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Upcoming events

27 September

End of Term 3
Music Tour Melbourne Departs

2 October

Music Tour Melbourne Returns

7 October

Labour Day Public Holiday

12 October

Opening Night 'The Heart' Issoundun
Performing Arts Centre

14 October

Students return
Year 10 Immunisation McCowage Hall

14 October

Year 10 Immunisation McCowage Hall

17 October

O'Brien House Charity Event

18-20 October

'The Heart' Issoundun Performing Arts
Centre

20-22 October

Leadership Camp

25 October

Commissioning of Issoundun Wing
Chevalier Day Liturgy

28 October

School Fees Due
6pm Music Performance Evening

1 November

Visual Arts Exhibition Opening



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From the Principal



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

As the term comes to an end and the warm weather is upon us, there has been no shortage of activity and buzz about the College.

Over the past few weeks, Year 9 and 10 have participated in their Reflection Days, the DaraSevens competition was a hard fought intellectual battle in the final between Lawson and Merrick, and we celebrated National Health and PE Day with activities and healthy smoothies. I can hardly believe that we are already at the end of Term 3, and I am sure if the year so far is anything to go by, we will soon be at the end of another school year, wondering where the time has disappeared to.

Last Friday we had the pleasure of announcing our 2025 Student Leaders at our whole-school Leadership Assembly. The Leaders announced join a rich history of outstanding leaders who have served the Daramalan community. I would like to acknowledge all of the students who applied and put themselves forward to be considered for a leadership position in 2025, be it as a Peer Support Leader, House Captain, Portfolio or College Captain. We are truly blessed as a community to have the depth of talent and willingness of our students who value and take on these roles. To those students who were not successful in obtaining a formal leadership role, know that leadership exists across all facets of our community and you do not need to hold a formal leadership position to lead. The full list of our 2025 Leaders can be found later in this edition of Daranews.

Charity Walk



From the Principal

As a College founded in the traditions of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, we are part of the larger Chevalier family that extends across the globe. I have written before about the founder of the MSCs, Fr Jules Chevalier and the important place that he holds in not only our community, but MSC communities and schools around the world. Jules Chevalier first dreamed of a group of people dedicated to the Heart of Jesus who would bring a message of love and hope. From the beginning, Fr Chevalier understood the Devotion to the Sacred Heart in a broad sense. He lived it as a spirituality that comprised all aspects of faith, religion and daily life- social life as well as personal life. Fr Hans Kwakman msc, wrote that "Fr Chevalier practiced the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus by wholeheartedly engaging himself in the occupations of his daily life...his spirituality was practical and down to earth." We should not, however, according to Fr Kwakman, put him on a pedestal. "He was an ordinary man with ordinary talents. He had flaws in his character, and he certainly made mistakes in carrying out his leadership functions. However, what made him special was his total commitment to the cause of Jesus, whom he called "the Sacred Heart". He devoted himself without reserve to the spreading of the Devotion to the Sacred Heart, so that Jesus, the Sacred Heart, would be known and loved, everywhere." That is why we are here today as a Catholic College in the MSC tradition.

Each and every day I see examples of unassuming, servant leadership, just as Fr Chevalier envisaged when he established the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, through the actions of our students, staff and wider community. From the House and Social Justice group fundraising and raising awareness, sleeping out for the Vinnies Sleepout,

walking around Lake Burley Griffin as part of the Charity Walk, through to coming along on a weekend to support the College's sporting teams, our Eagle mascot front and centre, as they reach the finals in their respective sports. I am constantly humbled by the capacity of our community to live and truly epitomise our MSC ethos and charism.

At our assembly, we heard from Canberra Raider, **Jamal Fogarty**, and the importance of family in shaping his leadership both on and off the sporting field. We were also able to recognise four of our unassuming leaders through the Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Awards and the ADF Future Innovator Awards. These awards were presented by **Leading Aircraftman Max Kaval**. Congratulations to the recipients of the Long Tan Award for Leadership and Teamwork, **Lachlan English** (Year 12) and **Aidan Wunsch** (Year 10), and the ADF Future Innovator Award, **Kenneth Le** (Year 12) and **Thomas Neighbour** (Year 10). The assembly also provided an opportunity for me to present three of our students with Principal Awards in recognition of their Australian representation: **Luka Jukic** (U16 Football), **Tom Covey** (U15 Hockey), and **Charlotte Seymour** (Fonteyn Ballet).

Charity Walk

On Friday 13 September we were able to hold our annual Charity Walk along an adjusted course around Lake Burley Griffin. The change to the route to incorporate Weston Park and end at the College Rowing Shed was well received by both students and staff on the day, many of whom commented that it was more scenic than the traditional course. The monies raised through donations will be distributed to two charities: MacKillop House and St Nick's Young Carers Program. I would like to acknowledge the work of **Mr James Keeley**, **Ms Jacqui Dimmock** and the



National Health and PE Day



Lawson wining Dara Sevens



Announcing the 2025 College Leaders



Students in Year 10 retreat

From the Principal

College Maintenance team in bringing together the day. We were also joined by a number of parent volunteers. Our thanks are extended to the P&F Committee who once again have supported the event through their generous donation to cover the costs of the day. There is still an opportunity to donate. Donations can be made on QKR. We will be presenting the monies raised to our two charities at our assembly early next term.

Year 12 AST Examinations

I would like to commend the Year 12 Tertiary students on the manner in which they sat their AST Examinations on Tuesday 3 September and Wednesday 4 September. The feedback from the external supervisors was that they were once again extremely impressed by the maturity of our students. The students were positive and upbeat both before and after the exams. Our thanks are extended to the Pastoral Team who were on hand to provide the traditional breakfasts each morning which contributed to the positive and community feeling amongst the group. I would like to acknowledge the work of **Ms Heike Craig** and **Mr Nic Whatman** in ensuring that the students were well-prepared for the exams. A large number of our students have since received early offers to university, however, it was pleasing to observe that the students still recognised the significance that these exams play in the two-year process towards the calculation of an ATAR.

2025 Enrolments

We have a significant number of families seeking places in each of our year groups for 2025 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.

Student Leave Requests

As we move into the final term of the school year, 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.



Students at the Annual Charity Walk

From the Principal

Parking, Blocking Driveway Access, No Stopping Zones and Supporting Student Safety

Access Canberra have continued to monitor speeding and parking by mobile speed vans and licence plate recognition vehicles around the College, and I anticipate that this will continue into the new school term. 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.

I would like to reiterate 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 or enter 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/stopping area.

Uniform Shop and Term 4 Uniform

The College Uniform Shop opening hours for the holiday period can be found on the College Website at [Uniform Shop](#). Students should return for Term 4 in their Summer uniform. Can I please remind families that the length of dresses and skirts should be worn to the knee. There is also the option for girls to wear shorts for Terms 1 and 4. As your student may have experienced a growth spurt over Winter, I would encourage families to check their Summer uniforms

early in the holiday break to enable replacement uniforms to be purchased prior to the return to school.

Holiday Hours

During the holiday period from **Monday 30 September – Friday 11 October**, 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 14 October** at 8.45am.

Staffing

On Monday 26 August, Federal Government legislation regarding the right of workers to disconnect came into force. The College respects this legislative right of our staff to disconnect to maintain their work-life balance and their overall wellbeing. Families and students may therefore find that staff may choose not to respond to email or communications outside of their work hours, that is, after 5pm and before 8am on weekdays, and not at all on a weekend or during school holidays.

We will have a small number of staff changes at the end of this term. **Ms Kathy Pollard** will be on leave for the remainder of the year, as will **Ms Sally Bunday** who commences her maternity leave this week. We extend our thanks to **Mr Bill Phelan** who will once again be resuming his retirement at the end of this term. At the start of Term 4, we will be welcoming back **Ms Marlena Nitsche** from her leave and thank **Mr Kyle Steemson** for his work as acting Assistant Mathematics Coordinator for the term. We will also be welcoming two new additions to our College Counselling team in Term 4, **Ms Manar Arabani** and **Mr Tianya Wang**.

I would also like to thank **Mr James Hollis** (O'Brien House Coordinator), **Mr Matt Maggs** (HASS Coordinator), **Ms Caitlin Semmler** (Merrick House Coordinator), **Mr Angus Balmaks** (Merrick PCA), **Mr Callum Brown** (Goolagong



Charity Walk

From the Principal

PCA), **Mr Marty Capon** (Sports Coordinator), and **Mr John Gale** (Assistant Sports Coordinator) who have stepped in to acting positions in the final weeks of this term. **Mr Shaun Warren** has stepped into the Acting PE and Health Coordinator position for Weeks 10 and 11, and **Mr Gus Wijnberg** has taken on the House Coordinator and PCA positions for Phillip House during this time.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate **Mr Jason Paris** and **Ms Melinda Cashman** who have both achieved Highly Accomplished registration with the ACT Teacher Quality Institute. The process to be recognised as a Highly Accomplished teacher is a comprehensive one involving the completion of a portfolio against the AITSL Teaching Standards and a site visit and observations by external assessors. We are very fortunate as a College to have a number of staff who have undertaken this process in the past few years and who are recognised as Highly Accomplished.

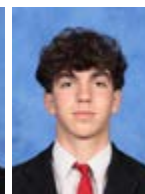
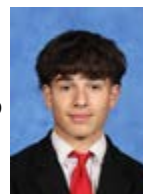
Student Achievements

Congratulations to:

- All of the players, coaches, managers, umpires and volunteers who were recognised at the recent Winter Sport Presentation Evenings. Each of these evenings were a wonderful celebration of the seasons that have just come to a close. I urge you to read more about these evenings in the Sports Section of this edition of Daranews. I would like to thank the Convenors of our Winter sports for their work in ensuring that the seasons were successes: **Mr John Gale** (Basketball), **Mr Stuart Dix** (Hockey), **Mr Angus Balmaks** (Netball), and **Mr Ben McGee** (Rugby Union). I would also like to thank the staff who gave up their weekends to support our SnowSport students this season: **Mr James Keeley**, **Mr Dean Parkes**, **Mr Brendan Collis**, **Ms Sophie Peacock**, **Ms Eve Fitzpatrick** and **Mr Anderson Clark**.
- The College Jazz and Concert Bands who were awarded first place in their respective categories at the Wagga Eisteddfod. The College Choir was awarded second place for their performance.
- Pearl Tein** (Year 11) who was successful in being offered a position on the SD Eibar Femenino football team in Spain (San Sebastian) following an invitation to attend a training camp at the beginning of this term.
- James Clark** (Year 10) who has been competing at the National Gymnastics competition.
- Hannah Blackwell** (Year 12) on being selected to be part of a Modern Pentathlon camp this month.
- Lily Steinman** (Year 11) has been selected to attend an international Equestrian Vaulting exchange program in Germany later this year.



- Andreas Kaskoutas** and **Elliott Head** (Year 8) who have been selected as part of the ACT Football Squad to compete in Melbourne.



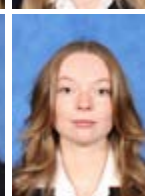
- Milla Lane** (Year 7) who has been competing as a member of the ACT U14 Basketball team at the National championships.



- Matthew Huckstepp** (Year 11) whose design was voted the People's Choice design in the Light Rail Safety Week competition.



- Lily Quigley, Mia Cooper, Imogen Morse, Eleanor Osmotherley** (Year 11) and **Georgia Patterson** (Year 10) who took out the 2024 AFL Women's Rising Starts (U18s) premiership with Ainslie Football Club. Lily, Mia, Imogen and Georgia also made AFL Canberra's 2024 Women's Rising Stars (Under 18s) Team of the Year, with Mia and Georgia also sharing in the League's Best and Fairest whilst Imogen took out the League's Leading Goal Scorer.



- We also continue to have a large number of students who are currently representing the ACT as part of the Raiders Touch Football squads, and also representing the ACT at the beginning of next term at the National Oztag championships in Brisbane.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge and thank each of the staff members who have given up their break to accompany our students either on interstate tours or here at the College as part of the intensive rehearsals or sporting camps. We also wish our five staff members who are travelling to Issoudun, France over the break to walk in the footsteps of Fr Jules Chevalier safe travels. They will be completing this formation pilgrimage with staff from the Chevalier Institute and the three other MSC Colleges.

I wish the remainder of our community a relaxing and a restful holiday break and I look forward to welcoming students back on **Monday 14 October**.

Best wishes,

Rachel Davies
Principal

Leadership Assembly

2025 College Captains

Harrison Labouchardiere
Tayla Holt



Arts and Culture
Kayla Reimitz



Environment
Georgina Geary



Mission
Natalie Gordon



Social Justice
Sophie Neighbour



Sport
Jacob Eaton



Community and Connection
Ruby Gifford

House	Captain
Cuthbert	Hayden Greenwood Emily Rasmussen
Farrer	Angus Pack Mini White
Goolagong	Jesse Browne Emily Olive
Lawson	George Covey Tahlia Wullaert
Lyons	Lachlan Hynd Remy Frawley
Merrick	Matthew Henderson Madeleine Taylor
O'Brien	Sebastian Abbondante Charlotte Morris
Phillip	Ronja Staerker-Ashby Sarah Bassett

Peer Support Leaders

Cuthbert

Joseph Garreffa
Hunter Harrison
Anthony Dowling
Ema-Luisa Finau
Anika Oswald
Grace Matchett

Farrer

Sam Green
Lily Clark
Ella Higginbotham
Ryley Power
Luke Cullen
Lola White

Goolagong

Lucas Olive
Joshua Jenkins
Harry McIntyre
Madeleine Crispe
Grace Tansley
Zoe Buckman

Lawson

Tom Covey
James Curran
Samuel Peacock
Vitoria Skinner
Julianna Lulic
Angela Lulic

Lyons

Spencer Mostyn
Marcus Ambler
Samuel Whittaker
Charlie Cassidy
Eliza Lawton
Emma Daly

Merrick

Thor Hauberg
Hayden Erwin
Oliver Knoke
Isabella Geary
Skylar Farrugia
Elliott Barnes

O'Brien

Kristian Slatter
Ebenezer Arthur
Hamish Donovan
Ruby Jeremenko
Evelyn Nicholls
Amy Donaldson

Phillip

Cooper Leslie
Jacob Dau
Neve Luckie
Imogen Vickery
Ruby Livermore
Sophia Papanicolaou

School News

SCHOOL FEES

Term 4 School Fees will be emailed on Tuesday 1 October. Payment is due by Monday 28 October unless you are on a payment plan.



What To Do If You Need Assistance While Travelling on Light Rail

Could Parents and Carers whose students use the light rail please read this information with their students:

<https://cmet.com.au/what-to-do-if-you-need-assistance-while-travelling-on-light-rail/>

UNIFORM SHOP SCHOOL HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS

Wednesday 9 October 10am to 4pm

Thursday 10 October 10am to 4pm

Friday 11 October 10am to 4pm



CANTEEN NEWS

Dear Parents,

With recent cost increases, we have been forced to increase the cost of some of the items in the canteen. Please note some of the following increases:

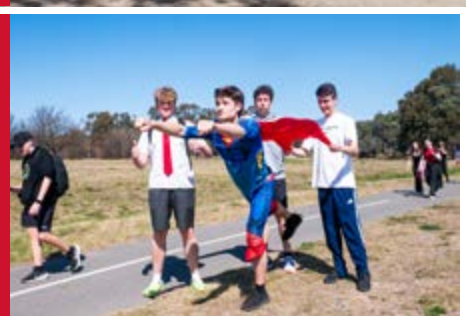
- Hash Browns \$2:50
- Pies \$5:00
- Sausage Rolls \$4:50
- Sandwiches \$5:00
- Wraps \$7:50

As always, we have endeavoured to keep prices down as much as we can and to provide a healthy and affordable option for students.

Thank you for your understanding.
The Parents & Friends Committee

Charity Walk

The charity walk around the lake was a resounding success, with participants coming together to raise funds for St Nicks and MacKillop House. The atmosphere was filled with camaraderie and enthusiasm, as walkers enjoyed the scenic views while making a positive impact. While the event was a triumph, it's not too late to contribute! Donations are still being accepted and every bit helps to further the mission. Donations can still be made through QKR.



Counselling Hub

A Focus on Meaningful Self-Care for Better Wellbeing and Mental Health

Article source and extra tips: <https://toolkit.lifeline.org.au/articles/techniques/self-care-for-mental-health-and-wellbeing>

It has no doubt been a very busy Term 3 for all of our Daramalan students, staff and families. With many academic and co-curricular activities occurring, many are looking forward to some recharge time during the upcoming term break. For others, a break from school can present its own challenges with the changes to routines, time spent with friends, etc.

The Counselling Team would like to recommend this 'toolkit' article from Lifeline about the importance of self-care and how to find meaningful self-care opportunities. Whether you undertake these individually, with a group of friends, with your family or with other trusted people, we encourage each member of our Daramalan family to explore how to cultivate and engage in more self-care over the next few weeks.

Self-care for mental health and wellbeing (article by Lifeline)

What is self-care?

Self-care is the practice of taking care of ourselves so that we can stay physically, mentally and emotionally well.

While we all have different ways of practising self-care, the ultimate goal is to make sure we spend time doing things that:

- Make us feel happy and healthy
- Lower our risk of disease and illness
- Help us manage **stress** or cope during challenging times
- Allow us to feel physically and psychologically safe
- Promote strong **social connections**.

Sometimes, self-care activities don't require much thought - like brushing our teeth or having a coffee with a friend.

But other self-activities are more deliberate - like **taking time away from technology**, **journaling our thoughts and feelings**, or **booking an appointment with a therapist**.

Ultimately, a self-care activity is something that fills our 'wellbeing cup' instead of emptying it.

Why is self-care important?

An easy way to understand the importance of self-care is to think of yourself as a laptop computer. It doesn't matter if you spend the entire day using it to study for exams, play a game, or host a video conference for work, at some point, you're going to have to recharge the battery.

But of course, we can't just plug ourselves into a power point ...

Instead, we recharge by:

- **Sleeping** enough
- Eating well
- Moving our bodies
- **Connecting with people**
- Doing activities we enjoy.

These five areas (**sleep**, nutrition, movement, **connection**

and fun) are proven to have huge impacts on our mental health and wellbeing, which is why being proactive about your self-care can be so beneficial.

Benefits of self-care

On top of making sure our basic needs are being met, self-care helps us stay focused on the things that matter to us, establish personal and professional boundaries, and find support when something challenging comes up.

Self-care can:

- Enable us to build strong **social connections** and form **healthy relationships**
- Prevent burnout by encouraging us to get enough **quality sleep** and adopt sustainable work/study/volunteer habits
- Help us manage people and situations that may make us feel **stressed** and overwhelmed
- Give us ways to manage the symptoms of mental health conditions like **anxiety**, **depression** and **trauma**
- Give us ways to cope and adapt when facing challenges like **relationship problems**, **financial stress**, **grief** or an **extreme weather event**.

Making time for self-care can be difficult, especially when you're working full-time, studying or raising a family (or doing all those things at once!).

It can also be difficult to make self-care a priority if you don't feel like you deserve it or it won't make a difference. Feeling unworthy, undeserving, or hopeless can sometimes be signs of **low self-esteem**. If this sounds like you, please know that everyone deserves time and space to practise self-care.

Remember - self-care isn't selfish.

We know self-care is important for good mental health and wellbeing, which is why you never need to feel guilty about making it a priority.

With that being said, when you're **stressed**, **depressed**, or just feeling a bit flat, it can be difficult to find the energy to even think of how you can practise self-care.

Having a pre-prepared self-care plan, like a **self-care box**, can be helpful when moments like these hit unexpectedly. This is because it removes the pressure of needing to think about what to do during tough times.

Finding the right self-care for you

Even though a self-care activity like cuddling puppies might be something a lot of people would enjoy, it's likely that what fills your cup won't fill someone else's.

And contrary to what someone on social media might tell you, self-care doesn't have to involve expensive moisturiser, a remedial massage, or an expensive gym membership. In fact, it doesn't have to cost a thing.

Here are some examples of self-care choices you can make that are free:

- Saying no to a late night out
- Taking time to cook a nice meal
- Going for a walk before work
- Calling a friend for a chat
- Playing board games.

It's important to point out that when we're really struggling, sometimes the only self-care we can practise is literally just making it out of the house to get some sunshine, and that's okay.

Even the smallest amount of self-care can be beneficial.

Bobbie Dawson - Counsellor

Culture Day

University of Canberra Corroboree Day

Joining schools across the territory, Daramalan students attended the University of Canberra Corroboree Day on Friday 20 September. There were a range of activities grounded in the spirit of growth and celebrating First Nations culture.

Students took part in weaving, boomerang design and throwing, cultural dance, smoking ceremonies as well as a range of sporting activities hosted by the Raiders, Brumbies and Hockey ACT.

Daramalan's name derives from the Ngunnawal words 'great spirit' and the MSC proudly have supported initiatives across the nation to walk with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Our students conducted themselves with great spirit and were joyful participants in this cultural celebration.



Lawson Bake Sale



On Thursday 19 September, Lawson House hosted a bake sale as their major fundraising event for Communities @ Work. Lawson House has supported Communities @ Work as their chosen charity since 2014, a local organisation that supports those experiencing hardship in our community. Communities @ Work operates pantries throughout Canberra, a place where people experiencing hardship can buy affordable basic food and personal care items.



We were overwhelmed with donations of brownies, cupcakes, slices, biscuits and lolly bags. We would like to thank our Lawson families for their time spent baking for our event, and to all students who purchased on the day. The generosity of our community helped Lawson House raise \$1373.50!

Lyons House Day

Lyons House is very pleased to announce that we have raised \$1465 for Marymead CatholicCare. Lyons students and staff held a Bake Sale where many of our students participated by baking delicious treats. For example, one of our Year 7's made donuts with her grandmother and they were extremely successful.

Also, during the Bake Sale we had on our winter woollies for the State of Origin games. Many students and teachers participated by wearing their blues or maroons scarves or beanies and made a gold coin donation.

Marymead CatholicCare, the charity our House supports, provides many services, including mental health support, disability services, aged care and homelessness services. Marymead CatholicCare homelessness services provide accommodation for both men and women over 18 years of age. Residents in these homes can stay for 3 months, and the rooms are fully furnished.

Lyons House is delighted to raise money for Marymead CatholicCare, because it is actively supporting homeless

individuals and families in the ACT and region. We are so glad we can raise money for these adults and their children at Mackillop House and MINOSA House. Our funds go towards upgrading homes to make them more comfortable and help them get back on their feet.

Sr Noelene Quinane from Marymead CatholicCare spoke to us at our House assembly, and she shared with us what it means to be part of such a valued community. Sr Quinane gave us insights into how our fundraising would help so many people. I am sure many of us took away a lot of valuable information. One of the key things I took away was that the money we raise really does make a difference, to Marymead CatholicCare and the people they are helping in our community. It also showed us that fundraising should be a key part of our life. If we had no not-for-profit organisations like Marymead CatholicCare, there would be so many things that wouldn't be done, so many people that wouldn't be able to access the support and help they need.

Lyons House also participated in the Vinnies Winter Appeal and this year, Year 7 were asked to donate socks. Thanks to everyone's amazing effort, we brought in a total of 80 pairs of socks!

Laurie Miller and Jessica Bolton (Year 7)



Social Justice

On Friday 20 September, Daramalan's Senior Quad was transformed into a meaningful space for the 2024 St Vincent's Sleepout, an event that left a lasting impact on all who participated. With 27 students joining together for this immersive experience, the evening was not just about spending a night under the stars but also about deepening understanding and compassion for those facing homelessness in Canberra and surrounding areas.

The event kicked off with students setting up their bedding areas, a hands-on introduction to the realities many people face daily. The atmosphere was lively as everyone gathered for a sausage sizzle, fostering camaraderie and a sense of community before the more serious discussions began.

Teah, a representative from Vinnies, delivered an enlightening presentation that opened the students' eyes to the complexities of homelessness. She highlighted various types and causes of homelessness, tailoring her message to resonate with the youth and emphasising the urgency of the issue in our local community. The insights shared during her talk prompted thoughtful conversations among students, prompting many to reflect on their own roles in addressing these challenges.

Georgina Geary (Year 11) aptly summed up the experience, stating, "Immersion activities like this help us to understand what life must be like for people living rough and help us empathise more with their situation. This allows us to develop a passion for service work and be positive members of our society". Her words encapsulated the event's essence, showcasing how experiential learning can lead to genuine empathy and a desire to serve others.

As night fell, the students experienced sleeping outdoors, a stark contrast to their usual comforts. This firsthand experience allowed them to connect with the hardships faced by those without stable housing. Conversations sparked under the stars and a conclusion discussion led by **Ms Alyce Packer** revealed a growing awareness and commitment among the participants to engage in community service and advocacy.

A massive congratulations is in order for **Cushla Donovan** (Social Justice Captain), whose dedication and vision made this event a reality. The Sleepout successfully raised awareness of homelessness and inspired a new generation to take action.

A heartfelt thank you is also extended to the staff members who volunteered their Friday night and Saturday morning, including **Ms Jodie Hardiman, Mr Ben McGee, Ms Waka Burridge, Mr Nic Whatman, Mr James Keeley, Ms Eliza Nowlan, Ms, Ellen Canfield, Mr David Kerr, Mr Shaun Warren, Ms Gail Mutton, Ms Sophie Coutts and Ms Alyce Packer**. Their support and guidance were instrumental in creating a safe and impactful experience for the students.

In summary, the 2024 St Vincent's Sleepout was not just an event, it was a transformative experience that fostered empathy, awareness, and a sense of responsibility towards our community. As we move forward, let's hope that the insights gained will inspire ongoing conversations and actions aimed at alleviating homelessness in our community.



Business & Government

Year 10 Students Dive into Democracy at AEC and Parliament House

Year 10 students from **Ms Bianca Ross** and **Ms Eve Fitzpatrick's** two Law, Politics and Society classes recently enjoyed an immersive day exploring Australian democracy. Their visit began with interactive information sessions and electoral simulations at the Australian Electoral Commission, where they re-enacted voting and election processes for both the Senate and House of Representatives. They got an insight into some of the most important processes for upholding democracy in Australia and learned valuable skills for when they reach voting age in a few short years.

The day continued with a tour of Parliament House,

offering students a behind-the-scenes look at Australia's legislative processes. They explored key areas, including both houses of Parliament, and learned about the significance of political and legislative decisions.

The day allowed students to see how the processes and concepts they have been learning about in class take shape in the real world, and spend valuable time together as a cohort.



UN Youth Evatt Competition

The United Nations Youth Evatt Competition provides students with an opportunity to engage with current issues, developing their public speaking and negotiation skills whilst participating in a mock United Nations Security Council Debate. This year, students debated issues such as the Question of Universal Healthcare and the Question of Maritime Asylum Seekers representing diverse political perspectives of nations worldwide.

Daramalan had 12 students from Years 9 to 12 participating with all teams progressing to the Semi Finals, an excellent result. A special congratulations to **Kenneth Lee** and **Slater Campbell** (Year 12) whose team have progressed to the Finals round this coming weekend. We wish them the best of luck representing Sierra Leone in the last round of debates.



Geography

Exploring Biomes: Geography Students Discover Adaptations at the Zoo and Botanical Gardens

Years 9-10 Geography students recently visited the Zoo and Botanical Gardens as part of their study on biomes and food security. The field trip allowed students to observe firsthand how plants and animals have evolved to thrive in various climates. At the Zoo, students explored different habitats, observing the specific adaptations that enable animals to survive in their natural environments, such as the long claws of the Sun Bear for climbing trees or the hypersensitive fingertips of the otter. Students also had the chance to feed various animals and, for the brave among them, hold a snake.

The visit to the Botanical Gardens complemented this by showcasing diverse plant species, each uniquely adapted to different climatic conditions. Students compared the vibrant green, large leaves of rainforest species, designed to capture maximum sunlight and cope with excess water, with the small, spiny desert plants adapted to conserve moisture. This hands-on learning experience provided students with a deeper understanding of how living organisms interact with their environment, reinforcing key classroom concepts.



Languages - French

Year 10 French

Film Excursion and other Term Highlights

Earlier this year, Year 10 French students went to see *The Three Musketeers: D'Artagnan* at the French Film Festival. The film ended on a cliff hanger, and for many months students have been asking to see the sequel. This finally happened on Wednesday 18 September, when they got the chance to see the sequel to solve the mysteries of the first film. Here are some impressions from the class:

The Three Musketeers: Milady was an action-packed movie with tension of many kinds. It followed the main character, D'Artagnan, as he tried to find his true love, Constance. He had to fight his way past false leads, attempted murder and uncovered mysteries. Although some of the mysteries of the first film were solved, once again the second film also ended on a cliffhanger! Thank you to **Madame Visser-Scott** for organising the excursion. Please let us watch the next one, we are begging...

This term, our French class was filled with fun, laughter and learning. We have been studying ecology and how we can better look after the environment, plus the different future and conditional tenses. The excursion to the cinema was a highlight, and we enjoyed doing many real-life listening exercises from the French radio channel TV5 Monde, kahoots and eating a delicious homemade cake – a “Gâteau aux noisettes fourré de chocolat” – (chocolate hazelnut cream cake) that Madame shared with us for her birthday. Thank you, **Madame Visser-Scott**, for such a great term!

Laura Green, Jade Heaton and Alexandra Milea

On Wednesday 18 September, the Year 10 French class and Madame Visser-Scott returned to Palace Cinemas to watch the second film in *The Three Musketeers* film saga, *Les Trois Mousquetaires: Milady*. The film followed the adventures of D'Artagnan as he navigated the escalating situation between the Catholics and Protestants in France. Earlier this year we had the opportunity to watch the first film at the French Film Festival, which frustratingly ended on a cliffhanger, meaning we were all excited to return to see how the story progressed. Although we were happy to see parts of the plot resolved, even more questions were raised about characters and the storyline when the film once again ended on a cliffhanger. Hopefully Part Three will be out in time for the Film Festival next year, we can't wait.

Le film était super et nous l'avons aimé ! Nous avons hâte de regarder la troisième partie de la saga à l'avenir.

Thomas Neighbour

This term in our French class we learnt about the environment, climate change, jobs, the future tense, and went to the cinema to watch the sequel to *The Three Musketeers*. We all enjoyed this term very much, learning life skills like caring for the environment, in French. A highlight was tasting food from all around France, especially when people baked their own food to share with the class. We enjoyed singing different versions of *Happy Birthday* in French to Madame while enjoying the delicious rich chocolate hazelnut cream cake she made for us! Merci Madame et bonnes vacances!

Thomas Inwood, Liam Inwood and Ethan Gregory

Merci to Year 10 French for their enthusiasm for French throughout this Term. My personal highlight was the rap/reggae version of “Joyeux Anniversaire” that they sang for me in French.

Ms Hilda Visser-Scott



Languages - Japanese

Japanese Cinema Excursion

On Wednesday 18 September, the Year 10 and senior Japanese students went to Palace Electric Cinemas to watch the 2018 anime film Belle.

Before entering we were able to get some popcorn and drinks. We entered our personal viewing of Belle in the very back cinema. I was really surprised that we had the whole cinema just for us as it was a special Education Program session for the ACT schools.

The film was a character-based drama set in Kochi, Japan. The setting was very familiar to the senior Japanese students and brought back memories of our time during the Japanese Study Tour last year. The character-based drama contrasted with a commentary on social media, as many of the characters spent large amounts of time in a virtual reality. The movie was provoking and funny (and a bit strange at times), but overall, the excursion felt like a great opportunity for us Japanese students to connect with each other and spend time with our friends.

Hamish Boneham (Year 12)

Year 9 Daiso and KSK excursion

In Week 10, our Year 9 Japanese class had an opportunity to visit Daiso Japan and KSK in Westfield Belconnen. Daiso Japan is a snack lover's paradise, offering a wide range of snacks as well as stationery, finally opening in Canberra this June. During the excursion, students explored the variety of Japanese products, as well as gain insight into the culture of Japan through its traditional fast food at KSK. The students have been studying the unit called Food and Shopping, and have just completed their speaking assessment 買いものに行きましょう (Let's go shopping), so it was a great opportunity to celebrate the end of Term 3 together.



Science

Year 8 Science

In Year 8 Science, students are getting hands-on with chemistry by using lollies and LEGO to model how elements mix to create new substances. It's like the sweetest science experiment ever, where you learn that a tasty treat can represent elemental bonding. Who knew building molecules could be so much fun—and delicious? It's a bit like playing with your food, but with a side of scientific discovery.

Year 9 Science

In Year 9 Science, students dived into the albedo effect as part of their Earth Systems unit, exploring how different colours absorb or reflect heat. They discovered that choosing a paint colour for your house could be the difference between a cozy Winter and an oven-like Summer. So, if they start offering colour advice for your next paint job, remember—they've got the science to back it up!

Students took on the challenge of hydroelectric power by using models to explore the relationship between gravitational and potential energy. As they built and tested their models, they collected valuable data to analyse, sharpening their science investigation skills along the way. The hands-on experience helped them see how energy can be harnessed and transformed - by the end, they were generating more ideas than a hydro dam produces electricity!



Year 11 Chemistry

Our Year 11 Chemistry students have been feeling the pressure..... gas pressure that is! Our chemists have used air pressure to move an egg into a bottle without touching it - is it magic? No – it's chemistry!



Year 11 Biology

An investigation into how temperature affects cell membranes – unbeetable! Students used beetroot discs exposed to different temperatures to see what happens when things get a bit too hot. The results were colourful – showing that higher temperatures will cause more pigment to leak out.



Science Cont...



Year 12 Earth and Environmental Science students kicked off National Science Week by attending Natural Disasters Day at Geoscience Australia.

Bushfires, floods, earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanoes are some of the major natural hazards causing loss of life and significant damage to property and infrastructure.

After presentations from a range of Geoscientists and Engineers on their research areas including geomagnetic storms, flood vulnerability and hotspots, we split off into groups for activities.

Students entered the 3D theatre looking at the elevation model of Earth showing plate tectonic movement and the distribution of earthquakes, their depth, and volcanoes. They spoke to earthquake experts and had a tour of a

seismic test facility. After a short break for pizza and hot dogs, we then got to go on a behind-the-scenes look at Australia's National Earthquake Centre, where seismic waves and tsunamis are monitored 24-hours a day from within Australia and across the world.

Students also got to experience what it is like in a 'Situation Room', where politicians, scientists and emergency managers and workers come together to problem solve and plan for how to mitigate future or current hazards and disasters occurring.

Year 12 Chemistry

Our Year 12 chemists are learning about organic molecules using model kits. They are looking at how they are used in industrial processes and ways to make chemistry more environmentally friendly. The students were so productive they decided to have some fun and create a monster molecule!



Science Week

Every week is Science Week in our Dempsey building – but the official Science Week has also been celebrated. It was an absolute blast, especially with the return of the senior students, eager to defend their title in the ultimate timed Escape Room challenge. They raced against the clock, solving intricate puzzles and navigating through hands-on stations to piece together the secret winning code.



Performing Arts

Elemental – The Year 9 Dance Class at Floriade This year, Floriade celebrated its 37th anniversary with the theme “Art in Bloom.” On Monday 16 September **Ms Jessica Haynes’** Year 9 Dance class delivered an inspiring performance on Stage 88, created by the students. Our piece, titled “Elemental,” tells the story of a flower’s growth and how the elements contribute to its development. The dancers embody the elements of water, earth, and sun, guiding us on a journey that helps the flowers flourish and blossom.

The Year 9 Dance Class featured **Hollie Darragh** as the flower and Choreographer, with **Pepper Minerds**, **Indi Clifton** and **Ashley Fothergill** representing earth; **Sara Lynch**, **Zoe Greatz** and **Shaye Soininen-Anderson** representing water; and **Milana Anderson** and **Lilly Pickering** representing the sun.

The evolving flower is represented by dancers embodying earth, with SZA’s “Good Days” capturing the moment the flower is unearthed to begin its journey. The first transition introduces water, inspired by Billie Eilish’s “Ocean Eyes,” as the dancers flow gracefully around the flower, mimicking water’s essential role in growth. The sun, represented through Zara Larsson’s “Lush Life,” brings life and joy, culminating in the final dance to Clean Bandit’s “Rather Be,” where all dancers unite to celebrate the flower’s bloom.

Pepper Minerds noted, “This imaginative lyrical piece is soft, flowing and incorporates everyone’s ideas as one team.”

The entire class really enjoyed this term of Dance!
Indi Clifton (Year 9 Dance – Publicity Officer)

Year 10 Dance

On Monday 16 September, the Year 10 Dance class showcased their hard work at Floriade with their piece, “Painters,” created under Floriade’s theme for 2024, “Art in Bloom.” The students took on various roles, including Choreographers, Dancers, Rehearsal Directors, Props and Set Designers, and Costume and Makeup Artists to create an original dance piece.

Rehearsal director **Bella Want** explains the narrative of their piece:

“Painters is a touching dance piece that explores the journey of an Artist struggling to find colour in their work. When the flowers come to life, the painter connects with them, helping them rediscover their colour. This ultimately brings the life and colour of the flowers to her canvas”.

The students performed extremely well, demonstrating their skills and teamwork throughout this process. A special mention goes to **Bridgette Dickens** and **Bella Want**, who worked together to choreograph the piece.

Overall, it was a fantastic day celebrating the talents of the Daramalan dancers. We are looking forward to our next performance opportunity!

Ms Jessica Haynes - Dance Teacher



Performing Arts Cont...

Music News

Monday 16 September was a beautiful sunny day as the Music Ensembles headed to Floriade to perform. There was a large and enthusiastic crowd who stayed to listen and watch the performances on Stage 88. I was very impressed with the standard of all the groups. This is always a great opportunity to perform before going on Music Tour. On Friday 27 September we depart for Melbourne. The students are looking forward to the performance opportunities along with the cultural and social aspects of the tour.

Music Tuition Available

We have settled into the beautiful Issoudun Wing. It would be great to see more students undertaking music lessons. We offer drum, bass, guitar, vocal, piano, brass and woodwind lessons. Please see **Mrs Michelle Coggan** in the Music Office for more information.



Choir

On Thursday 29 August, the Daramalan Choir participated in the Wagga Eisteddfod and was awarded second prize. Though the competition was tough, we are particularly proud that our choir has grown and that we now have a full male section that can sing both tenor and baritone. It's wonderful to have so many new voices and we are excited about the future of our choir! The students sang beautifully and enjoyed the excursion. A special thank you to **Ms Angela Dunn** for her guidance and conducting, and to **Mr David Kurthi** for driving us safely to Wagga and back.

Ms Hilda Visser-Scott

Performing Arts Cont...

New Challenging Production to Open the Joe Woodward Theatre

Daramalan Theatre Company explores art, theatre and cultural values in ways some will find affirming while others may find challenging in the first production at the Joe Woodward Theatre.

Does theatre, along with spiritual and artistic approaches, have any relevance today?

These questions are put in a challenging new production by Daramalan Theatre Company with their opening show for the new Joe Woodward Theatre.

"The Heart" sees characters arise from previous Daramalan Theatre Company productions presented over the past 25 years. They awaken on the new stage only to question if they are real or simply actors or someone else's creations.

The production asks its creators and audience to consider the relevance of art and artistic creation within cultural and social contexts. Big questions for student artists, actors and creators in a school setting!

In the second act, the archetypes from the first act are found in real present day young people who struggle with their own creativity and life. We see an artistic, though violent young man who was named Jules by his mother after an inspiring French Priest.

His plight leads to the revelation of "The Heart".

Theatre presentations in Australia have tended to focus on the microcosm of our existence. "The Heart" asks that we consider more widely the link between experience, the spirit and the act of presentation.

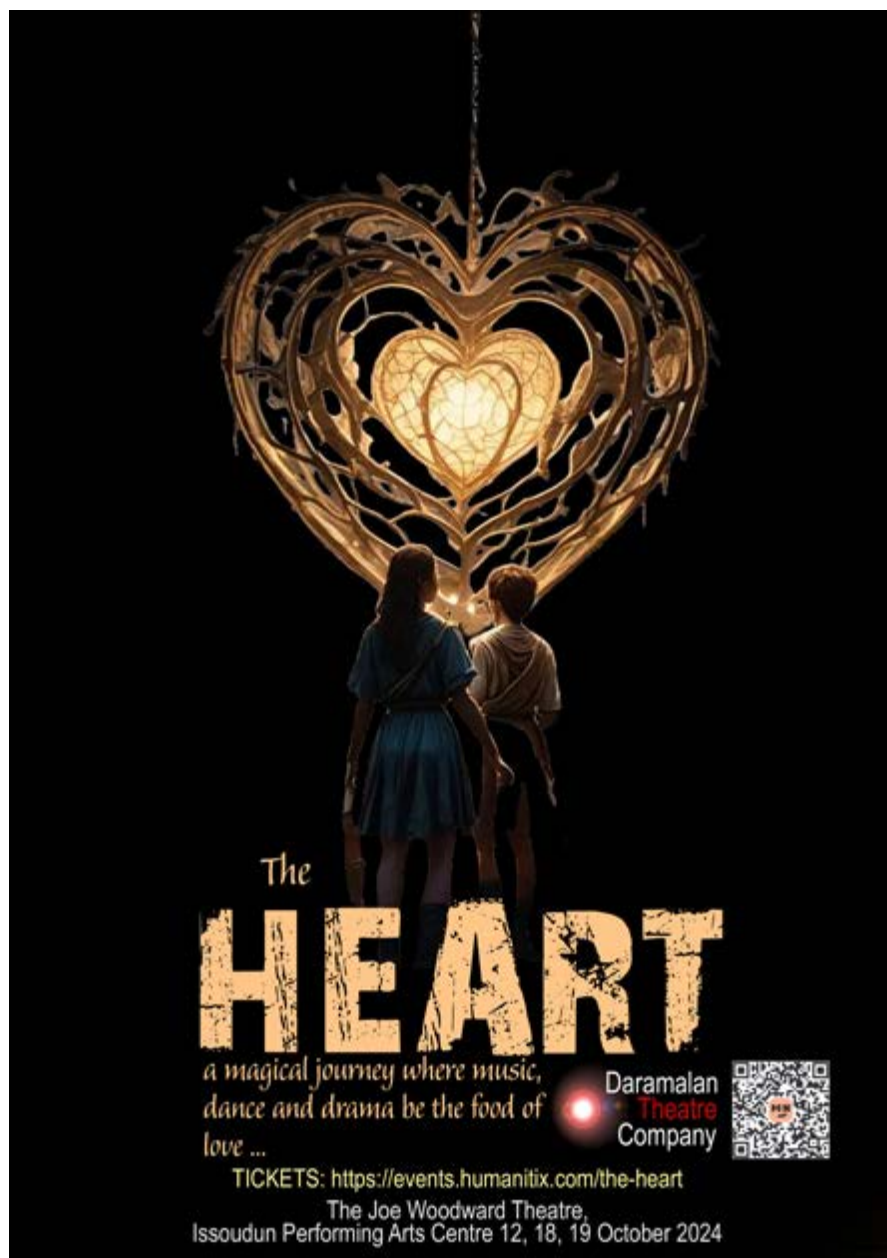
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2024 AT 6PM

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Artwork by Rowan Owen



Basketball

ASC Boys

The Boys ASC Gala day was held Monday 19 August at Tuggeranong Basketball stadium. All teams had an impressive run, showcasing the school's talent and determination. The Boys team's performance throughout the tournament has set a solid foundation for future successes. Big thanks to Alex Beake (Year 12), Mr John Gale and Dion Majstorovic for coaching!

Results

7-8 ASC Boys: 5th
9-10 ASC Boys: 3rd
11-12 ASC Boys: 3rd



ASC Girls

The Girls ASC Gala Day was held Monday 26 August at Tuggeranong Basketball Stadium. The Girls teams performed well during the day, securing some great wins. The 11-12 Girls were particularly strong making it all the way to the Grand Final. Big thanks to Thomas Brazel (Year 12), Mr John Gale and Tina Stelzer for coaching!

Results

7-8 ASC Girls: 5th
9-10 ASC Girls: 5th
11-12 ASC Girls: Runners up



Basketball Cont...

Grand Finals

We had 17 teams make the Semi Finals, with 12 teams making it all the way to the Grand Final. Congratulations to the following teams who went on to win their Grand Final:

U19 D6 Boys: Stallions 21 – Daramalan 27

Alexander Fields-Smith 9

D'Artagnan Felizardo 6

Darcy Miller 4

U19 D2 Boys: Daramalan Black 29 – Daramalan White 27

Vincent Fabjanowski 9

Thomas Masters 7

Jake Boundy 6

U19 D1 Boys: Daramalan 43 – Queanbeyan 31

Cooper White 17

Chris Frugtniet 9

Edward Gillard 8



Basketball Cont...

On Wednesday 11 September, we held the Basketball Presentation Evening in the Sports Centre. This was a fantastic evening to celebrate another great season of Basketball. Congratulations to all award winners.



Team	Coaches Award	Most Valuable Player
Under 14 Division 6 Black	Isaac Kirchner	Dominic Slatter
Under 14 Div 6 White	Lukas Cordova	Nikola Jukic
Under 14 Division 5	Manolito Kama	Lachlan Kohlman
Under 14 Division 3 Pool B	Kobe Petrovic	Alexander Clarke
Under 14 Division 3 Pool A	Riley Gleeson	Austin Blood
Under 14 Division 1	Mitchell Power	Sidney Luckie
Under 14s Division 3	Scarlett Pont	Danica Zeta-Johnathan
Under 16 Division 6	Alexander Donaldson	Dan McAlary
Under 16 Division 5	Jackson McDonald	Tommy Tram
Under 16 Division 4 Pool C	Kristian Slatter	Nathan Henderson
Under 16 Division 4 Pool B	Thomas Beeton	Marcus Ambler
Under 16 Division 3	Isaac Viana de Freitas	Mason Hewitt
Under 16 Division 2 Pool C White	Austin Steer	Knox Petrovic
Under 16 Division 2 Pool C Black	Lucas Bryant	Benjamin Collett (Coaches Award)
Under 16 Division 1 Pool C	William Blackwell	Hugh Almond
Under 16 Div 1 Pool B	Samuel Whittaker	Emmanuel Shirley
Under 16 Division 4	Madeline Crispe	Grace Tansley
Under 16 Division 2	Lola White	Alek Agok
Under 19 Division 6	Blake Lynch	D'Artagnan Felizardo
Under 19 Division 4	Harry Hynd	Tom Inwood
Under 19 Division 3 Pool B	Lucas Johnson	Cooper Ceely
Under 19 Division 3 Pool A	Harry Barnes	Aiden Bagley
Under 19 Division 2 Pool B White	Dylan Divett	Jake Hinder
Under 19 Division 2 Pool B Black	Zachary Olsen	Jake Boundy
Under 19 Division 1	Hayden Greenwood	Cooper White
Under 19 Division 3	Josie Anderson	Alyssa Drennan
Under 19 Division 2	Allegra Pangello	Sarah Bassett
Under 16 JPL Girls	Ellie Barnes	Isla Lane (Coaches Award)
Under 19 JPL Boys	Sebastian Shirley	Ed O'Brien
Under 19 JPL Girls	Charlotte Robertson	Achol Agok





BASKETBALL TRAINING CAMP

2024 TERM 3 HOLIDAYS

WEDNESDAY 2 AND THURSDAY 3 OCTOBER

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)
- Drink Bottle. (Please make sure it is named)
- A small amount of cash. A small canteen will be set up to sell lollies and soft drink.

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

SESSIONS (order may vary on the day)

Session 1: Shooting clinic using our Dr Dish Complete Trainer
 Session 2: Fun basketball games
 Session 3: Non active session - NBA games on the big screen/ board games/ card games etc
 Session 4: Ball Handling and passing workshop
 Session 5: Small sided games

PAYMENT

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



Cricket

Daramalan Cricket registrations for the 24/25 season are open! Students of any age and skill group are welcome to register through PlayHQ. The season begins on **Saturday 12 October**, so be sure to register soon if you'd like to play.



After a successful 23/24 season with multiple finalists, players have been honing their skills on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at the College Nets. If any students are keen to give Cricket a go, feel free to come on down on one of those afternoons!



Congratulations

Congratulations to one of our Daramalan students, **Luka Jukic** (Year 10). Luka recently captained the ACT U16s School Boys Football Team at the Australian School Sports Championships held in Perth. The U16s Boys team finished in the top four, and Luka was selected for the All Australian Team.



Waterpolo



Canberra Schools Cup - Water Polo

The Term 3 CSC Water Polo competition came to a close last Friday 20 September. Daramalan had entered teams in the 7-8 Girls and the 7-10 Boys competition. It was great to see so many students from last year's competition, along with a few new faces. Both teams gelled well and were competitive against some strong opposition. A big thank you to Mr Chris Beerworth and Mr Angus Nelson for giving up their Friday nights to coach our teams.



Hockey

We have officially come to the end of our Hockey season for 2024. Thank you to all Coaches, Managers and parents for the hard work that has been put in throughout the season.

It was very exciting to have two Daramalan Hockey teams competing in the Grand Finals of their respective divisions this year.

JSL2 Girls Daramalan/Wests

The JSL2 Girls had a tough start to their season losing their first 2 games, however, came together quite strongly as a team in the second half of the year to finish second on their ladder. On Saturday 21 September, the JSL2 Girls Daramalan/Wests team played Uni Juniors in the Grand Final. The girls played an awesome game and managed to come away with the premiership! Congratulations to the JSL2 Girls on a phenomenal end to the season.

JSL2 Boys Daramalan/Wests

The minor premiers, JSL2 Boys Daramalan/Wests played Central in a heart-stopping Final on Saturday 21 September. The teams couldn't be separated all game with it eventually ending in a draw with no goals being scored in regular time. The game went straight into a penalty shootout where the boys were narrowly defeated. Congratulations to the JSL2 Boys for a strong season.

Both of our U14's teams also played well throughout the season. With a lot of new players this year it has been a great learning curve for both teams. We look forward to seeing all these players back in 2025!



Hockey Cont...

Hockey Presentation Evening

On Wednesday 11 September, in the Joe Woodward Theatre, we celebrated the support and commitment of Coaches, Managers, parents, carers and friends, as well as the hard work of our players during the 2024 Hockey ACT Junior Outdoor season. It was a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of everyone involved. The award recipients for each of the teams can be seen below.



Team	Coach's Award	Most Improved	Player's Player
14/2 Girls Dara/Tug/Wests	Lorelle Reichman	Neve Roper	Sienna Walton
14/2 Boys Wests/Daramalan	Angus Ferndale	William Knight	Oliver Barnes
JSL2 Girls Daramalan/Wests	Lucia Robles	Chloe Eaton	Brooke Stewart
JSL2 Boys Daramalan/Wests		George Karkazis	Rohan Steven



Netball

Netball Finals

The 2024 season has seen 16 Daramalan teams competing in the NCNC competition played on the newly resurfaced Lyneham Netball Courts. We are once again fortunate to have the support of our senior students, Alumni and parents to fill the roles of Coaches, Managers and Umpires for each of our teams. Without these volunteers we would not be able to run our program, and we thank them for all of their efforts this season. Over the month of September Daramalan had eight teams competing in the NCNC Finals series. Results across the three weeks saw four teams make the Grand Final and three being crowned as champions of their divisions for 2024.



Semi Finals

Cadets 2: Green v Radford Silver	Lost	33 - 35
Cadets 3: Dwyer v EGNC Indigo	Lost	23 - 43
Cadets 4: Tuner v Merici Magpies	Won	43 - 13
Inters 1: Garbin v Merici Firebirds	Won	36 - 23
Inters 2: Austin v BAS Fireballs	Won	32 - 24
Inters 4: Watson v GNC Moonstones	Lost	30 - 40
Inters 6: Bruce v EGNC Maroon	Won	42 - 25
Inters 8: Wood v INNC Pixie Bobs	Won	25 - 6

Preliminary Finals

Cadets 2: Green v GNC Starlights	Lost	23 - 41
Cadets 3: Dwyer v EGNC Emerald	Lost	27 - 37
Inters 1: Garbin v SGNC Griffins	Lost	28 - 29
Inters 4: Watson v SGNC Thunderbirds	Won	35 - 20
Inters 6: Bruce v Radford Harriers	Lost	25 - 29

Grand Finals

Cadets 4: Turner v INNC Kitty Cats	Won	45 - 29
Inters 2: Austin v SGNC Firebirds	Won	32 - 26
Inters 4: Proud v GNC Moonstones	Lost	TBA
Inters 8: Wood v GNC Titanites	Won	14 - 13



Netball Cont...

Netball Presentation Evening

At our Presentation Evening, players from each of the 16 teams were rewarded for their efforts with a Coaches Award and a Players Player Award:

Team	Coaches Award	Players Player
Inters 8: Price	Ollie-Mai Daglis	Charlotte Anderson
Inters 8: Wood	Solveig Kelly	Aurora Fiori
Inters 6: Bruce	Abbey Williams	Grace Kelly
Inters 4: Watson	Charlotte Power	Ashley Fordham
Inters 6: Proud	Shenaya De Silva	Clarisse Uzabeaga
Inters 4: Moloney	Violet Wilson	Ariahn Camaivuna
Inters 3: Hadley	Reagan McNamara-Blain	Emma Williams
Inters 2: Bassett	Lola White	Antonija Kovac
Inters 2: Austin	Esther Adie	Olivia Beerworth
Inters 1: Garbin	Hayley Reardon	Juliana Lulic
Cadets 4: Turner	Ali Baker	Ruby Anderson
Cadets 3: Weston	Amy Kingma	Lucy Field Wilson
Cadets 3: Dwyer	Emily Rasmussen	Charlotte Palmer
Cadets 2: Green	Nicci Spavins	Alessia Galeotti
Cadets 1: Pratley	Neve Luckie	Ella Broers
Seniors 2: McMahon	Charlotte Kohlman	Nicola McGilvray



Planning is underway for the 2025 season. If you would like to get involved as a Coach, Manager or general volunteer, please contact angus.balmaks@daramalan.act.edu.au

Oztag

Congratulations to the Daramalan Girls Years 7-8 and 9-10 Oztag teams for becoming the ACT Champions! Both teams were then invited to compete in the prestigious 2024 NSW Secondary Schools Champion of Champions Oztag tournament, held on Tuesday 27 and Wednesday 28 August at The Kingsway Playing Fields, St Marys in Penrith.

On Monday 26 August, the teams departed at lunchtime, traveling by school bus to Penrith. Accommodation was arranged at Cables Wake Park, Penrith. The first games kicked off at 10:00am on Tuesday morning, with both teams playing four games each and showing strong performances.

By the second day, both teams had finished second in their respective pools and advanced to the Quarter Finals. The Years 7-8 Girls team put up a valiant effort, finishing 8th overall. In a thrilling Quarter Final match, they tied against the top team and went into extra time, only to lose in the final moments. Despite this, they walked away proud, securing 8th place out of 20 teams.

The Years 9-10 Girls also faced a tough Quarter Final match, going try for try with their opponents until the final minutes. They finished an impressive 5th out of 20 teams.

This was an amazing achievement, and the girls played extraordinarily well. Congratulations once again to both teams for their remarkable efforts!



- Representing Daramalan at a sport - One-day gala event
- Representing Daramalan at an ASC Carnival
- Representing Daramalan at an ACT Carnival
- Age Champion or Runners Up for Daramalan or ASC Carnival

2024 Sports Awards

Have you represented the College, the ACT or Australia in 2024?

Nominations for the 2024 Sports Awards are now open. Please complete the form using the following link [Click here](#) to apply for your Sports Award. Nominations close on Friday 18 October (Week 11).

Full Colour

This award can only be achieved by gaining Australian representation in a sport offered by Daramalan in 2024.

Gold Honour

This award is achieved by gaining Australian representation in a sport not offered by Daramalan in 2024.

Half Colour

This award is achieved by gaining ACT representation at a national event or at the highest level of competition offered in that sport offered by Daramalan in 2024.

Blue Honour

This award is achieved by gaining ACT representation at a national event or at the highest level of competition offered in that sport in a sport not offered by Daramalan.

Service Award

Points for this award can be accrued from a range of Daramalan sports within a single calendar year, for all Year 7-12 students. This includes:

- Played/Coached/Umpired for Daramalan Co-curricular in 2024 (Basketball, Rugby, Netball, Hockey, Cricket, Rowing)



Rugby

Rugby Finals

As the curtain falls on an incredible season, Daramalan Rugby Union Club is proud to reflect on our most successful year yet! Competing in the ACTJRU Grand Finals series, we had seven teams representing us, and we are thrilled to announce that six of those teams emerged as Premiers.

Final Results:

- 1st XV: Runners Up (37-35)
- U13 Red: Joint Premiers (24-24)
- U14 Black: Premiers (26-0)
- U15 Red: Premiers (38-22)
- U15 Black: Joint Premiers (29-29)
- U16 Girls: Premiers (29-24)
- 1st Girls: Premiers (26-14)

This remarkable achievement showcases the dedication, talent and hard work of our players, coaching staff and volunteers. A heartfelt thank you to everyone involved—you have all played a vital role in making this year unforgettable.



Rugby Cont...

Presentation Night

Our Presentation Night on Tuesday 10 September was a joyous celebration of our achievements throughout 2024. We recognised outstanding contributions and performances, with special awards going to:

- Brother Dave Merrick Award for Contribution to Daramalan Rugby: Simone Woods and Corrine Kelly
- Outstanding Female Player: Annabelle Campbell (Year 8)
- Riley McNamara Most Improved Club Player: Hayden Armstrong (Year 8)
- John Coonan 1st XV Best Allrounder: Denzel Veikune (Year 11)



Additionally, we are proud to celebrate the achievements of our Senior players during the Gungahlin Eagles Presentation Night, where Charlotte Nicholson was honored as the Women's Most Promising Up and Comer. Pat Edwards (Year 12) and Henry Laidler were awarded the Peter O'Neill Shield as MVPs selected by the Gungahlin Eagles.

To our players, we hope you have enjoyed your year of Rugby, developed your skills, and forged lifelong friendships along the way. We can't wait to see you all back on the field in 2025, ready for another fantastic season!

Congratulations once again to all involved in making this year such a triumph! Here's to many more victories ahead!



	Coaches Award / Most Improved Player	Players Player	Best and Fairest	
Under 13 RED	George Watson	Liam Woods	Mitchell Harris	
Under 13 BLACK	Bryson Hopman	William Patterson	Malakai Tu'ifua	
Under 14 RED	Jake Wullaert	Nicho Pieratos	Will Pochi	
Under 14 BLACK	Alex Laverty	Rueben Brits	Hayden Armstrong	
Under 14 GIRLS	Megan Grice	Chartazz Alofipo	Matilda Primmer	
Under 15 RED	Brayden Robson	Luke Cullen	Riley Wyeth	
Under 15 BLACK	Lewis Jones Lucas Olive	Harry McIntyre	Cooper Leslie	
Under 16 BLACK	Rory Arneman	Aidan Catanzariti	Archer Llewellyn	
Under 16 GIRLS	Kesaia Fungavaka	Kira Morison	Evie Walker	
	Best Back	Best Forward	Players Player	Best and Fairest
3rd XV	Isaac Buyteweg	James Harmer	Michael Moutafis	Sam McCann
2nd XV	Tom Coote	Eliziel Mathias	Moses Kaufusi	Jordan Tatuava-Lehelma
	Best Forward	Best Back	Best and Fairest	
1st GIRLS	Annabelle Mickelson	Adelaide Norris	Frankie Capello	
1st XV	Brodie Preston	Grady Wooley	Jeziah Sega	



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Snow Sports

ACT Schools Cup

Our Daramalan Snowsports students continued to shine at the ACT Schools Cup on Sunday 24 August, with some strong results coming from several of our students.

Daramalan College representative students achieved the following:

- 1st Place Division 1 Male Alpine Skiing
Will Harmer, James Harmer and Will Poels (Year 12)
- 2nd Place Division 2 Male Alpine Skiing
James Barwell, Anton Lettfus and James Sherlock Hemming (Year 10)
- 3rd Place Division 1 Male Snowboard GS
Will Poels
- 2nd Place Division 3 Male Snowboard GS
Oliver Miller (Year 7)

A further 18 students joined us for another fantastic day of Skiing and Boarding, with the mountains truly giving us a taste of four seasons in one day.

A huge congratulations to all competitors, and special mention to parents **Liz Hemming** and **Melinda Barwell**, who were there to help and support our team on the day. Further thanks go to our Snowsports staff for all their work running the weekend day trips across the season, with hopefully a few more trips left to come!



ACT School Sports Soccer

7/8 Girls

On Thursday 15 August the 7-8 Girls team contested the Northside Football Gala Day, held at Dickson Ovals. Contested by eight other schools on the day, the girls played some entertaining and energetic Football that enabled them to go through their pool rounds undefeated.

Topping their pool, this meant they went straight through to the Semi Final. The girls put up a strong fight pushing Canberra High to a 0-0 draw after regular time. With no extra time, this meant they went straight to a penalty shootout, unfortunately going down 4-3.

The girls finished off the day in high spirits after defeating Belconnen High in their 3rd vs 4th playoff match. They are to be congratulated for their efforts, displaying great teamwork and positivity on the day. Well done!

Alessia Calabro, Anessa Celebija, Evie Clark, Emily Greig, Lily Howlett, Jade Krsteski, Emma McClusky, Amelia Noja, Olivia Osborn, Charlotte Papp, Charlotte Power, Esther Sakul, Kayla Sisourath and Layla Want.



7/8 Boys

The 7-8 Boys Football team recently participated in the ACT School Sports Soccer Gala Days. They began in an impressive fashion, winning the Northside competition to secure their place in the ACT Schools Championship held at Mawson Ovals.

The boys started with a draw in their first game, followed by two convincing wins that saw them top their pool. In the Semi Final, they faced Melrose High, where a strong performance secured them a comfortable victory and advanced them to the Grand Final. The Final was an intense match against Mackillop College and ended in a draw after regular time. Unfortunately, the boys narrowly lost in a penalty shootout, finishing Runners-Up in the ACT. Despite the close finish, the team showed great skill and determination throughout both days and should be incredibly proud of their achievement. Congratulations!

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank **Marin Jadric** and **Nikolas Mamatas** (Year 11) who coached the team with great enthusiasm and professionalism across the two competitions.

Uasi Tuipeatau, Jacob Lyall, Nikolas Eskinja, Calvin Habtemariam, Antun Celebija, Zak Douglas, Zak Douglas, Bill McGregor, Benjamin Lucic, Sebastian Anderson, Lucas Vallecilla Carbonell, Elliot Head and Andreas Kaskoutas.



ACT School Sports Soccer

9/10 Boys

Our 9-10 Boys team recently participated in the highly competitive Northside competition, which featured nine teams across three pools. Coached by **Nicolas Pulciani** and **Kyah Milin** (Year 12), the boys came together well as a team and demonstrated great effort throughout the tournament.

Despite their strong teamwork, they faced difficulty finding the back of the net. The boys finished second in their pool and reached the Quarter Finals. They were knocked out in a tense penalty shootout against St Francis Xavier, who later went on to win the ACT competition.

Although the result wasn't what they had hoped for, the team's dedication and spirit were evident throughout the day. Well done!

Cooper Barker, Nikola Celebija, Tomislav Celebija, Sebastian Czoban, Luka Jukic, Karl Niesen, Andreas Niesen, Frederick Palmer, Luka Radic, Arol Rose, Cristiano Subasic, Daniel Turcic, Cameron Walsh, Sam York and Cameron Young.



9/10 Girls

After successfully being crowned champions at the North Side Gala Day in August, the 9-10 Girls Football team progressed to the ACT Football Finals Day, held at Mawson Ovals on Wednesday 4 September.

Due to some injuries and illness the girls were a little short of players on the day and had to compete in the Finals Day with the bare 11 players. They were a little slow out of the blocks going down 2-0 in their first game against St Clare's, however, it was the rev up that they needed, winning their remaining two pool games. They put in one of their best performances across the two carnivals with a convincing win in their Semi-Final which meant they would once again come up against St Clare's in the Grand Final.

Battling through fatigue, the girls pushed one another and in a determined effort held St Clare's to a 0-0 draw after regular time. With no extra time the girls went straight to a penalty shootout. They held their nerve to claim a 5-4 victory and celebrated accordingly. The girls are to be commended for their efforts and are to be congratulated on their achievement of being crowned the 9-10 Girls ACT School Football Champions for 2024. Yeah the girls!

Whilst unable to make the Finals Day due to other commitments, we would like to take this opportunity to thank **Eva Ellenberg** and **Tara Howarth** (Year 11) who coached and motivated the girls in the Northside Gala Day.

Grace York, Claudia Shugg, Tahli Milin, Juliana Bogdanoski, Isla Brazel, Elise Sotiropoulos, Sophia Dobbie, Georgia Patterson, Eseta Tuipeatau, Natalia Cerne, Irelia Vassiliotis, Eden Rodda, Ava Rhule, Chloe Connochie and Sophia Papanicolaou.



Careers News

DARAMALAN CAREERS WEBSITE

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

On Thursday 15 August, we were invited to attend the Government Scientists Group Careers in STEM Expo in the Great Hall at Parliament House. Students had the opportunity to speak to representatives from Government departments such as ANSTO, the AFP and the Australian Space Agency and explore the range of STEM related career paths available.



Book an Appointment with the Careers Advisor

Students can now book a meeting time online through the [Daramalan Careers website](https://careers.daramalan.act.edu.au). If parents or guardians would like to attend for appointments before or after school, please email careers@daramalan.act.edu.au

Upcoming Events and Important Dates

Monday 30 September UAC Early Bird applications close

Wednesday 2 October ANU offer acceptance deadline

Thursday 24 October ACT Police excursion

Friday 1 November ANU change of preference window opens

Friday 8 November UAC November Round 1 (SRS) offers released

Excursion – ACT Policing - Thursday 24 October

Interested students in Years 10 to 12 are invited to come to an information session with ACT Police at the Canberra City Police station. Contact **Ms Annette Brady** for more information.

ANU Key Dates and Processes

Students who received an ANU offer in September must accept by **Wednesday 2 October** to retain the offer. The application portal will reopen on **Friday 1 November** for change of preference and to upload supporting documents. The accepted offer must remain in the preference list to be valid.

Early Offers

Students are advised to read carefully the instructions and conditions set out in their offer letters from individual universities. There are often different dates and requirements for each institution.

White Card Course

Students who completed the Construction Skill Set courses in August/September with QTIC are reminded that they should have now received their certificates via email. If not, please contact **Ms Brady**. Students have 60 days from the certificate date to apply for their White Card through Access Canberra (this must be done individually, not through the College).

Royal Aero Club of NSW Try and Fly Weekend

Curious about a career in Aviation? The Royal Aero Club's Try and Fly Weekend offers you a chance to experience flying firsthand. Picture yourself in the cockpit, learn from experienced instructors, and take the first step to becoming a student pilot while exploring the exciting world of Aviation. The event includes:

- A one-on-one Trial Introductory Flight with a Flight Instructor
- An airside tour of Camden Airport
- Career talks about the various pathways in aviation

[Register here.](#)

AgCAREERSTART Applications Closing Sunday 29 September

Applications are closing for the 2025 intake of AgCAREERSTART. [See here for more information and to apply.](#)

2025 NECA School Holiday Program

Monday 13 – Friday 17 January 2025

The National Electrical and Communications Association (NECA) is running a free Electrical Industry Introductory Program in the 2024/2025 school holidays. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Careers News Cont...

Charles Sturt University Virtual Open Day

Students who were not able to attend on campus can now join virtually! Attendees can join course-specific information sessions, view an extensive on-demand video library, engage with academics, get their questions answered, and chat with current students. The event will also highlight what life could be like as an online student at Australia's most experienced online university. [REGISTER HERE](#)

Australian Film, Television and Radio School

What's online in October: Taught by award-winning screenwriters, [Intro to Screenwriting](#) and [Screenwriting for Film Bootcamp](#) return this month.

What's on campus in October: If you have a story ready to shoot or just want to learn the technical and logistical skills of content creation, step into AFTRS' state-of-the-art studios and computer labs for [Videomaking Intensive](#). More information [here](#).

JMC Academy Holiday Workshops

Starting on **Saturday 28 September**, these workshops are crafted to ignite creativity and offer valuable insights into the creative industries. Students can choose from a diverse range of workshops based on their interests and passions. [See here for more information.](#)

Camp Counsellors USA

CCUSA specialise in facilitating work placements and holiday experiences at Summer Camps across the USA and Canada for young travellers, whether during a gap year, before, during or after their higher education journey. Short and long term opportunities are available. [Click here to view the E-Brochure about their programs.](#)

ADF Careers and Work Experience

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

See [here for information on available Defence Work Experience opportunities.](#)

News and information from [Study Work Grow](#)

Public speaking made easy: 9 tips for overcoming stage fright

Preparing for a class presentation or just want to feel more confident? These tips can help you improve your public speaking skills.

How to nail your job application video

Learn how to create a video job application. Get tips on planning, filming and what to include to stand out to potential employers.

Future programming jobs (that aren't with tech companies)

There's more to tech than Google and Apple. Let's explore some surprising job areas where your programming talents could take you.

Arrive & Thrive Webinar - Career Conversations @ Home, Helping Parents have Positive Career Conversations - Wednesday 16 October, 6.30pm

Arrive & Thrive is running a public webinar to support parents around Australia in having more positive career conversations at home. The webinar will share insights for parents to better support their young people in career decisions. Participants will receive a Career Conversation Kit. Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/1001032002667?aff=oddtcreator>.

Daramalan Work Experience program

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 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.

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How to apply:

We are currently seeking expressions of interest for in-person tutoring with us in Term 1 2025. All we ask is that you complete the below google form link which contains some basic questions. We’ll then get in contact with more information and arrange interviews to be held once you’ve graduated and had a second to relax. You can always change your mind later on, but we’ll be unable to contact you with further information if you don’t put your name down! <https://forms.gle/UG6ezYMgB1kXMNFS9>

Questions?

Contact us at recruitment@studymonkey.com.au or call 1300 466 665

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Further links to Big Brother Movement (BBM) website and World Skills Australia are below. Our Founder and Director is a former recipient of the now “Global Footprints” scholarship, an example of some of the pathways here at Capital Veneering. https://www.bbm.asn.au/?doing_wp_cron=1724209146.3399090766906738281250
<https://www.worldskills.org.au/>

Contact – **Oliver Baker** ph. 02 6299 1557

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- A driver’s licence or close to obtaining!

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We would also consider any students interested in a school-based Apprenticeship.

Automotive Apprenticeship

ACT Tyre, Brake and Mechanical
Please contact **Ms Brady** for more information.

NECA Electrical Apprenticeships Electrical Industry Holiday Program

The National Electrical and Communications Association (NECA) is running a **FREE** Electrical Industry Introductory Program in the 2024/25 Christmas Holidays.

Thinking of an Electrical Apprenticeship in 2025?

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
- National Competency Units.



When: 13–17 January, 2025

Where: NECA Centre, 49 Tennant St, Fyshwick

02 6280 6533 or Courses-act@neca.asn.au

Award: The Program includes nationally accredited Units of Competency. Students who successfully complete the Program will receive a nationally recognised Statement of Attainment for the Units of Competency completed.

Alumni

If you finished your schooling in the years 1974, 1984, 1994, 2004 or 2014, it is time to get together again!

For more information about your Year-Group Reunion and to buy tickets, please click here: <https://alumni.daramalan.com.au/reunion/news-and-events/>

If you have any questions, please email alumni@daramalan.act.edu.au



ALUMNI REUNIONS 2024

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