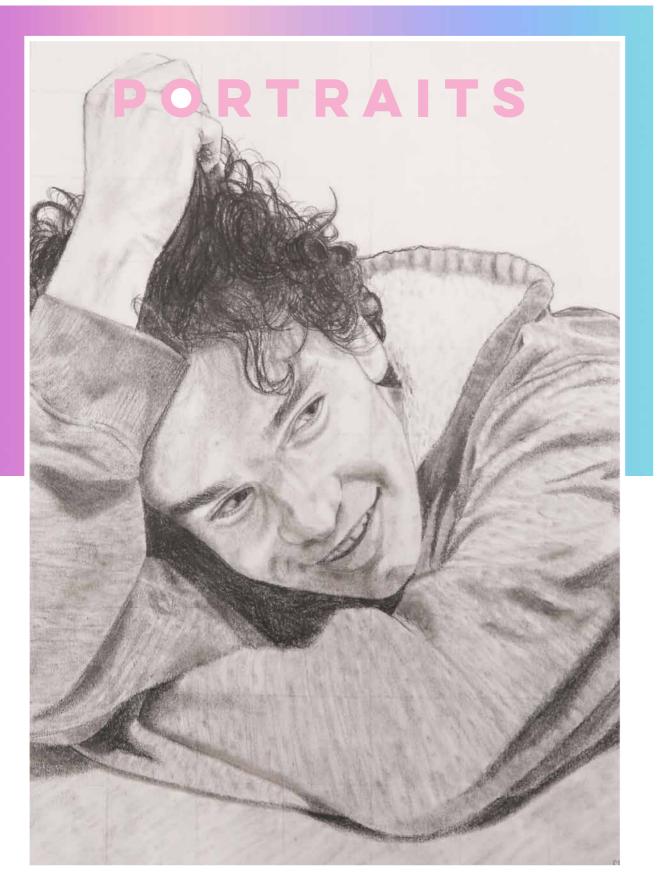


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L TO R: NICOLE SERMENO / ANDREAS NASSAR / TREIBON TE RIHIMANA WINIKEREI / BY THE YEARBOOK TEAM



PORTRAITS

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: OSCAR MORGAN / CAMRYN BUGDEN-VAUGHAN / PATRICK O'CONNOR / JAYDA CULLEN / BY THE YEARBOOK TEAM







NATHAN NEMEC + OWEN SASSO / TOM CAMERON + CONNOR INGRAM / BY KIERAN MALA

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: RILEY SHIELD / NIKALA SPEED / JAMES NASR / ALEXANDRA DAWSON / CHIKUMBI CHIFUNTWE / BY THE YEARBOOK TEAM













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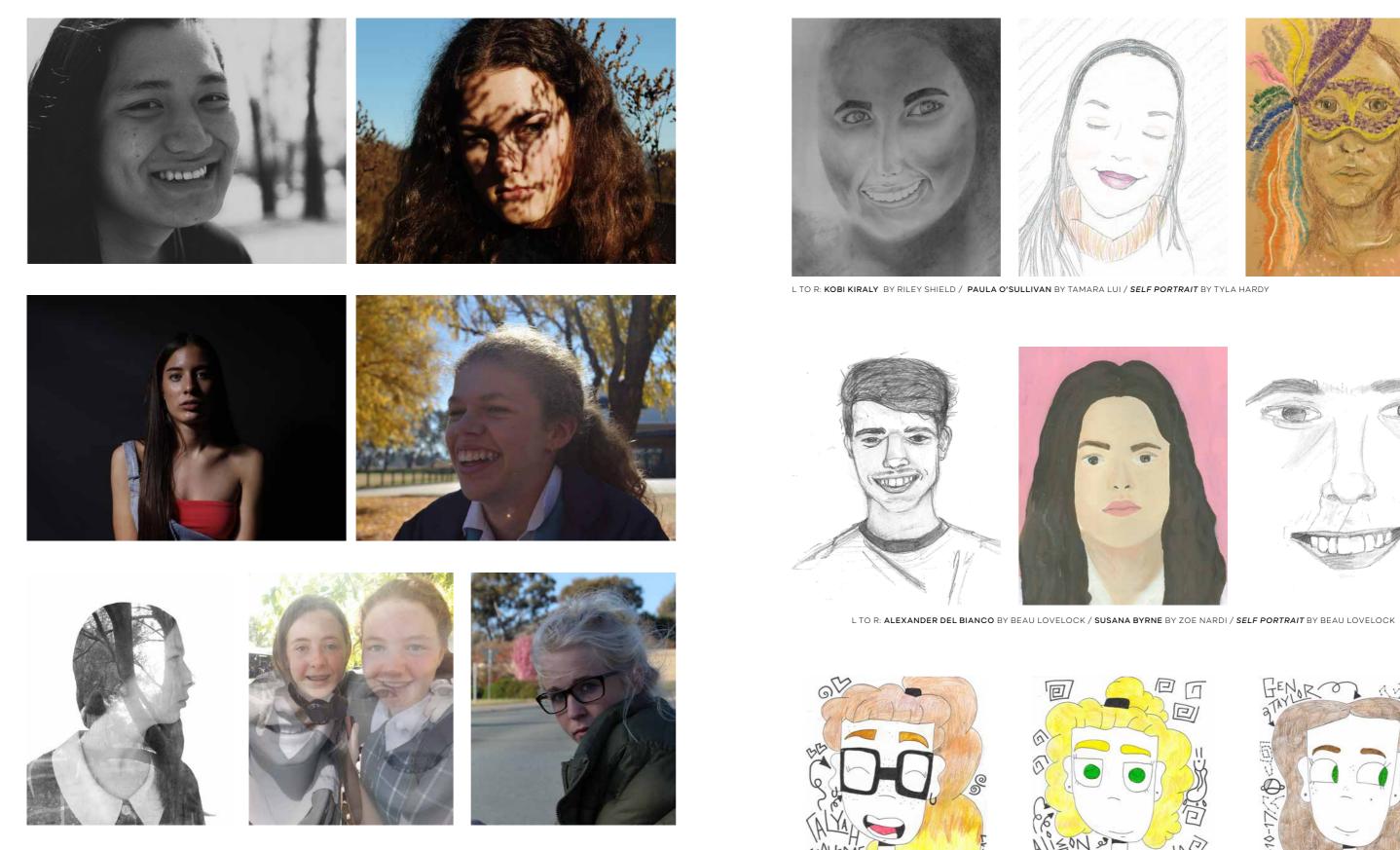




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L TO R: TAYLAH SCOWCROFT / ALISON STANIFORTH / GEN TAYLOR BY LANA MALONE















YEARSEVEN

COORDINATORS' POETRY REPORT

From many schools did you all come, hoping MacKillop would be vibrant and fun. The year ahead looked challenging and long, but with new friends on board, what could go wrong? Your teachers told us of your quality and views. Whether it was IHUM or sport, your talents came through. MacKillop is a place where everyone can shine; our Year Seven's knew this and were most refined. We wish you well in the years to come - our thoughts will be with you even when it is done. Remember always, you're fine women and men - this is true now, and will be true then.

Thank you to each and everyone one of you hard work and good will throughout 2017. May God bless you and remain with you always. All the best!

mis cunneer, mis gabrin + mi bove

Year 7 Pastoral Care Coordinators



I like the friendship throughout the school and how nice everyone is.

joshua jonceski





I really enjoyed MacKillop Day. It was fun to take a break for the schoolwork and just have fun outside with friends.

ethan brennan

REFLECTIONS





The opportunities I've had on the SRC have helped me grow and develop. The Eden Pilgrimage stood out as it developed and furthered my friendships.

From the moment I entered MacKillop until now I have been given so many opportunities and made so many great friends. I'm so glad I chose MacKillop!

amy scott



The Swimming Carnival was a great experience for Year 7 as it was our first cross campus event. It was a splashing good hit with Mindygari taking out the championship trophy for 2017.

mia c + megan j



To come to the school where everyone was kind and friendly and willing to make friends as soon as you see them.

ruby mitchell





One of my favourite things about Year 7 was the activities at Camp. I liked the giant swing and the State of Origin.

Kyan menamaka

Year 7 Camp was really fun. I got to help others overcome their fears. I got to learn new things about myself and my friends.

amy frost



jake keen



MacKillop Day was loads of fun and all the stalls were awesome. I can't wait until I'm a senior and I get to participate and run the stalls.

madison avoid



I enjoyed Camp, MacKillop Day and the friends I've made. I love that the teachers are supportive and help every individual with their academic achievement. Overall Year 7 was great and I can't wait for Year 8.

neika henson















COMMUNITY DAY

On Wednesday 22 March, all Year 7 students participated in the Year 7 Community Day. The day kicked off in the theatrette with an outstanding theatre performance on the life of St Mary MacKillop. The year group was then split up into House groups to participate in many fun and challenging activities. From running around, to being the next top model, we did it all! Lunch was a delicious sausage sizzle with a cool drink and special treat. The final thing on the agenda was to come back together and discuss the qualities of a great leader, and have a conversation about joining the SRC for 2017. It was an amazing day!

lachlan megee

Year 7 student











YEAR 7 CAMP

Year 7 Mindygari and Meup Meup set out for a 2 night camp on Monday 19 June, followed by Gurabang and Ngadyung on Wednesday 21, full of excitement and anticipation. With the first semester of high school nearly complete, it was a great time to enjoy the company of old and new friends and to further broaden this circle.

The Collaroy Centre Sydney is an idyllic spot to spend a few days and the milder Sydney weather made for a great escape. The camp consisted of challenging activities that relied on teamwork and trust and the sense of camaraderie was evident. There was ample time to spend with friends enjoying the grounds and in large groups to share meals, night activities and liturgies.

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YEAREIGHT

YEAR 8 HIGHLIGHTS

The Highlight of Year 8 was definitely the sporting teams and the events that the school held. Some things that I enjoyed about Year eight were Community Day, Market Day, the Sydney Pilgrimage, Coast Life activities, the First Aid Course, and the Guest Speakers. My Favourite Class is PE because I have a good class and I like being active.

oliver, 8AF

WELCOMING COMMUNITY

My favourite part of Year 8 has been the welcoming and kind community that this school has and how everyone is included. Throughout the year we have been able to go on the Sydney Pilgrimage to MacKillop Place and St Mary's Cathedral. We have also been able to participate altogether as a school on MacKillop Day.

teresa, 8A2

AN ENJOYABLE YEAR

Year 8 was an enjoyable year. There were multiple events that happened throughout the year that made it so, such as MacKillop Day, First Aid, and Coast Life activities. The Sydney pilgrimage to MacKillop place and St Mary's Cathedral was also an interesting experience. The highlight of the school year for me was probably MacKillop day, as it was a fun day for all.

josh, 8F2

FUN ACTIVITIES

Year 8 is fun and everyone gets on pretty well. I think all of my teachers are pretty good and I've been put in some good classes. We do lots of fun activities and have heaps of events, both as individual classes and a whole year group. Year 8 has definitely been my favourite school year so far, and I'm definitely looking forward to Year 9

jack, 8E3





PASTORAL EVENTS

PILGRIMAGE TO MARY MACKILLOP PLACE

During the final week of Semester 1, Year 8 participated in a variety of exciting and enjoyable activities. This included the Year 8 pilgrimage to Sydney to visit MacKillop Place and St Mary's Cathedral. Many of the students appreciated the opportunity to learn more about St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, such as the struggles she encountered in her life, her enthusiasm for education and her desire to make education accessible to all. Visiting and praying alongside her tomb was a special moment for many of the students. The pilgrimage also included a visit to St Mary's Cathedral in Hyde Park. Here students learnt more about the history of the Catholic Church in Australia and were able to reflect on the architecture and art of the cathedral.

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COASTLIFE

Also during the final week of Semester 1, students participated in two valuable half-day workshops. Students worked with Coastlife staff, who ran teamwork, leadership and communication building activities in the gym. The activities challenged the students at an individual and collective level.

The students also participated in a First Aid workshop run by the St John's Ambulance school education unit. Students learnt about basic first aid, went through the steps of DRSABC and how to dress or support certain types of injuries. The students thoroughly enjoyed the workshop and learnt valuable life skills.

A GOOD YEAR

haidyn, 8A2

I may not have been here at MacKillop for as long as others, but I have had a great time here. My favourite part about this year would definitively be MacKillop Day. I reckon it was the highlight of this year. I also really like my PC and I love my mathematics class. This has been a good year.

LOTS TO DO IN YEAR 8

Many people believe that Year 8 is the year that doesn't matter, but at MacKillop it does. In Year 8 we get to go to Sydney for a fun day out looking at St Mary's Cathedral and exploring the streets of Sydney. Also, every year we have MacKillop day where all the years get to get together for a market day; it's fun to see the other campus and the other students. There are so many clubs and teams we can join at Mackillop, it's almost impossible to feel left out. Every once in a while, we get to have guest speaker who comes in and teaches us about the way of the future. This year has been great and I can't wait till Year 9.

anna, 8AI

FRIENDSHIP

The things that I liked about Year 8 was meeting new friends, teachers, and learning more about my friends and myself. The teachers are really good and help me get better grades and the best thing about Year 8 was doing Wood Work and Mr Coates is a gun.

angelo, 8EI

SOCCER CHAMPIONS

My favourite part about Year 8 was late in Term 3 when the I was selected for the Year 7/8 girls' soccer team. Trying out for the team was just as much fun as playing on the day. It was fun to meet new girls from Year 7 and 8 and form some new friendships with the girls. On the day of the soccer carnival ,our team was undefeated and we did not concede a goal all day. This meant that we would be going to ACT soccer competition to try and become the ACT champions for 2017. Even though we had a rocky start, we kept our heads up and kept playing, In the end we won the rest of our games and became the Year 7/8 girls ACT champions for 2017.

erin, 8W3

YEAR 8







STEP UP

NEW RESPONSIBILITIES

The best part about Year 8 is your mates. In Year 8 we have so many different people in our classes and make many new friends. We also get a lot more freedom and get treated more maturely by our teachers and peers. We can act a lot older and take on a lot more responsibilities. The lessons in Year 8 are also a lot more interesting, we get to learn about a lot more interesting stuff, and things that will help us in life after school. Overall this year has been fantastic, we've all made heaps of new mates and had such a great time.

Sam, 8F3

MEETING NEW PEOPLE

In Year 8, we found that we were not as close to the people in our PC class due to the fact we did not have IHum together anymore, although in all our extended classes we got know more people and teachers that we may have not met before. Another good thing about Year 8 is that we were able to choose our own electives which were a way for us to escape our not so exciting assignments and get to learn about things that we were more interested in. This year we were able to form friendships with students from other houses, this has given us the opportunity to thrive in a close nit year group where everyone knows everyone and everyone wants to give each other the best learning experience possible.

jordyn, 8AI + sophia, 8EI



LANGVAGES+ELECTIVES

I really liked studying Languages because they were a lot more in-depth and interesting in Year 8, especially since our classes were filled with students who were keen to study that particular language. Non-language elective classes were also a lot more fun because everyone in those classes shared similar interests with each other. Classes like History were also quite interesting, especially when we were studying the black plague and how it affected both Europe and Asia

aidan, 8EI

WORKING TOGETHER

Year 8 participated in a range of activities that were all about teamwork. In one of the activities we participated in we were given a certain amount of wood planks to get from one point to another. We had to get all of our teammates from one side to another, only standing on the pieces of equipment we were given. This activity was timed and the team with the quickest time was the team who got the points. These activities helped us to improve our teamwork skills.

The Year 8 teachers have been supportive this year as it has been a hard transition for some, because we don't have IHum anymore. IHum was spilt up into three different subjects - SOSE, religion and English - so we have more assessment tasks to complete and the teachers have helped us through this tough time.

amy, 8E3 + makayla, 8F3















YEARNINE

We are so proud of what our 2017 Year 9 cohort have achieved this year in leading the Wanniassa Campus. They have matured in all facets of their lives and taken positives from negative situations, reflecting on them and building their capacity to "be the best they can be". We congratulate them on a fantastic year, and wish them all the best in their transition to Year 10 and the Isabella Campus.

nathan wood + colleen kain

Year 9 Coordinators



























YEAR 9

































BE THE BEST

THAT WE CAN BE

SUPPORTIVE PEERS

I liked how my peers were very supportive of each other, whether it be in sport, art, or assignments. My MacKillop Day, at the Isabella Campus, was really fun, even more fun than last year's! The electives were better this year than last. Philosophy really tested my thinking skills. Having to slip into the role of a leader of the campus was a great way to learn how to strengthen our abilities to be able to work better as a team.

hargley arnold

MY FAVOURITE THINGS

Three things I have enjoyed the most in Year 9 at St Mary MacKillop were: Outdoor Education because it was quality time with your peers and teachers that not all students get to endure whilst having fun in the outdoors. I also enjoyed the performances we experienced, especially the act by Brett Hunt, as it was entertaining and educational. Lastly, the role of leadership you obtain throughout the year because very few schools get to possess that ability in Year 9.1 believe it is one to cherish.

jasmine sconnor

AMAZING MEMORIES

Year 9 has been a great year full of great experiences and amazing memories that will always be remembered. It is good to be the seniors of the school, and I can't wait for what comes next. It has really been a great year, from hanging out with my mates, to having lots of fun on the other campus. Year 9 was a year to remember, and I still have to remember that the library is not a thoroughfare, and to keep my uniform immaculate.

archie beresford

FORMING BONDS

Year 9 has been a terrific experience to excel in every aspect of MacKillop life. I have created new relationships with members of the MacKillop community, both staff and students. Recognising interests and similarities I had with staff and students meant I was able to form close bonds. 'Transition Day' was an experience to remember. I was able to have a clear view of the paths I could take into the future as well as reflect on the fact that I am role model to the younger students in the MacKillop community. Lastly, I enjoyed the fact that I had every opportunity given to me by my Year 9 Coordinators. They have to look after 350 students and they do an amazing job. It is great to have them as they are a great asset to Year 9 students' successes for their future years at MacKillop. seth beasley

OPPORTUNITIES

I have enjoyed a lot of things this year, especially the many opportunities. I have made so many new friends due to these opportunities. The teachers that have taught me this year have been so helpful in making me a better person. I am so thankful for Year 9 and all the great memories of this year.

breanna henkel

LEADERSHIP

Year 9 at MacKillop has given us the opportunity to explore leadership. We have grown so much as a cohort, but grown even more as leaders. We have been lucky enough to have various motivational speakers, including Glen Gerreyn and Brett Hunt, who with their inspiration have driven us to excel throughout the 2017 school year. There have been countless memories made and friendships formed but most of all the lifelong skill of leadership has been learnt. 2017 has made us stronger, and we are more than excited to explore college life at the Isabella Campus in 2018.

sophie waye



ELECTIVE SELECTION

These are the three reasons why I enjoyed Year 9 at MacKillop: I had a really good selection of electives that I thoroughly enjoyed throughout the course of the year. The MacKillop Year 10 Transition Day was very enjoyable as we got to learn about the next step in the MacKillop journey. I also enjoyed watching Brett Hunt's performances on his life and WW1.

joshua ryder

A RANGE OF EXPERIENCES

I have enjoyed Year 9 at MacKillop because of the many different experiences. Some of my favourite experiences of this year have been the range of electives I was able to choose from that all looked fun and I have enjoyed the ones I ended up picking.

MacKillop Day was also a very enjoyable experience with many fun activities to entertain my friends and me for the entire day and the food was amazing. This year's musical was amazing, the personalities involved were entertaining and the occasional joke dropped so appropriately had the entire audience laughing

rhys parritt











YEARTEN

COORDINATORS' REPORT

As the Pastoral Coordinators of the Year 10 Class of 2017 we would like to thank the students for the way they participated in the life of College at the Isabella Campus and for their engagement in their studies and striving to achieve their personal best wherever possible.

The highlights for all of us were simply seeing the students support each other, work extremely hard and come together to celebrate Year 10 College events such as the Reflection Day and Spring Zing.

We would like to thank all the staff, including Learning Support, Learning Commons and Pastoral Teachers for their support and care of students in Year 10. They have played a very important role in fostering engagement and wellbeing so that that our Year 10 students were able to achieve their best.

We wish the students and their families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

byndall de amprosis + paul durham

Year 10 Pastoral Care Coordinators







TRANSITION TO ISABELLA

The year started off with a lot of enthusiasm as we were all pretty excited about the change in campus. The transition into Year 10 has brought a lot of challenges but also a lot of new experiences for all of us. It was interesting to experience the transition from being the seniors on the junior campus to becoming the juniors of the senior campus! We all look forward to the growth and challenge of becoming senior leaders.

alli suce



P.A.R.T.Y PROGRAM A group of Year 10 Students were lucky enough to be chosen to

attend the P.A.R.T.Y. Program (Prevent Alcohol and Risk-Related Trauma) at the Canberra Hospital in Week 9 of Term 3.

This offered us all many experiences and interesting facts to take with us in the future of our adolescent lives and beyond. We were split up into two groups and completed numerous activities, one of which enabled us to experience first hand rehabilitation processes after car accidents. We also had the opportunity to talk with patients in the ward about their rehabilitation process, both physical and mental, which was alarming but educational. We were addressed by a number of hospital staff members, ambulance officers, and victims themselves about the impacts of driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. Whilst some of the images and stories themselves were confronting, it offered us direct insight about the consequences of these poor choices. Overall it was a fun and very informative experience and we thank the Year Coordinators for allowing us to all to experience this great day.

sharn sollo + sharna gray

YEAR IO EVENTS



REFLECTION DAYS

The Year 10 Reflection Days were stuffed full of fun and positivity! In class groups, we took part in a wide range of enjoyable activities which challenged us all, such as wheelchair basketball, personality quizzes, building a community out of straws, singing and meditation to name a few, as well as attending two presentations by guest speakers.

These presentations focused on examples of resilience through real life experiences. Ben Jenkins, a recent graduate from MacKillop, detailed his experience as he travelled to Tanzania with the Gap Medics organisation. Here he assisted in a hospital ranging from obstetrics, gynaecology, surgery in ED and paediatrics. Additionally, an Australian boxer from Canberra, Bianca 'Bam Bam' Elmir inspired us with her resilience and determination to achieve her personal and sporting goals.

The day then concluded with a reflective Mass. Reflection Day was definitely appreciated by every student who took part.

jonty yo



SPRING ZING

St Mary MacKillop College's Year 10 students and their teachers celebrated the annual Spring Zing event at the Tuggeranong Vikings in Greenway on Friday 15 September. The night was well attended and involved music, fancy dress, dancing, food, drink, a lolly bar, and a lot of fun. The night also featured a brief appearance from MacKillop's own comedian, Mr Jeremy Margosis.

Students dressed to the theme 'Dream Big, Laugh Often', with students dressing as sports stars, Disney princesses, TV characters, animals, rockstars, and more!

Thank you to all students for your good behaviour, enthusiasm, the efforts you made on your costumes, and the good spirit you brought to the occasion. It was truly a night to remember!



























































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YEAR 10



































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COORDINATOR'S REPORT

The efforts and talent displayed by the current Year 11 students this year was encouraging, indicating that this was going to be a successful year and indeed a year to look forward to. The beginning of the year brought new students into the College from other schools with the largest group coming from St. Patricks in Cooma. All students were warmly welcomed by the Year 11 Class of 2017 who forged new friendships with each other.

Academically the students found that being in Year 11 brought with it an increased workload. This meant that students had to juggle homework and study with sport, part time work, social activities as well as other extracurricular activities. Students learnt to prioritise the important aspects of their lives very quickly. The introduction of study periods, were well supported by the students who learnt how to use them effectively as well as the pass out card system which enabled students to leave at recess to pursue study at home. In addition many students took advantage of the extra assistance available from their teachers outside of classroom time.

Throughout the year, students were guided and encouraged by a very dedicated group of Pastoral Care teachers. These teachers played a pivotal role in the ongoing development of the Year 11 students. They always encouraged the students to take up whatever challenges they were faced with, and provided much needed support when times were tough. The task of coordinating could not be done without the continued support of these staff members.

It has been an absolute pleasure working with the staff and students of this level for the past two years. I wish all the students and their families a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

anna keppel

Year 11 Pastoral Care Coordinator













THE YEAR II RETREAT

After an early start, a long bus trip, some miserable weather and the obligatory Maccas stop, Year 11 arrived at the Merroo Christian Centre for their retreat. In house groups, we went through a series of group activities with different focuses on bonding, teamwork and the College theme, "Stand firm in the faith, be courageous, be strong." (Corinthians 16:13). A Mass was also organised which included Year 11 members of PCOPA giving an outstanding performance. Mr Lee's speech was a definite standout from the two days and the year group made the most of the time away. A short disco and some motivational speeches from inspiring figures like Mr Nulley, Mrs McLennan, and Miss Disanayake brought together the unique experience of Year 11 Retreat that we will surely remember for years to come. Year 11 would especially like to recognise the hard work and organisation that went into the trip from our coordinator, Ms Keppel.

harleen kanr + sarah purcell

Year 11 students





JOINING MACKILLOP FOR YEAR II

It was a warm summer's morning when we Cooma people boarded the Snowliner bus for our first day at MacKillop. There were many friendly Year 12s on it, who we in Year 11 all knew and who offered us advice and reassurance about our first day. There was a mixed atmosphere during the bus journey to MacKillop which was defined by the intermingling of nervous anticipation with the reassurance offered by each other's familiar presence. Stepping off the bus made some people even more nervous; however the rest of us were just focused on finding out where we had to go to get timetables.

Any nervousness about the unfamiliar environment that people had was soon dispelled by the friendly nature of the school. By the time PC had ended we had already been given offers by various people to be shown exactly where our classes were. At the end of our first day we all boarded the bus feeling relaxed and reassured about our new school. Rather than be concerned about the present, everybody could now look forward to the future.

alexei shatron + daniel wallis































































YEAR 11





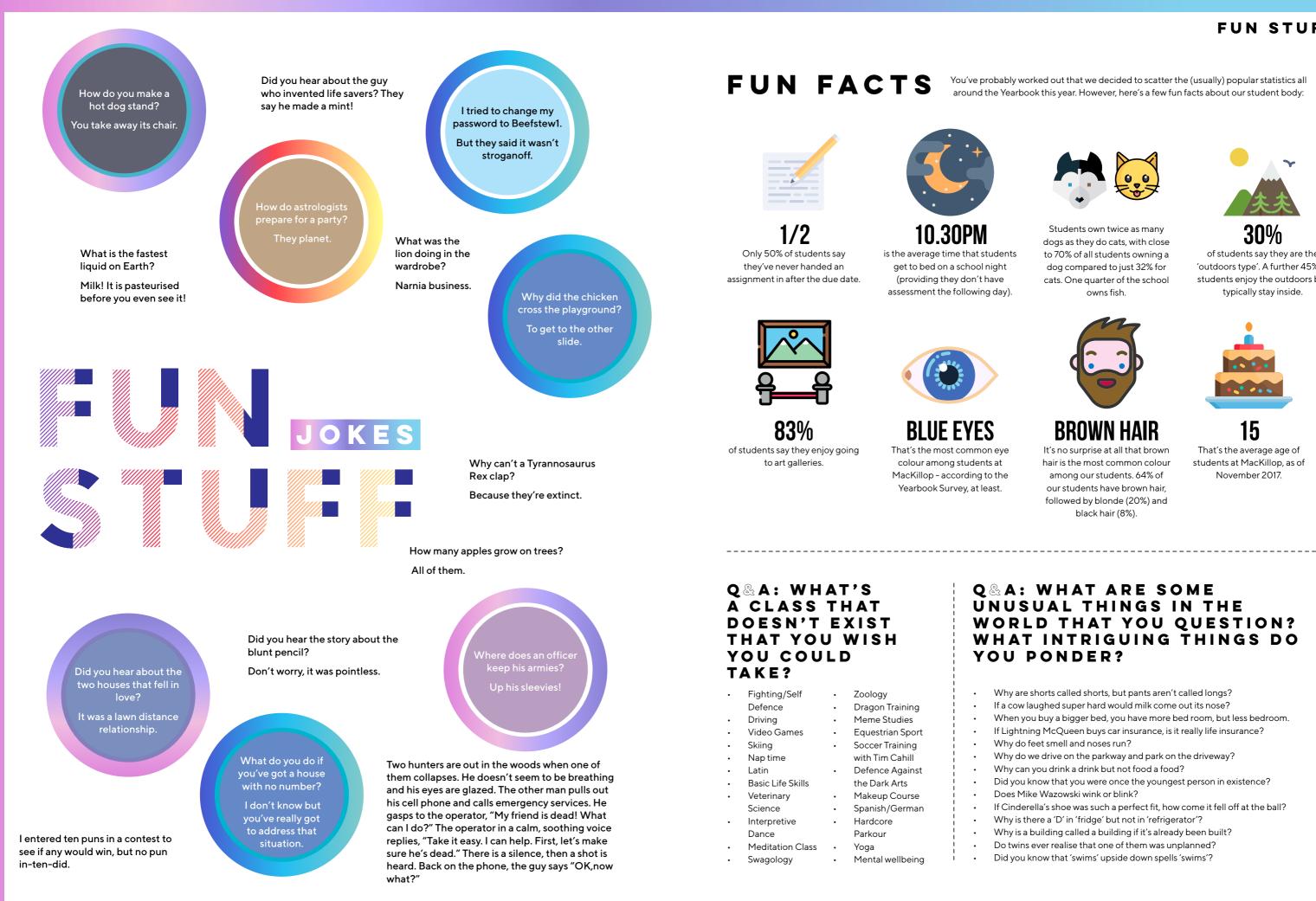














You've probably worked out that we decided to scatter the (usually) popular statistics all around the Yearbook this year. However, here's a few fun facts about our student body:



Students own twice as many dogs as they do cats, with close to 70% of all students owning a dog compared to just 32% for cats. One quarter of the school owns fish.



BROWN HAIR

It's no surprise at all that brown hair is the most common colour among our students. 64% of our students have brown hair, followed by blonde (20%) and black hair (8%).



of students say they are the 'outdoors type'. A further 45% of students enjoy the outdoors but typically stay inside.



That's the average age of students at MacKillop, as of November 2017.

Q[®]A: WHAT ARE SOME UNUSUAL THINGS IN THE WORLD THAT YOU QUESTION? WHAT INTRIGUING THINGS DO YOU PONDER?

Why are shorts called shorts, but pants aren't called longs? If a cow laughed super hard would milk come out its nose? When you buy a bigger bed, you have more bed room, but less bedroom. If Lightning McQueen buys car insurance, is it really life insurance? Why do feet smell and noses run? Why do we drive on the parkway and park on the driveway? Why can you drink a drink but not food a food?

Did you know that you were once the youngest person in existence? Does Mike Wazowski wink or blink?

If Cinderella's shoe was such a perfect fit, how come it fell off at the ball? Why is there a 'D' in 'fridge' but not in 'refrigerator'?

- Why is a building called a building if it's already been built?
- Do twins ever realise that one of them was unplanned?
- Did you know that 'swims' upside down spells 'swims'?