

DARANNEWS

27 October 2023



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Upcoming events

27 October

Visual Arts Exhibition Opening 6:00pm
McCowage Hall

28-29 October

Visual Arts Exhibition 10:00am - 3:00pm
McCowage Hall

30 October

Music Performance Evening 6:00pm
McCowage Hall

1 November

Whole School Assembly, Sports Centre
Year 8 Dara Disco Fever 6:00pm
McCowage Hall
P&F Meeting 6:30pm

1-3 November

Year 10 PE Camp

6 November

deGAFF Opening
McCowage Hall 6:00pm

9 November

Year 12 Mass & Award Practice and
Farewell assembly

10-17 November

Years 11-12 Examinations McCowage Hall

24 November

Year 10 Mass and Awards Practise
Year 10 Last day of Academic Classes
Daranews emailed to families



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From the Principal



**Dear Parents/
Carers, Staff and
Students,**

A belated welcome back to Term 4. As we come to the end of the third week of an already short term, the year seems to be passing by very quickly. We have already seen a plethora of activities, events and excursions taking place over the past few weeks. I would like to acknowledge the students and staff who travelled overseas during the recent break for the manner in which they represented the College especially when they were visiting our sister schools in France, Germany and Japan. I would also like to extend my thanks, on behalf of the students who were the beneficiaries of these rich learning opportunities, to the staff members who gave up their break and time with their own families to enable the tours to occur. A number of staff only returned to Australia in the day or two prior to the term recommencing.

Chevalier Day

Last Friday we gathered, as all MSC communities around the world did, to acknowledge the death and pay tribute to the founder of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, **Fr Jules Chevalier**.

Fr Chevalier died in Issoudun, France, on 21 October 1907, 116 years ago, however, his work lives on through those who followed his mission. Before his death, Fr Chevalier would see this mission, one founded in courage and faith, extend beyond Issoudun in rural France to see his 'Family' - the MSC - working in Central and South America, the Philippines, Australia and the Pacific Islands. As an MSC school, we are part of a bigger Chevalier family with whom this mission continues. Fr Chevalier's charism finds its origins in his great passion for Jesus Christ, who loves with a human heart. As we heard throughout our Liturgy on Friday, to love with a human heart, as Fr Chevalier did, requires us to draw upon both a sense of courage and our faith.

It was wonderful to be able to gather together to celebrate the day with



Chevalier Day Celebrations

From the Principal

Fr Roger Purcell MSC, Director of MSC Missions Office, as our special guest. Fr Roger had spent a number of days with us, visiting Religious Education classes and speaking to our students and staff of the work of the Missions Office. All of the monies raised from the afternoon activities are donated to the MSC Missions, so it was apt to have Fr Roger with us. This year we raised over \$7000 which will be used to fund a water project in PNG.

The theme of our Liturgy was 'Two Hearts of Courage and Faith' and we were joined by our College Chaplain **Fr Kimi Vunivesilevu MSC**, Fr Roger, as well as a number of former staff, including previous Principals, **Mr David Garratt** and **Ms Rita Daniels** and current Board Directors. We were also blessed to have students and staff who travelled to Issoudun during the recent holidays as part of the international tours share their poignant and heart felt reflections from their visit to the Basilica of the Sacred Heart and Jules Chevalier's tomb.

The weather was once again on our side which enabled the afternoon to be filled with a shared lunch on the oval followed by performances from our talented musicians, face painting, photo booths and novelty sporting activities. There was a real sense of community both during our Liturgy and throughout the afternoon. I would like to acknowledge the work of **Ms Cheryl Hamill**, **Mr Nathan Greatz**, our College, Portfolio and House Captains, the Pastoral Leaders, **Mr Michael Jackson**, **Ms Yvonne Turnbull**, **Ms Heather Chapman** and the College Maintenance team for all of their organisation both prior to the day and on the day to make it such a success.

Chevalier Day is also a day where we recognise those long serving staff members who have completed 20, 25 and 30 years of service at the College. Our thanks are extended to **Ms Urmila Kumar**, **Ms Margaret McCaskie** and **Ms Gail Mutton** for 20 years of service; **Ms Rebecca Willimott** for 25-years of

service; and **Mr David James** for 30-years of service to our community.

MSC Ethos and Identity Review

This year the College will be undertaking our second MSC Ethos and Identity Review. The review is undertaken by the MSC Education Members Council on behalf of the MSC Provincial, **Fr Stephen Hackett MSC**. The review enables a point in time snapshot to be undertaken to enable us to consider and reflect upon how we are living our MSC ethos as a College and provides recommendations for the future. The panel, comprising of **Mr Mark McGinnity** (Director of MSC Education), **Mr Chris McDermott** (MSC Education Members Council and former Principal of Chevalier College) and **Ms Alison McKenzie** (MSC Education Members Council and former Director of the Chevalier Institute), visited the College from Monday to Wednesday of this week to speak with a selection of staff, students, parents and Board Directors. I would like to acknowledge the enormous amount of work undertaken by **Ms Cheryl Hamill** as Assistant Principal Mission in ensuring that all voices at the College were considered in the preparation of the documentation produced for the Panel prior to their visit this week.

The Gift of Story

I had the pleasure of attending The Gift of Story in the first week of term. It was such a wonderful display of the depth of talent that we have here at the College. Congratulations to the Daramalan Theatre Company, to all of the students, staff and volunteers, on another outstanding production. A production of this standard only comes about through the dedication of the staff and students involved, in particular, I would like to acknowledge **Ms Lucy Cronan**, **Ms Annette Brady** and **Mr Joe Woodward** for their respective roles of Directors and Stage Manager for the production.



Fr Roger Purcell MSC at the Chevalier Day Liturgy



Chevalier Day Celebrations



The Gift of Story Cast



The Beauty and the Beast part of The Gift of Story

From the Principal

Farewell Assembly and Senior Exams

Next week we will be holding our final whole-school assembly for the year. At this assembly we will be acknowledging and farewelling our Year 12 students and presenting the House Cups for 2023. I would like to take this opportunity to recognise our 2023 College Student Leadership Team: **Moki Di Petta, Simon Krupka, Emilie Van't Hof, Charlotte Mitchell, Trudy Harries, Ella Harries, Sophie Wade, Campbell Lewis and Ella Cooper**. They have been an amazing team of leaders and we have been privileged to have had them lead our student body this year. I would also like to acknowledge our 2023 House Captains who have thrown themselves into their roles, encouraging and instilling spirit and belonging within their Houses, helped along by a little friendly House rivalry to spur them on!

Our senior students will have completed their end of year exams before the next edition of Daranews, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish them much success in the final weeks of their classes prior to their exams and the best of luck for their exams. To our Year 12 students, I urge you to use these final weeks to extend your gratitude to those who have helped you along your schooling journey both here at the College and beyond, and to finish your 13 years of schooling well and in a way that you are proud of.

Brave Shave and Social Justice Initiatives

Yesterday a large number of our students and a member of staff participated in the Annual Brave Shave. Thank you to everyone who supported them through sponsorship or simply encouragement, over \$9700 has already been raised for the Leukemia Foundation. Thank you to: **Thomas O'Keeffe, Ayansa Gamage, Simon Krupka, Gabe Jasprizza, Max Randall, Sam Keeley, Michael Thurgar, David Thurgar, Lachlan Hynd, Jack Fraser, Josh Dawes and Ms Alison Baker** for your bravery! Thank you also to Social Justice Captain, **Sophie Wade** for her organisation and preparations in the lead up to the day. The shave would not have been possible without the expert hairdressing skills of **Koki Aitkin** from Eden Hair Energy in Dickson and **Ms Kirsty Saunderson** who generously gave of their time to 'shave' our participants.

This term has also seen a number of Social Justice initiatives and fundraising activities including the upcoming Year 8 Disco, next Wednesday evening, in support of the College Scholarship fund and a range of other activities in support of our House charities. Thank you again to **Sophie Wade**, the Social Justice group and **Ms Alyce Packer** for their tireless work in the Social Justice area.



2024 Enrolments

We have a significant number of families seeking places in each of our year groups for 2024 where there are currently no vacancies. If your child is currently in Years 7-11, and will not be returning to Daramalan next year, we ask that you let us know as soon as possible so we can assist other families. Please do this by notifying the Registrar, **Ms Damaris Brown**, via the email enrolments@daramalan.act.edu.au.

Financial Assistance

Families who are experiencing changed financial circumstances are encouraged to contact the College Business Manager, **Mr 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. Families seeking a concession for the 2024 school year are asked to email fees@daramalan.act.edu.au so that the relevant forms can be sent to you for completion. All requests are treated with the upmost confidentiality.

Annual Survey

Each year we ask our community to provide feedback on the College and the experiences of our staff, students and families. This feedback is reviewed by our Executive and the College Board and influences the School Improvement Plan and Strategic Directions of the College. A link to the survey will be sent to all families later today. We encourage families to provide feedback by completing the survey to enable us to continually improve the College.

P&F Meeting

The final meeting of the P&F for 2023 will be held as per the College calendar on **Wednesday 1 November** at 6:30pm in the College Boardroom. All parents are welcome to attend.

Student Achievements

Congratulations to: **Nico and Carlo Vaccarella** on their selection to compete at the National BMX Championships.



Meg Stewart on her selection to represent the ACT in Calisthenics.



Alesha Bennetts, Max Berry and Elijah Wilson who all broke records at the School Sports ACT Track and Field Championships. Elijah was named 16 Year ACT Age Champion. In addition he recently competed at the NSW Championship and finished with silver and gold medals.



Riley Bransdon and Sean Loney for being named Age Champions at the ACT Swimming Championships



Kenneth Le on his selection to attend the Australian Physics Olympiad Summer School.



Gabrielle Krinas on being awarded the Royal Academy of Dance Solo Seal, and on her selection to represent Australia at the Royal Academy of Dance 'Margo Fonteyn International Ballet Competition'.



From the Principal



Kayla Sisourath, Emily Greig, Bonnie Young and Pearl Tien, Sebastian Czoban, Luka Jukic, Dario Turcic, Yianni Manouras and Nicholas Pulciani who represented the ACT at the National Youth Championships for Soccer.



VET Awards

Australian School Based Apprentice **Sam Chapman** (Year 12) was recently nominated for two awards, where he made the finals of both. They are the ACT Australian School Based Apprentice of the Year and the NSW and ACT Apprentice Employment Network Award. Sam has demonstrated excellence in his role as PE Assistant at Evatt Primary School whilst studying firstly, a Certificate III in Sport and Recreation and then a Certificate III in Fitness. Sam was nominated by his RTO, the Australian Training Company following completion of his modules and positive workplace reports. Congratulations to Sam on this amazing recognition.



Thomas Kelly, Eroni Camaivuna, Luke Grocott, Annie Reid, Samuel Murray, BJ Pumpa, Lily Quigley, Neve Luckie, Zoe Quigley and Emily Reid who competed at the Junior National Championships for OzTag

The College will be holding a number of exhibitions and activities over the coming weeks which will showcase the talents of our students and staff. I would encourage families to come along if they can to these events. This evening the Visual Art Exhibition will open at 6pm in McCowage Hall and will be open over the weekend from 10am-3pm. On Monday evening our choir, bands and musicians will be performing from 6pm in McCowage Hall and on Monday 4 December the College Carols event will be held. During Week 15 we will be holding the deGAFF exhibition showcasing our Design and Technology students' work also in McCowage Hall.

Best wishes,

Rachel Davies

Principal



Chevalier Day Celebration



Leadership Camp

The 2024 College Captains spent two and a half days at Greenhills Conference Centre at Stromlo preparing for their important roles next year. They participated in a combination of outdoor activities as well as planning and goal setting sessions. Students had fun and built strong connections while crate climbing, abseiling, bushwalking and completing a high ropes challenge. In between these challenging activities they spent time planning for 2024 and building their capacity to perform their roles. A highlight was the public speaking challenge, where students had 30 minutes to prepare a 60 second speech on a random item. The College is in good hands next year with this dedicated and motivated group leading the way.



French Study Tour



Issoudun



Students at the Eiffel Tower



Château de Chambord



Loire Festival



Beauval Zoo

During the French Tour from Tuesday 19 September to Sunday 8 October, participants from Daramalan College embarked on an exciting and culturally enriching journey through France. The tour encompassed a diverse range of experiences, combining educational explorations, historical visits and immersive homestay experiences.

The journey commenced with a flight from Sydney to Paris via Singapore. After arriving in Paris, the group headed to the city of Tours. The first day in Tours included a guided city tour, offering insights into its rich history and cultural heritage.

Subsequently, the students set out on various day trips. A visit to Orléans allowed them to partake in the Loire Festival and explore the charming town. The following day, they ventured into the magnificent Loire Valley, visiting the awe-inspiring Château de Chambord and Château de Chenonceau. These stunning castles left an impression on all.

The tour then engaged in a homestay experience, living

with French hosts in Bourges. This immersion provided a unique opportunity to connect with the local culture, practice the language and develop lifelong friendships.

Throughout the tour, there were educational excursions to towns like Issoudun, featuring a guided walking tour, and visits to historical sites. We also visited the Beauval Zoo, a zoo that we studied in Year 7.

The tour then returned to Paris, where students explored iconic landmarks such as the Louvre, the Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower. They also enjoyed a delightful cruise on the Seine River. A day trip to Disneyland offered a touch of whimsy and adventure and our visit to Paris also included a visit to the opulent Palace of Versailles.

This French Tour was a transformative experience that combined learning, cultural exchange and sightseeing, leaving students with a profound appreciation for France's rich history and vibrant culture and with cherished memories of their immersive French experience.

German Study Tour

The great German adventure started for 25 students and 3 Teachers on the last Monday of Term 3. After many pre-departure meetings, it was finally time to say goodbye to parents and siblings. It took 'only' 32 hours to get from Canberra to Frankfurt but there was no rest in sight for the tired yet very excited travellers, as we had to board the fast train to Nuremberg where we spent our first two nights in a hostel which was part of a castle. The same afternoon we explored the old city of Nuremberg and on the next day, the nearby town of Rothenburg which is famous for its Christmas market and shops.

It was then time to take the train to Dresden where we were greeted at the train station by our German host families, who were just as excited and nervous as we were. The week in Dresden passed quickly attending school, sightseeing, hiking and lots of outings with our host brothers and sisters. It was great to really experience how German families live and to practise our German, even though it was scary at first. It was quite sad to say

goodbye at the train station as many new friendships had been formed. The German students will visit Australia and come to Daramalan at the beginning of February. They are already curious about what school and family life will be like.

The last week in Germany was spent in Berlin and Munich. Berlin is an amazing city with lots to offer. Many photos were taken in front of famous landmarks such as the Brandenburg Gate and the TV Tower. In Munich, we visited the BMW Welt and chose our future cars or motorbikes. As Munich is near Austria, we went on a day trip to Salzburg where we were reminded of The Sound of Music and saw Mozart's birthplace. Another highlight was the trip up the Zugspitze, the highest mountain in Germany (2962m). We had fantastic views over the Alps and were also able to step onto the Austrian side.

It was hard to believe how quickly the time went. We experienced so many things and places, loved the food, enjoyed shopping and became good friends with our fellow travellers. Now we can't wait to welcome our German hosts on **Friday 9 February**.



Dresden Frauenkirche Gruppe



Zugspitze at 2962m



Ampelmaennchen



Rothenburg



Potsdam Sanssauci



BMW Museum meet Elvis



Climbing

Japan Study Tour



Kochi Gakugei School

This year, 20 students in Years 10, 11 and 12, and 3 Teachers (**Burridge Sensei**, **Mr Nathan Greatz** and **Mr Jason Paris**) were able to travel across Japan. Due to the restrictions of Covid-19, we haven't planned a Japan Study Tour since 2018! The 23 of us travelled together for 15 days, visiting many historical and beautiful places and had a life changing experience.

Our first destination was the capital of Japan, Tokyo. We visited Asakusa, Harajuku, Shibuya and Odaiba to see famous places such as the Senso-ji temple, Tokyo Sky Tree, Meiji Shrine, Team Labs (digital art museum), Science Museum and the Gundam statue.

Then, we visited three UNESCO World Cultural Heritage sites (Himeji Castle, Hiroshima Peace Park and Miyajima Island) in ONE DAY! We hopped onto the bullet train (285km per hour) multiple times, and saw all 3 sites. Seeing the magnificent Himeji Castle, learning some important history at Hiroshima Atomic Dome Museum, and seeing a beautiful sunset in Miyajima (special thanks to **Ananda Nguyen** for editing the photo). After a busy day, we enjoyed the Kyoto backstreet bike tour, learning about the history of the Japanese old capital Kyoto. Students stayed in a traditional Japanese inn where they wore Yukata (Japanese Summer kimono) and slept on futon on tatami mats.



Himeji castle



Asakusa, Tokyo

Then, we travelled to Kochi. For many students, it was their highlight of the tour where our students attended our sister school, Kochi Gakugei, and had a wonderful time participating in various activities including Kochi Yosakoi dance and experienced the home-stay - they wanted to stay longer! After the tearful goodbye, we headed to Osaka, where we had a fun day at Universal Studio Japan and spent time at Kaiyukan (Aquarium) before catching the last bullet train to Tokyo and returning to Australia.

We are looking forward to welcoming the students from Kochi Gakugei School on **Thursday 1 to Wednesday 7 August** next year!



Kyoto bike tour



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Legal & Global Studies

Students Engage with Australian Politics at Parliament House

On **Monday 16 October**, our Year 11 Legal Studies and Global Studies students embarked on an insightful excursion to Parliament House, diving deep into the core of Australian politics.

The highlight of the day was a hands-on Senate Committee hearing where students tackled a real bill, stepping into roles of Senators and representatives from expert groups like ASIO and the AFP. This immersive experience provided a tangible insight into the legislative process.

In two separate meetings, students had the opportunity to converse with **ACT Senators Katy Gallagher** and **David Pocock**. Senator Gallagher, from the Labor government, answered questions about her role in law reform and the challenges of representing the ACT. Independent Senator Pocock discussed the dynamics of serving in Parliament without party allegiance and the essence of political collaboration.



The day concluded with an observation of a widely viewed Question Time, where four Australian servicemen were commemorated, followed by Prime Minister Anthony Albanese addressing pressing national issues including the recent referendum result and the economic challenges faced by Australians.

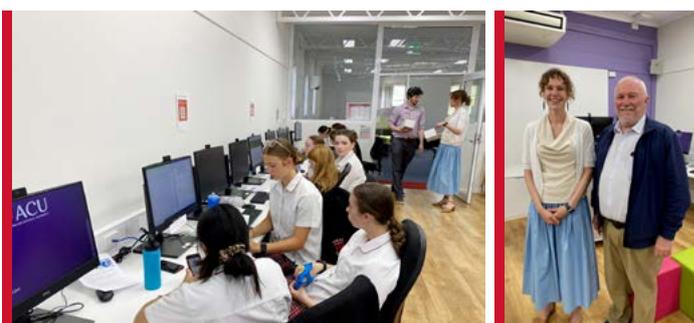
This excursion offered our students a rare glimpse into the machinery of Australian governance, enriching their academic journey.



Mathematics

Mathematics ACU Research Project and Excursion

In a collaborative effort led by **Dr Sarah Digan** and **Professor Vince Geiger** of the Australian Catholic University (ACU), a research project is underway to enhance Teachers' instructional skills in utilising Big Data as an educational tool. The project, funded through the Australia-Germany Joint Research Cooperation Scheme, involves 20 Year 9 students and their dedicated teachers, **Ms Marlena Nitsche** and **Mr Andersen Clark**. During a recent excursion to the ACU campus on **Wednesday 20 September**, students engaged in a practical exercise informed by news reports, focusing on sustainability claims supported by statistics. They worked in groups of three, utilising large datasets and computer science techniques to interpret and establish the validity of these claims, thereby fostering critical thinking and data literacy. A special acknowledgement is extended to **Mr Jack Ross** for driving the bus to and from the venue. This initiative represents a significant step towards refining teaching resources and pedagogies that develop students' abilities to work with Big Data effectively.



Religious Education

In an effort to create stronger connections between MSC schools, Mr Andrew Digan's Year 7 Religious Education class has created video's about Daramalan to share with Year 7 students from Monivae College.

Reports from Monivae so far say that our videos are great, and they are making theirs now in response. Hopefully we can build on these exercises into the future, building stronger ties between the two schools.



Technology and Design

iSTEM User Centred Design Unit and Activity

As part of the Year 9 iSTEM topic on User Centred Design, students were given a random object and asked to figure out what it did, then use it to perform the task it was intended to perform under a variety of different situations. In this instance, the Juicy Salif juicer designed by Philippe Starck and produced by Alessi was put on trial. Students attempted to juice a variety of different citrus fruits and then provide feedback on how successful the juicer was. The juicer was rated for function, ease of use, aesthetic and price point. Finally, the data collected from this trial was then collected, tabulated and charted with a view to improving the design and redesigning the product.



Daramalan Fishing Club

This term marked the inception of the Daramalan Fishing Club, a newly-established group that has quickly gained popularity among students and staff. The lunchtime meetings have reeled in a significant number of participants.

The primary goal of the club, led by **Mr David Kerr**, is to offer students an opportunity to acquire a new skill and foster an appreciation for outdoor exploration.

The club's maiden fishing trip to Dickson Wetlands, while filled with sun and smiles, regrettably yielded no caught fish. After discussions with club members, it appears that the scarcity of fish may be attributed to a recent sharp decline in water levels.

Our next outing, scheduled for Week 14, will take us to Lyneham Wetlands, and we are optimistic that we'll have better luck luring some fish there.

If you're interested in joining us, please feel free to attend our Tuesday lunchtime meetings where we talk and learn about all things fishing. Tight lines!



Music

It has been a busy but fun time in the Music Department! We embarked on our Music Tour to Sydney at the end of last Term. We had a great time performing and relaxing. You will be able to find a full review in the Daramalan 2023 Yearbook.

We enjoyed some beautiful weather for our performance at Floriade on Tuesday 10 October. The String Ensemble, Choir, Junior Band and Jazz Band performed on Stage 88. It's always a treat to have a professional sound engineer mix our ensembles. They all sounded polished and vibrant and were appreciated by the friendly Floriade audience.

The Year 9 and 10 Music elective classes were fortunate to see The Duntroon Military College Brass Ensemble perform at Wesley Uniting Church. It was a wonderful opportunity for the students to hear the amazing capabilities of the brass family. The concert opened with the full ensemble which delivered a powerful performance. They were also treated to a Tuba and Bass Trombone duet, as well as many other combinations of brass. I would like to thank **Georgina Geary** who informed me of this concert. It was a very enjoyable performance.

This coming **Monday 30 October from 6.00pm**, is our Music Performance Evening in McCowage Hall. All the Daramalan ensembles will be performing. I would encourage everyone to come and enjoy this wonderful concert. The Year 7 Band and friends will also play for the first time in years. We look forward to seeing you there.



Sydney Music Tour Group



Sydney Music Tour



Floriade Performance



Floriade Performance

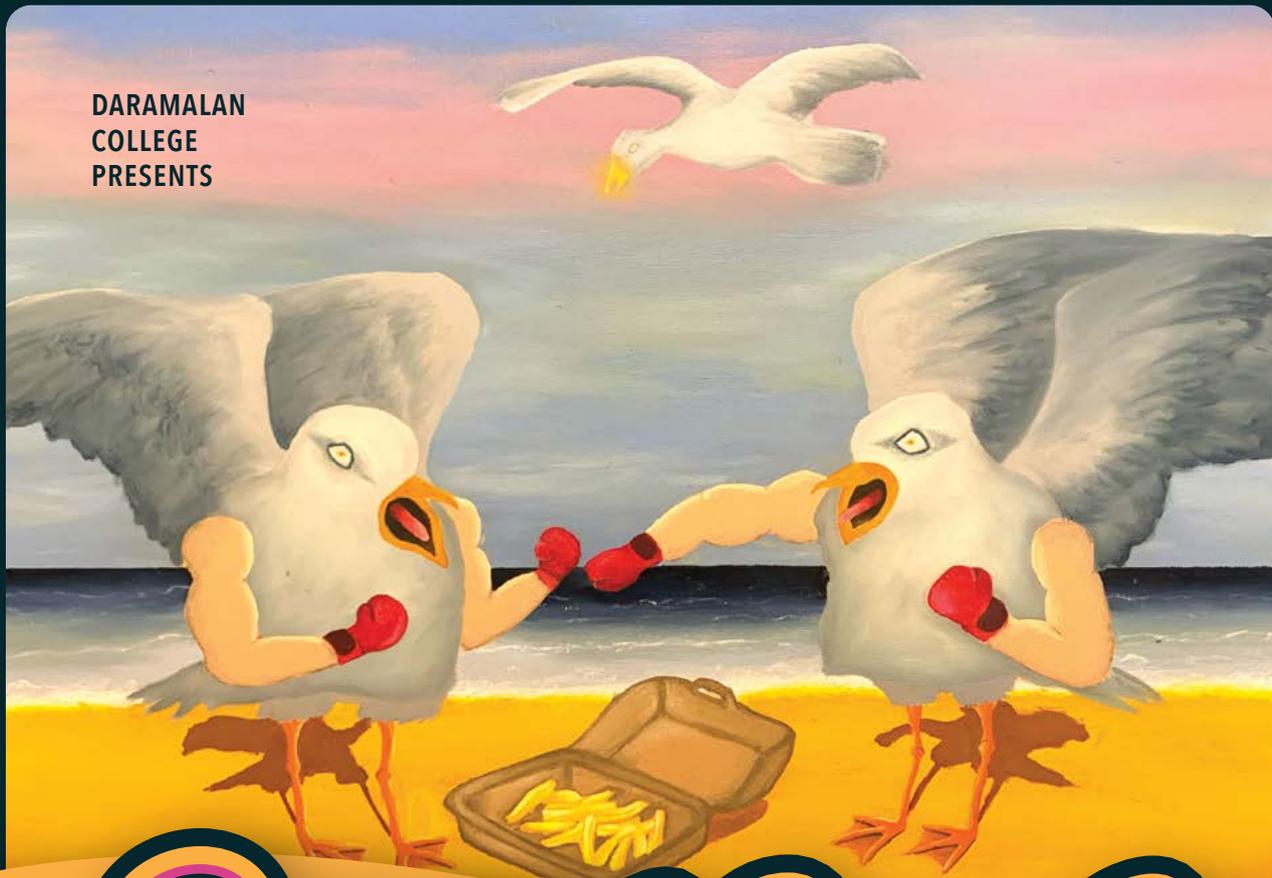


RMC Excursion



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DARAMALAN COLLEGE



YEAR 8

DISCO FEVER

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PIZZA & DRINKS

DJ PHOTO BOOTH

TICKETS: \$20



WEDNESDAY : 6PM

NOVEMBER : TO

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8PM

Basketball

End of Season Statistics and Awards

Most Games Played:

Ethan Gregory - 32 games

Thomas Brazel - 31 games

Julius Majstorovic - 28 games

Hena Lomu - 27 games

Eleni Majstorovic - 26 games

Zac Tyrie - 26 games

Most Points Scored:

Wil Paterson - 277 points

David Thurgar - 259 points

Hena Lomu - 256 points

Chase Obranovic - 255 points

Amalija Stravopodis - 232 points

Charlotte Robertson - 224 points

Most 3 Pointers:

Wil Paterson - 34

Ethan Gregory - 28

Ishveer Gosal - 21

Seini Melekiola - 19

Cooper Ceely - 18

Most 2 Pointers:

Hena Lomu - 128

Charlotte Robertson - 118

Chase Obranovic - 96

David Thurgar - 90

Amalija Stravopodis - 84

Most Foul Shots:

Amalija Stravopodis - 64

Wil Paterson - 61

Hena Lomu - 56

Mya Lomu - 34

Max Keightley - 32

The Dennis Rodman category for foul based awards:

Most Personal Fouls:

Joel Kennedy - 58

Most Unsportsmanlike Fouls:

Jack Junakovic - 2

Most Technical Fouls:

Riley Stephenson - 3



Boys Player of the Year:

Wil Paterson (Year 11) only started attending Daramalan College this year but has had a massive impact on our Basketball program and played a large role in the U19 JPL Boys team making it all the way to the Semi-Finals. Throughout the season for all Daramalan students, Wil finished:

- First in most points scored.
- First in three pointers.
- Second in most foul shots.

Congratulations on a fantastic season Wil and we look forward to seeing what you do next year!



Girls Player of the Year:

For another year running, it is hard to go past **Hena Lomu** (Year 10). Hena plays in our U16 JPL team and had a stellar season yet again winning the MVP award. She also plays up in our U19 JPL team and performed to a high standard in that team as well. Throughout the season, for all Daramalan students, Hena finished:

- First in most 2 pointers.
- Third in the most points scored.
- Third in most games played.
- Third in most free throws.

Due to her exceptional performances this year, Hena was selected in the ACT team to play at the National Championships earlier this year and played a key role for the ACT team. Thank you Hena for all you are doing for Daramalan Basketball, you were a big part of our success this year in the Girls JPL division.



Coach of the Year:

For the second year in a row **Sarah Barnes** coached two of our teams this year – U16 D3 Girls and U19 D4 Boys. Coaching one team requires a tremendous amount of time, energy and commitment, but coaching two is a phenomenal effort. Sarah managed to get both her teams finishing in the top four and took her Boys team all the way to the Grand Final and came away with an unforgettable victory. Thank you Sarah for all your hard work this year and everything you do for Daramalan Basketball.



Student Coach of the Year:

Lloyd Kim and **Jack Gest** (Year 10) have both done an incredible job this year. These boys coached our U14 D6 Boys team and they brilliantly led this team onto Grand Final victory. This was the students first year coaching Basketball and they have done an outstanding job. Not only did they offer the boys in the team fantastic advice and guidance in relation to developing their Basketball skills, but they forged an extremely strong bond with all the boys and have been exemplary role models. Thank you to Lloyd and Jack for all your hard work this year!



Basketball Cont...

Student Referee of the Year: This one is a tie, with **David Thurgar** (Year 10) and **Ethan Gregory** (Year 9) doing an outstanding job this year. Both David and Ethan rapidly rose through the ranks of the BACT Referee Program and are now at the level where they can officiate JPL games. Both these students refereed the ASC Basketball Carnival days and the recent CISBC in Term 4. Well done boys and we hope to see you continue to go bigger and better with your refereeing next year.



Student Most Outstanding Contribution to Daramalan Basketball: **Alexandra Beake** (Year 11) has done an enormous amount for Daramalan Basketball for yet another year. Alex coached two Basketball teams this year, the U16 D3 Boys and also assisted **Oliver DiPofi** with the U19 D2 Boys team. Alex also played in our highest girls team, the U19 JPL Girls and played a key role in this team making it all the way to the Grand Final. Alex also coached a team last year and has already put her hand up to coach another team in 2024. Thank you Alex for all you do for Daramalan Basketball!

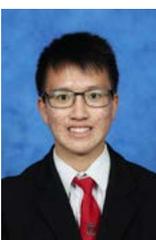


The Michael Phelps Award:

Lloyd Kim (Year 10) achieved an impressive feat this year; he won two Championship medals for two separate teams:

- The first medal was for winning the championship for his coaching team (U14 D6).
- The second medal was for winning the championship for his playing team (U16 D2B).

Well done Lloyd, absolutely phenomenal effort!



Basketball Convenor, Mr Gale taking a legendary shot in the Staff V Students game

Team of the Year:

The **U16 JPL Girls** had an incredible year. This team made the Finals last season and narrowly went down in a very close Grand Final - however they were determined to go one better this year. They performed well throughout the season and finished in second place. They came up against a tough Norths team in the Semi Finals and had a narrow seven point victory in a very tight encounter. They then went on to play the team that finished first, Queanbeyan, in the Grand Final. The girls got off to a flying start, taking a nice lead early on and managed to hold onto it the whole game and came away as JPL Champions! Well done to the girls and to Coach **Mr Paul Clowry** and superstar Manager **Ms Rebecca Willmot**.



Grand Final of the Year:

The **U16 D2B Boys** Grand Final was an absolute epic! Our boys finished the season in first place and came up against a strong Radford team. The boys started off slowly with Radford going out to an early lead. Moving into the second half the boys finally hit their straps and went on a scoring run. The game then went point for point and with only a few seconds left, the boys were down by two points. One of our young superstars **Lucas Ceely** (Year 8) was then fouled with the ball and was sent to the line for two free throws; hit them both and the game goes into overtime, miss only one and Radford win. The crowd went silent, Lucas steps up and nails the first free throw. Lucas then steps up for the second and nails it as well sending the game into overtime. The boys came out fired up for the overtime period and blew Radford off the court and ended up with a resounding victory. Well done boys, a game you will never forget.



Netball

And that's a wrap!

Congratulations to all the teams this season, with a further congratulations to team McMahon winning their Grand Final with a dominant performance.



It was a pleasure to acknowledge all the players, Coaches, Umpires, Managers, and every other person who works so very hard behind the scenes for our teams, at our recent Presentation Evening. We really cannot do it without all your combined efforts.

A special mention to our Perpetual Awards winners:

Perpetual Awards:

Intermediate Player of the Year **Ella Higgenbotham**

Senior Player of the Year

Lara McGilvray

Club Person of the Year

Kate Woodin

If you are interested in playing Summer Netball, although we do not offer Summer Netball at school, there are a few competitions around Canberra, with the two main ones being:

- MONDAY outdoor competition at Charnwood
<https://act.netball.com.au/event/belconnen-summer-competition-16-oct-2023>
- THURSDAY indoor competition at Lyneham
<https://act.netball.com.au/junior-after-school-comp>

Lastly, for those already looking to 2024, if you are interested in playing, coaching, managing or umpiring, we would love to hear from you! I will be stepping down as Netball Convenor, so please get in touch with Mr **Angus Balmaks** angus.balmaks@daramalan.act.edu.au
Enjoy a well-deserved break,

Ms Tanya Wilson

Netball Convenor

Rowing



The 2023/24 Rowing season began on the first Monday of Term 4, with many familiar faces returning for another busy season. We also welcomed many new students to the program, with twenty-five Year 7 students eager to join the program.

The Daramalan Rowing program offers students the opportunity to learn to row, from late Year 7 through to Year 12. Students train three times a week and compete in local regattas, usually on a Saturday on Lake Burley Griffin. The first of these local regattas will be hosted by Daramalan Rowing Club on **Saturday 4 November**. If you are down by the lake, keep an eye out for our crews in the black with a red 'V'.

Other than our local regattas, our rowers are busy preparing for a big season of racing at home and interstate.

- Head of the Yarra, Melbourne in November.
- ACT Junior Championships, Canberra in February.
- NSW Championships, Penrith in February.
- Schoolboys Head of the River, Penrith in February.
- Schoolgirls Head of the River, Penrith in March.
- National Championships, Penrith in March.

If you would like to know more about the Rowing program, please email Mr **Marty Capon** marty.capon@daramalan.act.edu.au

SCHOOL FEES

Term 4 School Fees were due
Monday 23 October.

To avoid a late fee, please
arrange payment by Wednesday
1 November.

Uniform

Boys' socks will no longer be available for loan from First Aid from **Monday 30 October**. If students come to school wearing non uniform socks, they should speak to their pastoral leader to obtain a uniform pass or go to Reception to buy a pair of boys' grey socks with red stripes for \$10.

As per the Daramalan Uniform Brochure:

Years 7-10 Girls' Uniform

Short plain white socks to mid-calf are to be worn with the Summer dress.

Years 7-10 Boys' Uniform

For students wearing short trousers, grey school socks with red bands visible are to be worn.

Years 11-12 Girls' Uniform

With the Summer skirt, girls must wear short plain white socks.

Years 11-12 Boys' Uniform

Grey school socks with red banding must be worn with short trousers.

Boys' socks can also be purchased from our Uniform Shop.

For further information, please refer to our website at

www.daramalan.act.edu.au

Employment

Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn

Parish Office Manager – Inner North Parishes

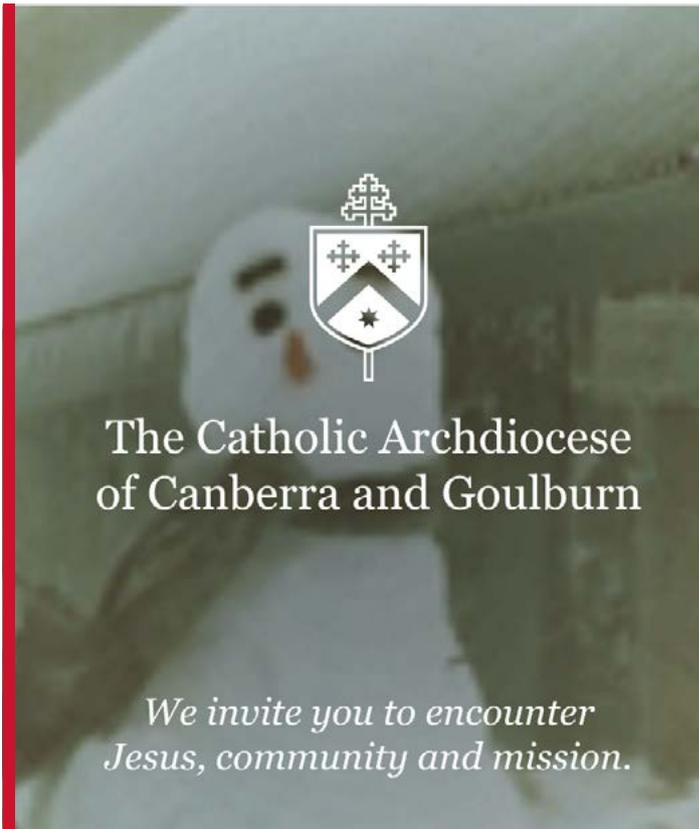
People are invited to apply for the position of Parish Office Manager, Inner North Parishes (encompassing Campbell, Canberra Central, O'Connor and Watson). This is a full-time position (subject to review in 12 months).

Essential Requirements:

- An understanding of and support for the Catholic Church and its teachings.
- Excellent verbal and written, interpersonal and communication skills.
- Computer literacy in MS Suite and database skills, (in particular PACS database).
- Act with tact and discretion, maintaining high levels of confidentiality, honesty, integrity, reliability and punctuality.

Please email deborah.foote@cg.org.au for a detailed copy of the duty statement and selection criteria.

Applications addressing the Selection Criteria with attached resume to Fr Anthony Riosa, SSS, anthony.riosa@cam.org.au must be received by **Friday 3 November**.



The Catholic Archdiocese
of Canberra and Goulburn

*We invite you to encounter
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YOU'RE INVITED!



ROSARY PRIMARY SCHOOL 60TH ANNIVERSARY COCKTAIL PARTY

An event for past and present members of the Rosary community to celebrate 60 years of Rosary Primary School.

Ticket price includes canapés, drinks and entertainment. There will be special guest speakers, live and silent auctions, dj and a photobooth.

Each grade is creating a special artwork which will be displayed in the hall and then auctioned on the night. The proceeds of the auctions will go towards a 60th anniversary mural at the school.

Please contact rosaryps60@outlook.com for more information or if you would like to get involved in the auctions or sponsoring the event.

Over 18's only.

4 NOV
6:00-11:00PM
2023

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TO CELEBRATE 60 YEARS OF
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DARAMALAN CAREERS WEBSITE

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

Work Experience

Students in Years 10 to 12 can undertake work experience placements with the approval of the College. Finding an employer is the responsibility of the student and there must be a meeting with **Ms Annette Brady** to discuss the timing, legal requirements and documentation. Students may only attend work experience for one week during the semester. The completed 4-Way Agreement must be received by the College at least 7 days prior to the placement commencing. Contact careers@daramalan.act.edu.au for more information.

Free Tools and Resources for Students Vocational Education and Training (VET) and Apprenticeships

Students looking to gain practical work skills or a targeted qualification towards a particular occupation can explore a wide variety of VET programs and courses. VET offers flexible, affordable training options and can sometimes be combined with senior secondary study or even create a pathway to university. [Learn more about VET.](#)

Apprenticeships in particular offer nationally recognised VET qualifications and paid training pathways to hundreds of different careers, from traditional trades through to new and emerging occupations. [Discover Australian apprenticeships.](#)

Alternative Pathways to University

In addition to VET, other pathways such as bridging or enabling courses may be a possibility for students aspiring to university who don't think they'll qualify for direct entry into their preferred course. [Explore alternative pathways to higher education.](#)

Gap Years

Deferring future study is a big decision and it may not be an option for everyone. However, students planning a gap year before commencing post-school education can still make it productive for their career. [Gap years: making them work for you.](#)

Seeking Employment

Students looking for work during secondary school or beyond, as well as those considering an apprenticeship, can learn how to find opportunities, produce quality applications, prepare for job interviews and more. [View job seeker resources, tips and templates.](#)

Still Exploring Career Ideas

Completing the activities in My career profile helps students identify their interests, skills, study preferences and more, and suggests a list of occupations for them to explore career pathways, training options and future employment prospects. [Log in to My career profile.](#)

University of Tasmania – 'Feed Your Mind, Feed The World' experience

UTAS is offering Year 11 and 12 Science students a first-

hand look at the booming Tasmanian agriculture industry with the Feed Your Mind, Feed The World experience. Feed Your Mind, Feed The World is a free three-day camp held in Northwest Tasmania on **Monday 4 – Wednesday 6 December** for Year 11 and 12 students wanting to learn about exciting career opportunities in Agricultural Science. Students will see first-hand the science behind some of Tasmania's leading agricultural businesses, including a robotic dairy, commercial flower producer, cider orchard, vegetable processing and more.

The University of Tasmania will be providing accommodation, meals and transportation in Tasmania but students would have to arrange their flights to Tasmania at their own expense. Students can find out more and apply on our [Feed Your Mind, Feed The World webpage.](#) Applications close **Friday 27 October.**

University Information and News for Year 12 Students and Parents

Key dates

ANU change of preference window opens

Wednesday 1 November

UAC course preference deadline for SRS offers

Friday 3 November

UAC SRS first offers released **Friday 10 November**

EAS applications due (for consideration in first ATAR based offer round) **Thursday 23 November**

Women of STEM Scholarship

The Women of STEM Scholarship is a national program for women aged 18-20 who are entering their first year of a STEM degree at university and provides women with financial grants of \$5,000 per year for the life of their degree, up to a maximum of 5 years. Applications open **Friday 15 December 2023** and close **Friday 16 February 2024.** [Learn more here.](#)

Become a Software Developer – Apply now for the Wisetech Global Earn and Learn Scholarship

WiseTech Global, Australia's top ASX50 tech company, is offering:

- Permanent, paid employment as a software developer at our head office in Sydney.
- Enrolment in a UTS Bachelor of Computer Science Degree.
- A total comprehensive remuneration and scholarship package valued at ~\$300,000 over four-years, including salary, university course payments and share rights.* (*Terms available on the WiseTech website)
- Technical education, training and mentoring by the industry's best.
- No prior programming experience necessary.

Year 12 students can [APPLY NOW](#) directly via the WiseTech website for the January 2024 intake.

UAC webinar: Let's Chat – Preferences and Offers Wednesday 1 November 6pm

Tune in for a rundown on your application course preferences and when and how offers are made. We'll cover adjustment factors, selection ranks, what to do when you receive an offer and key dates. [Register for Let's Chat – Preferences and Offers](#)

Higher Education Students Need a USI

A USI is required for tertiary admission applications, access to Commonwealth supported university places and HELP loans, and to receive an Australian qualification or award. Learn more, including how to create a [USI: https://www.usi.gov.au/](https://www.usi.gov.au/).

Careers News Cont...

Charles Sturt University Enabling Courses prepare students for an undergraduate degree. Access Charles Sturt Entry is ideal for those who didn't do Year 12 or have a Cert II. The Undergraduate Certificate in University Preparation is ideal for students who didn't quite get the ATAR they needed. Completion of this course will mean guaranteed entry into a wide range of Charles Sturt's bachelor's degrees and undergraduate certificates – with credit towards the course to give students a head start. [More information here.](#)

Other News for Students and Parents

Defence Careers

Do you have students interested in a Navy, Army or Air Force career? Read more about [how to apply](#), call 13 19 01 or find a local [ADF Careers Centre](#). [Discover upcoming events](#) in your area or online to learn more.

Defence Work Experience Program (DWEPE) Check the DWEPE website for opportunities currently open for applications. [DWEPE Website](#) - Jobs List - [Defence Work Experience \(nga.net.au\)](#)

NECA School Holiday Program

Please see attached the flyer for the January 2024 NECA School Holiday Program which we are running again from **15-25 January 2024**. Students aged 15 and over.

Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS) offers a [scholarship program](#) for Year 12 students who qualify for entry into a Construction Management course at an AIQS accredited university in Australia (including UC's Bachelor of Building and Construction Management). Please use this link to view accredited courses: [AIQS accredited course in Australia](#).

The value of the scholarship is AU\$5,000 and includes:

- AU\$4,000 (\$1,000 upon enrolment, \$1,000 after completion of eight units, \$2,000 upon completion of degree). This is paid as cash into the student's bank account.
- Textbooks and manuals (published by AIQS) including the Australian and New Zealand Standard Method of Measurement (ANZSMM).
- AIQS Student membership whilst studying the accredited degree.
- AIQS Graduate membership for one year.

For further information on the requirements for scholarships, please refer to the [website](#).

Applications close **Tuesday 31 October**.

AVCAT Scholarships - applications are now open.

[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 close at midnight AEDT on **Tuesday 31 October**.

JOBS BOARD

Surveying – Full-time Cadetship

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0411 054 854

cody@ellipsesurveying.com.au

See flyer in following pages

Media Industry (Administration and Office Support)
– Full-time employment

7 Regional – Broadcast Scheduler

7 Regional is currently recruiting for entry-level administration positions within the Scheduling Operations team in the Canberra Office. This is a fantastic opportunity for school leavers who are interested in pursuing a career in the media industry, offering an in-depth understanding from the ground up of how television is broadcast across the country. With extensive on-the-job training for accurate data entry, fast paced deadlines and collaborative teamwork, it is also a positive introduction for those looking to enter the workforce but unsure where to start.

Location: Watson, Canberra ACT

Work hours: Full time 38 hours per week – Monday to Friday

Expected Salary \$53,000 + 11% Superannuation

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Contact Ms Brady in the Careers Hub for more information.

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Contact: Aleksandar Miladinovic

E: aleksandar@ocract.com.au

M: 0417 416 157

www.ocract.com.au

Carpentry – Apprenticeship
Forte Building Company

Contact: Jock McDonnell, Forte Building Group

M: 0403 695 253

Building – Apprenticeship

MAS Carpentry

Contact Ms Brady in the Careers Hub for more information.



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APPRENTICESHIPS**

national electrical and communications association

NECA Electrical Apprenticeships Electrical Industry Holiday Program

The National Electrical and Communications Association (NECA) is running a **FREE** Electrical Industry Introductory Program in the 2023/24 Summer Holidays.

Thinking of an Electrical Apprenticeship in 2024?

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: 15–25 January, 2024

Where: NECA Centre of Excellence, 49 Tennant St, Fyshwick

02 6280 6533 or Courses-act@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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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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| Live Better Nutrition | Jeanette Ryan | www.livebetternutrition.com.au |
| Orthodontics Canberra | Vicki Boyd | www.ortho.net.au |
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| Pinnacle Driving School | Lisa Murphy | www.Pinnacledrivingschool.com.au |
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