

DARANNEWS

2 June 2023

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From the Principal



Dear Parents/ Carers, Staff and Students,

We are already more than half-way through the term, and it is pleasing to see the way that students are engaged in their learning and making the most of the opportunities both inside and out of the classroom. I have also been amazed by the number of students who are participating in the many co-curricular activities available, whether it be through Winter sport, the Performing Arts or one of the many other activities offered to students such as the Environment Group Gardening Club, Debating and Dungeons and Dragons just to name a few of the activities. Normality has definitely returned with gusto. While it is a busy time, it is important that students maintain a good balance in their lives to reduce anxiety about meeting the

deadlines associated with the inevitable assessment that comes at this time of the semester. For many students who have planned their work and time well, they will find their efforts have paid off in terms of being well-placed to meet all deadlines successfully. We wish our Senior students all the best when their formal examination period begins next Wednesday.

Unfortunately, Covid-19 still exists within our community and as we have moved further into Term 2 the cold and flu season has certainly taken hold, so I would ask that families please keep your student at home should they be unwell. Thank you to those families who have continued to follow our protocols and procedures in relation to both Covid-19 and cold and flu to enable us to ensure that the impact upon our community is minimised.

Sacred Heart Day

Yesterday we gathered to celebrate Sacred Heart Day. The actual day of the feast this year is Friday 16 June, however as this is during our Senior



Father Bob leading the school in 'Shout out to my soul' on Sacred Heart Day

From the Principal

examination period, we chose to celebrate the day early to enable our entire community to participate. It was wonderful to be able to welcome back **Fr Bob Irwin MSC** to celebrate Mass with us, especially in this our Year of Faith, and as this year marks 50 years since his ordination as an MSC priest. As always, our Mass culminated with his rousing rendition of "Shout out to my soul". The theme of our Mass was "Strong in Faith", acknowledging not only our school motto but the motto adopted by each of the four MSC Colleges here in Australia. The focus of our Mass centred on, in our Year of Faith, we are called to trust in God's love, and to respond to Jesus' call for us to have the courage to be a source of reconciling love to one another in our world. We also acknowledged that our Mass was held during Reconciliation Week. The 2023 Reconciliation Week theme of "Be a voice for generations" reminds us that we can all be a voice for reconciliation in tangible ways in our everyday lives. We were joined for Mass by **Greg Miller**, Principal of Chevalier College, who travelled from Bowral with representatives of their student leadership team; the Director of MSC Education, **Mark McGinnity**; a number of former staff, including two former College Principals, **David Garratt** and **Rita Daniels** and members of the College Board.

Directly following Mass, we were able to take our annual Heart photograph. The afternoon activities included a shared BBQ lunch cooked and served by our House Captains and staff followed by a House Trivia competition in PT groups. It was wonderful to see the immense House spirit come to the fore as the competition unfolded. Thank you to **Ms Jane Waddleton's** Senior Business class for their organisation and planning of the shared lunch. The event provided them with the perfect opportunity to put into practice the real-life application

of what they have been studying in class. Thank you also to the members of the P&F Committee who volunteered their time to help with our shared lunch.

MSC Visit

As I mentioned in the last edition of Daranews, for several days last week we hosted a large number of guests from the three other MSC schools in Australia as well as the MSC Provincial and other members of the Provincial's leadership team. The meetings which are held over three days provide a great opportunity for representatives from each of the Colleges, MSC Education and the Chevalier Institute to discuss issues and share ideas. The visitors were treated to a lunch provided by our Hospitality staff and students. They were very complimentary about the warm welcome that they received during their visit and the quality of the meal prepared and served by our students!

Parking around the College and No Stopping Zones

As you would be aware parking around the College is extremely limited. We would ask that when parents and carers are dropping off or collecting their students that you do not park on the nature strips of the surrounding streets or across driveways. We have received a number of concerns from our neighbours about the damage that this causes in addition to blocking access to their properties. Thank you for your support in this matter.

I would also like to remind families that there are a number of No Stopping and No Parking zones along the streets surrounding the College, in particular along Morphett Street. Unfortunately, each morning and afternoon vehicles are consistently stopping in these zones to either drop off or pick up their students. This causes a great deal of congestion



Chevalier College and Daramalan College Leaders



Sacred Heart Day Mass



Father Bob



Year 12 Business Studies students helping with the BBQ

From the Principal

along Morphett Street and has resulted in numerous accidents between vehicles. The No Stopping and No Parking zones are in place for the safety of all road users including our students. The issue has been reported to Access Canberra and ACT Policing as we hold serious concerns for the safety of our students. The following link outlines Access Canberra's stance on parking around schools. <https://www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au/s/article/parking-tab-parking-around-schools>

Enrolments

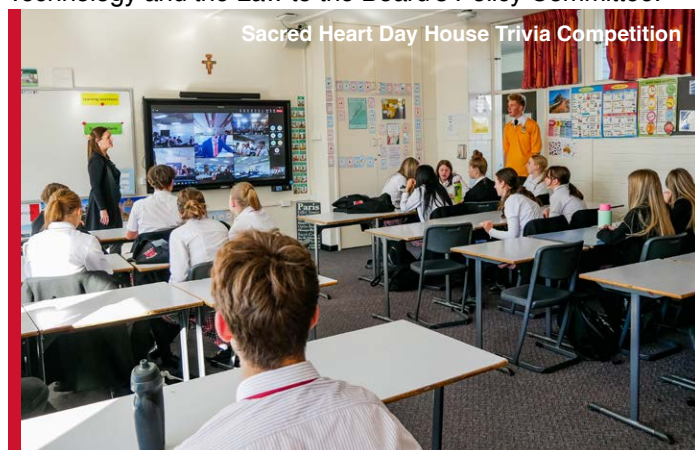
The official enrolment period for Year 7 and new Year 11 families for 2024 officially closed last Friday 26 May. Once again, this year we have received a significant number of applications for places in Year 7, 2024. Our enrolment policy provides a clear guide as to the process that we follow when determining the offers of places. Offers of places are scheduled to be made, in line with those made for other ACT Catholic Secondary Schools, by the end of this Term. Families with students currently enrolled in Year 10 are reminded that the Notice of Intention forms for Year 11 2024, emailed to families earlier this term, are due to be returned by **Friday 16 June**.

Uniform

As the weather has turned colder and the foggy mornings have become more frequent, can I take this opportunity to remind families that hoodies, including Daramalan sports hoodies, and 'puffer' jackets do not form part of the Daramalan uniform and should not be worn to school, at school or from school. Unfortunately, we are seeing these items creeping in as the weather has changed. There is the option for our female students to wear trousers during the Winter months to alleviate the cold associated with wearing a skirt in the Canberra Winter. Thank you for your support in ensuring that our students wear their uniform with pride as ambassadors of the College.

College Board Changes

There have been several changes to the College Board in the first half of this year. We extend our thanks to **Br Barry Smith** MSC for his expertise and contributions not only to the Board but to our College over the many, many years especially during his time as Business Manager. Br Barry's expertise will be greatly missed by the Governance Committee and the Board in general following his decision to retire from the Daramalan Board in March. Appointed as Directors of the College Board at the February meeting were **Kamal Jogia** and **Kai Ryan**. Kamal is a former parent and has extensive experience in Audit, Risk and Project Management both in Australia and overseas and joins the Community Engagement Committee. Kai is a current parent and brings expertise in Information Technology and the Law to the Board's Policy Committee.



Scholarship Fund

Application forms for Scholarships for the 2024 school year will be available on the College website in the coming weeks and will be located under Enrolments/Scholarships. Daramalan Scholarships are awarded on the basis of financial need rather than on academic, sporting or cultural excellence. Their purpose is to provide the opportunity for students to attend Daramalan who may not otherwise have the opportunity due to financial hardship.

With the 2022-23 Financial Year ending on 30 June, some people may be interested in giving a donation to the Scholarship Fund as donations are tax deductible. For information about donating to the Scholarship Fund, please contact the College Accountant, **Rachael Axford**, on 61636509 or email her Rachael.axford@daramalan.act.edu.au

Financial Assistance

Families who are experiencing changed financial circumstances are encouraged to contact the College Business Manager, **Hugh Boulter**, to make an appointment to discuss support that may be available to you. He can be contacted via email on hugh.boulter@daramalan.act.edu.au.

Student Achievements

Congratulations to:

- **Cathy Spavins** (Year 12) who has been selected as a member of the Australian U24 Dragon Boat team who will be competing at the World Championships in Thailand.
- **Nicolo** (Year 10) and **Carlo** (Year 8) **Vaccarella** who will be competing as members of the Australian team at the World BMX Championships in Glasgow in August.
- **Ryan Birrell** (Year 11) who has been selected as a member of the ACT School Swim Team to compete at the Australian Championships in August.



Our congratulations are also extended to the members of the various College bands and ensembles who recently competed at the National Eisteddfod and achieved the following outstanding results:

- Junior Concert Band won a Gold medal
- Small Jazz Band Ensemble won a Gold medal
- String Ensemble won a Silver medal
- Jazz Band won a Silver medal

I wish our Senior students much success in their examinations which begin next week. For our Year 7-10 students, I encourage you to make the most of the final weeks of term and the learning opportunities offered during this time.

Principal

Best Wishes

Rachel Davies
Principal



ALUMNI

We are excited to announce the Daramalan College Alumni and Community Book Club launch!

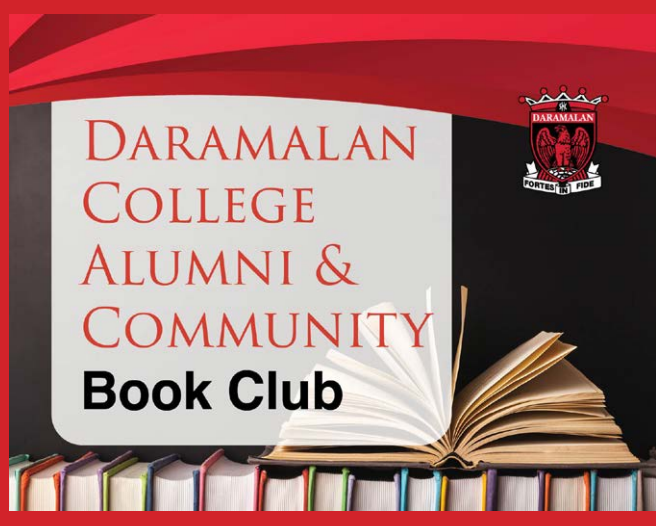
The Daramalan College Alumni and Community Book Club is intended to be fun, informal and a great way for Daramalan Alumni, parents and friends to connect. It is open to former students, staff, parents, partners, friends and all the other valued members of our Daramalan community!

No pressure: we are only planning to meet once every two months.

Our first meeting will be held on **Thursday 22 June**, 5.30pm at Daramalan College. We will not have any specific book to read for that meeting; instead, I encourage every participant to tell us about a great book you have recently (or not so recently) read.

If you love reading, want to stay connected to the Daramalan family, and want to join our Book Club, please sign up by filling out this short form by **Monday 19 June**.

<https://forms.office.com/r/Y2jk5tHfY9>



ACT Pre Learner Licence Course

ACT Pre Learner Licence Course

Semester 2, 2023

Registrations for the school offered Pre Learner License Course (formerly Road Ready) road readiness program will open for Semester 2 courses on **Friday 9 June**.

If your student is 15 years and 9 months now or before the end of 2023 and they want to get their ACT Learner Drivers Licence, now is the time for them to complete this compulsory pre learner driver education program for the ACT. Courses are available through the school for \$65 (10 hours plus knowledge test time) with up to 3 options for timing available. This is a fraction of the cost compared to completing it through an external provider and with the familiar environment and trained educators on staff, we are able to offer the course in a way that is supportive and suitable for Daramalan College students.

Further information can be sought by contacting **Steven Hackett** on 6163 6532 or steven.hackett@daramalan.act.edu.au

Bookings are only available via Qkr! from **Friday 9 June**. All courses will run from Week 4, Semester 2, 2023, with further information specific to each course option available from the High School Office and via Qkr!. This will be the last time the College offers the program for 2023.

Get to know our College Leaders

Each Daranews we will feature some of our college leaders. Sophie Wade is our Social Justice Captain



Sophie Wade

Position

Social Justice Captain

My Subjects

English, Biology, Textiles, Religion, and Psychology

Star Sign

Scorpio

Get to know me!

Sports Played

Mountain Biking

If I could go any place in the world i would go to...

Japan

Favourite Movie/TV Show

Pride and Prejudice

Fun Fact!

I make the best avocado toast!

Environment Group



The Environment Group Captains **Trudy Harries** and **Charlotte Mitchell** hosted a terrarium building workshop on Thursday 25 May with the guidance and expertise of **Mr Alex Hesterman**. The turn out was wonderful, with over 30 students getting involved to create these mini gardens for our upcoming plant stall on World Environment Day. Complete with earth substrate, plant clippings, decorative elements and self-sustaining colonies of springtails, these terrarium jars will be available for sale this coming **Monday 5 June**.



Vinnies Winter Appeal

With Winter approaching, now is the time to consider those sleeping rough or those in need in our community. We are seeking donations of the following items (for House points!) to go out with our volunteers on the Night Patrol Van. These donations are greatly appreciated, and we give them directly to those in need in and around Dickson and Civic – so everything given by you helps real people in our community. Please only donate men's sizes/ items for this drive and ensure they are of a good enough quality to be helpful to those in need. You can give all donations to your PT Teacher and they will put these in House baskets in the Irwin Lounge for counting and collection. All items need to be donated by **Friday 9 June** to receive House points.

All **adult male** items and sizes welcome:

- 1 point for a pair of warm/wool socks (new only please)
- 1 point for a pair of gloves (washed second-hand is fine)
- 1 point for a winter scarf (washed second-hand is fine)
- 3 points for male adult sized jumpers/hoodies (washed second-hand is fine)
- 3 points for male adult sized jackets (washed second-hand is fine)
- 5 points for blankets (washed second hand is fine)
- 5 points for second-hand sleeping bags/mats (washed second-hand is fine)
- 10 points for brand new sleeping bags



2022 Vinnies Winter Appeal

Business and Government



Legal Studies Incursion

In Week 14, we had the privilege of hosting members from the Australian Federal Police Forensics Team who engaged our Year 11 and 12 Legal Studies students in a captivating discussion. They shared insights on Police powers, criminal law and careers as Police Officers and Crime Scene Investigators in Forensics.

The team showcased the diverse career paths available within the Australian Federal Police, focusing specifically on the roles of Police Officers, Crime Scene Investigators and Forensic Scientists. Students were able to hear firsthand about the crucial responsibilities undertaken to gather evidence, analyse crime scenes and give evidence in criminal trials, as well as engage in interesting discussions about life in the AFP.

The visit offered our students a unique opportunity to learn about real-world applications of their Legal Studies knowledge and skills.

Year 10 Law, Politics and Society – Semester 1 Excursions

Throughout this semester, our Year 10 students studying Law, Politics, and Society have had the opportunity to not only expand their knowledge within the classroom but also delve into the practical aspects of Australia's democracy. On our two excursions, they were able to apply and deepen their understanding of our class work in authentic settings.

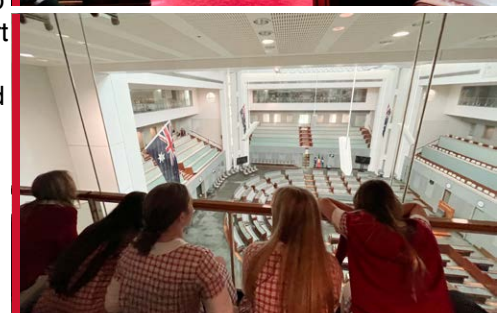
Our first venture led us to Parliament House itself, where we were granted a vibrant tour of the 'new' parliamentary building, providing us with invaluable glimpses into the day-to-day operations of our Government. Here we gained a greater understanding of the work of our elected representatives and how they dedicate their time while Parliament is in session.

Continuing our exploration, we visited the Australian Electoral Education Centre, where the history of voting, referendums, and Australia's electoral system came to life. We took part in a mock vote for both the House of Representatives and the Senate, learning about the different methods employed to tally votes in each parliamentary chamber. This activity helped us understand Australia's electoral processes and will be of great practical use in a few years when students have the opportunity to vote for the first time.

On our second excursion we ventured to Old Parliament House, where we were transported back in time as we re-enacted the Franklin Dam debate of 1983 within the chamber of the former Senate. Through this immersive experience, we not only learned the historical significance of this issue, but also gained invaluable insights into the mechanisms that drive our democracy.

Our quest for knowledge then led us to the High Court, where we delved into the intricacies of the Constitution and the crucial role Australia's highest court plays in our democratic system. Learning firsthand of the inner workings of this esteemed institution, students' minds were ignited with possibilities - and the potential financial rewards - of a career in Law.

We are very proud of the progress our students have made this semester and their curiosity about the world that surrounds them. We hope that they will use their newfound knowledge to go out into the world as active, engaged citizens!



Geography

Exploring Coastal Erosion and Landscape Management

Our Year 9 and 10 Geography students recently visited Mossy Point and North Broulee on the South Coast to reinforce their studies of coastal land management. Guided by knowledgeable local, **Josh Waterson** from Region X, the students embarked on an immersive kayak tour up the Tomaga River. Josh shed light on the impacts of human activity on the river system and the ongoing natural processes shaping the Tomakin Spit. In the afternoon, the Eurobodalla Council engaged the students in a thought-provoking session. They compared the relatively healthy dunes of North Broulee with the degraded Tomakin Spit, prompting the students to identify viable management strategies to address these complex problems. This immersive experience allowed our young geographers to develop a deeper understanding of the delicate balance between human activities and the ever-changing coastal environment.



Undercutting and erosion of the Tomakin Spit.jpg



Abigail and Ella



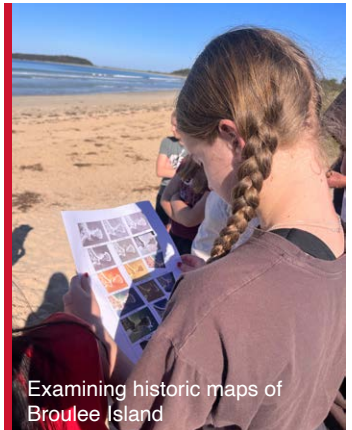
Josh W explaining process of undercutting impacting the Tomakin Spit



Jemima and Ava



Sarah Bassett and April Fuller



Examining historic maps of Broulee Island

Hospitality

Throughout this semester, Year 12 Hospitality students have been honing their food and beverage service skills while running lunch time restaurants for students and staff. Earlier in May we had the pleasure of hosting **Mr David Garratt**, former Daramalan College Principal.

The students served an Indian feast with Butter Chicken and Beef Korma on the menu with a Mango Lassie drink and all the appropriate sides.

It was lovely to have David Garratt back in the building that was named after him.



Languages

During Week 15, Year 7 students from the Japanese, French and German classes embarked on an immersive Zoo excursion, creating a bridge between their language learning and real-life encounters. The excursion aimed to inspire students for upcoming assessment tasks while reinforcing the language concepts taught in class.

Divided into smaller groups, students explored the National Zoo's various exhibits and engaged in conversations using vocabulary and phrases specific to their respective languages. This practical application solidified their understanding of grammar, expanded their vocabulary and improved their pronunciation.

The excursion not only provided language practice but also ignited creativity. Students observed the animals closely, taking notes about the animals to further their understanding of the different creatures at the Zoo. This first-hand experience served as inspiration for their upcoming assessment tasks.

By connecting language learning to real-life experiences, the Year 7 Language Zoo excursion enhanced students' comprehension of vocabulary, grammar, and cultural contexts. It fostered confidence in language usage, nurtured a deeper appreciation for diverse cultures and stimulated curiosity. These immersive encounters contribute to the development of fluency and communication abilities that extend beyond the classroom walls.



Myall Creek

Mr George Huitker came to speak with the group travelling to Inverell for the Myall Creek Commemoration. He reinforced this is an experience that will potentially change and inform views on a number of levels, and

he believes it is a real step forward for reconciliation. Sometimes descendants attend the Commemoration, and it can be quite a moving experience.

George has also kindly organised for the Daramalan participants to have a walk on Country with an Elder, **Uncle Keith**. Everyone involved, including teachers and students, are very much looking forward to the experience.

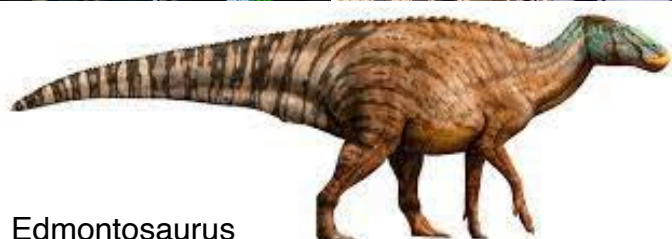


Science

Year 11 Earth and Environmental Science headed off to the National Dinosaur Museum to learn more about the evolution of life on Earth, fossils, and of course... dinosaurs! Students got to handle a femur fossil from an *Edmontosaurus* (pictured below), one of the last non-avian dinosaurs which lived 73-65 million years ago and learned about how *Tyrannosaurus* had feathers.



Mia Tinelli, Emma Lamont, Lori Toohey & Harry Rossiter



Edmontosaurus

Chemistry- Titration Competition 2023

The Royal Australian Chemistry Institute (RACI) Titration Stakes Competition took place on Thursday 11 May at the Australian National University. 32 teams entered this competition from a range of colleges across ACT. Six Year 12 Chemistry students from Daramalan College participated in this competition, forming two teams of three. These students were **Maurice Baxter, Molly Michie, Isabella Murphy, Sophia Bissell, Aurelia Duncan, and Simon Krupka.**

In their teams, these students conducted a series of titrations within 1.5 hours and completed calculations to determine the unknown concentrations of chemicals. Through taking part in this competition, our students had the opportunity to conduct practicals in university labs, meet other students from a range of schools and celebrate with some pizza after the competition. Our students worked incredibly well as a team and enjoyed this experience.

Ms Nicole Hinton and Ms Mathurra Sivapalan



Visual Arts

Year 10 Art Exhibition

Year 10 Art students have been learning about Modernism and Post Modernism this semester. They have created two exhibitions titled Reflections and Perception of Sense. Their opening was on Wednesday 31 May, lunchtime in McCowage Hall for students and staff. The students not only created the artworks but also curated the exhibition.



Performing Arts



Year 8 Can Can Dance



Year 10 Centre Stage Dance



Year 11 Dancers from the Senior Dance class



Year 12 Dancers - Ms Louise Chapman's Senior Dance class learnt a Korean Fan Dance as part of their "Dance in Context" unit.



Senior Dance Class

Music

It was a busy and rewarding week in the Music Department. Last Monday all our Ensembles played at the Music Performance Evening. This was a great opportunity to play the Eisteddfod repertoire in front of a live audience. This was also the first time we had the pleasure of hearing the Small Jazz Band perform. Congratulations to our Bands and String Ensemble who competed in the National Eisteddfod last week. Thank you to all the staff involved. They came away with some outstanding results:

- Junior Concert Band won Gold
- Small Jazz Band won Gold

- String Ensemble won Silver
- Jazz Band won Silver

There are also spots available on the Sydney Music Tour. Please see **Mrs Michelle Coggan** if you are interested.



Year 8 PE Camp

On Thursday 25 May, 54 Year 8 students set off to Birrigai Outdoor School for the inaugural Year 8 PE Camp. Birrigai is located on Ngunnawal Country, adjacent to the Tidbinbilla Range and Namadgi National Park. Surrounded by mountain peaks, native woodland and with wildlife in abundance, it was the perfect setting for our Year 8 students to experience a range of challenge and adventure activities.

After a short bus ride, students and staff received a tour and orientation briefing, followed by a delicious lunch and the opportunity to unpack and get settled in cabins. Then the cohort split into two activity groups for the afternoon: one setting off on an Adventure Bushwalk and Campfire; whilst the other tackled the Pod Giant Swing and Leap of Faith.

For the Campfire activity, students learnt about fire safety, built their own campfire and cooked damper twists. They then embarked on an Adventure Bushwalk where students each had the opportunity to lead their group through natural landscape features. The Pod was a Challenge by Choice activity where participants lay in a hang glider-like harness for a thrilling swing. They chose the height the haul-up team raised them to and released themselves for a swing with views over Paddy's River Valley and the Bullen Ranges. Using the same Challenge by Choice principles, Leap of Faith participants climbed a pole and stood on a platform about six meters high. They leapt forwards and attempted to slap a suspended ball, after which they were lowered by the belayer. Both activities opened up some great conversations about risk-taking and comfort zones, as well as presenting the opportunity for students to support their peers.

Bush Play followed the afternoon's formal activities, where students got to explore and play in the beautiful Birrigai bushland. After dinner, table groups went head-to-head in a very close Trivia competition and Minute To Win It, before heading back to their comfortable cabins for bed.

On Friday morning, with the sun shining, activity groups swapped and completed their challenge and adventure experiences. After burgers for lunch and a final Bush Play, the campers headed back to Daramalan tired and happy.

Many thanks go to **Mr John Gale** for his outstanding organisation of this camp, as well as **Mr Sean Connochie**, **Mr Marty Capon** and **Ms Erin Gustus** for their attendance and supporting students through this experience. We look forward to taking another group of Year 8 students to Birrigai in Semester 2.



Sport

Congratulations to **Bailey Macdonald** (Year 10) and **Edward Marcks** (Year 11) for making the AusCycling emerging Track Endurance Squad, training up to 16 hours a week and a scholarship with ACTAS.

AFL Senior Schools Final

On Friday 12 May the Daramalan Senior Girls AFL Team competed in the AFL Senior Schools Final against Erindale College. This match came after the team went undefeated in the North Canberra Senior Gala Day at the end of Term 1 against Merici, Dickson and Hawker Colleges, St Francis Xavier College and Gunghalin College.

It was a fresh, sunny morning at EPC Solar Park in Phillip as the players took to the field following an inspiring pre-game speech from Coach, **Mr Nathan Greated**. Confidence was high at the end of the first quarter, having scored a couple of early goals to set up a comfortable lead. This was followed, however, by a slow second period and they went into halftime at 14-14. Daramalan and Erindale jostled for the lead throughout the second half, providing some tense moments for the Coach, Manager (**Ms Erin Gustus**), and supporters. In the final quarter, though, with some outstanding football from the girls, Daramalan proved too strong for Erindale and took away the Elise O'Dea Cup with a convincing win of 39 – 22.

The team are now very excited to test themselves at the State Finals on **Thursday 15 June** in Tuggerah. There they will play the best teams from Southern NSW and Sydney Independent Schools. We wish them the best of luck!



Girls League Tag

Daramalan College was represented by three teams across Years 7-10 at the Raiders League Tag competition. Our girls continue to show their dominance in the Football codes in ACT competitions with the three teams accruing a total of nine wins, one loss and one draw across eleven games. Impressively the two teams that won the Years 7-8 competition and Years 9-10 competition only conceded one try between them.

Years 7-8

St John Paul II College

20 – 0 W

Trinity

6 – 0 W

Semi final v Karabar High School

28 – 4 W

Grand final v Melba Copeland

22 – 0 W

Years 9-10 Red

Caroline Chisholm

24 – 0 W

St Clare's College

10 – 0 W

Semi final v St Clare's College

12 – 0 W

Grand final v Melba Copeland

22 – 0 W

Years 9-10 Black

St Francis Xavier College

6 – 18 L

St John Paul II College

8 – 8 D

5th place playoff v Caroline Chisholm

18 – 4 W



Sport Cont...

Years 7 - 10 Girls Volleyball



Hockey

Our Daramalan Hockey teams continued to impress across Rounds 3 to 5 of the Hockey ACT Junior Competition. The 18.2 Boys Daramalan/Wests team remains undefeated, whilst the 15.1 Wests/Daramalan team achieved their first win of the season against Canberra Grammar School. The 18.2 Girls team has demonstrated unwavering perseverance and positivity as the girls face a range of challenges, with scorelines not reflecting their high level of effort and performance. After a tough loss in Round 1, the 15.2 Girls Daramalan/NCE/Wests team has gone from strength-to-strength, currently sitting second on the ladder. Well done Daramalan Hockey!

Round 3

18.2 Boys: Marist (0) vs Daramalan/Wests (5)
 18.2 Girls: Daramalan (0) vs St Patrick's (5)
 15.1 Boys: United (16) vs Wests/Daramalan (0)
 15.2 Girls: Daramalan/NCE/Wests (2) vs CGGS (0)

Round 4

18.2 Boys: Daramalan/Wests (0) vs St Patrick's Green (0)
 Daramalan/Wests (1) vs St Patrick's White (0)
 15.1 Boys: Wests/Daramalan (1) vs CGS (0)
 15.2 Girls: Uni Juniors (0) vs Daramalan/NCE/Wests (2)

Round 5

18.2 Boys: Daramalan/West (2) vs St Patrick's Green (2)
 18.2 Girls: Daramalan (0) vs Central (9)
 15.2 Girls: TVHC (1) vs Dara/NCE/Wests (2)

The competition draws and ladders can be found here: <https://www.hockeyact.org.au/games/>



Basketball

We are fast approaching the midway part of the BACT Winter competition. We are up to Round 10 in the JPL competition and Round 5 of all other grades. Many of our teams are in strong positions and are looking forward to continuing this form. With the public holiday last weekend, our JPL teams were the only ones to hit the courts with some great results:



U14 Boys Molten Junior Premier League	Weston Creek Woden Dodgers	46	Lost	Daramalan	55	Won
U14 Girls Molten Junior Premier League	Daramalan	45	Won	Tuggeranong Vikings	39	Lost
U16 Boys Molten Junior Premier League	Queanbeyan Roadrunners	104	Won	Daramalan	78	Lost
U16 Girls Molten Junior Premier League	Norths Basketball Club	32	Lost	Daramalan	94	Won
U19 Boys Junior Premier League Division 2	Daramalan	62	Won	Radford Raptors	57	Lost
U19 Girls Molten Junior Premier League	Daramalan	48	Lost	TSC	77	Won

Congratulations to **Hena Lomu** (Year 10) and **Charlotte Robertson** (Year 9) who have made the ACT team for the U16 Australian Championships. The 2023 Under 16 Australian National Championships will be hosted by Basketball Australia and Warwick Basketball Association in Perth, Western Australia, held on **2 - 9 July**. Congratulations also goes to **Edward O'Brien** (Year 11) who has been selected in the ACT Schools Sports team for the School Sports Australia Championship in Perth from **19 - 25 August**.



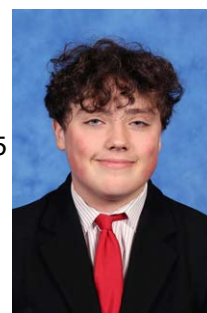
Team of the Month

The U14 Division 5 Girls team has had a fantastic season so far. Many of the girls in this team have never played before and are completely new to Basketball. Coached by two of our superstar girls **Chloe Fothergill** and **Diella Jagoda** (Year 10), the girls have improved out of sight and have had some very impressive results. They are currently sitting third on the ladder and are looking to build on their early season form. Best of luck for the rest of the season girls.



Player of the Month

Travis Minihan (Year 8) from our U16 D4B team has had a phenomenal start to the season. Travis has been instrumental for his team, averaging 11.5 points per game in addition to about a thousand rebounds. He is a big reason as to why they are sitting in tied fourth position and is the spearhead of their two-game winning streak. Keep up the performances like this Travis which I am sure are putting a big smile on your superstar Coach **Rob Foote's** face.



Netball

As we are midway through the season, please keep an eye on the draws on Play HQ, as with long weekends and school holidays, there are a number of weekends that there are no Netball games.

Some of our very talented Netballers have been making some outstanding achievements.

Congratulations to **Eseta Tuipeatau** (Year 9) for being selected as part of the School Sport ACT 15&U Netball team to compete at the School Sport Nationals in Perth.

Congratulations also to our very own **Alice Henman** (Year 12), who has been selected in the 17&U National Australian Squad. This is a very exciting and well-deserved selection. Alice's hard work is paying off! Alice has kindly answered some questions below:

When did you first begin playing Netball?

I first began playing Netball when I was 7 years old with NET SET GO on a Friday night in Yass where I would travel from a small country town called Jugiong. I found love for the sport through watching my older sister play and the friendships I made whilst being in different teams. I played for Yass Netball Association Under 10s and then moved to the Canberra Netball Association (CNA) Junior Rep and continued to play for CNA but now in Div 2 State League. Playing in Canberra has created many opportunities for myself and my Netball journey.

Have you always been a Defender?

I started out as a shooter in Under 10s but then moved to GK, GD in Under 12s as I was told my height would be a significant advantage for my team and myself in defence. As I progressed in my Netball, ironically my now lack of height forced me to move out of the defensive circle and I now play in WD and a bit of C.

What do you do to stay fit?

I love being active and being outside, during pre-season I use the gym and conditioning sessions provided for me to my advantage and push myself to increase my fitness, to support me in my game play and recovery. In the off season I still like to use the gym, also getting together with my friends and doing fitness with them makes it a lot more fun than doing it by myself.

How have you dealt with disappointments in the past such as not getting selected for a team or a hard loss in a game?

In my Netball journey I have faced many injuries that have set me back in preparation for games and big competitions. These setbacks created a lot of self-doubt and my confidence lacked in training and continued when I was able to start playing again. However, learning how to mentally deal with an injury has allowed me to overcome this mental game and continue to play the sport I love. By backing myself and always putting in

100% in my games, I continue to grow as a player and as a member of my team. I remember one year I was playing my Grand Final and I had just come back from an injury that put me out for most of the season (3 months). I had a chance to play in the Grand Final and put in everything I had been working towards; however, I was not put on the court for the majority of the game. That weighed heavily with my mental wellbeing and I questioned if it was even worth it. I did eventually bounce back and understood why I wasn't put on the court, I began to look at Netball from a different light and saw it as something I could grow from.



Do you have a favourite Netball memory?

My favourite Netball memories are the trips away to Nationals, where I get to hang out with a bunch of amazing girls with an interest in the same sport. It helps to make a serious competition a lot of fun allowing me to play my best Netball and watch everyone get around each other when times are tough. It is a great experience and inspiring to watch everyone grow and I've made some special friendships.

Another favourite Netball memory is finding out that I had made the Australian National Pathways Squad. I saw a missed call from my head Coach, checked my emails and found the email that I never thought I would get. I told my parents who had been with me through it all and we all began to cry. It was a symbol of all the hard work and support my parents had put into me and a display of my performance at National's. I'll forever remember that moment.

What are your long-term goals for Netball?

My long-term goal would ultimately be to represent my country at a high level, but first it would be to play in the Suncorp Super Netball, where top Netballers from all across the country and even some from around the world come to play and display some amazing Netball.

Do you have some advice for our young Netballers at school?

TO HAVE FUN!!! If you stay committed to your sport whether that be Netball or anything else, just remember to always find the fun in it. Times are going to get hard and early mornings are always going to be tough, but just like anything in life you have to work hard in order to get the results and be the best. It's important to have a good support network whether that be your parents, friends, Coaches or others, always look for someone who you can trust and know they will support you. Just remember that at the end of the day it's just a game, and it's how you react to certain situations that will determine what happens next in your journey, stay positive and keep working hard.

Rugby

Saturday 27 May saw most teams at home in our first "Gala Day" of the season. The College's new scoreboard was on display, and all and sundry were thoroughly impressed by the quality of picture and features; it has certainly added a real atmosphere to home games and the Rugby Club would like to express their gratitude to all of those who made it happen.

The Under 13's got the show on the road with some wonderful running Rugby, with a win to the Reds and a tough battle in the U13 Black seeing Marist victorious. Our U14 Black celebrated their first ever win against this Marist side and put on a wonderful display for those in attendance. The mighty U14 Red had a very successful road trip to Jindabyne, with a nail-biting 2-point victory over the Piglets and a special pit stop on the way home at Cooma Maccas. The U14 Girls side continued their excellent, undefeated start to the season with victory over Vikings down in Gowrie. We are very much looking forward to seeing the girls continue their brilliant brand of Rugby this Saturday, at home.

The U15 Red side recorded their first victory of the season with a close win against Marist Sky, and in arguably the match of the day, our U15 Black went down in a last-minute nail-biter to Marist who maintained possession and scored a well-worked try after the bell, to win. I think I speak for everyone in the Rugby community when I say that we are very much looking forward to the rematch of that game. The U16 Black were served their first loss of

the season, going down to a well-drilled Marist side, 25-0. Lots of lessons were learnt and as experience tells us; you learn more from a tough loss than you do an easy win. Unfortunately, our U16 Girls side had a last-minute forfeit by their opponent but are already looking forward to their next match this Saturday in Jindabyne.

The 3rd XV continued their unique and free-flowing brand of Rugby, with a spirited victory against Marist 3rd XV, 26 – 24. The newly branded "Darandah" was in full swing to bring the boys home in a great match. The College's 2nd XV were noble in defeat to a strong Marist side, however, should hold their heads up high as they have continued to improve with each match and are constructing a nice season.

After a long day, the suspense was sufficiently built for the top-of-the-table clash in First XV. The Canteen had sold out, the sidelines were packed and despite the result, they were not left wanting by a spectacular match that showed just how close the U18 Black competition is this year. We congratulate Marist on their 36 – 22 win and we very much look forward to our next home game this Saturday, against Vikings. The First XV will be looking to avenge their Round 1 loss and would no doubt love to have another strong and supportive crowd this Saturday. "Fill the Darandah" will no doubt echo through the corridors this week as the boys look to bring another big crowd in. Our first home matches saw a wonderful show of the Daramalan Rugby family on display as everyone contributed to making the day a success. A particular thanks goes to the families and students who worked the Canteen throughout the day to ensure that our visitors were well fed and that valuable funds were raised. Let's Go Dara! #strongwefly



Careers News

DARAMALAN CAREERS WEBSITE

Please contact Annette Brady on 6245 6394 or careers@daramalan.act.edu.au

Upcoming events

Tuesday 6 June (lunchtime) – University of Wollongong information session for Years 10-12 students in the FLA.

Thursday 10 August – Year 10 excursion to the Canberra CareersXpo at EPIC.

Overcoming Procrastination and Strategies for Students

Procrastination can be a common struggle among High School students. StudyWorkGrow has provided some effective strategies for overcoming procrastination once and for all. [Get started here.](#)

Jobs of the Future

Have you considered what a Data Privacy Consultant would do? Or what is involved in being a Virtual Reality Architect? Find out more about [exciting jobs of the future.](#)

NIDA Open Day returns on **Saturday 17 June**, from 9.30 am to 3.30 pm. Open Day is an opportunity to learn about NIDA's courses in the [Bachelor of Fine Arts](#) and [Diploma](#) programs, meet our expert teaching staff and our talented students and Alumni, tour the world-class facilities, see our students in action in various productions and behind-the-scenes roles, and discover why NIDA produces some of the world's most influential and in-demand storytellers across stage, screen and beyond – [register now.](#)

AFL SportsReady Traineeships can lead to successful, meaningful and professional jobs, with great salaries and outstanding career prospects. Take a look at the [Traineeship Guide](#) for more information.

Department of Home Affairs Gap Year Program for Year 12 Students

The Home Affairs Gap Year Program will commence in February 2024 with positions offered in dynamic teams where they will have the opportunity to do interesting and meaningful work that affects many parts of Australian life. Successful applicants will be employed on a 12-month temporary contract and gain valuable experience supporting the processing and administration of essential business areas with excellent working conditions and remuneration. Please see attached a flyer and social media tile. Applications are **NOW OPEN**. Students can click [HERE](#) to apply.

University Applications – Quick Reference Guide

Find information on every University in Australia - [Daramalan Careers website](#) Just click on a logo to get information on an institution including: a link to their website, scholarships, early entry schemes, alternate entry schemes, application information, adjustment factors and course guides. Links to the various University Admissions Centre Guides are also available.

University of Wollongong – Information Session

UOW will present an information session on **Tuesday 6 June** at 1pm in the FLA. Early Admission is UOW's early offer program. Students who are successful for Early Admission will receive their offer/s in mid-October. Applications open **19 June – 11 August 2023.**

Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)

Applications for study in Semester 1, 2024 are now open. Courses will be added in the coming months and all Semester 1, 2024 courses will be available from early August.

UAC Digital presents a range of free webinars for students, parents and anyone navigating their path to higher education. [See here for upcoming UAC Digital events.](#)

RMIT Early Offer Program

Year 12 students can use their life experiences and skills for consideration, allowing them to be accepted on a lower ATAR and potentially offered a conditional offer in September for 2024 University studies. [Find out more here.](#)

The University of Notre Dame Australia - Undergraduate Pathways to Medicine at Notre Dame University

New pathways available to Notre Dame's Doctor of Medicine Degree for school leavers. Both assured and priority pathways are available, which see places in the Postgraduate Medicine Degree reserved for top performing graduates in Bachelor of Biomedical Science. Register: https://events.nd.edu.au/pathways_to_medicine

Free UCAT Bootcamp For Parents and Aspiring Medical Students

Dr Ray, Gastroenterologist at Monash Health offers UCAT mini test, discusses medical interviews, admission process, life as a medical student, and career as a Doctor. Watch this two hour Bootcamp from the comfort, convenience and security of your home at any time! [Click here for more free resources.](#)

Sydney Actors School Applications for 2024 Now Open

Applications to study at Sydney Actors School in 2024 are open now! Study acting for stage and screen, taught by industry-working professionals. You will also learn how to write, direct, crew, and edit your own films. Work on a number of stage productions and short films. Apply: <https://www.sydneyactorschool.edu.au/acting-and-musical-theatre-application/>

How to become an Auslan Interpreter

Australian Sign Language (Auslan) interpreters provide communication between hearing and deaf people by converting spoken language into sign language and vice versa. If you love helping people, are good with languages and have a great memory, this could be a rewarding career choice for you. [Find out more information here.](#)

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- Creative Writing
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When: July school holidays

Where: UC Bruce campus and online offerings

Price: up to \$59

To register and find out more, please visit <https://www.canberra.edu.au/discover-fad/courses-for-high-school-students>.

Careers News Cont...

Academy of Interactive Entertainment Work Experience Program

The AIE Work Experience Program provides students with an insight into the games and film industry as they will learn software used by big games and film companies. They will touch on animation, game design, and programming so they understand all of the areas that help pull together a game.

[Register here.](#)

AVCAT Scholarships

[AVCAT scholarships](#), including the [Long Tan Bursary](#), are tertiary scholarships for the children and grandchildren of Australian ex-serving veterans. Scholarships are \$4000–\$6000 per year, for up to three years. Applications open on **18 August 2023**, Vietnam Veterans' Day, and close at midnight AEDT on **31 October 2023**. More information can be found [here](#).

NECA – The National Electrical and Communications Association

NECA is running a FREE Electrical Industry Introductory Program in the 2023 Winter school holidays. See the attached flyer for details or contact **Ms Brady** in the Careers Hub.

Defence Work Experience Program (DWEPP) is a national Youth Program that provides young Australians with an interest in a Defence career, the opportunity to gain exposure to a range of job roles available within Defence and the Australian Public Service. Defence work experience activities are designed to be hands on and interactive so that young people can make informed career decisions. Please monitor the [DWEPP website](#) for updates on the program and to apply.

JOBS BOARD

Carpentry Apprenticeship

A local construction company and Daramalan family is looking for a full-time Apprentice. Contact **Ms Brady** in the Careers Hub for more information.

Betty's Burgers is looking for casual team members.

The ideal candidate should have excellent communication skills, be friendly and approachable, and work well in a team environment. Previous experience in the Hospitality industry is preferred but optional. If any interested students are applying for this casual position at Betty's Burgers Canberra, please send your resume and a brief cover letter to Nathan.Sparrow@bettysburgers.com.au.



NECA Electrical Apprenticeships Electrical Industry Holiday Program

The National Electrical and Communications Association (NECA) is running a **FREE** Electrical Industry Introductory Program in the 2023 Winter School Holidays.

Thinking of an Electrical Apprenticeship in 2023 or '24?

This Program may be your head start into an electrical industry career...

- Theory & Practical Training
- Personal & Professional Development & Mentoring
- Introduction to Industry work practices
- Linkages to existing Trades, Apprentices and Employers
- Certificate II qualification



When: 3–14 July, 2023

Where: NECA Centre, 49 Tennant St, Fyshwick

02 6280 6533 or Maureen.Shephard@neca.asn.au

Award: Students who successfully complete the entire program will receive a *Cert II in Resources & Infrastructure – Work Preparation*. Students who successfully complete one week will be awarded a Statement of Attainment for the Units of Competency completed.



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Are you in Year 12 and not sure what you want to do next?

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- 2 Are you considering a gap year to earn some extra cash?
- 3 Are you looking for an interesting and well-paid job for 12-months?

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WHO WE ARE

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COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The College invites members of the Daramalan Family to use this Business Directory to locate businesses and services provided by the Daramalan College Community, including former students, Alumni, former staff and other supporters.

If you are in business, and would like to advertise in our Directory, please contact yvonne.turnbull@daramalan.act.edu.au or phone 6245 6334 for more information. Your small fee will go a long way to supporting our Scholarship Fund and your business will be promoted to the wider Daramalan College Community.

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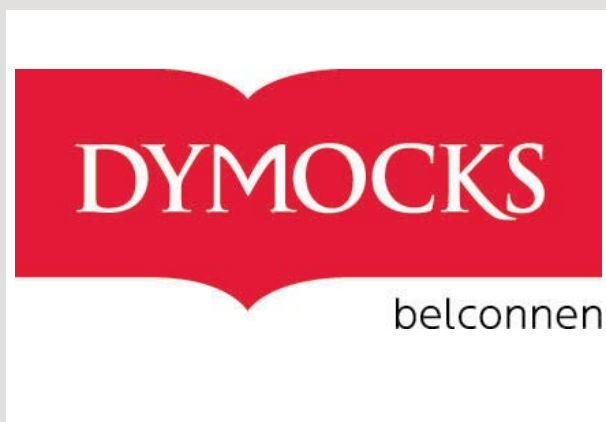
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