



# MACKILLOP NEWS

TERM 1 WEEK 2 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018

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

## VISION STATEMENT



Lauretta Graham  
Principal

As a faith community with Christ as our focus we, like Mary MacKillop, follow Him and inspire:

- Strong, clear minds which value learning;
- Compassionate hearts; and,
- Courageous spirits to serve others with confidence.

*"If we love one another, Christ lives in us" (1 John 4:12)*

## Dear Members of MacKillop Catholic College Community,

On behalf of the MacKillop Community I wholeheartedly welcome our many new and continuing families to our College, for 2018. This year we consider ourselves blessed to have a number of new staff. We welcome:



Clint Bock



Jasen Bryers



Zoe Carrier



John  
Chisholm



Suman  
Choudry



Sam Cooke



Mark  
Davidson



Tonia Folino-  
Cirelli



Janine Hardy



Jonathan  
Howard



Marie  
Jikharev



Reiko Kawai



Madison  
Kemp



Mandy  
Mattison



Belinda  
Pereira



Alysha Pope



Leanne  
Rudd



Matthew  
Sharp



Zoe Siviour



Rachel  
Taylor



Binu  
Vhargese

And also Rebecca Lester, Kim McPhee and Mark Richard.

In one short week, I have seen, on so many occasions, enthusiastic teachers preparing student-centred

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*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*

curriculum that is balanced and truly relational. Teachers teaching a curriculum that touches the imagination of children who, in turn, continually surprise and delight us with unexpected outcomes. Congratulations to our teachers on a great start to 2018 and congratulations to our students who have settled in so well to their new year of study.

As we move into 2018 we treasure the caring community that has been created at MacKillop. Here the stress is on growth and development, on relationships, and on learning with and for each other. A caring community just does not happen. It is intentionally created by people who deliberately include others. Over the next few weeks parents and teachers will enjoy a series of information evenings where the emphasis will be on developing a partnership between home and school. Thank you to those who supported the Opening Mass. I urge all new and continuing families to participate where you can.

We have a busy year ahead and through this busy time we need to nurture and care for each other, maintain our bright and positive outlook, focus on what really matters, and celebrate what we have.

All these generate optimism for new projects and participation across our community.  
Wishing you God's Blessings.

*Wishing you God's Blessings,*

*Lauretta Graham*

Principal

*God of journey you walk with us each day:  
May the presence of Jesus touch the sacred places,  
the beloved people and valued memories of our life journey.*

*God of journey you are always there to welcome us:  
May we have the courage to return home and restore relationships with you,  
our family and loved ones, and the MacKillop Community. Amen*

## FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to the following students who have won scholarships for 2018:

**Sport Scholarship – Beau Ryan**  
**Academic Scholarship – Vy Minh Nguyen, Benjamin Rowe**  
**Citizenship and Public Speaking – Paige Canavan**  
**Instrumental Music and Culture – William O'Donnell**  
**Visual Arts – Isabella Pena**  
**Performing Arts – Zekiah Saffi**

### UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Normal uniform shop opening hours have resumed - Mondays and Wednesdays 8:15am to 10:15am, Thursdays 3pm to 5pm. For further information on the uniform shop, please get in touch with Michelle Gordon or go to [www.mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-employment/uniform](http://www.mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-employment/uniform)

### COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

MacKillop is participating in Coles Palmerston's Sports for Schools Programme. Here is how it works:

#### Shop In-store

- Step 1: For every \$10 spent at Coles, ask for one Sports for Schools voucher.
- Step 2: You can either place your vouchers in the collection bins provided at coles or continue to send to the College
- Step 3: Every voucher you donate to your school can be redeemed for leading brand sports equipment.

#### Shop Online

- Step 1: Select your school to donate your voucher.
- Step 2: For every \$10 spent on Coles online, a digital voucher will be sent to your selected school.
- Step 3: Every digital voucher you donate to your school can be redeemed for leading brand sports equipment.

*Thank you,*

*The front office team*

## RAP NEWS

### DID YOU KNOW?

#### *The Australian Aboriginal Flag - Form and symbolism*

The Aboriginal flag is divided horizontally into halves. The top half is black and the lower half red. There is a yellow circle in the centre of the flag. The Flag was designed by Harold Thomas in 1971.

The meanings of the three colours in the flag, as stated by Harold Thomas, are:

Black – represents the Aboriginal people of Australia  
Yellow circle – represents the Sun, the giver of life and protector  
Red – represents the red earth, the red ochre used in ceremonies and Aboriginal peoples' spiritual relation to the land



## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - ACADEMIC STUDIES



**Rod Plummer**  
Deputy Principal -  
Academic Studies

Wow, What an incredibly busy start to 2018! The leadership team have noticed that students are coming to school willing to be "in class, on time and on task".

Week 1 has seen the "Change of Subject" period close with many students taking the opportunity to take control of their own learning. I would hope that all parents have talked to their son's/daughter's about the subjects their children are taking and that students are now aware of their responsibilities in regards to the expectations and assessment for each of their teachers.

We welcome the introduction of MacKillop Catholic College as a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) this year with the delivery of 2 courses: Certificate II in Creative Industries and Certificate II in Information, Digital, Media and Technology. We also have a number of auspicing agreements that will allow us to offer certificates in Fitness, Sport & Recreation, Business and Visual Arts.

Assessment Planners for each year level will be uploaded onto the College website for parents on Friday 9th February, with our annual mini night taking place on Tuesday 13th February. The mini night is a great opportunity for parents to meet with and get subject outlines from each of their child's teachers. For our Year 12 families we will be holding an information evening on Thursday 8th February.

Finally, I would encourage parents to view their child's diaries and keep abreast of assessment tasks and homework due dates. This may include parents giving their son's/daughter's a hand in the correct use of their diary.

*Rod Plummer*

Deputy Principal - Academic Studies

## FINANCE NEWS



**Amos Wachira**  
Business Manager

A warm welcome to all new families and welcome back to all existing families. Thank you for your support in 2017; I look forward to fostering a strong and positive partnership in 2018.

The first fees statement for 2018 will be issued latest by Week 5, Term 1. It will include charges for tuition fees, student levies, family levies and laptop levies. Electives and excursion charges (if any) will be charged at a later stage. However, we encourage prior arrangement for payment of fees. In this regard, we have enclosed at the end of this newsletter Payment Arrangement form (For Credit Card Payments) and Direct Debit Request Form. All forms should be filled and sent back to the finance email below for further processing. The statement will be sent via post and email; in case you do not receive it please get in touch with the finance team to update your details.

As per the terms of the Enrolment Agreement signed by all families, payment of school fees is due within 21 days of the invoice date (unless prior payment arrangements are made).

If you have a payment arrangement for payment of the annual fees, we expect the account to be finalised before close of the school year.

All families who have more than one student in Catholic Education in the NT are eligible for a sibling discount. To avail of this discount, a sibling discount form needs to be completed annually and sent to Finance.

Payments of school fees can be made via BPay, credit card, direct debit or cash payment at our front office reception and direct bank transfer to the below College bank account.

**MacKillop Catholic College**  
**National Australia Bank**  
**BSB: 085933**  
**Account: 396042505**

These payment options are provided for on your statement. Please include your family reference when making payment so we can allocate monies to correct account.

For all queries pertaining to school fees, please call 89305716 or email [finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au).

*Thanks,*

*Amos Wachira*  
Business Manager

## ARTS NEWS



David Graham  
Head of Arts

Welcome to Term 1, 2018!

2018 is shaping up to be a fantastic year with many exciting classes, activities and Arts opportunities for MacKillop students to participate in.

In 2018 we welcome four wonderful new staff members to our team.

Ms. Zoe Siviour – Music  
Ms. Mandy Mattison – Dance, Drama  
Ms. Leanne Rudd – Drama  
Ms. Madison Kemp – Dance, Drama

All four are accomplished practitioners and we are most fortunate to welcome them to the MacKillop family.

In the coming weeks extra-curricular activities will return to their normal days and times. Please see the attached Arts Calendar below for necessary information regarding upcoming dates in February.

Thank you,

*David Graham*  
Head of Arts

5 FEB MON Existing students commence Instrumental Music lessons	6 FEB TUES	7 FEB WED	8 FEB THUR	9 FEB FRI	10 FEB SAT	11 FEB SUN
12 FEB MON New students commence Instrumental Music lessons	13	14 Musical Directors meeting  Junior Dance Troop Commences	15  Senior Dance Troop Commences	16  Bands/Ensembles Commence	17	18
19 Musical Rehearsals commence	20	21 Musical Directors meeting  Junior Dance	22  Senior Dance	23  Bands/Ensembles	24	25
26 Musical Rehearsal (All leads)	27	28 Musical Directors meeting  Musical Chorus Auditions  Junior Dance	1 MAR  Senior Dance	2 MAR  Bands/Ensembles		

### Visiting Mother Teresa Primary School

This week marks the beginning of an exciting relationship with Mother Theresa Catholic Primary School. As part of our dynamic MacKillop Arts programs, Miss Kemp and Mr Tan will be delivering Music and Dance to the wonderful Primary students once a week for 30mins. We are thrilled to offer our services, and help build culture in our local community!



# CHOIR

## FRIDAYS - P5

STARTING WEEK 3 TERM 1 2018

ALL WELCOME! NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!  
SEE MRS EZZY FOR MORE DETAILS

# GUITAR ENSEMBLE

Every Tuesday LUNCHTIME

Starts Week 3 Term 1 2018

COMPULSORY FOR GUITAR STUDENTS, BUT EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN

SOME EXPERIENCE ON GUITAR WILL BE BENEFICIAL

SEE MRS EZZY IN THE MUSIC ROOM FOR MORE DETAILS

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



Tomiko Popp

International Coordinator

## Welcome to Our Exchange Student from Italy

Please welcome the first International student from Milan, Italy.

His name is Gabriele Magnani, and started studying at MacKillop from Week 2 Term 1 until the end of Term1. Maria Stoddard and Maya Jenkins kindly offered to be his buddies and they became good friends.

See attached pictures with his host family -Connor, Tala and parents, Paul and Alison. According to host mother, "Gabriele has settled in really well. He made traditional Italian pizza for us."

Gabriele will also stay with Leia Chiplen & Michael Graham (Jack and Josh) from next month.

He said he had already made lots of friends at school.

Thank you to MCC students and families to look after him.

Best regards,

*Tomiko Popp*

International Coordinator



## Nongkrong

indonesian hangout group

Wednesdays Week 3, 5, 7, and 9.

3:15pm - 4:00pm

In the Indonesian Room: C208

Come for a chat in bahasa indonesia, and a snack!  
See Miss Skehan or Miss Slingerland for more details.





Vanaja Arakkal

Head of IT - Teaching and Learning

## Laptops

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Laptops are an important part of our College learning here at MacKillop. Students use their Laptops as a learning tool. There are some very important rules that we have in place regarding student use of either College laptops or BYOL (bring your own laptops) –for example students are not allowed to store games, movies and software that is not related to school work on their laptops.

In order to facilitate laptop use for all students as soon as we can, we will be commencing both the reimaging of BYO laptops and distributing available College laptops beginning Week 2 Monday 5th February.

Homeform teachers will advise their homeforms to bring their laptops in the following day for processing:

As our senior students have academic and VET deadlines to meet we will commence with our Senior School laptops to enable them to begin their requirements:

Week 2 Monday 5th February: Year 12, 11 and 10 will start to be processed.  
The Middle School – Years 7-9 will be commenced once the Year 10s are finished.

We thank you for your assistance and patience with these processes. Please email [Vanaja.arakkal@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Vanaja.arakkal@nt.catholic.edu.au) if there any questions about laptops.

Best regards,

*Vanaja Arakkal*

Head of IT - Teaching and Learning

## SPORTS NEWS



Nakita Dendle

Sports Coordinator

## PARRS Events

Here are the dates for PARRS and College sporting events this year. Permission forms can be downloaded from our website at <http://www.mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/community/school-sports/>

Date	Sport	Venue	Accompanying Teacher
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Cricket (MS)	TBC	Mr Chris Kent
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	AFL (MS) (BOYS)	Asbuild Sporting Complex	Mr Chris Kent
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	AFL (MS) (GIRLS)	Asbuild Sporting Complex	Miss Grace Skehan
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Rugby League (MS) (BOYS)	Warren Park Marrara	Mr David Graham
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Rugby League (MS) (GIRLS)	Warren Park Marrara	Mr David Graham
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Basketball (MS & SS)	Marrara Basketball Courts	Mrs Chiara Jones
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> April (Week 11) – CROSS COUNTRY			
Term 2			
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Netball (MS & SS)		Miss Nakita Dendle
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Touch (MS & SS)	Asbuild Sporting Complex	Miss Roxy Claire
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Soccer (MS & SS)		Mr Chris Kent
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June (Week 9) – ATHLETICS CARNIVAL			
Term 3			
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> Jul	Athletics (MS & SS)		Miss Grace Skehan
Wed - Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Mountain Bike (MS)		Mrs Jade Cole
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> August (Week 3) – MACKILLOP FEAST DAY			
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Orienteering (MS & SS)		Mrs Jade Cole
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Swimming	Palmerston Pool	Miss Nakita Dendle
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> September (Week 7) – SWIMMING CARNIVAL			
Term 4			
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Hockey (MS)	Marrara	Mr Paul Dimmick
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Badminton (MS & SS)	Winnellie	Miss Beehuang Khoo
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Beach Volleyball (MS & SS)		Mrs Bonnie Morton

Regards,

*Nakita Dendle*

Sports Coordinator

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



**David Graham**  
Rugby League Coordinator

2018 is shaping to be a watershed year for Rugby League at MacKillop Catholic College. We are extremely proud to unveil both a revitalised and revamped experience for our Rugby League players.

In 2018 our Rugby League Excellence Program features an experienced and highly qualified coaching team. The program boasts 4 coaches, 2 assistant coaches, 2 dedicated academic staff and a strength and conditioning coach. These staff are spread across 3 teams (Jnr & Snr boys, girls) and deliver 2 x 45-minute practical training sessions per week, prescribed personal strength and conditioning training programs 4 afternoons a week and a varied HPE and rugby league focused pathway including Refereeing certification, league-safe certification, Certificate III in Fitness and Cert III Sport and Recreation.

Please see our calendar for a full list of exciting upcoming Rugby League events:

## 2018 Calendar

current as of 05/02/2018

6th Feb	Information Night/Sign on 6pm
23rd. – 24th Feb	Training Camp
28th Feb – 21st March	Newcastle Knights Cup (SNR TEAM)
28th March	PARRS Middle Interschool NRL Year 7 & 8 Boys
4th April	PARRS Middle Interschool NRL Year 7 & 8 Girls
6th April	Palmerston Cup (SNR TEAM)
May – 9th June	Eels Cup (U16s picked squad + GIRLS)
14th, 15th (16th) June	Katherine Trip/NRLNT Top End Shield (JNR)
21st – 26th July	Gove/Nhulunbuy Trip
26th Sept – 3rd Oct	Sydney Trip + NRL Grand Final
16th Nov	Presentation Night
1st Dec	Rugby League Alumni Dinner

*\*Friendly matches are not included in the calendar\**

## 2018 Merchandise

A full range of exciting new MacKillop Merchandise is now ready for purchase. Please see our great new online store to order your favourite footy gear! [www.mackillopsaints.com/shop](http://www.mackillopsaints.com/shop)

## New Staff & 2018 Roles

We are extremely fortunate to welcome some talented new staff to our program. In addition we welcome back our existing staff from 2017.

### MANAGEMENT

Mr. David Graham - DIRECTOR  
Mrs. Michelle Mills - ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

### STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

MR. Jasen Bryers

### 2018 COACHES

SENIOR - Mr. Matthew Sharp & Mr. David Graham  
JUNIOR - Mr. Joel Robinson  
WOMENS - Mr. Darren Schmidt

### 2018 TRAINERS/ASSISTANT COACHES

Mr. Michael Graham  
Mr. John Chisholm

### CURRICULUM

Mr. David Graham, Mr. Christopher Kent, Ms. Roxy Claire

## Information Night

Thank you to all the wonderful families who attended our information evening. Your response has been wonderful and the staff are extremely excited to commence season 2018.

If you require a sign up form electronic versions can be found at [www.mackillopsaints.com/collegeteams](http://www.mackillopsaints.com/collegeteams)

*David Graham*

Rugby League Coordinator

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**Roxy Claire**  
World Challenge  
Expedition Coordinator

## World Challenge Africa 2017 Timeline

Feb 2017  
Planning began:  
students created  
their Botswana /  
Zambia itinerary  
for their student-  
led expedition!



Departure Day: 23/11/17,  
via Perth and Johannesburg,  
touchdown in Gaborone,  
Botswana 24/11/17



Training Expedition 1 of 2.  
Sweetwater rock hole trek and camp



Village Trek:  
Ranaka > Cattle  
Post > Manyana  
> Barhurst.  
We were even  
invited to a  
local wedding!



Okavango Delta -  
steering mokoros and  
wild camping amongst  
hippo territory!



Mwandi Project  
building a mud  
house for two  
elderly women



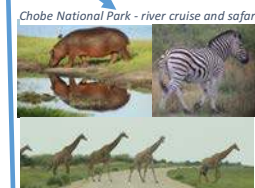
21/12/17  
Heading home



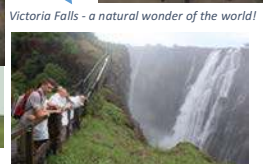
Fundraising  
throughout the  
year to gain nearly  
half the cost of the  
trip raised!  
Bunnings BBQ,  
Fred's Pass Show  
& Darwin Cup  
cleanups, Trivia  
Night, food stalls  
and much more...



Kalahari Trek:  
hunting, gathering  
and hut making



Chobe National Park - river cruise and safari



Victoria Falls - a natural wonder of the world!



Kuminda Farm - African song, dance and food galore!



## Roxy Claire

World Challenge Expedition Coordinator



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tue 13th Feb	Pancake/Shrove Tuesday Mini Night 6:15pm
Wed 14 Feb	Ash Wednesday Liturgy P5 Nongkrong Indonesian Hangout
Mon 19th Feb	Board Meeting 6pm
Tue 20th Feb	Indigenous Families Welcome BBQ 6pm
Wed 21st Feb	Middle Years Leadership Elections
Thu 22nd Feb	6pm Years 10 and 11 Parent and Student SACE Information Night
Mon 26th Feb	Elections of House Leaders
Wed 28th Feb	School Photos 2018 Newcastle Knights Cup (Rugby League) Nongkrong Indonesian Hangout
Wed 7th Mar	Catch-up School Photos
7th-9th Mar	Year 12 Retreat
Sun 11th Mar	Bunnings BBQ for Indonesia Trip
Mon 12th Mar	P&F Meeting 7pm
Wed 14th Mar	Nongkrong Indonesian Hangout
Thu 15th Mar	6pm Year 7 Integrated Welcome Dinner Indonesia Trip Fundraiser
Sat 17th Mar	St. Patrick's Day
Week 8	Year 10 Retreat
Tue 20th Mar	Immunisations
Fri 23rd Mar	Artist in Residence Exhibition 6:30pm
Sun 25th Mar	Palm Sunday
Wed 28th Mar	Nongkrong Indonesian Hangout
Thu 29th Mar	Holy Thursday

## MACKILLOP NEWS

### COLLEGE ASSEMBLY 2<sup>ND</sup> FEB



## 2018 NAPLAN Overview

2018 NAPLAN Dates 15-17 May Week 4 Term 2

### What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an Australia wide testing program that assesses the literacy and numeracy learning of Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students in all schools.

### What do we do with NAPLAN data?

The results from NAPLAN provide an important measure of how Australian students are performing in spelling, grammar and punctuation, writing, reading and numeracy. The assessment data is used at many levels.

- **System** data provides evidence about the effectiveness of literacy and numeracy programs and NT schools' performance against national standards.
- **School** data delivers useful information about performance in comparison to the Northern Territory and Australian means (averages). Analysis of this data helps to determine areas of strength and opportunities for learning in teaching programs.
- **Teachers** use this data together with their classroom evidence to inform future teaching and learning.
- **Students** use NAPLAN information to reflect on and set goals for their learning.



Contact National Assessment team on 8944 9245 or email [assess.report@nt.gov.au](mailto:assess.report@nt.gov.au) with any queries.

**TERM 1 2018**

# MACKILLOP BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Friday  
Lunchtimes



Week 2 McCormack vs Confelinari

Week 3 Hurley vs McGrath

Week 4 Confelinari vs Hurley

Week 5 McGrath vs McCormack

Week 6 McCormack vs Hurley

Week 10 Confelinari vs McGrath

**Grand Final – Week 11**

SEE MS DENDLE FOR MORE INFORMATION



## HOCKEY MARATHON

JANUARY 26 | MARARRA INDOOR STADIUM

### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

STARTS AT 3PM

HOCKEY CLINICS

FACE PAINTING, LASER AND WATER TAG

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT

POP-UP HOTEL AND COMFORT ZONES

FOOD VANS - BAR AND CAFE

... AND MUCH MUCH MORE!!!

GOLD COIN DONATION FOR SPECTATOR ENTRY

REGISTER TO PLAY [WWW.HOCKEYNT.ASN.AU](http://WWW.HOCKEYNT.ASN.AU)

- REGISTRATION FEES WILL APPLY -

JOIN A TEAM, STAY THE NIGHT OR JUST  
COME DOWN FOR A LOOK

PROUDLY  
SUPPORTING

CareFlight



### COMMUNITY PARTNERS



LIKE US ON  
FACEBOOK



# INDIGENOUS FAMILIES BACK TO SCHOOL WELCOME BBQ 2018



**SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND GAMES  
6-8 PM TUE 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, WEEK 3**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JASEN BRYERS - INDIGENOUS EDUCATION WORKER



## Welcome to the Top End!

Defence Community Organisation is hosting a community connections expo.

ADF members and families are invited to join DCO and command for a morning of fun and information sharing. A range of community groups and organisations will join us to provide information about a variety of local community and government organisation services as well as hobby group options in the area. We will have a range of fun activities for families as well as military equipment displays from local units.

Enjoy the activity in air-conditioned comfort. Convenient parking available.

**WHERE** Darwin Convention Centre, Stokes Hill Road, Darwin  
**WHEN** Saturday 10 February 2018, 9.00am–1.00pm  
**MORE INFO** [www.defence.gov.au/dco](http://www.defence.gov.au/dco)

Follow Defence Community Organisation to receive updates.

Defending Australia and its National Interests  
[www.defence.gov.au](http://www.defence.gov.au)

# Download Schoolstream

Our App for quick communication between home and school



## 6 WEEK FAMILY-FIT CHALLENGE

Palmerston Challenge kicks off 9 November  
Darwin Challenge kicks off 11 November

- 6 classes (Register for Palmerston OR Darwin Challenge)
- Daily Recipe Recommendations, Tips and Motivations to help your family stay on track
- Private Facebook Group connecting you to other families doing the same Challenge
- Weekly Challenges
- Just \$129 per family for full challenge
- Sports Vouchers accepted

Register at [kidsfitaustralia.com](http://kidsfitaustralia.com)

#KIDSFITAUSTRALIA



PLAY RUGBY FOR THE  
**PALMERSTON CROCS**  
NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!

## JUNIOR INFORMATION AND WELCOME DAY

Saturday 10 February, 1pm - 4pm  
Palmerston Rugby Union Clubhouse  
81 Bonson Terrace, Moulden

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

[www.palmerstonrugby.com.au/online-registration.asp](http://www.palmerstonrugby.com.au/online-registration.asp)

For further information: [www.palmerstonrugby.com.au](http://www.palmerstonrugby.com.au)  
email [admin@palmerstonrugby.com.au](mailto:admin@palmerstonrugby.com.au)  
phone 0409 082 537 or find us on Facebook.

Mob: 0419 854 344



At MacKillop Catholic College

Commencing Sat 3 Feb 2018  
for 8 weeks - 45 minute sessions

First session 9am "Net" 5-6 years, Second session 9:50am "Set" 7-8 years

Total Cost: \$100

SPORTS VOUCHERS  
ACCEPTED!

At the MacKillop Catholic College undercover netball court

TO REGISTER:

1. Go to [netsetgo.asn.au](http://netsetgo.asn.au)
2. Click [Find a centre](#)
3. Enter MASH



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Sharon Forsyth - President of Mash Netball Club Inc.  
0419868095



[www.baysidedancedarwin.com.au](http://www.baysidedancedarwin.com.au)

10 week social ballroom dancing classes commencing Thursday 8 February, 7.30pm, at MacKillop Catholic College

Learn to waltz, jive, cha... and many more!

No experience required.

10 week course is \$100, and a discount for couples.

For further information phone 0419 854 344



Commerce-PINTS  
Hockey Club

invites you to join

**THE REDBACKS IN 2018**

Girl's and Boy's Under 8, 11, 14 & 17  
Men's and Women's A, B & C Grades

Bring a friend, bring a family member, bring a colleague

Club Welcome and Sign On Day

4pm, Saturday 17 March

Pints Club, Abala Road, Marrara

2018 Training - Thursday nights at Marrara Hockey Centre

President (Kevin) 0417 886 343

Senior Vice President (Viki) 0488 024 375

Junior Vice President (Cindy) 0437 388 441

Website: <http://commercepints.com>

Email: [commerce.pints@gmail.com](mailto:commerce.pints@gmail.com)

Also find us on Facebook

For fun, fitness,  
friends and families



**SWIM SCHOOL**  
**School Term**  
**Swim Classes**

\*Come and join the fun!

\*Enrol now for Term 1 2018

\*Casuarina Pool

\*Nightcliff Pool

Contact us now to book!

Educational, Active & Fun

Skills for Life!

Use your *School Sports Vouchers* with our  
Swim Australia Registered Swim School.

**0421 631 624**

[www.swimdynamics.com](http://www.swimdynamics.com)

[info@swimdynamics.com](mailto:info@swimdynamics.com)



# AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

Bishops Commission for Relations with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Peoples

## Next decade must deliver more for Indigenous Australians, Catholic leaders say

**Media Release**

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Darwin Bishop Eugene Hurley and the chair of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council have lamented the slow progress – and lack of progress in some cases – in the 10 years since then-Prime Minister Kevin Rudd delivered a national apology to Indigenous Australians.

On February 13, 2008, Mr Rudd apologised for the treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the policies that caused pain, trauma and suffering for those peoples. It was hoped it would usher in a new age for relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians and help “close the gap” on a range of measures, including health, education, employment and incarceration rates.

But a decade later, NATSICC chair John Lochowiak says the trauma that had been experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples has an intergenerational impact, which means many of the indicators of closing the gap have not been met, while others have widened.

“We must continue to heal and continue to strive for better outcomes for our people,” he said.

“We hoped that the apology would bring us closer together with non-Indigenous Australians. Recent things like the argument around moving Australia Day show that we still have some way to go.”

Bishop Hurley, chairman of the Bishops Commission for Relations with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, says despite significant efforts, Indigenous Australians are over-represented in prisons, struggle to find suitable housing and out-of-home care, and experience racism on a daily basis.

“The Church wishes to reaffirm and record our commitment to continue the healing process for the benefit of victims of the unjust policies of the past, to support the just needs of Indigenous people today and to contribute to the quest for national reconciliation,” Bishop Hurley said.

He said the apology and the anniversary of it are a symbol of hope.

“We must build this hope for a better future by ensuring that in full consultation with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, practical steps are taken to address the grossly entrenched disadvantages many of our First Nations brothers and sister endure every day. Now is the time to move forward and live out the promises made 10 years ago.”

Mr Lochowiak also recalled the optimism that flowed from the apology 10 years ago.

“On that day, it felt as if all Australians were as one,” he said. “I want that feeling to continue and for all of us to work together so that when the 20th anniversary of the apology comes, our people are living longer, gaining a better education and living to our full potential.”

NATSICC has produced a number of resources and materials to mark the 10th anniversary of the apology. [They can be accessed here.](#)

Lawyer and priest Fr Frank Brennan SJ has written a reflection for the anniversary. [It can be accessed here.](#)

### Media Enquiries

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## Direct Debit Request Service Agreement

This is your Direct Debit Service Agreement with MacKillop Catholic College, **User ID 468590, ABN 800 4251 2230**. It explains what your obligations are when undertaking a Direct Debit arrangement with us. It also details what our obligations are to you as your Direct Debit Provider.

Please keep this agreement for future reference. It forms part of the terms and conditions of your Direct Debit Request (DDR) and should be read in conjunction with your DDR authorisation.

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<b>Definitions</b>	<p><b>Account</b> means the account held at <i>your financial institution</i> from which <i>we</i> are authorised to arrange for funds to be debited.</p> <p><b>Agreement</b> means this Direct Debit Service Agreement between <i>you</i> and <i>us</i>.</p> <p><b>Banking day</b> means a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a public holiday listed throughout Australia.</p> <p><b>Debit day</b> mean the day that payment by <i>you</i> to <i>us</i> is due.</p> <p><b>Us</b> or <b>we</b> means <b>Mackillop Catholic College</b>, the Debit User <i>you</i> have authorised by requesting a <i>Direct Debit Request</i>.</p> <p><b>You</b> means the customer who has signed or authorised by other means the <i>Direct Debit Request</i>.</p> <p><b>Your financial institution</b> means the financial institution nominated by <i>you</i> on the DDR at which the <i>account</i> is maintained.</p>
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### 1. Debiting your account

- 1.1. By signing a *Direct Debit Request* or by providing *us* with a valid instruction, *you* have authorised *us* to arrange for funds to be debited from *your account*. *You* should refer to the *Direct Debit Request* and this *agreement* for the terms of the arrangement between *us* and *you*.
- 1.2. *We* will only arrange for funds to be debited from *your account* as authorised in the *Direct Debit Request*.  
OR  
*We* will only arrange for funds to be debited from *your account* if *we* have sent to the address nominated by *you* in the *Direct Debit Request* a billing advice which specifies the amount payable by *you* to *us* and when it is due.
- 1.3. If the *debit day* falls on a day that is not a *banking day*, *we* may direct your *financial institution* to debit your *account* on the following *banking day*. If *you* are unsure about which day your *account* has or will be debited, *you* should ask your *financial institution*.

### 2. Amendments by us

- 2.1. *We* may vary any details of this *agreement* or a *Direct Debit Request* at any time by giving *you* at least **fourteen (14) days** written notice.

### 3. Amendments by you

- 3.1. *You* may change\*, stop or defer a debit payment, or terminate this agreement, by providing *us* with at least **fourteen (14) days** notification by writing to **Mackillop Catholic College**:  
email: [finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au)  
OR

by telephoning us on **(08) 8930 5716** during business hours (8am – 4pm weekdays)

**OR**

by arranging it through *your own financial institution*, which is required to act promptly on *your* instructions.

*\*NOTE: In relation to the above reference to 'change', your financial institution may 'change' your debit payment only to the extent of advising us, **MacKillop Catholic College**, of your new account details.*

#### **4. Your obligations**

- 4.1. It is *your* responsibility to ensure that there are sufficient clear funds available in *your account* to allow a *debit payment* to be made in accordance with the *Direct Debit Request*.
- 4.2. If there are insufficient clear funds in *your account* to meet a *debit payment*:
  - a) *You* may be charged a fee and/or interest by your *financial institution*;
  - b) *You* may also incur fees or charges imposed or incurred by *us*; and,
  - c) *You* must arrange for the *debit payment* to be made by another method or arrange for sufficient clear funds to be in *your account* by an agreed time so that we can process *the debit payment*.
- 4.3. *You* should check your *account* statement to verify that the amounts debited from *your account* are correct.

#### **5. Dispute**

- 5.1. If *you* believe that there has been an error in debiting your *account*, *you* should notify *us* directly at **MacKillop Catholic College**, email [finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au), and confirm that notice in writing with *us* as soon as possible so that *we* can resolve *your* query more quickly. Alternatively, *you* can take it up directly with *your financial institution*.
- 5.2. If *i* conclude as a result of our investigations that *your account* has been incorrectly debited, *we* will respond to *your* query by arranging for *your financial institution* to adjust *your account* (including interest and charges) accordingly. *We* will also notify *you* in writing of the amount by which your *account* has been adjusted.
- 5.3. If *we* conclude as a result of our investigations that *your account* has not been incorrectly debited, *we* will respond to *your* query by providing *you* with reasons and any evidence for this finding in writing.

#### **6. Accounts**

- 6.1. *You* should check:
  - a) With *your financial institution* whether *direct debiting* is available from *your account*, as *direct debiting* is not available on all accounts offered by financial institutions;
  - b) *Your account* details which *you* have provided to *us* are correct, by checking them against a recent *account* statement; and,
  - c) With *your financial institution* before completing *the Direct Debit Request* if *you* have any queries about how to complete the *Direct Debit Request*.

#### **7. Confidentiality**

- 7.1. *We* will keep any information (including your *account* details) in your *Direct Debit Request* confidential. *We* will make reasonable efforts to keep any such information that *we* have about *you* secure and to ensure that any of *our* employees or agents who have access to information about *you* do not make any unauthorised use, modification, reproduction or disclosure of that information.
- 7.2. *We* will only disclose information that *we* hold about *you*:
  - a) To the extent specifically required by law; or,
  - b) For the purposes of this *agreement*, including disclosing information in connection with any query or claim.

#### **8. Notice**

- 8.1. If *you* wish to notify *us* in writing about anything relating to this *agreement*, *you* should write to **MacKillop Catholic College**  
Email: [finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au)  
Ph: **(08) 8930 5716**
- 8.2. *We* will notify *you* by sending a notice in the ordinary post to the address *you* have given *us* in the *Direct Debit Request*.
- 8.3. Any notice will be deemed to have been received on the third *banking day* after posting.

## Direct Debit Request

*Request and authority to debit the account named below to pay MacKillop Catholic College*

<b>Request and Authority to debit</b>	<p><b>Your Surname or company name</b> _____</p> <p><b>Your Given names or ABN/ARBN</b> _____ <i>“you” request and authorise MacKillop Catholic College, User Id 468590 to arrange, through its own financial institution, a debit to your nominated account any amount MacKillop Catholic College has deemed payable by you.</i></p> <p>This debit or charge will be made through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System (BECS) from <i>your</i> account held at the financial institution you have nominated below and will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.</p>
<b>Insert the name and address of financial institution at which account is held</b>	<p><b>Financial institution name</b> _____</p> <p><b>Address</b> _____</p> <p>_____</p>
<b>Insert details of account to be debited</b>	<p><b>Name/s on account</b> _____</p> <p><b>BSB number (Must be six Digits)</b>                       __ __ __  -  __ __ __ </p> <p><b>Account number</b>     __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ </p>
<b>Payment Details</b>	<p><b>Payment Frequency</b> <i>(please tick)</i>   <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Weekly</b>   <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fortnightly</b>   <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Monthly</b>   <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Once Only</b></p> <p><b>Number of Instalments:</b> _____      <b>Payment Start Date:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Amount:</b> _____                      <b>Payment End Date:</b> _____</p>
<b>Acknowledgment</b>	<p>By signing and/or providing us with a valid instruction in respect to your Direct Debit Request, you have understood and agreed to the terms and conditions governing the debit arrangements between you and <b>MacKillop Catholic College</b> as set out in this Request and in your Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.</p>
<b>Insert your signature and address</b>	<p><b>Signature</b> _____</p> <p>(If signing for a company, sign and print full name and capacity for signing e.g. director)</p> <p><b>Address</b> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>Date</b>    __ / __ / __</p>
<b>Second account signatory (if required)</b>	<p><b>Signature</b> _____</p> <p>(If signing for a company, sign and print full name and capacity for signing eg. director)</p> <p><b>Address</b> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>Date</b>    __ / __ / __</p>

## Payment Arrangements

### ☐ Credit Card Payment

Date of Commencement: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Amount of Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_.

Frequency of Payment: every \_\_\_\_

Name/s of parents/caregivers: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Please debit to my account: ☐ MasterCard

☐ Visa

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number:

Cardholders Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Cardholder's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Mackillop Catholic College, PO Box 2608, Palmerston, NT 0831

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### ☐ Other Payment Method

If not paying by credit card as per above, please indicate intended method:

☐ BPay

☐ Cash

☐ Bank Transfer

☐ Payroll Deductions

Frequency: ☐ Weekly

☐ Fortnightly

☐ Monthly

Date of Commencement: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Amount of Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_.

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### Declaration

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



## *Fee Discount Form*

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

In order to update our data on families and correctly calculate discounts on school fees, could you please fill in the following information and return to the front office.

### **Students in family attending MacKillop Catholic College**

Family Name	First Name	Year Level in:

### **Students (siblings) in family attending other Catholic Schools in Northern Territory**

Family Name	First Name	Catholic School	Year level in:

Parents' family name if different from student's name \_\_\_\_\_

Current mailing address for fee billing: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Annual fees will be billed once a year. Statements are posted out in February.

Payment methods available are:

- ☐ Cash or Cheque
- ☐ BPAY- Biller code and reference numbers are shown on your statement
- ☐ EFTPOS- savings or credit card
- ☐ Direct Debit- via your payroll
- ☐ EFT- from your bank to ours- details are shown on your statement
- ☐ Centrepay – Direct from your Centrelink payments

Yours sincerely,

Finance Department

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Fee Discount Form v2.2 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018

*"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"*