WA College of Agriculture-Denmark students can be proud of their achievements at the Perth Royal Show and Farm Skills Competition.

In the State finals, Rachel O’Dell was awarded the Best Young Judge Merino Fleece Judging Champion. She was marked on her presentation, ability to assess the top four fleeces out of eight options based on a range of criteria and her ability to persuade the judging panel. Rachel will be flown to Tasmania to compete in the Federal Council of Agricultural Societies national championships in October 2016. Another win in the Young Judges Championship was awarded to Lisa Patmore who won third place in the Merino Sheep Judging Championship State final. Congratulations to Rachel and Lisa.

In the Farm Skills Competition Denmark Team 1 took out the overall team prize across five campuses and Denmark Team 2 took out third place. (More page 10)

Above: Rachel O’Dell proudly holds the trophy for the Best Young Judge Merino Fleece Judging Championship State Final at the Perth Royal Show.
All of the College's Year 12 students, apart from those students sitting for external WACE examinations, have now concluded their educational program and left the campus. It was a busy but smooth finish to the year for the “non-ATAR” students and the majority of them left with 2-3 Certificate II level industry qualifications as well as their WACE – a job well done. The remaining Year 12’s sitting for their WACE exams will finish up on Tuesday November 10.

At a recent special dinner for our departing Year 12’s several of the staff who attended commented on how this year’s graduating class were such a likeable, enjoyable group to work with. They were also a very caring and inclusive group who will make a very positive contribution to whatever workplace or community they move into in the coming years.

Graduation

Our 2015 Graduation will take place on Friday November 20 commencing at 11.00 am. The ceremony runs for approximately one hour and is followed by a luncheon. Year 12 students are required to wear their full school uniform and to arrive at the College at 10.00am for photos and to collect their blazer. We also require students to adhere to the College’s grooming and jewellery policy, at least for one last time!

This year’s guest speaker is Matthew Rowbottom a UWA student from Boyanup. Matthew has just completed his Honours thesis researching the effectiveness of drones in monitoring the growth of pasture biomass on dairy farms.

2016 Year 12 Student Prefects

We have commenced the process of selecting our 2016 Year 12 Student Prefects. The successful students will be announced on Graduation Day.

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank our 2015 Year 12 Student Prefects Michaela Hendry, Sam Le Breton, Georgia Henderson, Morgan Warren and Hamish Fraser for their work this year in their leadership roles.

Farm Skills and Perth Royal Show

Congratulations to all those students involved in this year’s Farm Skills and Perth Royal Show competitions. Our Farm staff are invariably complimentary about the way our students present and conduct themselves at these events, but this year seemed particularly exceptional. Our Year 11 and Year 10 Farm Skills teams finished first and third respectively, while we had many successes in the showing and judging competitions. None more impressive than Year 12 student Rachel O’Dell who won the state Junior Merino Wool Judging and a trip to next year’s National competition in Launceston.

Robotic Dairy

The new robotic dairy is taking shape with the steel frame of the dairy erected and the concrete walls now being put in place. We’re still on target for an end-of-January 2016 finish with the two robots scheduled to be put in place in the dairy in mid-November, around Graduation Day.

Strategic Planning Workshops

Thanks to the following members of our College Council – Julie and Nigel Marsh, Leanne Marsden, Debbie Perkins and Neels Delport who spent a good deal of their time and effort in a strategic planning workshop recently offering their perspective on the College’s performance, areas of strength and areas for improvement.

We have been conducting workshops across all the areas of the College with a view to putting together a comprehensive plan for our direction over the next several years. The contribution from the College Council representatives was greatly valued.

Albany Show

The College will once again be taking a team of students to the Albany Show on Friday November 13 to participate in a range of events. A normal educational program will run at the College for those students not involved in the Show.

2015 Parent Survey

Thanks to those parents/carers who’ve completed the 2015 Parent Survey. Last look we had forty completed and 20 partially completed surveys. If you haven’t done so yet it would be greatly appreciated if you could find 10-15 minutes to complete the survey.

The link to the survey is: https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/8Kzez2ZL

The online survey will remain open until Friday December 5.

OLNA Results

The results of the second round of OLNA testing have been released. We will forward the results onto students and parents as soon as possible. Please remember that for those Year 11 students who are yet to achieve the “Category 3” benchmark in any of the components there will be two more opportunities next year.
Principal’s Desk cont...

Year 10 and 11 Finish

A reminder that the last school day for Year 11’s this year is Friday November 27. The Year 10’s will finish their program at the College on Friday December 4 and then commence a two-week block of school-authorised work experience before finishing on Friday December 18. As an alternative, some Year 10 students are completing their first week of work experience at the Rylington Park Shearing School.

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Scholarships...Encouraging future leaders

AgLinkEd Winner

WA College of Agriculture-Denmark Year 11 student Patrick Swallow is the winner of the Department of Agriculture and Food “AgLinkEd Scholarship” valued at $1,500.

The Department’s Regional Director, Neil Guise (pictured left) presented Patrick with the award during this year’s Perth Royal Show.

Patrick intends completing a tertiary qualification in agribusiness with the aim of supporting the growth and development of the agricultural workforce through teaching and to become a fourth generation farmer in the family farm business. “Patrick’s passion for the industry is clear and he will make an excellent young ambassador for the agricultural industry.” Mr. Guise said.

Low Stress Stock Handling

Three students won scholarships to attend a Low Stress Stock Handling School at Harvey Agricultural College 16—17 October.

Robin Adams (Yr 11), Isaac Pomery (Yr 10) and Patrick Swallow (Yr 11) were chosen for excelling in their area of study and attended the course conducted by Mitchell’s Transport.

Trainer Grahame Rees who spent most of his life on the family property in western NSW became a trainer after attending a stock handling school in 1999.

Realising the huge benefits in handling animals differently he decided to share these advanced techniques and has trained over 1800 people across the country.

This is a coup for our students who can now share this knowledge with their classmates. Graduates of the Low Stress Stock Handling School find increased animal performance, easier handling with less effort and labour and improved livestock operation as a result of the specialised training they receive.
The final term is always a busy one, with staff and students working diligently towards deadlines. I was impressed with our Year 12 students who worked hard to complete assessment tasks and units of competency before leaving the College earlier this term. We look forward to their return for the Graduation Ceremony on Friday 20 November.

A reminder to Year 10 and 11 students to aim to complete all Term 4 assessment tasks by the due date. Your education program becomes much more difficult if you fall behind in your work.

I urge all parents to encourage your child to complete set tasks as early as possible. Term 4 is a short term with a number of interruptions and lost teaching time.

**Year 12 ATAR Exams**

Sixteen College students will be completing WACE (ATAR) exams at the Denmark High School on the following dates:

- Monday 2 November – Plant Production Systems
- Tuesday 3 November – Biology
- Thursday 5 November – English
- Friday 6 November – Animal Production Systems
- Tuesday 10 November – Mathematics (Stage 3 and Stage 2)

The Plant Production Systems, English, Animal Production Systems and Mathematics exams will commence at 9.20am and finish at approximately 12.30pm. The Biology exam will begin at 2pm and finish at 5.10pm. The exam time indicates the start of the reading time. Candidates must plan to arrive 30 minutes prior to the stated time to allow for seating and instructions.

All students have been provided with a personalised written examination timetable.

This timetable identifies the student as an examination candidate and must be taken to all examinations and signed prior to their first examination.

College teachers have conducted revision sessions over the past two weeks and will continue to do so until the final maths exam on the 10th November. All students are expected to attend these revision sessions.

ATAR students will also have free time during the day including the option of going into Denmark, studying for their next exam, or relaxing in the College residence. Day students also have the option of returning home.

**2016 Learning Programme**

College staff are now reviewing the 2015 College programme and making changes for next year. A new Western Australian Year 12 curriculum is being introduced in 2016. While the new curriculum will result in a great deal of preparatory work for teachers, it should also prove to be an improved learning programme for students and provide a more efficient ATAR system and quality assured Certificate of Education.

The College will also be offering 5 ATAR courses in 2016.

- English
- Biology
- Animal Production Systems
- Maths
- Plant Production Systems

Biology is being introduced for the first time in Year 12 to allow a fifth ATAR subject given that only the best four scores count for a student’s final ATAR. If a student is having difficulty with one of their subjects (e.g. Maths, English) then this subject will not count towards their final ATAR score.

Course selection forms were sent out to parents/guardians at the end of last term. I understand some current Year 10 and 11 students are still undecided on subject selections for 2016. We will continue to counsel students over the coming weeks.

If parents/guardians require further information for course options, pathways, University entry or VET programmes, please contact me by email or telephone.

**Computer Network**

As most of the College community is aware, the WA College of Agriculture – Denmark will once again have a very high student involvement in 2016. As a result the computer network will come under pressure. It is highly recommended that all College students have access to their own computer next year. Students using a computer at the school will be able to use the College network to access the internet via the Department of Education filtered proxy server.

Desktop computers and laptops are usable in residential rooms and will be connected with a cable that must be supplied by the students i.e. CAT5e and CAT6 cabled 2 or 3 metres in length are suitable. We also suggest using a mouse with laptops if students are using them for long periods of time.

All operating systems are able to connect to the wired network system. The College is currently using Windows 7 machines in classrooms, with Office 2010 software. If you require additional information, please contact Mr. Mark Boynton on 9848 0200. I can also be contacted on 9848 0207.
Year 11 ATAR Camp

Claire Petrie and I are planning to take Year 11 ATAR students to a camp to Perth and Northam from 4 – 6 November. This excursion includes visits and lectures at Murdoch University (Animal Science course), Curtin University (Agri Business), the University of Western Australia (Agricultural Science) and Murdoch Institute of Agriculture (Agri Business and Integrated Diploma of Aquaculture).

Hopefully the camp will provide information on the choices available for tertiary study in agriculture in WA and allow our students the opportunity to experience life on a University campus.

I will be forwarding information and permission forms for the excursion to parents via email in the next few days. Please return the permission form as soon as possible.

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History Excursion

Two groups of Year 10 students recently visited the Denmark Historical Museum as part of their history studies to see what life was like during World War 2.

Students listened to a presentation by Mr Ian Conochie (aged 90) who is a well known figure of the Denmark Historical Society.

Ian came to Denmark as Deputy Principal of the then Denmark Agricultural District High School in the 1970’s and was himself a teenager during the war, enlisting in the Navy in 1944.

He was able to give a first hand account to students about his experiences.

Above L-R: Mr. Ian Conochie (seated), Bev McGuinness (Denmark Historical Society), Shiralee Goodwill (History Teacher) and students listen to Mr Conochie give a first hand account of what living with war is about, during an excursion to the Museum.

Around the College

Students are kept busy with a variety of activities on and off farm, during and after school hours. Whether it be out on farm during a horticulture lesson preparing freshly harvested beetroot ready for sale to local vendors, or participating in co-curricular activity such as music lessons, there is always something of interest happening.

Above: Cassia Thornton-Weyrich and Maddi Larkman shared a laugh during horticulture

Above: Josh Kippin seated, Tiane Berghuis—Female Lead, Sam LeBreton—Male lead and Charlie Cloud on Drums. This talented group kick around a tune or two at music class held nearby after school hours at the music facility at TAFE.

Left: Jess Larkman shows her prowess on acoustic guitar at music after hours.
Residential Manager Report

Week 4, Spring is here and it is time to reinvigorate our students; we are ready to shed any limiting beliefs...

Week 4, Spring is here. It is time to reinvigorate our students; we are ready to shed any limiting beliefs, rekindle some of those incredible possibilities that dwell within them and unleash their full potential in preparation for exams, graduation and planned fun activities.

Graduating Year 12’s

This year appeared to gain momentum; I can hardly believe we are heading towards the 2015 Graduation. This group of Year 12’s are my first full graduating year. What a wonderful group of young people who I hope will retain the bonds of mate-ship that they have developed during their time at the College. It has been a privilege to share this important year with them. I have thoroughly enjoyed being at the College and have had some memorable moments, I wish all of them well with their exams and future direction and look forward to seeing them at Graduation.

Blackwood Marathon

October’s end saw students competing in the Blackwood Marathon. Teams comprised runner-Kyle Ricetti, canoeist-Jake Kondakov, swimmer-Casey Perkins, cyclist-Kevin Mead and horse rider-Danielle Perkins, who competed on behalf of the College.

The Blackwood Marathon is an annual relay race consisting of five stages; running, canoeing, swimming, horse-riding and cycling based on the marathon of classic Greece. The aim is to take a message from Boyup Brook to Bridgetown by a series of team members with different transport methods that pass on a numbered bib from one team member to the next.

Organised by the Rotary Club of Bridgetown, this annual event dates back to 1979, linking Boyup Brook and Bridge-
town. The event is open to all types of competitors ranging from Olympians such as Shane Gould and Robert De Castella, to those who compete in a more casual way. I look forward to a full report from our residential staff and team manager Bernie Wong and Eric Bogensperger.

Colour Run – Girl’s Trip: What is the Colour Run TM?

The Colour Run, also known as the Happiest 5k on the Planet, is a unique paint race that celebrates healthiness, happiness and individuality. Now the single largest event series in the world, the Colour Run has exploded since the debut event. It has more than tripled in growth, hosting more than 300 events in 50+ countries in 2014.

This is the second Colour Run that our girls have competed in and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves judging by the photographs. 12 of our girls headed off with staff for the weekend. There were also movies and a Masquerade Ball in the park and much dancing and fun to be had by all.

Cheynes Beach Camping Trip

We will be heading to Cheynes Beach again this term. We have secured 3 cabins which will require one for use by staff.

Cheynes Beach is a protected cove, an accessible beach that stretches for kilometres with aqua blue waters and sparkling white sands. Like much of the region, the area is undeveloped and virtually unspoilt.

Offering little opportunity for agricultural development this part of the world is filled with these small undisturbed sanctuaries that hug the coast and provide a stunning backdrop for a camping expedition. The whole region is a series of crevices and crannies and thick scrubby coastal bush. Home to various marsupials including Quenda, Ring Tail Possum and numerous species of birds, some of which are endemic to WA, it is not uncommon to have to share quarters with the local wildlife.

The hills that are strewn with polished granite boulders and the green foliage and crystal waters make for a unique and memorable place to visit that will provide some downtime and memories for our students and staff.
Sleep Over With the Students

Last Thursday I had the privilege of sleeping overnight at the College (I had sick staff, so I was it). I thoroughly enjoyed myself, though I probably dulled the mood somewhat, wandering about in amongst some excited students who were very keen to wrap the College in toilet paper or glad wrap as ‘leavers’ are determined to do. One of our residential staff members found it difficult to gain access to her vehicle as it had been sealed in glad wrap and some students were keen for me to help them build a human pyramid….somehow I just could not picture that ending well.

I decided to take them on an evening walk, it was a lovely night and my ulterior motive was to wear them out. 18 of us set off into the night (head counting all the way to make sure I didn’t lose any), we walked into town and headed down to Berridge Park and had a swing, did some hand-stands, took some pictures and came home. The conversations and camaraderie of our students on that walk was wonderful to witness. We really do have many young people at this College that we should all be very proud of.

Rugby - WE WON

Another trophy for the bulging cabinet. What an amazing effort by our rugby boys, Captained by Dylan Birss and their coach Mark Shrimpton resplendent in their new rugby jersey. The boys suffered a humbling first round defeat by Albany Christian College, but showed great character to overcome a well-coached and practiced side turning the tables on ACC (Southlands) with an impressive 33-7 win (5 tries and 4 conversions to the oppositions - 1 try and 1 conversion) in the final.

Our ‘free-running’ style and ‘crunching’ tackles thrilled the crowd (parents, teachers, coaches) to emphatically turn the tables on ACC in the final. Superb performances by Jayden Scott, Corey Metcalf and Ashley Baxter, as well as ‘player of the tournament with most tries’ Vince Rutten, produced the final victory. Our winning team was ably supported by Captain - Dylan Birss, scrum players - Hugo Rabe, and Connor Marsden, and back-line players Josh Devitt-Boyd and super talented kicker and ‘conversion specialist’ Hamish Fraser. The winner’s trophy was presented to Dylan Birss and Corey Metcalf by ACC (Southlands) Principal, Malcolm Bromhead.

Mark Shrimpton (Coach) commented, “The boys inspiring performance on Saturday was commendable, and I’m very proud of their achievement. It was ‘forged’ at training over long cold, dark and rainy nights throughout the winter. The boys really stepped-up (today) and overcame a big challenge. If they take this lesson into adult life I’m confident that through the determination and courage that they displayed they will develop the character and resilience to become fine young men into the future”.

Leaver’s Jackets

We have a committee and I will meet with the students at the end of the week to commence the process. The aim is still to have the jackets arrive at the commencement of Term 2, 2016 or earlier providing plenty of time to get value for money. I hope to keep the price down to approximately $90.00.

I will keep parents up-to-date as more information comes to hand. Jackets will not be released to the student until payment is made in full.

Outward Bound – Navigator

Casey Perkins attended the Outward Bound – Navigator course over the school holidays and by all accounts he thoroughly enjoyed himself, also making new friends. This course is a fantastic opportunity for young people to step out of their comfort zone and challenge themselves. Leadership skills and team skills are learned and the long term benefits of doing something like this cannot be calculated easily.

I will be selecting three students next year for the scholarships to attend Outward Bound that are generously made available through Lions Denmark. I will be seeking students who want to participate and truly understand the opportunity being provided to them. Parents are required to contribute $300.00 to this course that costs approximately $1,980.00.

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The Navigator program is a 12-day personal development experience full of adventure, wilderness, new friends and fun, whilst discovering and developing your potential! You will learn things about yourself you could never learn in a classroom. The focus is on you; however, you will share your adventure with other young adults in a close social group.

Health and Wellbeing

The College continues to provide support to students requiring doctors and other health related appointments. Where possible these appointments are made outside of school hours to minimise disruption to the school program.

For any follow up appointments with specialists the College asks parents and carers where possible to make these during school holidays. Great Southern Radiology has a practice open in Denmark, which can complete x-rays and ultrasound procedures without the need to travel to Albany.

Please contact the College if your child has any medical imaging needs before appointments are made in Albany to see if they can be accommodated at the local Denmark clinic.

Leave Form Now On-Line

Please ensure Weekend Leave forms are in by close of business each Wednesday. Students will not be released to ex-students who live in Denmark or people that we do not regard as ‘responsible adults’. Last minute leave and day leave will only be approved via the Residential Manager and/or the Principal. The College will contact you if there are any concerns regarding any leave arrangements.

Travel Arrangements

The College will organise bus tickets for the ‘home weekend’ and the end of Term 4. All other bus tickets are the responsibility of parents.

This term the ‘home weekend’ commences after the Graduation Day event on Friday 20 November, 2015. The expectation is for students to leave the College by 1.00pm and the College will not be staffed overnight. Please provide written advice of any travel arrangements that are required as soon as possible.

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Energy drinks are not suitable for children and teens. They are also not recommended for pregnant women, people with heart disease, or people who are sensitive to caffeine. Energy drinks typically contain:

- Caffeine (ranges from 30mg/250ml to 150mg/250ml, depending on the brand);
- Guarana (a caffeine extract from a plant);
- Sugar (in higher quantities than sports drinks);
- Protein (the amino acid taurine is often added to these drinks), and;
- Vitamin B.

The high caffeine content of these drinks can produce a variety of unpleasant side effects. And, can reduce the body’s ability to absorb water, meaning that it is dangerous to consume these drinks before, during or after physical activity. It is particularly dangerous to mix energy drinks with alcohol.

For more information on this topic, go to www.drugaware.com.au

Paula Stretton  
School Nurse

| BLACKWOOD MARATHON RESULTS 2015 |
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Above: Hamish Fraser and Wil Watson model new Rash Shirts provided by the Denmark Community Foundation. Our sincere thanks to the Foundation for their support.
From the Farm Supervisor

We had a very successful Royal Show this year with excellent results in all sections. Our Farm Skills Teams came 1st and 3rd...

Dairy

The concrete walls are up last on the dairy building, but there is still a very long way to go. Hopefully the metal cladding and roofing will be on soon so they can commence outfitting the building and putting the milking robots in, as it still looks a very long way off to being completed.

Royal Show

We had a very successful Royal Show this year with excellent results in all sections. Our Farm Skills teams came 1st and 3rd, an excellent effort by all concerned. The student Junior Judging competition did a very good job with Rachel O’Dell winning a trip to Tasmania next year to represent WA in the Merino Sheep Judging final. Stock looked good and we achieved very good results in this arena as well. Thank you to all that helped, those students that attended and helped to make the trip the success it was. Well done.

Farm Life

We are trying to conduct a fodder conservation program at present, with one week fine, one week cloudy and sometimes wet; this is not making the job easy. Students have been very busy so far mainly making silage, cutting, raking, baling and wrapping round bales during the weekend, week days and even into late in the evenings to get the paddocks finished. We are half way through at present and hoping for some fine weather to keep going, so we can finish off the silage and make a few rolls of pasture hay.

Shearing commenced for four days then stopped while shearer’s went to Morawa and they will be coming back for nine days from the 9 – 19th November, so all students can have a go at learning to shear. Some students have also put their hands up for extra shearing training at Rylington Park early in December as part of their work experience.

Lambs are also being weaned with some of the suckers being placed on pellets to try and get their weight up ready for market. We are also going through our ewes and cutting the older ones from the flock and we have been busy with people ringing up to buy our Corriedale Rams. College hens are also available for sale. Please contact Admin staff on the front desk for further details on 9834 0200.

To all the Year 12’s who have just left, thanks for the memories. I hope you had an enjoyable 2 or 3 years at the College and learnt many new skills that may assist you later on in life. All the best for the future.

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Top: Students prepare feet of a bull prior to showing in the cattle event Above L-R: Liza Dowinton, Jess White and Hugo Rabe compete in the sheep judging event.
Farm Skills
The College sent 2 teams consisting of Year 10, 11 and 12 students who competed against other Ag Colleges...

Thank you to all the students who participated in the 2015 annual Farm Skills competition in Perth on Thursday the 24th of September. The College sent two teams consisting of Year 10, 11 and 12 students who competed against other Agricultural colleges. The students participated in 13 different events which are listed below:

- Chemical Safety
- Chemical Calibration
- Fencing
- Shearing
- GPS Tracking and Weed/Seed ID
- Wool Pressing/Branding
- Steer Appraisal
- Prime Lamb Appraisal
- Merino Ram Judging
- Wool Judging
- Cutting of Steel Plate
- Fillet Weld
- Butt Weld
- Tractor Driving
- Drenching, Mouthing & Drafting Sheep

I was very impressed with the students’ positive attitude towards the event and their efforts in after school training. They all showed a willingness to learn and a strong aptitude to work in a team environment.

The competition takes a lot of commitment from staff and students and they should be commended for their results. I’m sure everyone involved in the competition would agree it was a very successful year. The College took out many awards at this year’s competition with the year 11/12 team (Denmark 1) winning the competition overall and the year 10/11 team (Denmark 2) coming a close third.

There were also many individual 1st place awards worth mentioning from both the Denmark teams and congratulations to the students as listed in the following table.

A special thank you goes out to all the training and residential staff who assisted in making the competition possible especially to Fred Knight, John Hendry, Alex Bentink, Doug York, Leanne Grant Williams, Eliza Bradfield, Carl Duzenberg and Sue Rankin.

Well done everybody, you all made the College proud.

Neville Koenig
AITO (General Farm)

**FARM SKILLS RESULTS**

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Above: Josh Kippin and Rachel O’Dell appraise sheep as part of the drenching, mouthing and drafting sheep division.

Above: Team 2 Denmark line up at the Farm Skills comp.

Above: Making sure an animal is presented in its best light are Hugo Rabe, Jess White and Connor Marsden-Gough - busy polishing halters used in the show events.
Outstanding Accounts

A reminder that all residential boarding fees (first, second and third instalments) need to be cleared by the end of the year in order for residential students to remain in residence in 2016.

The Department of Education has a clear policy with regards to the payment of residential boarding fees. Residential students will be asked to return as day students in 2016 if accounts are not cleared.

Statements

All parents and carers will receive a copy of their next statements from Wednesday, 11 November 2015.

Please don’t hesitate to contact the College on the details below should you come across any error or have any queries.

Convenient Payment Options Available

There are several payment options available to you to make payment to the College as convenient as possible.

These are listed as follows:

Cheques & Money Orders:
Posted to PO Box 350, Denmark WA 6333

Electronic Transfer:
BSB: 306 009
Account: 0110895
Bank: Bankwest Denmark
Please use student name as a reference

Credit/Debit Card:
Credit card payments can be made over the phone and in person 8am-4pm Monday to Friday

EFTPOS:
EFTPOS payments can be made in person at the College between 8am-4pm Monday to Friday

Personal Payment Plan:
Please contact the Business Manager on (08) 9848 0200 or email craig.armstrong@education.wa.edu.au for further information

Suzy Anderson
YouthCARE Chaplain

Emotions are running high, milestones are being met and there is a real air of excitement – as the College prepares for the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony, a most important event on both the calendar for the whole school community, students, parents and teachers alike.

One of the most impressive things I have observed at this College in my first term, is that there is a real and tangible sense of team work and this leads to a happy environment where goals can be pursued and achieved together.

I am available at the College on Mondays and Tuesday if I can ever be of assistance to anyone, please do not hesitate to call the College on 9848 0200.

Suzy Anderson
YouthCARE Chaplain
## Upcoming Events

- November 4-5: Yr 11 ATAR Excursion to Perth
- November 13 –14: Albany Agricultural Show
- November 20: Graduation Day
- November 21-22: Closed Weekend
- November 27: Last Day for Yr 11 students
- December 4: Ag Advisory

## Term 4 Planner

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