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Melrose High School Message Stick



"A community of learners building on a tradition of excellence"

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FROM THE SENIOR EXECUTIVE TEAM

We would like to thank the Melrose Community for a successful start to Term 3. This term we will be welcoming our Year 6 prospective students into our community while continuing to offer transition opportunities. Our Year 10 students are also starting their transition journey. ACT Careers Association visited this week to discuss a future focus for our Year 10 students. We are also expecting visits from Canberra College, Lake Tuggeranong College and Erindale College to complete subject selections with students over the next few weeks. If you have not done so, please enrol your Year 10 child in college.

We are also looking forward to the Athletics Carnival on Monday 22 August 2022 at the Phillip enclosed oval. Students make their own way to and from the carnival. This week we enjoyed the Year 7 Science Fair. Thank you to the students and staff for their commitment to this event. It was fantastic to see students learning on display.

As we continue into the term and the assessment period, you may like your student to access school-based support people and programs. Please email one (firstname.lastname@ed.act.edu.au) of the following:

- Year Coordinators: Year 7: Hunter Walters, Year 8: Danielle Driver, Year 9: Tim Pike and Year 10: Shannon McAlister & Dane Wells
- URSafe@melrosehs.act.edu.au.

This Semester we welcome several new staff to our community. These are:

- Natasha Milde – HaSS
- Alissa Meagher - Languages
- Toniya Siemionow - Languages
- Andrew Luck – Mathematics
- Joanna Harris-Macneil - Science
- Kirrally McKenzie – Relief and HaSS in Term 4

Please be on the lookout for the upcoming School Satisfaction Survey. This survey provides Melrose leadership with valuable feedback and data about what we are doing well and what to focus on for the future. Students and staff will also complete their survey this term. We value your feedback and encourage you to complete this survey.

Finally, on behalf of the Melrose High School community, we would like to thank and acknowledge the following staff for their contributions who are moving on to a new adventure:

- Penny Moss: Penny has been at MHS for the past 12 months as our School Community Health Nurse and is going on maternity leave.
- Sam Burn: Sam has been a member of MHS past 5 years. Sam has been an integral part of the Science faculty as the Science Tech Assistant.

We wish both Penny and Sam well on their future endeavours.



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Parents & Carers

You are invited to attend
PARENT TEACHER EVENING
Thursday 22 September 2022

Mid semester reports and Parent Teacher Evening invitations will be emailed home on Wednesday 14 September, 2022. Please make sure to book online through the booking portal.

COMMENCING at 3:45pm - 7pm in classrooms on the Middle Floor
Entry through Front Foyer

2022 SCHOOL SATISFACTION & CLIMATE SURVEY

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their experience of public education. The 2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey will be available online from 19 August to 9 September. The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents and carers will receive:

- An email about the **parent survey**, including a link to access the survey.; and
- A letter about the **student survey** outlining the reasons for collection and privacy provision for the data

If you do not receive the survey invitation, please check your Junk email folder; if it is not there, contact the school and you will be provided a survey link. If you do not have an email listed with the school, please contact the Front Office and we will provide you with a hard copy.

The Parents and Carers Survey will be available online in other languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Urdu, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Bengali, Spanish, Telugu, French and Italian. Respondents can select their preferred language when they start the survey. A shortened paper-version of the Parents and Carers Survey is also available in the following 5 languages: Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Karen and Mon. These surveys are available at the Front Office.

For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents and carers, staff and students as possible to complete the survey. Your feedback is important, and we hope you will take part.

For more information, visit: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/school-satisfaction-and-climate-survey>

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Calendar Updates

The most recent version of the Melrose Calendar can be found on the Website

http://www.melrosehs.act.edu.au/our_community/calendar

Contact details

The school relies on having the most up to date contact details for families to ensure we are able to communicate efficiently with you regarding the wellbeing of your child. If you have made any changes to your address, phone numbers and email address in recent months please contact the Front Office on 6142 0700 or email frontoffice@melrosehs.act.edu.au

Sick Bay

If students are unwell they must go to Sick Bay, with a note from their teacher. The Front Office staff will contact parents/carers if needed. The students are NOT to contact parents themselves and then go home. If your child contacts you asking if they can go home sick, ask them to get a note from their teacher to go to Sick Bay and the Front Office staff will then contact you. Thank you in advance for your support.

Student absences

If your student is absent, due to illness or leave, or needs to attend an appointment during the day, please either phone the Rolls Office on 6142 0703 and leave a message or email the Rolls Office at rollsoffice@melrosehs.act.edu.au. Please remember to include the student's full name, roll group and reason for absence (ie. sick, late or on leave) as well as your contact details.

Online Canteen ordering

Register now. Go to <http://www.flexischools.com.au>

Lunches can be ordered online up to 9:30 am on the day they are required.

Lockers

Lockers are available to students at a cost of \$30 per year. Students wanting to hire a locker will need to provide a lock with a shaft between 6-8mm. Key or combination locks are acceptable. Students need to bring their lock, payment and the spare key or the combination to the Finance Office before a locker will be allocated. Students can come to the Finance Office before school, at recess or the first half of lunch time.

FINANCE

In an attempt to ensure security around payment of monies to the school for camps, excursions, programs and voluntary contributions, we would like to encourage payments to be made via Quickweb, the secure online payment portal.

Below is an explanation of the payment options available.

1. Online payments are the preferred method of payment. Payments are made via the School Website to a secure Westpac Bank site, called "Quickweb" <http://www.melrosehs.act.edu.au/payment>
2. Instructions can be found on the Payments TAB simply complete the fields with as much detail as possible, including the Fee Code which will be advised on the notes requesting payments.
3. All payments can be made using Quickweb, using a debit or credit card. Westpac will provide you with a receipt which you can email to melrose.finance@ed.act.edu.au
4. Payments can still be made in person at the Front Office with cash, cheque, EFTPOS, or a deposit direct into the Melrose High School Bank account BSB 032777, Account - 001658. If paying by direct deposit an email to the school financial section would be appreciated at melrose.finance@ed.act.edu.au

For all payments, please ensure you include:

- Student Key ; Family Key ; Fee Code

For any enquiries regarding payments please contact the Finance Officer on 6142 0704.

INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

A message from the ACT Education Directorate: Keeping our students learning in Term 3

Every ACT public school is working hard to manage the impacts of COVID-19 and the flu in our schools to ensure minimal disruption for everyone and keep students learning.

Face-to-face learning in the classroom remains the core way students are learning this term; however, staff shortages may see them learning a little differently from time to time.

What can parents and students expect?

When schools do not have appropriate staffing levels to support students in their usual classrooms the following measures may be put in place:

- Older students may learn online in a supervised setting.
- Students may be engaged in a modified program of learning in their regular classroom with supervision from school staff.
- Students may participate in self-directed learning (supervised by other classroom teachers this may be via Google Classrooms or a pre-prepared activity).
- Students may be split into classes across the school, where children may engage in self-directed learning and/or the learning of their host class.
- Some activities may be put on hold (eg lunchtime clubs)

Where schools are no longer able to manage using the above strategies students may move to learning from home for short periods of time.

If this is the case your school will work with the Directorate ahead of time to make this decision and families will be provided with learning activities for use during this time.

Sometimes this decision will need to be made quickly. We appreciate that the short notice is difficult for families and, where we can, will ensure we give as much notice as we are able.

Non-essential events and excursions

There may also be the need to postpone/cancel planned activities and events offsite (eg camps, excursions, sporting days etc) from time to time, sometimes at short notice.

We appreciate any cancellation is disappointing and wherever possible schools will reschedule these missed opportunities.

Thank you once more to our parents, carers and staff for their ongoing support and commitment again this term.

PARENT WORKSHOPS: HELPING YOUR TEENAGER WITH CAREER PLANNING

Parents and carers can have an enormous influence on their child's career decisions and pathway planning, but it's not always easy to know where to start. The Directorate, in partnership with the Canberra Institute of Technology, will present workshops for parents and carers in August as part of the ACT CareersXpo and National Skills Week.

Please see flyer on following page

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During this workshop, experienced career practitioners will present useful career information, resources and strategies to start career conversations with your young person including:

**UP-TO-DATE
INFORMATION ON
DIFFERENT PATHWAYS**

**COMMUNICATION
STRATEGIES**

**LEADING BY
EXAMPLE**

**SEEKING
SUPPORT**

Choose one of these sessions.

CANBERRA CAREERSXPO
WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST 2022
BUDAWANG AND COORONG
BUILDINGS
5-7PM

To register go to our **Eventbrite page**.

WEBINAR
TUESDAY 23 AUGUST
6-7PM

To register go to our **Eventbrite page**.

For more information please contact careers@act.gov.au

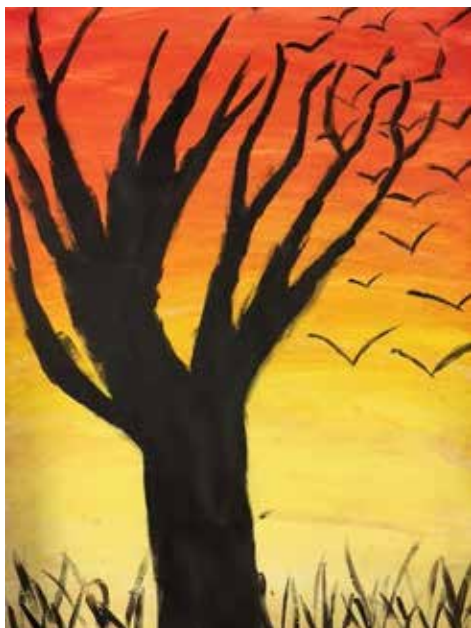
Covid-19 Smart Behaviours while attending the Canberra Careers Expo workshop

- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinations
- Stay home if you're unwell and get tested
- Wear a mask
- Practise good hygiene
- Physically distance

Visit the ACT Government COVID website for the latest information. **COVID Smart behaviours - COVID-19** (act.gov.au)



EXPLORING COLOUR



Year 8 Visual Art have been exploring the Art Elements by drawing and painting. Check out these silhouette paintings by Ms Yeats class. Both Year 8 classes have been working very hard and creating incredible work.

Rebecca Hanrahan - Executive Teacher, Arts and Technology



PE NEWS

With social dance over for all students we have now moved into Athletics. We are concentrating on the field events for the next two weeks.

Our Athletics Carnival is on the 22 August 2022 at the Woden Athletics Track – permission notes have been emailed and a hard copy is available from PE.

WE NEED THEM BACK ASAP

The theme is Retro. If parents would like to attend please email sonja.berghuis@ed.act.edu.au

Welcome back Mrs McAlister from maternity leave.

Congratulations to Bryce Anderson for being awarded his Certificate IV in Outdoor Education. This is a fantastic achievement.

Sonja Berhuis - Executive Teacher, PE/Health



ACKNOWLEDGING NAIDOC WEEK

Inspired by Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up! the Mural & Street Art class created their own artworks about social justice and activism. Students brainstormed what is activism and watched a clip about artist Ryhia Dank, her relationship with Country and the 2022 NAIDOC Week theme.

Rebecca Hanrahan - Executive Teacher, Arts and Technology



OUTDOOR EDUCATION – CAVING

On the Thursday & Friday of last week of Term 2, some of our Outdoor Education students attended a caving excursion to Wee Jasper Caves NSW. Everyone arrived promptly, and with Elissa, Gemma and Hannah's help with the packing, we left Melrose High a little ahead of schedule.

The morale of the whole group was high for the whole camp. After setting up tents we hiked to Devil Punchbowl Gorge for abseiling activities, returning to camp mid-afternoon. After a rest and mid-afternoon lunch, we explored three wild caves, Enigma, Signature & Dog Leg caves. The students were enthusiastic, we looked at the cave formations and we had fun particularly in Signature cave, where staff challenged students to try specific caving movement skills. Returning to camp muddy and dirty we cleaned up to prepare our dinners on Trangia Stoves. Manaal & Atticus cooked up some delicious chicken curries for staff and other students. After dinner some students had fun with a spotlight game while others went with Ms Lewis to do some star gazing/discussions. Joshua Ford demonstrated how to identify star constellations with a neat app. At around 9:00 pm students settled back to their tents for rest, and some talking before sleep.



On day two we had an early start to the day with breakfast then preparing for our vertical caving challenge exploration of Punchbowl cave. The entrance into the cave is a 25-metre pitch dark abseil. It was encouraging to see students overcome their fears to abseil into the cave. Due to some challenges, however, the decision to cease further exploration and exit the cave was made.

It was slow going, but students did very well. To support fatiguing students, we set-up a 5:1 ratio pulley system. Lachlan, Atticus, Banjo, Tyler and Asha were of huge assistance in helping in the hauling process. Although we did not get to fully explore the Punchbowl Cave the experience in dealing with getting everybody safely out of the cave was invaluable. Providing students with challenging opportunities to problem solve and to collaborate is one of the main objectives of Outdoor Education.

I would like to thank students and parents for their enthusiastic support for the excursion, Mrs Lewis for providing her professionalism and invaluable caving experience and Nathan Forato (Youth Support Worker) for his limitless assistance.

In Term 3 we move onto indoor & outdoor climbing with excursions being organised for Snake Rock Namadgi National Park, White Rocks Queanbeyan & Thompsons Wall Nowra NSW. In Term 4 we are planning a Canoe trip, perhaps to Tallowa Dam with Snorkelling at Jervis Bay.

Bryce Anderson - Teacher, Outdoor Education.

Video Link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Plx_UDoWKhTZGBojD_kB5CV8Krf7EQ6-/view?usp=sharing

MARKET DAY IS BACK!



On Thursday 1 September Market Day will be held at our school. As part of Business Studies Year 10 students are required to plan, manage and operate a stall on the day. Their aim is to make as much profit as possible. The Year 10 students are currently organising their stalls. They are required to come up with an idea, name it, advertise it, make up a slogan, source their items, ask for donations, and the list goes on.

For the last nine years we have been donating part of the Market Day profits to a charity of the Year 10 group's choice. They have nominated a wide range of different charities to support, and will be making that decision as a year group next week. In the past, we have supported charities such as Canteen, UNHCR, the Tara Costigan Foundation, the MS Foundation, Drought Angels and Communities@Work.

The money this year will be divided into the charity, the formal, a gift to the school from Year 10 and an afternoon tea at Australian Business Week (ABW). Finally, the group of students who made the most profit will receive \$20 off their formal ticket for their outstanding participation.



It is always an exciting day that the whole student body gets behind. We are looking forward to a great day in September.

Rachel Kane
Executive Teacher, Humanities and Social Sciences

CUPCAKE DAY

Indonesian classes are delighted to report that they held a very successful Cupcake Day fundraiser on Monday 1 August 2022. We have some amazing bakers in the Melrose High community! Students raised an amazing \$900 to continue sponsoring the school's five adopted orangutans in Indonesia – Jeffrey Junior, Crystal, Charlie, Kobe and Holland.

Our five orangutans are being cared for at the Orangutan Foundation International (OFI) in Kalimantan. The orangutans have ended up in care due to a variety of reasons including habitat loss, becoming orphaned or after being rescued from being kept as pets. OFI helps the orangutans learn the skills they need so that they can one day return to living in the wild.

We hope to have an exciting update on one of our orangutans very soon! Thank you everyone for your support of the fundraiser.

Rebecca Battaglini
Indonesian Teacher



DANCE AND DRAMA CAMP

On Monday 25 – Wednesday 27 July ACE Drama and ACE Dance attended Greenhills Centre for Dance and Drama Camp. With the support of Ms Yeates, Ms Green and Mr Madsen, students were able to complete workshops and group tasks surrounded by the beautiful Stromlo landscape. All students demonstrated integrity and respect while on the camp and did Melrose High School proud.

ACE Drama had an incredibly productive three days completing the general blocking for majority of the scenes for this year's production, *The Real Story of Alice in Wonderland* by Kirsten Doherty – and they had fun doing it!

ACE Dance spent the three days learning choreography for our school's entry into the Ausdance Youth Dance Festival and for the Education Directorate's performance of *Limelight*. The students worked well to learn these pieces and discuss ideas for costumes, staging and lighting. This was an excellent rehearsal effort from all.



Trudy Yeates and Georgette Green- Teachers, Dance and Art



NEWS FROM PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography students have been learning about different light sources and had the opportunity to experiment with diffused natural light, creating moody window portraits. The results were beautiful.

Deirdre Kelaher - Teacher, Photography



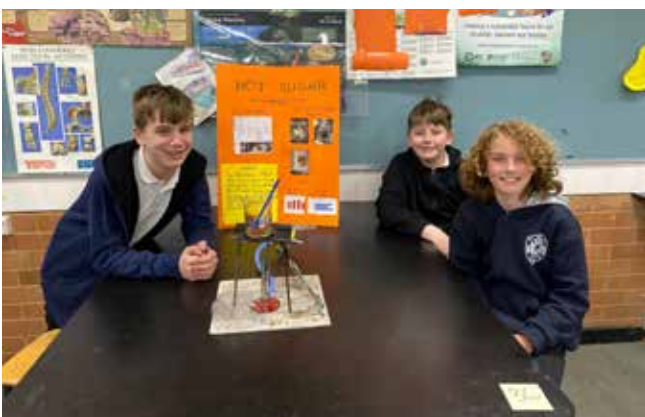
YEAR 7 SCIENCE FAIR!!!

Over the end of Term 2 and the start of Term 3, our Year 7 students have been working with their peers to conduct a scientific investigation. Their aim was to investigate a scientific question of their choice through planning and conducting experiments. Students then used their data to form conclusions that would answer their questions.

On Wednesday in Week 4, we had our Melrose Science Fair where students displayed their amazing projects to their families and friends. Our Year 7 cohort demonstrated fantastic communication skills as they engaged with their community to showcase their work. The students all did a great job and received some amazing feedback from families, friends and our Melrose staff.

Thank you to all the family members and friends who came to support our young scientists. The night would not be possible without you all. The students were all very appreciative to have this opportunity to display their projects!

Science Faculty



CAREER NEWS

There are currently a number of Australian School based Apprenticeships on offer for students in years 9 and 10 who turn 15 by December 1, 2022. These are offered under a new Head Start pilot program. Head Start is a new Australian School-based Apprenticeship (ASbA) option available in 2022. Head Start students can spend more time doing paid on-the-job training while completing their ACT Senior Secondary Certificate. Opportunities available are listed below.

- Work at Fredon studying a Cert III in Airconditioning and Refrigeration
- Work at Airconemi studying a Cert III in Airconditioning and Refrigeration
- Work at Pups 4 Fun studying a Cert II in Animal Care
- Work at Menzies Autocraft studying a Cert III in Automotive Body Repair Technology
- Work at Calvary Hospital Bruce studying a Cert III in Business
- Work at Gungahlin Lavender Lane studying a Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Work at Gungahlin Kinder Haven studying a Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Work at Holt NurtureOne Children's Centre studying a Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Work at Gowrie Blinky Bill studying a Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Work at Symonston Kinder Haven studying a Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Work at Canberra Southern Cross Club - Jamison studying a Cert III in Commercial Cookery
- Work at Canberra Southern Cross Club - Yarralumla studying a Cert III in Commercial Cookery
- Work at Canberra Southern Cross Club - Woden studying a Cert III in Commercial Cookery
- Work at Canberra Southern Cross Club - Tuggeranong studying a Cert III in Commercial Cookery
- Work at ECG studying a Cert III in Electrotechnology
- Work at Chisholm Hair Works studying a Cert III in Hairdressing
- Work at Thors Hammer studying a Cert III in Cabinet Making
- Work at Antics Hair studying a Cert III in Hairdressing
- Work at Contemporary Plumbing studying a Cert III in Plumbing
- Work at the National Press Club Studying a Cert III in Hospitality

Head Start places are limited and there is expected to be strong interest in the program. Students should think about the types of industries/occupations and training pathways that they are interested in, and speak with me before applying for a Head Start position.

For more information about this program and how to apply please contact samantha.tarlinton@ed.act.edu.au. Expressions of interest close Friday 19 August.

For more information regarding ASbAs <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/transitions-careers/vet-and-australian-school-based-apprenticeships/australian-school-based-apprenticeships-asba>



Samantha Tarlinton - Workplace Learning Coordinator

Head Start Pilot Program: Students

Head Start is a new Australian School-based Apprenticeship (ASbA) option available in 2022. Head Start students can spend more time doing paid on-the-job training while completing their ACT Senior Secondary Certificate.

- ✓ Do you want a Head Start in your dream career?
- ✓ Do you want to complete Year 12 and work part-time in a paid job?
- ✓ Do you want to do an apprenticeship or traineeship, but feel like you must choose between work or school?
- ✓ Do you want to develop industry skills to land you a full-time job straight after Year 12?
- ✓ Are you interested in a certain industry, such as hospitality, commercial cookery, aged care, early childhood education and care, education support, or automotive body repair and refinishing?

Head Start could be the pathway for you!

WHAT IS HEAD START?

Head Start is a tailored school-based apprenticeship and traineeship program that matches your job interest with a local business in need of skilled workers. With Head Start, you'll stay in school to complete your ACT Senior Secondary Certificate while also completing a qualification and participating in part-time paid employment.

KEY FEATURES OF HEAD START FOR STUDENTS



Recruitment: Head Start provides a supported recruitment process to ensure the 'best match' for you and your employer.



Pre-vocational training: You will complete a tailored pre-vocational training program before commencing your ASbA to give you the best possible start in the job.



Head Start Pathway: You will develop industry skills and increase your employment prospects, while completing your ACT Senior Secondary Certificate.

Head Start provides flexible school, work and training arrangements to meet your needs, with plenty of support available to make sure you get the most out of your Head Start pathway.



Support and mentoring: You and your employer will receive ongoing support and mentoring from the Head Start team with a dedicated Career Coach, Industry Coordinator, Social Worker and ASbA mentor.

NEWS FROM THE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT TEAM

YEAR 7 REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 7 students,

I am excited to announce that we are planning a Year 7 camp for our current cohort. We are working toward a 3 day, 2 night event for 24-26 October in Jindabyne. Melrose students have enjoyed a number of these camps over the years and I personally commend them to you.

The cost to attend is yet to be determined; however, it is estimated that it will cost around \$400. This is an excellent opportunity for our year group to get together after missing out on the traditional camp at the start of the year. A number of students have voiced their enthusiasm for the trip after missing out on so many camps due to COVID restrictions.

While some may feel nervous about spending two nights away from home, I will keep encouraging all students to join us as it will be a lot of fun. It often surprises students how special it is to be with their peers on a camp and see everyone out of the school context.

Please encourage your child to work toward the camp by working hard at school and at home. I have mentioned to them that a few chores each week should help earn the dollars to get there.

Hunter Walters - Year 7 Coordinator

YEAR 9 REPORT

This year has been great fun. Year 9 has had so many great opportunities to do so many great things. Year 9 is currently doing a PE unit on social dance. This gives us an opportunity to connect with our peers in both years 9 and 10 and allows us to get to know one another. Who knows we could even make a few friends along the way. This year, two Education Perfect competitions have been held school wide. Everyone put in a great effort! Last term the cross county was held with over 700 of the students racing. Then students who placed within the top 10 of their age group advanced to the zone cross country carnival. We even had a year 9 student advance to the next stage which is to be held this semester. Recently Melrose High School has welcomed many new teachers including the wonderful new Principal Mrs Whymark who we are excited to have at Melrose, we cannot wait to see what she could have in store for the school. This term we have a lot of exciting events taking place such as the renowned Melrose market day, many outdoor ed camps, the ICAS competitions, the Athletics carnival and much more to come!

Banjo and Damon - Year 9 Students

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

Melrose High drop-off point for Lids4Kids - NO LONGER A DROP-OFF POINT

Melrose High will no longer be a drop off location for Lids4Kids as the staff member running it is moving on. Lids4Kids Australia project was founded in May 2019 by Tim Miller, a Canberran full-time house Dad. Lids4Kids was created to rescue plastic bottle lids from landfill and partners with social enterprises who repurpose them into sustainable recycled plastic products. Thank you to everyone that has dropped off lids (over 1000 lids have been sorted!) you have helped to reduce our collective impact on the environment through repurposing. Public drop-off points for CLEAN and DRY lids can be found on the website at <https://www.lids4kids.org.au/australian-capital-territory>



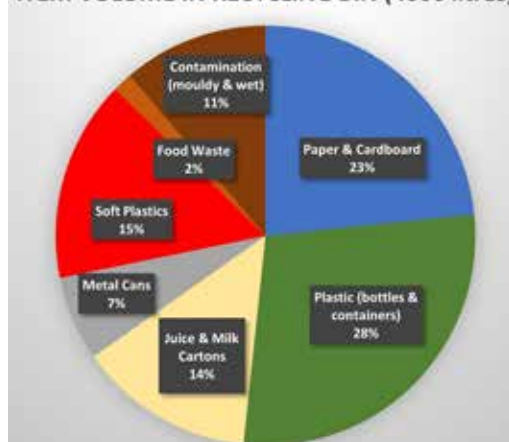
Lids4Kids ACT Mega Raffle – closes 30th August 2022

Lids4Kids ACT has fundraising initiative and rewards program for ACT children. Money raised from this raffle will go towards Lids4Kids ACT who are **fundraising to establish Canberra's first small plastic recycling and community education hub, in addition to a training centre to support at-risk youth and people with a disability.** There are \$6000 in amazing prizes including a helicopter flight, National Zoo and Aquarium membership, supercar rides and a hot air balloon flight! More exciting, however, is our Waste Warrior Rewards Program. When YOU sell tickets, YOU receive a Waste Warrior Reward! Leaflets with Waste Warrior Cards for students selling tickets and additional information can be collected from the front office. **Anyone over 18 years of age can purchase tickets directly** from <https://www.raffletix.com.au/?ref=z2kv7> or by scanning the QR code.

Recycling at Melrose

This year we have taken a whole school approach to sorting the playground recycling bins before they are sent to the Materials Recycling Facilities (MRF) in Hume. Bins are sorted to remove non-recyclable items that are not accepted at the MRF, contamination items include food scraps, soft plastics, drinks with liquid still in them, tissues, disposable cutlery and face masks (photo shows the bottom contents of a contaminated recycling bag, gross!). **This year, contamination accounts for 28% of the items in the bins, let's try reducing this to 20% by the end of the year.** In Semester 2, Year 7 classes are sorting the recycling. Thank you to the students and teachers that have shown great enthusiasm and recycling rigor while sorting through the items! **Over 2,200 items have been recycled, the equivalent to 16 household yellow recycling bins full! Let's keep the recycling high and contamination low! #RecycleRight**

ITEM VOLUME IN RECYCLING BIN (4600 litres)





Op-Shop 'REVAMPED' at Melrose

The second-hand clothing shop at Melrose is an ongoing community partnership with Koomarri since 2019. Koomarri kindly donate the items and the proceeds from the sales are given back to the not-for-profit organisation, allowing them to support people with disabilities in the community. Students can also be more conscious of their clothing choices and understand the negative impacts of fast fashion on the environment and wider society. Formal dresses and suits are priced \$5 to \$10, casual wear, shoes and accessories range from 50c to \$5. **To date, we have raised \$850 for Koomarri, such an amazing achievement!**





PARENT & STUDENT INFORMATION EVENT

Wed 17 August 2022 - 5pm to 7pm

Open to college & high school students seeking information on career and study pathways, and their parents, as well as graduates looking to progress their careers through postgraduate study options.

- CareersXpo exhibitors (Expo Hall) for career and study options
- Seminar Sessions incl presentation by Australian Space Agency
- Guest Speaker – “Entrepreneurship has no age barrier”
- Careers Practitioners and CV and Job Application workshop
- Helping Your Teenager with Career Planning workshop
- Postgraduate Information and Networking event

Registration necessary
Visit careersxpo.com.au

**FREE
ENTRY!**

careersXpo

Exhibition Park, Canberra

Sell tickets and earn rewards!

www.lids4kids.org.au

www.lids4kids.org.au

LIDS4KIDS mega raffle

ENTER TO WIN!

\$6000 in prizes to be won!

Prizes include:

- 30 minute jet ride in a GT40 Supercar AND professional photo shoot \$400 - \$1000
- 30 First Edition Chrome Display Desk artworks signed by the artist (Photographic landscapes on wooden skateboard decks) \$300 - \$400
- Hot air balloon flight for \$500 Bunnings voucher \$400 Cabri \$300 - \$400
- 30 minute jet ride in a GT40 Supercar \$300 - \$400
- Tesla Whisking Kit from Symmetry Dental \$300 - \$400
- GHD Oracle Professional, Versatile Curling Wand from Caber's (Prizes) \$300 - \$400
- National Zoo and Aquarium Membership \$200 - \$300
- \$200 Voucher Three Wills Bakery \$200 - \$300