

DARANNEWS

12 April 2024

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Upcoming events

- 12 April
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- 14 April
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- 15 April
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- 19 April
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- 23 April
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- 25 April
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- 27 April
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- 29 April
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- 30 April
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- 3 May
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- 9 May
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- 10 May
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Languages Day
- 13 May
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- 15 May
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- 17 May
Daranews Published
Daramalan Community Trivia Night

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From the Principal



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

As Term 1 draws to a close, I would like to thank and acknowledge all of our students and staff for how they have embraced the opportunities, events and activities that have occurred throughout the term. As I look back through the calendar, it has certainly been a hectic but an extremely rewarding term for our community. The term and the year began gathered as a community for our liturgical celebrations and we continued this with our Holy Thursday Liturgy to mark the importance of the season of Easter and Lent as a Catholic community. As a College, we joined with the wider MSC and OLSH communities in March to celebrate, with large amounts of cake, the 200th birthday of Fr Jules Chevalier MSC, without whose

vision we would not be the College that we are today. Added to these celebrations, we held our three sporting carnivals, welcomed our Year 7 parents, Year 7 and 9 attended their respective camps and then completed their NAPLAN tests and in recent weeks we have showcased the College to prospective families on our Open Evening and Try Dara Day. In addition to all of this, rich teaching and learning has occurred, and students and staff have been able to enhance their learning through a myriad of excursions both within the Canberra region and beyond. It has certainly been a whirlwind of activity and exciting opportunities for our students to be able to experience the rich offerings that we have at the College. I continue to be amazed at the diversity of our expanded co-curricular program which continues to grow year on year, and really does offer something for everyone. I would like to acknowledge the staff who have developed these programs after identifying a need amongst our students and worked to put them in place. I would encourage students to check the Daily

Business Studies and Government Department at the Open Evening



From the Principal

News for more information about how to get involved and the details of the activities and events that are coming up as we move into Term 2. I would also like to acknowledge our Student Leaders who have created opportunities and initiatives within each of their portfolio areas already this term.

I would like to take this opportunity to specifically thank the staff who will be accompanying our Netball tour to Fiji over the holiday break, **Ms Megan Kelly, Ms Angela Dunn and Mr Marty Capon**. This tour not only provides an opportunity for our students to develop their netball skills but also to experience and be immersed in the Fijian culture. I would also like to encourage families to support the Daramalan Theatre Company's Festival of Performance which will be taking place at the beginning of next term. Details of the program and how to book tickets can be found on the following pages.

Open Evening and Try Dara Day

On Thursday 4 April, we held our annual Open Evening to enable prospective families and our wider community an opportunity to view and experience our facilities and see what we have on offer here at Daramalan. The displays had a demonstration focus rather than being interactive, and the feedback from families was extremely positive. I would like to commend all of the students who were either Tour Guides or who were helping in the various subject and co-curricular displays. They did a fantastic job of showcasing our College and all the opportunities that are available. A significant number of visitors took the time both as they were leaving, and in the following days, to comment on how impressed they were with the students they met and how welcomed they were made to feel by both our students and staff. This was great affirmation of the enthusiasm of our students and the commitment of our staff. The manner in which our students conducted themselves was a credit not only to themselves, but also their families and the College. As I have mentioned to our staff, it is evenings

such as last Thursday that highlight to me just what an amazing community we have here at Daramalan.

We were also able to host a large number of Year 6 students on our Try Dara Day yesterday. I would like to thank the Year 7 and 10 students who acted as Guides and Mentors on the day. My challenge to the Year 6 students was for them to ask lots of questions throughout the day, and the feedback from the Year 7 and 10 students was that they definitely took up the challenge with gusto! I would also like to acknowledge the staff who facilitated sessions and **Ms Angela Dunn, Ms Damaris Brown** and the Events Team of **Ms Heather Chapman and Ms Jacqui Dimmock** for their organisation and preparation both prior to and on the day. Days such as this are significant undertakings at an already busy time of the term, so on behalf of the Year 6 students and families, I extend my thanks to all who made the day possible.

2024 Enrolments

A reminder that applications for Year 7 and Year 11 2025 must be submitted by **Friday 31 May 2024** to be considered in the first round of offers for a place in 2025. This deadline is the same for current families as well as new families. Enrolment forms are able to be completed online via the link on our website, <https://www.daramalan.act.edu.au/>. Enquires or questions concerning enrolments should be directed to enrolments@daramalan.act.edu.au

Information for current Year 10 families in relation to the process for indicating their enrolment intentions for Year 11 2025 will be sent early next term. There is no need for current Year 10 families to complete a new enrolment application.

Staff Changes

Ms Cheryl Hamill will be on leave for Term 2, and **Ms Amy Thomas** will be the acting Assistant Principal Mission during that time. **Ms Tina Watson** will move into the Religious



Students in the Information Centre on Open Evening

From the Principal

Education Coordinator role while Amy takes on the Assistant Principal role. **Ms Helen Close** will become the Assistant Religious Education Coordinator for Term 2. We welcome back **Mr Steve Carroll** from his leave in Term 1 and thank **Mr Ben Stein** for his work as AP Curriculum and Assessment Year 11-12 during this time. We also thank **Ms Lucy Cronan** for her work as AP Curriculum and Assessment Years 7-10 in Term 1. We wish Lucy all the best as she begins her parental leave at the end of this term for the remainder of 2024.

Winter Uniform

From the first day of Term 2 students will be required to wear their full Winter uniform to school. Can I 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. Following the survey conducted last year in relation to the College uniform, we have been investigating the possibility of introducing a warm outer layer for students to wear during PE classes and when representing the College at Cocurricular activities. The specifics of this item are yet to be finalised; however, information will be disseminated to families once this process is complete. Thank you for your support in ensuring that our students wear their uniform, including using the College Backpack for Years 7-10, with pride as ambassadors of the College. Thank you also to those families who have started getting their Winter uniforms organised already. To assist families to be ready for next term, the Uniform Shop will be open during the holidays. The specific dates and times are available on the College website.

Parking, Blocking Driveway Access and Supporting student safety

I would like to reiterate again my previous requests that people who are dropping off their students in the morning, and/or picking up students in the afternoon do not park on the nature strips of houses near the College or across driveway entrances. Unfortunately, we continue to receive complaints from our neighbours about damage done to grass and trees as well as access being blocked when they have attempted to exit their property. We wish to maintain positive relationships with our neighbours, so we ask that you assist by respecting their space and their requests in relation to access to their properties. Please also be mindful when picking up students that you are not parked or stopping in a designated bus zone or a signposted no parking area.

I have also received from Access Canberra a letter outlining the concerns that have been raised with them regarding student safety and traffic around the College. To keep our students safe when making their way to and from school, please ensure you drive and park safely and legally around our school. Unfortunately, an increase in unsafe driving has been observed around our school in Term 1.

Access Canberra will continue to monitor speeding and parking by mobile speed vans and licence plate recognition vehicles.

Unsafe and illegal parking can reduce visibility of our students and motorists to see each other, creating a significant hazard when students cross the road. Please remember not to park across pedestrian crossings, in no stopping zones, on corners, verges or double parking.

As a College, we welcome Access Canberra's activity around our school as we all work to support student safety.

DARAMALAN COLLEGE

2025 ENROLMENTS OPEN NOW

Enrolments for Year 7 and Year 11 must be submitted by Friday 31 May 2024.



For information about enrolments in other years, visit our website or contact the Enrolments Office on the details below.
 enrolments@daramalan.act.edu.au or (02) 6245 6348
 Reception 6245 6300 | 121 Cowper St Dickson
 www.daramalan.act.edu.au



From the Principal

Student Leave requests

A reminder for families that should a student need to be away for **5 or more school days** for reasons other than sickness, prior approval from the Principal must be sought in writing via a letter or an email. This includes where a student is absent due to their participation in representative sporting teams and competitions. The request needs to be submitted in sufficient time so that arrangements regarding missed schoolwork and assessment can be made. The preferred email address for such requests is principal@daramalan.act.edu.au. Students in Years 11 and 12 should be aware that there are strict requirements for attendance stipulated by the ACT Board of Senior Secondary Studies in order for students to gain credit for a unit of work. Any extended absences from school may have an impact on the student's ability to be assessed even if all the assessment tasks for the unit are completed. Students should seek advice from the Assistant Principal Curriculum Years 11-12 **Mr Steven Carroll** prior to making plans to miss any school days.

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.

School Holiday Reception Arrangements

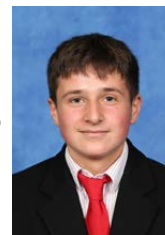
During the school holidays, Reception will be staffed from 9.00am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday, other than Public Holidays. If you leave messages for Teachers by email or phone, please be aware that these may not be attended to until school resumes on **Monday 29 April** at 8.45am.

Staff and Student Achievements

- Congratulations to **Mr David James** (Digital Technologies teacher) whose debut novel "Wingless", published by Three Ravens Publishing in the USA has been named as one of three finalists for the Imaginarium Imadjinn Awards for 2024 in the "Best Faith-Based Novel" category. The award winners will be announced on Saturday 20 July. "Wingless" is currently available in paperback or Kindle from Amazon and will soon be available as an audiobook. The second and third installments of the Wingless Trilogy will be coming out later this year.
- We wish **Mr Jesse Turner** (HASS and PE and Health teacher) much success as he competes at the Australian Athletics Championships in Adelaide this week.

Congratulations to:

- **Charlotte Canavan** (Year 12) who was part of the GWS Giants VFLW Academy squad who played and won against the Sydney U22 squad last weekend. Further details outlining Charlotte's outstanding game can be accessed in the Sport section.
- **Carlo** (Year 9) and **Nico** (Year 11) **Vaccarella** who have again been selected as part of the Australian BMX team who will compete at the World Championships in the USA in May.
- **Addison Cicchini** (Year 7) who will be competing as part of the Sirens squad at the Dance and Cheerleading games in Hawaii in May.
- **Sidney Keir** (Year 9) who will be competing at the North West Equestrian competition at the end of May.
- **Elijah Wilson** (Year 11) who will be competing at the Australian Athletics Championships in Adelaide this week in the Under 20s Shot Put and Under 18s Shot Put and Discus.



I wish all of our families and our staff a relaxing break filled with quality time with family and friends. For those who are travelling over the break, I wish you safe travels. I look forward to welcoming our students back for Term 2 on **Monday 29 April**.

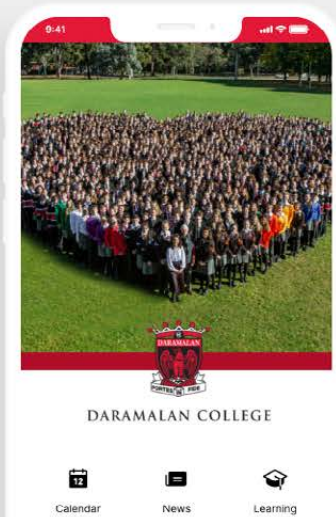
Rachel Davies
Principal



Students in Food Technology on Try Dara Day



Students in Music Class on Try Dara Day



HOW TO GET YOUR NEW

Daramalan College app

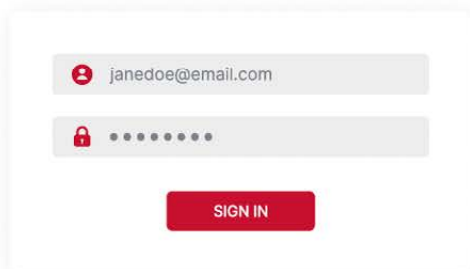
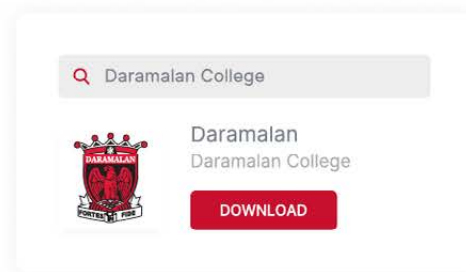
Follow these simple steps to quickly and easily set up your new app.



STEP 1

Search & download

Search for your college on the Apple App Store or Google Play to download the app.



STEP 2

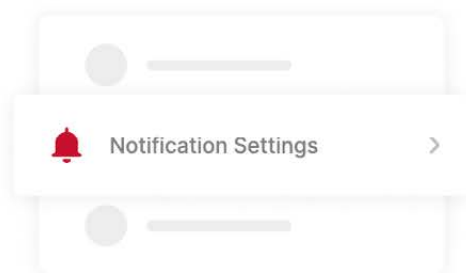
Sign in

You will receive login details via email.

STEP 3

Manage subscription

Tap *settings*, then *notifications*. You will be redirected to your Schoolbox settings in your app browser, and make your selection.



Stay connected

You will now receive the latest updates and information from your college. Everything you need to stay in the loop is all in one handy place.

School News

DON'T FORGET!

Mobile Phones at the Canteen

Due to recent changes to our phone policy, students in Years 7-10 will not be able to use their mobile phones to pay for food at the Canteen from the start of Term 2.



Farrer

Farrer's Silly Sock Day

On Wednesday 10 April, Farrer hosted a 'Silly Sock' day to raise awareness and funds for WIRES, who are the largest non-profit native animal rescue and rehabilitation charity in Australia.

We raised close to \$500, so a big thank you to the staff and students who were involved and got creative with their silly socks!

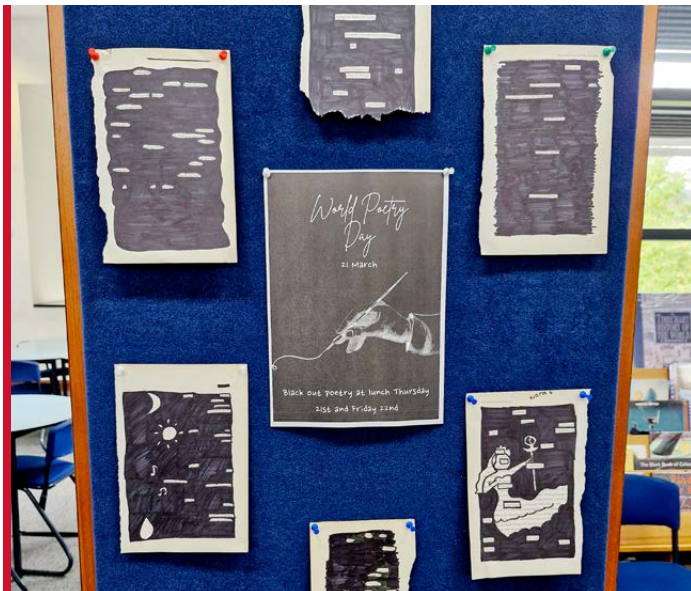


Information Centre

The Information Centre continues to be a bustling hub of activities and awareness events.

To finish Term 1, the Library has changed decorations with displays created by **Ms Heidi Horwood** and **Ms Kate Dimech** for Harmony Day, World Poetry Day and World Autism Awareness Week. At lunch on Thursday 21 March, students were able to be creative, repurposing old books for black out poetry in celebration of World Poetry Day.

Students are encouraged to continue to be critical thinkers with the ongoing Curiosity Corner challenges and engage with activities in Term 2. Don't forget to check out the latest books in the new fiction display of the Library. Happy Reading!



P&F

Daramalan parents are invited to participate in an online workshop featuring the renowned speaker, **Daniel Merza**. As you may know, we had initially planned to host an in-person event with Daniel Merza, but unfortunately, due to a limited response, we have made the decision to postpone and transition the workshop to an online format via Zoom.

We believe that Daniel Merza's insights and expertise will be immensely valuable to parents and caregivers in our school community. The workshop will explore the "5 MONKEYS" inhibiting student potential and provide valuable strategies for fostering thriving students. This event promises to be impactful and informative for all parents and guardians.

Details are as follows:

- Date: **Tuesday 23 April**

- Time: 7pm to 8pm
- Platform: Zoom <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9121212121>

We are confident that this workshop will provide valuable information and support to parents as they navigate the challenges of parenting and education.



Languages



French Language Week Competition

Every year, in March, during Francophonie Week (French Language Week), the French Ministry of Culture organise an international competition for High School and College students around the world called “Dis-moi-dix mots” -which translates to “Tell me ten words”. Various French speaking countries including France, Belgium, Quebec in Canada, Switzerland, and other members of the “Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie” pick a theme and ten words, intended to convey a message on the French language. This year, **Mackenzie Dugdale**, **Frances Leung**, and **Blaire Rossiter** (Year 10) took part in the competition. They shared their experience below:

“The words for this year’s competition were focused on the theme 2024 Paris Olympic Games. We used the 10 words to form a three-minute rap in French with an accompanying music video. We all thought it was great to see a more practical application of our classwork and be able to see all our hard work come together when we finished the video. It was fun to film the video, we had a great time making up the lyrics and trying to find words that rhymed”.



French Film Festival

On Monday 25 March, Year 9 French students had the opportunity to go to the French Film Festival at the Palace Electric Cinema and watch a film called *Divertimento*. The film was based on a true story of a migrant girl who wanted to become an orchestra conductor in an extremely male populated field. The film also introduced the themes of friendship, family bonds, determination, and gave an insight into different suburbs and social classes in France and around Paris specifically. *Divertimento* illustrated the struggles of women in the music industry, and what it takes to persevere through those struggles and reach your goals. Students were able to see what life and expectations were like in schools, social situations, transport, and different town settings around Paris. The film was in French with subtitles. The excursion was educational, and we felt moved by the story and encouraged to go watch some other films from the festival.

Luci Polegubic and **Lily Clark** (Year 9)

The French Film Festival was a wonderful day for Year 10 and 11 students and teachers, **Madame Merritt** and **Madame Visser-Scott**. We watched *The Three Musketeers: D’Artagnan*. It was about young D’Artagnan arriving in Paris, with high hopes of becoming a Musketeer. While he was trying to become a Musketeer, he found himself needing to attend three duels in a single day. While tensions arise between England and France, D’Artagnan was on a mission to save the monarchy’s collapse. Although it was in French, it was quite easy to follow and understand the storyline with help from our linguistic skills. The film was action packed with many historical events and some minor love intricacies. It ended on a very tense cliffhanger, which led to all students wanting and **NEEDING** to watch the prequel. It was an excellent day out, thank you **Madame Visser-Scott** for arranging this excursion. Please let us watch the prequel, we are begging...

Ruby Holden and **Jade Heaten** (Year 10)



Languages...Cont

Daramalan College once again secured a spot in the OzClo Nationals! This year, thirty-six students from Years 9 to 12 Language classes participated in the Australian Computational Linguistics Olympiad (OzCLO) Regional competition during Week 5. Merely entering this challenging competition is commendable. However, two teams advanced to the national level, hosted at ANU in Week 8. Congratulations to both Year 10 teams: **Sean Loney, Roy Halliday, Rafael Paredes, Joseph Modun, Tristian Tierney, Thomas Neighbour, Kiran Isbister, and Daniel Worsnop**, who diligently worked to progress to the next round. Gratitude is also extended to **Ms Waka Burrige** and the Language team for their time and expertise in providing this valuable opportunity to the students.

Ms Carina Merritt - French Teacher



Maths

Pi Day 2024

On Thursday 14 March, we held our annual Pi Day celebration. We had the biggest turnout of students yet, with 217 students participating across all Houses. Lyons had the most students participating, with 44 competitors, followed by Phillip House with 40 students, and Lawson in third place with 32 participants. We received three submissions for a creative House performance from Goolagong, Farrer and O'Brien, who submitted videos and photos related to Pi.

The winner for the most digits in 2024 was **Natalie Gordon** (Year 11) with 550 digits, improving her personal best from last year by 70 digits. The runner-up was last year's winner, **Amelia Cains** (Year 12), with 487 digits. Third place goes to **Lachlan Huby** (Year 9), who recited 105 digits. He was closely followed by Phillip House Captain **Lachlan English** (101 digits), **Kenneth Le** (Year 12, 100 digits), and **Nel Baraniecki** (Year 7, 100 digits), who set hopes high for a bright future of Pi Day at Daramalan College.

We also have a new speed record with **Cindy Lucic** (Year 10), who recited 61 digits in 7.4 seconds, which is a rate of 8.2 digits per second.

When we asked our 2024 champion Natalie how she manages to remember so many digits, she answered the following: "When learning Pi digits, I use a few different methods based on how long I have to learn new digits. The most efficient method I have found so far is multitasking, by focusing on both Pi digits and something else. Multitasking is an easier way to take my mind away from the Pi digits for just enough time, so that when I go back to reciting and learning new digits, I'm able to remember the newest digits. I also learn new digits in sets

of 5, this helps me create a pattern within digits nearby for example the digits 316 – 325 are '58817 48815' there is a pattern in the middle where the 881 is. By learning only 5 extra digits it makes going from the start a whole lot easier as I only am reciting 5 extra digits, and it also makes the digits flow and minimises the struggle I will have when reciting the digits. Using all these techniques will only work if I allow myself enough time to do this so I start trying to remember digits from previous years around one month before Pi Day and then I start adding new digits around 2 weeks before Pi Day."

How many digits will she be aiming for in her final year of school? Is she taking on the challenge to break the school record of 900 digits?

A huge thank you goes to all the Maths staff, without whom this event couldn't have happened, and of course to the Canteen staff for cooking our pies.

Position	House	No. of students
1	Lyons	44
2	Phillip	40
3	Lawson	32
4	Goolagong	30
5	Merrick	22
5	O'Brien	22
7	Farrer	14
8	Cuthbert	13



Natalie Gordon reciting 550 Digits of Pi

Science

Science Competition season starts next term - International Chemistry Quiz and Science Olympiads. All information is distributed in the daily notices for students to register their interest.

Year 7

Learning about friction can be such a 'drag' – but not for our Year 7s! Students have been designing investigations to demonstrate their understanding of forces – ask them what their experiment was about..... hopefully it's not 'weighing' them down...!



Year 8

As Year 8 students nervously approached their heart dissection in Science class, whispers of excitement filled the air, along with a hint of dread. Some students joked about fainting at the sight of a heart, while others practiced their best "doctor" impressions. One brave soul (possibly the teacher) declared they were "pumped" for the experience, earning a chorus of groans from the class before they got on with the job with the occasional squeals and exclamations of "eww" and "cool". At the end of the lesson there was a newfound respect for the complexity of the human heart and a few vegetarian pledges!



Year 9

In Year 9, our brave adventurers embarked on a quest to decode the mysteries of sound pitch and frequency. Armed with nothing but ice cream containers, glad wrap, rubber bands and salt, they set out to create the cacophony of a lifetime. As they twanged and plucked, their classroom became a symphony of chaos!

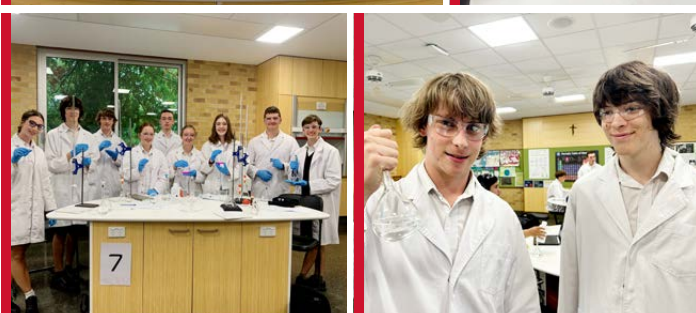


Year 10

Year 10s are well into their investigations – they should definitely have decided on their topic by now. Many have started their risk assessment – who knew a ruler could be a potentially dangerous piece of equipment? We wish them luck and resilience as they experience the scientific method - remember experiments always work..... but you might not get the expected results!

Year 12 Chemistry

In a daring display of chemical prowess, the Year 12 Chemistry students embarked on the daunting task of concocting standard solutions for their titration experiment. Armed with volumetric flasks and measurements, they meticulously poured and mixed, hoping to achieve the perfect equilibrium! Is it pink or is it clear? Either way the calculations will require their concentration!



Science Cont...

Year 11 Biology South Durras Excursion

As the scorching sun blazes overhead, a group of enthusiastic Year 11 students venture forth to the beach, armed not with surfboards, but with clipboards, thermometers, measuring tapes and quadrats. Their mission? To study the abiotic factors of the intertidal zone and understand their impact on the organisms that call it home.

On this particularly sweltering day, the beach is a haven for those seeking relief from the heat. But for these budding scientists, the allure lies not in the cool waves but in the dynamic ecosystem that emerges when land meets sea.

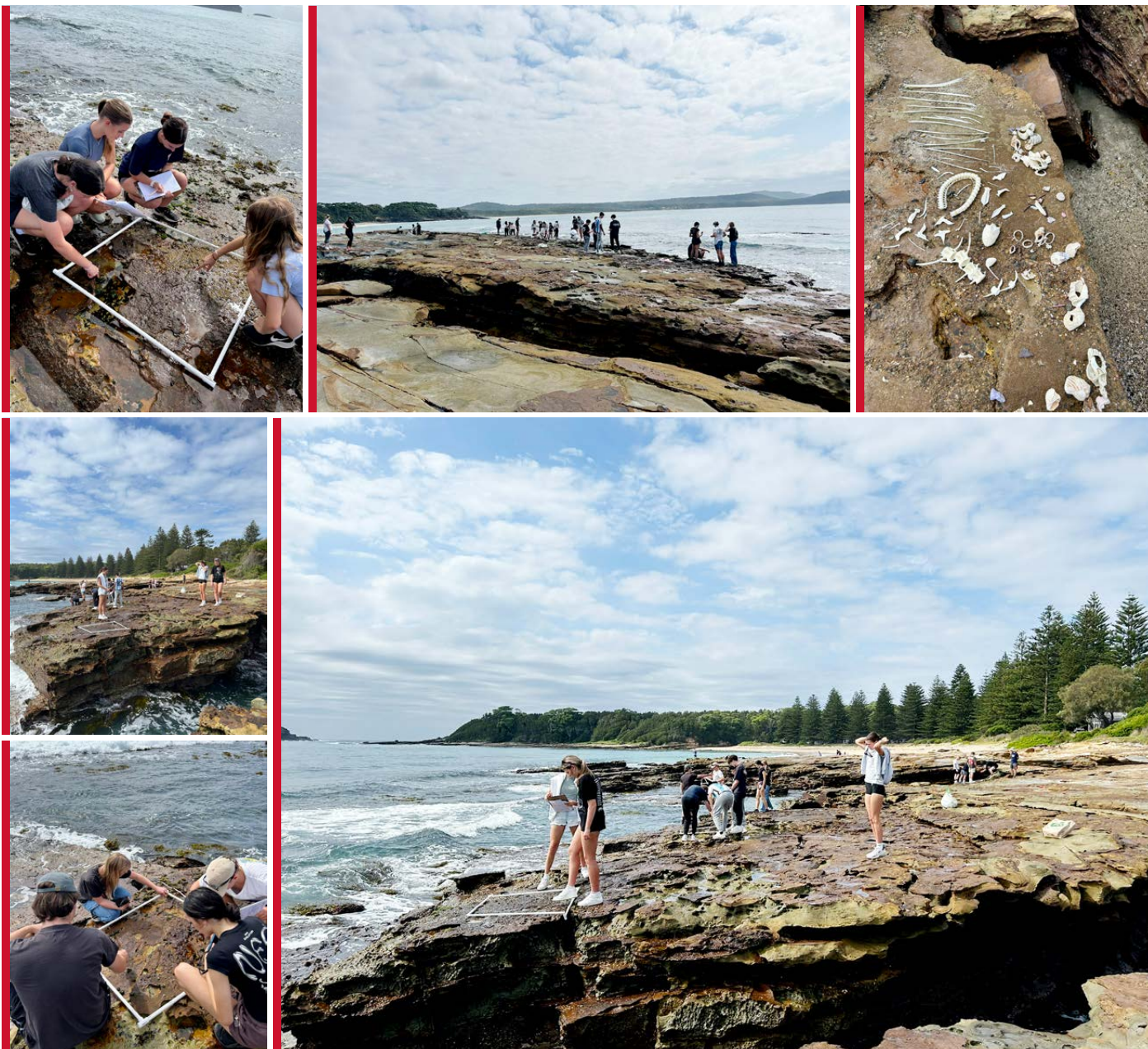
As they move further into the intertidal zone, the students focused on critical abiotic factors recognising their role in shaping the environment and influencing the physiology

of marine life. They meticulously identified organisms and accurately recorded how many of each can be observed with the aid of their trusty field guide.

Students returned to the classroom, eager to analyse their findings. They need to draw conclusions, uncovering patterns that reveal the intricate relationship between abiotic factors and intertidal life.

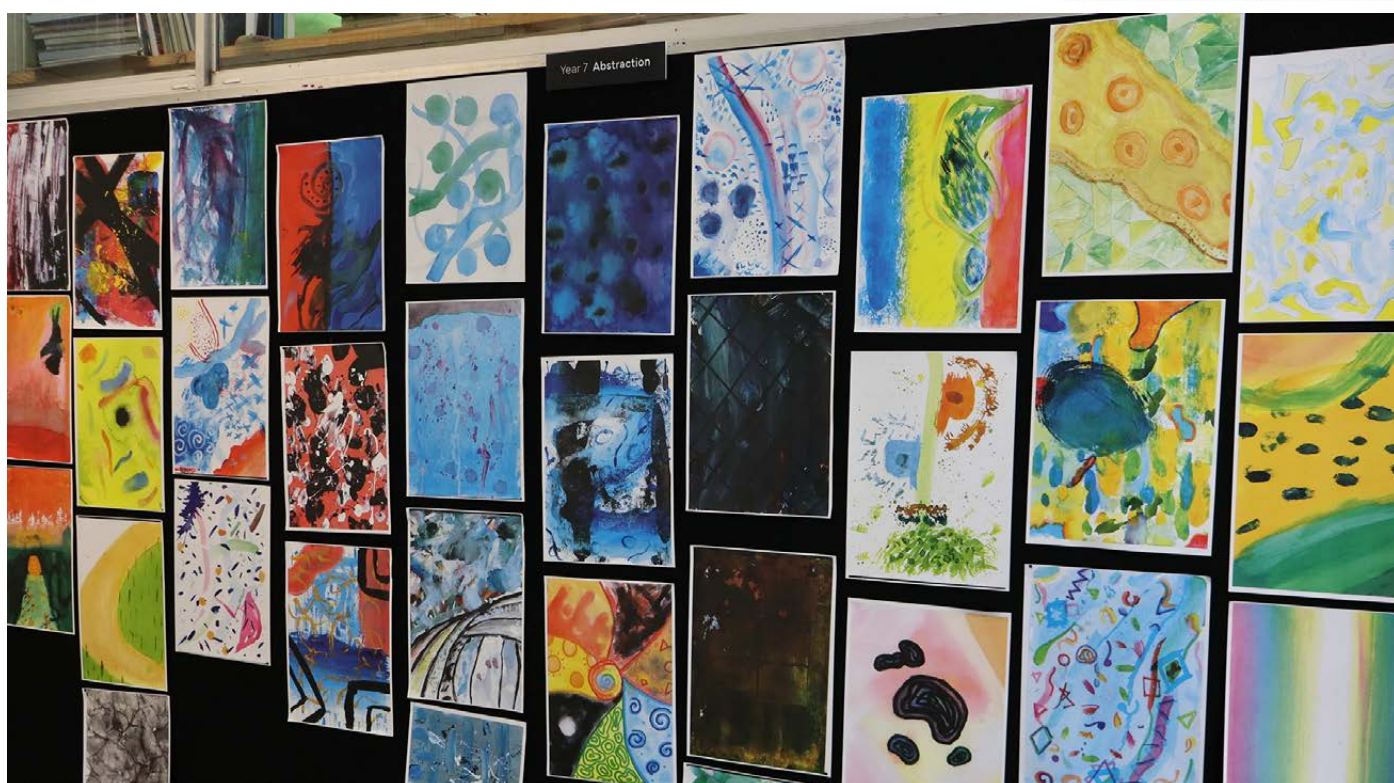
Their study yields valuable insights, highlighting the importance of understanding abiotic factors in the context of ecological research. By linking these abiotic data to observations of intertidal organisms, the students gain a deeper appreciation for the complex web of life that exists along the shoreline.

But perhaps more importantly, they leave the beach with a newfound sense of wonder and curiosity, inspired by the beauty and diversity of the natural world. As they continue their scientific journey, they carry with them the knowledge that even the hottest of days can offer cool discoveries, if only we take the time to look!



Visual Arts

In Year 7, students explore Art through learning about elements and principles of design. They use these concepts to make abstract paintings based on colour, shape and focal point. Students also explore different painting techniques to gain confidence making large paintings.

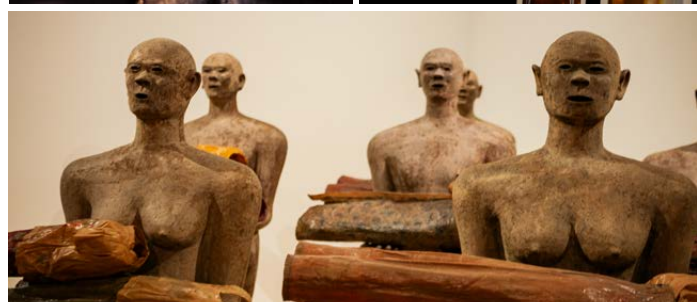
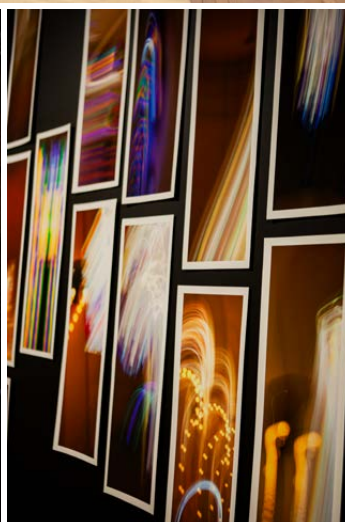
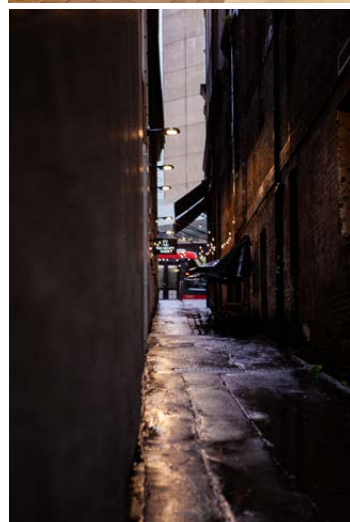


Visual Arts Cont...

Senior Art and Photography Excursion to Sydney

On Friday 5 April Year 11 and 12 Visual Art and Photography students travelled to Sydney to visit the Art Gallery of NSW and the Museum of Contemporary Art. Despite the torrential rain, the students were able to take some great photos of the city and look at the fabulous Art Express collection. The Art Express showcases the top HSC students from the year before. Visual Arts students find this very inspiring and learn a lot about how to prepare a body of work for an exhibition.

Ms Jo Howard – Visual Arts Coordinator



Performing Arts

Possibly the last performances in McCowage Hall and The Old Chapel Studio

At the end of the holidays and for the first two weeks of Term 2 we are presenting a Festival of Performance: One act plays and a short movie night.

Twenty-four student/actors from Years 9 - 12 plus crew are giving up holidays and down-time over weekends and evenings to create works of great significance from the past 150 years of art and theatre; plus a couple of new works by students and teachers!

Oh ... and you might find out what makes young movie makers tick with our Festival of Short Movies!

We have movies by former students, **Irena Reedy** and **Isabella Miller**; both of whom will do a Q&A on working in the movies.

You will discover our Festival of Performance focuses mainly on the surreal and the strange within all we know under the fluorescent mundanity of our everyday existence. Students are the rebellious energizers of our culture and society. In "The Bald Prima Donna" by Eugene Ionesco, for instance, they completely take control and direct and perform ... "Worms" was written by Year 12 student **Kathleen Dunkerley** and directed by her and **Aimee Perrett**. But in all the works, students release amazing energy and an underlying critique of their own worlds.

We also invite back to the Daramalan Theatre Company (DTC) **Helen Dickson** who is directing "The Zoo Story" by Edward Albee. **Ms Lucy Cronan** is directing another short Edward Albee play, "The Sandbox" featuring some brilliant musicianship from **Hannah Chi** (Year 9). **Ms Annette Brady** is managing the play "Worms". **Ms Elisha Smythe** is directing Chekov's "The Bear".

So come and take a look at what the DTC students are doing with modern classics and contemporary new works.

DTC might seem to be silent for much of the year, but the company is tapping into dreamscapes and significant works of art and theatre. There is much to choose from in our Festival of Performance. And your child could benefit greatly in advancing their interest and motivation in this area. So come early to a performance. Buy a drink from the bar and enjoy a snack. Treat yourself to possibly the last performances in McCowage Hall and The Old Chapel Studio before we set up in the amazing new spaces and theatre in the Isouddun Performing Arts Centre later this year.

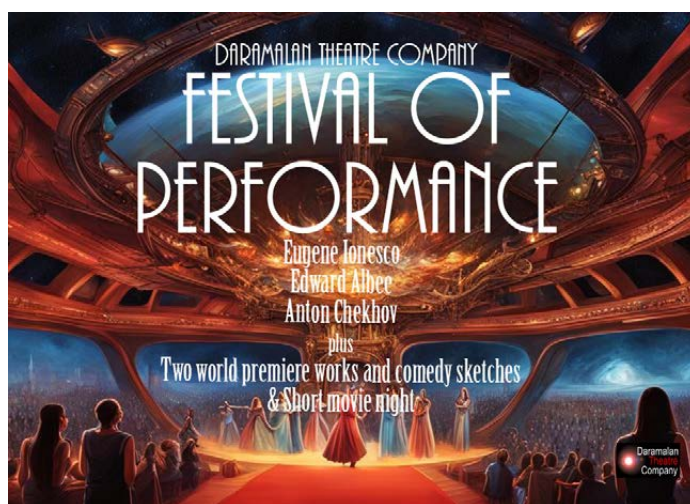
You can get a season ticket for all or any performances or purchase individual show tickets here:

<https://events.humanitix.com/dtc-festival-of-performance>

Don't forget, buy tickets for one show and see another on the same day for free. If the combination doesn't work for you, give me an email and I will work out something suitable.

Mr Joe Woodward

Performing Arts Coordinator



Heath and Physical Education

Year Ten PE Camp is a must do!

In Week 7 of Term 1, 60 Year 10 students took part in an optional PE camp to Shellharbour, New South Wales. The camp allows students to experience outdoor education and camping for 3 days and 2 nights.

This year, students took part in surfing, mountain biking, beach games, stand-up paddle boarding, canoeing, creating a meal, beach walking and on the last day going to Jamberoo water park. The students really enjoyed camp this year.

Archie Edwards - "My favorite part of camp was spending time with my mates, learning new skills and making meaningful connections with teachers and camp staff. The activities helped me step out of my comfort zone and experience new things, but overall, my favourite activity was the early morning surfing session, the sunrise was amazing."

Cael Heenan - "My favourite part of the Year 10 PE Camp was the free time after dinner, I enjoyed just

chilling and chatting with my mates. My favourite activity was Jamberoo because of the freedom and fun I had with mates."

Jasper Harris, Riley Wyeth and Cooper Power - "We really enjoyed the time we got to play games on the beach. We played a massive game of touch on the sand. We loved being able to prepare and cook our own meals on the Trangia stove. We also loved the bus ride down and back; we got a small bus with just our friendship group and two teachers...we had a great time."

Lucy Feild-Wilson - "My favourite part of the Year 10 PE Camp was the opportunities it provided, not only learning new things but making new friends. My favourite activities included the day at Jamberoo and the surfing lesson at sunrise."

Overall, camp provided an awesome opportunity to bond with mates, PE staff and camp staff, and it gave students many challenges and chances to show leadership and co-operation skills. We all had an amazing time, and the teachers played a big part in making it happen. On behalf of Year 10, we thank all teachers and especially Mr **Brendan Collis** who played a big part in providing us with all the amazing experiences that we will cherish forever.



Winter PE Uniform

As we enter the cooler months, it is a good time to check that students are prepared to participate in PE during the Canberra Winter.

The correct uniform for Physical Education lessons is as follows:

- Daramalan polo shirt
- Daramalan PE shorts
- Daramalan tracksuit

For added warmth, students are encouraged to wear a plain black or white long sleeve shirt or thermal underneath their polo shirt. Please note that hoodies (including the Daramalan Sport Hoodie) are not permitted in PE.

If your child does not have the Daramalan tracksuit, plain black tracksuit pants are acceptable (no other colours, patterns or logos).

Additionally, students are now permitted to wear plain black leggings to PE lessons. If your child would like to wear leggings for PE, they must meet the following criteria:

- Plain black (no other colours, patterns or logos)
- Completely opaque (not see-through)
- ¾ to full-length (below the knee)
- No "scrunch" style leggings

Please note, the College is investigating the possibility of introducing a warm outer layer for students to wear during practical PE lessons and when representing the College at Cocurricular sporting events. More information about this will be disseminated to families once this process is complete.

More information about the Uniform Shop opening hours and uniform price list can be found at <http://www.daramalan.act.edu.au/uniform-shop/>

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's PE teacher or myself if you have any questions or concerns about this information.

Ms Davina Harris

Physical Education / Health Coordinator

Cross Country

The 2024 Daramalan Cross Country Carnival was held at Stromlo Forest Park on Monday 25 March. The purpose-built facility was the perfect setting for some fierce competition. There was great representation of athletes from all age groups and Houses. Congratulations to all athletes that completed the 3km, 4km or 6km course. A big thank you to all the students and staff that made the day an enormous success.

Lara Dau - Sports Captain

Spirit Place Results

1st: Cuthbert

2nd: Lawson

3rd: Merrick

4th: Goolagong

House Cup results:

1st: Merrick

2nd: Cuthbert

3rd: Lawson

4th: Goolagong



Sport

Charlotte Canavan (Year 12) has been travelling to Sydney each week to train for the GWS Giants U19 and VFL sides. With the growth in the WAFL, this pathway has become very competitive with opportunities offered to the top performing players around the country. Charlie has recently recorded strong results for the U19 side:

Defeating AFL Canberra U22	13.8 (86) – 8.5 (53)
Defeating AFL Sydney U22	5.7 (37) – 5.4 (34)
Defeated by Swans U19	8.6 (54) – 11.9 (75)

After these solid performances Charlotte was selected to play in the GWS VFLW side in a televised game against Carlton. GWS defeated Carlton 43 – 35. More updates to come as the season progresses.



Congratulations to **Joseph Ryan** (Year 11) on his 3rd place in Barrel Racing at the Royal Easter Show. Joseph represented the region with pride, displaying great maturity and horsemanship.

Rugby

Despite the weather putting a dampener on things and forcing us to cancel the Shore games on Saturday 6 April, the Daramalan Rugby crew kept the spirit alive. The Vikings Gala Day went ahead as planned, with our 14 and 16 Girls teams braving the wet and windy conditions for a weekend of Rugby. We saw some stellar performances from our new Daramalan 14 Girls and exciting stuff from the 16 Girls, setting the stage for a massive year ahead for both teams.

On Thursday 11 April, we had a spectacular showdown between Daramalan 1st Girls, the 1st XV, and Canberra Grammar in the first-ever Mega Bowl of Rugby. It was a jam-packed afternoon of Rugby action. We appreciate the support shown for our growing senior program!

Coming up, on Saturday 13 April, we're heading over to Canberra Grammar for our final pre-season trial of the year. It's the last chance to fine-tune our game before the 2024 season kicks off. With each trial, we're one step closer to hitting the field at full throttle. So, let's keep that momentum going and gear up for an epic season of Rugby ahead!

13.04.2024		DARAMALAN	VS GRAMMAR
GAME TIMES			
9AM	Under 13 Boys division 2 (PNF Oval)		
10AM	Under 14 Boys mix team (Main Oval)		
11AM	Under 16 Boys (PNF Oval)		
11:30AM	Under 14 Girls (Main Oval)		
12:00PM	3rd XV (PNF Oval)		
12:30PM	Under 15 Boys mix team (Main Oval)		
1:30PM	Under 16 Girls (Main Oval)		
2:30PM	2nd XV (Main Oval)		



Basketball

We have seen the commencement of the BACT season over the past month with three grading games for the D1-D6 teams and the first three games of the season for our JPL teams. Over the holidays, BACT will grade all our D1-D6 teams into appropriate divisions based on the results of the grading games. First games back after the holidays will be the weekend of Friday 3 May – Sunday 5 May.

U18 National Championships

The Australian Under 18 Championships this year are held in Brisbane QLD, from Sunday 7 April to Sunday 14 April. Daramalan College has three of our students representing the ACT in this competition; **Edward O'Brien** (Year 12), **Hena Lomu** and **Achol Agok** (Year 11). Results for both these teams have been mixed so far, with the ACT teams coming up against some of the best talent Australia has to offer. There are still a few games left in the competition, best of luck for the remainder of the competition Edward, Hena and Achol.



U19 JPL Coach Profiles

We are extremely lucky that we have some of the best U19 JPL coaches in Canberra with club legend and Daramalan Basketball royalty **Dion Majstorovic** and Australian Basketball icon **Tina Stelzer**. Lets get to know them a bit better...

Name: Dion Majstorovic

Team: Under 19 JPL Boys

Playing History: I've played Basketball for over 10 years and played for over 5 years for Daramalan. In my final years at Daramalan College I was in the U19 JPL team and I am now currently playing for the Belconnen Ramblers in the BACT Senior Premier League competition.

Coaching History: I've been coaching for Daramalan since 2019. In recent years I have coached U16 JPL Boys, U19 Division 1 Boys and now U19 JPL Boys. **Career Highlight:** My buzzer beater game winning shot to make the Semi Finals and the first time I ever windmill dunked.

Goals for your team this season: Our goal for this season is to go all the way and win the championship. We have a talented group of boys and with enough determination and hard work I believe it's possible.

Advice to younger students who have ambitions of playing U19 JPL one day: From personal experience, I started my Basketball career in Division 4 and was later in Division 6. I then worked my way up the ranks year by year until I was placed into the Premier League squad. For players wanting to make JPL in the future, work on your own craft and be patient with yourself. Focus on what you can do to grow individually and as a teammate.



Basketball Cont...

Name: **Tina Stelzer**

Team: U19 JPL Girls

Playing History:

Junior

- Started playing when I was 13. Canberra Junior clubs – Ramblers, Wests
- ACT Junior State team – U14, U16, U18, U20 (1983 – 1989)
- AIS Scholarship Holder 1986, 1987 – WNBL and Continental Basketball Association (CBA) - CBA is now called NBL1
- All Australian Junior Squad – U18, U20 (1987 – 1989)

Senior

- Canberra Senior Div 1 Clubs – Wests, Woden Dodgers – (1985 – 1990)
- Canberra Capitals – 1988, 1989, 1990
- Townsville – 1994, 1995 (no WNBL team at that point, Northern CBA)
- Southern District Spartans – 1996, 1997 (Brisbane, Northern CBA)
- Townsville – 1998, 1999 (Northern CBA)
- QLD and VIC ADF State Women's Teams 1994 – 2004
- ADF National Team 1994 – 2004
- Greater Brisbane League 2014 – 2019

Coaching History:

- Numerous junior teams (Boys and Girls) in Canberra, Brisbane and Townsville over the past two decades.
- Greater Brisbane League Head Coach 2016 – 2019

- QLD Defence Women's Head Coach 2014 – 2019
- Australian National ADF Women's Coach and Assistant Coach, 2018 – 2020

Career Highlight: Winning 2 x CBA Conference League titles each with Southern Districts and Townsville.

Goals for your team this season: To win! More importantly though for my girls to grow and develop their game through positive learning and influences, and for them to have fun and become lifelong friends with their teammates.

Advice to younger students who have ambitions of playing U19 JPL one day:

Train how you would like to play. Have continuous determination to work on your weakest part of your skillset to improve your game. What will get you there is passion, an open mind and willingness to learn.



Daramalan Basketball Instagram Page

Please make sure you follow the Daramalan Basketball Instagram page for heaps of exciting videos, photos and important information throughout the season.





BASKETBALL TRAINING CAMP

2024 TERM 1 HOLIDAYS

WEDNESDAY 17 AND THURSDAY 18 APRIL 2024

LOCATION: Daramalan College Canberra,
121 Cowper St, Dickson

AGE GROUPS: Students in years 4,5,6 and 7

Drop off and pick up is in the foyer of the Daramalan College Sports Centre. Please enter the school via the Morphett St entrance and park closest to the oval. Then enter the school via the closest quad which will lead you to the sports centre. All instructors are highly experienced, many currently playing in the premier league BACT competition.

ARRIVAL & PICK UP TIMES

Arrive: Between 8.30am - 9am

Pick up: 4pm sharp

WHAT TO BRING/WEAR:

- Basketball training attire, rubber soled shoes
- A Basketball
- Packed lunch. (similar to school, please bring your own lunch and snacks every day in a clearly named lunch box or bag. Lunch shouldn't include any nuts or nut products). Please include food for afternoon tea as well. We will have some drinks and chocolates/ lollies for sale on the day
- Drink Bottle. (Please make sure it is named)
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WHAT NOT TO BRING: Avoid bringing items that you wouldn't want to get dirty, lost or broken. These items include iPad's and other electronic devices, watches and jewellery.

TYPICAL SCHEDULE

8.30-9am – Arrival/ Casual shootaround

9.00-9:20 – Introduction/ warm up and group allocations

9:20-10.00 – Session 1

10.00-10.30 – Recess

10.30 – 11:10 – Session 2

11.10 – 11.20 – Drinks break (instructors game)

11.20 – 12.00 – Session 3

12.00-1.00 - Lunch

1.00 – 1.40 – Session 4

1.40 – 1.50 – Drinks break (instructors game)

1.50 – 2.30 – Session 5

2.30-3.00 – Afternoon tea

3.00 – 3:45 – Full court games

3.45 – 4.00 – Warm down/ tidy up

4.00pm sharp – Pick Up

PAYMENT

\$65 per day, payments can be made using the following link:



Cricket

Daramalan Cricket End of Season Summary

The Cricket season has come to an end and our Daramalan teams can enjoy a break after their long and hard-fought Summer. Each team played exceptionally well with Boys Stage 2 Red and Boys Stage 3 Gold both making the finals, while Stage 3 Girls and Boys Stage 2 Black came excruciatingly close after some close on-field battles.

There were some remarkable performances throughout the season, with three players: **Thomas Inwood** (Year 10), **Jake Krause** (Year 11), and **Morgan Quinn** (Year 12 2023) taking 5+ wickets in a match, many scoring fifties, and Tom Inwood also making a score of 122 not out. **Alessia Montefiore-Gardner** (Year 11) finished the season with a record batting average of 570! While the statistics are great, the best performances came from each team working together each week, building camaraderie, and continuing to develop their game and mindset.

We finished the season on Tuesday 2 April with the Presentation Evening where players were all recognised for their efforts. **Thomas Inwood** was named Daramalan Player of the Year and **Doug Inwood** was named Club Person of the Year. Congratulations to all students who participated in the season and thank you to all parents and volunteers for making this season a successful one!

With the outdoor season wrapping up, the indoor season is just beginning. Congratulations to **Alessia Montefiore-Gardner** for her selection in the ACT U22's Women's Team, **Thomas** and **Liam Inwood** for their selection in the ACT U18's Boys Team, and **Cael Heenan** for his selection in the ACT U16's Boys Team.

Championship dates are:

2024 Australian Junior Championships

Date: **Sunday 7 July – Saturday 13 July**

Location: Casey Stadium, Cranbourne, Victoria

2024 Australian Open Championships

Date: **Saturday 29 June – Saturday 6 July**

Location: Casey Stadium, Cranbourne, Victoria

If you are looking for any information regarding playing Cricket at Daramalan as part of our Girls or Boys Squads, please contact Cricket Coordinator **Mr Callum Brown**: callum.brown@daramalan.act.edu.au



Rowing



Rowing Season 2023/24

The 2023/24 Rowing season wrapped up on Tuesday 2 April with our Presentation Evening. Rowers and their families enjoyed a BBQ and some gelato at the Daramalan Rowing Shed on Black Mountain Peninsula.

Congratulations to all our Rowers for another huge season, which included a pre-season camp in Nelligen, the annual Head of the Yarra 8km endurance race in Melbourne, ACT Championships in Canberra, Schools Head of the River in Penrith as well as five local regattas on Lake Burley Griffin.

Congratulations to **George Bowditch** (Year 12) who competed at the Australian National Championships, held in Penrith this year. George competed in the Under 21 Lightweight Men's Single Scull and qualified for the A Division Final.

2023/24 ROWING AWARDS

Year 8 Boys

Hudson Warren
Oliver Marangoni
Lachlan Hargreave

Year 8 Girls

Zoe Glover
Phoebe Needham

Year 9 Boys

Oliver Stephenson

Year 9 Girls

Emma Williams

Year 10 Boys

Rory Arneman
Tristan Tierney

Perpetual Award Winners:
Most Valuable Rower- **Scarlett Mansfield** (Year 9)

Most Improved Junior- **Alex Donaldson** (Year 8)

Ian Mongan Sculling
Encouragement- **George Bowditch** (Year 12)

Most Dedicated Rower- **Ronja Staerker- Ashby** (Year 11)

Coaches Cup- Year 9 Boys
Quad: **Patrick Curran, James Curran, Ben Axford, Sam Whittaker**

Cleaver Cup Most Successful Crew- Year 8 Girls Quad:
Emmy Cook, Kaylee Dyska, Phoebe Needham



Alumni

Daramalan College Community Trivia Night is coming!

Whether you're a trivia buff or just looking for a good time, drink, bite and gossip, this event promises to be an unforgettable experience for all!

Registration is available to individuals — we'll place you with a team — or to groups who wish to register together as a team. A team registration includes up to ten participants.

Either way, there will be fun, games, brain scratchers, snacks, drinks, amazing silent auction items, and great opportunities to meet some fun people! A complimentary drink will be offered on your arrival, starting at 6:30pm.

Legendary **Mr Ben McGee** hits the mic at 7pm.

Buy your tickets here: <https://events.humanitix.com/daramalan-community-trivia-night>

Hey, don't forget to BYO drinks and snacks! Oh yes, please bring along gold coins for a fundraising game as well!

All proceeds from the event will be donated to the College Scholarship Fund, which provides financial assistance to eligible families whose situation would exclude them from giving their child an MSC (Missionaries of the Sacred Heart) education.

If you want to help us by donating an auction item (eg. voucher, service you can provide, extravagant bottle of wine) or would be interested in volunteering on the day, please get in touch with **Ms Arina Yakovtseva** (arina.yakovtseva@daramalan.act.edu).

DARAMALAN COLLEGE COMMUNITY

TRIVIA Night

TICKETS:
 \$15 SINGLE
 \$130 TABLE

**FRIDAY
 MAY 17
 6:30PM**

**GAMES
 SILENT
 AUCTION**

**BYO
 DRINKS &
 SNACKS**

Dear Alumni!
 Please save the date for your reunion this year. More details and ticket sales links are coming soon. Please feel free to message us or send an email to alumni@daramalan.act.edu.au if you have any questions.

ALUMNI REUNIONS 2024

SAVE THE DATES

SAT	TBA (Back to Dara Day)	HERITAGE CLUB REUNION All peer years who graduated in 1974 or prior
SAT	26 OCT	1994 YEAR REUNION
SAT	2 NOV	1984 YEAR REUNION
SAT	2 NOV	2004 YEAR REUNION
SAT	9 NOV	2014 YEAR REUNION
SAT	16 NOV	2023 YEAR REUNION

Careers News

DARAMALAN CAREERS WEBSITE

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



Lillian Bailey, Chloe Pothergill, Lachlan Hynd, Thomas Walsh, Jesse Browne and George Covey

Charles Sturt University Explore Day

Year 11 and 12 students were given the opportunity to travel to Wagga Wagga for the Charles Sturt University Explore Day. Students were able to explore the campus and attend information sessions and mini lectures on their areas of interest. It was a great opportunity for students to experience and explore university life.

Engineers Australia – Visit an Engineer

Daramalan students were invited to GHD Engineering in Canberra as part of the 'Visit an Engineer' program with Engineers Australia. A group of Year 10 students participated in an engineering challenge, working to a design brief and with a budget, to build a model life-saving platform

Sophie Perrett, Hayley Parkinson and Matilda Keefe - Team Ferrari



for a flooded town. Congratulations to team Ferrari whose platform was the tallest and rescued over 40 'people'.



White card training
Students demonstrating the correct use of PPE during their White Card training with Master Builders ACT.

Careers News

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 22 May University of Canberra Explore Day for Year 12 students (registration link emailed to Students)

ANU Direct Applications for Study in 2025

ANU direct applications are now open and close on **Monday 13 May**. Direct applications are free and allow students to apply for admission, scholarships and accommodation in one application. Please contact **Ms Brady** in the Careers Hub if you have any questions or if you need any assistance with the process.

ACU New Courses and Guided Visits

Do you want to explore the campus and discuss your study options, including the NEW Speech Pathology and Occupational Therapy courses at ACU Canberra? [Book here](#)

Charles Sturt University

CSU Agriculture and Environmental Science Information Night

Date: **Tuesday 28 May**

Time: 6pm – 7:30pm

Where: Online

Registrations are now open. Discover where an Agriculture or Environmental Science career can take you. Learn about courses and facilities, meet our expert team, hear from current students, learn about scholarships and more.

[Register here.](#)

CSU Making it in Media Workshop

Date: **Friday 21 June** (Year 11 and 12)

Where: Bathurst

Are you passionate about news, journalism, media, advertising, PR or content creation? We will be welcoming Year 11 and 12 students to our Bathurst campus in June to experience a media focused workshop. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. Registrations will be open soon.

University of Newcastle Early Entry Applications Open Monday 8 April

Applications for University of Newcastle's Early Entry Program are now open for Semester 1, 2025. The free Early Entry Program means eligible students can receive an offer to study at the University of Newcastle before the end of Year 12. For eligibility requirements and to apply visit: <https://www.newcastle.edu.au/early>.

University of Newcastle – Joint Medical Program Information Session

The Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (The JMP®) is a five-year degree jointly delivered by the University of Newcastle and University of New England, supported by Hunter New England Local Health District and Central Coast Local Health District. On Wednesday 8 May hear about the JMP. [Register here.](#)

Daramalan Work Experience Program

Students in Years 10 to 12 can undertake work experience

Careers News Cont...

placements with the approval of the College. Finding an employer is the responsibility of the student and there must be a meeting with Ms 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.

University of Canberra Story Ground for Secondary Students

Story Ground for Secondary Students is an exciting creative writing course for students in Years 10, 11 and 12. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students are encouraged to register. Students will be guided by Dr Paul Collis, author of *Dancing Home* (a novel) and *Nightmares Run Like Mercury* (poetry), to understand how Aboriginal ways of knowing, being and valuing are connected to story.

Date: **Thursday 18 April and Friday 19 April**

Time: 9:30 am-1:30 pm

Location: UC Bruce Campus

Cost: Free!

ADF Careers and work experience

ADF Careers Open Day – Saturday 13 April, Portsea Oval (Canberra). This is your opportunity to discover the range of jobs available in the Navy, Army and Air Force, ranging from (but not limited to) Trades, Transport, Logistics, Engineering and Combat.

[See here for other upcoming events and info sessions.](#)

[For information on available Defence Work Experience opportunities see here.](#)

Work experience at the Australian Museum

The Australian Museum high school work experience program offers you the chance to explore a variety of careers including Science and Cultural Research, Education, Public Programming, Curatorial and Exhibition Design, Marketing, Communications and Corporate Services. How do I apply? Contact **Ms Brady** for the details. Applications close on **Friday 3 May**.

MedEntry

Students interested in pursuing Medicine and Dentistry need to sit the UCAT test in July/August 2024. MedEntry is a government-accredited Registered Training Organisation specialising in UCAT preparation. For more information, please visit <https://www.medentry.edu.au/>

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. <https://www.medentry.edu.au/resources/free-resources#free-bootcamp>.

UCAT 2024 Registration is Now Open

Candidates taking the UCAT ANZ in 2024 for entry to universities in Australia and New Zealand in 2025 should note the following key dates.

UCAT ANZ 2024 Key Dates

UCAT BOOKING OPENED via ucat.edu.au 5-Mar-2024

Concession application deadline 10-May-2024

Access Arrangements application deadline 17-May-2024

BOOKING DEADLINE 17-May-2024

Late UCAT booking deadline 31-May-2024

Late Access Arrangements application deadline 31-May-2024

FINAL Late booking deadline 5-Jun-2024

Cancellation deadline 10-Jun-2024

Testing begins 1-Jul-2024

Last testing date 9-Aug-2024

Results delivered to universities - By early September 2024

Competitions and Challenges

Australian Virtual Astronaut (AVA) Challenge

Complete a 9 step STEM design sprint based on challenges facing NASA's Artemis and the Australian space industry.

Wombat Books Illustration Challenge 2024

Wombat Books are seeking original illustrations from Australian school-aged students (aged 5-18) to publish in a unique picture book.

The Rubbish Film Festival Competition

The Rubbish Film Festival emphasises the importance of collective action in nurturing students' dedication to a more sustainable future.

Microsoft Imagine Cup Junior

An exciting opportunity for students aged 5 to 18 years old to learn about technology and how it can be used to solve some of the world's biggest challenges.

Owlypia Online

Ignite your intellectual curiosity by diving into Owlypia Online, a thrilling international knowledge competition for 9-18 year-olds!

Harmony Day 'What can we do?'

The Harmony Day competitions are open to all Primary and Secondary School students in Australia with great prizes to be won. The 2024 theme is 'What can we do?' Poster: A3 drawing, painting or mixed media work. Songwriting: An original 2 minute song about the theme. Short Film: AVI or MP4 format.

JMC Academy Canvas Art/Mocktails/Monologue/Songwriting

JMC Academy has four (4) competitions currently open for high school students to enter – with great prizes. Submit here: <https://www.jmccademy.edu.au/competitions/>.

2024 National History Challenge

The National History Challenge is a research-based competition for students. It gives students a chance to be historians, researching world history, examining Australia's past, investigating their community or exploring their own roots. The theme for 2024 is "Crisis and Response".

JOBS BOARD

Refrigeration and Airconditioning – Apprentice

Highland AC&R is looking for a first-year Apprentice. Contact Josh on 0405 205 053 for more information or email a resume to Joshua@highlandacr.com

National Film and Sound Archive – Full Time

Traineeship for a First Nations Young Person [Collection and Conservation Trainee - Acton – AFL Sportsready](#)
Applications close Sunday 21 April.

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 arina.yakovtseva@daramalan.act.edu.au or phone 6163 6523 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.

This week we are delighted to present the following businesses. [To search all advertisers, please use this link.](#)

Thank you for supporting our community!



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10 Castagna Street, Strathnairn ACT 2615

T: 0468 316 764

W: www.avantifootball.com

E: info@avantifootball.com

C: Vince Cosentini

F: [Facebook](#)

I: [Instagram](#)

NEW



Scooby-Doodles Art Club

Fun art classes for children aged 6-12 at Downer Community Centre, ACT. Activities include a mix of theory and hands on practice. Classes take place on Fridays after school. Please check our artwork on social media!

PO Box 237, Fyshwick ACT 2609

Downer Community Centre, Frencham PI, Downer, ACT

E: scoobydoodlesart@gmail.com

F: [Facebook](#)

I: [Instagram](#)

NEW



BRILLIANT STARS
EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Brilliant Stars Early Learning Centre

Brilliant Stars Early Learning Centre, purpose built, providing quality care and education for 32 children aged 2-5 years old.

19 Moncrieff Street, Dickson ACT 2602

T: (02) 6182 1823

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ACT Cabs	Hamza Muhammad	www.actcabs.com.au
AllClass Carpet & Upholstery Care	Peter Nassar	www.allclasscarpetcare.com.au
Australian National Character Check	Hamza Muhammad	www.australiannationalcharactercheck.com.au
Avanti Football Academy	Vince Cosentini	www.avantifootball.com
Bridge Strata	Craig Bowditch	www.bridgestrata.com.au
Brilliant Stars Early Learning Centre	Riccardo Martiniello	www.brilliantstarselc.com
Canberra Spine Centre	Rebeckah Reynolds	www.spinecentre.com.au
CBR Recruitment	Adam Kowalski	www.cbrrecruitment.com.au
Corver and Co Chartered Accountants	Trevor Corver	www.corverandco.com.au
Country 2 City Metal Roofing	Chris	www.country2citymetalroofing.com.au
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FERST	Gary Cheeseman	www.ferst.com.au
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Griffin Legal	Claire Carton	www.griffinlegal.com.au
Holly Komorowski – home.byholly	Holly Komorowski	www.homebyholly.com.au
Kevin's Auto Repairs	Mark Nuessler and Liesl Hussey	Phone: 6280 6994
Live Better Nutrition	Jeanette Ryan	www.livebetternutrition.com.au
Orthodontics Canberra	Vicki Boyd	www.ortho.net.au
Pacific Facilities Maintenance	Justin Hyland	www.pacificfm.com.au
Pinnacle Driving School	Lisa Murphy	www.Pinnacledrivingschool.com.au
Q1 Dental Care	Dr Susan Leonera-Salazar	www.q1dentalcare.com.au
Ray White Rural Canberra-Yass	Simon or George Southwell	www.raywhiteruralyasscanberra.com.au
Scooby Doodles Art Club	Arina Yakovtseva	scoobydoodlesart@gmail.com
Sentinel Security & Technology Group	Aaron Butt	www.sstg.com.au
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