From the Principal
At the start of this term, we released the new Positive Behaviour Matrix and the Vivo system that is designed to reward students for the positive behaviours that they exhibit at school and in representation of the school in the community. The students have responded exceptionally well to this new system and we will now be seeking feedback from them so that we can make adjustments before it is all officially launched at the start of 2018.

Included in this newsletter is a copy of the current version of the behaviour matrix. (See page 5) These positive behaviours form the new code of conduct and will be an expectation across both sites. As part of this system, teachers will deliver short lessons on what each expectation is throughout the year so that students will learn how to exhibit the behaviour. This is your opportunity as parents to give us feedback about the matrix. If you have any suggestions, please forward them to admin@johntonkincollege.wa.edu.au or drop in and have a chat!

The students want to earn Vivo points! The points turn into Vivo dollars that can be used to purchase items for themselves from the Vivo or School Shop. The School Shop will not commence until 2018. Each student has a Vivo login that they can access on any mobile device or computer. At the moment, the highest allocation for points comes from having above 90% attendance at the end of each semester or having ratings of “Consistently” and ‘Often’ for most of the behaviour Attributes when we do semester reports. At the moment, 75% of our students do have ratings in these categories which is fantastic! Sadly, only 40% of students have attendance above 90%. This is an area that we need to tackle as a community.

The JTC IPS Board is currently hard at work on the 2018-2020 Business Plan. This plan addresses the areas of improvement needed for JTC. An opportunity to discuss the plan is provided at the first Parent Engagement and Participation (PEP) Team meeting to occur on Wednesday 22 November. We look forward to seeing lots of enthusiastic parents come along and collaborate in a positive and meaningful way.

Orientation Day—Monday 27 November
If you have a child commencing in Year 7 or Year 10 in 2018 you will have received a letter regarding the Orientation Day on Monday 27 November. The Year 7 Orientation Day will take place at the Tindale Campus whilst the Year 10 Orientation Day will be at the MET Campus.

A friendly reminder, all students need to arrange parent or bus transport to and from the campus they are to attend on that day.

RE: SECONDARY SCHOOLING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2018 - NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

The Department of Education coordinates a range of scholarships, grants and prizes to meet some of the costs of secondary schooling. Most scholarships for 2018 are now open for applications.

The minimum scholarship value is $750; however, the majority are for amounts of $1 000 and upwards. A number also offer repeat funding in subsequent years, subject to satisfactory academic progress.

Eligibility criteria information on how to apply can be found at: http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/education/secondary-school/additional-learning-opportunities/scholarships/ An online submission process is used for lodging most applications. Instructions are available on the website.

The closing date for most of the Department’s scholarships is 5.30pm Thursday 9 December 2017.

For further information, please email the scholarship coordinators at PathwaysandTransitions.Scholarships@education.wa.edu.au or call 9402 6304 or 6206 2010.

IMPORTANT REMINDER -YEAR 7-10 ELECTIVES, 2018
All high cost electives chosen for 2018 needed to be paid by 22 September to secure a place in that chosen elective.

If your child has chosen a high cost elective and you are still yet to pay, payments can be made at both the MET or Tindale campuses.

You can also arrange a payment plan by phoning Lorri Harris on 9583 7341.
SCHOOL STAR APP
TO REPLACE SKOOLBAG APP IN 2018

Starting Term 1 2018, John Tonkin College will be using the School Star App as our main form of communication to all parents. This will be used for absences, announcements, event reminders as well as emergency alerts. We encourage every parent to download the App which is free to download and use.

Please click on the School Star logo above for more information on how to install School Star on your smartphones.

2018 BOOKLISTS

Booklists, fees and charges for 2018 will be posted out in week 8. If you are entitled to claim the Secondary Assistance Scheme please complete the blue form which you will find in your package and submit your form to front admin along with your Centrelink card once your child commences the 2018 school year. Closing date for submitting this form is Friday April 13th (last day of Term 1).

SEMESTER TWO SCHOOL REPORTS

We will be trialling sending semester two school reports via email as well as posting them out. You will be receiving a letter regarding this process shortly as well as an update form to complete to ensure we have your current details.

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL—RESULTS

John Tonkin College competed in the WA School Sport Interschool Athletics competition.

We have only ever competed in the 7-10 competition but this year we competed in the newly formed F 7-12 division. We were represented by over 50 students who showed excellent sportsmanship and determination. This helped us achieve 3rd place overall.

Jordan Bobby and Rogan Marshall were awarded champions in their year. Jack Wicks and Shakira McCarthy achieved runner-up champion. Zoey Torrent and Sahrai Heller-Pari achieved third place overall champions.

Thanks to Ms Glennon, Mr Duke, Ms Cutler and Mrs Bryne for helping with the event.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Over the weekend a group of very dedicated and some very determined staff and students took part in the Relay for Life representing JTC. Once again we claimed the Top Fundraising School Trophy. The kids did an awesome job in the dolphin suits and will all be rewarded with 50 Vivos for outstanding representation at a community event.

Get on board for 2018!

MILO T20 BLAST SCHOOLS CRICKET CUP

John Tonkin College participated in the Milo T20 Blast Schools Cricket Cup on Tuesday 24 October.

We had 6 teams and 51 participants which was the most from any school competing on the day. The students represented the college extremely well, showing great sportsmanship, maturity and effort right throughout the day.

We had some excellent performances, including an unbelievable double hat trick (4 wickets in a row) from Arizona Forbes and the 9/10 Girls John Tonkin College. The team was undefeated and won their division. They now get to represent the Peel region in the state championships!

Our other teams experienced mixed success, with a few wins and a few losses for each of our year 7/8 teams. Overall it was a great day and the students who attended really did do the college proud.

WAAPA Summer School 2017/2018

The Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) is again offering an exciting school holiday program for students in years 4 to 12.

The Summer School includes classes in dance, drama, acting, screen performance, music theatre and of course, how to perform Shakespeare.

For information about the fantastic courses on offer please visit [WAAPA Summer School](http://www.waapa.org) or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au or 9370 6775.
It has been a busy and productive term at the Tindale Campus. Students have completed their semester two examinations and will continue to be engaged in meaningful work that will contribute to their final grade during the last weeks of term four.

Some memorable term four events include the Music Concert where students performed an array of songs and played instruments in front of friends and family. Ms Dickinson, Music teacher did an excellent job of organising this enjoyable concert where our students showcased their considerable talents. Ms Derrell, Manager of Student Services organised a beautiful Remembrance Day Service that included contributions from Cadet students who represented themselves impeccably during this solemn event. It was lovely to see the John Tonkin College community come together to commemorate on this important occasion.

Year 9 students are looking forward to attending the MET Campus for Orientation on Monday, 27th November and we are excited to host our 2018 incoming Year 7 students at Tindale Campus on the same day.

**YEAR 7 SCIENCE PROJECT**

The 7.4 Science class will be working on different STEM projects starting this week through until week 9. They will need to complete some work at home including looking at youtube videos, researching, planning, making models, experimenting according to what project they have undertaken.

Ms Sandhu

**SIGNALLING IN AN EMERGENCY**

This week year 8 and 9 bushranger cadets completed the bushcraft and survival module. Joe Tonga from NATSYNC visited the school and showed them how to procure water, how to light a fire and how to signal for help in emergencies.

**Canteen Menus**

Can be found on our website www.johntonkincollege.wa.edu.au

**PASSAGES PROJECT**

This term the Humanities and Social Sciences classes have been studying Civics and Citizenship, focusing on being an active citizen in our community. Students have helped a local youth homelessness group called Passages with their summer appeal.

As part of this project students collected donations, made posters and listened to a guest speaker from the Passages organisation. With the help of students, parents and staff across both campuses we managed to collect five boxes of basic necessities to help get young people off the streets.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank all students, parents and staff for their contributions and a special thanks to Miss Alford, Miss Di Giovanni and Miss Popperwell for their efforts.

Above Right to Left Annikki Brauer and Jade McDonald (Year 8) Katie MacLeod and Sam Riberi (Year 9)
JOHN TONKIN COLLEGE BUSHFIRE PLANS 2017/2018

Bushfire zone register - John Tonkin College MET Campus has been added to the Bushfire Zone Register. This means, the MET Campus, Years 10-12 may be required to evoke pre-emptive closure on a day for which a Catastrophic Fire danger rating (FDR) has been declared. This means that if a fire starts, it is likely to be uncontrollable, unpredictable and fast moving.

What does this mean for our school? -

For further information please click on the link below


PHYSICS WORLD

As in past years, John Tonkin College’s elite students (the year 11 and 12 Physics classes) made their annual pilgrimage to Adventure World to experience the laws of Physics first hand. As year 12 Physics student Angela says, “...forces that we calculate can be difficult to imagine without experiencing them”. And while the weather was less than favourable this year, that did not dampen the students’ spirits on a memorable day.

This outing was partially funded by Pathways and Transition, an organisation promoting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) and Defence Force careers. Indeed, all of our current year 12 class are moving on to pursue careers in STEM or Defence next year, with half of them hoping to delve deeper into the wonders of Physics in some capacity. This day is seen not only as an opportunity for the students to immerse themselves in real world Physics, but also a fitting reward for another year of extremely challenging work.

Remember, if you want to understand the world, are good at maths and have enough curiosity to make cats nervous, Physics could be the subject for you, potentially leading to an exciting future in Science, Engineering or Defence. Do you have what it takes? Perhaps we’ll see you at Physics World next year.

MANURAH ROTARY CLUB FOUR WAY SPEECH COMPETITION

Cara Riberi was awarded a John Tonkin College certificate for participating in the Rotary Four Way presentation in Term 3.

As published in our last newsletter Cara, one of our exceptional Year 10 students, represented John Tonkin College at the Mandurah Rotary Club Four Way Speech competition. The delivery of her speech, ‘The Heroes Journey’, was eloquent and sophisticated and she was certainly a worthy competitor. The English Department are incredibly proud of her resilience and tenacity during her preparation for the presentation and her performance on the night. She was an exceptional ambassador for John Tonkin College.

THE WETLANDS AND PEOPLE PLAN FOR RAMSAR SITE 482 LAUNCH

On 1st November, Taylah Shier from Year 11 was invited by Peel Harvey Catchment Council to present at the Launch of “The Wetlands and People Plan for Ramsar site 482. She spoke about how Estuary Guardians have been working with the community and schools to educate children and adults about the need to care for the estuary and the dolphin population.

The plan promotes communication, education, participation and awareness of the Peel-Yalgorup Wetland System and has involved consultation with a myriad of community stakeholders.

The Ramsar Site 482 wetlands, including the Peel-Harvey Estuary, Lake Clifton, Lake Mealup and the lands and lakes of Yalgorup National Park, are recognised as wetlands of international significance under the Ramsar Convention for their outstanding environmental, social and economic values.

The event was attended by state government and local government representatives. Professor Lyn Beasley officially launched the plan.
# Positive Behaviour Culture

## RESPECT

**LEARNING AREAS**
- We are polite and well mannered.
- Listen and follow all staff members' instructions.
- Allow others the right to learn.
- Treat my own, my peers and school equipment with care.

**SCHOOL GROUNDS**
- Follow staff instructions.
- Treat others with kindness and care.
- Are polite and well mannered.
- Keep our grounds rubbish and damage free.

**TECHNOLOGY**
- Treat school and personally owned equipment with care.
- Manage our personal accounts responsibly.
- Use social media responsibly outside of school hours.
- Use technology as the teacher instructs.
- Respect our own privacy and the privacy of others.

**COMMUNITY**
- Are polite and well mannered.
- Treat members of the community respectfully.
- Respect community property.
- Conduct ourselves in an orderly, safe and respectful manner when travelling to and from school.

## COMMIT

**LEARNING AREAS**
- Set goals.
- Always make an effort and persevere.
- Work collaboratively.
- Are organised for school.
- Are punctual.
- Attend all classes.
- Wear uniform correctly.
- Ask for help.

**SCHOOL GROUNDS**
- Stay within the college boundaries.
- Take care of all college equipment, buildings and environment.
- Report unsafe behaviour.

**TECHNOLOGY**
- Effectively use and maintain all equipment and resources.
- Follow the school policies of technology use.
- Learn how to manage our devices on the school network.

**COMMUNITY**
- Obey the law.
- Positively engage with our community.
- Make healthy lifestyle choices.

## EXCEL

**LEARNING AREAS**
- Complete all work to the best of our ability.
- Celebrate progress and achievement.
- Take responsibility for our learning.

**SCHOOL GROUNDS**
- Conduct ourselves and interact with others in a civil and caring manner.
- Be supportive and thoughtful of our peers.

**TECHNOLOGY**
- Use technology to enhance our learning.

**COMMUNITY**
- Are well presented in our uniform.
- Participate in community activities.
- Demonstrate positive behaviour.
- Maintain a positive reputation for the college.
- Take pride in being a member of John Tonkin College.
Important Dates - Term 4, 2017

- 1-20 November
  WACE ATAR Exams

- 17 November
  Year 11 General Pathway Students Final Day

- 20-24 November
  Year 11 Exams
  Year 11 ATAR Students Final Day

- 21 November
  Year 12 Valedictory Ceremony

- 22-24 November
  7S Point Perron Camp

- 24 November
  Whole Campus Assembly—Tindale

- 27 November
  Year 7, 2018 Orientation Day
  Year 10, 2018 Orientation Day @ MET

- 14 December
  Years 7-10 Term 4 Ends

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