

St Mary MacKillop

GENEROSITY: "TRY ALWAYS TO BE GENEROUS:" (1882)

NEWS

Vision

As partners in Catholic education and open to God's presence, we pursue fullness of life for all.

Mission

At St Mary MacKillop College we are people who affirm the dignity of every person, who act with respect and compassion, who reverence relationships, who have hearts for generosity and forgiveness.

We celebrate our Catholic identity.

We respect the unique dignity, faith and gifts of each person.

We value learning, aspiration and connectedness and we work together to create a positive future.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends,

Our Year 12 students are all but finished, with the last of the exams next week, then our Year 12 students can finally announce that they are no longer secondary school students. It has been a wonderful journey, travelling with these students over the past six years. Next **Friday, 22nd November**, we will farewell our Year 12 students for the last time as we celebrate their graduation with a Mass and formal Dinner. Any community members are welcome to attend the **Graduation Mass at 6:00pm in St Mary's Church**.

As our 2019 Year 12 students complete the last of their exams, our 2020 Year 12 students begin their final year of study with Orientation Week. Students will receive their timetable for the week on Tuesday morning during their first session as Year 12 students. These students will also receive their Booklists on this day. If you are after second hand books, please check out the St Mary MacKillop College Secondhand Books and Uniform Facebook page @SMMCBooks. A number of Year 12 students have already listed books and uniforms for sale.

Not forgetting all of the other students in Years 7 to 10. They are all working hard, finishing off assessment tasks and preparing for their end of semester exams. All of our students are to be congratulated on the efforts that they are putting in to their studies.

We will recognize the wonderful efforts of our students at our **Presentation Night on Monday 9th December**. Students receiving an award on Presentation Night will be notified that they are expected to attend, however, all students and their families are invited and most welcome to attend to celebrate the end of another year as a community. All students receiving awards, presenting or performing must wear full summer uniform, including long hair tied back.

Thanks to parents and guardians who continue to support the expectations of the college.

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ABSENCE NOTIFICATION
PH: 5032 9771
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FUTURE EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- Mon 18th – Fri 22nd**
Senior School Transition Interviews
- Tues 19th – Fri 22nd**
Year 12 2020 Orientation
- Fri 22nd**
Year 12 Graduation Mass & Dinner
- Wed 27th – Fri 29th**
1st Year VET Transition Meetings

DECEMBER

- Tues 3rd – Fri 6th**
Year 7-10 Exam Week
- Fri 6th**
Year 9 & 10 Final Day
- Mon 9th**
Presentation Night
- Wed 11th**
Year 7 & 8 Final Day
- Fri 13th**
Year 7 2020 Orientation Day



Our Student Committee Captains for 2020 are:



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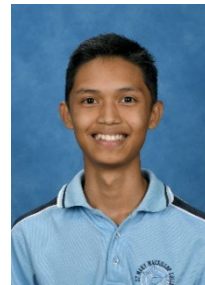
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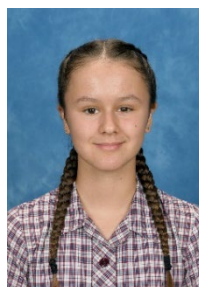


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SOCIAL JUSTICE & WELLBEING

Michelle Haeusler
Principal

Presentation Night

Monday 9th December

commencing at 7.30pm

in the Jubilee Centre

All parents and families welcome to attend

TEACHING & LEARNING

Year 11 and 12 VCE Examinations

Congratulations to all Year 11 and Year 12 VCE students who have completed their exams and now look forward to a break from study. Only a few students have their final Year 12 exams to complete before the concluding Japanese and Italian exams on Wednesday 20th November.

Subject Selection Counselling Interviews for students entering Year 12 in 2020

Almost all 2020 Year 12 students and their parent/guardian have attended our subject counselling interviews this week with the Pathways and Teaching and Learning staff. This is considered an important step into Year 12 and aims to provide yet another opportunity to discuss subjects, career pathways and how we can best work together to support each student in their learning.

Senior School Transition Interviews for students entering Year 11 in 2020

These interviews involving parents, students and staff from the St Mary MacKillop College Pathways Team will be held throughout Week 7 (next week). Students accelerating into a Unit 1/2 subject should also attend these interviews with a parent. Bookings have been available online using PAM and will close on Monday morning. If your booking needs to be changed, please contact Brenda Brady via the Front Office.

Year 12 Orientation 19th – 22rd November 2019

Students completing Year 12 subjects in 2020 are required to complete an orientation program to ensure they make the best start possible to their final year of secondary schooling. Year 11 students that have accelerated their studies and are completing a Year 12 subject should also attend these classes as timetabled. Students will be set essential holiday homework and introduced to key concepts specific to each of their selected subjects as well as assistance with general study skills. Attendance is compulsory. Please contact the Senior School Coordinator, Suzy Haley if you have any questions.

Students will be informed of which English or Further Maths class they are in during the Year 12 Introductory Session, Lesson 1 Tuesday 19th November.

After School Homework and Study Help in the Learning Resource Centre (Library)

In an effort to assist students with their homework and develop sound study skills, the staff at St Mary MacKillop College have been rostered into the Learning Resource Centre every Monday – Wednesday from 3:30pm – 4:30pm. We strongly encourage students to utilise this excellent facility, where students can stay after school any day until 4:30pm (except Friday when the Learning Resource Centre closes at 4:00pm).

After School Homework and SAC Supervision					
Week	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday
7 18/11	Chris Joyce		Monique Watt		Sally Op't Hoog
8 25/11	Nick Danaher		Suzy Haley		Suzy Haley
9 02/12	Roisin Sheedy		Damien Hirst		Catherine Howison

Sally Looney

Director of Teaching and Learning

SCHOOL FEE ACCOUNTS ARE OVERDUE!

Payment of School Fee accounts is now overdue.
Your prompt attention to this would be appreciated.
Please contact Kerry Kean if this is not possible on 5032 9771.

YEAR 12 ORIENTATION WEEK TIMETABLE

	Tuesday 19th November	Wednesday 20th November	Thursday 21st November	Friday 22nd November
Lesson 1	Year 12 - Study Skills & Succeeding in the VCE & VCAL SH & TH Rm 8 & 9	Accounting TH Rm 13 Health & HD LC Rm 12 Japanese JC Library Literature LR Rm 14 Physics ND S2	English (2) JA Rm 12 Biology JC S2 Business Management MW Rm 16	Further Maths (1) JM Rm 3 Math Methods DH Rm 1 Vis Comm JW Graphics Rm
Lesson 2	English (1) EG Rm 17 Chemistry SL S2 Further Maths (2) SH Rm 11 VET Community Services (2 nd Yr) JS Rm 10 VCAL Literacy CS Rm 7	Physical Education CJ Rm 12 Studio Arts ALS AR	English (3) LR Rm 12 Legal Studies TH Rm 13 Psychology LR Rm 17	English (1) EG Rm 16 Chemistry SL S2 Further Maths (2) SH Rm 3 VET Community Services (2 nd Yr) JS Rm 12
Lesson 3	English (2) JA Rm 12 Biology JC S2 Business Management MW Rm 15 VCAL Work Skills/PD LaC Rm 7	Further Maths (1) JM Rm 2 Math Methods DH Rm 1 Vis Comm JW Graphics Rm	Physical Education CJ Rm 12 Studio Arts AS Art Rm Unit 3 / 4 RE CH Rm 17	Accounting TH Rm 13 Health & HD LuC Rm 12 Japanese JC Library Literature LR Rm 14 Physics ND S2
Lesson 4	English (3) LR Rm 12 Legal Studies TH Rm 13 Psychology LR Rm 16 VCAL Numeracy NM & JM Rm 7	English (1) EG Rm 16 S2 Chemistry SL S2 Further Maths (2) SH Rm 11 VET Community Services (2 nd Yr) JS Rm 8	English (2) JA Rm 12 Biology JC S2 Business Management MW Rm 15	English (3) LR Rm 12 Legal Studies TH Rm 13 Psychology LR Rm 16

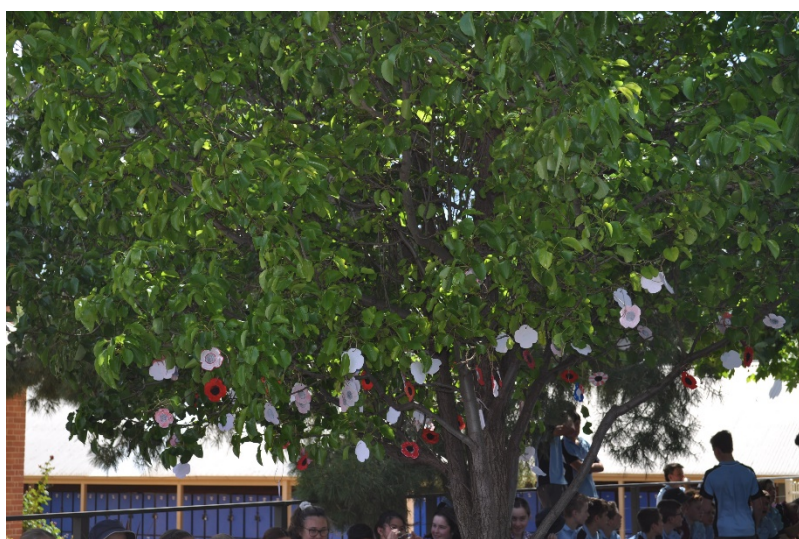
Year 9/10 Semester 2 Exam Timetable 2019

	Tuesday 3 rd December	Wednesday 4 th December	Thursday 5 th December	Friday 6 th December
Period 1	<u>Yr 9 MATHS (JC)</u> S.Looney R.Watsonson - Science Class K.Bookham - English Class ** J.Murphy and D.Howison's math classes will complete their exam this lesson.	<u>Yr 9 SCIENCE (JC)</u> N.Danaher R.Watsonson D.Howison – Math Class **R.Watsonson Science class B will complete science exam this lesson.	Yr 9 Japanese K.Bookham (Rm 19) Yr 10 Japanese K.Bookham (Rm 19) Yr 10 Italian M.Salvo (Rm 18) Yr 9/10 All Fun and Games G.Hickmott (JC) Yr 9/10 Graphics Mix J.Wood (Art) Yr 9/10 Environmental Geography C.Tilburn (Rm 15) Yr 9/10 Psychology J.Salvo (Rm 16) Yr 9/10 Food for Entertaining M.McCallum (FT1) Yr 9/10 DIY Wood Design E.Scholtens (Tec1)	
Period 2	Yr 9 Good Health L.Crow (Rm 3) Yr 9 History C.Tilburn (Rm 9) Yr 9 Art Express A.Stewart (ART)	Yr 10 Creative Writing C.Smith (Rm 11) Yr 10 Anatomy of Sport D.Hirst (Rm 14)		Yr 9/10 Money Markets M.Watt (Rm 14) Yr 9/10 Environmental Geography J.Curtis (Rm 19) Yr 9/10 Food for Entertaining C.Howison (FT1)
Period 3	<u>Yr 10 SCIENCE (JC)</u> R.Watsonson D.Hirst - RE class C.Tilburn - RE class ** S.Looney and N.Danaher's science classes will complete their exam this lesson.	Yr 9 Good Health E.Gurnett (Rm 8)	<u>Yr 9 ENGLISH (JC)</u> K.Bookham L.Rogers N.Obrien's RE class ** J.Alderuccio's English class will complete their exam this lesson.	<u>Yr 10 MATHS (JC)</u> D.Howison N.Miceli S.Haley
Period 4		<u>10 ENGLISH (JC)</u> E.Gurnett B.Meinhold L.Crow - Pathways class English to begin during lunch at 1:45pm. B.Meinhold's English class C will complete their English exam during this lesson.		

REMEMBERANCE DAY

On Monday 11th November, St Mary MacKillop College held a service to commemorate Remembrance Day, to remember those who died fighting in wars to protect our country. This was coordinated by Mrs Tilburn's Year 9 History class. Many thanks to everyone for their reverence during the service and to all those that assisted in some way.

Nathan Johns and Sophie Balkin also attended the Remembrance Service at the Swan Hill Memorial to lay a wreath on behalf of the College. On this day we remember those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts. [#LestWeForget](#)



YEAR 9 CAMP

This week's Year 9 Canberra Camp proved to be a very exciting and educational experience for all the students and staff involved. Questacon, A.I.S (Australian Institute of Sport), Old Parliament House and The Australian War Memorial were four significant highlights for the students. Questacon (National Science and Technology Centre) was full of interactive galleries. The A.I.S was certainly very popular as we were able to discover how the best athletes in Australia train. The Sportex section proved to be even more exciting as the students were able to participate in a range of interactive Sporting Activities. The activities arranged by Old Parliament House were exceptional in developing students' knowledge of Australian Democracy. As part of the visit the students were able to sit in the seats of the House of Representatives and take part in a debate. The War Memorial was certainly a very enriching experience, acknowledging the sacrifice of Australians who died at war. The Commemorative Area, Aircraft Hall, ANZAC Hall were some of the most inspirational galleries witnessed by the students.



Other venues visited included the National Museum, World Embassy Tour, Mount Ainslie Lookout and New Parliament House. St Mary MacKillop College and the Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and was able to make the trip more affordable.

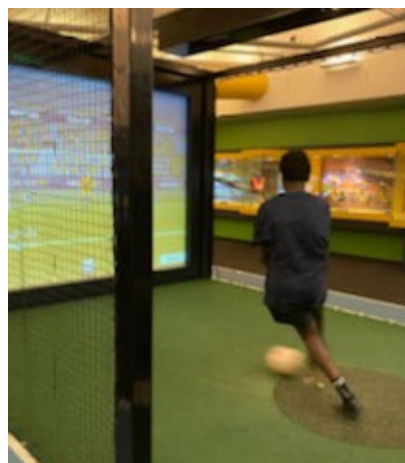


Along with all of these educational visits the students had time to enjoy themselves at iPlay Canberra, Flip Out Trampoline Arena and had some free time for shopping at Canberra Centre. iPlay included laser tag, arcade games and dodgem cars, which proved to be a hit with all the students. Overall, it proved to be a very busy, enjoyable and educational camp for the Year 9 students. I would like to thank Mr Crow, Mr Howison, Fr Matthew Thomas, Ms Gurnett, Mrs Smith, Ms Curtis and Melissa Roberts who attended the camp and made sure each student had a safe and enjoyable experience.

Damien Hirst
Camps/Activities Coordinator



YEAR 9 CAMP



READ YOUR NOVELS

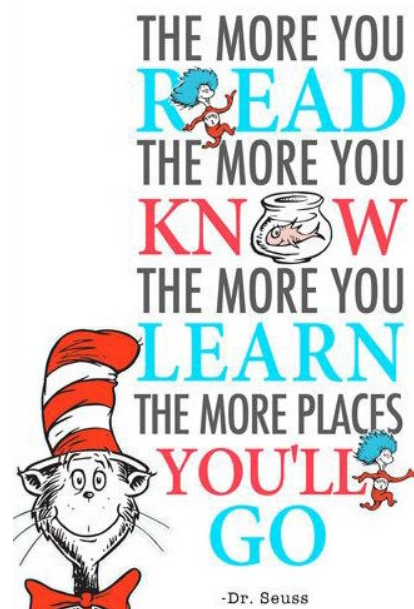
BE PREPARED FOR YOUR ENGLISH & LITERATURE CLASSES NEXT YEAR!

Could parents of Years 9-12 students please assist our English staff and encourage your students to make the most of the Summer break and read the required novels for their English & Literature classes next year.

As you can appreciate, class time is dedicated to exploring the characters, themes and ideas in the text. Therefore, students must have read the novel prior to beginning study in order to fully participate in class and to maximise learning. Students not reading the required novel has been a common occurrence in the past and much of the teaching is wasted as the students do not have enough knowledge of the novels to connect the learning to.

Year 7 is the only exception to having the novels read prior to the start of the study. Year 7 read the novels in class. Year 8 must read their first novel – *Across the Barricades* by Joan Lingard – by the beginning of Term 3.

The book-listed novels have been ordered early to enable students to have their novels to read over the Christmas vacation. **These books have now arrived, and if your child has not collected their novels from the Front Office, please ask them to do so.**



Listed below are the **first novels studied** at Years 9-12 in 2020. These must be read by Day 1:

Year 9 – *The Happiest Refugee* by Ahn Do

Year 10 – *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

Year 11 – *The Messenger* by Markus Zusak

Year 12 – *The Golden Age* by Joan London & *Nine Days* by Toni Jordan

SECOND HAND BOOKS AND UNIFORMS

Buy, Swap & Sell on our Facebook Group!

Second Hand Books and Uniforms can be bought, swapped or sold between yourselves through our St Mary MacKillop College Second Hand Books and Uniforms Facebook Group. Search for **@SMMCBooks** to find the group and click on the link to join.

A list of current booklist items for 2020 will be posted to the group when available. Please read this carefully as some books must be purchased new or new editions may be required.

BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE THE CORRECT, CURRENT EDITION OF THE TEXTBOOK.

When purchasing Second Hand Uniforms please make sure that you are purchasing the correct uniform items with the **CURRENT LOGO**, and that the logo is on the uniform. Clark's Gift Salon in Swan Hill is the only stockist of our School Uniforms when purchasing new.

Year 7 in 2020 Booklists will be mailed home to families next week. It is recommended that students purchase the Bible listed on the booklist as it is a new edition.

SWAN HILL - YAMAGATA STUDENT EXCHANGE 2020



The 2020 Yamagata Exchange Students and Committee would like to express their gratitude to the following businesses, who have very kindly made a donation in goods, cash, or vouchers, in support of the Swan Hill - Yamagata Student Exchange Program.



山形市
Yamagata City

Doey's Meats	19 Brown Street
Fashion Affair	220-222 Campbell Street
Frankie and Co Clothing	244 Campbell Street
Jilarty Gelato Bar & Café	233 Campbell Street
Swan Hill Off Road	1 Nyah Rd
K2 Hair Studio	36 McCallum Street
Swan Hill Stockfeeds	150 Karinie Street

Supporting these businesses is a great way to thank them!



Little Free Library

We've had an amazing response from the public and our college community in regards to the usage of our Little Free Library. We are extremely excited, proud and grateful for all the donations we've received. We have recently restocked it with some exciting new reads, so get in quick because these goodies won't last. Don't forget to utilise this resource over the holidays and to share it with your friends and family.

TAKE A BOOK * READ A BOOK * LEAVE A BOOK

eat. move. smile.

fruit & veg more often together

Think about these three words to help your child (and yourself) be their most healthy and happy

Eat more fruit and veggies

Move more often

Smile with friends, family and neighbours.

Getting good nutrition, good levels of physical activity and interacting with other kids and adults are important factors in the growth, learning and health of children.

Week 5

4th – 8th November

smile.
together

Be kind

Being kind to others is beneficial to their mental health, and your own. Teaching kindness to children is a great way to spread joy in a world that is becoming more and more individualistic. Here are just a few activities/acts of kindness that can help teach children the importance of kindness for those they are closest to, and strangers alike:

- Offer company or help to an elderly neighbour, friend, or relative with your child/ren.
- Lead by example and teach your child/ren to smile and greet passers-by whilst out and about.
- Get involved in a local charity or volunteering opportunity as a family.
- Write letters to loved ones with your child or children.

Week 6

11th – 15th November

move.
more often

Get your body moving and stay sun safe!

As the weather is warming up it's so lovely to be able to get outside and get moving, but it is important to be wary of the sun. There are still plenty of ways to enjoy the warm weather, get active, and keep yourself safe from the sun – here are some tips from Cancer Council:

- Slip on some covering clothing
- Slop on 30SPF or higher sunscreen at least 20 minutes before going out into the sun
- Slap on a wide brimmed hat
- Seek shade where you can
- Slide on some sunglasses

These are all easy ways to protect your body from sun damage and enjoy being outdoors.

Ladies

OF THE LAND
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LET'S HELP MAKE CHRISTMAS
A LITTLE BIT BRIGHTER FOR OUR

ladies of the land

DURING THE DROUGHT

Would you like to help uplift a
Lady of the Land this Christmas?

Our dedicated ladies out in the
bush often put themselves last...
it's our turn to put them first.

You can help by simply:

- Filling a shoebox with special
pamper items
- Wrapping the box in newspaper
and tying a ribbon around it
- Delivering it by 10th December (*to
ensure delivery before Christmas*)
to one of our drop off locations.

Find us at **Ladies of the Land NSW**
on Facebook or Instagram for a
full list of drop off locations and
hamper ideas.

For more information contact
Elzette Connan 0417 255 522 or Tracey Potts 0447 048 929

Digital Storytelling Workshops: Thriving and Surviving

Swan Hill, 14 – 16 January 2020

Are you 12 - 25 and have experienced tough times?

This project provides an opportunity for young rural farming community members to voice their experiences of tough times and for others to learn from these stories.

Share your experience, and advocate for the region in this FREE and empowering opportunity (worth \$2500!)

For more information and express your interest:

Contact Rhiannon Jennings, YACVic Rural Development Co-ordinator

rural.sm@yacvic.org.au, 0474 506 000



Gone



**But Not
Forgotten**

Nyah Dancers
Sat 23rd Nov 2019
2 pm

Harrison Hall
Pye St, Swan Hill College

Swan Hill Dancers
Sat 23rd Nov 2019
7pm

Harrison Hall
Pye St, Swan Hill College

Tickets at the door

Adults \$22

Concessions \$18

Children \$15

Refreshments for sale

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