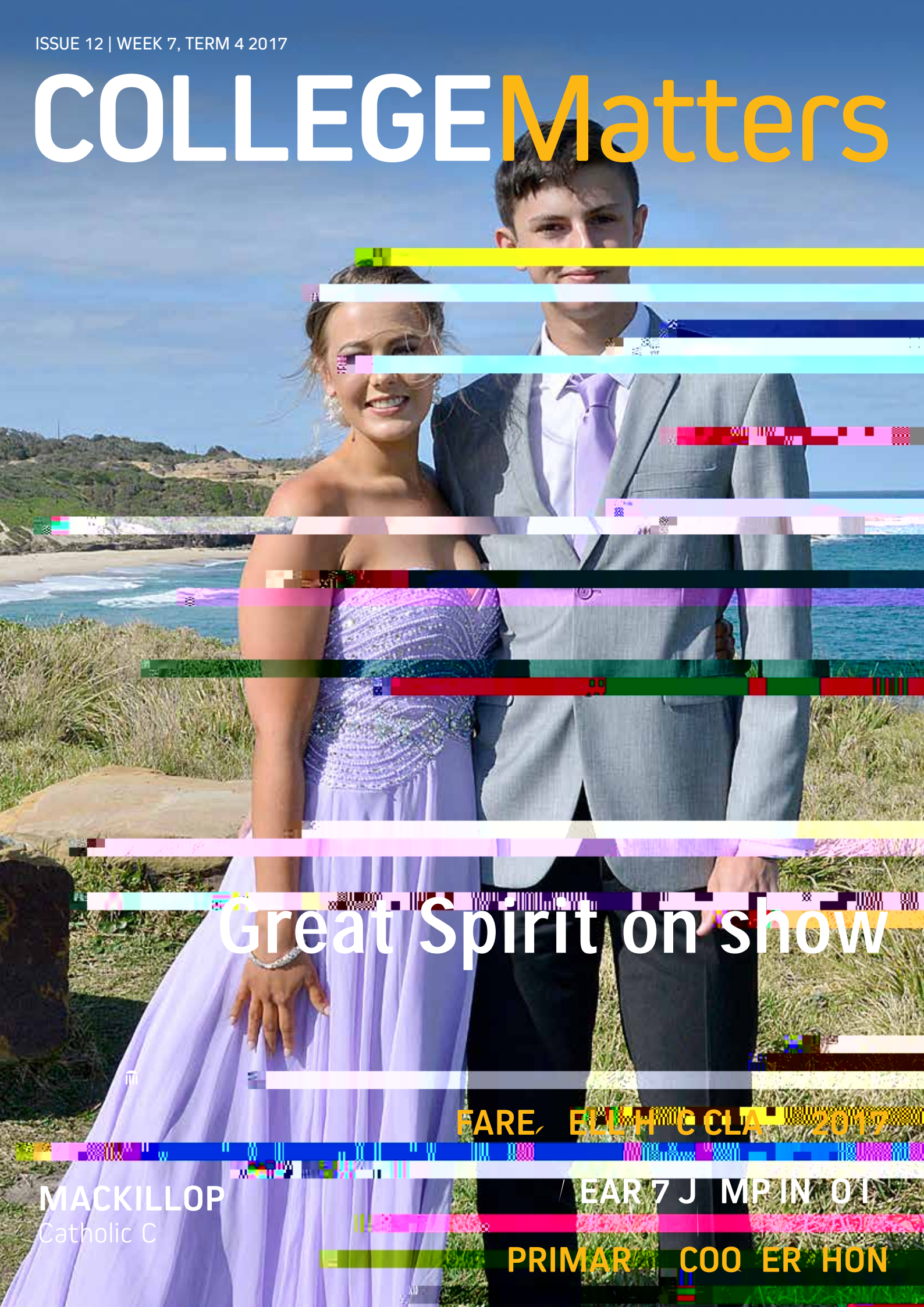


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College Principal, GhYj Y HcXX introduces the MacKillop favour for ending the year well.

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8YVfU: Yf[i gcb 'tells us about a great night raising money for cancer research.

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FUVUy'9VtUHY'praises our Year 8 students for 'giving it a go'.

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K 5G B: CFA 98 last week that there are only 6 Fridays until Christmas which made me ponder once again about how quickly the year progresses as well as that usual panic that creeps over about how we will complete all we have to do between now and the end of term. However, when the panic subsides we can all look back over the year and be quite proud of all we have achieved this year. Most of this has been covered in our College Matters throughout the year and in the Year Book that each family will receive on the last Wednesday of term.

This term we have admired the approach of our Year 12 HSC class to their final exams, been impressed with the maturity of our Year 11 students as they commenced their HSC course and assisted and encouraged our Year 7-10 students as they sat their end of year exams.

We now approach all the end of year activities but also

Girls Night In

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CB %G9DH9A 69F the third 'Girls' Night In' was held at MacKillop. This is part of a nationwide charity where thousands of Australian women assemble their favourite ladies together and host a Girls' Night In to raise money to help support the estimated 20,000 women who will be diagnosed with breast or gynaecological cancer this year. Female friendship has never been more powerful.

At MacKillop this night has always been organised by the Senior Leaders. Abbie McDonald, assisted by some of her Year 12 friends and Year 11 Leaders organised a fun night for approximately 80 girls from years 7-12.

The night began with 'Polished by Donna'. The girls received hints about good grooming and modelling. This brought smiles and laughter to all present and a great deal of admiration for the models on the night who had completed a course with Donna. A number of these models were MacKillop girls.

Throughout the night there was pizza, lolly bags, drinks, raffles, nail make-overs, hair braiding, a movie, discussions, singing and games. All this helped raise money for the McGrath Foundation and the girls should be highly commended for raising almost \$900 which will assist with cancer research.

Abbie is to be congratulated for her hard work to organise this night and we thank every girl who attended. We also thank the teachers who gave up their Friday night to supervise this event and who also slept over. A wonderful charity and a great night. Well done to all!!



Year 8 students' Reflection Day

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5GD5FHC: the pastoral care program for Year 8, this term they engaged in their Reflection Day which was themed around respectful relationships. As part of the day, students travelled with peers from their pastoral classes together with their teachers and engaged in activities that focused around the theme of Relationships.

The Reach Foundation ran a session focused on students addressing issues present in their lives and how these issues can impact on the individuals' health and wellbeing. They were able to support one another and have the opportunity to talk through how to best deal with difficult situations in the future.

We also had the company Drumbeats run two practical sessions with our students which focused around the students working together through music and dance. As a class, students each had a bongo drum and they learnt different percussions and created their own musical melody. Lots of fun was had by all and some unknown talent emerged amongst Year 8.

The final activity involved dance and the boys learnt the Haka and the girls learnt the Hula. It was great to see students out of their comfort zone giving it a go and working together to have some fun.

Year 8's behaviour was impressive on the day and they really engaged in all activities well.



It's been an exciting first few weeks of Term 4 with JUMP (Junior Undertaking Mission Project) officially launched within the College. The primary aim of the program is to encourage students to serve others in a positive spirit. Our Year 7 students are the pioneers of this project. They are encouraged to identify areas of need within their homes,



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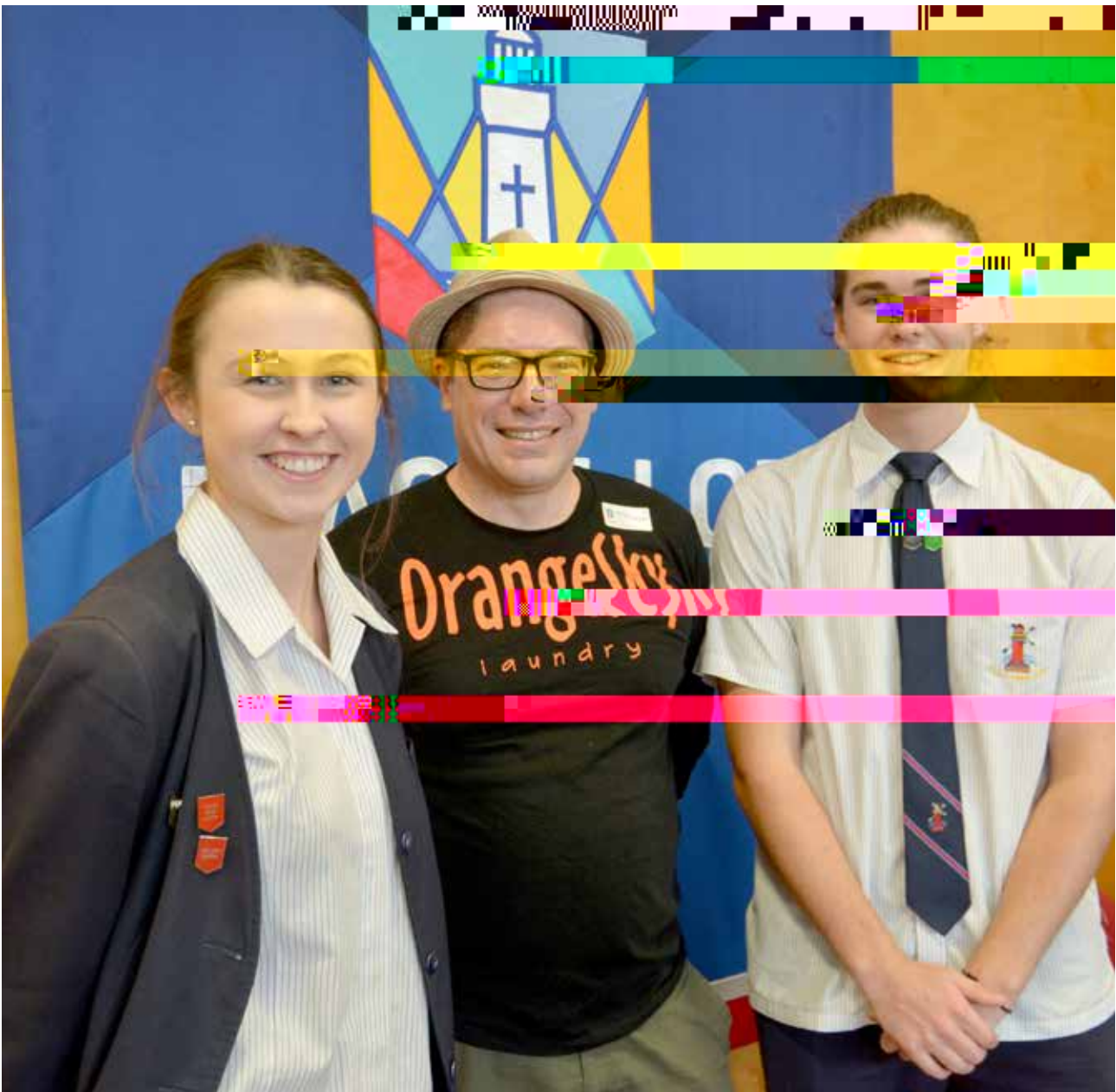


OUR YEAR 12 Student Leaders have made 'addressing Homelessness on the Central Coast' a focus for their leadership over the next 12 months. They are keen to link in with two specific organisations - Orange Sky Laundry and Coast Shelter.

Orange Sky Laundry is the world's first free mobile laundry service for the homeless. A crazy idea in 2014 to put two washing machines and two dryers in a van and wash and dry clothes for free. Starting in the streets of Brisbane, Orange Sky has now grown to 20 services across Australia in Brisbane, Canberra, Gold Coast, Melbourne, Sydney, Sunshine Coast, North and South Perth, Adelaide, Newcastle, SE Melbourne, Wollongong, SA Northern Districts, Port Macquarie, Mackay and Hobart. Orange Sky Laundry now does over 6.2 tonnes of

laundry every week. However most importantly, has over 1,300 hours of positive and genuine conversations every week.

Orange Sky laundry recently launched a service on the Central Coast and we had the pleasure of having Brendan, their Central Coast Vehicle Manager, address our School Assembly on the Friday 27 October. Brendan was delighted that our Senior Leaders want to focus on helping the homeless in our region and grateful for the opportunity.









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Bishop David Walker Annual Prize

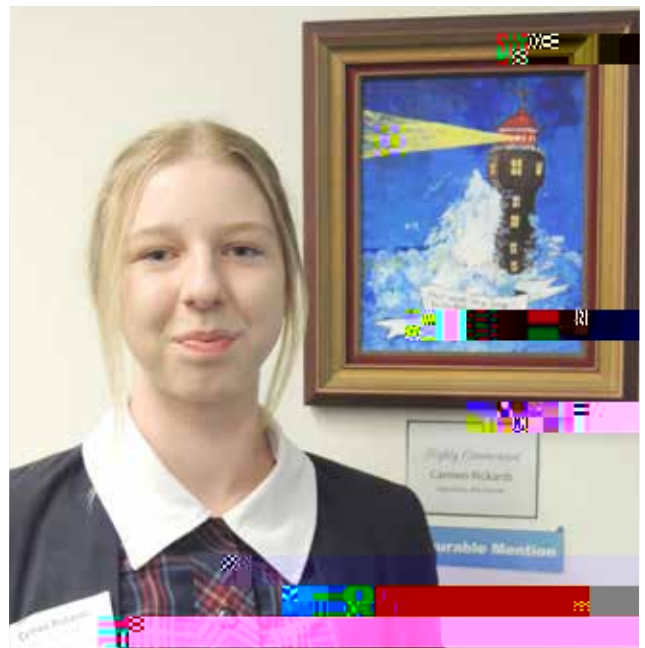
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Stage 4, Highly Commended - Carmen Rickards, Year 8

Stage 5 1st Prize - Rebecca Bosley, Year 10.

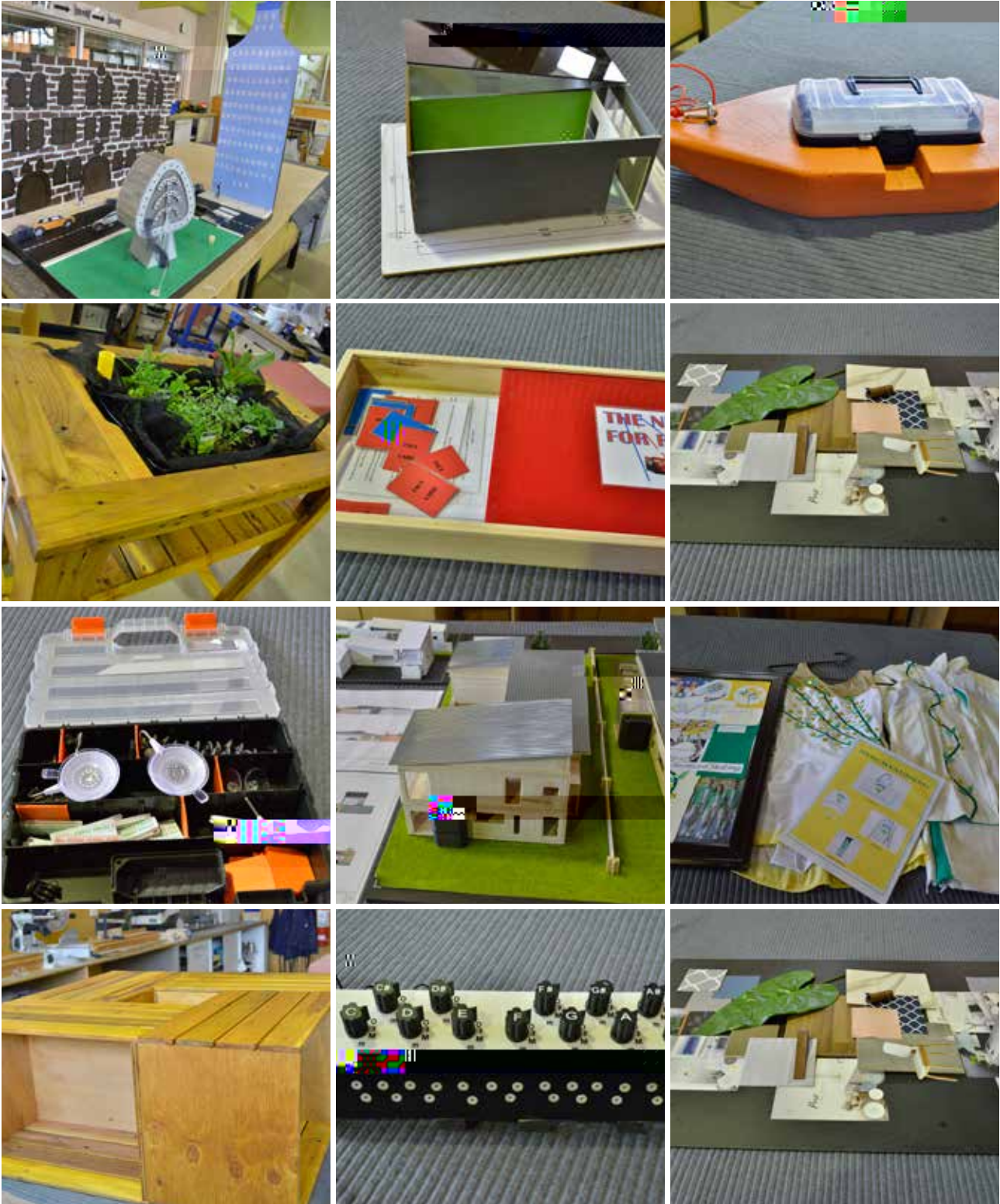
The Caroline Chisholm Centre Award was also awarded on the night. This award is voted by the staff at the Centre and is similar to that of the Packing Room Prize for the Archibald. Congratulations to Rebecca Bosley for winning this prestigious prize.



Year 12 Design & Technology HSC

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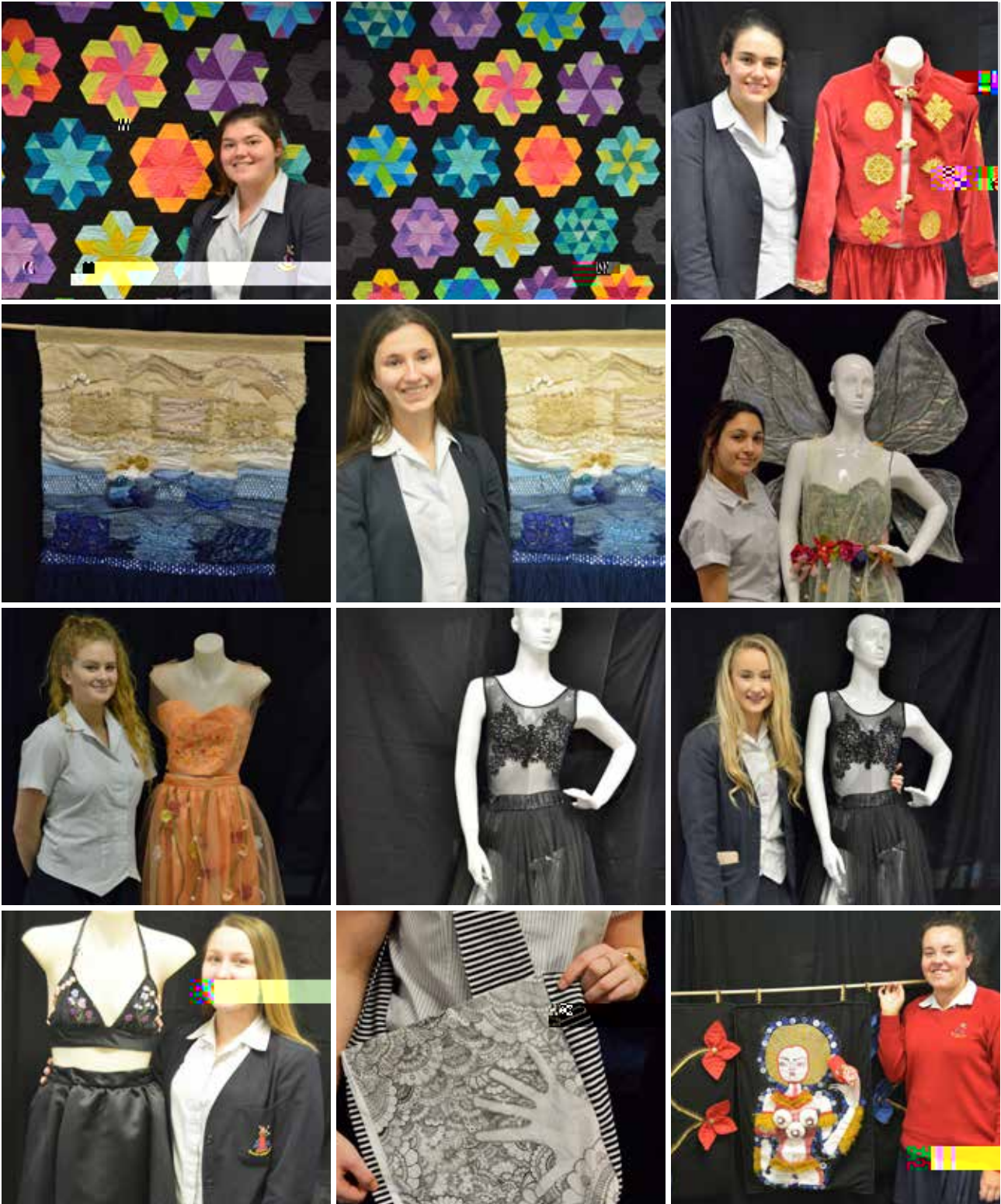
7CB; F5H @5HCBGHC 'K 9 Design and Technology and Industrial Technology (Timber) classes on the outstanding quality of all their major works.



Year 12 Textile HSC

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Mode and Design students design and create a Major Textiles Project as part of their course. The Project incorporates a creative and innovative textile product and documentation which communicates the process they undertook. Each project is unique and is the student's interpretation of the designers that inspire them.



Another great term in sports

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CCC NETBALL GALA DAY

A 57? @@CD'K 9F'9'F9DF 9G9B'H98 by 15 teams at the CCC Netball Gala Day at Baker Park in Week 9 last term. The day caters for both boys and girls across age groups for Year 3, 4, 5 & 6. Much effort was put into preparing for the day & we thank the teachers who looked after each age group, Mr Vandergraaf, Mr Bonfeld, Miss Higson & Mrs Timp. Congratulations to the following teams on their success on the day:

- 9 Boys - Runners Up
- 10B Girls - Winners
- 11 Boys Blue - Winners

LEARN TO SWIM

Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2 had a busy end to Term 3 participating in "Learn to Swim" at Mingara. This activity forms a compulsory part of the Physical Education Program is aimed at swimmers of ALL abilities - from absolute beginners to proficient. Children had a 1 hour lesson each day for 10 days finishing with the ever popular FUN DAY activities. You will see from the smiles on all the faces that, the children have so much enjoyment and the skill improvement across the 2 weeks is substantial.

WARATAH SHIELD CRICKET

MacKillop played 2 games in Round 1 of the Waratah Shield Cricket Competition on Friday 13 October at Toukley. After a loss to the very talented St Mary's team in game 1 we bounced back with a convincing win over St John Vianney. Outstanding sportsmanship and team ethics were on display in both games. Special mention to Mikaedy Sammut and Zack Goddard, who put on a wonderful batting partnership in Game 2 both retiring not out on 30 runs each.

NSWPSSA ATHLETICS

Congratulations to Travis Northey (Yr 6) who represented Polding at the NSWPSSA Athletics in Week 2 this term. He qualified to compete in the 12 Year Boys discuss against the best athletes from all over NSW. We congratulate him on this wonderful achievement!

MILO T20 BLAST CRICKET GALA DAY

MacKillop entered 2 teams in the recent MILO T20 Blast Schools Competition at Toukley.

The School Cup gives girls and boys the opportunity to play four action packed games of modified cricket in an active and social setting - all on the one day in a gala day format. Every player gets a chance to bat, bowl and field. It's an exciting

atmosphere, just like the KFC T20 Big Bash League with a fun catching competition at the days end.

Our teams had so much fun, winning a few games along the way.

CCC TOUCH GALA DAY

MacKillop entered 10 teams from Year 5 & 6 across 2 venues at Bateau Bay in the annual CCC Touch Gala Day. Congratulations to the 90 plus children who attended and represented us so proudly and had lots of fun. We had some success on the day:

- Division 1 Girls - Warnervale 2 2nd place
- Division 3 Mixed - Warnervale 4:

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HIGHFA '5G showcased many talented individuals and sport teams for MacKillop Catholic College.

A number of students have been nominated or selected to represent the College in various sports. Team events include futsal, open beach volleyball, waterpolo, tennis and softball. I would like to thank the teachers who have selected teams, prepared lessons and organised training sessions in their own time to provide these students with an opportunity to represent the College in their chosen sport.

BBSSA WATERPOLO

Well done to our boys and girls water polo teams. Both teams played extremely well on the day. The competition was very tough. The boys team placed 6th while our girls placed equal 3rd overall with St Peters College, Tuggerah.

BBSSA TENNIS

Congratulations to our Tennis teams who all played well. Our Open boys team placed runners up for the day to St Leo's Wahroonga.

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Both the boys and girls Volleyball teams travelled to Manly Beach. The boys were competitive all day winning a few sets.

After losing the first two games, our girls won 3 straight pool games to reach the semi-finals where they beat St Joseph's College to reach the grand final against Stella Maris, Manly. The girls were equal at one set all and they dug deep to take victory in the deciding set.

Well done to all.

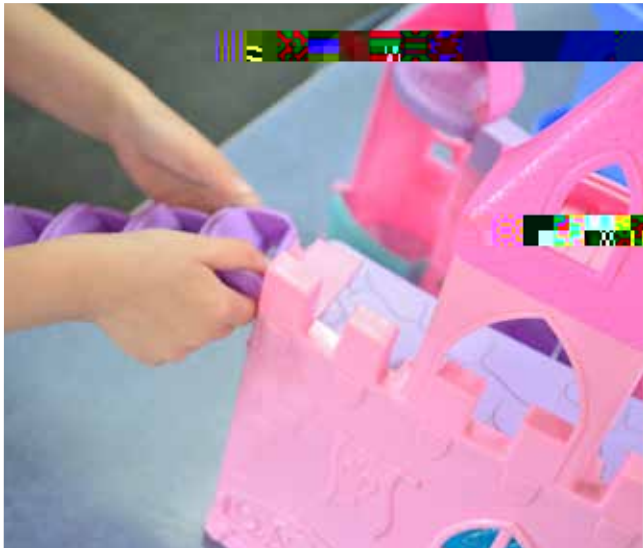
BBSSA SOFTBALL TRIALS

The Broken Bay softball trials are an open trial for any girl who plays softball. This year Hannah Taylor of Year 8 trialed and was accepted. We wish Hannah all the best for next years competition.

NSW ALL SCHOOLS

The following students will be representing NSW ALL SCHOOLS at the Pacific School c Seš fo

When a child first goes to school, there is great change for that child and for his or her family. Whilst we don't know exactly what this new beginning will bring, we do know that it will bring times of work and play and times of successes and



Students participate in ICAS

MacKillop primary students participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). This year was no exception with more than 50 students entering the competitions. ICAS is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement. ICAS is unique, being the most comprehensive generally available suite of academic assessments for primary and secondary school students. The assessments comprise Digital Technologies, English, Maths, Science, Spelling and Writing tests.

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MERIT AWARDS

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- Toby Clark - Mathematics
- Dalia Hancock - Mathematics
- Natalie McSherry - Mathematics
- Lara Stanford - Mathematics

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- Michael Vrljic - Digital Technologies

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- Steve Johnson - Mathematics
- Emily Schumacher - English, Digital Technologies
- Brodie Stanford - Science

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- Ryan Jason - English
- Thomas Vrljic - English, Spelling

MYU**

- Leo Biju - English

CREDIT AWARDS

MYU&

- Seleena Dao - Mathematics
- Mya Fuller - Mathematics, English, Science
- Reuben Robinson - Mathematics, Science
- Lachlan Wood - Mathematics
- Giselle Woodham - Mathematics, English, Science
- Ryan Hain - English
- Natalie McSherry - English
- Lara Stanford - English

- Xavier Rose - Science

MYU*

- Blaire Shaw - Mathematics, English, Spelling
- Michael Vrljic - Mathematics
- Phoebe Meers - English, Spelling

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- Ashton Hibbard - Mathematics
- Brenalyn Alcid - English
- Jaikah Chan Smit - Spelling
- Steve Johnson - Spelling
- Hailey Robertson - Writing, Digital Technologies
- Jack Benson - Writing
- Steve Johnson - Writing, Science, Digital Technologies

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- Jason Ryan - Mathematics
- Thomas Vrljic - Mathematics, Science, Digital Technologies
- Kristian Ay - Spelling, Digital Technologies
- Madison Dunn - Spelling, Writing
- Lucinda Ford - Writing

MYU**

- Kristine Bito-on - Mathematics, Digital Technologies
- Mia Cross - English, Writing
- Abbey Ryan - English, Science
- Samuel Hedges - Spelling, Digital Technologies
- Daniel Lang - Writing

DISTINCTION AWARDS

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- Ryan Hain - Spelling
- Reuben Robinson - Spelling
- Lachlan Wood - Science

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- Blaire Shaw - Writing

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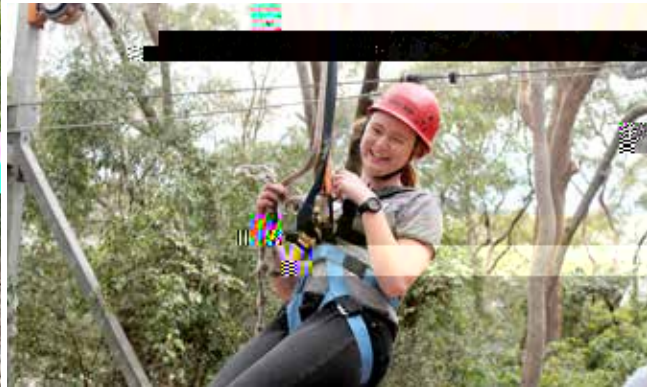
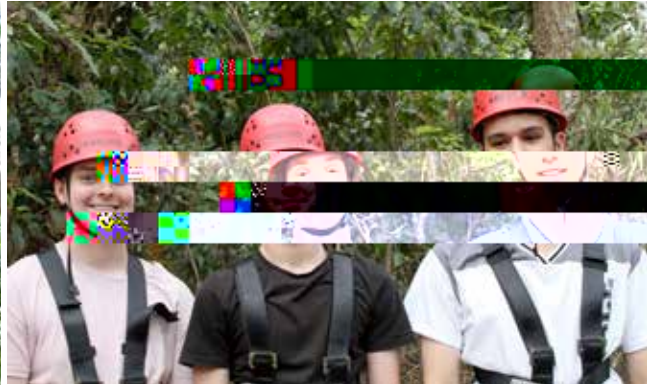
- Brenalyn Alcid - Spelling, Writing

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- Hannah Hopwood - Writing

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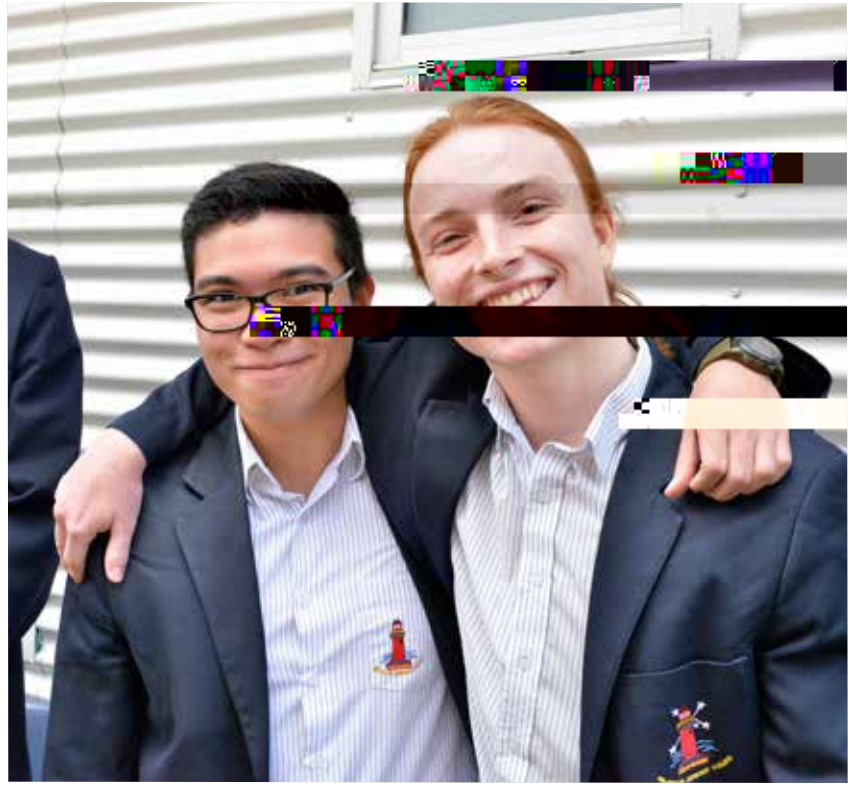
- Kristine Bito-on - English, Spelling, Writing, Science



Year 12 Graduation Mass

The Class of 2017 was farewelled by the College community in the final week of term, beginning with a beautiful mass celebrated by Father Vince Casey. A very moving part of the mass was the students rousing singing to the College song 'Southern Cross Shine' at the conclusion of the mass. As is College tradition since our first cohort graduated in 2008, the students were lead out of the College grounds by a bagpiper, as students and teachers from secondary and upper primary formed a guard of honour.

The students returned on the evening of the same day to the Year 12 awards ceremony where academic, cultural, community and sporting achievements were recognised.



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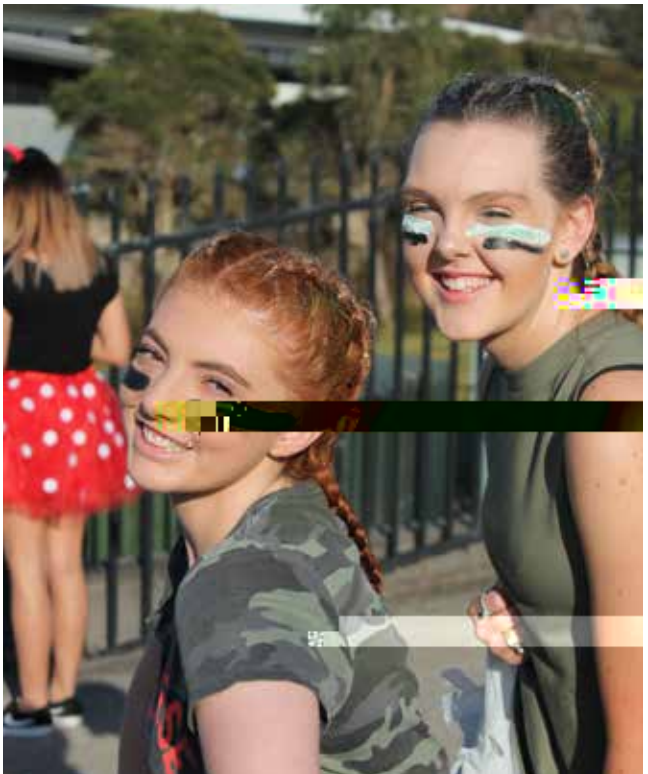


Year 12 Charity Day 2017 is a tradition now at MCC is the Tuesday of Year Twelve's last week at school where they are given the opportunity to let off steam, dress up and raise money for charity.

Our Class of 2017 arrived very early on that morning in September in a fabulous range of costumes, restricted the access to the staff car park and "decorated" various parts of the school. Some even launched dinghies and foated around the pond! Incoming vehicles to the College were bailed up until a donation was made for entry.

Students collected almost \$2500 which was split between two charities that they nominated: The Fred Hollows Foundation that fosters healthy sight in developing nations, and S.A.N.D.S., an organisation that supported Mr Damien Tomsett and his wife Dominique after the loss of their precious infant son Patrick.





Our Charter is coming into its final drafts before being forwarded for publishing. I would like to thank the parents and carers who have taken the time to participate in this process.