

Thank God It's Friday!



Welcome to the first issue of the Year 9 "Thank God's It's Friday (TGIF)" newsletter. This very successful initiative has been modelled on the Year 8 TGIF newsletter. The purpose of the TGIF newsletter is to diarise and celebrate the many wonderful events and achievements of the year group each week. We hope you enjoy our very first TGIF newsletter

The Year 9 Team



Mashita Mohammad Effendi



Sineath Nath at Curtin University

Internships

We currently have approximately 60% of our year group participating in our Internship program. This requires students to work in the adult world in order to understand more about their classroom learning. This issue of the TGIF features two Star Performers – Sineath Nath and Mashita Mohammad Effendi. Sineath and Mashita are demonstrating to their classmates that they can mix it with older students by attending different universities in Perth as a part of their learning plans.

Star Performer 1

Sineath Nath

Sineath chose primary school teaching as her focus for her Semester 2 Individual learning plan (ILP). She started her internship with Mrs Leech at Maddington Primary school in a year 1/2 class. During her internship she became interested in researching what makes an effective teacher and conversely what make an ineffective teacher. She was invited to present her research at a student teacher tutorial at **Curtin University**. She presented her research with a PowerPoint and a short role play she wrote, acted and edited, to two groups of 3rd year education students. The students gave her warm and cool feedback and gave suggestions about how she could improve and develop her work. Some of the comments from the university students included "... I am impressed by your confidence and the detail of your research..." Thanks to University Lecturer Leith Hogan for inviting Sineath to present at the University.

STAR PERFORMER 2

Mashita Mohammad Effendi

Mashita's Semester 2 Topic is Forensic Science. Her internship involves her working with 5th year students from **Murdoch University** who are studying Forensic Toxicology and Science.

Mashita recently attended a 4 hour practical science lab at the University. There she was given a background to a case involving the death of a man in 2002. There was a suspicion that his wife may have murdered him. Mashita had to use chemistry to determine if poisons were involved in the man's death. This required her to observe and participate in a hands on science lab with the university students. Mashita mixed different types of chemicals and used different lab machines in order to help determine the cause of death. Mashita will also attend regular lectures at the university on Mondays with her lab work taking place on Tuesdays.

A Busy Term

Fri 31st Oct Athletics Carnival
Mon 3rd Nov National Young Leaders Day
Mon 3rd-Fri 7th Nov Football Academy Camp
Fri 14th Nov Reward Excursion
Fri 21st Nov Multicultural Fair Fund Raiser
Thu 4th Dec Football Academy Wind Up
Wed 17th Dec Year 9 Awards Night
Thu 18th Dec Last day of school – Adventure World

Reminders

The finishing touches are currently being made to the year book. Students can purchase a year book for \$15.00. Payment is due to the office by Friday the 7th of November. Books will be printed to order so – no order, no book.

Transperth have advised that the school bus departing YBC in the afternoons will now be called School Special 230 – look out for it!!

Canberra Tour

Our tour of Canberra is now only 42 weeks away!!! 25 students, 3 parents and 5 staff are heading off to Canberra in August of 2009 to learn more about our nation's capital. This term, several fund raising activities will take place. Keep your eyes posted for more news.

