the list goes on. She is one of 100 chosen from across the UK and is currently studying drama at the University of East London. ■

Lemnos House/Hospital

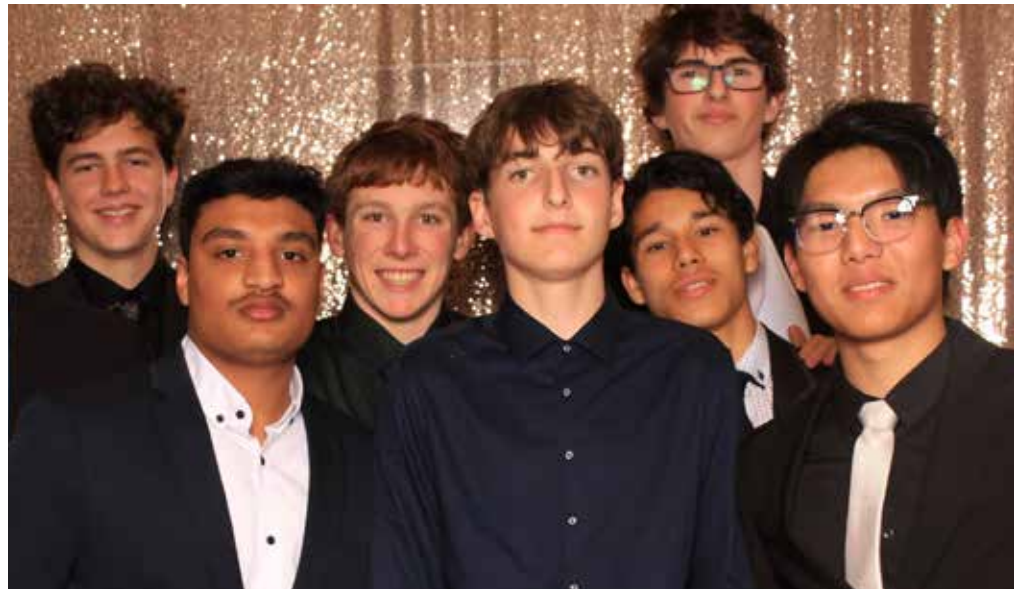
Lemnos Hospital was officially opened on July 12, 1926. His Excellency the Governor, Colonel Sir William Campion, in front of a large gathering, made a speech to a gathering who represented the Returned Soldiers League.

The purpose of Lemnos Hospital was to provide a home for mentally incapacitated soldiers of the World Wars, with modern treatment facilities and in the comfort of congenial surroundings. Lemnos was more like a home than a hospital. The complex, a two-storey federation style building, had an upstairs for nurses who lived on the premises, while the ground floor comprised various rooms used as offices for medical and admin staff. The two floors were linked by a jarrah staircase beneath which was a compartment that housed the day book where the nurse on duty recorded the day's incidents.

With time, wards were added and named after significant battles of the two World Wars - Gallipoli Ward was joined by Flanders, Alamein and Borneo wards. For some of the veterans who could not be rehabilitated, it became their permanent home. As the 20th century progressed the number of surviving war veterans diminished. As a result, in the 1980's the focus of care shifted to one of rehabilitation. The hospital was transferred to State responsibility coming under the jurisdiction of the WA Psychiatric Services.

The complex owes its name to a Greek island close to the Gallipoli peninsula which was the site of the army field hospital nearest to this campaign. The soldiers who survived the first World War returned with a range of medical conditions, both physical and psychological. Among the latter category was a term referred to as shell shock which today would be classed as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). It was for these soldiers' recuperation that the Federal Government set up a medical facility. The pine trees around the entrance to Lemnos Hospital were planted to provide a sense of familiarity to the bushland of Lemnos Island. ■





Year 11 Dinner Dance

