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MINISTER FOR EDUCATION VISITS MOUNT LAWLEY

On Monday 4 August, Mount Lawley Senior High School had the honour of welcoming The Hon Sabine Winton MLA, Minister for Education, to our campus. She was joined by Mr Frank Paolino MLA, Member for Mount Lawley, and Ms Anna Brown, Executive Director, Infrastructure at the Department of Education.

The visit began with a warm welcome from our Principal, Ms Lesley Street, before our guests embarked on a guided tour of the school. They visited key learning areas, specialist facilities, and communal spaces, gaining a firsthand insight into the vibrant culture of our school and the achievements of our students.

Discussions during the visit focused on our rapidly growing student population, plans for future developments, and our ongoing commitment to delivering excellence in public education.

The tour also provided an opportunity for staff and students to share their experiences, highlight recent successes, and discuss the positive impact of past and planned infrastructure improvements.

We thank our guests for taking the time to connect with our school community and for their genuine interest in the future of Mount Lawley Senior High School.

We look forward to building on these conversations and working together to ensure our facilities and programs continue to meet the needs of all students.

🎥 **A short video of the visit is available to watch on our Vimeo page: vimeo.com/1107005541**

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Principal's Report

As we reflect on Term 3 at Mount Lawley Senior High School, it is clear that our students, staff, and community have experienced a term full of learning, achievement, and celebration.

The term began with students representing the school at the Korean War Veterans Memorial, a moving occasion that highlighted respect and remembrance. They carried themselves with dignity, making us proud ambassadors of Mount Lawley SHS. Year 10 subject counselling was another key focus, with staff supporting students and families to make informed choices about senior school pathways.

Celebrating aspiration and achievement, the Year 12 High Achievers Breakfast inspired students with guest speakers who shared stories of resilience and success. The Year 9 and 10 Skills Breakfasts offered younger students insight into future study and career opportunities. Year 8 students embraced outdoor challenges at Forrest Edge in Dwellingup, while Year 11 students enjoyed a successful Mocktail Party at Beaumonde on the Point, strengthening connections.

The cultural life of the school thrived with a vibrant Languages Week, showcasing diversity and community spirit. Our musicians shone during Music Camp and eight WA Schools' Music Festivals, with 19 ensembles and five soloists impressing audiences and adjudicators through skill, professionalism, and pride.

We were honoured to host our prestigious Honours Society Assembly, featuring alumni guest speaker Mariam Yaqub, now a Manager at Development WA. The House Athletics Carnival and the 70th Anniversary Contemporary Music Concert celebrated school spirit and history, while Year 12 Leavers Week created lasting memories.

Finally, Year 12 students completed their final school examinations, marking the end of one journey and the beginning of another. Term 3 has been busy, successful, and inspiring, and we thank our staff, students, families, and community for their continued support.

Michael Camilleri

Michael Camilleri
Acting Principal

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Visit: **community.lawley.wa.edu.au**

Upcoming Events



Media Night 2025
14 October 2025



Strings Concert
21 October 2025



Classical Guitar Concert
21 October 2025

Gifted and Talented

GAT Parent Info Evening
18 November 2025

View the full calendar of events, excursions, and activities on the school website.

lawley.wa.edu.au > Community > Calendar
https://www.lawley.wa.edu.au/view/community/calendar



Fulori (12F1), Charli (11H1), Daisy (11F1) were selected for the 2025 AFL RDC (Regional District Council) Team of the Year. They competed at Lightning Park, helping Metro Central defeat North and South Metro to win the inaugural competition.



Fletcher (11H2) competed in the Junior Tour of South Australia in July, showcasing his cycling skills. His performance demonstrated dedication and endurance in a highly competitive event. More recently, he also competed in the WA State Junior Road Racing Championships, producing a season's best performance.



Charlie (11H3) represented WA at the National Swimming Competition in August. Her achievements demonstrate her skill, focus, and perseverance in swimming.



Lilly (7A1) competed at the Australian Gymnastics Championships in July. Her performance reflected her hard work and talent at the national level.



Jack (12O3), School Captain participated in the WA State Swimming Championships. His dedication and competitive spirit were evident throughout the event.



Max (9M1) was selected for the U15 East Perth Football Squad, an exciting achievement that reflects his hard work and commitment to the sport. His dedication and determination have paved the way for a busy and rewarding season ahead.



Phillip (11F1) has been selected for the highly competitive 2025 SSWA Allstars Basketball Team, joining top players from schools including Willetton, Churchlands, and SEDA College. He will take the court at Bendat Basketball Stadium on 26 October.



Music Shines at WA Festival's

This Term has been an exceptional one for Mount Lawley Senior High School's Music Department, with 19 ensembles and 5 soloists proudly representing our school across eight different WA Schools' Music Festivals.

Our students performed to a very high standard, with the quality, professionalism, and size of our ensembles standing out strongly among the participating schools. Time and again, Mount Lawley students impressed adjudicators and audiences alike, not only through their musical skill but also through the way they carried themselves as ambassadors for our school.

It is deeply rewarding to see our young musicians performing with passion, collaborating with peers, and sharing their music with the wider community. These festivals are not only about showcasing technical excellence but also about building connections, resilience, and confidence through performance.

As a department, we are incredibly proud of the growth and depth of our program. Each year, we continue to expand the breadth of ensembles on offer, providing opportunities for students to challenge themselves, find their place in a group, and experience the enrichment of live performance.

We would like to give special thanks to our Instrumental Music School Services (IMSS) teachers, our classroom music staff, and the MLSHS Executive Team for their ongoing support of the Arts. Their dedication and encouragement is central to the success of our students and ensure the continued growth of music at Mount Lawley.

The achievements at the WA Schools' Music Festivals are a testament to this shared commitment, and most importantly, to the passion and hard work of our students. We look forward to building on this success as our program continues to grow and flourish.

Dijon Summers
Teacher In Charge Of Music





Ideal Pet Competition

At the end of Term 2, our Year 7 French students took part in a fun and creative competition, designing and describing their ideal (real or imaginary) pets in French.

Students impressed with their originality, producing delightful illustrations and carefully written descriptions that showcased both their artistic and language skills.

Congratulations to the winners, Harper and Sarah, for their meticulously crafted entries. Bravo!

A big thank you to all students who participated, your creativity and effort made this a truly enjoyable activity for the Year 7 French cohort.

Madame Lucas





AMC Competition

Over two big days on the 5th and 6th of August, 256 of our top mathematics students from Years 7 to 12 took part in the prestigious Australian Mathematics Competition, run by the Australian Mathematics Trust.

We're incredibly proud of all students who rose to the challenge and represented our school in this national competition. With so many brilliant minds participating, we're looking forward to celebrating a strong showing of awards such as Credits, Distinctions and High Distinctions!

Eric Tang
Program Coordinator - Mathematics





Plain English Speaking Success

It was an absolute pleasure to see two of our outstanding Year 12 students, Vanessa Nguyen and Jessica Wang, compete in the State Final of the Plain English Speaking Award on Saturday 23 August.

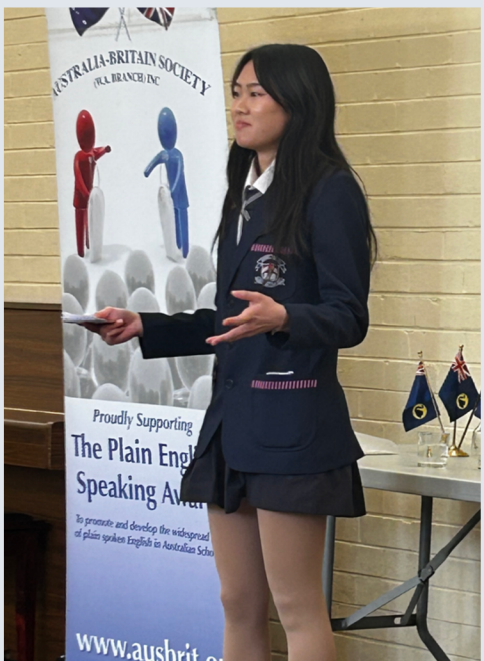
This prestigious competition brought together some of the best young public speakers from Independent, Catholic, and State schools across Western Australia.

Both Vanessa and Jessica represented Mount Lawley SHS with professionalism, confidence, and passion. Across three challenging rounds, an eight-minute prepared speech, a three-minute impromptu speech, and an interview, they impressed the judges with their expertise, poise, and engaging delivery.

Vanessa narrowly missed out on third place, while Jessica placed second overall in what was an exceptionally close final. Their achievements are a testament to their hard work, preparation, and talent as public speakers.

We are incredibly proud of both Vanessa and Jessica and congratulate them on this outstanding accomplishment. They have set an inspiring example for their peers and represented our school at the highest level.

Rebecca Davis
Program Coordinator – English







ABODA Festival

On Friday 8 August, our senior band performed in the A Division at the ABODA Festival.

Our music students did an excellent job, tackling some very challenging repertoire.

The adjudicators also led a workshop with the band, highlighting their flexibility and focus. Particular congratulations go to Year 12 musicians Finnian, George, Heidi, Esther, and of course, our wonderful Music Captain Xavier.

Their hard work and passion truly brought the music to life, showcasing the best of Mount Lawley's musical talent.

Dijon Summers
Teacher in Charge - Music



Honours Society

The Mount Lawley Senior High School Honours Society was created in 1982 to recognise hardwork, consistent application, and excellence in academic achievement.

To be eligible for acceptance into the society an outstanding achievement must be attained in both Year 11 and 12. Students on either an ATAR, General or VET pathway can be granted membership. Students select themselves through their attitude and application to their studies.

At this year's induction assembly, we were delighted to have guest speaker Mariam Yaqub, Senior Development Manager at DevelopmentWA from the Class of 2007 and fellow Honours Society member.

Her inspiring journey from our school to her current position in delivering a broad range of urban development projects, is testament to the values of the Honour Society. Vanessa Nguyen, Class of 2025, spoke on behalf of the new inductees.

Hon. Klasey Hirst MLC presented the 25 inductees with their badges and certificates, and offered congratulations on the students' outstanding work ethic and consistent demonstration of academic excellence.

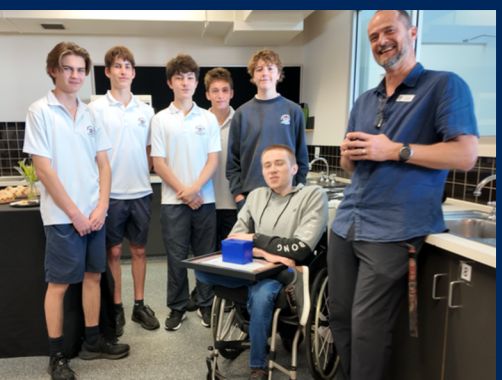












Semester 1 Recognition Breakfasts

Mount Lawley Senior High School was proud to host a series of recognition breakfasts across Semester 1, bringing together students, staff, and alumni to celebrate success and inspire future pathways. These events provided an opportunity to acknowledge the dedication and hard work of our students while also showcasing the remarkable journeys of past graduates.

Year 11 High Achievers Breakfast – Thursday 31 July
The first breakfast recognised the outstanding achievements of Year 11 students. Special guest speaker Hannah Rivers (Class of 2021) shared her inspiring story of perseverance. Despite sustaining a significant injury during her own Year 11 studies, Hannah demonstrated resilience and determination, which carried her through to success. Her words encouraged students to stay focused and strong, even when challenges arise.

Year 9 Skills Breakfast – Wednesday 6 August
The spotlight then turned to the Year 9 cohort, with an emphasis on the importance of developing practical skills and career readiness. Jade Rotherham (Class of 2019) addressed the group, reflecting on her journey into conservation and rehabilitation, beginning with a career in mining. Jade's story highlighted the value of adaptability, hands-on learning, and following passions that can evolve into rewarding career paths.

Year 12 High Achievers Breakfast – Wednesday 3 September
Year 12 High Achievers were honoured next at their own breakfast. Niko Peranovic (Class of 2001), former Head Boy and now General Manager of Rottnest Express, returned to share his leadership journey. Niko spoke of his time at Mount Lawley SHS and the foundations it gave him to pursue opportunities with confidence. His message to students emphasised the importance of seizing every opportunity and maintaining a commitment to excellence.

Year 10 Skills Breakfast – Wednesday 24 September
The final breakfast for Semester 1 celebrated the growing independence and aspirations of the Year 10 students. Lachan Cowper (Class of 2021) shared his inspiring journey in para-badminton, speaking about overcoming challenges and striving for excellence on and off the court. His story encouraged students to embrace resilience, set ambitious goals, and take pride in their individual achievements.

Together, these breakfasts not only celebrated student success but also strengthened the connection between current students and alumni, reminding all that the lessons learned at Mount Lawley SHS continue to shape futures long after graduation.











Lawley Amplified

Mount Lawley Senior High School's 70th Birthday Celebrations featured a spectacular day of Contemporary Music concerts on Thursday 11 September, showcasing the talent, creativity, and energy of our students.

Throughout the day, each sub-school experienced a live concert in the Gym. Contemporary Ensembles 3 and 4 performed to the Middle School, Ensembles 1 and 2 entertained the Upper School, and the Senior School concluded with a dynamic set from our senior groups. The atmosphere was electric, with students celebrating this milestone together through the shared experience of live music.

These concerts honoured Mount Lawley's rich musical history, while also showcasing the strength of our current program. Our Contemporary Ensembles continue to achieve at the highest level, with Contemporary Band 1 recently receiving the coveted "Outstanding" grade at the WA Schools' Contemporary Music Festival.

We thank our IMSS Contemporary Music teachers, Mr Kevin Ferguson and Mr Jeremy Peet, for their dedication and inspiration, and congratulate all students for proudly representing our school during this historic celebration.

Dijon Summers
Teacher in Charge - Music





Performing Arts Showcase

On Monday 1 September, Mount Lawley SHS hosted an incredible evening featuring our Choir Concert, Music Theatre Showcase, and Jazz Concert. The students' talent, stagecraft, costumes, and lighting created a truly memorable experience.

A special thank you to our Performing Arts Team: Mitch and Shahna for their work with Cert students, Nami for choir direction and backstage support, Dijon for coordination and organisation, and Choir Director Victoria O'Neil for her outstanding leadership.

Our Jazz Concert was equally remarkable, highlighting the growth and excellence of our Jazz program. Congratulations to Benn Hodgkin and Nami Cheng for their work with their ensembles, and to Dijon Summers for nurturing our Jazz program.

It was a wonderful celebration of student talent, collaboration, and dedication.

Michelle deRozario
Program Coordinator - Performing Arts



Final Notes, Lasting Memories

Congratulations to our outstanding Year 12 ATAR Music students, who presented their Final Recital Night on Wednesday 3 September.

It was an inspiring evening that highlighted the diversity of our program, from Western Art Music to Jazz, Contemporary, Composition, and everything in between. Each performance was a true reflection of the hard work, creativity, and dedication of this talented cohort.

The journey continued the following week, with students completing their ATAR practical examinations at St Stephen's on Tuesday 9 September. They approached the day with professionalism, focus, and a clear sense of pride in representing themselves and Mount Lawley SHS.

We extend our sincere thanks to the families, accompanists, IMSS tutors, and staff who have supported these students throughout their musical journey. Most of all, congratulations to our Year 12s, you are a remarkable group of musicians, and we are so proud of you.

Shahna Gallagher
Senior Teacher - Music





Languages Week

Mount Lawley Senior High School celebrated Languages Week with a variety of engaging cultural and linguistic activities designed to inspire our students.

The week began with bocce, the Italian version of lawn bowls, with students competing to roll their ball closest to the pallino, winning Italian sweet treats. Students also enjoyed Italian cannoli, panini, brioche, and played the card game scopa.
Students took part in an Interhouse and International Languages Spelling Bee, spelling words in Korean, Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese, and English, with house points up for grabs.

Visiting Japanese students hosted a calligraphy workshop, and students explored origami, Kendama, and Daruma Otoshi, learning traditional games and cultural lessons. French students played L'Escargot and enjoyed tartelettes, while Chinese students played Jump Swinging Ball, Xiangqi, and Jianzi. Korean students participated in K-pop dancing and cultural quizzes, with Year 12 students Iymaan and Dominique taking first place.

All students contributed to the Languages Greeting Board and Poster Competition, with prizes awarded to Gabriel, Nelly, and Scout. The Library ran a Country Quiz, with Year 8 student Luka winning a LEGO kit. Languages Week broadened horizons, fostered respect for diversity, and encouraged a love of language and culture.

Louise Chapman
Program Coordinator - Languages







Japanese Visit

In August, Mount Lawley Senior High School welcomed 20 students from Kogyokusha Boys' High School in Japan. The visit was organised by Gold Educational Tours in partnership with Mount Lawley Senior High School.

Students studying Japanese at Mount Lawley acted as buddies for the visiting students. This involved guiding their Japanese buddy through parts of the school day. At times, the visiting students attended Japanese classes or participated in special lessons organised by their group leader, Mami Kondo.

The exchange provided an excellent opportunity for both groups to interact. Our students practised their reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills in Japanese, while the visiting students gained insight into Australian school life. Highlights of the visit included a session on Australian Rules Football led by Health and Physical Education Program Coordinator, Adam Zen, and a media workshop facilitated by Media teacher, Deborah Edwards.

The visit concluded with a Farewell Function attended by the buddies, the visiting students, and staff marking the end of a memorable cultural exchange.

Louise Chapman
Program Coordinator - Languages





$1,350 raised for Telethon

In Week 3, our Year 11 Councillors ran a successful bake sale across both Middle and Senior School lunches. The tables were loaded with delicious home-baked treats, generously donated by our students, and they sold out completely by the end of lunch. Thanks to everyone's support, we raised over $500 from the bake sale alone.

As part of our ongoing commitment to fundraising for meaningful causes, our Year 10 Councillors organised a Free-Dress Day. Students came dressed in their comfiest and coolest outfits in exchange for a gold coin donation.

Together, these two initiatives raised over $1,350 for Telethon, supporting sick children and their families across WA.

We're really proud of the enthusiasm and effort shown by the Year 10 and 11 Councillor teams in organising the day, and of the students from all year groups who contributed to the success of the event.

Rebekah
Year 11 Student Councillor



Korean War Commemorative Service

On Sunday 27 July, Mount Lawley Senior High School was honoured to take part in the annual Korean War Commemorative Service at the Korean War Memorial in Kings Park, hosted by the Royal Australian Regiment Association WA.

Held to mark the 72nd anniversary of the Korean War Armistice Agreement, the ceremony paid tribute to the many Australian soldiers who fought and especially those who sacrificed their lives during the Korean War—many of whose stories have long gone unrecognised.

As the only high school in Western Australia offering Korean as a language subject, MLSHS was invited to play a key role in the service, proudly representing not only our school community but the youth of WA.

Ms Street (Principal), Mr Camilleri (Associate Principal), Ms Chapman (Head of Languages), Ms Ahn (Korean Teacher), and our Year 11 and 12 Korean ATAR students attended the event on a wet and blustery day.
As a school we remain committed to honouring the legacy of those who served in all conflicts.

Hyojeong Ahn
Korean Teacher





Year 12 Leaver's Week

Leavers Week 2025 was a fantastic celebration of our Year 12 students as they wrapped up their final term at Mount Lawley SHS.

The week was packed with fun, laughter, and plenty of opportunities for students to enjoy time with their peers and teachers before their next chapter begins.

The celebrations kicked off on Monday 8 September with the always-popular Staff vs Students AFL match at Hamer Park during Lunch 1. The friendly rivalry continued on Tuesday 9 September with a volleyball showdown in the gym, paired with a fun dress-up day themed "When I Grow Up," where students arrived dressed as their future selves.

Wednesday 10 September brought even more competitive spirit with Staff vs Students Netball, again filling the gym with energy and cheers from spectators. On Thursday, creativity took centre stage with the quirky "Anything But a Bag" day – students swapped their school bags for inventive alternatives, with some hilarious results.

The week wrapped up on Friday 12 September with a big finale, the Leavers Lunch and Year 12 Awards in the P Building. Year 12s came dressed as anything in the whole wide world, showing off their creativity and celebrating in style.

Younger students were invited to watch the staff vs student sports matches, but the spotlight firmly stayed on the graduating class, making this a memorable farewell celebration for our 2025 Leavers.







RUOK? Day Bake Sale

On Thursday 11 September, the Year 9 Councillors went above and beyond to prepare an incredible spread for their RUOK? Day Bake Sale, raising an impressive $1,032!

They took time out of their busy schedules to bake, decorate and taste-test, raising funds to support the RUOK? Foundation and its important work in mental health awareness and intervention.

Staff and students threw their support behind the day, purchasing delicious cakes, biscuits, and brownies, sharing laughter, conversation, and gratitude with one another. Councillors also visited staff offices to share leftover treats, spreading kindness across the school community.

During MS and US L2, students enjoyed the popular Putt-a-thon between the J, M, and G buildings, as well as the Library Game Centre, where Uno, Connect Four, Jenga, and Guess Who? offered a moment of quiet fun and connection.

Sam Glass
Year 9 Coordinator





Final Farewell to Brenda

At the end of Term 2, Mount Lawley Senior High School farewelled long-serving staff member Brenda Gosman, who retired after an incredible 26 years of service.

Brenda was the first Education Assistant ever appointed to our school and played a vital role in building the support we provide to students with special needs. Her warmth, professionalism and deep care for students have left a lasting legacy across the school community.

To mark the occasion, staff gathered for a morning tea to celebrate Brenda's remarkable contribution. Principal Lesley Street paid tribute to her work, saying:
"Her dedication, warmth, and tireless efforts have touched the lives of countless students and their families. Brenda leaves behind a legacy of kindness, care, and commitment that will not be forgotten."

Brenda's presence at Mount Lawley will be deeply missed. We wish her all the very best in retirement.





Celebrating Our Education Assistants

In Week 7, Mount Lawley Senior High School proudly joined schools across the country in celebrating Australian Education Assistant Appreciation Week.

Our Education Assistants (EAs) play a vital role in supporting learning, inclusion, wellbeing, and growth for our students. With care, patience, and dedication, they go above and beyond every day to ensure all students can thrive and succeed. Their contribution extends far beyond the classroom, enriching our school community in countless ways.

To recognise their incredible work, a special morning tea was held in their honour. It was a wonderful opportunity to show our gratitude and celebrate the difference they make at Mount Lawley SHS.

Their quiet dedication often happens behind the scenes, but the impact is seen and felt by students, staff, and families every day. Mount Lawley SHS would not be the same without their commitment and expertise.

A heartfelt thank you to all of our EAs — your support and commitment are deeply valued.





Year 11 Mocktail Party

On Monday 8 September, the Year 11 cohort gathered at Beaumonde on the Point to celebrate the annual Mocktail Party, a highlight of the school year. The evening began with students collecting their colourful mocktails, laughing and chatting as countless photos were taken.

Drinks in hand, everyone quickly settled into the atmosphere, enjoying the chance to relax and celebrate together outside of school. Not long after, the dance floor lit up as students kicked off the night with enthusiastic dancing to the music spun by the fantastic DJ, whose mix of songs kept the energy high, and the crowd engaged.

Adding to the excitement, Birdland, a local band featuring Francis, Oscar, and Conrad Cvitan from our very own Year 11 cohort, took to the stage. Their performance was a highlight of the night, with the crowd cheering them on as they played a dynamic set that even included an impressive original song.

The mix of dancing, live music, and vibrant atmosphere made the night an unforgettable experience for everyone involved. We thank our year coordinator, Miss Morskate and all the teachers who attended for such an amazing night!

Lana and Twyla
Year 11 Students



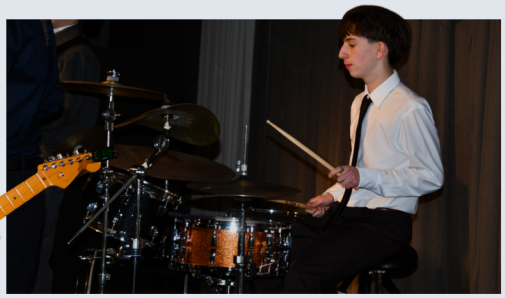


















Science Week

Science Week 2025 lit up the school with experiments, challenges, and discoveries, all tied to this year's theme *Decoding the Universe – Exploring the Unknown with Nature's Hidden Language.*

The week was packed with energy, laughter, and discovery as students immersed themselves in hands-on experiments and problem-solving activities.

Highlights included the explosive Elephant's Toothpaste experiment, creative science poster displays, and the challenging StileApp Escape Rooms that had students racing to solve clues.

The crowd-favourite, however, was the Exploding Watermelon Challenge, which drew cheers as students watched the dramatic, rubber-band-powered finale.

Science Week once again showcased the curiosity, teamwork, and creativity of our students, who embraced every opportunity to explore the unknown.

We can't wait to see where their scientific journeys take them next year!

Mat Winter
Program Coordinator - Science



Library Buzz

The library has been a hive of activity this term with a number of exciting events drawing in staff and students.

During Languages Week, a major highlight was the display of miniature buildings alongside an interactive activity, where students completed a fun quiz inspired by the countries represented by the five languages taught at our school. Congratulations went to Luka from Year 8, who came out on top as the winner and received a Japanese Tea House Building Block set for his efforts.

We also celebrated Book Week, always the biggest event on every school library calendar, with this year's theme of Book an Adventure. Students enthusiastically created their very own model hot air balloons, took part in daily form quizzes, and joined a scavenger hunt that led them on adventures around the school. The week concluded with a character dress-up day on Friday, giving staff and students the chance to come dressed as their favourite book characters.

Finally, adding to the excitement, our highly anticipated second-hand book sale returned, with all proceeds going to Telethon, a now, world renowned charity that supports the health and wellbeing of sick, vulnerable and disadvantaged children. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our community, we had a record number of donations and raised an impressive $813.60. Both staff and students found fantastic bargains, making it a rewarding event for everyone involved.

Ainsley Bakitch
Teacher Librarian







A Taste of France at Chez Pierre

The Year 11 and 12 French students were invited to dinner at Chez Pierre, a renowned French restaurant in Nedlands.

The evening began with a warm welcome from the French-speaking staff, setting the tone for a truly cultural experience. Students confidently ordered their own drinks, entrées, mains, and desserts in French, interacting with the staff in the target language. They enjoyed classic French dishes such as onion soup with Gruyère, seafood crêpes, chicken or duck mains, and desserts like lemon tart or crème brûlée. Adventurous students even tried escargot de Bourgogne, a traditional Burgundy snail served with garlic and herb butter.

Students also played French-language games with their teacher, Ms Lucas, enhancing their cultural and linguistic immersion. The evening was not just a culinary delight but also a celebration of French heritage, giving students the opportunity to bond over their shared love of French cuisine, language, and culture.

Louise Chapman
Program Coordinator - Languages



GAT trip to Siena's

Pizza, pasta, gelato and a whole lot of hand gestures painting the setting of the Year 7-10 GAT Club at Siena's of Leederville.

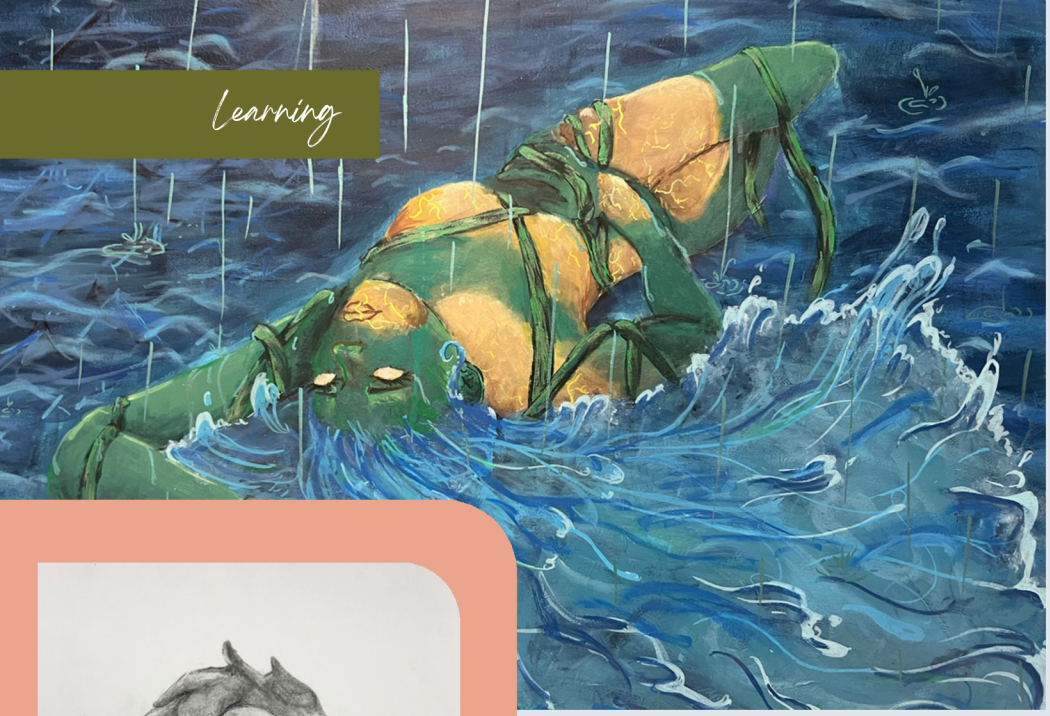
Various students offered the opportunity to order in Italian – putting what they learned into practice and enjoying the culinary culture of their target language.

Pupils were working on pronunciation, the eatery providing the possibility to converse with peers, show off their Italian skills and seek feedback from those around them. Multiple courses on offer including a selection of pizza and pasta dishes and a range of gelato, all ensuring the cohort did not leave hungry.

You'd be forgiven for thinking you're in a bustling Tuscan "trattoria" with GAT students communicating, fully absorbed in the Italian culture. The only give-away a couple of signed West Coast Eagles jumpers, paying tribute to some of the notable patrons the restaurant served over the years.

Matthew Farsalas
Italian Teacher













Celebrating Our Young Artists

Mount Lawley Senior High School is proud to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our Visual Arts students, who have recently been selected to showcase their work in prestigious state-wide exhibitions.

Young Originals
Now in its 16th year, Young Originals continues to be a highly regarded platform for young creatives across Western Australia. Hosted by the WA Secondary School Executives Association in partnership with the Sangora Education Foundation, ECU Arts and Humanities, and the Department of Education, the exhibition recognises the extraordinary talent of emerging artists. Out of 212 submissions in 2025, five Mount Lawley students were selected to exhibit at Spectrum Gallery: Marley, Esther, Jasmine, Thisalmi and Ruby.

Emerge Youth Art Awards
Presented by the City of Nedlands, the Emerge Youth Art Awards is the city's largest youth arts event, celebrating creativity and innovation among young artists. Congratulations to Chloe, who was selected to exhibit her work in this highly competitive exhibition. Her work was also selected for Young Originals reflecting the high standard of her art work.

HyperVision
Celebrating its 18th year in 2025, HyperVision at the Midland Junction Arts Centre invited young artists to respond to the theme Reflect, exploring memory, identity and perspective. We are delighted to acknowledge Cara and Gemma for their inclusion in this vibrant and diverse exhibition.

These achievements highlight the dedication and creativity of our students, and we commend them for representing Mount Lawley SHS with such distinction in the wider arts community.

Lynda Kuntyj
Program Coordinator - Visual Arts









Million Moves kicks off

On Thursday 14 August, Mount Lawley SHS proudly hosted the official launch of Million Moves – WA's free, inclusive three-week physical activity challenge.

We welcomed the Hon. Sabine Winton MLA, WA Minister for Education, Frank Paolino MLA, AUSactive General Manager Mike Beeney, and Tai Chi legend Dominic Yam to campus for this exciting event.

Our students got moving with netball, Tai Chi, and more, proving that staying active can be fun for everyone! A big thank you to Channel 7 for visiting and capturing the energy and excitement on campus, you may have even seen us on the news that evening!





Year 9 SVAPA Workshop

On Friday, August 1, our Year 9 SVAPA students took part in a full-day sculpture workshop in J1.5, led by Mr Trenton Harris and our Visual Art teacher Ms Marie Molloy.

Students explored shaping, modelling, and sculpting expressive clay busts, developing craftsmanship, conceptual thinking, and attention to detail. Thank you to Mr Harris and Ms Molloy for an inspiring day!

Shahna Gallagher
SVAPA Coordinator









Science in Action

In the Year 8 science classrooms, we have been participating in engaging lessons about biology, human biology in particular.

During our most recent lab session, we were extremely grateful for the opportunity to dissect and investigate sheep hearts. This process was fun, interesting, and a little bit messy!

We also had a teacher demonstration of sheep lungs inflating and we were able to examine the heart, lungs and liver from a sheep. This gave us a fantastic chance to gain a new perspective about the heart and lungs and truly understand their functions and structure, with the guidance of our incredible science teachers and lab technicians.

Luna O'Halloran
Year 8 Student



Supporting local Primary Schools

On Tuesday 2 September, a group of our Certificate II Sport Coaching students assisted at Yokine Primary School's annual athletics carnival.

They helped officiate events including javelin, long jump, and middle-distance running, and even took on the responsibility of presenting ribbons in front of students, staff, and parents.

This partnership with local primary schools has been running for almost a decade, providing valuable opportunities for our students to develop their skills while also positively representing our school community. Our students continue to be outstanding ambassadors, and yesterday was no exception.

Congratulations to our Sport Coaching students on their efforts. They next assisted at the Mount Lawley Primary School Athletics Carnival later in the term, once again doing a fantastic job and representing our school with pride.

Adam Zen
Program Coordinator - Health and Physical Education





House Athletics Carnival

The 2025 Western-themed House Athletics Carnival was finally run and won after a wet winter delayed proceedings. A sunny day greeted enthusiastic athletes, with fantastic costumes and new records set throughout the events.

HPE thanks students, staff, parents, and the community for their support. Congratulations to all individual champions and event winners, and a special well done to Murdoch for taking out the Overall Shield for the third year in a row!

Adam Zen
Program Coordinator - Health and Physical Education











			Champion	Runner Up
Middle School	7	Girls	Gabriella	Hannah
		Boys	Tate	Sora
	8	Girls	Kenzie	Eliza
		Boys	Alan	Jack
Upper School	9	Girls	Jessica & Hannah	Airlie
		Boys	Liam	Amir
	10	Girls	Natasha	Hailey
		Boys	Nicholas	Xander
Senior School	11	Girls	Tayla	Scarlet
		Boys	Jarvis	Sunny
	12	Girls	Riannah	Ronia
		Boys	Lucas	Tyeson

House	Middle	Upper	Senior	Overall
Hackett	1376	**1529**	1124	4029
Forrest	**1898**	1371	907	4176
O'Connor	1607	893	1085	3585
Murdoch	1726	1436	**1425**	**4587**



Year 7 AFL State Finals Success

After winning the Metro Central Carnival, our Year 7 AFL boys competed in the state finals on Thursday 21 August.

The boys played exceptional football, advancing to the preliminary final where they faced the eventual champions. They bounced back to secure 3rd place with a comfortable win—an incredible effort to finish among the best in the state!

David Turnbull
Health and Physical Education Teacher



Volleyball Success

Since reintroducing the Volleyball Program in 2025, both our Senior and Junior Girls teams have achieved remarkable results, establishing Mount Lawley as one of the top six schools in Western Australia.

On Friday 22 August, our Senior Girls (Year 11) reached an outstanding milestone by winning the Volleyball WA Schools' Cup 11A Division, defeating St Mary's in a thrilling Grand Final! This victory not only reflects the skill, determination, and teamwork of our students but also sets the stage for Nationals on the Gold Coast in 2026.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our winning team: Scarlett, Taylor, Aja, Cailyn, Lucy, Caira (Year 9), Tomoe, and Angela (Year 9). Special recognition goes to Scarlett, who was named MVP of the competition for her exceptional performance and leadership on the court.

The dedication of these athletes, combined with the support of our coaches and school community, highlights the bright future of volleyball at Mount Lawley SHS.

Stephen Tipping and Reid Hamilton
Health and Physical Education Teachers







Bush Ranger Cadets Camp

On Sunday 31 August, our Bush Ranger Cadets set off on an unforgettable four-day camp to the D'Entrecasteaux National Park near Walpole. This annual camp was the perfect opportunity for cadets to put into practice the camping and survival skills they had been working on during Monday afternoon sessions.

Upon arrival, cadets quickly set up tarps, cooking facilities, and their campsites before coming together to enjoy a delicious meal prepared on-site. Over the course of the trip, the group took part in a wide range of exciting and meaningful activities. Highlights included climbing Castle Rock in the Porongurups, visiting the stunning Greens Pool, and cleaning marine debris from Mandalay Beach as part of their ongoing environmental stewardship work.

Cadets also participated in a search for Hooded Plovers, learning about the conservation efforts required to protect this vulnerable shorebird. Of course, no Bush Ranger camp would be complete without the annual Belly Flop Competition, which brought plenty of laughter and good-spirited competition.

The success of the camp was thanks to the enthusiasm of our younger cadets, the excellent leadership shown by the senior cadets, and the unwavering commitment of our instructor volunteers. It was a memorable experience that strengthened teamwork, resilience, and environmental awareness.

Andrew Paul
Bush Ranger Cadets Unit Leader



Year 8 Camp

In Week 8 of Term 3, Year 8 students attended their camp at Forest Edge, a key part of their transition to Upper School.

The camp brought students from across the Year 8 communities together to connect, make friends, and take on new challenges.

Across the week, students enjoyed outdoor activities including canoeing, high-ropes, team challenges, and evening campfire sessions. They showed great enthusiasm and teamwork, supporting one another and stepping outside their comfort zones. Thank you to the staff who attended and made this experience possible.

Violet Davies
Year 8 Student









Outdoor Education Adventures

This term has been packed with action and adventure for our Outdoor Education students, with both Year 11 and Year 12 groups taking on new challenges, building resilience, and making memories outdoors.

Year 12 Outdoor Education
As Outdoor Education came to a close for our lovely Year 12 group, they were busy kayaking and surfing. Students completed a flat-water kayaking course during class, which prepared them for two days of white-water action in Walyunga National Park. This camp is a highlight for both students and staff, and day two of the camp saw many of the group tackling rapids backwards!

Year 12s are now finishing the year with some very early starts for the surfing unit. Despite mixed weather conditions, they have been enjoying the mornings catching a wave or two down at Leighton Beach.

Year 11 Outdoor Education
Year 11s have been busy on the abseil tower this term. Students are building skills in climbing, belaying, safety, and abseiling in preparation for an expedition later in the term. On Friday 22 August, they also completed a day hike in John Forrest National Park. Equipped with hiking packs, they navigated the Little Eagle View trail. Stay tuned to see how we go when we take on a section of the Bibbulmun Track later in the term!

Casey Rollnik
Health and Physical Education Teacher



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Peter Sparbier Perpetual Mathematics Scholarship	Rotary Club of Heirisson Science Scholarship	Campion Academic and Financial Equity Scholarships
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Valued up to $1,500	Valued at $350	Valued between $75 - $150

Michael Sutherland OAM Scholarship for Humanities	Rotary Club of Mount Lawley Music Scholarship	Gold Educational Tours Scholarships	Korean Association of WA Scholarships
Year 11 in 2026	Year 11 in 2026	ATAR Japanese Student: One Year 11 in 2026 & One Year 12 in 2026	Upper School in 2026 Senior School in 2026
Valued at $150	Valued at $250	Valued at $250 x 2	Valued at $200 x 2

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UNIFORM CONCEPTS

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2025/2026 UNIFORM PRICE LIST & ORDER FORM (effective from 1.10.25)

Student Name:	**Year:**	**Date:**
Parent / Guardian Name:		
Phone Number: Mobile		
Email Address		

DAY WEAR	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	QTY	PRICE*	TOTAL $
Navy Cuff Shorts															$ 44.00	
Pleated Skirt															$ 58.00	
Navy Dress															$ 80.00	
Navy Trousers															$ 61.00	
White Blouse - Short Sleeve															$ 40.00	
Music Black Blouse															$ 45.50	
Music Black Skirt															$ 56.75	
V-Neck Jumper - Poly Wool															$ 99.00	
V-Neck Jumper Poly Cotton															$ 99.00	
DAY WEAR	**Y8**	**Y10/4XS**	**Y12/3XS**	**Y14/2XS**	**XS**	**S**	**M**	**L**	**XL**	**2XL**	**3XL**	**4XL**		**QTY**	**PRICE***	**TOTAL $**
Shorts - microfibre - Navy															$ 41.00	
Music Black Shirt															$ 48.50	
DAY WEAR	**62**	**67**	**72**	**77**	**82**	**87**	**92**	**97**	**102**	**107**	**112**	**117**		**QTY**	**PRICE***	**TOTAL $**
Navy Trousers															$ 62.50	
Music Black Pant															$ 61.50	
DAY WEAR	**33/13**	**34/13.5**	**36/14**	**37/14.5**	**38/15**	**39/15.5**	**41/16**	**42/16.5**	**43/17**	**44/17.5**	**46/18**			**QTY**	**PRICE***	**TOTAL $**
White Shirt - Short Sleeve															$ 40.00	
DAY WEAR	**10Y/12Y**	**10/4XS**	**12/3XS**	**14/2XS**	**16/XS**	**S**	**M**	**L**	**XL**	**2XL**	**3XL**	**4XL**	**5XL**	**QTY**	**PRICE***	**TOTAL $**
Navy Polo (yrs 7 - 8)															$ 38.00	
Sky Polo (yrs 9 - 10)															$ 38.00	
White Polo (yrs 11 - 12)															$ 38.00	
Track Pants - Navy	/														$ 51.75	
School Jacket - Soft Shell															$ 82.00	
Windcheater - Navy															$ 47.50	
Undershirt - Navy or White (circle colour)															$ 25.25	
SPORTS GARMENTS	**4XS**	**3XS**	**2XS**	**XS**	**S**	**M**	**L**	**XL**	**2XL**	**3XL**	**4XL**			**QTY**	**PRICE***	**TOTAL $**
Faction Polo (circle colour) Blue, Green, Gold, Red,															$ 43.00	
Sports Shorts - reg length															$ 37.00	
Sports Shorts - shorter length															$ 37.00	
ACCESSORIES														**QTY**	**PRICE***	**TOTAL $**
Tie	**ONE SIZE**														$ 25.25	
Cap	**ONE SIZE**														$ 17.00	
School Bag	**ONE SIZE**														$ 62.00	

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