

Centralian Girls Academy - Centralian Middle School - 2016 Newsletter | Fifth Edition



We are almost at the end of what has been a 'very big year' for both us, as staff and most importantly our girls. We've had a couple of big events for both The Girls Academy and the School, with our End of year Presentations. These events are always a great night for us all, we get to celebrate our students achievements with the School community and their families.

It's always sad, this time of year, as we say good-bye to our Year 9 students; we wish them all the best in their future endeavours at Centralian Senior College. We've had the great privilege of watching most of our year 9 students grow into strong & confident young ladies. As they leave for the next stage of their schooling, we are preparing for a whole new cohort of year 7 students, which we are excited to meet.

During week 2 of this term (Tuesday 19th October), CMS held a transition day for all our feeder Schools (Primary Schools). We held activities within our Girls Academy room, which all the Primary students loved. We introduced ourselves as staff and what the Girls Academy Program is about. It was a great day, and we look forward to getting to know them all next year.

Clontarf's Rugby Challenge Night

This year Clontarf invited both The Girls Academy & Yirara College to play the 'Curtain Raiser' game to open their Rugby Challenge Night. We played a friendly game of Touch Rugby, which our girls won 3-0. It was an awesome night, which our girls loved, they participated well and represented The Girls Academy with pride and respect. Mia Broome (Senior College - Girls Academy student) won our 'Sportsmanship Award', for being a great role model, having a positive attitude and displaying excellent participation.



Girls Academy Secret Santa

Every year for the last 3 years, The Girls Academy have held their own 'Secret Santa' for any of our girls who wish to participate. This year we had 50 participants, all of whom have contributed a gift. It's always a fun time for our girls as; we love to get into the Christmas Spirit, from putting up the Christmas tree, making Christmas Decorations & holding our Christmas Luncheon for our year 7 & 8 students, staff & families. This year our Christmas Luncheon will be held on Monday 12th December in the Girls Academy Room, during lunch time.



The Girls Academy 'End of Year' Awards

This is one of our main events for the year, which sees us come together with the Senior College to celebrate our Girls Academy students and their achievements. This year we held our Awards night at the Alice Springs Desert Park on Thursday 3rd November. It was a beautiful night with approximately 120 guests attending, this included; staff, teachers, students, families and our special guest. We would like to again, congratulate all our award winners for having an outstanding year and to all our Girls Academy students we thank them all for their efforts in 2016. These are the Award Winners for 2016:

<i>Award</i>	<i>Winner</i>	<i>Sponsored by:</i>
2016 Academy Focus for Success - Participation Award	Skyla Geraghty	Yeperenye Shopping Centre
2016 Academy Focus for Success - Punctuality Award	Katie Martin	AFLCA
2016 Academy Focus for Success - Pride Award	Margritta Cavanagh	Alice Springs Town Council
2016 Academy Friendship Award	Jemma Morick	R.D.C
2016 Most Improved Student Award - Small Groups	Tazman Hume	CAAMA
2016 Academy Outstanding Attendance Award	Billie Jean Robb	Centralian Middle School
2016 Academy Ambassador Award	Emily McGinness	Centralian Girls Academy
2016 Academic Aspiration Award	Lara Strachan	Centralian Middle School
2016 Aspiring Role Model Award	Shoneeka Abbott	Centralian Girls Academy
2016 Academy Sports Woman of the Year	Taylor Moldrich	Jenny Nixon
2016 Beverley Angeles - Outstanding Achiever Award	Trixia Mae Calica	Centralian Girls Academy



Year 9 Fun Day

Our year 9 Fun Day was for our year 9 students who couldn't attend the year 9 camp. Both The Girls Academy and Clontarf came together for a day full of activities and FUN! We started the morning tea. We then returned to town for a BBQ and swim at the Town Pool.

Important Dates for Girls Academy Term 4

- Girls Academy Christmas Luncheon - Girls Academy Room - Monday 12th December, 12:30pm to 1:20pm. All year 7 & 8 students, please see Girls Academy staff for your invite.
- Year 9 Dinner Dance at Star of Alice - Monday 12th December, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- Annual School Colour Smash - Wednesday 14th December, 11:40am to 1:00pm. Cost is \$10 which covers your white t-shirt & BBQ.

Girls Academy Staff

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