We experienced an excellent turn out at the recent Parent Teacher Interview Night. Thank you to those parents who also completed the Parent Survey between appointments. By now, you should have received your child’s report for Semester 1 and if you have any concerns please contact the college to arrange an appointment with the appropriate teacher(s).

In Term 3, we are looking forward to seeing students focus on improving their results to put themselves in the best position for 2015. Also, during this term, Year 9 and 10 students will be completing their 2015 elective selections. If you know that your child will not be returning to JTC in 2015 please contact reception.

The new Student Centred Funding Model has been released and we are currently working through processes to ensure that we have the greatest breadth of curriculum possible whilst maintaining strong pastoral programs from Yr. 7 – 12. We will need to tighten our belt in the years ahead, but I am confident that the quality of education JTC provides will not suffer.

It has been reported in the media recently that the JTC Tindale campus has asbestos within its building materials. I wish to reassure parents that this is monitored and all precautions necessary are taken when building repairs are carried out. The current assessment of risk is that the areas which contain asbestos are unlikely to be disturbed and therefore do not present a health risk. When there is an asbestos related risk, appropriate contractors are brought in to assess the issue. We will continue to liaise with the Department of Education on this matter.

Welcome back to Associate Principal, Jan Stone who returns from six months long service leave to take up her position at the MET Campus. Associate Principal, Donna Heath will return from her leave in Week 6 to take up her position at the Tindale Campus. Thank you to Lisa Edwards who has been in the Deputy Principal role this year and will return to her Program Coordinator role in Week 6 and Angela Tomlinson who has been in the Career and Participation Coordinator role who will return to her teaching role.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise the significant contribution of the JTC Board Chairperson, Professor Jo Barker who has stepped down from the board. Jo has been a champion for JTC in the community and has been instrumental in establishing the college throughout the amalgamation process. We wish Jo well for the future and stepping into the role of Board Chairperson is the former Deputy Chair, Lesley Wilkinson. We also currently have a vacancy for a parent representative on the college board. This involves attending a board meeting once per month on Tuesday mornings at 7:30am. This is a great opportunity for a parent who wishes to take an active role in the development of the college as an Independent Public School. To express interest please email Sarah.Carter@education.wa.edu.au, outlining why you would like to be involved and a brief resume.

Kim Savins  Principal

Closure of E2C Centre in Halls Head

After 10 years leasing the E2C Centre in Halls Head, the decision has been taken not to renew this lease. Please note that phones were disconnected, and all furniture removed. The centre played a pivotal part in driving some of the online technologies created by the College, and as a base for the Bilyidar and PACE programs over a number of years. Thank you to all staff who have worked at the centre over the past years.

Greg Williams  Manager Corporate Services
Year 10 visit to Shell’s Head Office

Last term, ten year 10 students from John Tonkin College spent a day at the Perth head office of Shell Australia learning about career opportunities in the Oil and Gas industry. With the company’s Floating Liquified Natural Gas Facility, (Prelude Project) going into production in the next few years, 1000 full time positions will need to be filled in this highly specialised industry. During their visit, students were introduced to 10 employees who are working on the “Prelude Project”. They were given the opportunity to speak with these Shell employees about career pathways as Production and Maintenance Technicians on FLNG facilities.

John Tonkin College was selected by Shell as one of only five schools for this program state-wide. They will be sponsoring up to 17 students to enrol in School Based Apprenticeships in 2015. If selected, students will spend two days a week at ACEPT in Henderson (Challenger Institute of Technology) gaining a qualification in becoming Plant Process Technicians, while spending the remaining three days a week at school working towards their Western Australian Certificate of Education.

Successful students will be notified in November.

Year 12 Integrated Science

As part of their Integrated Science class Year 12 students and teacher, Mrs Harley as their teacher have gained knowledge and experience this semester gathering fingerprints, learning about crime scenes and the forensics behind solving the crime. They have analysed hair and fibre samples, looked at blood spatter patterns and how forensic scientists gather evidence. All their work culminated in a “Crime Scene Analysis Scenario”- the students needed to work as a team to solve their ‘crime scene’ and check with the database of evidence they had collected throughout the semester to work out who had committed the crime” The students gained relevant hands on experience.

Student Vehicle Management

All students who ride a scooter or drive a car, please see student services at MET campus to improve road safety Thank you.
Students win 2nd place at the Titration Stakes Competition 2014

Congratulations to Ahmad Khan, Rafe Newsome and Jin Zhang for placing second in the Titration Stakes competition on Tuesday 24 June at Curtin University

The competition was run by RACI (Royal Australian Chemistry Institute) and there were 83 teams of three students from various schools around the state, including Perth Modern, Guildford Grammar, Sacred Heart College, Mandurah Baptist and Shenton College.

The students were required to perform 4 titrations to determine the concentrations of 4 solutions. A titration is a precise and accurate chemistry technique that involves a lot of patience and concentration.

The teams were scored based on how close their calculations were to the actual values and were ranked accordingly.

These are John Tonkin College's results:
Team 1 (Jayden White, Callum Jones and Corey Hayman) placed 19th
Team 2 (Madeleine Hile, John Wyatt and Katie Schoeppner) placed 54th
Team 3 (Ahmad Khan, Rafe Newsome and Jin Zhang) placed 2nd.

Ahmad, Rafe and Jin will now go on to the finals at Murdoch University to compete against other schools across the nation.

All three teams did a fantastic job and did themselves proud.

-Mrs Jessica Wilkins
Chemistry Teacher

Whole School Athletics Carnival 4th September 2014

John Tonkin Colleges third inter-house athletics carnival will be held at the TINDALE campus this term. Please encourage your child’s attendance and participation. This is compulsory for Year 8,9,10,11 & 12. Only year 12 ATAR students are exempt.
Parent Information

Recently all yr. 8/9 parents received a letter with a survey attached on health education and suggested interest in parent information sessions. Could parents please return this completed survey to TINDALE campus front office.

Parents dropping off and picking up students at TINDALE campus please adhere to the road signs to improve your child’s safety. Thank you.

Update on John Tonkin Colleges overall house points competition
1st place – Eacott 1147 Points
2nd place– Hall 1042 Points
3rd place– Sutton 904 Points
4th place– Tuckey 837 Points

Hall enjoyed a free lunch this term for being the leader in academic and behaviour points during term three.
Important Dates

Dates for your diary

18—22 August       Science Week
1—9 September       Yoh Fest
5 September          Athletics Carnival

Parents Survey

Please complete the 2014 John Tonkin College Parent survey available on the Website.

Events

Australian Mathematics Competition 2014

John Tonkin College has entered over 100 students in this year’s 37th Australian Mathematics Competition, sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank, and held on Thursday 7 August.

The AMC gives students external recognition of their achievements. All students receive a certificate showing their level of achievement and prizes are awarded to top students. Unlike formal mathematics testing, many of the problems are set in situations to which the students can relate, showing the relevance of mathematics to their everyday lives.

This competition started in Australia in 1978, was the original, and is now one of the largest of its kind in the world. More than 40 countries participate in the AMC each year and it is recognised as an international benchmark for mathematical performance.

Over 1000 students share the prizes and around 50% of participants qualify to receive Certificates. This year at JTC many students received outstanding awards.

Good luck to all the students who participated in this year’s competition.

Results will be sent to parents and published in the Newsletter in September.
Hallah Osman wins elusive prize at The Extreme Science Experience

John Tonkin College was one of 40 schools from around Western Australia lucky enough to have participated in an extraordinary science event on Thursday 22 May at the Perth Convention Centre.

The students who participated in the Extreme Science Experience (ESE) were Hallah Osman, Steven Goodwin, Shenaye Northam, Kate McClure, Dixie-Rei Nuke and Drew Ashton Oliver. They participated in a variety of hands-on experiments in workshops led by some of our top Australian innovators responsible for things such as Particle Processing (mining), Communications, railway maintenance (Pilbra) and chemical inventions such as “Wetsorb” and “Gelli Baff”.

The students had a fantastic time participating in the workshops and they said it was a brilliant way to relate topics learned in school to real life.

Congratulations to Hallah Osman who was successful in winning one of the elusive prizes being given for outstanding effort in the ‘cleaning communications’ workshop.

Iluka Visions

It is in its 23rd year the awards night for this prestigious exhibition will take place on August 29th at 6pm, at the Bunbury Regional Art Gallery. Students from the college have successfully won awards here many times in the past and this year 6 works by 5 very talented Photographers from Yr 11 and 12 have been selected for inclusion in the exhibition and be vying for an award. Congratulations go to Shannon Thomson, Jake Dyer, Mikayla Hatchett, Ashley Kirkness and Joy Smith for having their works chosen. Best of luck to you all on awards night.

Peel Youth Art Prize

This local exhibition of art works held at the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre opened on the 8th August. Open to Primary and Secondary School Students within the Peel District, it’s a great opportunity for the public to see and appreciate the diverse artistic talents of our youth. Year 12 student Clare Myhill received a highly commended award for her photographic piece titled ‘Under Close Inspection’ Congratulations Clare. The Peel Youth Art Awards exhibition runs until the 6th September at MPAC.

Photography Exhibition and Media Night

The College in conjunction with students who study Photography and Media will once again be holding our exhibition evening on September 10th from 6pm – 8pm in the Performing Arts Centre at the MET (senior school site). This annual event with the title this year of ‘Caught on Camera’ is proving to be a great success and one that is eagerly anticipated and asked about often.

We are planning to provide our guests with an interactive experience while some of the photographic works. so in preparation we would encourage you to use your smart phone or tablet, download a free QR code reader from Apple App store or android playstore and bring the device along on the night with a set of headphones. Entry is free, all are welcome. Tea coffee and light snacks will be available. All are welcome and we know you will be more than impressed with the work that the students have produced.
Parliament and Civics Program
Snowy Mountains Ski Trip July 2015

Students Expression of interest

Dear Mr Hayes,

Please accept our expression of interest for the 2015 John Tonkin College Ski Tour.

We understand that there are many conditions for acceptance into this tour and we would like to be considered.

Student Details- Name Address

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2015 School Year (circle) 10 11 12

Home phone / Student’s mobile

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Parent Details Name mobile no

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Parent signature ________________________ Date ___________________

Please return this sheet to Mr Hayes at either John Tonkin College Campus by August 29 2014
Students who wish to be registered for this trip should be aware that they will be expected to:

- Keep up to date with their financial commitments, maintain their Good Standing and display the ethos of the school at all times. They will also be expected to travel in the school uniform (tracksuit) to be easily identifiable.

Minor breaches of behaviour standards will be dealt with either on the spot or when we return. Major breaches of discipline will see the student returned home on the next available flight, at the expense of the parent.

**IF YOU WANT TO GO READ CAREFULLY**

At this stage we are looking into how viable this trip would be if we were to offer it for next year. We are asking for you to submit the attached expression of interest to myself before the end of this term (4th July 2014).

If there are enough interested students then I will put out another document asking for a deposit. To secure a place on this trip you will be asked that you will be required to pay a deposit (to the registrar) of $500 between Monday the 3rd of November and the 10th of November.

I will then call a meeting of all interested students and their parents on the evening of Tuesday the 11th of November 2014. This will allow us to get together and set our goals for payments, conditions, behaviour etc. A note will come home with details of this meeting following deposit payment.

Please note that all deposits are refundable if the trip, or your son/daughter does not go. Student positions on the trip will be confirmed at the Parent information Meeting, and plane fares will be paid soon afterwards. Refunds will then be subject to group booking fees when a student withdraws.

Enquiries to Geoff Hayes 9583 7345 mob 0409 GEOFFH.
John Tonkin College is pleased to offer year 12 students the opportunity to participate in a series of intensive revision course aimed at maximising student performance in the WASE examinations.

The series of workshops will be facilitated by expert subject area professionals from Academic Associates Educational Consultants. After completing each course, it is expected that students will:

- Improve study skills
- Consolidate understanding of course content
- Receive exclusive worksheets
- Learn to maximise exam performance

The workshops will be held on site at John Tonkin College—MET campus over four consecutive Sundays at a low cost of $50 per student per course.

The revision courses are typically held during the term three holidays at the University of Western Australia at a cost of $240 per student per course. John Tonkin College will subsidise the cost of the revision course to ensure that all students can access this opportunity.

Places in each revision course are limited so it is imperative that students return the enclosed revision course selection sheet and payment slip before Friday 22nd August. Forms and payment should be returned to Lorraine Harris at the Student desk in the Administration Building.

If you have any queries regarding this opportunity, please contact the college on 9583 7373.
JOHN TONKIN COLLEGE

Academic Associates WACE Revision Courses – Term 3 2014

Student Name  ___________________________________________

Sundays—Weeks 6, 7, 8, 9 Term 3 2014

Please circle one course for each week

Sunday  Sunday  Sunday  Sunday
August 31st  September 7th  September 14th  September 21st
8.45am—3.30pm  8.45am—3.30pm  8.45am—3.30pm  8.45am—3.30pm

English 3A 3B  English 3A 3B  Mathematics 2C 2D  English 3A 3B
(Provisional)

Chemistry 3A 3B  Biology 3A 3B  Mathematics 3A 3B

History 3A 3B  Hum Biol 3A 3B  Mathematics 3C 3D
(China/Australia)

Physics 3A 3B
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Parent Information Sheet
Our Online Canteen is an online ordering system which is an easy and convenient way to order school meals, uniforms and pay for school events online.

How to get started
- Visit ouronlinecanteen.com.au
- Sign up by completing the registration form
- Receive a confirmation email
- Log into the website
- Select your school and enter your child/ren names
- Add credit and order your meals

Ordering is as easy as 1-2-3-4
1. Select your child
2. Select your date
3. Add meal items to order
4. Confirm the order

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