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Melrose High School Key Events



18 October 2019

Melrose High School Board

The School Board meet on the second Tuesday of each month (where possible). The function of the School Board is to establish strategic direction and priorities for the school, monitor and review school performance, develop relationships between the school and community, encourage parent participation in their children's learning, approve and monitor the school budget, and develop and review policies for the school.

The next School Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 24 October 2019. Should you wish to contact the School Board or a parent representative on the Board please email

Melrose.Board@ed.act.edu.au

Acceptable use of ICT

Please discuss with your young person/s about acceptable use of ICT during school hours. It is important to reinforce that mobile phones are not an acceptable personal device for learning and should not be used at school. Melrose High School supports "in the building, in the bag" when discussing mobile phones with students. Parents and carers should contact the front office when needing to contact their young person as to not disrupt the learning of others by contacting mobile phones. The Acceptable Use of ICT department policy can be found on our website. This document also includes portable speakers which are not appropriate for school. Melrose High School take no responsibility for these devices.

MELROSE HIGH SCHOOL ARTS FEST – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Arts Fest is our major Arts showcase for Semester 2 and will include the following events:

- **Week 5** - Thursday, 14 November: Music and Dance performance night involving the Concert Band and Year 9/10 Music and Dance classes.
- **Week 6** – Thursday, 21 November: Year 7-10 Drama performance evening in the Drama Studio.
- **Week 7** – Wednesday, 27 & Thursday, 28 November: Our major production of the Australian play "Masquerade" put on by the ACE Drama class and the Backstage Production class.

Singapore & Malaysia Trip – July 2020

Application forms and a deposit of \$500 are due back by Friday, 25 October (Week 2) for all those students who are interested in participating in next year's trip. The itinerary has been specially designed to cater for the needs of students studying Indonesian, Textiles and/or Food Technology. If you missed the information session or would like a full itinerary and application form, please email Ibu Battaglini. rebecca.battaglini@ed.act.edu.au



Chromebooks

Please remember to bring your device to school EVERYDAY, FULLY CHARGED. Chromebooks will be available to borrow from the library for students with exceptional circumstances. Borrowing will only be permitted in the morning, prior to first lesson, and devices should be returned at 3.10pm.

If you would like to opt in to the Chromebook Initiative and receive a free Chromebook to use throughout your time in the ACT Public Education System please see Ms. McAuley in room 243. More details about this initiative can be found via this [link to the Education Directorate website](#).

If your child has damaged their Chromebook, please bring it to Daniel in S18 as soon as possible. If the damage is covered under warranty, we will arrange for it to be repaired as quickly as possible. If the damage is not covered under warranty you will receive a letter detailing the options for repair or replacement of the device. Remember, it is each students responsibility to keep their device safe and secure throughout the day.

Overdue Library books

There are many items overdue at the moment. Please check your lockers, under beds, at the bottom of school bags etc and return them so that they may be used by other students. This is particularly important for English texts, as entire sets are required for other classes.

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 7.5% 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. <https://cscmarketing.wufoo.com/forms/zjfux-530c342by/>

The month of November is 'Yes-Vember' at the club, and as part of this the club is doubling everything they donate to school and community groups! This means we will get 15% of everything spent on food and drink at the clubs during this time!



Science Mentors ACT provides ACT public school students in years nine to 12 the opportunity to work with science and engineering professionals on extended, student-driven investigations.

Through Science Mentors ACT, students gain a genuine science and engineering experience. Students will:

- work with a professional scientist or engineer in a field of the student's choice
- develop experimental, analytical and evaluative skills specific to their chosen field
- gain experience and skills writing professional level science reports.

If you would like to would like more information on Science Mentors ACT, contact sciencementors@act.gov.au.

McNamara-Saunders Astronomical Teaching Telescopes
 MSATT is an astronomical teaching facility at Mount Stromlo Observatory designed for student-centred research projects in astronomy.
 No experience with astronomy or telescopes is necessary.
 Students from Year 9 to 12 in the ACT region are welcome to apply.
Students wishing to visit MSATT or undertake projects in 2020 should contact:
 Geoff McNamara AM
 Manager, MSATT
 Phone/text 0 44 99 66 200
geoffrey.mcnamara@ed.act.edu.au
msatt.teamapp.com
There is no cost for any MSATT activities.

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Children's Asthma Education Service

Helping children with asthma breathe easier

The Children's Asthma Education Service (CAES) provides children, young people and their families with initial and continuing support to manage their asthma.

health.act.gov.au/asthma
 Ph: Community Health Intake 5124 9977

health.act.gov.au

Australian Government | eSafety Commissioner

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Everyone HATES U!!!

Talk to your kids before a cyberbully does.

No matter what their age, if your kids are online, now's the time to talk about online safety.

Cyberbullying, online predators, sexting and inappropriate content can have a detrimental effect on kids' lives.

But with the right tools, tips and advice you can play your part to keep them safer and happier online. Our eSafety website provides information on how to deal with and report negative online experiences.

Visit eSafety.gov.au

Online Safety Start the Chat eSafety.gov.au

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pp positive partnerships
 Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Free to attend

Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the home-school partnership

Learn about:

- Autism: characteristics, impacts and strategies
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your school

Canberra
 Tuesday 22 October, 2019
 9.15am - 3.00pm
 Registrations open 22 Sept 2019

Location:
 Australian Institute of Sport
 Visitors Centre, Marathon room
 1 Laverrier street
 Bruce ACT 2617
 Morning tea and a light lunch provided

Interpreters available

To register, visit positivepartnerships.com.au

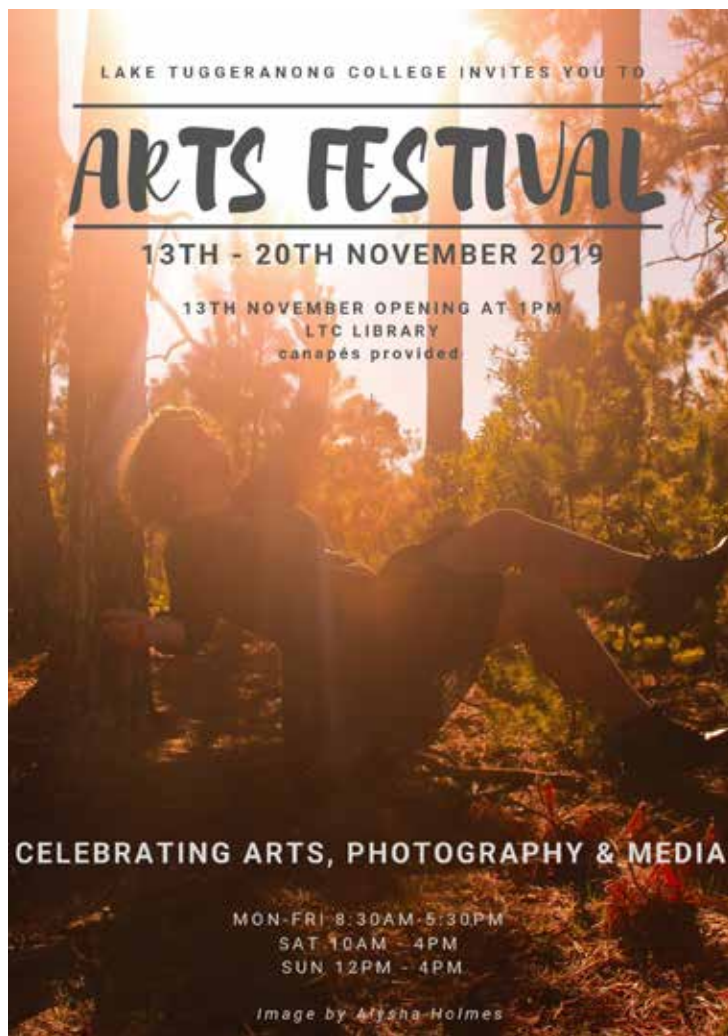
For help, call: 1300 881 971

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Fragments: A play tackling mental health issues for young people in Years 9-12

Fragments is 8 stories of 8 young people. It tackles some of the most common mental health issues facing young people today while seeking to shatter the stigmas that prevent many people from seeking help. This production is raw and real, filled with humour, heartache and hope. Written by Maura Pierlot, and performed by eight next gen actors, the production was funded by artsACT and runs from 23 – 27 October at the Street Theatre. <http://www.thestreet.org.au/shows/fragments-maura-pierlot>



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