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All Saints College students helping people with dementia reconnect through music

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All Saint's College Year 10 student Eleanor Crowhurst, Lefroy Care Centre resident Mary Morgan and Amana Living Occupational Therapy assistant Vanessa Parker.



A MUSIC program for people with dementia is helping them reconnect with loved ones and lost memories through music.



Six All Saints College Year 10 students will help deliver the program from Term 3, building on their partnership with Amana Living.



The students will be trained by a music therapist to help create personalised play-lists.

The students are known as Amana Living Dementia Advocates and already make weekly visits to Amana's Lefroy Care Centre.

Amana Living chief executive Stephanie Buckland said the program had been so successful it was being expanded across care centre with the support of schools like All Saints College.

"This year we've decided to expand the program across our care centres in Perth with the support of schools like All Saints' College who are getting involved by donating iPods to the program as well as their time," she said.

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The school is seeking donations of pre-loved iPods to help expand the music program in Perth, calling for iPod shuffles or financial donations.

People can also volunteer their time.

To donate to the iPod Drive, visit
www.amanaliving.com.au/tuneintollife.