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# Melrose High School Key Events



26 July 2019

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## Parent Engagement Session #6 - 5 August 2019

We welcome you to our sixth Parent Engagement Session for the year on Monday, 5 August from 5-7 pm in the Melrose Library. The focus of this session will be *Unpacking the Australian Curriculum*.

Keynote Presenter: Josephine Anderson (ACARA): Looking at the whole curriculum as an opportunity to engage.

Q & A to follow.

Light refreshments available

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## 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.

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## Library News

Save the Date: Book Week 2019, 22-26 August

Book Week is fast approaching, so it is time to start planning your costume. This year's theme is **Reading is my superpower**, but students are welcome to come dressed as any book character, significant prop or something else book-related. There will be a book parade during assembly on Tuesday 23 August (Week 5) with prizes awarded to the best dressed. Creativity using repurposed/recycled items is highly encouraged. There will also be activities running all week to celebrate reading and its many fantastic benefits.

### Overdue items

There are many items still overdue from the end of Term 2. 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.

### Chromebooks

If you need to borrow a Chromebook for the day, please ensure you come to the Library before roll group. The Library is open every day from 8:30am. It is also important that you return the Chromebook at the end of the day, so that it may be charged overnight and available for use the next day.

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## New Maths Teachers

Over the holidays we have had a few changes in the Maths faculty. Charles McIntosh and Asish Chowdhury have sadly left Melrose High School. We welcome Michael Searle and Nazrul Islam to our team. Both teachers have a wealth of experience and we are excited to have them join us.

## Does your child need extra help with schoolwork?

The Melrose Toolbox has been designed to support Melrose High students with their research, writing, and presentation skills. There is information and guides on several aspects of assignment work, including writing different text types, finding appropriate information, structuring paragraphs, and editing work. It would be a great idea to go through the information together with your child and encourage them to use this for their class work and assignments. Later in the year there will be the opportunity for parents, carers and students to provide feedback on the Toolbox.



The guide can be accessed at <https://sites.google.com/schoolsnet.act.edu.au/mlrhstyleguide/home> or on Google Classroom pages.

## HEAVY WEIGHT HOODIES IN STOCK FOR ONLY \$49

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Farrer Uniform Shop started at the Farrer Primary School and was run by volunteers as a fundraiser for the school.

Our children are now at Melrose High School so we would like to do the same here. We have a limited number of hoodies in stock. If we've run out of the size you want please email [farreruniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:farreruniformshop@gmail.com) and we can let you know when we do the next print run.

[www.farreruniformshop.com.au](http://www.farreruniformshop.com.au)

## Parenting Ideas Anxious Kids Seminar

There's lots of things parents and teachers can do to help kids when they become anxious.

Hear from parenting expert, award-winning speaker and author of 11 books Michael Grose, together with wellbeing expert and researcher Dr Jodi Richardson. Michael Grose and Jodi Richardson will be touring across Australia and New Zealand to present their evidence-based approach to managing kids' anxiety. In this seminar they will speak about the tools and strategies for helping children outlined in their recently released and highly acclaimed book *Anxious Kids*.

This special seminar is ideal for parents, carers, teachers and other professionals who work with children and their parents.

30 July 2019, 7pm - Hellenic Club.

For more information and tickets please visit <https://www.parentingideas.com.au/parent-resources/seminars/anxious-kids-seminar-tour>

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**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](http://eSafety.gov.au)

Online Safety  
Start the Chat  
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## WODEN VALLEY YOUTH CHOIR

Woden Valley Youth Choir is an exciting and dynamic not-for-profit community choir for young people, with a strong emphasis on Music Education. We don't just sing – we become musicians.

WVYC will have vacancies in all of its choirs for children entering year 3 next year through to young adults aged up to 25.

Rehearsals are held at Charles Weston School in Coombs on Tuesday evenings but the choir is open to people from all over the Canberra/Queanbeyan area.

### AUDITIONS

Auditions for choristers wishing to commence in September 2019 will be held on Saturday 10 August.

For more information about the choir and the audition process and to download an application form go to [wvyc.org.au](http://wvyc.org.au)

### ROTARY CLUB OF HALL INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP

WVYC welcomes enquiries from indigenous young people for the Rotary Club of Hall Indigenous Scholarship. Applicants should contact the administrator on [info.wvyc@gmail.com](mailto:info.wvyc@gmail.com) to request the guidelines for applying for a scholarship.

### CENTAURI VOICES

We are keen to grow our choir for young men aged 13 to 18 with changing or changed voices and are happy for interested young men to try out the choir before they commit to joining rather than auditioning. If you are interested in sitting in on a few rehearsals please email us or phone 1300 599 655.

### WVYC 50TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

If you'd like to see the choir in action, come to the Woden Valley Youth Choir 50th Anniversary Concert on 24 August in Llewellyn Hall. Tickets available through Ticketek.