

Important Dates & Events

NOV.
THURSDAY

15

- Year 10 Exams

NOV.
TUESDAY

20

- Year 12 Breakfast and Farewell Assembly

NOV.
WEDNESDAY

15

- Senior Exams commence

NOV.
TUESDAY

27

- Final day of Senior Exams

NOV.
THURSDAY

29

- Year 10 Grad Practice

NOV.
FRIDAY

30

- Year 10 Picnic Day
- Year 12 Grad Practice

DEC.
FRIDAY

07

- Year 12 Graduation Mass
- Year 12 Formal

DEC.
MONDAY

10

- Year 10 Mass & Presentation

"Lord, we give thanks for the leaders in our community who bring energy, ideas, and integrity to their role. Amen"

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Student Captain 2013

Last week the College conducted student elections for our students leaders for 2013. Pleasingly we had 21 candidates for six positions. The most contested position was for College Captain (girl) with seven candidates. Many students stood for a variety of positions.

The election process at MacKillop involves a leadership workshop for interested candidates conducted by the Principal, an extensive application form completed by each candidate, an interview with senior staff, a speech to the senior staff, and a secret preferential ballot for all of Year 11 and the staff – only about 60% of the staff vote as not all students are known to them, especially those at Wanniasa.

The results are as follows:

College Captain (girl) – Morgan Rosin

College Captain (boy) – Nathan Backer

Faith and Community Captain – Grace Wilkinson

Performing Arts Captain – Daniel Dwyer

Sustainability Captain – Jayme Breitkopf

Sports Captain – Luke James

This week, students voted for House Captains. I am pleased to announce the following students were successful:

Gurabang: Mariah McCrorey, Josh Van Dunk

Meup Meup: Melissa Emanuel, Ryan Larson

Mindygari: Carrie Altinger, Lewis Hollands

Ngadyung: Tom Burgess, Taylah Fellows

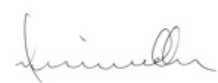
The College would have been privileged to have any of the candidates for any of the roles elected. They are all young women and men of considerable talent and ability, typical MacKillop!

I would like to warmly congratulate the new captains of the school. They will fill very big shoes and do much to move the school forward.

Performance review of senior teachers

Congratulations to the 18 Heads of Department and Year Coordinators who have successfully had their performance reviewed and contracts extended. This is a healthy process involving peer appraisal and executive teacher review and is designed to provide constructive advice for enhanced leadership and deserved affirmation. It is one of the keys to the quality of the leadership in this area of the school.

Yours in St Mary MacKillop,



Mr Michael Lee
College Principal

See College Calendar for more dates

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Phone Policy

Mobile Phone Policy parent meeting

The College Executive and Board are currently reviewing the Mobile Phone Policy with emphasis on access to mobile phones for the students on the Wanniasa Campus. We are holding a Parent Meeting on Monday 19 November at 4.30pm in the IRC at Wanniasa. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your views.

Michelle Marks, Deputy Principal Curriculum

School Fees

Fees have been sent

Term 4 Fees have now been sent out. Fees are to be paid by 2 November unless paying by Direct Debit or other approved method. If you would like more information regarding Direct Debit payments or have any queries regarding your fees, please contact the Fees Office.

ACT Bursary Scheme

The ACT Government's Secondary Bursary Scheme provides assistance to low-income earners in the ACT with dependent full-time students in Years 7-10.

Eligibility requirements and application forms are available online at <http://www.det.act.gov.au> and by following the links located at the top of the home page - School education/starting school/financial assistance for families. For further information please ring the Bursary Administrator on 6205 9300.

Michelle Predovan, Fees Manager

Future Stars

Congratulations!

Benjamin Floros (Year 8) and his U14 Australian Indoor Cricket team won the Junior World Series in South Africa in early October, making them world champions.

Jaline Hoek (Year 12) has been selected in the Australian Schoolgirls Soccer side for the second year in a row. Having already toured the UK last summer, she will now tour South America in January.

Samantha Horsfield (Year 11) and her cheerleading partner are National Champions for the 17+ Partner Stunt Cheerleading.

Shelby O'Toole (Year 12) made the national final for two garments in the Australian Teenage Fashion Awards, having finished second behind the eventual National Designer of the Year in the NSW/ACT state final.

Tom Makin (Year 9) won the Australian National University Team Foil Competition in the sport of fencing in Canberra during October.

Community News

St Thomas the Apostle School and Parish Fete

The St Thomas Fete takes place on Saturday 10 November from 10am to 2.30pm and includes Lazer Zone, clowns, Kenny Koala, showbags, and more!

Preparing for Adolescence and High School

This Catholic Care program is offered for three hours per week over a three week period, starting Thursday 15 November at 6pm in Red Hill. The cost of the program is \$50 and includes food and course materials. The course itself helps parents and carers of pre and teenage children to navigate the challenges of the adolescent years within your family. Bookings are essential through Gayle on 6162 6122.

Catholic Care is also providing a course for parents of younger children, running for four weeks from 21 November. The cost of this is \$60, and bookings can also be made through Gayle on 6162 6122.

Fernwood Tuggeranong Market Day

This market day helps support Bosom Buddies ACT, and includes a healthy BBQ, face painting, stalls, and free fitness classes all day. It takes place on Saturday 17 November between 10am and 2pm. Call 6293 2366 for more information.

Try Sailing Day

With the Olympic and Paralympic success of Australia in sailing this year, the Canberra Yacht Club is inviting people to join them to try sailing for free on Sunday 4 November between 10am and 1pm. Call 6273 7177 for more information.

Parent Guidance consultancy

PG can support you to address challenging behaviours in children and adolescents by employing a collaborative approach that seeks to empower all family members to improve their individual functioning and their family dynamic. For more information, visit www.parental-guidance.net.

Try Scouts

Scouts Australia are offering free three-week trials. To find your local group, call 1800 SCOUTS or visit www.act.scouts.asn.au.

Australian Sports Camps

Australian Sports Camps are offering camps in cricket and netball in the school holidays (14-16 January). They will be held at Canberra Grammar. Call 1300 914 368 for information.

Women's Christmas Choir

The Brindabella Chorus is gathering women from all over Canberra to form the Women's A Capella Christmas Choir. The chorus will meet for rehearsals on Wednesday evenings between 14 November and 12 December, followed by a public performance. Visit www.brindabellachorus.org.au for information.

EXAMINATION TIMETABLE YEAR 10 (Semester 2, 2012)

Thursday 15 November 2012	Period 1-2	Mathematics
Thursday 15 November 2012	Period 3-4	Religious Education
Friday 16 November 2012	Period 1-2	Science

- ☐ When there are no exams scheduled all students have normal classes
☐ Exams not listed are scheduled in normal class time

EXAMINATION TIMETABLE YEAR 11 AND 12 (Semester 2, 2012)

November	YEAR 11	YEAR 12
Wednesday 21 November		
Morning (9.00)	Social and Community Work A	English T
	Legal Studies A/T	
	Information Technology DM	
Afternoon (1.15)	Maths Applications T	Specialist Mathematics Extension T
	Maths Methods T	Sociology A/T
	Maths Specialist Major T	Biology A/T
Thursday 22 November		
Morning (9.00)	Religious Education T	Religious Education T DM (1 student)
		English A
		Human Movement T
Afternoon (1.15)	Specialist Mathematics Extension T	Maths Applications T
	Business Studies A/T	Maths Methods T
	Chemistry T	Maths Specialist Major T
Friday 23 November		
Morning (9.00)	Psychology A/T	Business Studies A/T
	History T DM (2 students)	History A/T
Afternoon (1.15)	Religious Education A	Religious Education A
		Chemistry T
Monday 26 November		
Morning (9.00)	Religious Education DM (2 students)	Religious Education T
	English A	
	Biology T	
Afternoon (1.15)	Psychology T DM (2 students)	Psychology A/T
	Sociology A/T	Geography A/T
	Geography A/T	
	Physics T	
Tuesday 27 November		
Morning (9.00)	History A/T	History A DM (1 student)
	Human Movement T	Legal Studies A/T
		Physics T
Afternoon (1.15)	Holist Music A/T	Holist Music A/T
	Economics T	Economics T
		Social and Community Work A

Please note:

- ☐ Some courses do not have a final examination.
☐ All students will receive a personalised examination timetable indicating session start and finish time and locations.
☐ Enquires should be directed to Mrs Lyn Regan (62090107).

Wishing students all the best as they prepare for and sit their examinations
Michelle Marks
Deputy Principal, Curriculum