



MACKILLOP NEWS

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



Peter Moloney
Principal

Dear Families,

This represents the last College Newsletter for Semester 1. It also represents my final MacKillop Newsletter. As most would be aware, I was only ever employed in a short-term role as Principal, with my contract finishing at the end of this week. Unofficially, we have already welcomed the College's new Principal, Mr Lucas Hurley, to MacKillop Catholic College. Lucas, however, commences officially in his new position on 5 July.

In previous newsletters, I have mentioned that we are farewelling the College's Inclusion Support Coordinator (ISC), Linda Van Heusden, at the end of this semester i.e. at the end of this week. Linda is relocating to North Queensland.

It is with pleasure that I can announce that Linda's replacement for the ISC position is Ms Janna Bryse. Janna joins us from Victoria. Interestingly, Janna and her family had their plans to relocate to Darwin in place from the start of this year. Janna subsequently applied, and has been successful in her application for the ISC position. Janna, whose teaching specialty area is Art, has her Master's Degree in Inclusive and Special Education. Janna has lived previously in the Palmerston region, and she brings with her extensive experience in the area of special and inclusive education.

This is also the last week we will have with us the College's Business Manager, Amos Wachira. As I have mentioned previously, Amos, together with his wife Cecily and their family, are also relocating to North Queensland. Again, it is with pleasure that I can announce that Amos's replacement as Business Manager to the College is Mr Gary Ninneman. Gary is currently a member of the College's Finance Team, so this Business Manager position has ultimately been filled internally. The College is currently advertising for Gary's replacement position in the College's Finance Department.

I am not sure if I have previously announced this publicly, but I can now officially advise that MacKillop's Deputy Principal Pastoral Care, Mr Michael Graham, will not be returning to MacKillop Catholic College. Michael has officially advised his resignation from this position. Due to a host of reasons, however, this resignation will not take effect officially until later in the year. Again, it is with pleasure that I announce officially that Ms Candice Slingerland has agreed to remain in the position of Acting Deputy Principal Pastoral Care for the remainder of 2021. This is good for the College, because with a new Principal, a new Inclusion Support Coordinator, and a new Business Manager in place for Semester 2, this will provide stability and continuity to the College.

And finally, I need to reiterate a point made in my previous newsletter. Because MacKillop is an open community campus, any persons can enter at any time of the day or night. Student lockers need to be locked. If the locker is not locked, then any person can access that locker at any time, day or night. As well, the locks on those lockers will keep out honest thieves only. Do not leave valuable, \$1500 laptop computers in those lockers overnight.

And finally, finally, a big thank you from so many in our MacKillop community for all your marvellous support over these past 6 months. I have had the privilege of working with an amazing staff. I am currently signing Semester 1 reports. It has only highlighted to me the many outstanding young people we have at this College. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have spent this time with you.

God bless,

Peter Moloney
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

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - PASTORAL CARE



Candice Slingerland
Deputy Principal - Pastoral
Care

Dear Families,

Thank you all for a supportive and exciting Semester One. I hope that you all have some enjoyable Dry Season activities planned for you and your family along with a lot of rest. We are looking forward to seeing your student arrive safely and refreshed back for Term 3.

We have had some projects running in the background during Semester 1 to roll out for Semester 2 and 2022. In Term 1, we collected some data from students, families and staff surrounding our current Pastoral Care programs within the school. From this data, we have envisaged a new whole school approach to Pastoral Care. The whole school approach will include strategies also communicated to families, so that the same strategies can be used at home to assist in teaching adolescents key social and emotional learning as well as the values of gratitude and empathy, followed by mindfulness. The Resilience Project has all of this to offer and more and we will be rolling this out to families and staff in Semester 2 2021, ready for delivery to students in Semester 1 2022.

Please keep an eye out for more information about this in the newsletters to come.

As such, the staff within the college community need to be trained to deliver this program and understand resilience at its core. Therefore, **there will be a Student Free Day on Monday 9th August** to allow this training to occur. This will also be advertised on Facebook and a letter will also follow this article to ensure that everyone is aware of this upcoming day of school closure. We are hoping that with this new program and training we will be able to support students in their pastoral development as global citizens with Catholic values.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this upcoming program or about the school closure day. Again, wishing you all a safe and restful holiday break.

Salam Hangat,

Candice Slingerland
Deputy Principal - Pastoral Care

STUDENT FREE DAY: MONDAY 9TH AUGUST

PARISH NEWS



St Vinnies

Good afternoon,

Are you interested in becoming a member of the St Vincent de Paul Society in Palmerston? We are looking for people to reform the group.

You have the opportunity to assist people in need in a variety of ways e.g. the Vincentians (a singing group), through home visitation, youth buddy days, as well as extending your own spiritual wellbeing.

Please ring Kay Fitzpatrick 0419 613 288 or Fay Gurr 0418 621 119

Thank you,

Kay Fitzpatrick

President of the Holy Family Conference,
Karama

Daly River Shrine Cleanup

Over the long weekend, Fr Tom and some MacKillop staff headed down to Daly River. The shrine build in remembrance of the old Jesuit mission needed a bit of a cleanup after the recent wet season had inundated it with clay and vines had grown over it's roof. It is now looking as good as new.



WHS NEWS

PARKING & DROPOFF AREAS

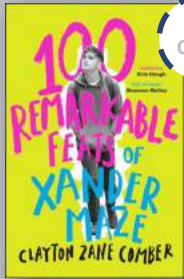
MacKillop Catholic College would like to remind all staff, parents and students that all parking and drop-off areas are designated 10km/h speed limit zones.

**Remember to DRIVE SO
OTHERS SURVIVE**



LIBRARY NEWS

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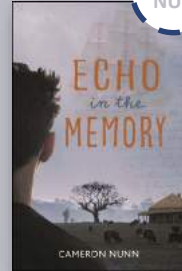
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Xander's Dad died when he was only three, leaving him with an incredibly overprotective mother. But Xander's true hero is his Nanna, who has stage 4 cancer. Nanna encourages Xander to write a list of 100 Remarkable Feats. If he achieves all the things on his list, it will make her better. With the help of people that he mostly meets through performing his remarkable feats, some very small, Xander's life slowly transforms. His quest goes viral and he achieves some truly remarkable things along the way, and shows that for an amazing journey sometimes you just need to take the first step.

Some of What's New In the Library

Told in two intersecting stories - the first being a teenage convict sent to Australia, circa 1830, to serve seven years for theft. We live through his struggles and dreams for the future, and the hardships and horror that surround him far from home.

The second story is set now, when fifteen-year-old Will, along with his younger sister Rosie, are sent to remote Australia after his Mum died and his Dad couldn't cope. Here Will finds a loving Gran and an ailing Grandfather, who is hard on Will and has trouble with images of the past. His grandfather is considered mad by many, including Will. But then Will starts to experience the same strange connection to a troubled boy who lived here many years ago...



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Evie is disillusioned about love ever since her dad left her mum for another woman - she's even throwing out her beloved romance novel collection.

When she's given a copy of a book called Instructions for Dancing, and follows a note inside to a dilapidated dance studio, she discovers she has a strange and unwelcome gift. When a couple kisses in front of her, she can see their whole relationship play out - from the moment they first catch each other's eye to the their break-up.

For Evie, it confirms that love doesn't last. But at the dance studio she meets X - tall, dreadlocked, fascinating - and they start to learn to dance, together. Can X help break the spell that Evie is under? Can he change Evie's mind about love?



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Father Gerry Remie Centre

Library



WHO
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WHAT
YOUTH CAMP FOR ALL OF THE
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WHERE
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WHEN
FRIDAY JULY 2 - SUNDAY JULY 4

WHY
IT'LL BE A BLAST! LOCAL AND
INTERSTATE MUSICIANS &
PRESENTERS, GAMES, FOOD, FAITH,
FRIENDS AND CAMPFIRE

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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

SPORTS NEWS

Athletics Carnival

Congratulations McGrath house for winning the Athletics Carnival for 2021!



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Lunchtime Sport

Congratulations Confalonieri house for winning the the lunchtime netball for Term 2 2021. Term 3's sport will be Ultimate Frisbee.



Stage 2

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| 9. | Stolberg | Amber |
| 10. | Burrell | Emily |
| 11. | Santos | Maureen |

Rachel Griffen
Child Studies Teacher

SAINTS NEWS

Clearance Sale on Saints Gear from the Rugby Shop Darwin City

In an effort to clear the Saints old stock, Bruce is offering it at 40% off right now!

Shorts now only \$39
Singlets now only \$30
Polos now only \$36

Get in quick! More gear including hats and shirts is also available from Mr Tyler in the front office.



From the Director of Rugby



Matt Sharp
Director of Rugby -
MacKillop Saints

Week 10 concludes our official Rugby League term for 2021. Although we may not be training weekly from this point onwards, students who nominate and are then selected for our competition matches against local opposition will still be called into training camps for the rest of the season.

Week 9 saw the second edition of the Grade of Origin match between Year 9 & Year 10. Year 10 snuck the Cox Commemorative Plate away from a valiant Year 9 side thanks to a last play try with the game then ending 30-28 to the elder collegians. Students who impressed included Primal Bar & Grill Man of the Match Beau Ryan from Year 10, SNAP Fitness Coolalinga best on the losing side, David Stevens, and the McDonald's Johnston Courage Award to debutant Damien Potter. Thanks to what ended being a healthy lunch crowd for their support.

With still plenty in the plans for the back half of 2021, it is important that students keep an eye on the daily notices for more information about upcoming events and fixtures.

Matt Sharp
Director of Rugby



Mother Teresa Sports Day

The following students did a fantastic job of representing MacKillop on Friday. The students were helping with events, the scoring, supporting staff around the School with coordinating children, they helped with the packing up including collecting a heap of rubbish off the communal oval. They demonstrated out college values so well.

I have already had conversations about the child studies students supporting next year.

Stage 1

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| 1. | Gibson | Georgia |
| 2. | Lea-Smith | Kaylah |
| 3. | Michael | Darcy |
| 4. | Moriarty | Chloe |
| 5. | Robertson | Shae |



Nate Jackson
Director of Basketball -
MacKillop Saints

From the Director of Basketball

Basketball will be starting up in P5 Mondays and Fridays in Term 3. Sign up today to get involved in the MacKillop Saints basketball Programme!

Nate Jackson

Director of Basketball

2021 BASKETBALL TRAINING

EVERY WEDNESDAY
MEET ON THE UNDERCOVER BASKETBALL COURT
3:15PM - 4:30PM

ALL WELCOME. COME ON DOWN!
SEE MR JACKSON FOR MORE DETAILS

GET ACTIVE!

Need another excuse to start going to the gym?
Thanks to our sponsors at



Coolalinga,

we can offer 10 session guest passes - normally \$50 - for \$20 to members and fans of MacKillop Saints. Talk to any of the Saints team to get your voucher.

MACKILLOP Saints
U14s
TIWI ISLANDS FOOTY TRIP

GAME FOLLOWED BY DINNER
WITH THE COMMUNITY

FERRY ON THURSDAY MORNING 29TH JULY
AND WILL COME BACK THE END OF THE NEXT DAY.
TALK TO MR ALEX MENTINK [INCLUSION] FOR MORE DETAILS!

SCIENCE NEWS

Questacon
INVENTION CONVENTION

DARWIN
13-15 July
2021

Do you like designing, creating and building?
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RTO NEWS



Patricia Sweeney Fawcett
Managing Director - RTO

Vocational Education and Training

Vocational Education and Training
It has been a very busy and successful semester for the VET team. Congratulations to all our students who successfully completed their VET qualifications in Business, Conservation Land Management and Landscape Construction Pathways. We hope to see you all continuing your VET journey and progressing in Semester 2.

NT Training Awards

We are excited to announce the NT Training Awards Finalists! Congratulations to MacKillop Catholic College student and Trainer; your contribution to VET and dedication to your education is commendable!



NT VET in School Student of the Year 2021 – Harrison Fisher (Certificate II in Creative Industries and Certificate II in Information, Digital Media Technologies)

NT Trainer of the Year 2021 – Ian Anderson (Land Conservation Management)



The NT Training Awards will be held on Saturday, 18 September 2021.

Still a few spaces left to enrol in VET for Semester 2....

BSB10115 - Certificate I in Business

AHC10116 - Certificate I in Conservation and Land Management

Ensure you submit your Expression of Interest (EOI) Form to Ms Neuman in the Flexible Learning Centre to secure your place.

Patricia Sweeney Fawcett
Managing Director - MacKillop RTO

AGRICULTURE NEWS



Patrick Sibley
Instructor in Agriculture

Year 7 Agriculture Field Trip to visit the Taminmin College Agriculture Program

On 10th June the Year 7 Agriculture class visited the Agriculture Programme at Taminmin College.

Students were addressed by Mr. Ryan Thornton, head of Agriculture, who gave us a two-hour guided tour of all the enterprises. Ryan provided us with a thorough insight into agriculture, horticulture and aquaponics.

Students were shown the fish farm coupled with a raised vegetable patch which were fed from the nutrients in the fish waste (Aquaponics). The students really enjoyed viewing the Barramundi and Sooty Grunter (black bream) in their tanks.

Students were then able to view and learn about the variety of exotic fruit plants growing in the greenhouse including pawpaw, a variety of bananas and pepper.

The Year 7s viewed the horses, rabbit's hutch and guinea pigs and undertook a more applied study of the chickens, calculating their average weights.

Mr. Thornton showed us the horses and the vegetable garden which was growing many exotic vegetables, some of which we were able to taste. The students learnt more about drip irrigation and its importance for water conservation.

We are very grateful to Sue Healy, Principal of Taminmin College and especially to Mr Ryan Thornton who made us welcomed to return. We plan to visit again during term 4.

Patrick Sibley
Instructor in Agriculture

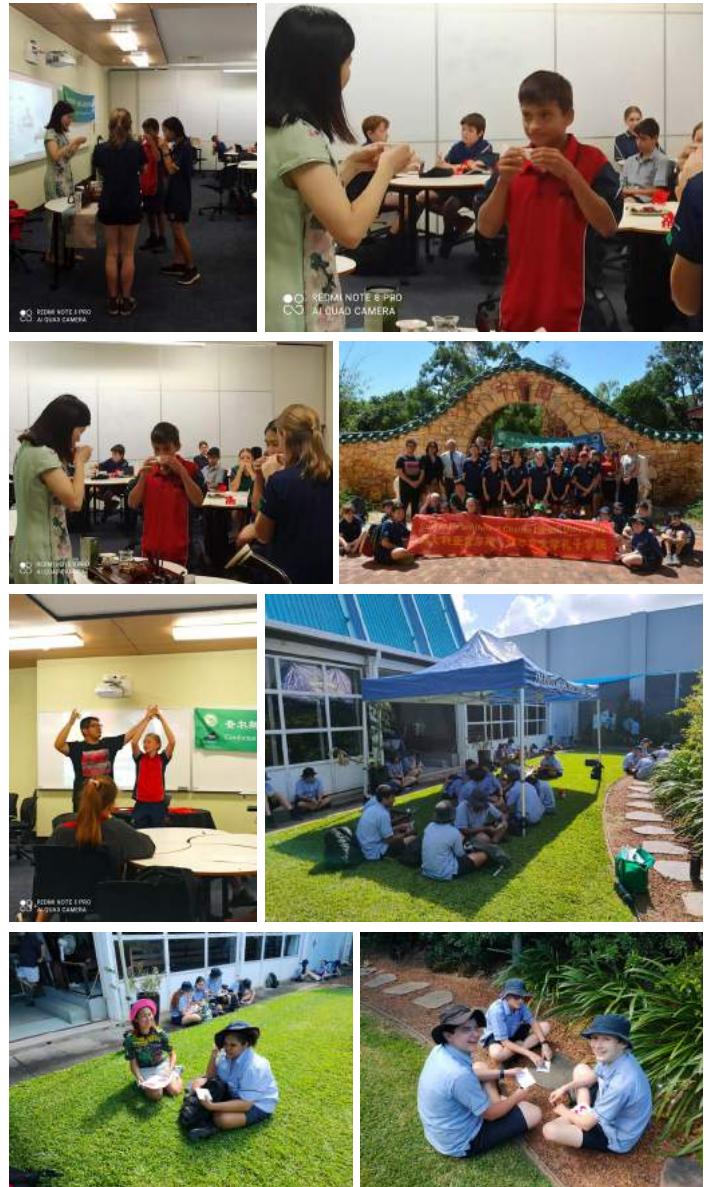
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LANGUAGES NEWS

Excursions

On Wednesday, Languages students went on an excursion to learn more about their Chinese and Japanese culture and Language with Ms Khoo, Mr Fitzgerald and Ms Yahara. This was done as a joint excursion with Darwin Middle School.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 24/25 Jun** **Year 11 Camp**
- Fri 25 Jun** **Last Day of Semester 1**
- Mon 19 Jul** **Student Free Day**
- Tue 20 Jul** **First day back for students**

Palmerston Youth Festival

Dates: 10 to 16 July

Location: City of Palmerston

Cost: FREE

palmerston.nt.gov.au/community/lifestyle-community/palmerston-youth-festival

Returning in the 2021 July school holidays, the Palmerston Youth Festival is set to be the biggest event on Palmerston's calendar. To mark the official opening of the festival is the Territory's biggest geek culture celebration; Geekfest Top End. Wrapping up the week of fun will be Suburban Sounds featuring Electric Fields, Tigerlily and J-MILLA; is a free, all-ages music concert, with plenty of fun, free events in between!



10.07.21
GEEKFEST TOP END
5-10PM
PALMERSTON CBD

11.07.21
GREAT DUCK RACE
4-7PM • PALMERSTON
WATER PARK

12.07.21
COMEDY GOLD
6-8PM • PALMERSTON
RECREATION CENTRE

13.07.21
ROOKIE COOKS
10AM-2PM • PALMERSTON
RECREATION CENTRE

14.07.21
3X3 BIG HUSTLE
4-9PM • GOYDER
SQUARE, PALMERSTON

15.07.21
ON THE HUNT @ EVENTS
12-8PM • EVENT CINEMAS
(PALMERSTON)

16.07.21
SUBURBAN SOUNDS
5-8.30PM • GOODLINE PARK,
ROSEBERY (HOME OF THE RAIDERS)

ELECTRIC FIELDS
TIGERLILY • J-MILLA



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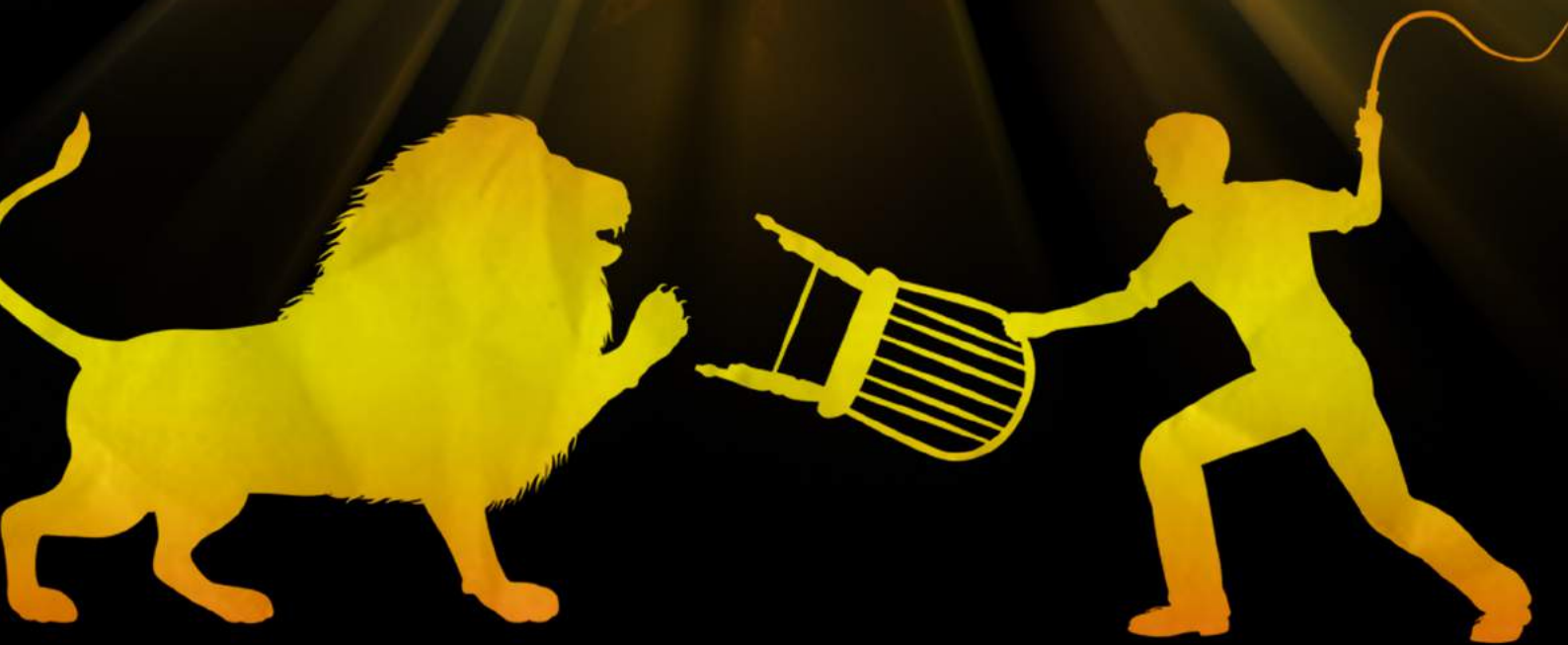
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SEE THE MUSIC STAFF IN D BLOCK

MACKILLOP'S GOT TALENT 2021



IMPRESS THE COLLEGE WITH YOUR MAD SKILLS
MACKILLOP FEAST DAY • FRIDAY 6TH AUGUST



**You are invited to join us for MacKillop's
next **College Tour!****

**5PM THURSDAY
29TH JULY 2021**

**Meet our staff and leadership team, have a
look around our campus and check out our
facilities, and have any questions answered.**

**Light refreshments provided. Prospective
students and younger siblings are most
welcome to come along.**

**A COVID-19 plan will be in place. Attendees
must RSVP Miss Madison Fleming:
madison.fleming@nt.catholic.edu.au**

