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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 27 SEP** Last Day Term 3
- 7-11 OCT** 'Design a Loud Tee' at Floreat Forum
- 14 OCT** First Day Term 4
- 18 OCT** Loud Shirt Day
- 26-27 OCT** Telethon Weekend
- 20 NOV** Family Information Night
- 6 DEC** Outpost Movie Night
- 13 DEC** Last Day Term 4



CELEBRATING 30 YEARS!



TSH celebrated its 30th Power of Speech Awards on September 14. The event saw 28 courageous Outpost students stand up on stage and showcase their skills as powerful public communicators. Congratulations to all Outpost families and students involved!

Turn to pages 6-9 to read more!





MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

MARK FITZPATRICK

It is hard to believe that we are already nearing the end of our third term for 2019.

Term 3 has seen us welcome a number of additional families to our programs, with new Talkabout 2 and Talkabout 3 classes added to respond to the requests for help we have. I trust that families new to Telethon Speech & Hearing have valued being part of the TSH family and are getting enormous benefit from the multidisciplinary approach we pride ourselves on. We have also had a lot happening with the 30th Power of Speech being held this month, our *Hear Now* program commencing, commencing an ear health screening program at Clontarf Aboriginal College, Ursula Frayne Catholic College joining us as an Outpost school, and more.

30TH POWER OF SPEECH AWARDS

This term we held our 30th Power of Speech event. This is my favourite event of the year. To have 28 brave 6 to 12 year olds speak in front of 250 people in our Auditorium was inspiring and illustrates the wonderful work our staff do to support them and their families throughout the education through our Outpost program. It is also testament to the leadership and foresight of our team to have something that started in 'our own backyard', so to speak, now grow internationally with other Power of Speech events happening at Federal parliament and in the UK.

SUPPORTING CLONTARF ABORIGINAL COLLEGE

During the term we started a promising relationship with Clontarf Aboriginal College in Bentley. Supporting children from Perth as well as from all parts of the State, TSH is conducting ear health screenings at Clontarf with thanks to funding from the Hearing Research and Support Foundation and the Catholic Education Office.

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The dynamism of the school and the care shown to the students is something that we are very aligned to and it is great to hear back from the school that the TSH team is already adding a lot of value to these young people's lives. I look forward to seeing the results of our work at Clontarf.

FIRST VOICE

It is very humbling to have our colleagues at First Voice ask me to be Chair of the Board for the next 18 months. First Voice (www.firstvoice.org.au) is a member-based organisation that believes in the power of an Auditory Verbal approach to supporting children with hearing loss, as we do through our Chatterbox program. First Voice has played an integral role in a number of the reforms in the sector and is a staunch advocate for families in accessing the NDIS, amongst other things.

As part of the First Voice organisation, we will continue to support families accessing our services to obtain the best possible outcomes for their children. Your feedback through our team, or directly to me, is always critical to us helping to create a better system for you to access, so please continue to share your stories and provide your feedback.

FAMILY SURVEYS

Speaking of feedback, please don't forget to complete our Annual Family Survey. The Survey covers a wide array of areas we focus on at TSH and we encourage all of our families to participate as your feedback features heavily in our future planning and improvement initiatives.

As we head into the holiday period, I hope that all of our families have a wonderful, safe and relaxing break. It is wonderful time to relax as we head towards the end of another year.

ANNUAL FAMILY SURVEY OUTCOMES

TAKING ACTION ON YOUR FEEDBACK

Each year Telethon Speech & Hearing invites families to complete a survey as we constantly strive to improve our service delivery. Taking part in the survey is an opportunity for you to anonymously share your experiences and opinions with the team at TSH.

We value the feedback we receive through the survey and take actions as a result of what you have to say.

For instance, following the last year's survey, we have:

- ▶ Put up extra signage to indicate 'parent only' parking.
- ▶ Begun work to commence an Outpost program in a high school south of the river in 2020.
- ▶ Scheduled more timely audiology appointments for children in Chatterbox.
- ▶ Provided more access to Audiology appointments for Outpost students - timetables have been rearranged to free up appointment times before and after school.

Improving our services and outcomes for families is an ongoing process and cannot be done without your help.

We would like to know about your experience with TSH this year. We have emailed a link to the survey to your nominated email account.

You can complete the survey on a computer, a smartphone or a tablet. We are also happy to provide a hard copy if it is more convenient for you.

Your participation to help us improve by giving feedback through the survey is greatly appreciated.

HOW WAS YOUR EXPERIENCE AT TSH THIS YEAR?

To help us improve our services for you and your family, please participate in our Annual Family Survey. A link has been emailed to you, and you can complete the survey on a computer, a smartphone or a tablet.

Please ask your child's Teacher, Therapist or Family Liaison Officer (Michelle Jamieson), for a copy of the survey if you have not receive an invitation email.

BOOK WEEK

CELEBRATING GREAT LITERATURE AROUND OUR CENTRE

Celebrating our love of reading and great Australian literature is an annual tradition at TSH.

This year, our early intervention programs continued tradition by encouraging students to dress up based on this year's theme, "Reading is My Secret Power".

Here are just a few of the spectacular book characters we spotted throughout the week in Chatterbox and Talkabout!



URSULA FRAYNE JOINS OUTPOST!

PROVIDING GREATER EDUCATIONAL CHOICE FOR STUDENTS WITH HEARING LOSS

TSH is delighted to let our Outpost and Chatterbox families know that we have now entered into an agreement with **Ursula Frayne Catholic College** in Victoria Park to jointly support children with a hearing loss.

The College is happy to accept enrolment applications from TSH families based on an understanding that the application will be assessed against the published enrolment criteria.

Ursula Frayne Principal, Geoff Mills, welcomes applications from families who wish to share in the mission of the Ursula Frayne Catholic College community.

While an offer of a position is at the discretion of the Principal, the Principal takes into consideration the following:

- ▶ Priority is given to applicants whose parents have demonstrated a concern for the religious development of their child.
- ▶ Priority is given to applicants who, in the estimation of the Principal, are likely to benefit most from enrolment at the College.

Please read the enrolment criteria points below for further detail.

If you think studying at Ursula Frayne is an option you would like to explore for your son or daughter, we strongly encourage you to put in an enrolment application sooner rather than later, as Ursula Frayne is a school of excellence and generally holds waitlists at all year levels.

Please contact TSH's Principal or Deputy Principal if you have put in an application for enrolment so we can continue to support your family, and include your application in our planning processes. We look forward to working with the Ursula Frayne community in the very near future.



URSULA FRAYNE
CATHOLIC COLLEGE

MORE ABOUT URSULA FRAYNE

For more information about our newest Outpost school, visit:
www.ufcc.wa.edu.au
or contact TSH Principal, Janene Hall, or Deputy Principal, Geoff Reader to assist with your application for enrolment:
speech@tsh.org.au / 9387 9888.



URSULA FRAYNE ENROLMENT CRITERIA

BALMORAL CAMPUS (PREPARATORY AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS)

After consideration has been given to the criteria above, priority is accorded to applicants in the following order:

- ▶ Catholic students from the associated parishes with a Parish Priest reference.
- ▶ Catholic students from other parishes with a Parish Priest reference.
- ▶ Other Catholic students from the associated parishes.

- ▶ Other Catholic students.
- ▶ Siblings of non-Catholic students.
- ▶ Non-Catholic students from other Christian denominations.
- ▶ Other non-Catholic students.

DUNCAN CAMPUS (MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOLS)

After consideration has been given to the criteria above, priority is accorded to applicants in the following order:

- ▶ Catholic students from Catholic primary schools with a Parish Priest reference.

- ▶ Catholic students from non-Catholic primary schools with a Parish Priest reference.
- ▶ Other Catholic students from Catholic primary schools.
- ▶ Other Catholic students from non-Catholic primary schools.
- ▶ Siblings of non-Catholic students.
- ▶ Non-Catholic students from Catholic primary schools.
- ▶ Non-Catholic students from other Christian denominations.
- ▶ Other non-Catholic students.

POWER OF SPEECH HIGHLIGHTS

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS WITH TSH DEPUTY PRINCIPAL, GEOFF READER

On September 14, we held our 30th annual Power of Speech Awards in our main auditorium. This year we had 28 Outpost students participate, more than ever before.

There were tears of heartbreak, laughter and joy as one by one, our primary school aged students took to the stage and displayed their personality in front of a crowd of 250 family, friends and staff members.

The very idea of a public speaking competition for children with hearing loss stemmed from early conversations among staff that there was a great need to motivate our students to practice their developing speech skills. An event, it was decided, would provide us with a vehicle to help them: develop public speaking skills, attempt speech writing, build confidence, learn how to deal with nerves, and develop the courage to face very challenging situations.



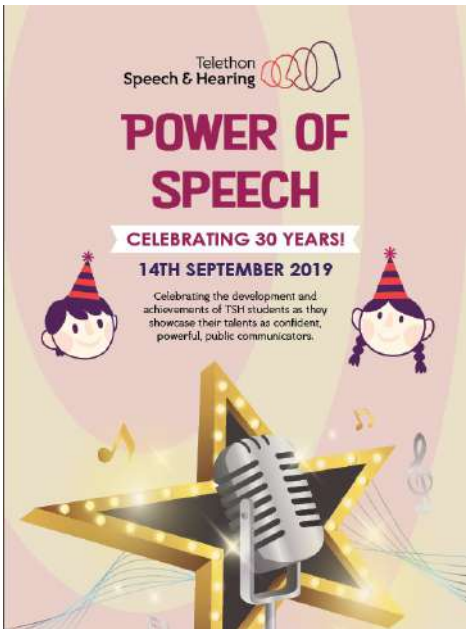
From this, our very first event was held in 1989 and was originally known as the Clear Speech Awards. Dedicated to one of our long-standing staff members, the late Mary Shurman (who was retiring at the end of that year), it all started in TSH's 'Crommelin Building' to much celebration and success.

As the event grew, we moved to larger venues to cope with a growing audience. From the Boulevard Centre in Floreat, to St Stephen's School auditorium in Duncraig, our annual event finally settled and returned back to our centre in Wembley once renovations were completed in 2012.

In 2013, First Voice - the advocacy and research group for listening and spoken language early intervention programs - turned Power of Speech into a national event. In 2018 Power of Speech grew even further, as students with hearing loss in the United Kingdom now make presentations to their own members of Parliament. Who would've thought this small event, that started in 1989, would turn into an international phenomenon!

Thirty years on, I continue to be amazed at the courage and poise with which our students deliver their speeches to their loved ones and wider audience. The skills of our students have improved over the years, with more refined early intervention and support programs, and even more sophisticated listening devices.

Congratulations to all of our Outpost students who participated this year, and to the staff and families who have supported them up to this day. I am already looking forward to next year's event!



Elle Menchetti (Year 1) delivering her first-ever speech!



Our amazing MCs - Andrea Burns (former TSH Board Member) and Dave Harben (a loyal Eagles fan 😊).

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 POWER OF SPEECH WINNERS!



CATEGORY 1 WINNER - CHLOE HOE

Displaying great confidence and poise, Chloe impressed everyone in the room as she recited the Chinese poem, *Qing Wa Xie Shi* (Frog Writes a Poem) in both Mandarin and English!



CATEGORY 2 WINNER - EAMON DOAK

Eamon warmed everyone's hearts with a beautiful presentation about his family, the TRIBE he has around him supporting him with Usher's Syndrome, and his dreams to one day fly a plane.



GEOFF READER ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - MIA SHEPPARD

Mia made everyone smile with her speech entitled 'Daisy the Dog'. Revolving around her pet puppy Daisy, Mia did a very convincing job telling everyone about the 'best dog in the world!'.



MARY SHURMAN MOST IMPROVED - ORLANDO CASTIGLIONE

Expressing his love of nursery rhymes and songs, Orlando made everyone in the room laugh with his renditions of *Row, Row, Row your Boat*.



POS 2019: TSH STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

"Watching the past students reminiscing and naming those they remembered when the power point was playing during the break.

Really bought home to me how significant TSH is in their lives. They are so keen to have a reunion!"

- Josie Sullivan, Teacher of the Deaf

"My most memorable moment involved my third cupcake..... No I think despite so much laughter, tears and admiration mine was realising that a child (Elivia Robbins) had summarized and then articulated what POS is all about better than I ever could!"

- Dave Harben, Maintenance Manager and POS co-MC



"Oh man, I was just blown away by the calibre of the whole day. I was in awe of the students, you guys, and so proud to be a part of TSH.

My most memorable moments was trying (and failing dismally) to hold back the tears during Eamon's speech and feeling all fired up and hopeful for the next generation during Hailey's and Imani's speeches about equality and overcoming adversity."

- Marie Limb, Psychologist

"This was my first Power of Speech as a TOD – I've been before as a mainstream teacher but this year I thought the standard was superb. I really enjoyed the humour in some of the speeches, Abeer's in particular. Great team work!"

- Suzanne Holland, TOD



"I loved Eamon's speech and thought Abeer's comedic timing and delivery were brilliant. Extremely difficult to do and he nailed it."

- Simon Tomlinson, TOD

"Saturday was an inspirational day. Everyone did an amazing job getting the students ready. They all looked so relaxed! Loved all the speeches. SOOOOO glad I wasn't judging. It would have been hard to pick winners."

- Karole Marshall, Acting Chatterbox Manager and TOD



"It was my first POS and I thought it was incredible! Those Year 6 girls were so empowering and inspirational. So proud of all the students for standing up and speaking, they are all winners."

- Jeannie Reid, Speech Pathologist

"I was totally entertained by Abeer's speech. The whole afternoon was engaging and inspiring and made me proud to be a part of the team."

- Belinda Eder, TOD



"Every year, there's absolutely no scaling back on the excitement and pride experienced for our students amazing achievements and tenacity. Dave is amazing - he was entertaining, engaging and encouraging towards the students! And if we could have those cupcakes again.....!!!!"

- Zita Ferreira, TOD and AVTherapist



This year's judging panel: Victoria Sloan, David Price, Cathy O'Leary and Kevin Brown.



Special guest, the Hon. Martin Pritchard MLC, Member for the North Metro Region.



*A delectable afternoon tea, generously provided by **Function Concepts** and **Custom Icing Images**.*



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LEARNINGS FROM THE AG BELL GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM

BY CANDICE GRAY, ACTING CHATTERBOX MANAGER & SENIOR SPEECH PATHOLOGIST / AV THERAPIST

Over 400 delegates from around the world gathered in Madrid to celebrate the inaugural Global Symposium, bringing together hearing health professionals who work in the field of listening and spoken language. The theme was “Learn. Network. Connect: Towards Excellence in Listening and Spoken Language Practice.” Learn, network and connect is exactly what we did!

Numerous experts in the field of listening and spoken language for children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing presented current evidence based practise in the areas of audiology, neuroscience, hearing technology, listening and spoken language development, mentoring, parent guidance and coaching.



The first day of the conference consisted of two 3 hour workshops. The first I attended was titled “Assessing and Treating Spoken Language Deficits from Cochlea to Cortex” presented by Jeanane Ferre. Jeanane talked about how we process what we hear from

ear level all the way up to the brain. Sensory processing is how we take in all the information (through the ears). Language and learning is how we extract the meaning from the signal. Executive function is what we do with that information. Our job is to discover where the breakdown is if there is a breakdown.

The second workshop was run by Auditory Verbal Therapists at Auditory Verbal UK entitled “Forget the Pictures and Start playing”. During this session we looked at the difference between “free” play and “guided” play, common play schemas and how we can build our therapy session around them. The focus was on how we look at a child’s thinking and guide them towards their language goals? If we meet a child at their level, we’re more likely to gain and keep their attention.

The day ended with a welcome event from AG Bell, celebrating the first global symposium. It was a time to meet and network with like-minded professionals from across the globe and learn about the programs that they offered in their centres.

The next two days were jam-packed with so many presentations to choose from. A few of the ones that I attended included:

The Sunshine Cottage School for Deaf Children in Texas talk about the importance of bilingualism and allowing children to listen and learn in their home language. Their program uses both English and Spanish when educating children who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Research says that “Children’s cultural and linguistic experience in the



home is the foundation for their future learning and we must build on that foundation rather than undermine it.” (Cummins, 2001).

There is growing interest amongst listening and spoken language specialists in supporting children with additional needs and their families. More professionals are realising that these children can also benefit from Auditory Verbal therapy. Professionals are beginning to use functional assessments to track progress and highlight strengths and gains that children are making.



A big topic of discussion at the conference was around Social Skills development in Children who are Deaf and/or Hard of Hearing. Assessments are finding that many of these children may have difficulty in social settings. They may have appropriate language skills but have difficulty using them in advanced social situations. Children who use hearing aids / cochlear implants have difficulty listening in noise and over distance. This can impact on their ability to overhear conversations or miss information

shared in a group setting. Our goal is to help these children in developing some of these skills as well as developing assertiveness and self-advocacy so that they are comfortable in saying "I didn't hear that. Please can you repeat that."

The key note address at the end of the conference was delivered by the wonderful Carol Flexer and Jane Madell. Both experts in the field of Audiology and Listening and Spoken language development. Carol Flexer is known for her phrase "It's all about the BRAIN! The ears are the doorway to the brain. We hear with the brain!" Our job as therapists is to help families foster listening –rich environments to allow access to intelligible spoken language. If developing spoken language is the goal, what does it take to achieve this? Support from therapists in early identification of hearing loss and fitting of hearing technology, and technology to be worn all waking hours in a language-rich environment involving the family. In all it was an incredible experience

being in Madrid and attending the conference. I learnt so much from other professionals about their programs, the families that they see and most importantly the advances in our field. I would like to thank the Hearing Research and Support Foundation for allowing me the opportunity to attend this event.



LEARN MORE ABOUT AUDITORY-VERBAL THERAPY

Auditory-Verbal Therapy (AVT) is specialised type of therapy designed to teach a child to use the hearing provided by a hearing aid or a cochlear implant for understanding speech and learning to talk.

AV therapists provide strategies and techniques to facilitate optimal acquisition of speech and language through listening. Parents and caregivers are active participants in therapy.

AVT is incorporated into our Chatterbox programs at TSH. For more information about our approach, visit:

www.tsh.org.au/programs-services/hearing-loss-in-children/chatterbox

TSH HEARING SERVICES

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that TSH's hearing services team operate clinics in **twelve locations** across the state?



We have a permanent team based in Karratha and the Perth staff regularly travel across the state to provide a range of services. These visits provide invaluable services to communities and families that would

otherwise have limited access to ear health amenities due to financial and distance limitations.

Our clinics are located in the **Wheatbelt** towns of Merredin, Moora, Northam and Narrogin and the **Pilbara** communities of Newman, Tom Price, Paraburdoo, Karratha, Onslow, Roeburne, Dampier and Bindi Bindi.

We travel to these areas of need and visit some of these regions up to twelve times a year to provide: hearing screenings; community education for parents, teachers and health professionals; full audiological assessments; general health screenings with nurse practitioners; and consultations and surgery with ENTs.

Every visit is unique and tailored to the community that we service. In 2019 the team have worked around

cyclones, bushfires, rogue cattle and the electrical blackouts caused by 42 degree days.

Our teams are hugely committed to engaging communities and providing these essential services and as such there is never a dull day!

NEED HELP WITH HEARING?

If you know of a family living in these rural locations who might benefit from our services, please contact us: speech@tsh.org.au.

The provision of these services would not be possible without the financial support of our commercial and government partners including **Chevron, Rural Health West and WA Country Health Service**.



ART ATTACK

OUTPOST STUDENTS SHARE THEIR LOVE OF ART

We have a budding artist in our midst! Year 9 Servite College and TSH Outpost student, Nena Mardania recently showcased her artistic talents while preparing for her end-of-year portfolio.

Nena's journey with TSH began at age four, when she joined early intervention program for hearing loss after moving to Australia from Kenya. She now currently attends Servite College through our Outpost program.

Servite College and TSH set up a special program to accommodate Nena's learning needs. This combined

program approach between Servite and TSH allows Nena to learn at her own pace and to experience success in the areas she loves. Her favourite subject is art and she really excels here. She has produced some stunning pieces this year that have really impressed her teachers.

"Nena has completed some fantastic art work this year and should be very proud of her achievements," said Leanne Lombardi, Visual Arts Coordinator at Servite College.

Nena has ambitions to get a job at Woolworths so she can save for her car. She's expecting a BMW but would be happy with a Mazda. Nena is already working hard to get her learner's permit and is quite sure she will be a safe driver. She keeps a very close watch on her older brother to make sure he obeys all

the rules. Nena will get some support with learning to drive through Servite College next year and hopes to have a license by the end of the year. She wants to drive to school and to visit with her friends.

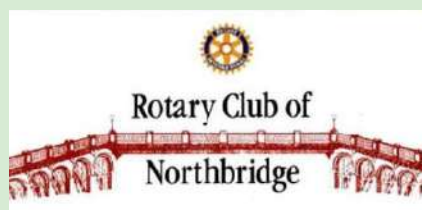
About Nena's art:

- Lino printing of a dog - Nena had to work very carefully with a knife to cut the picture into the lino before applying colour so she could make a print.
- Butterflies - Nena wants to re-work this as she thinks it needs more colour.
- Perth city scape - This was copied from a photograph and interpreted with colour.

Congratulations Nena, everyone at TSH is very proud of your efforts!

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

THANK YOU ROTARY CLUB NORTHBRIDGE!



TSH recently received a generous donation from the **Rotary Club of Northbridge** to help more families access our early intervention programs.

Founded in 1983, Rotary Club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto 'Service above Self'.

Learn more: www.northbridgerotary.org



St Brigid's College Tour Mornings 2019



St Brigid's College is a boarding and day school for girls Years 7-12,
and co-educational from Pre Kindy to Year 6.

Come and see why the St Brigid's experience is one worth having.
We are delighted to show prospective parents and students
around our beautiful campus.

Tours are available for Junior School (including Early Learning),
Secondary School and Boarding.

Tour Dates

9am, Friday, 13 September

9am, Friday, 25 October



**To register for any of the tours,
please do so through:**

www.trybooking.com/BBVSW



ST. BRIGID'S
COLLEGE

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the
Community Relations Team on 9290 4237 or via email at
majko.patty@stbrigids.wa.edu.au

JULIE'S BOOK CORNER

Need more reading options for your child? Our librarian Julie has some fantastic recommendations to help get more books in your life!

Story Box Library

Story Box Library is a subscription based educational website, created for children to view stories by local authors and illustrators, being read aloud by fantastic, predominantly Australian and New Zealand, storytellers.

Story Box Library is FREE family at-home access via participating public libraries. Please visit their website for more information:
<https://storyboxlibrary.com.au>.

Speech Pathology Award Nominees at TSH

A number of Speech Pathology Australia's "Book of the Year 2019" nominees (birth to five years) are now available in our library!

Each book nominated is judged based on its appeal to children, interactive quality and ability to assist speech pathologists and parents in communication and literacy development:
<http://bit.ly/SPABooks2019>



Come see me in the library if you are looking for a particular book!



MAKE A DIFFERENCE LOTTERY WINNERS

AND OUR WINNERS ARE...

This year's Make A Difference Lottery was an incredible success with over \$26,000 raised for children at Telethon Speech & Hearing!

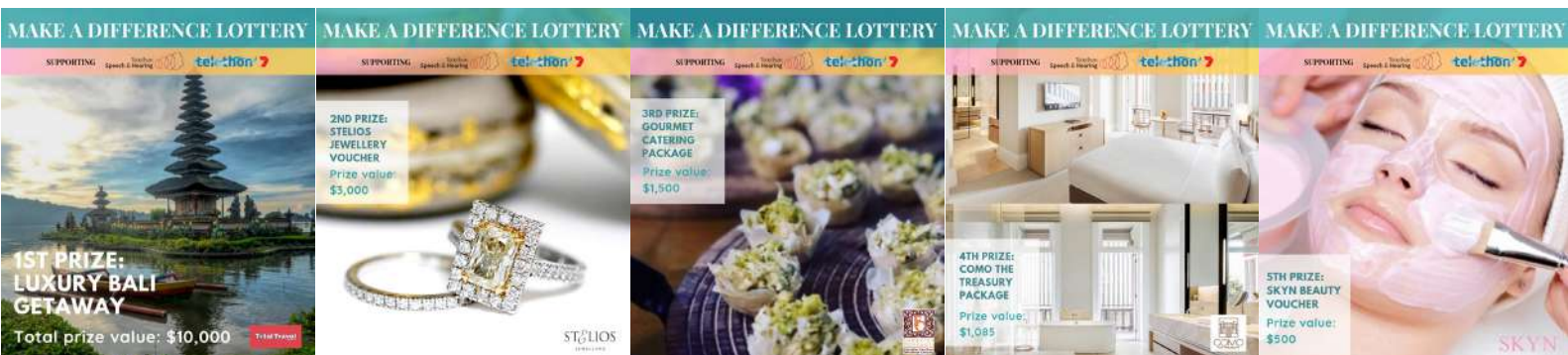
Were you one of our lucky major prize winners in this year's draw?

You can now view all winners on our website: www.tsh.org.au/news/make-a-difference-lottery-winners

Thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket and helped to make this year's lottery so successful!

TSH is especially thankful to this year's sponsors, who helped to ensure all proceeds made from the lottery, directly benefits families at our centre:

Channel7 Telethon Trust, Total Travel WA, Stelios Jewellers, Function Concepts Catering, COMO The Treasury, SKYN Perth, Western Australia Gourmet Escape.





SCHOOL HOLIDAY GUIDE

28 SEP - 13 OCT

Get your children
involved in all kinds
of fun in and
around the Town
this school
holidays!

FREE

**St John First Aid
Road Trauma Presentation for Teens**
8 October, Ages 15-18

Equip your teenagers with important First Aid knowledge as they prepare for their first experience driving on our roads.



FREE

Cambridge Library Holiday Fun
4 & 11 October, Ages 6-12

Young Re-inventor of the Year
plastic re-use challenge, 4 October.
Totems with Bianca Wilder, 11 October.



Bricks 4 Kidz
2 & 8 October, Ages 5-12

Spring School Holiday Workshops with LEGO® Bricks and Coding with Robotics. Choose from three different workshops on each date.



Bold Park Aquatic
30 September - 11 October (weekdays)



Mosaics for Kids
1-11 October, 9am- 4pm, Ages 5-14

Take home your mosaic. AM and PM sessions.
Location: St Nicholas Church Hall, Floreat

FREE



Design a T-shirt at Floreat Forum, 7-11 October

Children can design their own T-shirt template to enter the Loud Shirt Day competition.

Visit cambridge.wa.gov.au/Discover-the-Town/Whats-On
to see what's on in the Town year-round



WHAT'S ON: UPCOMING EVENTS AT TSH

FOLLOW @TELETHONSPEECHHEARING

ONLINE FOR MORE DETAILS & UPDATES ON EACH EVENT!



SEPTEMBER

SUPPORT TSH AT GRILL'D COCKBURN - UNTIL 30 SEPTEMBER

TSH has been selected to join **Local Matters at Grill'd Cockburn** this September! 🍔 Simply head to Grill'd Cockburn for a burger and pop your Local Matters token in our jar. The cause with the most tokens at the end September receives the largest donation. 🥰

OCTOBER 7-11

DESIGN A LOUD TEE AT FLOREAT FORUM



Bring your kids to Floreat Forum this school holidays for some Loud Shirt Day fun! Enjoy getting loud and crafty for a gold coin donation to help children with hearing loss. Craft activities, including a **'Design a LOUD T-Shirt' Competition**, 🎨 will run 9am-4pm at Floreat Forum Shopping Centre.

OCTOBER 9

MEN'S HEALTH IS NO JOKE

Bring you dad along to the **City of Cockburn's Men's Health and Wellbeing Day!** 🧑 Connect with local groups, find out about men's health services and enjoy a sausage sizzle for a gold coin donation. TSH will be offering free adult hearing screenings on the day.



OCTOBER 18



LOUD SHIRT DAY

National Loud Shirt Day is Friday, the 18th of October 2019! 🎉 Wear a LOUD shirt and help raise funds for children with hearing loss. Information about celebrating at TSH will be sent through to you by your child's teacher/program manager.

OCTOBER 22



NATIONAL POWER OF SPEECH

This year's National Power of Speech will be held at Parliament House in Canberra on Tuesday, October 22. 🎤 Hosted by First Voice, six speakers from across Australia and New Zealand will help challenge common perceptions about hearing loss and what people with hearing loss can achieve.

OCTOBER 23

TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC COCKBURN 🧸

This FREE event focuses on ages 0-5 and it will not disappoint with regular live shows from Rock 'n' Toddle, plus a special guest appearance by ABC's most popular owls, Hoot and Hootabelle! Hosted by the City of Cockburn.



OCTOBER 26-27

TELETHON WEEKEND

Join in our celebration and the joy of changing the lives of kids across WA. TSH will be involved in the Beneficiaries Expo across the weekend with a special theme around the "Sounds of Summer"! Come and visit us from **10am-5pm** across the weekend! 🎉

JANUARY 2020



SWIM THRU PERTH 2020 - REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Entries for the 2020 Swim Thru Perth are now open! 🏊 We hope you will join us to help celebrate the **101st edition** of Australia's oldest open water swim! Start getting your teams together as race day is Sunday 19 January. 🏆

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