

### Important Dates & Events

JUN.  
THURSDAY

07

- Athletics Carnival

JUN.  
FRIDAY

08

- Staff Conference  
(Pupil-free day)

JUN.  
MONDAY

11

- Queen's Birthday  
Public Holiday

JUN.  
TUESDAY

12

- Year 10 Exams  
commence

JUN.  
MONDAY

18

- Senior Exams  
commence

JUN.  
MONDAY

25

- Year 12 AST Trial
- Senior Work  
Placements  
commence

JUN.  
TUESDAY

26

- Year 11 AST Trial

JUN.  
WEDNESDAY

27

- Year 10 2013  
Transition Day

"Lord, We give thanks for the Jubilee of our Sovereign Queen Elizabeth II and honour her for her 60 years of selfless duty to the life and people of her realm Amen."

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

#### Congratulations to Andrew Robinson

Year 12 student Andrew Robinson has been selected to captain the ACT schoolboy rugby union side having already played for Australia last year.

Whilst regular readers of this newsletter will not be surprised that the lead story today is NOT about Essendon's performance on the weekend, Andrew's talent, skill, perseverance, and modesty, well known to everyone at MacKillop, will be a rich asset to the team that he leads and will no doubt lead them to deserved success.

It should not be forgotten, of course, that so many of our students at MacKillop achieve remarkable success in a host of endeavours because of their own talent and perseverance and enduring support of their families and friends.

This is certainly a feature of Andrew's success.

#### Canberra Liberals visit MacKillop

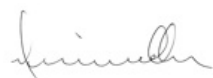
Former student and leader of the Canberra Liberals, Zed Seselja, and Shadow Education Spokesman Steve Doszpot (affectionately known as the Member for MacKillop because he is such a regular visitor to the school) generously gave two hours of their time to meet with the MacKillop School Board last Wednesday night.

Issues discussed were a more equitable financial support of students with disabilities, measures to ensure the safety of teachers and students in all schools, safer school zones, and better funding of the non-government school sector.

I am sure that all members of the board were as impressed as I was with the genuine interest in the school exhibited by Zed and Steve, and their enthusiasm for improved outcomes for children in all schools in the ACT.

The College's policy during this election year is to welcome politicians and aspiring politicians of all parties into the school.

Yours in St Mary MacKillop,



**Mr Michael Lee**  
College Principal

See College Calendar for more dates

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# Exams & AST

## Information for Senior Students

"THE MORE I PRACTICE THE LUCKIER I GET."

This quote from Gary Player was introduced to Year 12 students this year by Mr Chandra. It has been used throughout the year to remind students that they are now largely responsible for their own learning. While teachers advise and mentor and parents support, it is largely up to the individual student to make the most of their ability.

By now students should be preparing for senior exams, which commence Monday 18 June. Individual exam timetables will be distributed in Week 15. Students who are too ill to sit an exam are requested to supply a Medical Certificate or to contact Mrs Michelle Marks Deputy Principal Curriculum on 62090141.

AST Student Information Booklets have been distributed to all tertiary Year 12 students. Students should set aside time each week to practice example questions from the booklet. All details of the dates and times of the AST are listed in the booklet. Please take the time to read and ensure that you are aware of all AST requirements.

YEAR 12 AST TRIALS (to be held in the Gym):  
Mon 25 Jun @9-11.15am (Multiple Choice)  
Mon 25 Jun @11.15am-2pm (Short Response)  
Tue 26 Jun @ 9am-12.30pm (Writing Task)

YEAR 11 AST TRIAL (to be held in B Block):  
Tue 26 Jun @9am-12.30pm (Writing Task)

AST Workshops are conducted each Thursday at Recess in C3 to assist Year 12 students with preparation for the AST. For further information regarding the AST or senior studies please contact Ms. Jorgensen at the College on 62090173. Good Luck with your exams!

*Marlene Jorgensen  
Teaching & Learning Coordinator - Isabella*

# Student Exchange

## Host families wanted

The College is currently working with the exchange organization Students of the World to find host families for students from Italy and France. The students are visiting from late June/early July through to late July/Early August, for about 6 weeks. There are male and female students coming from both countries. If you are interested in hosting one of these students, please send an email to Mr Andrew Mitchell with a contact phone number. You will then be contacted by Rosemary Edgley from Students of the World with application forms and other information. Send emails to Andrew.mitchell@mackillop.act.edu.au

*Andrew Mitchell, Languages*

# School Fees

## Fees are now overdue

Fees for Term 2 should now be finalised unless paying by Direct Debit or other approved arrangement. Any outstanding fees should be paid immediately. If you require more information regarding Direct Debit arrangements or other approved payment methods or are experiencing difficulty paying the fees please contact the Fees Office on 6209 0147.

## The ACT Secondary Bursary Scheme

The ACT Government's Secondary Bursary Scheme provides assistance to low income earners in the ACT with dependent full-time students.

Eligibility requirements and application forms are available online at <http://www.det.act.gov.au> and by following the links located at the top of the home page - School education/starting school/financial assistance for families. For further information please ring the Bursary Administrator on 6205 9300.

*Michelle Predovan, Fees Manager*

# Future Stars

## Congratulations!

Sam McDonough (Year 7) represented the ACT at the National Little League Championships (baseball) on the Gold Coast last month.

Lauren Cuthbert (Year 12) and Kiralee Nolan (Year 11) won Bronze medals at the recent Australian Secondary School Softball Championships held in Canberra.

Courtney White (Year 8) has just returned from competing in the Interstate Dance Eisteddfod in Queensland. Courtney is also part of the Philharmonic Society Musical Theatre production Hairspray, which is showing at the Erindale theatre in August.

Trent Kelly (Year 9) is set to represent the ACT U15s at the National Rugby League Championships this month.

Shannon Maloney (Year 9) will represent the ACT at the School Sport Australia Swimming Championship in Sydney this July.

# Community News

## Looking after YOUR mind!

This forum on alcohol and drug consumption in youths, presented by Canberra Grammar, will take place on Monday 18 June. The forum will run for 90 minutes and will be chaired by Genevieve Jacobs of 666ABC Radio. For information and bookings, please visit <http://www.trybooking.com/BMYB>

## EXAMINATION TIMETABLE YEAR 10 (Semester 1, 2012)

<b>Tuesday 12 June 2012</b>	Period 1-2	English
<b>Tuesday 12 June 2012</b>	Period 3-4	Science
<b>Wednesday 13 June 2012</b>	Period 1-2	Mathematics
<b>Wednesday 13 June 2012</b>	Period 3-4	History

- ☐ When there are no exams scheduled all students have normal classes
- ☐ Exams not listed are scheduled in normal class time

## EXAMINATION TIMETABLE YEAR 11 AND 12 (Semester 1, 2012)

JUNE	YEAR 11	YEAR 12
<b>Monday 18 June</b>		
Morning (9.00)	Legal Studies A/T	Information Technology T DM
	English A	English A
Afternoon (1.15)	Psychology A/T	History A/T
	Geography A/T	Geography A/T
<b>Tuesday 19 June</b>		
Morning	Biology T	Maths Applications T
		Maths Methods T
		Maths Specialist Major T
Afternoon	Religious Studies A	Religious Studies A
		Chemistry T
<b>Wednesday 20 June</b>		
Morning	Religious Study T	Religious Study T DM (2 Students)
		Biology A/T
		Physics T
Afternoon	Maths Applications T	Information Technology A/T
	Maths Methods T	Sociology A/T
	Maths Specialist Major T	Human Movement T
<b>Thursday 21 June</b>		
Morning	Business Study A/T	Specialist Mathematics Extension T
	Religious Study T DM (1 Student)	Religious Study T
	Chemistry T	
Afternoon	Information Technology A/T	Business Study A/T
	Psychology T DM (1 Student)	Psychology A/T
	History A/T	
	Social and Community Work A	
<b>Friday 22 June</b>		
Morning	Information Technology T DM	Social and Community Work A
	Specialist Maths Extension T	Legal Studies A/T
	Human Movement T	
Afternoon	Holistic Music A/T	Holistic Music A/T
	Economics T	Economics T
	Sociology A/T	
	Physics T	

### Please note:

- ☐ Some courses do not have a final examination.
- ☐ All students will receive a personalised examination timetable indicating session start and finish time and locations.
- ☐ Enquires should be directed to Mrs Lyn Regan (62090107).

Wishing students all the best as they prepare for and sit their examinations

Michelle Marks

Deputy Principal, Curriculum