

# ST MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE CANBERRA



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## Important Dates & Events

MAY.  
MONDAY

07

- Year 7 2013 Information Night
- Enrolment Period begins

MAY.  
THURSDAY

10

- Year 11 Retreat begins

MAY.  
TUESDAY

15

- NAPLAN

MAY.  
WEDNESDAY

16

- Year 11 2013 Information Night
- Careers Expo
- NAPLAN
- NAPLAN

MAY.  
THURSDAY

17

- Athletics Carnival

JUN.  
THURSDAY

07

- Staff Conference (Pupil-free day)

JUN.  
FRIDAY

08

- Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

JUN.  
MONDAY

11

"Lord, we give thanks to those who have served and who gave their life for this country in armed conflict and peacekeeping. We keep their loss to their families and friends in our prayers and hearts and remain resolved that their sacrifice was not in vain. Lest we forget."

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

### Year 7 & 11 2013 Information Nights

YEAR 7 INFORMATION NIGHT	YEAR 11 INFORMATION NIGHT
Monday 7 May 2012 @6.30pm Mackinnon Street, Wanniasa	Wednesday 16 May 2012 @6pm Ellerston Avenue, Isabella Plains

The enrolment period for 2013 in Catholic schools begins on Monday and continues until 25 May.

A vital part of this process is the Information Evening and Campus Tours.

This event has been promoted through Catholic primary schools and through the media.

The best promotion of the school, however, is the positive talk by families who are already part of MacKillop. Please encourage your friends and neighbours to come along to the night to better inform their choice for Year 7 next year. The Year 7 Information Night takes place on Monday at the Wanniasa Campus.

Year 10 students should encourage their friends from other schools to come along and see what MacKillop has to offer for the senior years at the Year 11 Information Night on 16 May in the Isabella Gym. There will be an opportunity to talk to Curriculum Heads about courses and pathways of study, and I will address the audience at 6pm. Our Year 12 results in recent years have certainly been a source of pride for the College; we aim to help our current Year 10 cohort to be just as successful when they leave MacKillop in a few years' time.

Thank you for your support!

Yours in St Mary MacKillop,

**Mr Michael Lee**  
College Principal

See College Calendar for more dates

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## Admin

# School Fees

## Fees have been sent

Term 2 Fees have now been sent out. Fees are to be paid by 18 May 2012 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.

*Michelle Predovan, Fees Manager*

## News

# Quick News

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast is available and organised by Mr Pickering on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 8.15am for Wanniasa students. Experts say breakfast is the most important meal of the day, so don't miss out and come along to the Breakfast Club in the canteen!

We would like to acknowledge the fantastic support of the Brother's Oven in Tuggeranong, which sponsors all the food.

## SOSE Tasmania Trip Update

There will be another meeting for parents and students in the Theatre on Tuesday 8 May at 6 pm. This is a most important meeting as final itinerary changes, accommodation variations, luggage and group arrangements for cabins will be discussed. Please feel free to contact Mr Batten at the Isabella Campus if you have any queries or questions prior to this date.

## Young Carers Group

On 1 May, the Young Carers Group hosted the very first St Johns First Aid in Schools Training Pilot Program to be held in Canberra. The training day was specifically tailored for the young carers at MacKillop and taught them a variety of skills including CPR.



## Teaching &amp; Learning

# Engarde Fencing

## New course starts soon!

Engarde at MacKillop Fencing Club brings the exciting sport of fencing to St Mary MacKillop College.

A new 12-week course starts on Monday 14 May, at 7-8.15pm in the Isabella Campus Gymnasium. The course is for anyone with a reasonable fitness level and is presented by fully accredited coaches. All equipment is provided; all you need is long pants, runners, and a drink bottle.

Contact Hans (0418 612 195) or Gordon (0439 977 880) for costs and more information. MacKillop students get a discounted rate for participation.

## Achievement

# Future Stars

## Congratulations!

Victoria King (Year 11) has been selected for the ACT/NSW U18 Girls AFL team that will play in the Nationals Championships in Adelaide this month.

Kelsey Barsley (Year 8) represented the ACT at the Australian Little Athletics Championships in Hobart last month for the sport of javelin.

# Community News

## Red Shield Appeal

The Salvation Army's annual Red Shield Appeal doorknock will be taking place this year on the weekend of 19 and 20 May. The doorknock raises funds for the Salvos vast network of social services, which this year, will support over one million Australians. With the continued increase in cost of living expenses impacting on more and more Australians, the extra demand for assistance is placing all charities under extreme pressure. Participation in the Red Shield Appeal doorknock is an opportunity for the MacKillop community to give a helping hand to The Salvation Army so it can continue to help people in need.

Each year The Salvation Army receives a great deal of support for the Red Shield Appeal doorknock from school communities, in particular students, staff and their families. With this in mind, the Salvation Army would love the St Mary MacKillop school community to be involved in this years Red Shield Appeal doorknock.

Register at [www.salvos.org.au](http://www.salvos.org.au) or by telephoning 13 72 58. For further information, please contact Captain Fran Everitt at The Salvation Army, Tuggeranong on 6293 3262 or 0432 759 305.