



# MACKILLOP NEWS

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## From the Principal

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



**Dear Members of MacKillop Catholic College Community,**

### We wish you a very happy Feast Day!

Last Friday, we celebrated a life that invites life, the life of our Patron Saint Mary MacKillop. What an amazing celebration. We have so many to thank. Our Bishop Eugene, Fr Tom, our P&F Association, Catholic Education Office (Mr Michael Avery & his staff), parents, staff and students. During this celebration the Bishop turned the sod for the new buildings and blessed the builders and the site. We pray with grateful hearts for the spread of Mary MacKillop's charism, especially in our College Community.

In 1886 Mary MacKillop said: "Work on with the means placed at your disposal"

Not long ago Joshua Bell, a world famous classical violinist, played outside a busy railway station and hardly anyone noticed.

Within fifty minutes a thousand people passed by, and only one or two paused in the presence of sublime beauty. A few children wanted to stop, but they were hurried past by preoccupied adults.

The majority just didn't notice, or have time for, the beauty that had crept unnoticed into their day. A spiritually powerful, uplifting experience was passed up.

Are we sufficiently aware of the wonderful gifts that that been bestowed on us here at our College, and are we grateful enough for them? As Stage 3 takes shape I urge all to stop for a moment and appreciate and give thanks for what we have been given.

*May the spirit and passion of Mary MacKillop continue to inspire and empower us to choose life in its fullness, not only for ourselves but for others – especially those in need.*

**Blessings of faith, love and joy to all,**

*Lauretta Graham*  
Principal

## From the Principal

### MacKillop Catholic College External Validation 2015

#### *Dear Parents and Community Members,*

This year MacKillop Catholic College will review our progress towards our strategic goals for the College through a validation process. We have much to celebrate in our journey as a new Catholic school community, and it is timely to review our progress to date, with the intent to inform our future planning.

An External Validation Team will work with College Leadership as part of Catholic Education NT's cycle of improvement, the School Improvement and Renewal Framework (SIRF). The validation team will report to the College and Catholic Education Office on our successes and challenges in each of the six areas of the SIRF during these initial years of our College, and make recommendations for the future.

To provide context for the External Validation Team the College will assemble data including a self-assessment in each of the six SIRF areas, which will be led by our College Leadership Team. The External Validation Team will review achievement data from the range of sources, and through interviews with our college community and key partners. They will invite responses to key questions about our College. The Team will also take the opportunity to meet with College Leadership Team, staff, students, parents and community, and will be visiting the College on Friday 11th September.

#### **The Team will compile a report that:**

- outlines the College's significant achievements, outcomes and celebrations
- may make explicit recommendations regarding areas for improvement or further development.

The validation process will affirm school successes and provide a foundation for further growth. I thank you in anticipation for your engagement with the College's External Validation.

***We invite parents to respond to the focus questions below. Please return by email to [lauretta.graham@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:lauretta.graham@nt.catholic.edu.au) or drop responses to front office, thank you.***

1. Bishop Eugene has asked Catholic schools to reflect on the following question throughout 2015: "What is our Catholic practice in ... ?"
  - 1.1 In Religious Education curriculum, assessment and reporting?
  - 1.2 In our College and Catholic Education NT policies & procedures and their implementation? (e.g. staff qualifications in RE; social justice; inclusion)
  - 1.3 In our identity as a Catholic school – signs and symbols, prayer, celebrations
  - 1.4 In accessing professional learning offered by the Catholic Education Office and others in Religious Education and Catholic Identity?



## From the Deputy Principal: Pastoral Care



**The issue of Cyber Safety will be tackled throughout this term in our Pastoral Lessons.**

Recently you may have seen programs on television that suggest a growing level of addiction to technology in its various forms, but the aspect that causes most grief in the educational setting is Social Media. As schools come to grips with the ubiquitous nature of mobile technology there is a growing powerlessness around our ability to have any real control over this social media element.



The education provided attempts to enable responsible and respectful use, however we do end up dealing with some of the fallout of misuse of social media applications.

In recognition of the potential for harm through misuse, the Australian government has introduced a newly formed Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner under the Enhancing Online Safety for Children Act 2015.

The act allows children suffering from serious cyberbullying to contact the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner to have content removed if social media companies do not remove the offending content after it has been reported to them.

The Office provides a range of resources to support schools, parents and children in cyberbullying at their website [www.esafety.gov.au](http://www.esafety.gov.au).

The '**In Class, On Time, On Task**' mantra and procedures continue to be shared with staff and students.

One of the significant changes accompanying these procedures will be changes to the timing of the beginning of the school day.

**Beginning next Monday, August 17 the bell to require students and teachers to move to HomeForm will ring at 8.25am, not 8.15am. Homeform will commence at 8.30am sharp. This extra 10 minutes of time outside of the classroom per day is an offering to ensure that students then make the effort to be 'On Time' to not only Homeform, but also to all of their other classes throughout the school day.**

These changes to the beginning of the day will have no impact on the times at the end of the school day.

**Early Bus Travellers** to Humpty Doo will be required to show Period 7 teachers their Early Bus Passes to be released to catch this bus. Mrs Wallis and I will meet with all early bus travellers this week to issue these passes to students whose parents have been contacted around their travel on this bus.

If a student is an irregular traveller on this early bus, they will require a note from parents on those odd occasions they will be required to be released at 2.40pm to catch this bus.

**Dale Gleeson**

Deputy Principal: Pastoral Care

## From the Deputy Principal: Academic Studies



***Week 4 is upon us and that means that we are already planning for 2016!***

- **Our Year 9 into 10 Subject Selection Evening is in Week 5, Wednesday 19/8.**
- **Our Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection Evening is in Week 8, Tuesday 8/9**
- **Our Parent / Teacher / Student Conferences are Week 9, Tuesday 15/9.**

I know some of these dates are later in the term, but when mango madness hits, the weeks fly by!

Also one point for clarification; no student is allowed to leave the College to purchase takeaway food, have family or friends drop off takeaway food or order food to be delivered to the College. If this does occur, the food will be confiscated. We are very fortunate to have a great canteen with so much variety, so there is definitely no need to buy fast food.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.

***Chris Trevillion***

Deputy Principal: Academic Studies



## From the Parish Priest



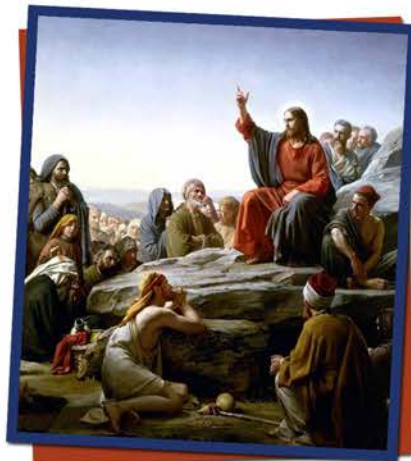
Dear brothers and sisters,

Peace be with you.

You are invited to a series of talks in the meeting room in the church, corner of Emery Avenue and Harrison Court, on Monday and Thursday nights at 7.30pm. These talks are for adults and youths. It is a wonderful adventure you can begin with your teenage children. There will be videos for younger kids in the next room.

All Welcome.

***Fr. Tom English***  
Parish Priest





## Parents & Friends Association News

The P&F Association is currently focussing on raising funds to pay for the new Shade Sail which has been installed above the playground.

### Fundraising events coming up:

#### Ongoing -

2015-2016 Darwin Entertainment Books available now!

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/91h5549>

**Friday 4th September** - Father's Day Breakfast! Dads (& other Father figures) come along early and have a lovely cooked breakfast to start your day.

**Friday 18th September** - We are running a Family Portrait Fundraiser at school starting at 3pm (bookings required). For \$20 you will 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 to raise funds for the school. Please contact Janine Gunn on 0498 253 035 or email [Janine.Gunn@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Janine.Gunn@nt.catholic.edu.au) to book and pay for your sitting at your preferred time. (payments required ASAP to secure booking). \* There are only 15 time slots still available.

**Friday 4th December** - Save the Date! This will be the night of our annual MacKillop Family Christmas Fair, from 5:30pm.

Our committee meets on the 2nd Monday of every month - our next meeting is Monday 14th September.

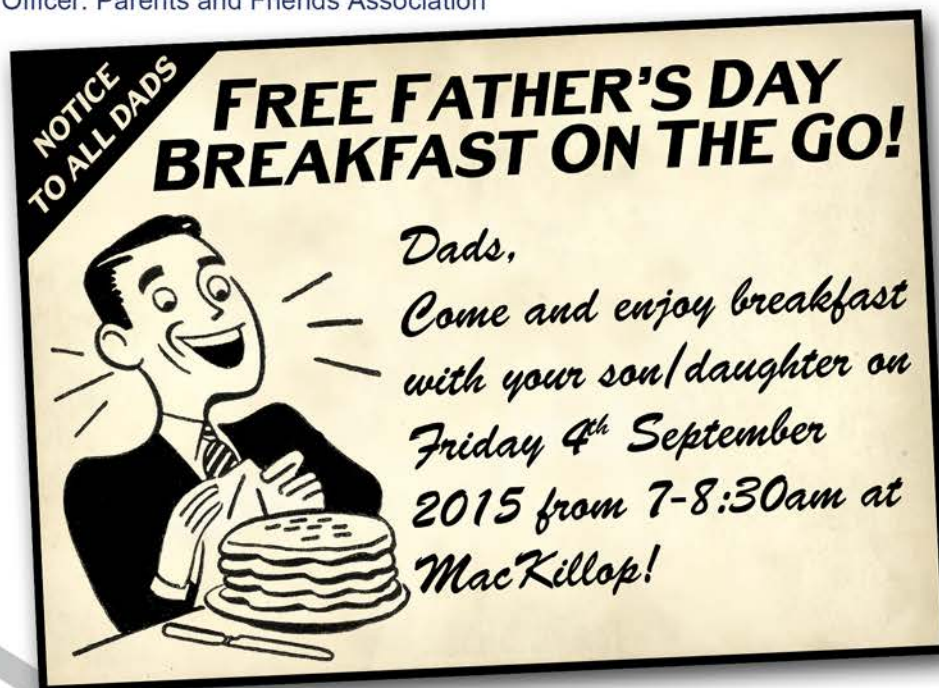
All are welcome and invited to come along to our meetings at any time.

Another way to support the P&F Assoc. and the school is to with the school Canteen. Did you know that you can register and place canteen orders online?! - [www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au](http://www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au)

And don't forget, 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.

*Janine Gunn*

Communications Officer: Parents and Friends Association





## Religious Education and Catholic Identity News



### Year 7 Students Visit the Cathedral

The Year 7 students visited St Mary's Star of The Sea Cathedral over two days in week three as part of the Journey in Faith Unit, Church and Community.

The students had a great time searching around the Cathedral finding information about the history of our Diocese and the Cathedral. We were assisted by Mr Vin Victory, Father Tom, Father Ched and Father Herman. On both days, the students participated in the midday mass. On Wednesday, we were fortunate enough to have the Bishop of our Diocese, Bishop Eugene Hurley, as well as the Bishop of Palmerston North, New Zealand; Charles Drennan, and the Archbishop of Brisbane, Mark Coleridge say mass for us in conjunction with Father Tom. On Thursday, we celebrated the Transfiguration of the Lord and Marc, Tyrone and Aaliyah proclaimed the readings for us when Bishop Eugene and Archbishop Coleridge celebrated mass with Father Herman. It was lovely to be able to explore the Cathedral and interact with other members of our Diocese. The students enjoyed a picnic lunch and some free playtime on the esplanade for lunch prior to returning to school.

*Rachel Griffin*  
RE Teacher





## Religious Education and Catholic Identity News

### Feeling revived after the Break Away Retreat 2015

At the end of Term Two, a group of our Year 9 and 10 students and Miss Hill attended the Break Away Retreat 2015, held over a weekend at nearby Riyala camp.

It was a truly amazing weekend, with our students relishing new faith experiences and new friends, as fantastic ambassadors for our College. This retreat theme came from Jesus' words: 'Blessed are the pure in heart for they will see God'. Various sessions were led by visiting Real Talk Australia guests and the Emmanuel Worship band from Brisbane, focusing on the challenges we face as young men and women in the world – and the extraordinary gift we have in our Catholic faith.

Some of these students were keen to offer their insights on the retreat experience and some words of wisdom for those considering attending next year's retreat.



#### Olivia Harding, Year 10:

"Break Away is a time to break free from the busy life and escape into a new environment...to meet new people, explore your faith and, overall, just have an awesome time. I didn't know what to expect from a Catholic camp at first, so Miss Hill herself suggested I try it out. In the end I came away from the camp with more new reasons to smile about life and share with others... This year was my second year of attending Break Away, and many more to come.

By attending this camp you feel free to express and even explore your personality more as you surround yourself with beautiful people with the same mindset. Everyone is there for the same reasons: to meet new people, have a good time, learn new life skills and, overall, have an amazing time. This year we had speakers up from down south to speak about the important things in life. These had an impact on the way I thought about life in certain ways. I didn't want to leave the first Break Away, because in such a short amount of time I met new people and couldn't put my excitement into words. It's a camp that has strong morals and welcomes everyone. I would highly recommend Break Away retreat 2016 to anyone hesitant to go or even considering going. You will walk away with wanting to go back - and a massive smile."



#### Caoimhe Rafferty, Year 9:

"My Break Away experience was a memorable one. I felt comfortable around my mentors and I now see things from a different perspective. Break Away helped me reconnect with my faith by participating in fun and encouraging activities. The young people there have amazing stories and inspire you to be the best you can be. The retreat is an action packed four days of wonderful activities including: water fights, team building, personal accounts and small group talks. The friendships I have made at Break Away are ones for life and I will cherish the memories. I will definitely be attending the next Break Away and I look forward to it."



To find out more about Break Away, check out the website at [www.breakawaynt.com](http://www.breakawaynt.com) or contact the 'Darwin Diocese Office for Youth' through Facebook.

**Lauren Hill**  
College Chaplain

"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"



## *Photos from Feast Day 2015- Mass*



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# Photos from Feast Day 2015- Breaking the Ground



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## Photos from Feast Day 2015- Tug of War



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## Photos from Feast Day 2015- Activities



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## Photos from Feast Day 2015- Morning Tea



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## Photos from Feast Day 2015- MacKillop Dash



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## *Photos from Feast Day 2015- Awards*



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## From the Mary MacKillop Character Award Recipient 2015



Being presented with the Mary MacKillop Character Award for 2015 was a personal achievement. Having my name presented was overwhelming; it felt that my capabilities and achievements were recognised. I am honoured to be the recipient of an award which leads in the footsteps of Saint Mary MacKillop, a woman of great powers and successes.

This award displays how Mary MacKillop lived her life to the fullest by "Never see[ing] a need without doing something about it". I am humbled to be recognised for how I have displayed and followed the path of Mary MacKillop. I never imagined that I would be receiving this award, but am blessed to now know that actions speak louder than words.

I thank all my teachers and staff for their positive spirits and encouragement throughout my schooling at MacKillop Catholic College. I started at MacKillop in 2014 and came with a positive mindset and a willingness to give 100 percent at all times. MacKillop is a school which I am proud to be at, learn at, and experience new life skills.

I thank Mrs Graham for giving me the opportunity to learn at such a promising school. She is a beautiful lady who follows in the footsteps of Saint Mary MacKillop, and shares her journey through spreading it within the school community. I really do appreciate all your hard work you have put in to MacKillop and where it is today, and by this you have helped me become a more confident young lady who strives in excellence.

MacKillop Catholic College has given me fantastic opportunities by participating in the Duke of Edinburgh. This has been an amazing experience and has taught me so much about life. I was selected to walk the Kokoda Track which I will be attending at the end of this month. This is such a big opportunity and staff at MacKillop have been there. This is a life changing experience which will never be forgotten. Every day I am humbled to be at MacKillop and lead in the footsteps of Saint Mary MacKillop.

**Lead with Courage!**

*Olivia Harding*

Mary MacKillop Character Award Recipient, 2015



*"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"*



## Food Technology



As part of their assessment, the Year 11 Food Technology students were kept very busy for several days preparing a huge amount of food for the MacKillop Feast Day celebrations.

They served their creations at the morning tea on the day, making it an absolute success.

**Marea Moulton**  
Food Technology Teacher





## Humanities Update



On Thursday July 30th, three MacKillop Year Levels ventured out into Darwin on various Geography excursions to give students real life experiences with the environment.

Year 7s spent the day at the Jingili Water Gardens, observing human usage of the site, identifying different stages of the water cycle, and pondering the human impact on nature. Year 7 Sose Leader Jenny Campbell is to be commended for her efforts on this day, as well as staff and parents who supported the excursion.

Just over the bridge at the mouth of Rapid Creek our Year 8s explored erosion and various coastal landforms. They wandered the beach to Dripstone Cliffs and were able to time wave velocity and hypothesise how wave direction and speed impacted upon coastal erosion. Year 8 Sose Leader Rachel Griffin is to be commended for her efforts on this day, as well as staff and parents who supported the excursion.

And finally, the Year 10s enjoyed a day at the Darwin City Waterfront observing the urbanisation of a natural environment. They engaged with the history and culture of the Waterfront, as well as critically questioning its environmental and economic impact beyond tourism. Year 10 Sose Leader Michael Kingston is to be commended for his efforts on this day, as well as staff and parents who supported the excursion.

These three excursions were a huge success where students gained practical knowledge and skills pertaining to the geography of the Darwin area. Thanks to the MacKillop Community for your ongoing support of days like these.

*Kate Brady*

Head of English and Humanities

## Uniform Roundup

**Stock:** All uniforms are currently in stock including the new BLK Sport Shorts. Please note that these retail at \$45.00 while the PAP retail at present at the special price of \$28.00.



**Uniform Shop Opening Times:** Students please note!.....From next Monday 17th August, the Uniform shop will open on Mon, Wed and Fri mornings 8:10 to 8:25 am and during lunch times from 1:10 to 1:30 pm. Please meet in the Student reception area to advise that you need to go to the uniform shop at 8:10am or 1:10pm.

**Excursions:** Please note that if students are attending excursions and representing the school, unless otherwise advised they must be in formal uniform, it is helpful if students check they have the full uniform several days prior to negate panic on the day.

**Payment for Uniforms:** It is important to note that uniforms cannot be placed on students fee accounts. All purchases however can be paid by cash or card.

**Buttons, Buttons, buttons!!!!** I have in stock buttons for the shirts and blouses if anyone is in need of these please come see Ms Kate or Ms Vanda in Administration.

**Queries:** Any queries with uniforms please call Administration and we will be happy to assist you.

*Vanda Rands*  
Administration Officer



## Senior Years Curriculum



### Getting Your Head around SACE

One of the hardest things for parents and students is getting their head around all the requirements for SACE. How can I make sure I get my NTCET? What do I need to do to get an ATAR? These can be really hard to get right if you aren't familiar with how SACE works. This week our focus is on Compulsory SACE assessment.

#### Compulsory SACE Assessment Requirements: Stage 1 School Assessment

SACE subjects are 100% school assessed at Stage 1. School assessments are 'assessments that are set by the school, in accordance with subject outlines, and carried out by the school.' ([www.sace.sa.edu.au](http://www.sace.sa.edu.au)) At Stage 1 assessments are internally graded; however, compulsory subjects (English, Mathematics and PLP) have confirming moderation processes which are carried out each semester.

#### Compulsory Subjects

At Stage 1, English, Mathematics, and the Personal Learning Plan (PLP) are compulsory. This means that students must receive a minimum grade of C in order to pass these subjects and graduate with their NTCET. If students do not receive a minimum of C then they are required to repeat the subject until they are able to reach the minimum standard if they fail to do this they will not complete their NTCET successfully.

- **Personal Learning Plan (PLP):** Students MUST complete 1 semester of PLP in year 10 with a minimum grading of C.
- **English:** Students MUST complete semester 1 and semester 2 of Stage 1 (year 11) English (any level offered) with a minimum grading of C.
- **Mathematics:** Students MUST complete 1 semester of Stage 1 (year 11) Mathematics (any level offered) with a minimum grading of C.

#### Moderation

At Stage 1, English, Mathematics, and the Personal Learning Plan (PLP) are moderated. This means that samples of student work are sent to SACE in order to confirm that teachers are marking fairly and grading accurately.

#### Elective Subjects

At MacKillop Catholic College all other subjects which are not compulsory are classed as electives. Students choose 3 electives from a wide range of subject offerings which include Design and Technology, the Arts, Health and Physical Education, Humanities, Sciences, Languages, Business and Enterprise and cross-disciplinary subjects. It is an expectation that students choose subjects based upon the pre-requisites set for their post-schooling university course or areas of interest. These subjects will gain the students 10 credit points per semester per subject towards their NTCET at Stage 1.

#### Stage 1 Points

At Stage 1 it is expected that students will attain a minimum of 130 credits towards their NTCET.

#### Making Wise Choices

It is imperative that students undertaking Stage 1 courses make well planned and wise decisions. Stage 1 subjects undertaken are the pre-requisite study options for Stage 2 subjects. Students studying at Stage 2 are required to have the suitable prior knowledge of the subject at a Stage 1 level.

*Pauline Watson*

Head of Senior Years



## The Arts

### PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

SHOW US WHAT YOU'VE GOT!

**MACKILLOP'S**  
*Got*  
**TALENT**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2015**  
**12pm - 1:30pm**

**SIGN UP TODAY!**  
**See Mr Grant in Performing Arts**

#### PERFORMING ARTS UPCOMING EVENTS

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



## Sports & Physical Education News



Here are some photos from the Top End athletics day last week. Our school finished second overall which was a great achievement.

Well done to the following students who represented the College and showed excellent sportsmanship.

Michael Potter  
Mikayla Perkins  
T'Leyah Turner  
Dana Scaife  
Leigh Bain  
Max Fraser  
Olivia Sloan  
Conor Wilson  
Jake Crawley  
Hayley Pearson  
Will Lasker  
Ella Mulvahil  
Cheyenne Irving  
Jamie Thorne  
Dylan Collins  
Alysha Healy  
Latonia Norris  
Lyarni-Marie Hampton  
Zoe Carrier  
Callum Flanagan  
Jake Downs  
Amelia Cole  
Jared Casimiro  
Bailey Howard  
Kyle Collins  
Darcy Nalder

**Brodie Boyd**

Physical Education Coordinator



### Come & Try Hard Court Volleyball

Monday Nights  
6:30pm to 8:30pm  
Mararra Indoor Stadium  
\$10 per session (\$5 for juniors)



There will be four sessions on the following dates:  
10th, 17th, 24th and 31st August 2015

Everyone is welcome. For more information phone 0414 993 165





### RUGBY LEAGUE CALENDAR

13 <sup>th</sup> AUG	RUGBY LEAGUE SHARPSHOOTER COMPETITION
19 <sup>th</sup> AUG	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP: MacKillop Vs O'Loughlin (OPEN AGE) 4pm @ STJCC
27 <sup>th</sup> AUG	GIRLS RL TAG Warren Park 9am
2 <sup>nd</sup> SEP	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP: St Johns vs MacKillop (OPEN AGE) 4pm @ STJCC
9 <sup>th</sup> SEP	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP: MacKillop vs O'Loughlin (OPEN AGE) 4pm @ STJCC
16 <sup>th</sup> SEP	FRIENDLY MATCH: MacKillop Vs TBA (under 13)
19 <sup>th</sup> SEP	NRL NT GRAND FINAL DAY
23 <sup>rd</sup> SEP	NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS CUP FINAL 4pm @ STJCC
23 <sup>rd</sup> SEP	FRIENDLY MATCH: MacKillop Vs TBA (under 13)
7 <sup>th</sup> OCT	TRAINING RUN (13s and 15s Team)
14 <sup>th</sup> OCT	CATHOLIC CUP & TOP END SHIELD
16 <sup>th</sup> OCT	RUGBY LEAGUE PRESENTATION NIGHT



### Congratulations

Jarrod Perry and Mitch Purcell  
Who have both been selected  
to referee

The National Under 12's  
Carnival here in Darwin They  
are the youngest ever ref's To  
officiate a national Rugby  
League carnival.  
Well done boys

### SATURDAY night's NRL fixture is not the only big ticket footy on in Darwin this weekend.

A group of the Northern Territory's youngest budding rugby league players will represent their state at the 12 years and under School Sport Australia Rugby League Championships.

The NT team will face representative teams from every Australian state, and is particularly wary of the rugby league stronghold states of NSW and Queensland, who have traditionally dominated the under age tournament.

From Darwin, Alice Springs and Katherine, the youngsters will finish an intensive skills training session on Friday before their first game against South Australia on Sunday.

"They are very excited but knackered after today," NT team manager, Alison Sadowski said.

"Because our team is spread out all across the Territory, it's very hard to gel and mould together as a team," she said.

"So it's fine to know how to play but to be able to read your team members and predict what they are going to do is difficult. Because our players are across the Territory, it makes it even harder for us."

The list of big name footy stars to come through the School Sport Australia Championships is extensive, with the likes of Wally Lewis, Darren Lockyer, Mark Gasnier, Paul Harrogon and Mat Rogers all having played as kids. It is the first time School Sport NT has hosted the championships since 2008. On Saturday night, the NT side and their interstate competitors will get the chance to watch and learn from their NRL role models at the Parramatta and Penrith game, and will also have the chance to be down on the field as both teams warm up.



Under 12s rugby league national championships training at Warren Park, Marrara. Thomas Snell 11yrs & Braithlee Payne 11yrs brace as Mitch Pyper 12yrs (Alice Springs) makes a tackle. (all 11yrs old) Source: News Limited

*Rebekka Wake*  
NT News



# Rugby League News

## Photos from Parramatta Eels Training Day





## From our Wider Community

**If you have not received your Third Term Calendar, please email our College Office. thankyou!**  
[mackillopcollege@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mackillopcollege@nt.catholic.edu.au)

### Woolworths Earn and Learn

From Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> 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](http://Woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn).

### College Tour was a Success!

*"We really enjoyed the tour of the school this evening. Thanks so much for having us, for all the information and the cup of tea. We were really impressed with the school and the staff were so welcoming. Great atmosphere, wonderful facilities and your care and concern for students shines through. Thank you*  
*Lauretta Graham.*

*-Shelly Miller Barker*

**Last target achieved in Woolworths Earn and Learn by MacKillop Catholic College was 7500 Points!**

We want to break that record....

Lets head for 10,000 Points ....or more!

More points = more resources for MacKillop Catholic College.

Please put your stickers in our box at Woolworths Palmerston or bring them into student reception.



*"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"*



# From our Wider Community

## REGISTER NOW! KIDS AND FAMILIES 4 WEEK PROGRAMS KEEPING KIDS AND FAMILIES FIT FOR EVERYDAY LIFE

KIDS YOGA, FUNFIT, TWEENFIT AND FAMILIES FITNESS PROGRAMS  
STARTING WEEK OF 24/8/15  
PALMERSTON AND BERRY SPRINGS

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

Book NOW to secure a place! - [www.famfitnt.com.au](http://www.famfitnt.com.au)

Any queries, please call Leah on 0401 945 426 or email [famfitnt@gmail.com](mailto:famfitnt@gmail.com).

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## First Aid Course Photos

### 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!



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MACKILLOP  
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COLLEGE  
MUSIC

**PRESENTS**

# ELECTRONIC MUSIC SHOWCASE

**16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 6PM**

COME AND HEAR THE SOUNDS  
THAT STUDENTS HAVE CREATED!

**GOLD COIN DONATION**

CONTACT THE MACKILLOP  
MUSIC DEPT. FOR MORE DETAILS







# 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](http://www.arafurawindensemble.com) **Email:** [arafurawindensemble@gmail.com](mailto:arafurawindensemble@gmail.com)



## advancedlife STUDIOS

*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  
18<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### ADVANCEDLIFE STUDIOS

We are Australia's leading Family Portrait Photographers. With over 30 years experience our Photographers are experts trained to provide the best family photo experience for you.

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

### Student Enrolments 2016 – year 7 to 12

We have already received many applications for enrolment for next year, and we are commencing enrolment interviews shortly, starting with year 7s for 2016. If you have already submitted an application, we thank you for the time and effort you have spent in filling out these details. We shall contact you shortly. Once again, we anticipate that the number of applications for enrolment will far exceed the number of available spaces in some year levels. It is most important, especially for siblings, that we receive your application forms within the next three weeks.

Families are reminded that the College administration appreciates early notice of family transfer as this helps us to avoid unnecessary disappointment for families on our waiting lists.

This year our College Leadership Team will be helping with the enrolment process. Please set aside 30 minutes of your time for each interview as this allows ample time for us to enter into meaningful dialogue covering key issues concerning your child's education and well being.

We look forward with excitement to our year 2016 enrolment process and the opportunity this process presents in personally engaging with new and continuing families.

May God continue to bless our families and our College as it prepares for the next step in its development.

Yours sincerely

Laurretta Graham  
Principal

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