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Melrose High School Message Stick



Date: 4 June 2021

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

Important dates

8 June: Yr 7-10 Boys Rugby League
9 - 11 June: Outdoor Ed Rock Climbing Camp
10 June: Skills of the Future Presentation 5 - 7pm

14 June: Queens Birthday Public Holiday
16 June: ACT Cross Country
22 - 24 June: Road Ready

Dear Parents/Guardians

We cordially invite you to the Inaugural Melrose High Science Fair.

The Science Fair will take place in the science building from 4:00 – 6:00 PM on Wednesday, 28th July, 2021.

Year 7 students will be showcasing their science inquiry projects.

You are invited to drop by between 4 and 6 pm on 28th July to see the work of our young scientists.

Thank you for your continued support of our science programs and we look forward to seeing you at the Fair!

MLRHS Science Team.

EXCURSIONS AT MELROSE

The ACT Education Directorate has updated their Policies and Procedures for Excursions and we are working through what this means for parent/carers at Melrose High School (Melrose). One of the changes is that families need to complete a Medical Information and Consent Form (form) at the beginning of each school year and only need to complete subsequent forms if the situation changes for their child(ren). Attached to this email is the form for 2021, which needs to be completed and returned to the school by email at: melrosehs.events@ed.act.edu.au or in person through Check in teachers in the morning session. Students will not be able to participate in any excursions, including the Athletics Carnival in WK 5 of Term Three, 2021 without an updated form.

Changes to the PE program

In our Health and Physical Education unit outlines the PE faculty had included an Olympic sports unit for the end of the term. We have decided as a faculty that we will replace this with an Athletics field event unit, in preparation for next terms Carnival. This will allow us to teach students the field events this term, and revisit them and complete track events in weeks 4 and 5 in Term 3.

The Colour of Sound: A Concert Series

Add some colour to your day and join Music for Canberra for:

The Colour of Sound: A Concert Series

Bask in a warm and thrilling musical adventure on Sunday 20 June featuring the String Ensembles, James McCusker Orchestra and the Canberra Youth Orchestra.

The Colour of Sound: The Frequency Spectrum showcases the range of string ensembles offered at Music for Canberra from our youngest students to our most advanced string students. The concert culminates in a performance from the James McCusker Orchestra. Listen to an array of musical tones, colours and styles and relish a vibrant pallet of pitch and sound.

The Colour of Sound: Chromesthesia (Sound to Colour) presents the ACT's premier youth orchestra the Canberra Youth Orchestra. Aimed at stimulating the aural and visual senses through the medium of orchestral music, let your mind explore the music with the variety of instrumentation and compositional devices employed in three major works presented by our ensemble conducted by Rowan Harvey-Martin.

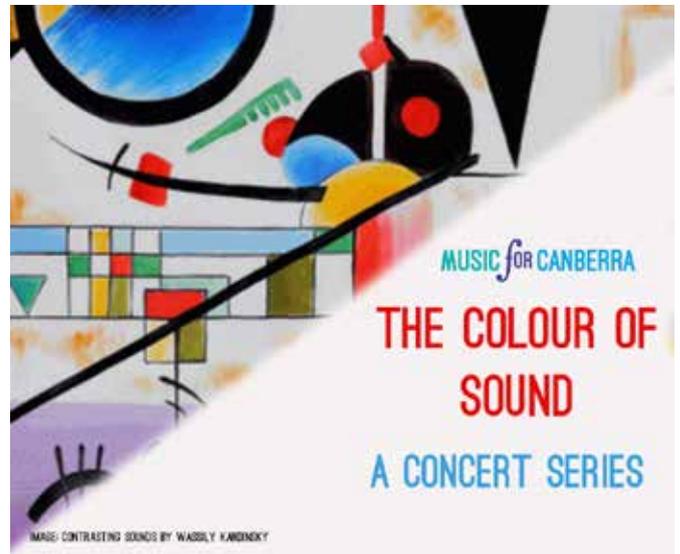
Where: Canberra Girls Grammar School, Senior Hall

When: Sunday 20 June

String Stream Ensembles and James McCusker Orchestra 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Canberra Youth Orchestra 6:00pm – 8:00pm

https://musicforcanberra.org.au/event/the_colour_of_sound-a-concert-series/



Lost Property

Over the period of Term 2 there has been a large accumulation of lost property outside the student window of the main office. If your child is missing clothing, shoes, drink bottles etc. please remind them to check the large pile and hopefully your missing belongings will return home.

SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE INFORMATION NIGHT

Want to know what skills, attributes, passions etc. is our community looking for in future employees/members/students? Hear from experts in the field:

- Kirsty Spence, Talent Sourcing, ActewAGL
- Maurice Walker, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body
- Keith Cantlie, Director of Cantlie Recruitment, Canberra Business Chamber
- Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Education, Professor Royston Gustavson, ANU.
- Kate Rhook, Community Engagement Officer, Icon Water
- Emily Hills, Assistant Professor in Teacher Education, University of Canberra
- Arian McVeigh, Manager, Young Workers Centre
- Leanne Cover, Chief Executive Officer, Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT)
- Ian McKay, Chief Executive Officer, Canberra Southern Cross Club
- Joanne Farrell General Manager, Kane Construction & Founder of Build Like a Girl

WHEN: Thursday 10 June 21, 5-7pm

WHERE: Malcolm Barlow Hall, Melrose High School

Students and parent/carers welcome, RSVP: By Monday 7 June 2021 by email at: melrosehs.events@ed.act.edu.au to secure your spot.

Career News – Vocational Learning Options

VLOs provide an opportunity for students to make a connection between their school learning, interests, career aspirations and a future area of study, training or work. VLOs provide a challenging learning experience for students whilst continuing to attend high school or college.

VLOs provide opportunities for young people to experience:

- Better futures
- Learning success
- Personal growth
- Positive community involvement and recognition

Successful participation in a VLO leads to the completion of a cluster of competencies from nationally recognised vocational education and training qualifications.

How can parents help?

Parents play a major role in their child's decision-making about careers and study. For this reason, students are encouraged to discuss their participation in a VLO with their parent/carer before they submit an expression of interest (EOI). It is important that parents/carers identify a link between their child's interests, goals, and career plans and the VLO when completing the parent/carer comment section. Students require a Unique Student Identifier (USI) reference number before commencing a VLO.

In Semester 2, there are several VLOs on offer to students in Year 10. They are

- Veterinary Nursing
- Early Childhood Education
- I Makeup
- Electrotechnology (Electrician)
- Health Services: Intro to Nursing

Interested students should come and see Sam in Careers for further information and to find out how to apply. The VLO's are run for one day per week for 12 weeks and you will receive competencies towards various Certificate qualifications. There is a small cost involved and you will need to go through an interview process to be successful in your application.

Canberra College Community Connection Series

INSPIRING AND SUPPORTIVE NETWORKS FOR STUDENT FUTURES

Students, Families & Teachers

5.30 PM - 6.30 PM

WEDNESDAY JUNE 23 2021

ASGARD THEATRE, CANBERRA COLLEGE



HOW TO BE AUDACIOUS-

WARNING:

CONTENT MAY DISPLEASE THOSE WHO WANT A STANDARD LIFE.

ABBY REES, CANBERRA-BASED DIRECTOR PUNKPD, JOINS US TO SHARE THE GUTS OF WHAT SHE HAS LEARNED ABOUT HOW TO CREATE AND LIVE A TRULY GREAT LIFE. PUNKPD SPECIALISES IN ALL THINGS 'HUMAN': EMOTION, BEHAVIOUR AND COGNITION.



THIS IS A COVID SAFE EVENT.



Electronic Music School Holiday Workshop

\$50 for both days

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

5 + 6 July

For high school + college aged students

In this two day workshop, participants will work with contemporary musician/producer Sophie Edwards to create computer-generated music.

This will involve sampling, learning how to make an effective drumbeat, manipulating audio, and using virtual instruments and plugins.

To register please visit:

<https://music.cass.anu.edu.au/electronic-music-workshop>



▶ ClickView Parent Info Guide



How can ClickView support your child's learning?

ClickView provides teachers and students access to thousands of interactive videos and related resources to support learning and teaching. All ClickView produced content is developed with subject experts, ensuring it's age appropriate and aligned to the Australian Curriculum.



High-quality resources for learning

ClickView provides a library of video content explicitly aligned to the curriculum. Students and teachers can confidently access high-quality video resources that have been purpose-made in Melbourne, or educationally curated from a selection of pay-TV or free-to-air programs.



Engaging and interactive

Teachers can find, edit and share relevant educational videos with students, including interactive learning tasks, through which teachers can monitor each student's understanding. Students can upload and share their work with teachers and other students to demonstrate their learning.



Access videos anytime, anywhere

Teaching staff can share clips with students to view at home so they can use class time for quality discussions, higher-order thinking and problem-solving.



Safe and age-appropriate

ClickView resources feature Australian content classifications to help ensure students are accessing age-appropriate materials.

Get started with ClickView at home

1. Go to online.clickview.com.au on any browser or download the ClickView app.



2. Sign in using your child's school login details.
3. Browse over thousands of educational videos.



School Leavers Information Kit & School Leavers Information Service

To support young people as they prepare to leave school, the School Leavers Information Kit and the School Leavers Information Service provide tailored careers information to help young people understand their education, training and work pathways.

Both initiatives are funded through the Australian Government's Enhanced Support for School Leavers measure and are being delivered by the National Careers Institute (NCI) from 1 October 2020 to 30 June 2022.

Features of the School Leavers Information Kit

The School Leavers Information Kit, *Your Career: What's next for you?* provides young people with information about education, training and work options to help them navigate the changing landscape of the labour market. Key sections include:

- **Help to build your future career**
Information about further education and training and industries across Australia.
- **Help with short-term options**
Identifying current skills, undertaking short-term education and training, and options to pursue different opportunities like work experience or volunteering.
- **Help to pursue your goal**
Financial assistance, starting your first new job and local careers information.



The information kit is available to download on YourCareer.gov.au, Australia's authoritative source of careers information. The Your Career website is powered by the National Skills Commission's world-leading labour market intelligence.

Features of the School Leavers Information Service

The School Leavers Information Service will provide school leavers with two levels of careers support:

- help to navigate the School Leavers Information Kit, access and use the Your Career website or be referred to relevant government programs or support services.
- where needed, a personalised career guidance session with a qualified career practitioner for up to 45 minutes.

The Service is available by:

- calling **1800 CAREER (1800 227 337)**
- texting **SLIS2020 to 0429 009 435**, or
- emailing schoolleavers.nci@dese.gov.au.

YourCareer.gov.au

For more information please contact the National Careers Institute at nci@dese.gov.au





Imagining, Discovering and Finding Work

Face-to-Face Workshops in Canberra

Two dates to choose from: June 5 and June 10, 2021

Imagine More is hosting face-to-face workshops that aim to build the capacity of families and supporters to help secondary students with disability find meaningful, paid work.

Two one day workshops will be held from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Choose to attend either:

- [Saturday, June 5, 2021 at the Hotel Realm, Barton](#)
- [Thursday, June 10, 2021 at the Canberra Rex Hotel, Braddon](#)

In these workshops, you will

- Develop greater confidence to identify young people's strengths, interests and intrinsic motivators
- Understand the importance of developing a vision and have greater confidence in developing a vision
- Understand the importance of a positive introduction and have greater confidence in developing a positive introduction
- Understand how to identify young people's conditions for success in any work-related experience
- Understand how to link the student's strengths and interests to a variety of work-related roles
- Increase your knowledge of who in your community may be able to assist in accessing a work-related experience for the student (formal/informal/networks/Circles, and/or professionals/providers)
- Understand strategies to work with professionals/providers to achieve an employment role for young people
- Increase your knowledge of how to approach employers in seeking a work-related opportunity
- Have a deeper understanding of the importance of developing a positive pitch for potential employers
- Have a deeper understanding of the role of the job coach and confidence to implement strategies that best support the student.

The cost of attending the workshop is \$35 per family member and \$50 for support staff, professionals and other community members. You can use NDIS funds for this event: however please email fiona@imaginemore.org.au if you would have difficulty paying the fee as we have sponsored places available.

Learn more and register at <https://imaginemore.org.au/school-to-work-events/>

Registrations close Monday 31 May 2021

 490 Northbourne Avenue, Dickson, ACT 2602 <https://imaginemore.org.au>



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FREE
“MAGIC MANIA”

A project by Magic Mania for special needs children and families in the ACT and region

At the Hellenic Club of Canberra

Magic Mania will be held on **at the Hellenic Club, Matilda St in Woden.**

Monday 28th June 2021

The show will be commencing promptly at **11.00am**, although we ask those needing assistance to arrive **at least 30 minutes' prior**.

We are offering **FREE** tickets to this event to all special needs children as well as care givers and family members who would like to attend. These tickets to you are completely **FREE OF CHARGE** and made possible by the generosity of your local business and professional people in the ACT and local area.

We request that you email or fax us of the number of tickets you require no later than **18th June 2021 LATEST (RSVP date)**.

For any information, please do not hesitate to call **Jenny or Anastasia** (10am-3pm) on 02 9699 3925 or email jgoodman@magicmania.com.au

Yours sincerely

Jenny Goodman

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Project Coordinator
Magic Mania

Event: Monday 28th June 2021

(Please RSVP by 18th June 2021 latest)

NUMBER OF TICKETS: 11.00AM _____

CONTACT NAME: _____ Your Tel: _____ Your Fax: _____

ORGANISATION: _____

POSTAL ADDRESS: _____

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Please tick if you would like your tickets posted as our preference is emailed (to save postage)

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