

## Geraldton Residential College

# Term 2 2024 Newsletter

### A note from the College Manager

For those who are unaware, I have stepped into the role as College Manager while the recruitment process is undertaken to fill the position permanently at the Geraldton Residential College. Huge thanks to Jason Driscoll who was the acting College Manager immediately after Ruth Davis's resignation. In both cases these are big shoes to fill, in what is an important role supporting students at six separate educational facilities. My substantive position is the College Manager at Esperance Residential College and I look forward to bringing some of my own experiences at Esperance, while also learning from the fantastic work already done here in Geraldton. Hopefully, the recruitment process is completed sometime in Term 3 and the intention is for me to remain and help with any training requirements for the new College Manager.

My impressions so far of the College community is overwhelmingly positive. Overall, staff and students interact respectfully, and College students are involved in a range of sporting clubs, work environments and in study groups. The community here has been very welcoming, and with so many College students involved in winter sports and work, no wonder staff are so busy on bus runs. What a fantastic service.

The focus in Term 3, will be on our rewards system and getting students involved in activities. Please see our term 3 planner as well as the new rewards cabinet in the front

foyer of the College early next term. The rewards will be more tailored to things students view favourably. The College is also incorporating a "student of the week" rewarding them with the "gold token" and posting the recipient each week on Facebook.

Finally, as a "southerner" I take full responsibility for all the rain in the last few weeks. Please travel safely and enjoy your break.

**Peter Jarzabek - College Manager**

### Student Wellbeing Activities In Term 2

#### 80s Disco Party

We appreciate all of the students who came to the 80s Disco party, most of the students took the time to dress in 80s fashion and enjoyed themselves on the dance floor. Leilahni, Jake, and Cameron deserve congratulations for being the best dressed. Bravo to all participating supervisors and students!





### ANZAC Day 2024

On ANZAC Day, 17 of our students gathered together to honour and remember the brave men and women who served our country. 🇺🇸



It was a moving dawn service filled with reflection, gratitude, and unity.



### New Sporting Equipment

The College recently purchased a new table tennis table, which the students and staff have put to good use over the last week.



We would also like to thank Mrs Taryn Winter for her kind donation of sporting equipment for the College as a thank you for looking after Jed for the past 4.5 years – Many thanks Taryn!!

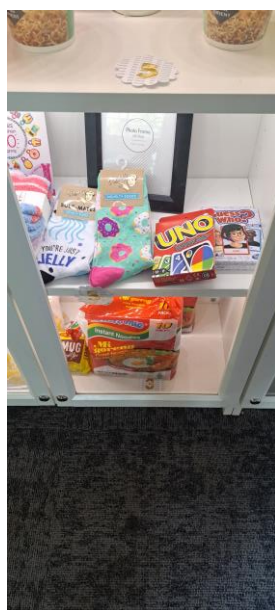
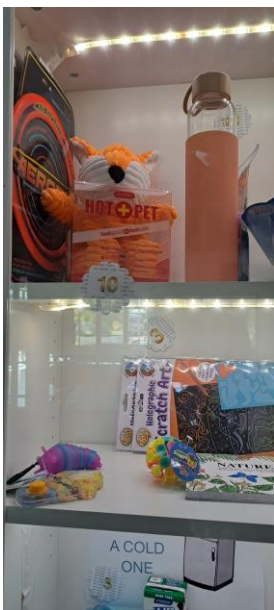




### Positive Behaviour Support

As mentioned previously in this Newsletter the college is excited to announce that starting next term, we will have a rewards cabinet in the main foyer.

This cabinet will serve as a platform for students to exchange tokens they have earned throughout the year for showing the college's core values of respect, responsibility and care.



Display Cabinet suggestions

### The Chillout/Reset Room

The College's Reset Room, also known as the wellbeing room, is a cosy and tranquil space designed to provide our students with a peaceful environment to relax and recharge. Work should be completed early next term.

This room will be equipped with comfortable seating, soothing lighting, and calming decor to promote a sense of serenity and mindfulness. Students can use this space to escape the hustle and bustle of college life, to simply take a moment to unwind and destress.

The Reset room serves as a valuable resource for promoting mental health and overall wellbeing among our students.



Chillout/Reset Room suggestion

### Things to Note for Term 3

Can you please provide the College with the following Items for your Child in Term 3 -

- COVID Tests – The College no longer provides them
- Strapping Tape – Should your child play sport
- We do recommend that your child has a debit card. If your child has large amounts of cash, can they hand it to a Supervisor for safekeeping (It will be kept in the students' file in a secure area).

Event	Details
<p><b>In the dining room</b></p> <p>Lets be - Respectful, Responsible and Caring</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make sure your technology is left in room/basket at mealtimes.</li> <li>• Clear away dishes and push chairs in as you leave the table.</li> <li>• Be responsible, for picking up dropped items and cleaning up any spillages.</li> <li>• Wear footwear in the dining room and kitchen.</li> <li>• Practice good hand washing hygiene.</li> <li>• Perform rostered duties without complaint.</li> <li>• Reduce waste.</li> <li>• Remove hat before entering dining room.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Student Clothing</b></p>	<p>Please label all your children's clothing, especially their school uniform.</p> <p>Please encourage your child to check the lost property on a regular basis.</p>
<p><b>Junk Food</b></p>	<p>May we ask the parents to support us in educating your children to make healthy food choices and limit the amount of "junk food " they are consuming, especially 2-minute noodles.</p>
<p><b>Prohibited Items</b></p>	<p>Aerosol Cans, Energy Drinks, Caffeine-Flavoured Milk, non Eat Learn Thrive (ELT) cereals which are high in sugar content are all prohibited from the College.</p>
<p><b>Lights Out Policy</b></p>	<p>The lights out policy is as follows:</p> <p>Sunday to Thursday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Junior students 9:00 pm</li> <li>• Senior students 9:30 pm</li> </ul> <p>Friday to Saturday</p> <p>Junior &amp; Senior students 10:00 pm</p> <p>Consideration will be given to Senior students who need to study outside of these times</p>

**You lose your key...it creates a fee...**

### Important Dates for Term 3

Event	Details
<p><b>GRC Opens for Term 3</b></p>	<p>Monday 15 July 2024 @ 3:00 pm</p>
<p><b>Geraldton Senior High School</b></p>	<p>School starts Tuesday 16 July 2024</p> <p>School ends Friday 20 September 2024</p>
<p><b>Nagle Catholic College</b></p>	<p>School starts Tuesday 16 July 2024</p> <p>Pupil Free Day Monday 19 August 2024</p> <p>Year 12's Finish Tuesday 17 September</p> <p>School ends Friday 20 September 2024</p>
<p><b>Geraldton Christian College</b></p>	<p>School starts Tuesday 16 July 2024</p> <p>School ends Friday 20 September 2024</p>
<p><b>Geraldton Grammar School</b></p>	<p>School Monday 22 July 2024</p> <p>School ends Friday 20 September 2024</p>
<p><b>Champion Bay Senior High School</b></p>	<p>School starts Tuesday 16 July 2024</p> <p>School ends Friday 20 September 2024</p>
<p><b>Year 12 Farewell &amp; College Awards</b></p>	<p>Friday 6 September 2024 @ 4.30 pm</p>
<p><b>Leaning Tree Steiner</b></p>	<p>School Starts Monday 15 July 2024</p> <p>School Ends Thursday 19 September 2024</p>
<p><b>GRC Closes for Term 3</b></p>	<p>Friday 20 September 2024 @ 5:00 pm</p>