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Melrose High School Key Events



9 February 2018

THE SCHOOL CALENDAR

You can access the School calendar at http://www.melrosehs.act.edu.au/our_community/calendar
Our calendar is always evolving. Keep up to date by syncing our calendar to your personal device. Details on how to manage this can be found on our website
http://www.melrosehs.act.edu.au/our_community/calendar_sync

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photo day is on Tuesday 13 February. Notes about school photos went home with students today. All students will be photographed even if you do not intend to purchase any photos. All photo orders are managed through Grin & Bear It.



Grin & Bear it
SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY
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Photo Day

Photos are scheduled on following dates:

Portraits	13 February
Make up Day & Sibling Photos	22 February

Notes have been delivered to the school. If you register by following the instructions, you will receive an email after photo day, when the photos are ready to view and order.

If you don't register because you didn't receive a note or have misplaced it, don't worry, you will receive more information through the school after photo day.

SIBLING PHOTOS
Don't forget to book your sibling photos! Sibling photos are only taken for those that book (there is no obligation to purchase). These will be taken on Make up Day.

To book Sibling Photos:

1. Go to www.grinandbearit.com.au and click on the **Online Ordering** tab.
2. Click on the **PINK** button (Book Sibling).
3. Complete **booking form** ensuring all student's names/classes are included.

Contact us with any questions: schools@grinandbearit.com.au

Parenting Ideas

A new parenting Ideas article has been added to the Support for parent page:
http://www.melrosehs.act.edu.au/our_community/support_for_parents

Swimming Carnival

The Swimming Carnival is on Thursday 15 February 2018 at the Phillip Pool. All students are required to attend the carnival to either participate or support their school house. If a student is unable to attend the day please email the Rolls Office rollsoffice@melrosehs.act.edu.au to explain the absence. Students need to make their own way to the pool in the morning.

Please return all permission notes by Tuesday 13 February 2018. Notes have been emailed home but are also available from the Notes page of the website (http://www.melrosehs.act.edu.au/our_community/notes) or from the Library.

Year 7 Welcome Night

Tuesday 20 February 2018, commencing in the School Hall at 5.00pm

The main purpose of the evening is to provide you with the opportunity to meet each of your child's teachers and to learn a little about how things are taught at Melrose High School. After the introduction and welcome in the Malcom Barlow Hall, we will move to a more informal setting in the internal courtyard. At this time we will have all teachers available in faculty groupings. You can introduce yourself and have a quick chat. Light refreshments will be provided.

ACE Science Mentors

Science Mentors 2018 is a program for partnering students in Years 9 to 12 with practicing researchers in science and engineering. Students indicate their specific field of interest so they can be matched with a suitable Mentor. Students in Years 9 to 10 ACE Science wanting to participate in Science Mentors 2018 should register with Mr Mac. geoffrey.mcnamara@ed.act.edu.au

Australian School Geography Competition

Australian School Geography Competition is open to all Melrose students from Year 7 to Year 10. It will be held on Wednesday 23 May 2018. Entries close 21 March 2018. The entry fee is \$4. Contact your HaSS teacher or Mr Johnson in the HaSS staffroom for entry forms.

Arts Events

Save the date

Arts Camp 31 May -2 June 2018 (Thursday to Saturday)

Arts Entertainment Night 5 July 2018

Keep your eyes on the notices for more information about these two events in the coming weeks.

Canteen

The Canteen menu has been updated. http://www.melrosehs.act.edu.au/our_school/canteen

Kulture Break – Dance Nation 2018

Kulture Break will be returning to Melrose High again this year for their Dance Nation Showcase in Term 2 at the National Convention Centre. An information session will be held during lunchtime for students and permission notes will be available from Ms Sedlacek. We are hoping to have our Kulture Break tutor sessions begin from Week 5. Email Ms Sedlacek (lucy.sedlacek@ed.act.edu.au) if you have any questions.

Music @ Melrose – Key dates and information

- Melrose High School has a Concert Band which is open to all students in years 7-10 who play a woodwind, brass or percussion instrument. Rehearsals will start in week 3, and enrolment notes are available on our school website or outside the Arts/Tech staffroom (206).
- Instruments for use in the school band are available to hire from the school for \$80 per semester.
- Private lessons are available on a range of instruments, including guitar, piano and voice. Tutors are provided by Canberra Music Tuition, and the lessons run at school during the school day.
- Music Camp is happening in week 2 of term 2 for all Concert Band and Beginner Band students, the camp is held at Birrigai Outdoor Centre.



Music Lessons

CMT continues to offer music lessons at Melrose High school on: Piano, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, low brass and percussion.
Lessons are held during the school day.

Lessons are \$35 per half hour (one on one) and can start at any time of the term.

ENROL TODAY!

Phone: Canberra Music Tuition on 6299 9154 or email: fyshwick@canberramusic tuition.com.au
School Liaison: Mr Nathan Sciberras

NEW! Book online:

www.canberramusic tuition.com.au
and click **In-School Enrolments**

Hosting a Japanese Student

Melrose High School has established a strong relationship with Makubetsu, which is located in Japan's northern island of Hokkaido. Students from the Makubetsu region will be visiting our school from the Sunday 25 March through to Thursday 29 March 2018 to immerse themselves in the Australian culture and practice their English speaking skills. In return, Melrose High School students will be visiting Japan and Makubetsu in 2019.

All students benefit from the exchange program. They are able to share new a cultural experience and develop social networks and friendships. Our students have the unique opportunity to enhance their learning of Japanese. There is also a one of payment for families that host which can either be paid to families or used as a deposit for those interested in the 2019 Japan trip.

Due to new government regulations all families providing homestay must obtain a Working With Vulnerable People card for every person over the age of 16 in the household. On the application form, families nominate as volunteers, which means there are no costs involved to process the application. To access the application documentation or to gain more information, please visit the Access Canberra website at: https://www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/1804

Before families can be connected with a Makubetsu student, Mrs Kerryn Leiper must receive a copy of the card/s to finalise the homestay requirements.

We would really appreciate your support in hosting a Japanese student in March. If you would like to support the exchange program, could you please email me on Kerryn.leiper@ed.act.edu.au or expression of interest forms will be handed out in Japanese classes and on request.

Canberra Southern Cross Club – Community Rewards Program.

Are you a member of the Canberra Southern Cross Club? If so, you can now support Melrose High School every time you visit the club through their Community Rewards Program. Simply visit the Southern Cross Club website (link below), fill in your name and membership number, and then 10% of everything you spend on food and drinks at any of their clubs will be donated to the school. Please share this link with your family and friends.

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