



# 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,*

A story to celebrate Father's Day. Here a new dad learns to walk on water. He and his wife have just learned they're going to be parents for the first time. They're over the moon with joy. A few weeks later, the soon-to-be dad meets his own dad for a round of golf. The future grandpa quickly realises that his son is not into the game, that he's distracted, that he's missing simple chip shots and making mental errors that he never makes.

Of course, he knows what's going on and, after the game, over beers, he asks, "Son, how are you and Sheila doing?" "OK, fine, good," he quietly responds. His father gently presses, "Is everything really OK?" It's just enough of an opening. "Dad, I have to tell you. I'm scared to death. I don't know how to be a father.

I feel like I'm still a kid myself. What if I mess this kid up for life?" That's the beginning of a long talk between father and father-to-be. The experienced parent shares, with candour and insight, his own terror when his first child was born, the mistakes he made (none did any permanent damage), what he learned from those mistakes, and how being a dad has been the best thing he's done in his life. His son seems to brighten; his characteristic coolness and calm begins to return. He asks all kinds of questions that his dad answers from the wisdom of his own experience.

That was the first of many conversations between father and son that continued long after the father became a father himself. Just about every milestone, every new experience in life, can be terrifying. But the Jesus who calms the storm in the Gospel is present to this father-to-be in the reassuring wisdom of his own dad. In the embrace of our beloved, in the helping hand of a friend, in the counsel of a wise teacher or coach, Jesus reaches out to save us in the darkest times; in the smallest acts of compassion and forgiveness that we give and receive, God reveals his presence in our midst.

Thank you to all who reach out to others in our community and help others. Thank you to the fathers who continue to have those meaningful conversations with their children. Happy Father's Day.

*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*



## ACTS NEWS

### CUPCAKE SALE

Students from the recently formed ACTS (A Chance to Serve) crew have recently volunteered their time to bake cupcakes, which they sold at lunchtime to raise money for Year 12 Graduation this Year.



## ARTS NEWS



# LEGATO

ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE 2020

*3 Exciting days of orchestral music making*

**OCTOBER 5, 6, 7**

APPLY AT [CDU.EDU.AU/CVCM](http://CDU.EDU.AU/CVCM), OR CONTACT AS BELOW

**APPLICATIONS DUE 18TH SEPTEMBER**

**FOR AGES 10 - 18 INCLUDES:**

ADVANCED STRINGS PROGRAMME: CHAMBER MUSIC FOCUSED  
 ADVANCED WIND/PERCUSSION PROGRAMME: JAZZ FOCUSED

AT CDU - CASUARINA CAMPUS | COST: \$200

P: 8946 6013 E: [CVCM@CDU.EDU.AU](mailto:CVCM@CDU.EDU.AU)



## MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE

# 2021 DIARY COVER DESIGN COMPETITION

### BRIEF:

Interpret the Theme:  
**"Our Journey in 2021 at MacKillop"**

- Your Entry Must Incorporate:
- A cross
  - The words "MacKillop Catholic College"
  - The words "Lead with Courage"
  - The Year "2021"

A4 Size

Due Friday 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2020

**Remember to put your name on your submission!**

Submit entries to Mrs Bryers.  
 See Mrs Bryers for further information.

## FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST



*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*



## Art by Chase Dawes

Congratulations Chase Dawes who is the first Visual Arts student to complete Stage 2 Creative Arts: Modified. This was a new course offered in the Visual Arts at a Stage 2 level. Modified subjects are available for the small number of students that qualify to participate in the course. It counts towards 20 points of the Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (NTCET). Stage 2 Creative Arts: Modified is a highly individualised subject in which curriculum and assessment are designed around development of one or more SACE capabilities and personal learning goals that are appropriate for the student. The Visual Arts department looks forward to many more Creative Arts: Modified students successfully completing the course towards their NTCET.



## FINANCE NEWS



**Mr Amos Wachira**  
Business Manager

The finance team wishes to convey our gratitude to parents and guardians who are continuously making sure that their fees and levies are paid on time and payment arrangement honoured. This enables the college to provide high quality learning and proper environment for students. The fee statements are sent regularly and serves as a record of all transactions that the family conducts with the school. Kindly review the statement and in case of any discrepancies, please refer it back to our finance team.

School fees for this year are Overdue and families should be finalising the payments unless a payment arrangement with the college is in effect. If your payment arrangement form has been submitted or if you are making the payments on time, there is no action required from your end.

Payments of school fees can be made via BPay, Credit Card or cash payment at our front office reception. These payment options are provided for on your statement. You can also make a direct bank transfer to the below College bank account;

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

Please include your family reference when making payment so we can allocate all monies to correct account. For all queries pertaining to school fees, please call 8930 5716 or email [finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance.mackillop@nt.catholic.edu.au)

*Kind regards*

**Amos Wachira**  
Business Manager

## ATSI NEWS



*Dear Parents and Special Guests,  
you are warmly invited to join us for the*

## SASH PRESENTATIONS

*to our*

**2020 ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER  
YEAR 12 GRADUANDS**

*to be held in the Gunamidjindawa Room, MacKillop Catholic College*

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**5:30PM Drinks and Nibbles, 6PM Start**

*as an opportunity for cultural recognition of this significant milestone.*

**RSVP Jasen Bryers: [jasen.bryers@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jasen.bryers@nt.catholic.edu.au)**

*With sincere thanks for your valued support of our  
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Communities.*







## Bussy's Corner



Issue 6 – Sept 2020

### Hello Students and Families

Bus travel should be safe and enjoyable for ALL students. Any form of bullying including intimidating and harassing behaviour will not be tolerated on the school buses.

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](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 #6:

**Immediately report all intimidating, harassing or bullying behaviour to the bus driver.**

**When bullying is witnessed, speak out!!**



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

## Bussy's Corner

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The QUIET ZONE

WHAT YOU CAN DO.....

- Speak quietly
- Avoid confrontation with others on the bus
- Turn down the volume on devices
- Use headphones, ear plugs with devices
- Read a book
- Consider whether or not you would be able to concentrate if you were the driver
- Consider the possible outcomes if the bus was involved in an accident due to the driver being distracted with too much noise

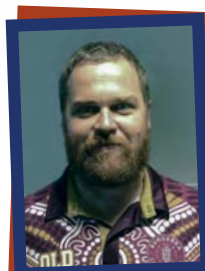
School bus drivers have the responsibility of transporting the most precious cargo in the world....YOU!! Not always the simplest job, with a bus load of noisy students. Drivers can be easily distracted by boisterous behaviour, including shouting, swearing, and playing loud music. Show your driver a little consideration, and keep noise levels inside the bus to a minimum. Do your part so the driver can concentrate on the job at task...transporting you safely and efficiently to and from school.

Please ensure a good understanding of student 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](https://nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/547624/code-of-conduct-school-bus-travel.pdf)

Buslink Berrimah Depot Tel 8944 2444 Buslink Humpty Doo Depot Tel 8988 2762 BUSLINK.COM.AU

### Game Design



**Mr Ben Shanahan**  
Digital Technology Teacher

If you hear some strange sounds coming from the Mac lab during the year 9 Game Design class it is probably that they are hard creating awesome interactive 2Dimensional side scrolling games.

This subject is very popular and space is limited for year 9 in 2021, in it students learn the basics about game design.



'I like pixel art because I can get creative with it.' – Holly Gray.



'I like creating games with my friends because it is easier and more fun to come up with a design.' Caylis Bellman

Game Design lets me change the level design of a game and play it in real time, it is a fun enjoyable subject.' Rhys Thomson.

'The creativity and discovery of Game Design makes it an awesome subject.' Max Russell





## EAGLE GROUP NEWS

### Chess

It's a tough fight for first place in the Chess Competition run annually within the Gifted and Talented Group of the College. Currently leading neck-and-neck are Ben Rowe and Arthur Lewis, with 203 points each.

Within the top 15 following behind are:

197	Sibang, Ida
195	Godinho, Jah-Ryse
191	Johnstone, Kye
190	Stevens, Kasey
184	Salter, Elizabeth
179	Grant, Zoe
173	Rafferty, Aaron
169	Rooney, Grace
163	Lavercombe, Rhys
158	Evans, Lochlan
157	Chanda, Lakshya
156	Pearse, Laura
155	Pearse, Alex
153	Day, Ella

The G&T Group present prizes for the first place getter in each year level by the end of the year, and also for the overall leaders.



'I like making my own games.' Lochlan Evans  
'I like coding games, and the groupwork in class.' Tyler McGowan

**Ben Shanahan**  
Digital Technology Teacher

### Artificial Intelligence

Students in Mrs Arakkal's Year 8 Artificial Intelligence class have been building robots which are able to navigate their way along lines on the ground.



### Linda Fazldeen Visit

Our Eagle Group girls had the opportunity to listen to a presentation by Ms Linda Fazldeen AM, a prominent figure in the NT and a member of the general division of the Order of Australia for significant service to women. They were inspired by the topic of "Purpose fuels passion".



## RTO NEWS



**Ms Rachel Taylor**  
RTO Manager

### VET Expressions of Interest for 2021 are now open

There is a growing range of VET courses and traineeship/apprenticeship opportunities available for 2021.

Students interested in a VET course please see Ms Taylor or Mrs Neuman for further information and Expression of Interest (EOI) forms.

Industry areas include;

- Hospitality
- Automotive
- Cooking
- Conservation Land Management
- Business
- Creative Industries
- IDMT
- Maritime
- Engineering
- Aircraft Line Maintenance
- Health
- Retail
- Sport & Recreation

VET courses are open to students in year 9 – 12 and can be for a single semester or multi-year study. Come down to the Flexible Learning office to learn more.

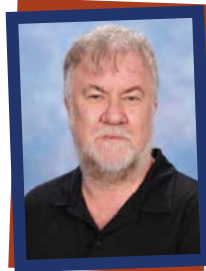
*Rachel Taylor*  
RTO Manager

## SPORT NEWS

### Swimming Carnival 2020



## MODERN HISTORY NEWS



**Dr Tom Lewis OAM**  
Gifted and Talented  
Coordinator  
Senior Modern History  
Teacher

### Letter to Year 8 Parents and Students of the Gifted and Talented Group, and Year 8 students of High Achievement

### An invitation to complete a Senior Subject – Modern History – in year 9, in 2021

Dear Parents and Students,

In 2021 MCC is offering to selected year 9 students the possibility of combining their usual SOSE subject with a Modern History Stage 1 subject, which students usually attempt in Year 11. Such a program would give students early credit towards their senior certificate.

Year 9 SOSE sees students study the Industrial Revolution, World War I, and colonial Australia. The 2021 approach would combine these with the study of British Imperialism and the concept of Revolution – in this case that of the American Civil War.

The MCC approach to these two areas uses an exciting combination of wargaming, historical movies, hand-on item examination – for example we bring edged and firearm weapons in to study – and excursions to places such as the Darwin Military Museum, and the NT Aviation Museum.

We have used this approach successfully in the past. For example, Massimo Gazzola (right) undertook Modern History Stage 1 in 2019, while in year 7, and gained an A achievement. He is studying the Year 12 Stage 2 this year. Congratulations Massimo!

This approach next year is only being offered to the following:

- Year 9 (in 2021) students of the Gifted and Talented program, in keeping with the Group motto of “Fly Higher”, and
- Year 9 (in 2021) students who achieved an A or B in Year 8 SOSE this year, and
- Any other student the SOSE HOD considers worthy.

The assessment load is similar to year 9. There are four assessment items over each semester, although the item length is longer. The assignments are a mix of practical – such as making an item, or participating in a wargame – and theoretical, such as investigating a famous historical figure, for example Queen Victoria.

After consultation between student and parent(s), if students are interested in participating in such a class during the normal SOSE timetabled classes of 2021, please ask your parent to email me directly on [tom.lewis@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:tom.lewis@nt.catholic.edu.au). Of course, if you have further questions on this subject, please also feel free to ask.

*Yours faithfully,*

*Dr Tom Lewis OAM*  
Gifted and Talented Coordinator  
Senior History Teacher



## SAINTS NEWS

### Senior Boys' Photo 2020



## TEXTILES NEWS



## UN YOUTH

### Evatt Debate

The largest UN Youth NT debating and diplomacy competition for students in Years 9 -12 for the Northern Territory, Evatt aims to educate students about Australia's place in the world and empower them to become active citizens by developing public speaking, negotiation, teamwork, research, and confidence abilities. The competition takes the form of a mock session of the UN Security Council. Teams of two students debate, amend, and vote on a prepared resolution from the perspective of their assigned nation. The students judged the most effective diplomats proceed to the next round and get a chance at selection to the National Competition!

Registration will cost \$25 per person (\$50 per team), this will cover food and drinks, including a morning and afternoon tea.

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Preliminary Round (held across two days):

Saturday 12th September (9:00am - 3:00pm)

Sunday 13th September (9:00am - 3:00pm)

Grand Final round: Saturday 19th September (9am - 4:00pm)

Register here: [unyouth.wufoo.com/forms/mbc6j7h1mza02g/](https://unyouth.wufoo.com/forms/mbc6j7h1mza02g/)



# UN youth australia

## YEAR 10 2021 SCHOLARSHIPS

Do you and your child need financial assistance next year? Every year the College awards four scholarships to help dedicated students who will be in year 10 – next year – through their financial situation.

Four scholarships will be awarded. Recipients will be given a 50% discount on their tuition fees for their year 10 enrolment at MCC

### Criteria:

Scholarship recipients must:

- Be enrolled for at least semester two in their year 9 at MCC
- Demonstrate an outstanding achievement in at least 50% of their subject results for their year 9
- Demonstrate outstanding achievement in their good standing within College life for their year 9

### How to apply:

Write to: The Administering Officer -Year 9 to 10 Assistance Scholarships, c/o The Principal's Executive Assistant  
Mackillop Catholic College  
PO Box 2608, Palmerston, NT 0831

- Application must be from the student concerned, and co-signed by at least one parent or guardian
- Application must be a formal letter, and may be hand delivered; posted, or emailed as an attachment
- Closing date: end of Friday, week ten, term three
- Late applications will not be considered



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tue 15 Sep** Middle Years Family Conferences  
3:30PM - 6PM

**Fri 18 Sep** Ultimate Frisbee Grand Final

**Mon 21 Sep** Board Meeting 6pm

**Wed 23 Sep** Nongkrong after School

**Week 10** Year 10 Retreat

**Fri 25 Sep** Last Day of Term 3

**Sat 26 Sep - Sun 11 Oct** - Mid Semester Break

**Mon 12 Oct** First Day of Term 4

**7pm P&F Assoc. Meeting**

**Fri 16 Oct** Volleyball 6pm

**Mon 19 Oct** Board Meeting 6pm

# MACKILLOP NEWS CHRISM MASS



ST MARY'S  
STAR OF THE SEA  
CATHEDRAL

TUESDAY  
29 SEPTEMBER 2020  
@ 7 PM

ALL ARE WELCOME

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### Blessing of the Holy Oils

Priests, religious and representatives of Darwin diocesan community gather around Bishop Charles, who blesses the Holy Oils for use in the coming year.

### Renewal of Promises

Bishops, priests, deacons and religious renew their vows and their commitment to serve God's people.

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*Celebrating*  
**5 Years**  
*2016 - 2020*

## SENIOR AND JUNIOR PRESENTATION EVENT

**BELLA FRESH PASTA - DARWIN WATERFRONT**  
**SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2020 11AM - 5PM**

Access to the lagoon and all the waterfront facilities. Bring your picnic rug. Sandwiches, fruit and hot platters will be served. Drinks not included. Book a room and have a stay vacation - for a promo code email mashnetball@hotmail.com.

Presentations will be held on the lawn in front of Bella starting with Go at 11:30, 11s at 12:30, Seniors at 1:30, 13s at 2:30 15s at 3:30 and 17s & 18s at 4:30.

Cost: Player + one person free, Children U/5 Free, Extras \$6 per person/child over 5  
RSVP 12 Sep 2020 • URL Code will be emailed to all via our Club email system.

Queries: Sharon Forsyth - mashnetball@hotmail.com, 0419868095  
restaurant.bellafreshpasta.com.au • waterfront.nt.gov.au





Sola a Solo Mother full of God  
Pray for us sinners now and in the  
hour of our death Amen!

In this difficult time of the pandemic, where there are social and economic problems, suffering and death afflict all of us.

Yet, Christ has been victorious over death!

He comes to win over our fears and open for us a way to a new life.

Come and listen!

Christ is Risen and comes into your life!

**Mondays & Thursdays 7:30pm**  
**Starting Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**St. Francis of Assisi Parish**  
**65 Challoner Circuit Humpty Doo**

For more info contact Parish Priest  
Fr. Giovanni Raffaele: 0476 720 903



## Child Safeguarding Commitment Statement

Catholic Education Northern Territory is committed to the safety, wellbeing and empowerment of all children, young people and vulnerable adults. This commitment is drawn from, and inherent to, the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. We recognise and uphold the dignity and rights of all children and young people, and have zero tolerance for child abuse and exploitation.

We are committed to creating school, education and care environments where children and young people are respected, and where they are safe and feel safe. We provide opportunities for children and young people to have a voice and be heard.

We encourage open communication where families and communities are informed of relevant issues and have the opportunity to contribute to the decision-making process regarding the safety of children and young people.

We have policies and procedures in place to build a strong safeguarding culture. Employees and volunteers must follow these policies and procedures and thus contribute to the culture of the care and protection of all children, young people and vulnerable adults. It is essential that all employees and volunteers are committed to educating our community, and by remaining informed of the causes and signs of harm to children, young people and vulnerable adults.

We plan, organise and review all activities with children and young people, proactively considering potential risks and implementing control measures that reduce or eliminate these risks. All stakeholders are encouraged to communicate their concerns or suggest possible improvements to policies or procedures.

We are committed to responding sensitively and respectfully, in a timely manner, to anyone who raises a concern or allegation of harm to a child, young person or vulnerable adult. We report to the appropriate authority in line with our moral and legal obligations and our Investigating Complaints Policy.

We will regularly undertake internal and external auditing of our safeguarding policies and practices to make sure that they always support a culture that puts the safety of children and young people at the centre of our thinking, decision making and action.

For more information or to raise a concern, please contact the:

School Safeguarding Contact Person, or

Integrity Officer/ Child Safety Coordinator: [christine.smith@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christine.smith@nt.catholic.edu.au)



Greg O'Mullane  
Director, Catholic Education Northern Territory

Date: 31/3/2020



# KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE AND WELL IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

**Together we can  
help every child thrive**

**We can all...**

...speak up if we see something that is  
not safe for children

...talk respectfully with children and value  
and act on their ideas

...help children thrive by supporting  
families

...create places where children feel  
safe to live, play and learn

For more information about how to play your part, visit [www.napcan.org.au](http://www.napcan.org.au)

**NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK**  
**6th-12th September 2020**

**NAPCAN** PREVENT  
CHILD ABUSE  
& NEGLECT  
[www.napcan.org.au](http://www.napcan.org.au)





# CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY 2020

## *Prayer*

Gracious God,  
you love and care for all of your  
children,  
especially the smallest and most  
vulnerable.  
We entrust to you the lives of children  
and adults at risk  
who have been sexually abused,  
and whose trust and innocence have  
been destroyed.

Help us to hear their cries of pain  
and to take responsibility for those  
whose lives have been broken.  
Help us to recognise the hurt felt by  
those wounded by abuse,  
and the failure to be heard.

We pray that with the help of your grace  
communities and families will find  
understanding and support,  
so that now and in the future  
their wounds may be healed  
and they may find lasting peace.

Let your grace and love fall gently now  
upon our children,  
giving them the inner strength, peace  
and resilience  
to seek out assistance when required.

We ask this prayer through our Lord  
Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God  
forever and ever.

Amen



MacKillop Catholic College Presents

# WICKED

THE UNTOLD STORY OF THE WITCHES OF OZ

Showing

2-5 December

2020

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz

Book by Winnie Holzman

Bookings now open! [mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au](http://mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au)

Based on the novel by Gregory Maguire      Directed by David Graham

Orchestrations by William David Bohn      Music Arrangements by Alex Lacamoire & Stephen Oremus

Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia)      All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.



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