

Albany Residential College Newsletter

Respect • Belonging • Independence

Term 3 - 2025

Albany Residential College Marketing Campaign

August 8-10, a film crew was at the college to take photos and record video for promotional materials to lift the profile of the college. It was a successful weekend. Students and staff were rewarded with a PBS dinner at Venice Pizza in Albany for their hard work and willingness to step into the limelight.











Student Reminders

Leave and Bus Runs

Bus runs need to be entered at least 24 hours in advance. If it is not entered, a bus run will not be made unless there are extenuating circumstances.

It is also important for students and parents to enter leave in advance to enable the college to plan accordingly.

If any assistance is needed with Reach, please feel free to contact the college.

Laundry

Our laundryhand is available for students to get their washing done on a weekly basis. Dorms are also equipped with domestic machines to enable them to wash their own clothes and bedding. Students are required to bring their own washing detergents.

Town Leave

We want students at the college to have a sense of independence. We have made some changes to town leave days as follows:

- Year 7-10 Students W,S,S
- Year 11 Students M,W,F,S,S

Parent Reminders

Medications and Illness

Please provide your student with a stock of paracetamol, ibuprofen and flu medication for Term 4. The college will not be able to pay for these medications.

If your student experiences extending periods of illness, they may be asked to return home to prevent the spread.

Sign Out Procedures

Parents and hosts need to physically present themselves when signing out students. This is to ensure they are departing with the correct people while in our duty of care.

Leave should be entered in advance before signing students out.

When new hosts are entered into our system, we would like a photocopy of their driver's license and their phone number for our records.

Contact Details

We endeavour to keep our system up to date with accurate information. This includes contact details. If your phone number, email or home address has changes, please let us know. We will update our system with this information.

Important Dates

Date	Details
12 th October	College re-opens 3pm
13 th October	ASHS/NASHS/ACC first day back
14 th October	St Joseph's College first day back
7 th November	Pupil Free Day for: Albany Senior High School North Albany Senior High School St Joseph's College
27 th – 28 th November	New Student Orientation Sleepover
5 th – 7 th December	Perth Camp
10 th December	End of Term for ACC
12 th December	End of Term for St Josephs
18 th December	End of Term for ASHS/NASHS WACOAD College Closes 5pm

Presentation Night 2025

On 18 September, we farewelled our Year 12 students and acknowledged the success of our other boarders and the hard work they have done throughout the year.



All-Rounder – This award acknowledges boarders who are social, relate well with others, and contribute positively to college life through leading by example. The 2025 recipients are:

- Mitch P.
- Mia P.
- Ena G.-K.
- Flynn T.



Sports Award - This award recognises the boarders that have shown commitment, dedication, self-motivation and most of all, great sportsmanship throughout their chosen sport. The 2025 recipients are:

- Mitch P.
- Zachary S.
- Meg C.
- Zoe L.



Study Award – This award is presented to boarders who have made an effort to use their time productively and take advantage of opportunities that present themselves. The 2025 recipients are:

Kate M., Terence J. V. V., Delilah G.-K., Gabriella M., Reagan G., Quinn M., Mia P., Lyrix C., Nirvanah T., Tegan D. V., Kai E., Kurt C., Luc D. P., Jocelyn G.-K., Ena G.-K., Zoe L., Jessica B., Imogen P., Michaela C., Zoe H., Georgie H., Indianna W.

Citizenship Award – This award recognises the boarders who have shown leadership, reliability, encouragement of others, and a positive attitude throughout the year.

The 2025 boarder of the year leads by example and is a role model within the boarding community. The 2025 recipients are:

- Meg C.
- Mia P.
- Jarrod C.
- Talen N.
- William H.
- Max L.
- Tegan D. V.
- Georgie H.
- Kingsley W.
- Noah L.



Rising Star – This award recognises boarders who have shown noteworthy growth and potential throughout the year. They have demonstrated key values of our college such as helpfulness, respect, dedication and honesty.

- Isobel C.
- James M.



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Sierra N.

Jocelyn G.-K.

Michaela C.

Imogen P.

Tegan D. V.

Lyrix C.

Jessica B.



Farewell to Pat B.

At Presentation Night, we farewelled Pat. Pat has worked in the kitchen at Albany Residential College for 24 years. She was renowned for the great food she produced for students at the college throughout her years here. From ham and turkey Christmas dinners, to theme night specialties and Halloween treats; Pat's food was as delicious as it looked. Everyone loved her famous Thai basil chicken, curried egg sandwiches, and chocolate self-saucing puddings! Countless sandwiches, salads, soups, cakes and curries, we hope you have a well deserved rest from batch cooking Pat and hope the adjustment to cooking for two is not too challenging!

We wish Pat all the best for the future and we hope she pops in for a visit.



Changes Coming in 2026

We are aiming to be consistent with all residential colleges in WA. As a result, the following changes will be made to our operations:

Mobile Phones and Devices – All mobile phones and devices that are connected to the internet (e.g. laptops, smart watches, tablets) will now be stored in a central location near reception. Years 7-10 will be handing in devices at the required time.

Additionally, consequences for poor behaviour may include confiscation of devices for longer periods of time. Guidelines for this will be communicated to students and parents before the end of the school year.

Students in Rooms – Students are allowed to have friends in rooms. There will be a limit of two students per room (including the occupant) before lights out. The door must also be propped open when they have a guest in their room.

Further to this, additional consequences may be implemented if students are found to have additional people in their room after lights out.

Study/Quiet Time – There will be a period of time dedicated to study and/or quiet time every school night to allow students to focus on homework and other activities related to school. Students will be required to stay in their rooms and remain respectful during these times. They can also attend tutoring if it coincides with this time.

Tutoring at the College – The College invests a proportion of its budget to employ a tutor to help students four nights per week. The following guidelines will be implemented to ensure students are maximising this opportunity:

- Music and phones will not be allowed during tutoring to ensure students are able to study without distractions
- Excessive socialising will not be allowed out of respect for students who want to focus on studying
- The tutor will be asked to either rearrange how students are sitting or ask students to leave if they are not using the time appropriately
- Students will be encouraged to attend study with the tutor

Activities – The College endeavours to keep students busy and active. Weekly activities are planned and students are encouraged to take part in them. Communication will improve so parents are aware of activities to help encourage attendance through:

- Weekly Facebook posts
- A noticeboard in reception for students

Attendance and Lateness to School - Students board at the College to attend school. It is important that they are organised for the day and ready to get to school on time. Consequences will be implemented if there is persistent lateness to school due to disorganisation.

Additionally, students should only stay at the College if they are unable to to attend school due to illness. If they are unable to attend for long periods of time, parents will be asked to organise travel for students to return home. They can return when they are able to attend school again.

Annual Informed Consent for Activities and Excursions – Early next year, we will be asking you to sign an annual consent form that covers a variety of activities based in Albany. This will enable us to enter automatic leave into Reach that will not require your approval. This will streamline the process and create less admin for parents and supervisors.

Last Note about these changes

It is important to note that we will be communicating these changes to students throughout Term 4. For some of these changes, we will start to implement them so students are familiar with them when they return in 2026. Your support with them will be appreciated.

If you have any questions, please email us at: Albany.ResCol@education.wa.edu.au