



MACKILLOP NEWS

TERM 3 WEEK 8 8TH SEPTEMBER 2021

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



Lucas Hurley
Principal

Dear Families,

Today, 8 September, the Church celebrates the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This has been part of the Church's tradition for the past 15 centuries and it marks exactly 9 months after the feast of her Immaculate Conception; the dogma which teaches that Mary was conceived free from original sin.

We all take delight in celebrating one another's birthdays. We all have a history and a story to share, and the celebration of one's birthday is a recognition of the unique dimension of that person's life, as it contributes towards upholding their sacred dignity.

The Church celebrates the birthday of Mary because she is the woman that God chose to be his earthly mother. Mary is the woman in whose womb was conceived the 'Saviour of the World', the God man, Jesus Christ. Mary became, at the very moment of Jesus' conception, the *Theotokos* – the 'Mother of God'. In her *Fiat* – her "Yes" to God – Mary conceived Jesus, and she became the 'Spouse of the Holy Spirit', the 'The Highest Honour of our Race.'

Part of the theology behind why we are invited into a maternal relationship with Mary can be found while Jesus was dying on the cross; he personally gave us his mother to be our mother. **"Woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.** - John 19:25-27 And so, like all good disciples, we are invited to follow Jesus' words, as we take Mary, as our mother, into our homes where we can celebrate her birthday.

God bless,

Lucas Hurley
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,

First, I would like to start by asking R U OK? This week, this has been the theme that has occupied our Pastoral Care Space this week. An what an important theme this is! This is one of the days on the calendar that brings to the forefront the compassion and deeply caring nature of our students. R U OK? Is as simple as 4 letters and a question mark, but it opens the conversations surrounding at times tricky topics, such as mental health and suicide prevention. These conversations have the power to change lives.

In other news, please check out the Pastoral Care Portal which shares some information this week on E-Cigarettes and Vaping. Pastoral Care Portal – MacKillop Catholic College – Palmerston NT (mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au)

As always, please always remember that we are not just a school, but a community, so if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. We are here and happy to help. :)

Thank you,

Candice Slingerland
Deputy Principal - Pastoral Care



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ARTS NEWS

Musical Announced!

We are proud to announce that the 2022 musical will be the Lion King. Students are encouraged to audition. If family members would like to be involved, please get in touch with Mrs Ezzy.

MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE PRESENTS

THE LION KING

BROADWAY'S AWARD-WINNING BEST MUSICAL

JUNE 2022

HANDOUTS
WEEK 10 TERM 3 (20-21 SEP)

AUDITIONS
WEEK 2 TERM 4 (19-22 OCT AFTER SCHOOL)

SEE MRS EZZY FOR MORE INFORMATION

YEAR 10 NEWS



Roxy Claire
Year 10 Coordinator

Year 10 Headspace Guest Speaker

The Year 10 assembly in Week 6 involved us welcoming Ira Racines from Headspace Darwin in. Headspace is a free and confidential service that can support eligible young people aged 12 to 25 with their mental health and wellbeing. They provide assistance in 4 key areas: Mental Health, Physical and Sexual Health, Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) and Vocational Support (Work and Study).

A key focus in our session was on coping with, and understanding anxiety. With assessments, work experience, camps, COVID lockdowns and much more - we understand that these times are challenging and we're happy to compliment the Pastoral Care support offered in our College, with external provider links also. Valuable reflection, resources and reminders were offered to students and saw each of them go home with a 'call card'. In Week 8 we look forward to welcoming Ira back, to do some more hands-on practical activities in addressing and raising awareness about other mental health concerns

SAINTS NEWS

Rugby is Back!

Rugby Union season is upon us with the official season launch to be held at MacKillop from 6pm on Wednesday 8th September 2021. This season, we are confident of fielding strong u14s Boys and a middle school Girls team into the wet season competition. There has been some interest in an u16s team and any players wishing to play are encouraged to speak with Mr. Sharp at their earliest convenience.

Last week we had the pleasure of hosting Shirley Russell, Digby Ioane and Radike Samo, who were in town with the Classic Wallabies tour to drum up support for Australia's 2027 World Cup bid. Students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to train, meet and speak with these champions of Australian Rugby. Many were amazed with the opportunities available to a rugby player with stories had from far parts of the world including Japan, South Africa and of all places, Laos.

On the League front, we have games against Taminmin away, and Palmerston College here at home in the coming weeks. All are encouraged to follow our social media pages for the most up to date information about our activities –

Facebook – www.facebook.com/mackillipsaints

Instagram – [mackillipsaints](https://www.instagram.com/mackillipsaints)

Academy Cup

u14s Boys Academy Cup Team Announcement

This Wednesday 8 September 2021, the MacKillop Saints will be sending 3 teams out to Humpty Doo to take on long term rivals, Taminmin College, in the second edition of the 'Academy Cup'. The Cup is a tri-series event that in this season's competition will feature teams in u14s Boys and Middle School girls divisions. The concept evolved from an idea between then Taminmin Rugby League Academy Director, Mr. Dean White and Saints' Director of Rugby (League & Union) back in 2019 for a formal competition between the two best school Rugby League programs in the Territory. That year, Taminmin were able to defeat an out-of-sorts Saints at MacKillop Field by 20 points to 16.

Today we were able to interview Saints Head Coach & Rugby Director, Mr. Matthew Sharp, at his favourite table in his favourite restaurant, before the NRL kicked off, where he was able to give an exclusive announcement about the u14s Boys team –

u14s Team vs Taminmin College – Academy Cup Round 1

1. Harry Heath
2. Jayden Mick (TBC)
3. Jack Elliott
4. Riley Heffernan
5. Elijah Williamson
6. Jack Miller ©
7. Campbell Stolberg
8. Fraser Brown
9. Jack Yewsang (vc)
10. Trent Harvey
11. Ethan McKenzie
12. Eligh Pomroy
13. Josh Marsh

Interchange – Angus Cram, Michael Tilmouth (TBC), Connor Walker, Jake Goodwin, Rileigh Snowden, Dylan Diaz, Curtis Guttwaltz.

Sharp was upbeat about his team's chances, but admitted that

that may be affecting their learning and encourage our young people to speak up and seek support if it is needed:

<https://nt.gov.au/wellbeing/mental-health/mental-health-support-for-young-people>

Roxy Claire

Year 10 Coordinator



LANGUAGES NEWS



L'aventure de la Langue Française!

Wait a minute! Could you actually read this headline? You've never actually studied French yet you could figure out "adventure" and "language"! You know more French than you realise!

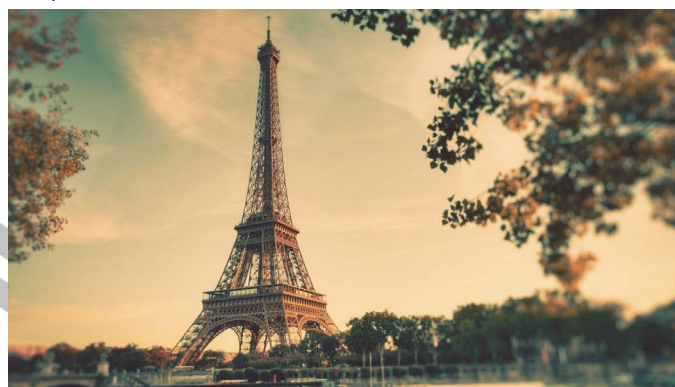
And now MacKillop will give you the chance to take that knowledge to the next level in 2022 with Stage 1 Beginners' French for Year 10 and Year 11 so make sure you sign up for this valuable elective course of study leading to Stage 2 French.

So if you have a love of culture, a desire to learn a major European and world language and a view to achieving a good ATAR score, why not give it a go? In the SACE system, languages receive a bonus for ATAR too.

Allez!

Martin Wallace

Prospective French Teacher



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MEET A STAFF MEMBER

Mr Patrick Sibly

What is your role at MacKillop?

School Officer and teacher of Design Timber, Metal and Agriculture

How long have you worked here?

Started at MacKillop July 2016

What is your story?

Patrick grew up on a dairy and beef farm at Woolamai, South Gippsland, Victoria and came to live and work in Darwin in 2015.



Barracks for

- Collingwood Football Club
- QLD
- Manchester United

Favourite Sportsman

Leonel Messi, Adam Goodes

Favourite Movie

Mel Gibson's Apocalypto

Favourite Prayer

The Rosary and the Divine Office

Favourite Resources.

Oblates of The Virgin Mary (OMV) Discernment of Spirits Podcasts.

Growing Up

Patrick was born in Wonthaggi, South Gippsland, Victoria in 1975; the second of six children. Dad has Anglo background mum is first generation from Italy. On a farm he experienced endless adventures herding sheep and cattle on horseback, fishing in the creek, playing footy, cricket and socialising with the farming community. He attended weekly mass with his family at St. Joseph's Church Bass. Patrick completed year 11 and 12 at as a boarder at Salesian College Sunbury where he participated in the Agricultural course. Following school he completed the first year of a Farm Apprenticeship at McMillan TAFE, before going on to complete a degree in Agricultural Science at Dookie Campus of Melbourne University.

Travels North

In 2003, Patrick was deeply moved when reading Pope John Paul II's 1986 Address to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People delivered in Alice Springs, "And the Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others." This sewed a seed in his heart and he made a resolution to try to understand what The Pope was talking about and he eventually visited Darwin in 2011.

Faith Journey

He was encouraged by the faith of his Great Aunt, his Nonna (Italian Grandmother), parents and those of his local parish; his faith was always a matter of importance. He started praying the Rosary at boarding school and the following year had a deep healing encounter with the Holy Spirit which lay the foundation for his future. Patrick later worked for 2 years as a full time Lay Missionary with the Disciple's Youth Mission Team. He later worked on the farm and as a personal Care Attendant with the disabled. In 2003 he commenced studies for a Masters in Bioethics at the Saint John Paul II Institute for Marriage and the Family, where they "studied on their knees" and where he grew in love of the

Taminmin will be tough opponents, especially at home. "The opening round will be very interesting for a number of very good reasons", Sharp said, adding that, "We've named a strong team, but both teams will be at less than full strength on Wednesday with the local league finals being held on the weekend following. A number of first team players have decided to sit out in preparation for that on both sides".

Coming into Round 1, the Saints plan to be without key players including Catholic Cup captain, Will McCallum, and star halves, Kye Ryan and Osca Bonar. Other unavailable key players for Round 1 include Nate Jarrett-Wright, Taylem Sariago, Alfie Walker, Max Antella, Arman Dharni, Zion Lafele-Selio and Cooper Williamson. "When you look at the list of unavailable players this week, and the team we have been able to assemble, you can clearly see the quality depth the Saints production line continues to yield", Coach Matthew Sharp said. "For me", he added, "the most exciting aspect of Round 1 will be seeing our players go out there and play for a position in the team for Round 2 where we hope to be back at full-strength".

When asked to name players to keep an eye on in this upcoming match, Coach Sharp offered the following names –

Campbell Stolberg – Stolberg is a quality half in the local leagues and will make his Saints debut on Wednesday. With usual halves Kye Ryan and Osca Bonar to return and Harry Heath filling in at fullback, expect Stolberg to have a big game in the halves next to captain, Jack Miller. He won't be wanting to give up the number 7 jersey for Round 2.

Jack Yewsang – Jack has been handed the deputy sheriff badge for the match and it is a well deserved nod from the coach for his good form and quality leadership over his years in the ochre and navy jersey. Expect Yewsang to lead his forwards around the field well and to plug up the middle of the pitch with his high level defensive technique.

Jack Elliott – Elliott missed the Catholic Cup last month with injury and will be keen for a big showing in the backs with Taylem Sariago, Max Antella and Cooper Williamson to return, hot on his tail. Elliott was a standout player in Term 2's Saints League Academy.

Good luck to all teams participating in the Cup and to our players representing their local league clubs in grand finals next weekend.

Kent Brockman – Investigative Sports Journalist



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faith and the teachings of the Church. After finishing his Master's, he taught Health Care Ethics at the School of Nursing and Midwifery (and Paramedicine) at Australian Catholic University Melbourne. In Darwin he affiliates with Saint Martin De Porres Catholic Aboriginal Community and Holy Spirit. He is a member of Jesus Youth prayer Group and The Disciples of Jesus Community.

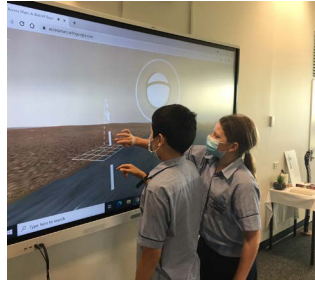
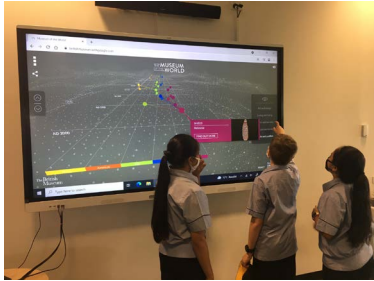
What do you love about your job?

Assisting parents in their role to make solid community members and saints of the future.

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week 2021

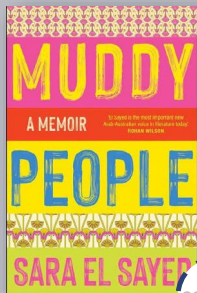
The theme for Book Week was "Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds". Students celebrated in the Library by taking selfies as a whole range of interesting characters, and using the smart board to enjoy interacting with virtual exhibits such as NASA's Mars site and the British Museum's historical timeline.



Mackillop

Soos is coming of age in a household with a lot of rules. No bikinis, despite the Queensland heat. No boys, unless he's Muslim. And no life insurance, not even when her father gets cancer.

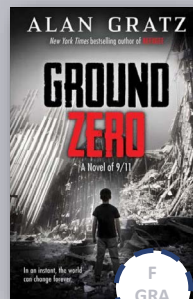
Soos is trying to balance her parents' strict decrees with having friendships, crushes and the freedom to develop her own values. She is forced to choose between doing what her parents say is right and following her instincts. When her family falls apart, she comes to see her parents as flawed, their morals based on a muddy logic. But she will also learn that they are her strongest defenders.



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Some of What's August New In the Library

It's September 11, 2001. Brandon, a 9-year-old boy, goes to work for the day with his dad... at the World Trade Center in New York City. When two planes hit the towers, Brandon and his father are trapped inside a fiery nightmare as terror and confusion swirl around them. Can they escape—and what will the world be like when they do? In present-day Afghanistan, Reshmina is an 11-year-old girl who is used to growing up in the shadow of war, but she has dreams of peace and unity.

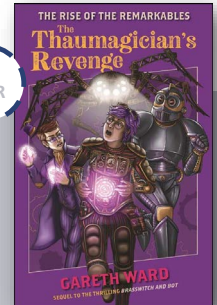


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Set in the world of steampunk York in England, our hero Wrench (Wren) and her trusty mechanoid Bot continue on their trail of destruction, trying to stop the creatures entering our world through a rupture.

Wrench is a Brasswitch, which allows her to control all things mechanical, but her magic has lessened after her victory at the Minster Schism. As her friendship with Vexanna, the new thaumagician grows, so does her power.

Watch out Captain Flemington and the other Regulators, who want to thwart Wren and Bot's ultimate aim of keeping the world safe from the constant threat of the many and varied Remarkables.



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Father Gerry Remie Centre

Library

OUTDOOR EDUCATION NEWS

Tabletop Track Hike 2021



RTO NEWS

Vocational Education and Training

Landscape Construction students have been perfecting their welding skills this week in preparation for their construction project in the coming weeks.



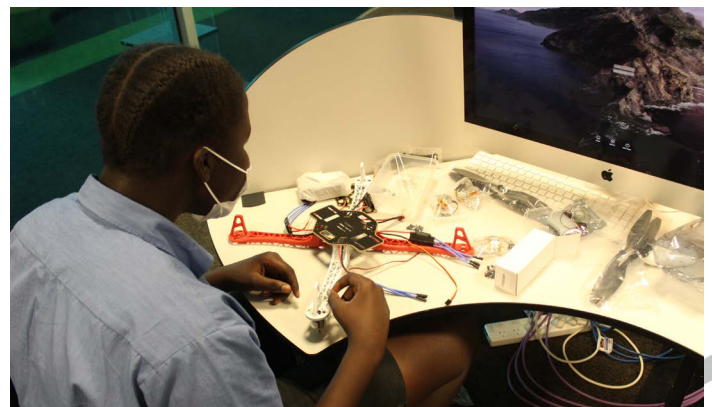
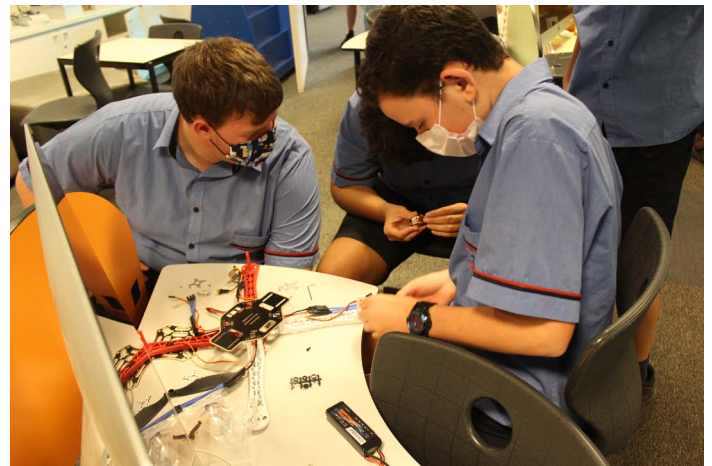
Student Sharing Their Knowledge

The Certificate II Landscape Construction students recently had the opportunity to share their knowledge of plants, trees, native animals, and their habitat in a recent excursion to '16 Mile'! Their enthusiasm for nature was contagious. Thank you, I really enjoyed it.



TECHNOLOGY NEWS

Making Drones



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Fri 10 Sep** Student Free Day
- Mon 13 Sep** College Board AGM
- Rugby Training Starts**
- Thu 16 Sep** Asobi Krong After School
- Fri 17 Sep** Ultimate Frisbee Grand Final
- 20 - 24 Sep** Year 10 Work Experience

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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!

Senior Young Musician of the Year 2021

Applications Due Wed 8th September

Wed 15th September APPLY NOW!

Nomination forms available in Performing Arts (D Block)

Win \$100 CASH

2021/22 SEASON RUGBY RETURNS

UI4, UI6 BOYS, UI5 GIRLS

PRE-LAUNCH INFO SESSION: LUNCHTIME FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER IN THE MUSIC ROOM

PLAYERS AND FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO COME ALONG TO LAUNCH NIGHT IN WEEK 8:
WED 8TH SEPTEMBER 2021, 6PM

TRAINING TO COMMENCE MONDAY WEEK 9 - 3.15PM
AND HENCEFORTH MONDAY & THURSDAYS
AT SAINTS FIELD, MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE. NEW PLAYERS WELCOME. SEE YOU THERE!

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SIGN ON DAY

- Saturday 11th Sept 12-3pm @ SDFC Oval -Fred's Pass
- Sunday 12th Sept @ Coolalinga Central 10am-1pm

Come sign up to be a CROC ready for the start of the season.

Junior season training starts Monday 13th September

@ SDFC Crocs Oval Fred's Pass

Call or Text Brent on: 0408 855 296 if you have any questions re junior training times or age groups.

Rego Link is: <http://www.playhq.com/afl/register/1882c0>

 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/BSAX
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

Please Nominate to join the MacKillop Catholic College Board!

mackillopnt.catholic.edu.au/college-board/nomination

For more information on what the Board does:
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

Ros Burrowes and Amber Stevens
Secretary and Chairperson of the Board

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