



MACKILLOP NEWS

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



Lauretta Graham
Principal

Dear Members of MacKillop Catholic College Community,

As a community, MacKillop parents, students and staff have worked beautifully together as champions over the past years. We extend our gratitude to our volunteers who in recent times have supported the College in so many ways, especially during these difficult COVID 19 times. For their generosity of time & energy, thank you. For being active contributing members of our community, thank you.

For students to be successful academically the same principle applies: home, community and school need to be on the same page working as a team. As we head towards the halfway point for this term, assignments, tests and other assessments are clearly on our radar. The assessment flow chart is attached to this newsletter and from now until the end of the term we ask that families and teachers stay in contact with each other monitoring the progress of student work. If in doubt regarding who to contact email our curriculum leadership team and they will send you email to the rightful teacher.

This week due to the financial impact of COVID 19, a significant part of my week has been spent in discussion with parents regarding fees and fee payment plans. These conversations are excellent opportunities for the College to more fully understand the hardship families are experiencing. I take this opportunity to thank those who:

- Pay their fees without a reminder;
- Come in to discuss difficulties when times are tough;
- Keep to their payment plans;
- Do volunteer work;
- Support our fundraising activities; and,
- Attend working bees to receive the family credit towards fees.

I invite all families to contact the College when difficulties arise and not leave the situation until we are in the unfortunate position of withholding reports to encourage communication or sending people to debt collectors. When home and school are in communication, we all enjoy the success which comes from people working together.

Catholic schools are subjected to the strictest financial accountability requirements through Territory and National Government Agencies and consequently are known for their high standards in these areas of financial stewardship. It is for this reason we need to keep full documentation to support payment plans, concessions and any special arrangements etc. It is imperative that families provide copies of their Australian Tax Office Tax Assessment, Health Care Cards, Centrelink Statements to support concession applications.

Together we can work on resolving issues as they arise and work towards a better future for the students in our College.

Lastly, please check uniform, and in particular shoes, thank you. I have included a page to show what are the acceptable footwear when in our uniform.

May God bless you and your families,

Lauretta Graham
Principal

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

TEXTILES NEWS

Textiles students have been learning embroidery. Pictured here is Anyisia Lacey with a Mothers' Day present she made for her Mum.



RTO NEWS

Conservation and Land Management students have been planting a variety of bush tucker plants along the back of the campus. In a few years time this will provide a whole range of new and interesting ingredients which can be used in the café and food technology.



FRED'S PASS VIRTUAL SHOW

Fred's Pass Rural Show Online - 6th May to the 3rd June

Due to the show being cancelled we have decided to conduct our first online show. Join in the fun of our Show Hall classes and see how creative you can be!

Just follow the link. Free entry, categories include: Art, Cookery, Craft, Horticulture, Market Garden and Photography.

Get involved! Online entries now open – photos of your exhibit must be submitted by 3rd June. Schedule and free entry submissions online at fredspassruralshow.com.au.



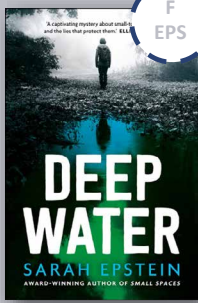
HOME COOKING

Food Tech student Nicholas Troumouliaris has been putting his skills to good use making these amazing mini quiches for his brothers at home. Great work Nicholas!



Mackillop

Three months ago, thirteen-year-old Henry disappeared from The Shallows during a violent storm, leaving behind his muddy mountain bike at the train station.



MASON WEAVER IS TRAPPED. While Mason doesn't know who he is or what he's capable of, he knows the one thing binding him to this suffocating small town is his younger brother, Henry.

CHLOE BAXTER WANTS ANSWERS. Why would Henry run away without telling her? One of Chloe's friends knows something and she's determined to find out the truth. As Chloe wades into dangerous waters and Mason's past emerges, a chilling question ripples to the surface: how far would you go to keep a secret?

Some of what's New In the Library

Surviving school with one eye open. Ross Maloy just wants to fit in. But after he is diagnosed with a rare eye cancer in Year Seven, he suddenly becomes the 'cancer kid' of his school. Now he has to deal with weird hats, a squinty eye and – hardest of all – disappearing friends, social media bullies, and the threat of losing his eyesight... or worse.



In 1942, in the Grand Mosque in Paris, 11-year-old Ruben is hiding from the Nazis.

Already thousands of Jewish children have disappeared, and Ruben's parents are desperately trying to find his sister. Ruben must learn how to pass himself off as a Muslim, while he waits for the infamous Fox to help him get to Spain to be reunited with his family.

One hint of Ruben's true identity and he'll be killed. So will the people trying to save him. But when the mosque is raided and the Fox doesn't come, Ruben is forced to flee. Finding himself in the south of France, he discovers that he must adjust to a new reality, and to the startling revelation of the Fox's true identity.

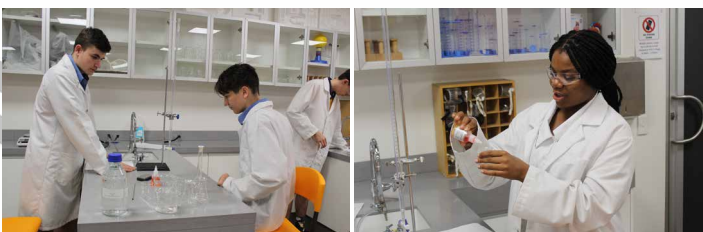


Father Gerry Remie Centre

Library

SCIENCE NEWS

Mr Joseph's Year 12 students conducted an experiment to determine the quantity of ammonia in a multipurpose cleaner. The label of the "Essentials" brand says that the concentration is 20g/L. The higher the concentration, the better it is. As it happened, the students calculated that the concentration to be 24g/L. The 12% higher concentration is consistent with most brands, as companies purposely do this to increase shelf-life.



YEARBOOK NEWS

Four 2020 Yearbook sub-editors have been confirmed for our in-school composition process for this essential publication.

Year 8 students Gemma O'Berne, Ella Chapman, Rhys Lavercombe, and Ian Odhiambo have been chosen to carry out this managerial role.

Last year was the first time ever students were responsible for the production of our school publication. Teaming up with local firm Hollands Printing, Dr Lewis's Advanced Year 8 English class produced a quality Yearbook, getting it into students' hands before the end of the year. A similar outcome is proposed for this year.

The 2020 yearbook will have an expanded format. Every Home Form will be featured, as well as the usual crop of Department reports; specialised events such as sporting competitions, and a collection of student talent. We hope to fight through the Coronavirus problem by featuring especially designed camps and the like.



ROSTREVOR BOYS

Due to the travel restrictions, several Territorian students who normally attend Rostrevor boarding school in Adelaide have become stranded in the NT. It has been our pleasure to host these boys during this time so they are able to continue their education with minimal disruption. Pictured here with Mrs Graham are Will Rowlands, Devondre Banderson, Jasch Davis, Lequell Banderson, Jakob De Santis and Zaivier Page.



MEET OUR STAFF

As a new regular feature in our newsletters, we will introduce you to a few of our staff members each fortnight. to start things off, meet our wonderful Deputy Principal - Academic Studies, Rod Plummer, and Dance and Drama teacher, April Flannery!

Meet a MacKillop Staff Member

WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AT MACKILLOP?

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL ACADEMIC STUDIES

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED HERE?

2020 IS MY 7TH YEAR

WHAT IS YOUR STORY?

I HAVE BEEN A TEACHER FOR 19 YEARS, BEFORE THAT I WORKED IN AN AMUSEMENT ARCADE FIXING VIDEO GAMES AND BEFORE THAT WORKED IN SECURITY WHERE I WAS KYLIE MINOGUE'S BODYGUARD FOR 1 NIGHT ONLY. I LOVE SPORTS IN GENERAL AND PLAYED GOLF AND CRICKET UNTIL RECENTLY I ONCE FACED BRETT LEE IN THE SYDNEY GRADE COMPETITION. I AM MARRIED AND HAVE 2 KIDS, A BOY AGED 16 ATTENDING MACKILLOP AND A GIRL AGED 6.

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT YOUR JOB?

I LOVE IT WHEN KIDS I AM TEACHING HAVE THAT "AH HAH" MOMENT.



Rod Plummer

Meet a MacKillop Staff Member

WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AT MACKILLOP?

HOUSE COORDINATOR, DANCE, DRAMA AND RE TEACHER.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED HERE?

I WORKED AT MACKILLOP IN 2014 THEN RETURNED IN 2019

WHAT IS YOUR STORY?

THIS IS MY 10TH YEAR OF TEACHING AND I STILL AM ENJOYING IT AS MUCH AS WHEN I BEGAN (MAYBE EVEN A LITTLE MORE). AS MY PARTNER IS IN THE RAAF WE MOVE AROUND A LOT BUT WHEN THE OPPORTUNITY AROSE TO RETURN TO THE NT WE JUMPED AT THE OPPORTUNITY AND I KNEW I WOULD RETURN TO MACKILLOP. WHILST AWAY I GOT MARRIED AND HAD A SON AND I AM CURRENTLY PREGNANT WITH OUR 2ND BOY DUE IN JUNE, SO I HAVE COME BACK WITH A NEW LAST NAME AND LOOKING MUCH OLDER AND MORE TIRED. I AM REALLY LUCKY TO WORK WITH THE STUDENTS I WORK WITH AND ENJOY TEACHING THEM ALL THE SUBJECT AREAS WITH A SPECIAL PASSION FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS. I HAVE DANCED SINCE I WAS 3 AND TRULY BELIEVE IT SET ME UP TO BE A WELL ROUNDED AND ORGANISED INDIVIDUAL WHICH IS SOMETHING I HOPE TO INSTIL IN ALL MY STUDENTS. AS A TEACHER, I HOPE THE STUDENTS WOULD SAY I AM PASSIONATE AND THERE FOR THEM. I ALSO LIKE TO HAVE A LAUGH WITH THE STUDENTS AND DON'T TAKE MYSELF TOO SERIOUSLY.

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT YOUR JOB?

I AM FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO TEACH IN A RANGE OF FACILITIES WHICH GIVES ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH STUDENTS IN A RANGE OF CONTEXTS. FOR ME THE BIGGEST SENSE OF ACHIEVEMENT IS WHEN A STUDENT GRASPS AN IDEA OR CONCEPT THAT THEY HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING WITH. I ALSO LOVE THAT THE PERFORMING ARTS DEVELOPS STUDENTS HOLISTICALLY AND GIVES THEM A VOICE. THE EXTRA CURRICULAR ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMING ARTS ARE THE HIGHLIGHT FOR ME AND SEEING STUDENTS THAT DEDICATED TO THEIR CRAFT IS INSPIRING.



April Flannery

FRIDAY
LUNCH TIMES

TERM 2

INTERHOUSE LUNCH TIME
NETBALL

2020

ALL WELCOME
SEE MS GALE
FOR MORE INFORMATION

Week 2
McGrath vs McCormack

Week 3
Confalonieri vs Hurley

Week 4
McGrath vs Hurley

Week 5
McCormack vs Confalonieri

Week 6
Confalonieri vs McGrath

Week 7
Hurley vs McCormack

Grand Final
Friday Week 8



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Dental Surgery

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palmerstondentalsurgerynt.com.au

Is your
child
due for
a dental
check-up?

We accept the ADF Family Health Card, along
with all other major Private Health Funds

With a friendly environment and experienced
staff, Palmerston Dental Surgery delivers high
quality dental care for the whole family.
Oral health care is important to your overall
health and wellbeing. Our caring dentists will
explain your dental treatment options in depth,
allowing you to make informed decisions along
the way. We look forward to seeing your smile!

HICAPS
Fast claims... on the spot

Dental Practice
ACCREDITED

Part of Bupa

Our Oral Health Services:

- General Dentistry
- Dental Emergencies
- Orthodontics
- Sports Mouthguards
- Oral Hygiene
- Wisdom Teeth
- Bruxism Treatment
- Disturbed Sleep
- Mouth Breathing

MACKILLOP
CATHOLIC
COLLEGE
MUSIC

Presents

Senior
Young
Musician
of the
Year
2020



Tue 16th June
APPLY NOW!

Nomination forms available in Performing Arts (D Block)



Applications Due Friday 12th June



Bussy's
Corner

Buslink
driving your way

Issue 3 - May 2020

Hello Students and Families

During the PM interchange process at the Humpty Doo Park & Ride,
students are required to remain seated and behind the yellow line
whilst on the bus at all times.

This is NOT a time for playing on the bus....

Can parents/guardians please ensure that students understand their responsibilities as
outlined in the Code of Conduct for School Bus Travel. Click on this link for the Code:

https://nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/547624/code-of-conduct-school-bus-travel.pdf

Read on for some helpful hints to keep you
safe on the bus.....



Hint #3:

While waiting at the interchange.... Bring a book to read, listen
to music quietly, or share a joke with the person sitting next to
you....



Stay tuned for the next issue of Bussy's Corner.....





PALMERSTON POWER BASKETBALL CLUB

CLUB TRAINING DAY

SUN 24TH OF MAY

BAKEWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL COURTS

TIME	COURT 1	COURT 2
9AM – 10AM	U10 BOYS + GIRLS	U12 BOYS + GIRLS
10AM - 11AM	U14 GIRLS + U16 GIRLS	U14 BOYS
11AM -12AM		U16 BOYS
4PM-5PM	U18 GIRLS	SENIOR WOMEN (DIV 2,3,4 +MASTERS)
5PM-6PM	U18 BOYS DIV 2 + 3	U18 BOYS DIV1 + U24 BOYS

PLEASE BRING A BASKETBALL + WATER BOTTLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL:
ppbc.regoanduniforms@outlook.com



WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT



SATURDAY 16TH MAY: 7AM - 9AM

PARTICIPANTS WILL GET A WORKING BEE CREDIT ON THEIR SCHOOL FEES
 JOBS WILL INCLUDE WEEDING, ROCK COLLECTING FROM UPPER OVAL
 & WHIPPER SNIPPERING.

PLEASE BRING WHEELBARROWS AND WHIPPER SNIPPERS
 MORNING TEA, GOOD COMPANY, AND SUNSCREEN PROVIDED
 WITH MUCH GRATITUDE, LAURETTA GRAHAM - PRINCIPAL

**Palmerston and Regional
Basketball Association**

*JUNIOR BASKETBALL IN PALMERSTON
FROM 2 YEARS OLD TO 18 YEARS OLD*

Come and Try Day : 06 June

Palmerston Recreation Centre
 Email for session times

Wednesday sessions begin: 10 June

Saturday sessions begin: 13 June

For more information :
 E: admin@parba.org
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FOOTBALL IS BACK!

MAY 15

**BE ACTIVE
HAVE FUN
MAKE FRIENDS**
 Registrations NOW OPEN
 for 2020 season



REGISTER NOW VIA
PLAYFOOTBALL.COM.AU

admin@footballnt.com.au 08 8928 1006

Footwear

Acceptable Formal Footwear



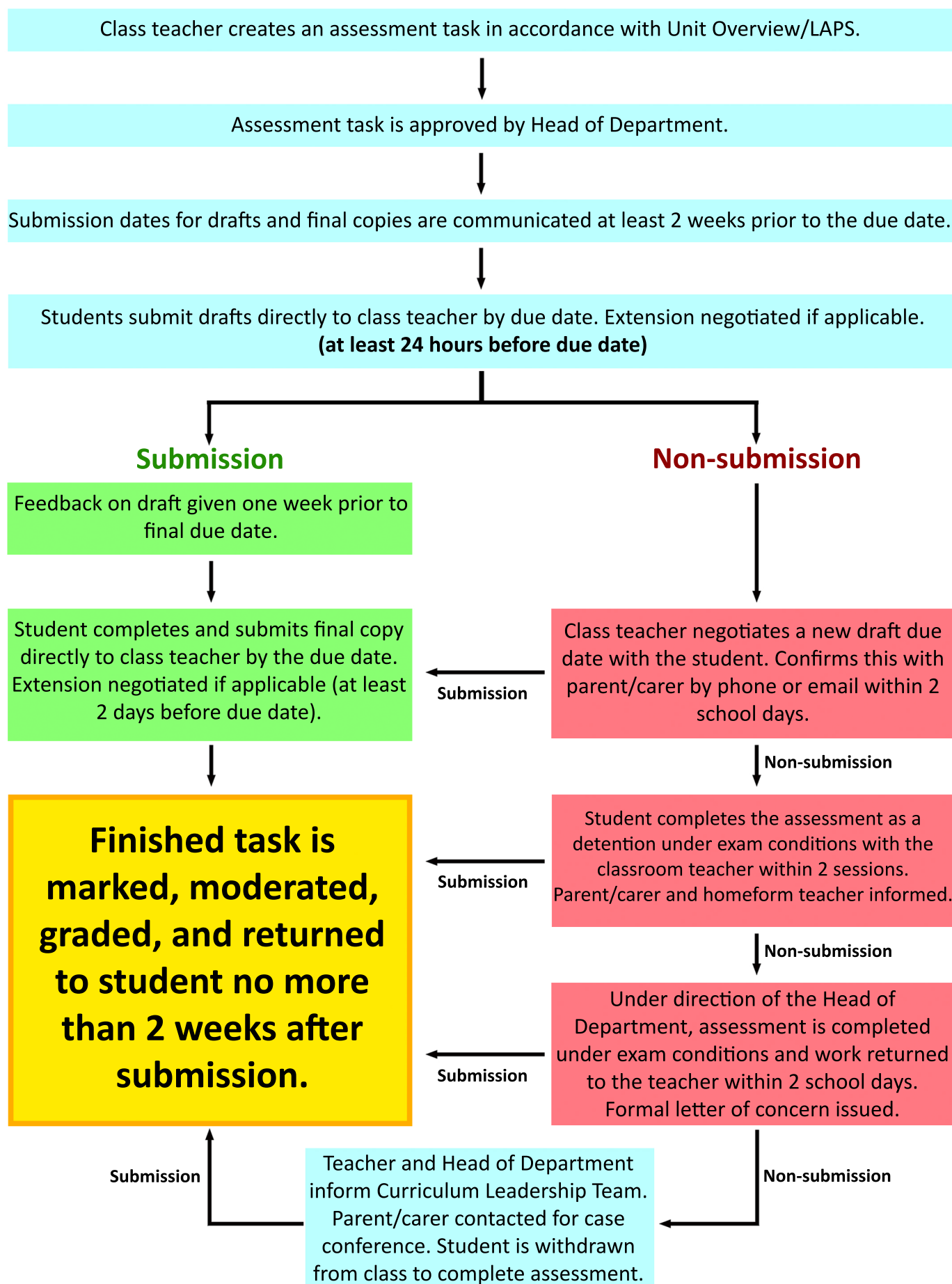
Unacceptable Formal Footwear



Acceptable Sports Footwear



Assessment Policy Flowchart



The Assessment Policy can be found on the College website:
www.mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/teacher-and-student-resources