



# MACKILLOP NEWS

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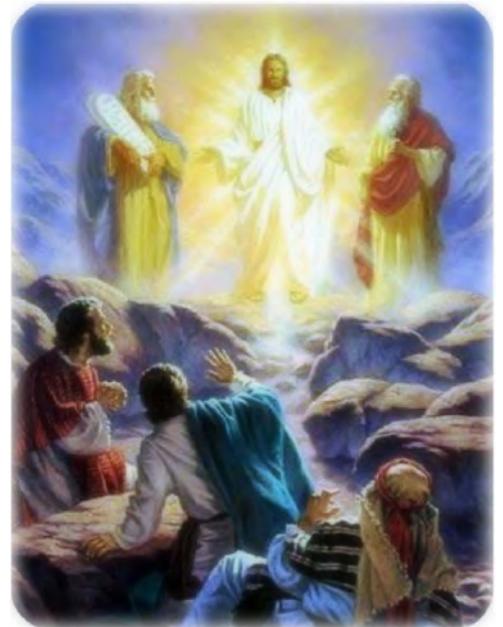
*"Never see a need without trying  
to do something about it"*  
St. Mary MacKillop



Lucas Hurley  
Principal

*Dear Families,*

Last Friday, our students celebrated the Feast of our Patroness in a most reverent and beautiful manner. I was most impressed with the way our students respected the sacred dimension of our Mass and the passionate way the College song was sung. That day, coincidentally, 6 August, was also the Solemnity of the Transfiguration of Jesus, (Mark 9:2-10). During this event there are many deep theological mysteries that are played out and which could be discussed over volumes of literature. I would like, however, to focus on two aspects of the Transfiguration and correlate them to the life of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. On Mount Tabor, in the company of Peter, James and John, it describes Jesus' clothes as becoming *"dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them."* In this moment, Jesus is revealing to his disciples his divine nature, as the second person of the Trinity; that Jesus was both truly God and man. It is from this reality, and subsequently from Jesus' teachings on the way we should live, that St Mary MacKillop found her source of inspiration, as she devoted her whole life to serving her Lord and God. Shortly after this revelation on the mountain, there is the voice of God the Father from heaven; *"this is my beloved Son, listen to him."* And so, we see in the life of St Mary MacKillop an example of an incredible woman who said *"yes"* to Jesus, as she listened to his voice all the way to heaven. We too can be like our patroness and listen to Jesus as we aim to arrive at that place where, *"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no heart has imagined, what God has prepared for those who love Him."* (1 Cor 2:9)



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.

*God bless,*

*Lucas Hurley*  
Principal

# STUDENT FREE DAY: MONDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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# Confirmation

Taking Place in September.  
Group meets  
every Sunday at 5pm  
in the meeting room near the Grotto at the Church

FOR YEAR 6 AND OLDER  
SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM AND FIRST COMMUNION CAN BE RECEIVED AT SAME TIME.

SPEAK TO FATHER TOM FOR MORE INFORMATION - 0424 971 017

## CATHOLIC IDENTITY NEWS

From the APRE



**Richard Milne**  
Assistant Principal -  
Religious Education

### MacKillop Feast Day

On Friday 6th of August we celebrated the life and commitment and courage of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Mary was an ordinary Australian called by God to live an extraordinary life. Her work in the 1860s as a young governess in Penola, South Australia, caring for and tutoring a young family could have gone blissfully unnoticed had she not taken time to talk to her parish priest, Fr Julian Tenison Woods after mass one Sunday in 1866. He invited her to establish an order of sisters willing to travel throughout

Australia educating children of families without the finances to attend the large city schools and boarding houses run by other orders of sisters, priests and brothers.

We recognised on her Feast day that Mary was a young woman living in the outback not much older than the students she was teaching and who changed the lives of so many young people in rural areas.

Father Tom offered mass for us in the morning and shared with us the importance of role models and saints such as St Mary of the Cross MacKillop whilst we keep our eyes and hearts firmly on the life and teachings of Jesus.

We celebrated with cake at morning tea and sausages on bread for lunch.

The MacKillop Character Award was presented to Jah-Rhys Godhino dos Reis to rapturous applause by the assembly of students.

The MacKillop Dash was also a highlight our day, with students cheering wildly for their favourites as they dashed around the school.

The afternoon was spent in home forms with challenging board games, movies, sporting and art activities.

Thank you,

*Richard Milne*  
APRE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Peace be with you

How do we realise ourselves?  
How do we find happiness?  
How do we learn the art of living?

Jesus says he has come to bring Good News to the poor  
He has the answer to this fundamental question.  
I will show you the path of life  
I am the path

All of us are poor  
We experience the inability of joy  
That is the inability of love

We need to learn the art of living.

The art of living can only be communicated by one who has life  
by Jesus Christ  
The Good News personified

Come and listen to a series of talks  
On Monday and Thursday at 7.30pm  
Starting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August

These talks are in the meeting room of Our Lady Help of Christians Church  
corner of Emery Avenue and Harrison Circuit  
It is for Youth and Adults  
Babysitting in adjoining room

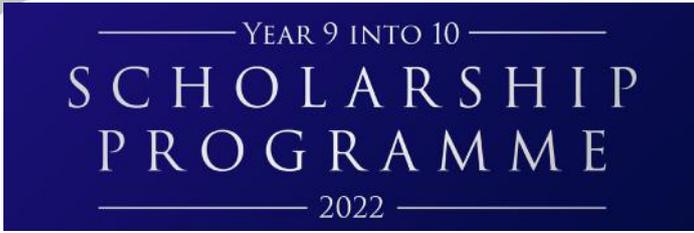
Fr Tom English  
Parish Priest  
Mob: 0424 971 017

## Mackillop Feast Day Photos





## SCHOLARSHIPS NEWS



Every year the College awards four scholarships to help dedicated students who will be in year 10 the following year. Recipients will be given a 50% discount on their Year 10 tuition fees.

### Criteria

Scholarship recipients must:

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

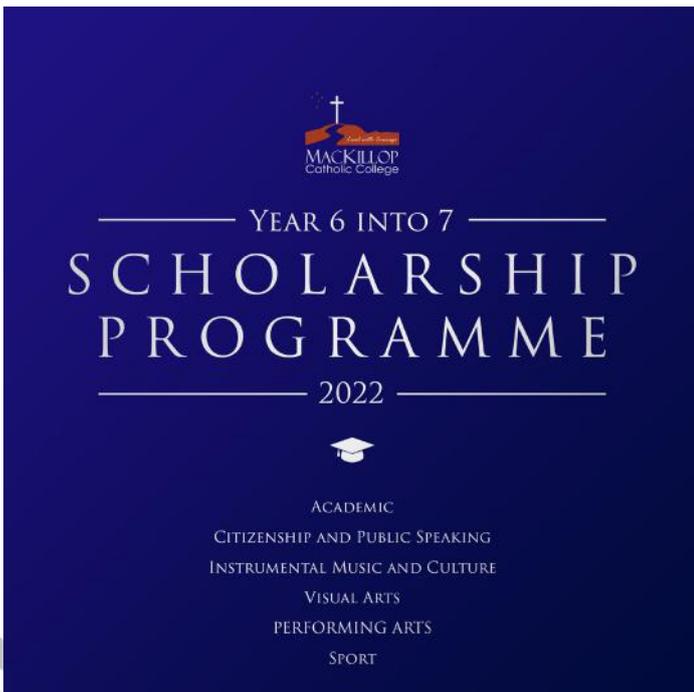
### How to Apply

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 10, Term 3.  
 Late applications will not be considered.



Applications are now also open for Year 7 Scholarships. Applicants must have already completed the enrolment process for next year. Go to [mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/scholarships](http://mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/scholarships) to find out more or to apply.

## BUS NEWS

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**BUSSY'S CORNER**

**NO BULLY ZONE**

When the bullies realize that they are in a no bully zone

- No form of bullying is tolerated on the bus, the interchanges, school, and the entire world - no joke!
- Don't even say to someone 'don't be a goose' All verbal, physical or cyber bullying is rude, unkind and unacceptable

**YOU'RE THE SCHOOL BULLY?**

STOP the bully, because it shows you are insecure and you think the person you bully is better than you

If someone is being bullied around you, please alert the bus driver or Marshall. You will be doing the right thing because it is **WRONG** to pick on others because they are different

When your friends or peers are bullying someone, do not join them. This shows you can control your behavior not to engage in unhealthy and inappropriate behavior

**INTERESTING FACTS !!**

There's a planet that's shaped like a potato. Haumea orbits the sun beyond Neptune and has rings similar to Jupiter. Guess this is how small the brain of a bully is.

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)

**Big Ugly Losers** earning attention

- 8 in 5 students have been bullied
- 2.3 million students in Australia have been bullied
- 49.8% of students between 9 to 12 years old said they experienced bullying at school

## INCLUSION SUPPORT NEWS

pp positive partnerships  
 Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

**2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers**

Free to attend

Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the home-school partnership

**Learn about:**

- Autism: characteristics, impacts and strategies
- Understanding behaviour
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your school

**Darwin, NT**  
 24th & 25th August 2021  
 9.30am - 2.30pm

**Location:**  
 Novotel Darwin Airport  
 2 Sir Norman Brearley Drive  
 Darwin City NT 0812

Morning tea and a light lunch are provided

Interpreters available

To register, visit [positivepartnerships.com.au](http://positivepartnerships.com.au) OR, contact Grant Russell [grussell@autismspectrum.org.au](mailto:grussell@autismspectrum.org.au)

For help, call: 1300 881 971

## ARTS NEWS

### Congratulations Kathryn and the Overbytes

Kathryn and the Overbytes, a local rock band featuring MacKillop staff members Kathryn Ezzy and Josh Spurr as well as MacKillop Alumnus Jarrod Hovland, has won the "Passport to Airlie" competition and will go on to perform in Queensland later this year. Well done!



### MacKillop Comes Out on Top in Evolution Dance Competition

Well done to all participants in the Evolution Dance Competition over the weekend! We took out top prizes across the board. If you would like to get involved in MacKillop's award-winning dance programme, talk to Ms Dunk or sign up at [mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/dance](http://mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/dance)

#### Results from the day

- 1st Yellow Flicker Beat - MDC Contemporary A
- 2nd Talk is Cheap - MDC Contemporary B
- 1st Hip Hop Remix - Year 10 Dance Class
- 2nd Levitating - MDC Jazz
- 1st Now We Are Free - Stage 1 & 2 Dance Class



## DUKE OF EDINBURGH NEWS

### Congratulations Zoe!

Zoe Benson from Year 10 has completed her Bronze level in Duke of Edinburgh. This not only allowed her to demonstrate her community service, adventurous journey, commitment to building herself physically and demonstration of her skills, but it also gave her 10 SACE credit points.

*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*

## LANGUAGES NEWS

### Asobi Krong



# Mackillop



Fourteen-year-old Scarlett was a perfect ballerina. As her Gran would say she was so pretty - in a world where pretty is so important for girls.

Now fifteen months on and having just turned sixteen, Scarlett knows that with terrible scarring from burns to her face and upper torso, she can never be pretty again.

But then she convinces her Dad to take her away to remote Matilda Mountain for a couple of weeks to get away from people. There she meets home schooled Eamon and his extended family, who live in a community of caravans. Slowly he convinces Scarlett that beauty can be found in so many things, and that being beautiful is so much more than skin deep.

## July Some of What New In the Library



Jamie's younger brother Oscar has Down syndrome, and when his Mum needs to fly to Perth to help her sister through a separation, Jamie offers to stay home and look after Oscar for the weekend. But then Mum doesn't come home!

Jamie seriously doesn't know what to do or who to turn to. He thinks it's probably only because of the huge storm in Perth that she hasn't returned, but days later, still NOTHING. He's only lost his Dad months ago, and had promised his parents that he would always look after Oscar, but now what?

Seventeen-year-old Chloe planned to work hard, get good grades, and attend a top-tier college. But after she collapses during cross country practice and is told that she needs a new heart, all her careful preparations are laid to waste. Eight months after her transplant, everything stuck in summer school with the underachievers, all she wants to do now is surf - which is strange, because she wasn't interested in surfing before her transplant. (It doesn't hurt that her instructor, Kai, is seriously good looking.) And that's not all that's strange.

As she searches for answers, and as her attraction to Kai intensifies, she will come to question everything she thought she knew - about life, death, love, identity, and the true nature of reality.

## Father Gerry Remie Centre

# Library

### MATHS NEWS

#### Maths Competition



### SAINTS NEWS

#### MacKillop go back to back against a vastly improved O'Loughlin to retain the Catholic Cup

The MacKillop Saints u14s Boys team defeated a much improved O'Loughlin Catholic College to retain the Catholic Cup for 2021.

The two sides battled it out under scorching conditions at MacKillop Field before a healthy supporter crowd. Prop forward (who seems to believe that he is in fact a centre) Mickey Tilmouth, opened the scoring for the home team after a tightly played opening 10 minutes. Mickey bothered the defence all afternoon with his big frame and dynamic running style, hitting inside lines with damaging effect.

Year 8 utility, Harry Heath, was the next to score for the Saints, diving over the line near to the posts after displaying some very impressive footwork. Heath's injection into the game created a noticeable lift in attacking flair from the side, midway into the first half. With Heath, Osca Bonar, Jack Miller and an absent Kye Ryan all being excellent halves in the u14s division for the men in Navy and Ochre, a fascinating battle for starting positions in next year's Eels Cup side will certainly eventuate.

O'Loughlin soon hit back with a well deserved try to hooker, Joey Lewis, which applied pressure to the home team leading into the break. Luckily, middle school captain, Dan Murphy, an ever reliable plug in the centre of the field, managed to get across the line to make the lead a little more comfortable at 18-6.

After the break, the visitors started off strong, taking advice from their experience coach, Mr. Luke Beatty, to flatten their attack and to direct their smaller, more agile men towards the middle of the park to take on MacKillop's larger forwards. Their team executed these instructions incredibly well and had the Saints scrambling in cover defence early on into the second stanza.

With MacKillop under the pump, Jack Miller took it upon himself to be the difference that would spark the MacKillop machine back into attack mode. Miller, resembling a younger Jonathon Thurston, took on a tiring OCC defence that was sliding with a majestic show and go to slip through the visitor's line and run 40m to put it down under the posts. At that moment, a valiant OCC could hold on no longer and the flood gates opened, with Taylem Sariago, Osca Bonar, Jack Yewsang and intercept king, Jayden Mick, scoring tries to run the scoreboard up to a 44 – 10 point victory.

Director of Rugby League and stand-in referee, Mr. Matthew Sharp, when asked about his thoughts of the match, said what impressed him most about the match was the ability of the team to take on board instructions and alter their game plan on the run –

*'Coming into the match, we knew we would likely have an advantage in the forwards through the likes of David Stevens, Trent Harvey and Fraser Brown so the instructions were clear – play fast and look for second phase off of these guys to open up our centres. The second phase didn't really come about though and we played a little too much through the middle with OCC holding up well. The message to then run a few more decoys through the middle and spread the ball wider was heard by our halves and you can see the end results of them being able to execute that plan on the scoreboard.'*

The 2021 Catholic Cup featured as the debut game for Riley Heffernan, Ethan McCourt, Cooper Williamson and Zion Lafaele-Selio and every name mentioned had an impact. The MacKillop community will look on with interest as these players develop over the coming years.

Next stop on the Rugby League schedule is the Tiwi Islands with a number of players backing up for the inaugural Tiwi Cup against Tiwi College on Melville Island.

*Kent Brockman*  
*Investigative Sports Journalist*



## Girls Rugby Clinic

In the lead up to Schools Rugby later in the year, our girls are participating in a series of Rugby workshops led by Doris, Phoebe and Shannon each week. It's great to see more girls getting involved in the sport, and we look forward to competition success!

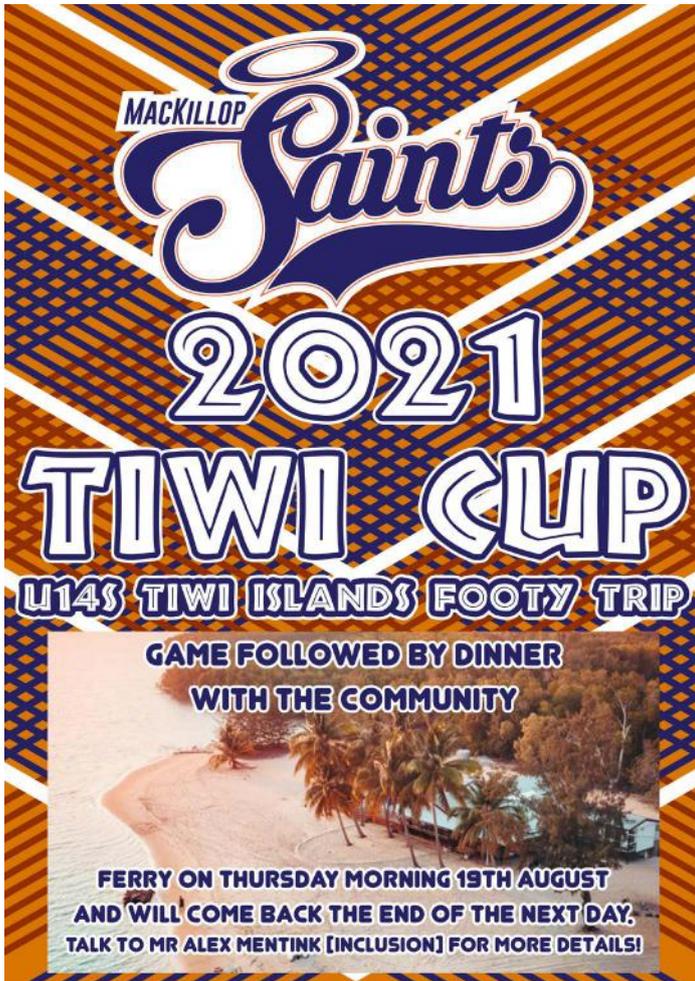


**GARDEN PROJECTS NT**  
**SCHOOLS RUGBY**  
**COMPETITION**  
**2021**  
U14 10-a-side Gala Day and  
U16 15-a-side Greg O'Mullane Shield  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September - Rugby Park Mararra  
Boys and girls team nominations due Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September

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

### Tiwi Cup

On the 19th-20th August our Rugby League team will travel to the Tiwi islands for the inaugural Tiwi Cup. After the game the team will spend some time with the community sharing a meal and staying the night on the island. If you haven't returned your permission form yet, or you are yet to get your permission form, see Mr Tyler ASAP.



### Saints Basketball

In Term 3 Basketball is the focus sport of the Saints! If you are interested in getting involved, even if you haven't played before, speak to Mr Jackson. Period 5 Mondays and Fridays.



### Saints Gym Membership

If you are interested in signing up to the Saints just for gym membership, see Mr Bryers.

### Vietnam War Display

Students of Modern History who are studying the Vietnam War got up close and personal with the weapons of the war last week.

Craig Wharton, the Vice-President of the Arms Collectors' Association, joined the class for a double lesson where they learnt about a multiplicity of assault rifles, grenade launchers, grenades and similar equipment.

Students - with parental permission - were allowed to handle the many items brought into the classroom to understand the limitations such as weight which armed forces soldiers would have had in the field. Their teacher, Dr Lewis, himself a veteran of war, said that the class's assignment was analysing the Battle of Long Tan, and the experience was "invaluable."



### SCIENCE NEWS

#### Science Week 2021

MacKillop will be participating in Science Week 2021 (Mon 16 - Fri 20 August) with a lunchtime construction challenge. To find out more, go to <https://www.scienceweek.net.au/event/mackillop-catholic-college-construction-challenge/johnston/>



### SPORT NEWS

#### Cross Country

Cross Country took place last week, and McGrath house has been declared the winner for 2021, beating Hurley by 1 point. Congratulations McGrath and all champions.



#### Welcome to our new students undertaking a VET course this semester



Patricia Sweeney Fawcett  
Managing Director - RTO

Vocational Education at MacKillop Catholic College encompasses vocation subjects and vocational experiences. The program prepares students in their transition from school to work.

Conservation and Land Management students putting their knowledge and skills in practice, by looking after nursery plants.



**CDU**  
**Open Day**

Sunday 29 August  
CDU Stadium, Marrara  
10am - 2pm

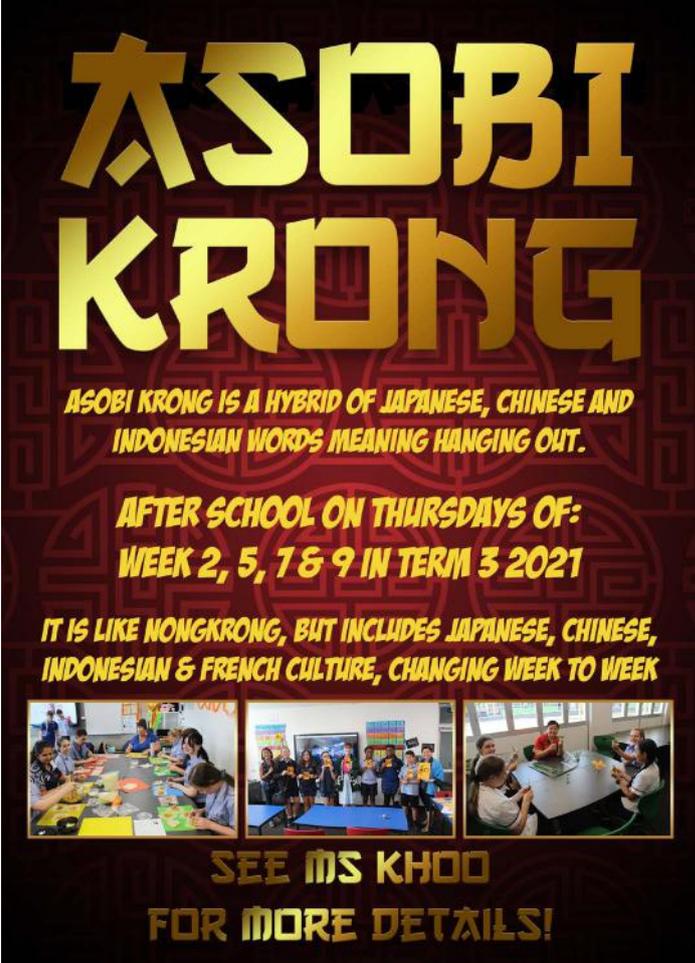
Join us at our new location for 2021.

Explore over 300 courses, talk with our staff and students and participate in workshops, demonstrations and interactive activities.

Register at [cdu.edu.au/openday](https://cdu.edu.au/openday)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Fri 13 Aug** Ultimate Frisbee Round 3  
Confalonieri V McCormack
- Week 5** Year 8 Camp
- National Science Week - Lunchtime Construction Activities**
- Mon 16 Aug** Board Meeting 6pm
- Tue 17 Aug** Year 10 into 11 Information Night
- Thu 19 Aug** Asobi Krong After School
- 19-20 Aug** Tiwi Islands Rugby Trip
- Fri 20 Aug** Ultimate Frisbee Round 4  
Hurley V McGrath
- Mon 23 Aug** Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection Evening
- Thu 26 Aug** Dance Excursion
- Fri 27 Aug** Ultimate Frisbee Round 5  
Confalonieri V McGrath
- 31 Aug - 3 Sep** Tabletop Track Hike - Outdoor Ed
- Wed 1 Sep** College Tour 5pm
- Thu 2 Sep** Asobi Krong After School
- Fri 3 Sep** Ultimate Frisbee Round 6  
Hurley V McCormack
- Yr 7 Father's Day Breakfast on the Go**
- Tue 7 Sep** Queensland Ballet Dance Workshops
- Fri 10 Sep** Student Free Day
- Mon 13 Sep** College Board AGM
- Thu 16 Sep** Asobi Krong After School
- Fri 17 Sep** Ultimate Frisbee Grand Final
- 20 - 24 Sep** Year 10 Work Experience



**ASOBI KRONG**

ASOBI KRONG IS A HYBRID OF JAPANESE, CHINESE AND INDONESIAN WORDS MEANING HANGING OUT.

**AFTER SCHOOL ON THURSDAYS OF: WEEK 2, 5, 7 & 9 IN TERM 3 2021**

IT IS LIKE NONGKONG, BUT INCLUDES JAPANESE, CHINESE, INDONESIAN & FRENCH CULTURE, CHANGING WEEK TO WEEK



**SEE MS KHOO FOR MORE DETAILS!**



MACKILLOP Catholic College

CALLING ALL FRISBEE FANATICS!

MACKILLOP INTERHOUSE

**ULTIMATE FRISBEE TOURNAMENT**

**FRIDAY LUNCHTIMES - TERM 3 2021**

- ROUND 1 - WEEK 2 - CONFALONIERI V HURLEY
- ROUND 2 - WEEK 3 - MCCORMACK V MCGRATH
- ROUND 3 - WEEK 4 - CONFALONIERI V MCCORMACK
- ROUND 4 - WEEK 5 - HURLEY V MCGRATH
- ROUND 5 - WEEK 6 - CONFALONIERI V MCGRATH
- ROUND 6 - WEEK 7 - HURLEY V MCCORMACK

GRAND FINAL WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY WEEK 8 - 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

GAMES WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE BASKETBALL COURT

MIXED TEAMS OF BOYS AND GIRLS - WEAR YOUR HOUSE COLOUR UNIFORM

**SEE MS GALE FOR MORE INFO**

PRESENTS

# LEGATO 2021

4th - 6th October

MUSIC CAMP THEME: VIDEO GAMES AND MOVIES



At the Centre for Youth and Community Music (CCDU)

For students aged 10-18 who play an orchestral instrument (including piano and guitar)

Register now: [trybooking.com/BR5AX](http://trybooking.com/BR5AX)

Registration due 24th September  
Early bird price 1st July - 31st July

Advanced programs available for more experienced players  
For more information contact [Legatodarwin@gmail.com](mailto:Legatodarwin@gmail.com)



## All Abilities Expo 2021

Your Ability, Your Choice

A Free community event linking people with disability to Organisations, agencies, community groups, businesses and service providers all under the one roof.

Thursday 26 August 2021  
10am - 3pm

Netball NT Stadium  
235 Abala Road, Marrara

FREE ENTRY

- All-inclusive sports
- Cooking demonstrations
- Service and product providers
- Allied Health professionals
- Peer support groups
- Interactive stalls
- Therapy Animals
- Food and beverages available



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**MASH NETBALL CLUB**  
*Junior End-of-Year Presentations*

# 2021 POOL party

SATURDAY 14th AUGUST

Go, 11s and 13s - 1-3pm  
FRUIT PLATTERS AND SANDWICHES SERVED

15s and 18s - 4pm  
FRUIT PLATTERS, PIZZA AT 6PM FOR PLAYERS

Lucky Door prizes, & Photobooth (TBC)  
Please advise your coach of your attendance

AT DARWIN FREE SPIRIT RESORT

[MASHNETBALL.COM](http://MASHNETBALL.COM)

## Please Nominate to join the MacKillop Catholic College Board!

[mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/college-board/nomination](http://mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/college-board/nomination)

For more information on what the Board does:  
[mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/college-board](http://mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/college-board)

The MacKillop Catholic College Board cordially invites all parents and carers in the MacKillop community to our

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 13th September 2021, 6pm  
In the Staff Meeting Room Upstairs, A Block

We have many positions on the Board this year and would love as many parents/carers as possible to join

- to share ideas for the College
- to represent the interests of our community
- to guide the best possible educational opportunities for students

*Res Burrowes and Amber Stevens*  
Secretary and Chairperson of the Board

[mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/college-board](http://mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/college-board)

