Our vision: To create authentic, courageous, faith-filled young people with a passion for learning, respect for relationships and an ability to contribute to a global community.

Thursday, 7th April, 2016

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**MACKILLOP COLLEGE SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARENESS DAYS, 2016**

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**HOMEWORK CLUB – Week 1**

- **Junior Library:** Monday to Thursday 3.20p.m.-4.00p.m.
- **Senior Library:** Monday to Thursday 3.15p.m.-5.00p.m.

**MATHS TUTORIAL – Week 1**

- **Junior Tutorial** is held in room 12 on the junior campus Tuesdays and Fridays, 7.45a.m.-8.30a.m.
- **Senior General Maths Tutorial** is held in room 49 on the junior campus Mondays, 7.45a.m. to 8.45a.m.
Jubilee Year of Mercy

Message from Pope Francis

“Merciful Like the Father”

The church is celebrating the Holy Year of Mercy, a time of grace, peace, conversion and joy. It is meant for everyone: people of every age, from far and near. There are no walls or distances which can prevent the Father’s mercy from reaching and embracing us. The Holy Door is now open in Rome and in all the dioceses of the world.

The Jubilee is a year-long celebration in which every moment becomes a chance for us to grow in holiness.

“Merciful like the Father”. This is the theme of the Jubilee, but it is also the prayer we make for all of you as we welcome you in the name of Jesus. To be merciful means to grow in a love which is courageous, generous and real. It means to grow physically and spiritually.

Pope Francis’ Prayer for Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ,
You have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: “If you knew the gift of God!”

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.

YEAR 7 2017 ENROLMENT

I have been privileged to be accompanied by the following Year 7 students to visit St Peter’s Primary - Hamish Harper and Molly Fisher and to visit St Agnes’ Primary with Spence Irwin and Sienna Toohey. The students have been absolutely tremendous in discussing their life and learning experiences at College. They were put on the spot with many questions about the transition they have made to high school.

ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE IN WEEK 1

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The visits are the start of our Year 7 2017 enrolment process. Students from our Catholic feeder schools will receive their enrolment application packs at these visits. Students attending non-feeder schools are asked to call into the College office to collect a pack. If you are aware of friends or siblings wishing to enrol please let them know as places have filled very quickly over the past few years.

**YEAR 7 2017 ENROLMENT INFORMATION NIGHT**
All parents and students seeking enrolment at MacKillop College are invited to attend our information night.

MacKillop College Hall  
Ocean Drive  
6.00p.m.  
Tuesday, 3\(^{rd}\) May

The evening will commence with a brief talk in the hall and will be followed by guided tours of the College facilities. Families will also have the opportunity to book an interview time. These interviews will take place during the month of May after which offers of enrolment will be sent out to prospective students.

**STUDENT SUPPORT**
Mr Adam Kelly is calling for students to assist with our enrolment information night as tour guides. It has become a wonderful tradition to have our students show off their beautiful College to the Year 6 students and their families.

**CONGRATULATIONS**
The MacKillop College Library made the Honour Roll for Great School Libraries Across the Nation.

Our College Library is an amazing environment and our recent extensions and upgrade have been a blessing for all our community. This is a special achievement to be placed on the Honour Roll of “Great School Libraries Across the Nation” and I’d like to extend my congratulations to our Librarian Mrs Suzanne Penson and library assistants Miss Jess Inglis, Mrs Karen Faichney and Mrs Liz Lees who truly do a magnificent job in keeping the library an engaging environment, which supports teaching and learning and encourages an interest in quality research and effective and independent learning.

**STAFF SPIRITUAL IMMERSION DAY**
Staff will participate in a religious formation day tomorrow, Friday, 8\(^{th}\) April. This is an important part of our role in the Church to not only offer spiritual formation to students, but also to our staff. Ultimately this will mean a more complete and well-rounded education for all of our children. Our staff need to have the background for the development of all their programs which have a foundation in the catholic faith and its important values.

Students are not required to attend school.

**AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM WRITING DAY**
Tuesday, 26\(^{th}\) April is an Australian Curriculum writing day and on this day staff will embed all the new programs which have come from the Board of Studies, New South Wales. Our staff have had to update and amend an enormous number of their programs recently and do so continuously. As we have such large staff professional learning teams it is impossible to do this effectively while also running our normal school timetable.

I planned to have our professional learning days and our Staff Retreat day on these days as I thought that it may help those parents who travel away at this time of the year.

Students are welcome to come to school on these days if it is not convenient to be at home alone.

Please let your Pastoral Care teacher know if you require this assistance.
ANZAC DAY SERVICES
ANZAC Day falls on the Monday of the scheduled return week for all schools. This, of course, will be a public holiday. Monday, 25th April is a special day in the Australian calendar where people of all denominations, colour and creed can come together to celebrate our nation and its service to the wider world. I encourage all students and families to join in the commemorations at the town centre. Those students wishing to officially represent the College have been given details of meeting and marching times next week.

WINTER UNIFORM
Next term students return on Wednesday, 27th April in winter uniform; please note the following points in relation to the winter uniform.

Ties: If ties remain unavailable at Joprim we will obviously not be expecting our new students to be wearing the tie when they return. As soon as they are available in Joprim we will ensure all parents and students are informed.

Girls’ Skirt Length: the skirt is to the knee, this means on the knee not above it.

Boys’ Shirts: the shirts need to have a button on the collar which is done up! Also the shirt needs to be long enough to be tucked in so it stays in. Some shirts only just make it, and consequently come out!!

Long Pants: it is not compulsory for boys to wear long pants in winter but if they do, they need to be Midford Deluxe College Baggies please.

Boy’s Shorts: If boys choose to wear the shorts it is important that they are the Midford Deluxe College Baggies please.

Shoes: Plain black, polishable lace-up leather school shoes (no high tops, sport shoes, boots or ripple soles, skate type shoes or logos).

I would like to remind all members of the community that the policy for uniform is actually what could be called “door to door”. In the wider community all students are clearly identified by their uniform so in order to uphold our standard we request that the uniform be worn in accordance to the policy from the time they leave home until the time they return.

Thank you for your anticipated support in this area.

FAREWELL
All the best to Mrs Lisa Rossington who leaves us this Friday. Lisa is due to have her first baby in May; I sincerely wish Lisa and her husband, John, all the very best. A child is a blessing and their child will be blessed to have them.

I also take this opportunity to thank Lisa for her professional work at the College; she is a great teacher and a very positive staff member.

TERM 1 CONCLUDES – THURSDAY, 7th APRIL
The upcoming holidays are an ideal time to slow down a little and take some time to relax as a family. The family is a most important unit. It is important to reflect on how the relationships within the family are developing and to make sure that we are spending time together so that we are available to each other.

I wish all students a relaxing and safe holiday and look forward to your return in Term 2.

“May the Spirit of the Lord be with you”

Anne O’Brien
Principal
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I would also like to re-familiarise Year 10-12 students with some school policies in regards to the submission of assessment tasks. These can be found in much more detail in the assessment booklets they received throughout the year.

- Tasks need to be submitted before the clearly defined time as outlined on the task notification on the due date. In most cases for Years 11 and 12 this will be 8.55a.m on the morning of the due date.
- Computer malfunctions/viruses will not be accepted as an excuse as a cause for non-submission. Students are reminded to continually save and back-up work they have done. Therefore, in the case of computer error, some evidence of work can be submitted, and a review for an extension will be considered.
- Students stating illness as a cause for the no-submission of a hand-in task are risking penalty. Work can still be given to a peer, family member or emailed to school on the day of the task. If illness does prevent a task being submitted than a doctor’s certificate will be required.

To prevent any anxiety over school work, students are reminded of the importance of planning. If students know they are going to be away for sport, family celebrations etc. it is essential they plan to get work completed. It is becoming increasingly frustrating where students are seeking extensions when they have full knowledge of upcoming events and have not managed their time sufficiently.

**Revision – For all those nights you don’t have homework**
I would like to acknowledge Mr Colin Coelho for providing the useful information below. Col has been a successful educator and parent, specialising in Pastoral Care within our College for a number of years.
Over many years of teaching and conversing with students it has become apparent that many children need to study and revise more effectively. As parents we often expect that students “know” how to study. Like the majority of the population a lot of students leave things until the last minute. Many don’t take study notes and simply read over their workbooks several times.

The following method is one that all students can take on and I encourage all families to work at developing a similar routine.

- Using a separate exercise book at home for the subject selected, the student summarises the week’s work: i.e. notes, activities, discussions etc.
- The following week they revise the previous week’s entry and add to their summaries. This should take 10-15 minutes.
- Continue this pattern each week.

The advantages of this system are:

- By doing a little each week while the work is fresh in your mind it tends to be remembered more successfully.
- If there is something that you are not understanding after this process, you can “check in” with your teacher immediately.
- If a surprise formative topic test “pops up” you will be ready.
- By revising along the way you avoid panic and crammed study just before a task.
- While others are trying to write study notes for an entire semester’s worth of work, you have your notes established and a fair percentage learnt in a meaningful way.
- Students enter assessments less anxious, more relaxed and confident.

Tips to begin the process:

- Start by using this method with two or more subjects until you get used to it.
- Keep your revision books in a place that you can easily access them and they won’t be misplaced.
- Use diagrams, mind maps, acronyms and memory tricks in your notes.

Research suggests that when we write something down at least four times we have a 70% memory recall of that information and therefore are more likely to recall this information when we need it.

UNIFORM
A reminder that next term students will need to wear their full winter uniform. I would suggest that students check that this uniform still fits correctly and any adjustments to the uniform are made prior to the first day back in Term 2.

Students are also reminded that in the situation where they need to wear an alternative to the full and correct uniform that they bring in a note of explanation as to why the variation exists and a suitable timeframe where the corrections can be made. In the case of hybrid versions of the sports uniform (socks included), students are to wear the normal winter uniform and get changed into the hybrid version once at school. Students should not be wearing variations of the sports uniform to and from school. Those who do will risk receiving a uniform detention.

EVACUATION AND LOCKDOWN/LOCKOUT PROCEDURES
Students and parents are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the two emergency procedures outlined below. As a College we aim to inform our students of these very important events to keep them as safe as possible should the need arise for a real life evacuation or lockdown.

EVACUATION PROCEDURE
All workplaces must have evacuation procedures in case of fire or other emergencies. It is prudent to have the evacuation procedures in place, to be practised and understood by all staff and students. Evacuation and Lockdown Procedure drills will be carried out twice each year.

The evacuation announcement is:
“Would all students under the direction of the teachers, please evacuate the classrooms quickly and quietly. Please leave everything and go directly to the oval and assemble in Pastoral Care groups where your names will be marked off a roll. Teachers, please ensure that all students have evacuated, turn off all electrical items, close the classroom doors and go to the oval”.
An alternative evacuation site is the carpark in the front of St Peter’s Primary School. On no account should students run during an evacuation. Students are to sit in alphabetical order while the roll is marked, and wait for further instructions.

**LOCKDOWN AND LOCKOUT PROCEDURE**

The signal for lockdown is an announcement:

“All students and teachers should move to the closest room, turn off lights, close windows and lock doors until further notice” (REPEAT).

- If in class, stay in current classroom
- If outdoors, move to closest, securable room and stay
- Teachers and students stay out of sight as much as possible (sit on floor)
- Turn off lights, close windows and lock doors
- Check rolls and contact office with discrepancies (also advise office of extras or visitors in your presence)
- Stay quiet, students should turn mobile phones off and all other devices
- Wait for all clear to be given.

**Assembly/Mass in the Multi-purpose centre**

Staff and students will remain in the MPC until advised of procedures to be carried out.

Students who may be in toilets/change rooms or other non-classroom facilities at the time of a lockdown alarm and cannot get to the nearest classroom, are instructed to remain where they are as lockdown policy and procedures must be adhered to, i.e. no one is to open doors for anyone after the lockdown procedures have commenced.

**AN ALL CLEAR SIGNAL WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY THE PRINCIPAL OR DELEGATE VIA THE PA SYSTEM STATING:**

“LOCKDOWN HAS ENDED; PLEASE MAKE YOUR WAY QUIETLY TO THE MPC – Year 7-10 students to the MPC on the junior campus and Year 11 and 12 to the Lochinvar Centre on the senior campus."

Adam Kelly
Assistant Principal – Curriculum and Administration
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**HSC EXAM SUPERVISORS – 2016**

MacKillop College is currently calling for Expressions of Interest from anyone who may be interested in supervision for the 2016 HSC exams. Those applying for this position should be available from Thursday, 13\(^{th}\) October to approximately Friday, 4\(^{th}\) November.

Supervisors are also required to attend a meeting before the exam period commences, and are usually requested to assist with some HSC Trial exam supervision for a short period of time on a voluntary basis as an introduction to the students and the requirements of the position for the actual exams. (Trials are held in the first two weeks of August; supervisors may only be required for one or two mornings / afternoons). As employees of BOSTES, supervisors are required to hold a current Working with Children Check clearance (these cost $80 to have done and this cost is borne by the applicant).

A short letter should be addressed to Mr David Jenkins at the College by Friday, 6\(^{th}\) May in the first instance, and these will be passed on to our 2016 HSC Presiding Officer, Mr Tony McKenzie. Please note that applications are not a guarantee of employment as 2016 numbers and hours required are yet to be determined.

David Jenkins
Assistant Principal – Pastoral Care and Staff Support
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OFFICE NEWS

SUBJECT & ELECTIVE FEE STATEMENTS
Thank you to all those families who have made payments of subject and elective fees. Those who have not made payment in full should have a regular payment plan established via Bpay, to ensure these amounts are cleared as soon as possible. Reminder statements were mailed last week. Enquiries relating to subject and elective fees should be directed to the College office.

There is currently a large amount of unclaimed and unlabelled lost property in the front office of the junior campus. Items include swimming gear, sporting gear, school uniforms, hats, miscellaneous clothes and shoes. Please call up to the front office to search for or claim lost property before the end of term.

Reminder: Please label all clothing and school items so lost property can be returned to owners.

YEARS 12 NEWS

UNIFORM
a) Winter Uniform Terms 3 and 4 this means ties and as it gets colder “official” College jumpers. Please ensure you have these for the first day back next term (Wednesday, 27th April)

b) Skirt lengths - these need to be to the top of the knee.

c) College jerseys - these are on schedule to arrive early next term. They can only be worn on Tuesdays or other days when the sports uniform is acceptable (formal exams etc.).

RETREATS
All students should now know which retreat venue they are attending. Those at/near Bonny Hills will be able to either take their own cars (no access allowed until dismissed) or can be dropped off by parents rather than coming all the way in to school to simply return by bus. A second note detailing this and other requirements will be issued early next term.

On the first night we hold a “dress-up dinner” where students are encouraged to wear secondhand “formal/semi-formal” attire. They need to start sourcing outfits from places like St Vincent de Paul and other op shops and consider donating them back once they are finished.

THANK YOU
Thank you to the “good Samaritan” adult who generously assisted one of our students who had two flat tyres.

Phil Lloyd
Year 12 Leader of Pastoral Care
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YEAR 9 NEWS

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday. I look forward to seeing everyone in Term 2.

CONGRATULATIONS:
Max Milligan is competing this year at the Australian Surf Life Saving Championships (the Aussies) on the Sunshine Coast 14th – 16th April for his local surf club, Tacking Point. This is the first year he has been old enough to compete and is looking forward to racing against the best of the best from around Australia. Good luck Max.

Julia Williams won a bronze medal in the 3m diving competition at the NSW State Age Competition on the weekend. She has also qualified for Age Nationals in April which will be held in Sydney. In January she won the NSW Country Sportsperson of the Year for her commitment and dedication to diving. Great work Julia.
Annika Toohey was recently selected in the NSWCCC U/16’s Girls Hockey team. In May she represents NSW Catholic Schools in a tri-series against NSW Combined High Schools and NSW Independent Schools.

Annika and Ryan Payne head to National Championships for hockey in Week 11. Annika is in the Hockey NSW U15 Girls’ State team and Ryan is in the Hockey NSW U15 Boys State team. Good luck.

Annika Toohey
Annika Payne

Glen Littler
Year 9 Leader of Pastoral Care
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YEAR 8 NEWS

Over the past five weeks, students in Mr Schumann’s 8M1A Maths class have participated in a Mathematics Problem Solving competition. The competition involved the students completing a weekly set of three problems in which marks were awarded based on their level of difficulty. The class then discussed their solutions and methods. A running tally of marks awarded was kept.

Congratulations to Sarah McLachlan and Brooke Higham (equal 1st); Elizabeth Duffy and Zoe Brennan (equal 2nd); and Ben Brennan and Samuel Edmonds (equal 3rd). Well done to all students on displaying their exceptional problem-solving skills!

Scott Schumann
Mathematics Teacher

As a fast-paced and long first term draws to a close, I commend the students’ positive choices which have enabled them to maximise their opportunities for learning. Keys to individual success included: goal setting, consistent diary usage and positive communication with both staff and peers.

Next term, Year 8 will be challenged to plan and prepare well for semester exams and approach learning consistently to achieve a school report with which they can be proud.

I will be on leave Term 2 and Mrs Ellen McKell will be fulfilling the role of Year 8 Leader of Pastoral Care. Mrs McKell is a member of our Year 8 PC team, is very familiar with the individual needs of each student in our cohort and will continue working with individuals towards excellence.

Thank you for your continued support and I hope everyone enjoys a restful, safe and happy break!

Nicole O’Connell
Year 8 Leader of Pastoral Care
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YEAR 7 NEWS

Well we have finally reached the end of Term 1 and there is much to be thankful for. For me as the Year Coordinator it has been great to work on and develop relationships with the PC team, the students and their parents. I had over 80 interviews from the two parent/teacher nights and have found them very reassuring in terms of parental support for the school.

On behalf of the PC teachers I would like to wish all families a safe and restful break and look forward to seeing the students in their winter uniforms in Term 2.
Congratulations to the following students who have received a Pastoral Coordinator’s Award:
Ella Clark, Mackenzie Dawson, Britney Densham-Ingram, Max Dowler, Sophie Evans, Kate Field, Adelaide Gannon, Jessica Hamel, Gracie Masters, Kathrina McClure, Tiana Myers, Kimberley Palmer, Ayaan Sharma, Ella Sorensen, Benjamin Stewart, Marie Tessede and Liana Williams.

Have a great holiday!

Dom Ashe
Year 7 Leader of Pastoral Care
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

YEAR 7 TRANSITUS RETREAT
Nineteen students travelled to Valla Beach to participate in a youth retreat called Transitus. The retreat was an overnight experience that allowed students to build relationships with other students throughout the diocese as well as a chance for students to talk about and share their faith journey. The theme of the retreat focused on students’ transition into high school, identifying some challenges so far and students’ hopes for the future. A particularly insightful session was on being a disciple in the world and it reflected upon ways to allow your faith to shine and to live out your faith, even at times when it is counter-cultural to do so.

Luke Sagoli and Sara Thomas (Year 10) also assisted at the camp by being small group leaders. These two CSYMA students are courageous witnesses to their faith and demonstrated to Year 7 that they should never feel alone on their faith journey and that it is ok to be a young person with a love of God.

Luka Sagolj (Year 10 leader) and Dane Thiele
The Year 7 group

Hugh Robertson and Charli Keir

Jodie Rich
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KAIROS RETREAT
Congratulations to Mrs Marg Gobius, Ellen Hales and Mr Phil Shelley (St Joseph’s Regional College) and all the student leaders who were involved in the Kairos Retreat at The Francis Centre last week. Weeks of planning and preparation went into this time, and from all accounts, it was a wonderful faith-filled and inspiring retreat. The group was blessed with wonderful weather, a beautiful venue and shared a very special time together. Congratulations and thank you to the student leaders Brenden Grainger, Molly Kalchbauer and Hannah Post, and to the student participants Georgia Caire, Abbey Douglas, Jade Horton, Alaina Menzies and Eloise Newton.

Joan Lancaster
Leader of Evangelisation
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DRAMA NEWS
It has been a busy start to the year for our Drama students. They have attended OnStage in Sydney, viewed the Hamlet and Romeo and Juliet performances by the Bell Shakespeare Company’s Players and created their own performance work based on their study of various topics in class.

Year 8 Drama have been learning about Improvisation and Playbuilding this term - they have had lots of fun developing their skills and have enjoyed presenting their work on the stage.

Years 9, 10 and 11 Drama students have been exploring Shakespeare’s plays and in groups they have created their own interpretation of his works. Students presented their hard work at the College Shakespeare Showcase on Tuesday night to an engaged audience.

Year 12 have been successfully juggling both the study of Ancient Greek Tragedy and Contemporary Tragic Plays with their Individual Performance. Students presented group performances of their interpretation and understanding of the Tragedy topic and plays being studied in Week 9.

Congratulations on your work this term – enjoy the break!
SHAKESPEARE AWARDS
As part of our Shakespeare Showcase we awarded a first place in each year group to the most engaging performance. We also selected students who have performed at an exemplary level to showcase the work of Shakespeare.

The 2016 recipients of these awards are:

Scene Year 9 – Abbey Towle, Ebony Harding and Julia Williams
Scene Year 10 – Mardi Borg, Bailey Duncan, Abigail Kirkland and Mollie White
Scene Year 11 – Jorga Attard, Brad Ellison, Majella Starr, Paula Valdez-Reynes and Chloe Boller, Jaymee-Lee Jubelin, Hannah Middlebrook

Shakespearean Performer Year 9 – David Schumann and Julia Williams
Shakespearean Performer Year 10 – Mardi Borg, Abigail Kirkland and Joshua Lynch
Shakespearean Performer Year 11 – Jorga Attard, Brad Ellison and Emily Towle

Jo Stuart and Jennifer Campbell
Drama Teachers
Continuing with the gentrification of the library, this week we have expanded the senior fiction section. These are books with young adult themes that will appeal to older and more confident readers, especially Year 10 students. Come and check them out!

Nikki Gray
Acting Librarian
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SPORT NEWS

SPORT TERM 2
Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will be doing athletics for sport during Term 2. This is in preparation for our athletics carnival which is to be held in Week 10. Students will be split into house groups and will practise a variety of field and track events over the course of the term.

REPRESENTATIVE SPORT
As the term ends I would like to congratulate all of our athletes thus far. It has been a busy term in sport with many teams trialling, training and competing. I would also like to thank the coaches of those teams and remind our athletes that without our dedicated coaches, sporting programs and sporting opportunities would not be available.

2016 LISMORE DIOCESAN OPEN BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS
The Open basketball teams recently enjoyed success at the Diocesan Championships in Coffs Harbour. The carnival was played in great spirit with entertaining games from both teams.

The boys started the day strongly, enjoying wins against St John’s College Woodlawn (43-27), Trinity College Lismore (56-15) and Xavier Catholic College Skennars Head (91-30). This placed us first in the pool and put us up against cross town rivals St Joseph’s Regional College in the semi-final. The team managed to grind out a tough win (51-48), which put us up against John Paul College from Coffs Harbour in the final. After a see-sawing encounter, the boys recorded a tough 42-55 loss. Congratulations to the team on a great effort and being crowned runners up on the day. The team was Cody Ross, Reagan Heard, Samual Petrie, Jack Lister, Nicholas Lewis, Joshua Minihan, Lachlan Myers, Jacob Lockwood, Thomas Lister and Isaac Post.

Captain - Jack Lister
Best & Fairest - Samual Petrie

The Open girls came up against a very strong St John Paul College team first up and played a very hard-fought game going down 60-17. The girls’ second game against Xavier Skenners Head was do or die to progress into the semi-finals. The girls played a very strong team game from the start of the match and got out to an early lead, eventually taking out the contest 47-28. The semi-final was set up against St John’s Woodlawn and the girls found the physical play from the Woodlawn team a bit overwhelming at the start, Woodlawn jumped out to a 18 point lead at halftime. In a true test of the girls’ character and resolve, they fought back gallantly and through strong defence reduced the lead to two points with less than a minute to play in the game. Unfortunately, the deficit was too great to overcome and the girls went down 48-46. The team consisted of Lianna Gee, Shelby Grainger, Brianne Gee, Elise Smith, Leilani Grainger, Olivia Gahan, Majella Starr, Monica Worth and Jessica Hoskin.

Captain - Lianna Gee
Best & Fairest - Leilani Grainger
BILL TURNER CUP FOOTBALL
On Tuesday we hosted two Bill Turner games. Our boys had a convincing win over Wauchope and now go on to play in round two. Whilst the girls put up a valiant effort, they were unfortunately defeated by Melville High.

RUGBY UNION 7’ S
MacKillop College took four teams to the 7s Rugby Union in Taree on Monday, 4th April. There were boys teams in the 14s and 16s and a girls team in the 16s. All teams were competitive on the day with some impressive play. Special note of the 16s girls who entered their first tournament and had a draw with Chatham High School from Taree and three competitive games with Wauchope High, St Clare’s Taree and Great Lakes Secondary College. Also of note was our 14s boys’ team, comprehensively defeating St Joseph’s Regional College and our 16s boys beating Wauchope High. Many thanks to teachers, Miss Franklin, Mrs Daley, Mr Jenkins and Mr Blackman who organised the days and coached teams, and our students for their excellent behaviour.

Daniel Blackman
Coach
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If you have any questions regarding sport at MacKillop College please do not hesitate to contact me.

Andrea Huxley
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COLLEGE MUSIC NEWS

“Beautiful music is the art of the prophets that can calm the agitations of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us.” Martin Luther King

GLASSHOUSE LUNCH CONCERT PERFORMANCES

On Friday, 1\(^{st}\) April the MacKillop College Groove Merchants and Brass Ensemble performed at the Ross Family Studio in the Glasshouse as part of the Mid North Coast Conservatorium of Music lunch concert series. The students performed to an intimate audience a range of jazz standards and funk charts. The Brass Ensemble features students from Years 7 to 11. This group is directed by Sharon Green and has worked hard in recent weeks to develop repertoire for this performance. The efforts of the Year 7 recruits Luke Temple, Hamish Harper and Ben Moreton deserves particular mention. Well done boys.

The Groove Merchants are now a well-established ensemble having been together since 2013. This group of gentlemen from Year 10 performed a smooth set of jazz and funk standards with improvised solos from all members.

To close out the concert, Nicolas Tessede kept the audience members on the edge of their seats with two engaging piano solos.

The concert was a great success and a fabulous display of the musical talent we are blessed to possess at MacKillop College. Well done to all the musicians!

MacKillop College Brass Ensemble and Groove merchants:
GLASSHOUSE LUNCH CONCERT FRIDAY, 29TH APRIL
MacKillop College will be involved in another Glasshouse lunch concert taking place on the Glasshouse steps on Friday, 29th April. This concert will feature the MacKillop College Big Band and will be the inaugural performance of the MacKillop College Little Big Band. The concert will commence at 12.30p.m. and conclude by 1.30p.m. We hope to see you there!

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY
All students in the Concert Band and Choir are required at rehearsal on Wednesday, 27th April in the Junior MPC from 8.30a.m. The ceremony will take place during periods 1 and 2.

REHEARSALS IN WEEK 1
MONDAY
• NO REHEARSALS
TUESDAY
• NO REHEARSALS
WEDNESDAY
• Senior Stage Band – NO REHEARSAL
• Vocal Ensemble – 8.00a.m. – 8.45a.m, J16 Music Room
• Concert Band and Choir – ANZAC Ceremony rehearsal – 8.30a.m. – 9.00a.m, Junior MPC
• Choir – Lunchtime, J14 Music Room
• SAPSS Drum Line – 4.00p.m. – 5.30p.m, St Joseph’s Regional College

THURSDAY
• Concert Band – NO REHEARSAL
• Year 7 Vocal Ensemble – 8.00a.m. – 8.45a.m, J14 Music Room.
• Woodwind Ensemble – See morning notices and music notice board for details
• Brass Ensemble – 3.15p.m. – 4.00p.m, Theatre

FRIDAY
• Little Big Band – 7.45a.m. – 8.45a.m, J16 Music room
• Big Band – 7.45a.m. – 8.45a.m., Theatre
• Junior Stage Band – NO REHEARSAL
• Jazz Ensemble – NO REHEARSAL

UPCOMING EVENTS
ANZAC CEREMONY
• Wednesday, 27th April, period 1, Junior MPC, Concert Band and Choir

GLASSHOUSE LUNCH CONCERT
• Friday, 29th April, 12.30p.m. – 1.30p.m, Glasshouse Theatre (podium / steps), Little Big Band and Big Band

YEAR 7 OPEN NIGHT
• Tuesday, 3rd May, From 6.00p.m., Junior MPC, Little Big Band

YOUTH MASS
• Sunday, 15th May, 4.00p.m. – 6.00p.m, St Agnes’ Church, Praise Band and Vocal Ensemble
BIG BAND BLAST
• Saturday, 28th May, Town Green Port Macquarie, time to be confirmed, MacKillop College Big Band

GLASSHOUSE LUNCH CONCERT
• Friday, 3rd June, 12.30p.m. – 1.30p.m, Glasshouse (Ross Family Studio), Vocal Ensemble and Choir

Please contact Mr Denham with any questions relating to the co-curricular music program at MacKillop College or visit the College website and click on the Creative Arts tab.

Rob Denham
Leader of Co-Curricular Music
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Ironman Port Macquarie 2016
Volunteers Wanted!!

MacKillop College has been a regular participant in conducting an aid station for the Ironman event. We run the bike leg inward bound at Lake Cathie next to the sports fields. We are an important link in the aid station network for the Ironman event. The event this year occurs on 1st May.

I’m looking for volunteers from MacKillop College and the school community to participate in giving liquids and food to the triathletes as they race past ready to tackle the Cathie straight. Students (Year 7 – 12), staff and parents are welcome to be part of an historic event, as the half and full course Ironman events are run concurrently. So clear the work rosters and social calendars for 1st May to give something back to the community and represent your school and Port Macquarie to the world.

Students will be notified in the school notices where to sign up and meet Mr Wheatland for further details at school in the next few weeks.

Alan Wheatland
Aid Station Captain

For further information contact
Alan Wheatland at MacKillop College 65832632 during school hours
Volunteer Recruitment Video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QN-y9_7n6s&ab_channel=IRONMANAsiaPacific and 2015 IMOZ Highlights Video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSxzlsG44o&ab_channel=IRONMANAsiaPacific
PORT MAQUARIE YOUTH HUB DRAMA CLASS
The Port Macquarie Youth Hub Drama class will resume on Wednesday, 4th May 5.00p.m. to 6.00p.m. Suitable for all ages. This is a **FREE drama class**. The drama will entail acting abilities, playwriting, stage productions and improvisations. The goal of the class is to teach confidence and correct script reading. Commencing 4th May.

From May the class will concentrate on learning all aspects of acting. From August rehearsals will begin with a view of conducting a show in November.

As there a limited positions available please contact Jay Corr on [0415779240](tel:0415779240) or email [ezzacorr@gmail.com](mailto:ezzacorr@gmail.com) if you are interested.
Sunday 15th of May
2pm to 5pm
Drop in anytime, we’d love to meet you!

Join us for a social Sunday afternoon

On the Deck

at Port Macquarie Surf Life Saving Club

Flynns Beach

→ Finger Food provided
→ Buy your own drinks at the bar
→ Lucky door prizes to be won
→ Children welcome

This social event has been organised by the Mackillop College Parent Social Group for all parents, carers and friends.

For more information contact Debbie Ward on 0407 702 643 or email wardies5@bigpond.com

Volunteers....
A gift to our community

St Agnes’ Parish has many volunteers who selflessly give their time to make the lives of others better, and we would like to say;

Thank you

Please join us for a special Mass, followed by a light supper in the Parish Hall

Date: Wednesday, 11th May 2016
Time: 3:30pm
Venue: St Agnes Catholic Church, 49 Hay Street, Port Macquarie
RSVP: Wednesday 6th May to Peter O’Driscoll on podriscoll@stagnesparish.org.au or 6588 7444

St AGNES’ PARISH
Hastings Baseball Association

JUNIOR BASEBALL

T Ball/Zooka/Live Ball

We are taking registrations for our Winter Season commencing Sunday 8th May 2016.
Cost $50 per player (includes Hat and T-shirt)
Season ends Sunday 26th June 2016

Games are played Sunday mornings at Blackbutt Reserve, Wauchope.

Registration forms and information on the competition can be found on
www.hastingsbaseball.com.au
under the juniors tab.
We’re looking forward to you joining us.

Lismore Catholic Schools Parent Assembly Conference 2016
Opal Cove Coffs Harbour, 21st and 22nd May

Our Village
Nourish, Nurture, Grow

Join parents from around the Lismore Diocese for an opportunity not to be missed. The Lismore Catholic Schools Parent Assembly 2016 Conference will explore ways we as parents and educators can learn how to nourish, nurture and grow dynamic families and villages.

Nourish Your Parenting Skills
Lisa McPartlan-Smith
Creating Families that Stick and Practical Parenting
Andrew Hussey
Building Resilience

Nurture Your Faith Life
Dr Eilo Rusta
The Year of Mercy
Dianne Looi
Tackling Tough Topics: defending your faith without raising your voice

Grow the Village
Danielle Comeau and LPA Staff
Families and Schools Growing Stronger Together
A MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL

Every year, hundreds of young people aged 12-25 from across the Port Macquarie-Hastings get involved in Youth Week activities. This year The Youth Advisory Council (YAC) partnering with Port Macquarie-Hastings Council has a bumper week of activities planned.

Come and join the YAC at the Hay St forecourt from 10am on Saturday the 9th April to launch Nation Youth Week. Hang out, listen to live music and find out what the YAC have in store and be sure to get in early to get your Youth Week ‘goodie bag’. Some of the highlights of the week include:

- **Wednesday, 13th April** - YAC-KODA - Gather your team of 4 and be at the base of the North Brother Mountain Track off Laurie St Laurieton, do your part for charity whilst having fun racing against other teams. A gold coin donation from each competitor will be gifted to the Beyond Blue Charity. Registration from 10am, race will kick off at 11am. Great prizes on offer for best times and a prize will be awarded to brightest outfitted team.

- **Friday, 15th April** - Inflatable Race - Young people will gather at Settlement point to battle it out in the cut throat world of inflatable toy racing. The race will be followed by a busk-off competition and BBQ on the Settlement point reserve. Register at Settlement Point from 11am, bring your inflatable devise or toy and be ready to have a fun and cheeky afternoon. Competitors will start on the reserve, race into the water and paddle like crazy around the 500m course. In a team or as an individual - you choose. Great prizes on the day.

- **Saturday, 16th April** - Waves and Melodies - Music is always a huge part of Youth Week celebrations with the ever popular Waves and Melodies event taking place again on Town Beach Reserve. Local Skateboard Group Green Triangle will be providing a free workshops and the park will be lit into the night with a games area and projection display. The event kicks off at 1pm and finishes at approximately 8pm. A free bus service for youth from Kendall, Laurieton, Bonny Hills, Lake Cathie and Wauchope is available (limited seats). Book online at [www.pmhc.nsw.gov.au/youthweekprogram](http://www.pmhc.nsw.gov.au/youthweekprogram).

- **Sunday, 17th April** - Cosplay - Come dressed in your ultimate self-created costumes which pay homage to your favourite Anime or manga character and bring it to life for all to see! Cosplay parade with prizes at 2 pm. The afternoon will also include doodle art, anime films, extreme makeup, food festival, chopstick championships and lucky door prizes. Cosplay activities will take place at Port Macquarie-Hastings Library from 1pm.

If any youth or youth groups have a hidden talent and enjoy performing, maybe busking during Youth Week will be their chance to shine and get a bit of pocket money also. All you need to do is complete the [Busker Registration Form](http://www.pmhc.nsw.gov.au/youthweek).

There’s many more events to choose from so download a copy of the program or visit Council’s website for the latest information at [www.pmhc.nsw.gov.au/youthweek](http://www.pmhc.nsw.gov.au/youthweek).
Monday 11th April: MOVIE DAY - FREE
10.30a.m. to 12.30p.m. Primary school movies
1.00p.m. to 3.00p.m. older ages
Popcorn and sausage sizzle

Tuesday 12th April: FISHING - FREE
11.30a.m. - bring your own rod or use one of our rods. Fully supervised. Bring your own hat sunscreen and water bottle. Meet at the Hub.

Wednesday 13th April: TEN PIN BOWLING - cost 2 games $15
11.30a.m. - Port City Wave Bowl

Thursday 14th April: KAYAKING - cost $12.50
2.00p.m. - meet at the Hub for 1.5 hours of fully supervised fun and Kayaking tour.

Friday 15th April: Coastal walk - cost is FREE
meet at the Youth Hub before 11.00a.m. for BBQ and coastal walk along our beautiful beaches.

Monday 18th April: MOVIE DAY - FREE
10.30a.m. to 12.30p.m. Primary school aged movie
1.00p.m. to 3.00p.m. older ages movie
popcorn and sausage sizzle

Tuesday 19th April: ROCK CLIMBING AND LASER SKIRMISH
12md. COST $20

Wednesday 20th April: TEN PIN BOWLING - cost $15 for two games

Thursday 21st April: KAYAKING - cost $12.50
9.30a.m. - meet at the Hub for 1.5hrs of fully supervised fun and kayaking tour. Sausage sizzle at completion.

Friday 22nd April: COASTAL WALK - FREE
Meet at the hub 10.00a.m. for a walk along our beautiful beaches and BBQ upon return.

For all activities bookings are essential please contact the details below to reserve your place.
Phone Jayson on 0418664537 or email: info@pmyh.org.au

The Hub will be open Monday to Friday of each week of the holidays 10.00a.m. to 4.00p.m.

Visit our website: www.pmyh.org.au or drop by.

Thank you all
Michael and Jayson