



MACKILLOP NEWS

TERM 3 WEEK 2 29TH JULY 2015

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*"Never see a need without
trying to do something about it."
St. Mary MacKillop*

From the Principal



Dear Members of MacKillop Catholic College Community,

The time I spent on our Darwin Show stall gave me the opportunity to identify more clearly what makes us feel proud to be part of the independent Catholic system of schools in the Northern Territory. To me it became obvious that Catholic schools are renowned for their call to making a difference to the lives of others within their local and wider community; so many of our pictures, displays and handouts displayed at our stall illustrated this message.

Over the next couple of weeks we will have time to consider more deeply the work of our patron and her role in inspiring us to serve our community. As we travel towards her feast day to be held at our College on Friday 7th August, let us consider how we can be more like our patron. People like Saint Mary MacKillop show us clearly how to live and interact with our community.



Overwhelmingly, Catholic education has made a significant contribution to the fabric of life in the Northern Territory, and we as MacKillop people have a part in ensuring this continues into the future. We will continue to make positive difference in times to come. Thank you to all who shared the time on the Darwin Show stall and all those who visited our stall.

Every Catholic school has its own unique story to share. Though our history spans a short three years, we too have memories of our early days to share. If you have a story of a memorable occasion or experience, put pen to paper and send it in and we will publish it in our next newsletter.

From the Principal

It is my pleasure to welcome the following new staff members to our College. We wish them well for the journey ahead.



Oren Tyler



Roxy Clair



Abhaya Yapa



Jane Morrison



Gordon Middleton



Nakita Dendle

Sincerely,

Lauretta Graham
Principal



THE PRINCIPAL OF MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE
MRS LAURETTA GRAHAM
has pleasure inviting

Parents, Friends & Community Members

to attend the

MacKillop Feast Day Mass, Celebrations and the Turning of the Sod for Stage 3
to be held in Block C, MacKillop Catholic College, 1 MacKillop Place, Johnston
On Friday, 7th August 2015 for 9.00am Mass

RSVP is required by: Wednesday Wednesday, 5th August
Email: jo.flanagan@nt.catholic.edu.au **or Telephone:** (08) 89305713

From the Senior School Captains



What a wonderful term awaits us! There are lots of interesting student-led activities that are on the horizon. We have a group of students that are planning to visit young people in the detention centre in Darwin. We have also have our Halloween Party. There are also a number of opportunities for other community service contributions.

Senior School Captains

From the Deputy Principal: Academic Studies



Welcome back to Term 3!

After a refreshing 4 week break all students have come back with great enthusiasm and excitement.

The cut-off date for elective changes has now passed. As our elective courses only run for 10 weeks it is important that all students have enough time to complete the courses they have chosen. It is for this reason no late submissions will be accepted. Our assessment calendar is a great tool for parents, it gives you the ability to see the due dates for all your children's assessments and exams. This calendar will be available on the website on Friday Week 3. Our SOSE Department has a great excursion planned for our year 7, 8 & 10 students, they will be visiting Jingili Water Gardens, Casuarina Coastal Reserve and Darwin City Waterfront respectively– students always love these Geography Excursions and I am sure this year will be no different.

There are some important dates coming up for your calendar:

Wednesday Week 3 (5th Aug) Year 12 Essential Information Evening

Wednesday Week 5 (19th Aug) Year 9 into 10 Subject Selection Evening

If you have any questions or concern please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Chris Trevillion

Deputy Principal: Academic Studies

From the Deputy Principal: Pastoral Care



As we re-start our work together for the second semester the teachers and students at MacKillop are working together to clarify the expectations that we have of each other. It is my hope that we can come to a clear understanding of the behaviours that best support our time together spent at teaching and learning.

MacKillop is attempting to have teachers and students clear on the meaning of a simple mantra: **'In Class, On Time, On Task.'**

'In Class' reflects MacKillop's clear understanding that students absent from class will always struggle to maintain pace with the teaching and learning undertaken. Reasons for a reluctance to attend school or to remain in the classroom are many and varied but can be reduced through open dialogue and constructive feedback between the school, teachers, parents and students.

'On Time' recognises that we have only a certain amount of time across a range of important subject studies and to maximise the learning everybody must endeavour to get to class as quickly as possible.

'On Task' means that simply being in the classroom is not enough. Clearly both teachers and students have responsibilities to the teaching and learning of the classroom and it is these that students and teachers have been engaging with in discussion.

As we draw the discussions together we will produce a very clear document that outlines the meaning of the mantra so that it becomes a touchstone for us all in our daily undertakings at the school. Parents can feel free to consider the document and offer their feedback to me once we publish the document.

Dale Gleeson

Deputy Principal: Pastoral Care

Religious Education and Catholic Identity News



YEAR 7 TO VISIT THE CATHEDRAL

Next week the all of the Year 7 classes will be visiting St Mary's Star of the Sea Cathedral in Darwin as part of their studies of the Darwin Diocese. The students will join in the 12 noon Mass and I would like to invite any parents who wish to join us at this time. Please consult the College calendar or the note which was sent home to check which day your child is attending.

MARY MACKILLOP FEAST DAY

The Feast of Mary MacKillop is Saturday 8th August. As this falls on a Saturday the College will be celebrating on FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST. All parents and friends are invited to join us at 9am for Mass. Following this the MacKillop Character Award for 2015 will be presented. The remainder of the day is devoted to celebrating the life and works of our Patron Saint.

In 1995 John Paul II spoke of Mary saying "Because the love of God influenced her heart, she tenaciously defended the weak, the poor, the suffering and all those on the margins of society, She worked to assist women and families in distress and to eradicate ignorance among the young....In her, the unwanted, the unloved and those alienated from society found comfort and strength." It is this way of living that we at MacKillop are called to.

Marie Butt

Assistant to the Principal, Religious Education

"Do your best and God will bless your efforts." 22/11/1899



"If we have love in our hearts we shall have God with us." 1890

"May your journey always be filled with blessings, and may the life of Saint Mary MacKillop ignite in you the flames of faith and service"

Parents & Friends News

The P&F Assoc. is currently focussing on raising funds to pay for the new shade sail which had been installed above the playground.

Fundraising Events Coming Up

Ongoing:

2015-2016 Darwin entertainment books available now!

www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/91h5549

Friday 18th September:

We are running a Family Portrait Fundraiser at school starting at 3pm (bookings required). For \$20 you receive a 10"x13" photo and a keyring, plus the chance to purchase more photos afterwards. This is a fantastic way to get a beautiful family photo and a great way for the P&F Assoc. to raise funds for the school. There are only a limited number of time slots available. Please contact Janine Gunn on 0498 253 035 or email Janine.Gunn@nt.catholic.edu.au to book and pay for your sitting at your preferred time. Payments are required ASAP to secure booking.

P&F Assoc. Meetings

Our committee meets on the 2nd Monday of every month - **our next meeting is Monday 10th August**. Please come along and see what goes on as part of the P&F Assoc. You are all either parents or friends of MacKillop so you're already a part of what we do. Help us to fundraise for our students, help us to run the school canteen, be a voice and be part of our plans for MacKillop for this year and beyond. Parents (& friends) are welcome to attend any of the meetings during the year.

Did you know that there is a MacKillop Facebook page?! Find it on Facebook - "MacKillop Catholic College Palmerston NT" - and click 'Like' to keep up with what is happening in the MacKillop community."

Thank you,

Janine Gunn

Communications Officer: P&F Assoc.



Japan Cultural Tour

Our Japan Cultural Tour is proving to be a huge success. Thankyou to our teachers Ms Zoe Saliba and Mr Roy Anderson for organising this trip.



Kokoda Trek



Twelve students from MacKillop Catholic College have been selected to complete the Kokoda Trek in Papua New Guinea from Aug 27 – Sep 7 2015 as part of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. What a great honour! This expedition was made possible by the major funding and support given by The Flight Centre Foundation and Duke of Edinburgh Program. Our twelve students will be accompanied by three teachers: Mrs Boyd, Miss Timmins and Mr Graham. The MacKillop team is one of only four Duke of

Edinburgh's International Award groups from around Australia that are being fully funded to undertake the Kokoda Track during 2015. The trek meets the requirements for the Adventurous Journey component of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. Our fortunate students and teachers are very excited about the adventure!!

Jade Timmins

Outdoor Education Co-ordinator



The Arts

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS



Welcome back to all our Performing Arts families.

We trust you have had a good break and are ready to work hard in the coming semester. Semester Two is the business end of our calendar and there are many exciting events and opportunities for our MacKillop community of which to take advantage. I would like to personally thank our parents for their efforts in Semester One. A good Performing Arts programme is built on the support of our parent body and I was so delighted to see so many families enjoy our Dance, Drama and Music nights at the end of Term Two.

Instrumental Music lessons should now be commencing with your respective teachers; students need to remember to check noticeboards for their timetables. Remember it is not the teacher's responsibility to chase students during classes. The cut off for new instrumentalists is Week Five (18th August). Anyone interested in taking instrumental music lessons is to fill out an enrolment form, which is available from Mrs Mills in the Performing Arts Block or at www.mackillopmusic.com.

Afterschool ensembles (Concert Band, String Ensemble, Guitar Ensemble and Extra Curricular Dance) have also recommenced. Please contact the respective teachers for further information.

Unfortunately I will be away for some of Term Three; however, Mrs Mills is delighted to answer any departmental questions in my absence.

Please keep the following dates in your calendar and remember to enjoy your Term in Performing Arts!

David Graham

Head of Performing Arts

TERM 3 PERFORMING ARTS CALENDAR

19th AUG	ACO 2 – String Orchestra Concert
9th SEP	String Department Concert
16th SEP	Music Technology Night
17th SEP	MacKillop's Got Talent
19th SEP	Darwin Symphony Orchestra Workshop
24th NOV	Young Musician of the Year 2015
26th NOV	Presentation Night

The Arts



VISUAL ARTS NEWS

The Visual Arts Department entered 13 students into the Royal Darwin Show this year. Of the 13 students who entered, 4 received prizes.

Congratulations to the following students and all who participated.



Meagan Hardy
3rd Prize Junior Printmaking



Clarissa Kennedy-Scott
1st Prize Senior Printmaking



Hayley Riley
2nd Prize Junior Printmaking



Kayla Martin
1st Prize Junior Printmaking

Sherri Bryers

Visual Arts, Food Technology
& Textiles Coordinator

Magazine and Newspaper Donations Wanted!

If anyone in the MacKillop community has any old magazines or newspapers, we would love it if you could donate them to the art department!



Year Seven News



SEMESTER ONE CELEBRATIONS



Welcome back to Semester Two. It is great to see everyone back looking so well and ready for the Semester. We finished last semester with a Year Seven bonding and reward day at The Darwin Waterfront. All students had a great time and it was

impressive to see them come together as a team on the obstacle course and help each other through (including the teachers). Those year seven students that went above and beyond, both in their behaviour and work ethic, during Semester One were rewarded with a day at the V8s on the last day of Term. We will be looking at another bonding and reward day at the end of this semester.

Have a great Semester Two

***"We have to do the best we can.
This is our sacred human responsibility"***

Albert Einstein

Kelly Sayer
Year 7 Coordinator

Rugby League News




Welcome back to Semester Two of our exciting Rugby League programme. This term is the business end of our school football season with many more exciting opportunities to come! Please take the time to mark important dates in your own personal calendars.

There have been many achievements by our young footballers this season of which I have highlighted a few outstanding achievements below. Term 3 is a very busy term for football and we are ecstatic to be kicking off our calendar with a visit by the Parramatta Eels on the 5th of August. I ask for your patience and support over the next few weeks as I will be away on duties throughout the term. Any questions in my absence can be directed to Mrs Michelle Mills or Mr Christopher Trevillion.


Please remember to book your tickets to our Annual Presentation Night and Fundraiser on the 16th of October. This is an extremely important event and all proceeds go toward the future of the football programme.

I look forward to seeing our parents support our students at some of the upcoming fixtures and good luck to those competing in the remainder NRL NT football season.

David Graham
Rugby League Coordinator



RUGBY LEAGUE SHARP SHOOTER COMPETITION



Goal Kicking Competition
Thu 13th August 2015, 12:50pm
MacKillop Catholic College Oval
Sign up with Mrs Mills in Performing Arts

Rugby League News

TERM THREE RUGBY LEAGUE CALENDAR

5 th AUG	PARRAMATTA EELS VISITING MACKILLOP (ALL TEAMS) 11:30AM
8 th AUG	NRL MATCH DARWIN (PARRAMATTA EELS VS PENRITH PANTHERS) TIO STADIUM
12 th AUG	FRIENDLY MATCH: MacKillop Vs St Johns (15 and Under Team)
13 th AUG	RUGBY LEAGUE SHARPSHOOTER COMPETITION
19 th AUG	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP: MacKillop Vs O'Loughlin (OPEN AGE) 4pm @ STJCC
27 th AUG	GIRLS RL TAG Warren Park 9am
2 nd SEP	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP: St Johns vs MacKillop (OPEN AGE) 4pm @ STJCC
9 th SEP	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP: MacKillop vs O'Loughlin (OPEN AGE) 4pm @ STJCC
16 th SEP	FRIENDLY MATCH: MacKillop Vs TBA (under 13)
19 th SEP	NRL NT GRAND FINAL DAY
23 rd SEP	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP FINAL 4pm @ STJCC
23 rd SEP	FRIENDLY MATCH: MacKillop Vs TBA (under 13)
7 th OCT	TRAINING RUN (13s and 15s Team)
14 th OCT	CATHOLIC CUP & TOP END SHIELD
16 th OCT	RUGBY LEAGUE PRESENTATION NIGHT



Sacred Heart Day 2015

St John's Catholic College 20 drew with MacKillop Catholic College 20

Br Paul Brooks Memorial Oval - Hartzer Campus



Huge Congratulations to our boys Jarrod Perry, Mitch Purcell and Lachlan Miller who recently were selected to referee selected games for the Laurie Spina Shield in Townsville. Massive achievement, well done!

Particular congratulations to Jarrod Perry who won the MVP award at the Under 14 City Vs Country Match recently.



Well done to Jarrod Hayward, Jacob Chiplen, Julian Mohan & Jacob MacCarthur who represented the Northern Territory U15 Team at the ASSRL Championships in Sydney over the break.

From our Wider Community

If you have not received your Third Term Calendar, please email our College Office. thankyou!
mackillopcollege@nt.catholic.edu.au

Woolworths Earn and Learn

From Wednesday 15th July, when any staff, parents or friends from our school community shop at Woolworths, you can collect stickers to place on sticker sheets you have been provided. You'll get one sticker for every \$10 you spend. Once you complete your sheets you can place them in a collection box either here or at Woolworths. Woolworths are partnering with Modern Teaching Aids; Australia's largest supplier of educational resources. This means we can choose resources based on our specific needs, across all learning areas, including Maths, English, Science, Art and Craft, Outdoor and Active, Music and more.

If you'd like to know more, go to Woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

College Working Bee

We have a long list of jobs to complete and for this reason we have scheduled a working bee for **Sunday 2nd August from 8am to 10am.**

We acknowledge that these are busy times but we do need your help and we love seeing you at our working bees. Please pencil this date-claimer into your diary, and we will see you on the 2nd August. Thank you.


EXPERIENCED PART-TIME CLEANER REQUIRED!



Contact
kaye.white@nt.catholic.edu.au

 Invites you to help us with our

WORKING BEE

 **Sunday 2nd August
8am - 10am**

Tasks to Complete:
 Landscaping around our new sign at the front of the school.

With much gratitude,
 Lauretta Graham,
 Principal



Arafura Wind Ensemble

is

looking for
experienced musicians



When: Thursday evenings 7pm until 9pm



Where: We rehearse in Palmerston, and perform throughout the Top End

Who: *Arafura Wind Ensemble* is a vibrant community concert band of about 30 musicians. If you play a woodwind, brass or percussion instrument to a minimum standard of AMEB Grade 4, and wish to become involved with a dynamic, friendly group, playing a wide range of music for a variety of events, then please contact us.

Telephone: AWE Musical Director: 0459 841 150 AWE President: 0408 322 539
Website: www.arafurawindensemble.com **Email:** arafurawindensemble@gmail.com

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Entry by Gold Coin

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SHOW US WHAT YOU'VE GOT!

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Got
TALENT

Thursday 17th September 2015
12pm - 1:30pm

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See Mr Grant in Performing Arts

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MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE invites you to:

A Professional Family Portrait Fundraiser Day

Please join us for a professionally posed Family Portrait shoot of your Family to raise funds.

When

**FRIDAY
18th SEPTEMBER**
Book a session from 3pm!

Where

MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE
FARRAR BLVD, JOHNSTON

What You Receive for \$20



Plus get the chance to purchase extra poses, a variety of sizes, black and white prints and the digital copies to use on canvases, and gifts.

To Book

Please contact JANINE GUNN on 0498 253 035, or
Janine.Gunn@nt.catholic.edu.au to reserve your photography session
before they're all gone!

4 Simple Rules

- Minimum of two generations in the Family Portrait
- No person may appear in two separate fundraising Family Portraits (exception of separated couples)
- An adult family member appearing in the fundraising Family Portrait must be present to collect & view their family portraits (or able to make alternative arrangements)
- Families must sit for a minimum of three separate poses on the day.

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