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We call it Faith in Action, and it is
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PHOTO ABOVE: Thomas Williamson, Airlie Smith, Mrs Alison Mitchell, Ethan Moody and Annabelle Stephens, Year 11

Headmaster's Address

(Presented at the 2023 Presentation Day.)

Good morning, may I also pay my respect to Elders past and present and, in particular, those here with us today.



I would also like to welcome, Mr Philip Bell OAM, Chair of The Anglican Schools Corporation, Mr Dugald Saunders, Leader of the NSW Nationals and Member for Dubbo, Mr Mathew Dickerson, Mayor of Dubbo, Mr Martyn Mitchell, Chair - Macquarie Anglican Grammar School Council, Mrs Elizabeth Shuttle, Mrs Clare Pendlebury, Mr Mike Sutherland, Rev Carl Palmer, members of the Macquarie Anglican Grammar School Council, Mr Peter Fowler - CEO of The Anglican Schools Corporation, Mrs Janet Jensen, Chief Financial and Operating Officer - The Anglican Schools Corporation, Mr James McKechnie, Director External Engagement - CSU, Mr Tony Tan, Business Partner - The Anglican Schools Corporation, Mr David Gates, Mr Phillip Murdoch, parents, friends and students of Macquarie Anglican Grammar School.

What a wonderful year 2023 has been. As a school community we have achieved much. From air conditioning in the Hall, to achieving the maximum five years of registration and accreditation with the NSW Education Standards Authority, to the purchase next week of Vista Lodge; an eight-year project. Our incredible Year 7 Production, our amazing Outdoor Education program, NAIDOC Day, the DHub activities that help support the growth of First Nations culture in our school, and our amazing, soon to be education-changing, Macquarie Agricultural Pathways Program. Our school has had a year of many wonderful successes and has seen incredible growth in all of us.

Of significant joy for me as an educator, this has been the second year of our implementation of our Teaching and Learning Framework. It has been wonderful to see students and staff discussing what it is to be resilient, reflective, relational and resourceful and planning the ways to achieve it. This year has also seen the commencement of the roll out of our Wellbeing Framework which is integrated with our Teaching and Learning Framework.

I wonder if we could take a moment to ask the Macquarie staff who are with us this morning to stand so that we can thank them for this most incredible year.

As may have been mentioned once or twice over this term, this year brings to an end my nine-year tenure as Headmaster at Macquarie. There are so many people who need to be thanked. Too many to mention you all. People such as Dr Laurie Scandrett, Mr Tony Willis, Mr Jack Chalmers, Mr Bill Shields and Mrs Lorrae Sampson are names not many here today will know, but are people who worked hard to see this school become a part of The Anglican Schools Corporation and provided me with the mentoring and opportunities for growth that led to me being ready to be appointed as Head.

My first Chair, Rev Jennie Everist, who was a calm, confident mentor guiding the school through years of drought and other challenges. Mr Max Caddy who had many, many words of advice exactly when I needed them in the early years. Mrs Elizabeth Shuttle for her quiet and confident support over the years.

Our current Chair, Mr Martyn Mitchell, has led the School Council with distinction and has built a strong and robust Council with wide ranging skills and a great passion to continue the wonderful pathway that Macquarie is on. I am very thankful for Mr Mitchell's mentoring of me and I am very confident that the school is in outstanding hands. I would also like to thank the current members of the Council, Mrs Clare Pendlebury, Mrs Elizabeth Shuttle, Rev Carl Palmer and Mr Mike Sutherland.

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Headmaster's Address

Another team that needs to be thanked is the Group Office team led by Mr Peter Fowler, CEO, who has been a significant supporter of Macquarie since his time as Principal at Rouse Hill Anglican College. The Capital Works team and Kim DeRoy, our Architect Matt Earl, the Payroll team, Aaron Niranjana and the IT team, our incredible business partner Tony Tan and all who are a part of the Group Office crew, I am very thankful too.

A person who I would like to pay particular thanks to is Mrs Janet Jensen. Janet, as Chief Financial and Operating Officer of the Corporation, plays an integral part in making sure all of our schools have the financial and other resources that they need, yet to Macquarie she has been so much more than that. She has been integral to the growth of our school with her challenging questions and her thoughtful solutions. If one day in the future someone writes the history of Macquarie Boarding, they will need to include several chapters on the work she has done behind the scenes to build the business cases, support systems and structures which will see us purchase Vista Lodge and rename it Macquarie Boarding at the end of this week.

I would also like to thank Mr Philip Bell OAM who is Chair of The Anglican Schools Corporation Board for his support of both me and Macquarie. If it weren't for the Board of the Corporation and their wise choice to purchase both Macquarie and Orange Anglican Grammar School (OAGS) in 2013, these schools would probably not exist.

Their support didn't stop there, the development of the Pre-Kindergarten program, Macquarie Boarding and many others would not have happened without their support and expertise.

My team at Macquarie is a wonderful team. Many amazing educators and administrators who make the place hum. I am so thankful to have had the opportunity to be their leader. Again, there are names from the past that I am so thankful for having had the opportunity to work with, people such as Tim Chalmers, Belinda Brama, Inala Childs, Simon Murphy and Benn Wright. To the team of today, each and

every one strives to give your children and mine the very best education possible and live up to our mission statement to "develop resilient young people who make a difference in the world within a high quality, affordable, Christ-centred education."

This team is led by our Senior Executive of Alison Mitchell, Joanne Rankmore, Marina Simcox, Keera Job, Lyndal Elder, Wade Richardson, Tom Owen and Peter Roe. This team thinks deeply, discusses robustly and works together on every significant decision that we make and I am so very proud to be one of them.

I am certain that as Macquarie moves forward into 2024 under the leadership of the School Council and our amazing Executive team, the school will continue to thrive.

The facilities are improving, the programs are excellent, but it is the people and their skill and passion for making Macquarie the most outstanding school that will see it continue to grow.

I would like to thank my incredible wife, Janet, and our four children for their support over our time here. Their ability to both love and support me during the very long hours and put up with my challenging sense of humour when I am home is such a complete blessing to me.

Janet has been both a listening ear and the provider of warm, intelligent and, at times, firm advice to me. I am enormously thankful to her.

Dubbo has been a blessing to us as a family, the opportunities it has provided with sport and employment, the wonderful churches and the support that our civic leaders have shown our school have made Dubbo a wonderful place for the Mansour family to grow and so I would like to thank our civic leaders here today as a father for the city that we have.

Finally, to you our students and families. Thank you for trusting your children's

education to us. It is a great honour to educate a single child let alone the many that have been blessed to our care over the last nine years.

The Wrong Christmas Story video.

At the heart of the Gospel is Jesus. Actually, at the heart of the Bible is Jesus. He is the reason for all of the history, all of the poetry and all of the narratives. His coming was planned from since before time began and is pointed to repeatedly throughout the Old Testament.

He was born in a manger to a carpenter and his wife. He came to earth as a baby. A baby.

Let's read the way the book of Luke describes His birth.

"In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to their own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them."

Janet and I have four children. They were each born in regional hospitals in NSW, two in Bathurst and two down the South Coast. They were surrounded by midwives and doctors and all the technology you could ask for, and if something had gone wrong they would have been flown to Westmead and world's best care. We were blessed to not need that. The Saviour of the world was born in an ancient land in a manger.

As babies, I assume ours were pretty typical, they cried a lot, ate a lot and needed their clothing and nappies changed a lot. They were, for a long

period of time, utterly dependent on their parents and the adults around them.

This was true of Jesus.

We were pretty excited about the birth of our children and we announced it far and wide.

Let's read about how Jesus' birth was announced.

"And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests." When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told."

Why did God choose this time and place to enter the earth? To live and to die and to rise.

He could have chosen today, a wealthy family, all the best medical attention and the best schools and made his own version of *The Truman Show* running 24/7 and we could all see who he is and what he has done. There would

be a record which would last forever. Yet he chose two teenagers from a little backwater village, angry rulers, oppressive regimes and the most brutal death man has invented.

Why?

Well, let's commence with a record which lasts forever. There is one, it is the Bible. Those who question it have not really researched it. There are very few qualified historians who question the history that is in the Bible. I commend it to you and if you have questions, I commend our Chaplain to you as one who would happily work those questions through with you.

He chose that time and place so that all of us, each and every one of us, could see that he is just like us.

He has lived through hardship and poverty. He has struggled with the death of friends and the betrayal of friends. He has faced people conspiring against him. He has lived the joy of great friendship and the outcomes of hard work and community. He has suffered temptation, trial, persecution and death. We can know that whatever impacts our lives he understands.

On top of this he makes promises.

In Matthew 4 he promises purpose in life: "As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him."

In Matthew 11 he promises rest and renewal: "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

In the book of John, perhaps the most famous promise of all time: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him

shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

What does God promise us through the life of Jesus?

1. Purpose in a world desperately seeking purpose.
2. Care, mentoring and renewal as you live out the purpose.
3. At the end, eternal life.

What do you have to do to receive these promises? Let me read it to you again:

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

There are many who have claimed to be Christian over the years and still today who have acted in a way that was different from Christ, they were wrong and some of their behaviours have been abhorrent.

Some have been actively harmful, some have been misguided, some tell you that you need to behave in a certain way for God to love you.

Jesus says it this way in the book of John: "Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

I implore you not to ignore Christ because of his fallen followers. I point you directly to the man himself. To his words and his actions and his promises. To put your trust in him and them.

Thank you, Macquarie.

Mr Craig Mansour Headmaster

School Council Chair's Address

(Presented at the 2023 Presentation Day.)

I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on the lands of the Wiradjuri people, who God first gave this land to, for them to manage and protect, and to give my respect to their Elders, past and present.



Of course, I would like to welcome other distinguished guests, including our State member of Parliament, Mr Dugald Saunders, our Mayor, Mathew Dickerson, Chair, CEO and COO of The Anglican Schools Corporation, members of the School Council, other distinguished guests, parents, carers, grandparents and the young women and men of Macquarie. You, the young women and men of Macquarie, are the real reason we are gathered here today.

As most of the students here today are members of the Alpha generation, I note that the word with the greatest increase in usage in 2023 is 'unprecedented'. So, in what way does this impact those here today? Is it the challenge of achieving peace and stability in our world? Is it addressing the impacts of climate on our lands as we experience the hottest year on record? Is it the need to reconcile in peace and understand all those living in Australia today? Is it the impact of the pace of change in interest rates and the associated cost of living?

It is probably all of these and more.

So, in this time of unprecedented change, I recently came across research on the social contribution of Independent schools by Mark McCrindle. He defined social contribution as, "The effect an organisation has on its stakeholders and members and on the broader community."

In summary, the research identified five key areas of this social contribution:

- Developing global citizens
- Contribution to education nationally
- Social contribution through community engagement
- Partnership between school and family
- Holistic development of students with respect to developing global citizens
- 68 per cent of parents surveyed believed their schools were extremely or very effective in preparing students for the challenges of increased use of technology and increased digital interaction
- 58 per cent of parents believed their schools were extremely or very effective in preparing students for increased environmental challenges.

The research indicated that the strength of a school comes from its stories and traditions, but that its future rests in its relevance and innovation. This is a key part of the challenge your School Council faces as it embraces 2024 with the Senior Executive, in finalising a ten-year strategic plan for the school.

As for the contribution to education nationally, parents are voting with their feet and those of their children, as since 1980, when 4.8 per cent of children nationally went to Independent schools, the proportion has risen in 2022 to 17.1 per cent of all children. As you know, Macquarie was not in existence 25 years ago, so all students here today are represented in that growth.

In fact, Macquarie had 499 students in Kindergarten to Year 12 at the August census date in 2021, and our current enrolments for 2024 are in excess of 610 students. An annual growth rate of seven per cent. Thus, here in Dubbo there is a growing recognition of the benefits and contribution of Independent schools in our society and the development of these resilient, resourceful, reflective and relational young people.

In respect to partnership between school and family, research showed that 93 per cent of parents agree that their school has had a positive impact on their family. Albert Cheng and Damien Iselin in their book *Australian Schools and the Common Good* write, "Schools play a critical role in sustaining our shared way of life and well-being. This important task is not just the responsibility of school education alone but requires partnership with the home and wider community to shape the lives of young people."

Thus, not only in Macquarie is the focus on building resilient young women and men with a sound understanding of wellbeing, but we also share this focus by encouraging and developing Co-curricular activities within our broader community.

As for the holistic development of students, the teachers surveyed were two and a half times more convinced that the holistic development of each student is more important than pure academic results. Thankfully, this is the bedrock of the Teaching and Learning pedagogical framework which continues to be developed and integrated into all aspects of your school by our staff. A key reason for the need of this holistic development of each student is that in the next three to four years, when those of generation Alpha finish their schooling, it is forecast that on average, each of them will have 18 jobs and six careers in their lifetime.

Even those returning to the land will need to embrace different technologies and grapple with the demands of climate variation and its impact on all aspects of land management as it impacts all parts of our society.

Finally, the research from surveying more than 1,000 parents indicated that they believed their Independent schools needed to be extremely or very effective in developing the following skills in students:

- 79 per cent believe in the need for effective communication in both speech and writing
- 75 per cent believe in the need for the ability to think objectively or critical thinking attributes
- 75 per cent of the need to develop problem-solving
- 72 per cent of people need to learn and apply self-management
- 71 per cent embrace lifelong learning
- 69 per cent in developing leadership.

Thus, this broad-based research not only supports the role and effectiveness of Independent schools but also provides a framework for your School Council and Senior Executive to consider and embrace as they seek to finalise a strategic plan for the next ten years, which is our plan for 2024.

2023 has been a busy year at Macquarie as we finally moved on from the distractions of the pandemic. Great results were achieved by the Livestock Show Team in Sydney, Dubbo and other shows; a refined Outdoor Education program was implemented for each year; the second whole of Year 7 production, *The School of Magic*, was delivered only a few weeks ago; thankfully, our school experienced a whole year of air conditioning in Henderson Hall; sixth place in the State at the da Vinci Decathlon, a refined Macquarie's Got Talent evening with a packed house; a huge Grandparents' Day with Chapel Service; Athletic, Swimming and Cross Country Carnivals; a very successful NAIDOC Day; the five-year re-accreditation by NESA of the school's academic programs;

our new J Block building finished and ready for use in 2024; and the purchase of the Macquarie Boarding facility among many other highlights.

However, as we move into the Advent season, we start to focus on the foundation of our faith. Namely, Jesus Christ and his remarkable lowly birth in a barn and cattle manger, but especially his love, teaching and personal sacrifice so that we may be reconciled with God, our maker and creator. So, two weeks ago, the school held a packed-out carols concert in Henderson Hall acknowledging his birth, death and resurrection. Yesterday, the final Chapel Service was held at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, and today we celebrate the achievements of our Senior School students in their use of the individual gifts given to each of them. We pray that as each student considers their personal growth and development this year at Macquarie using their God-given gifts, they also consider the gift of eternal life that Jesus came at great cost to give each of us if we turn to and accept him as our Lord and Saviour.

Macquarie has also been blessed with a Godly Principal in Mr Craig Mansour who has led this school for the last nine years. He has during this time built a strong team and through a lot of hard work and prayer, he has brought stability to the school while establishing it as a strong Christian community here in the Central West. He has supported and instigated many initiatives during this time. A few of the more significant are the deeper focus on Agriculture, whether it be the show teams, the partnership with Toongi, or the introduction of the Macquarie Agricultural Pathways Program, a broadening focus on Music and Drama throughout the school, the employment of our first Aboriginal Education and Engagement Officer; and the Year 10 Personal Development program, the commencement and purchase of Macquarie Boarding and the introduction of the Teaching and Learning Framework seeking to embed the domains of being reflective, resilient, resourceful and relational in every child and staff member.

Mr Mansour has been a humble leader with a heart for each child at Macquarie and this has had a significant impact.

The school has grown steadily in student numbers, physical facilities, depth and breadth of academic achievement and reputation in Dubbo and the Central West. It was with much sadness that I received the news a few months ago from him that he had been offered the headship of the much larger Riverina Anglican College in Wagga Wagga. We have and will wish him a very successful move for him and his family in this new role in 2024.

However, we are also blessed with a strong Deputy Principal, Mrs Alison Mitchell, who has been appointed Acting Principal from January 2024, while The Anglican Schools Corporation and your School Council conduct a comprehensive search and appointment process in the first half of 2024 before appointing the next Principal of Macquarie, who will be able to build on the firm foundations left by Mr Mansour. Thus, I ask you all to pray during the holiday period for a successful transition for



Mr Mansour and his family, for Mrs Mitchell, the Senior Executive and all staff here at Macquarie, and for the panel charged with appointing the next Principal. Please join me in thanking Mr Mansour for his humble and inspirational leadership over the last nine years.

Finally, we need to recognise the great work done each and every day at this school by our wonderful, caring and supportive staff. In order to provide the breadth and depth of opportunities here at Macquarie, there is a great deal of work done each day outside the classroom and during the school holidays. The Anglican Schools Corporation recognises this hard work and commitment by all staff, and thus, like the state government, which has given a big uplift in teaching salaries, the Corporation has spread the salary uplift over 2024 and 2025. Will you please join me in thanking all the staff at Macquarie for developing these young men and women that we are here today to recognise and encourage, whether they receive an award or not, but have still grown and developed significantly in 2023.

Thank you.

Mr Martyn Mitchell
School Council Chair

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Chaplain's Report

It is a great joy and honour to be Chaplain of our school. Members of the Macquarie community from all different backgrounds are reasoning, questioning and engaging with their faith in the God of the Bible.

The start of the 21st century has seen statistically across our nation and the western world a decline in people connecting with their faith. There are many reasons for this, and organised religious institutions need to reflect upon how they can better connect with the changing secular world around them.

Despite this, at Macquarie, particularly coming out of lockdowns and COVID-19 protocols, so many people are connecting with their faith in a way they have not done so before.

Twelve Macquarie staff undertook an Introduction to the Bible course through Moore College's Preliminary Theological Certificate (PTC).

Our Prayer and Hot Chocolate group has become a consistent and appreciated part of our Senior School.

In our Junior School, Mr John Pluck, led a Junior School Christian lunchtime group that was fun, welcoming and encouraging for all attendees.

Assigning portfolios to our Senior School student leaders means that students are taking ownership of the faith-related activities in our school. This allows students to shape, nurture and cultivate faith-related activities in a way that will hopefully connect and be relevant for all students.

Jesus calls people to love God and love each other (Matthew 22:36-40). Not only are we seeing people in our Macquarie community reflect inwardly on their faith, but our faith programs encourage members of our community to love people just like God has loved us. Students are challenged in formal school service programs but also in the informal ways to love and care for those around even when it is difficult to do so.



I look forward to seeing God continuing to work in our school, staff and students.

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will." – Romans 12:1-2

Rev Tom Owen

PHOTOS:

01: Dugald Shepherd, Year 12 and Mr Craig Mansour 02: Ella Taylor, Year 6, Mason Shanks, Year 6 and Rev Tom Owen

Indigenous REPORT

AECG

Our AECG representatives for 2023 were Scarlett Mealey, Year 6, Yarran Lane, Year 6, and Caison Duncan, Year 8. Scarlett, Yarran and Caison attended monthly meetings and gave reports about what Macquarie was doing and things we participated in throughout the year. Caison was nominated and awarded the Secondary School Reporting Award at the AECG Awards Presentation Night for his ongoing contributions at school and reporting at AECG meetings.



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DHUB

During the first half of the year, we collaborated with staff from DHUB to have fortnightly programs for our Indigenous students from Years 5 to 11 which included cultural games, drawings, paintings and resilience-based activities.



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NAIDOC Day

In Term 2, we held our annual NAIDOC Day. The day started with a minute of silence and a flag raising ceremony. This was followed by an assembly and Welcome to Country by Caison Duncan. This year we were fortunate to have Auntie Beth and Uncle Ralph share their stories with the school that highlighted their life, struggles and successes with the theme 'For our Elders'. Their knowledge was so invaluable and flowed over into the remaining activities. Smoking ceremony, bush medicines, boomerang throwing and significant paintings emphasised how much the local Indigenous community want to give back and to embed the connection and relationship they have with people and the land.

Sorry Day

In Term 2, students attended the local Sorry Day celebrations at the back of the Dubbo City Bowling Club. The day commenced with a smoking ceremony, followed by an dance performance. The students were able to experience and learn about a number of services and programs implemented in the Dubbo region. The students enjoyed the resources and messages from the local Indigenous community.

Miss Teaghan King

NAIDOC DAY

Thank you to our students and guests for making our 2023 NAIDOC celebrations such a success.

NAIDOC Day plays a significant role in fostering cultural understanding, promoting reconciliation, and recognising the contributions of Indigenous Australians to our nation's heritage and identity. By acknowledging and celebrating NAIDOC Day, we help create an inclusive and respectful environment that values our Indigenous culture and histories.

This year's NAIDOC theme, 'For our Elders', was the key focus for the day; highlighting the significant role Elders play in shaping the future of our communities.

Our students participated in a Flag Raising Ceremony and assembly, and rotated through a range of sessions including traditional art, bush tucker, Dreamtime stories, Indigenous games and many more.

Macquarie's GOT TALENT

As anticipated, the Macquarie's Got Talent evening lived up to expectations and didn't disappoint!

Students from all corners of the school graced the stage to showcase their God-given talents to an enthusiastic audience that couldn't have been more thrilled. The performances encompassed a wide range of talents including vocalists, instrumentalists, comedians, dancers and magicians. Judges Miss Murray, Mr Lee, Rev Owen and Mrs Mitchell were dazzled by the talent on display, and ultimately arrived at the following winners for each category:

1st Alex Faponle, Year 8, performing *Pachelbel's Canon in D* on piano

2nd Dance Group - *Attention Cheer Mix* performed by Jimmy Pirie, Tino Mahupete, Scarlett Mealey and Lila Albury, Year 6

3rd Emma Cook, Year 6, performing an Irish Dance Solo

People's Choice Awards:

Dance Group Dem Beats, performed by Jemima Young, Olivia McMullen, Polly Pilon, Henrietta Canning and Madeline Parkes, Year 6, and Dance Group Fight Song, performed by Violet Murphy, Pre-Kindergarten, Eleanor Steventon, Pre-Kindergarten, Riley Toole, Year 1, Brileigh Fitzgerald, Year 3, and Charlotte Steventon, Year 3.

Congratulations to our winning performers. A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the students who participated in the audition process and the final show. Special appreciation is extended to Mrs Scoles and Mrs Job for their dedicated efforts in organising the event, as well as to all the staff members who contributed in various ways. Gratitude is also extended to the P&F for their diligent collection and preparation of food, and to our wonderful community for being such an outstanding audience for our talented performers.

Mrs Alison Mitchell

PHOTOS:

01: Nayan Duncan and Xavier Powell, Year 3 02: William Graham, Year 4 03: Lily Bell, Year 1, Delilah Bailey, Year 1 and Tozula Yamba, Year 11 04: Madison Shiels, Year 2 05: Polly Pilon, Henrietta Canning, Olivia McMullen, Jemima Young and Madeline Parkes, Year 6 06: Alex Faponle, Year 8 07: Lila Powell, Year 7



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...to our wonderful community for being such an outstanding audience for our talented performers.

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MACQUARIE

Staff 2023

Headmaster: Mr Craig Mansour
Deputy Head: Mrs Alison Mitchell
Director of Teaching and Learning K-12:
 Mrs Marina Simcox
Head of Junior School: Mrs Keera Job
Head of Wellbeing: Mr Wade Richardson
Chaplain: Rev Tom Owen
Co-ordinator of Learning Support K-12:
 Mrs Ainslie Angus
Director of Daily Operations:
 Mr Tom Blackburn

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Head of Junior School: Mrs Keera Job
Academic Leaders: Mrs Abbey Scoles, Miss Alice Barber, Mrs Kelly Munge, Mr Stuart Rufus
Junior School Teachers: Miss Caitlin Bowman, Mr James De Lyall, Mrs Jessica Diamond, Mrs Cassandra Doyle, Miss Rhiannon Griffith, Miss Madeline Harvey, Mrs Michelle Heggie, Miss Emily King, Mr Benjamin Lee, Mrs Vanessa Price, Mr John Pluck, Mrs Jemima Quilty, Miss Mary Rathbone, Mrs Claudia Scoles, Ms Jackie Smith, Miss Katrina Tonkin, Ms Fallon Wheeler
School Assistants: Miss Chloe Bird, Mrs Louise Brennan

SENIOR SCHOOL

Head of Senior School: Mrs Alison Mitchell
Director of Studies: Mrs Jennifer Downey
Academic Leaders: Mrs Jodie Barber, Mr Patrick Connors, Mrs Sandra Davis, Mr Eli Kinscher, Mrs Laura Hegarty, Mrs Lynne Fleming, Mr Brett Haddon
Senior School Teachers: Ms Deborah Allworth, Ms Lyndal Audie, Mrs Bree Bailey, Ms Naomi Barber, Mrs Natalie Bowen, Mrs Natalie Cole, Miss Savannah Dimmock, Mrs Emma Garland, Mrs Rachel Hurford, Mrs Josie Greentree, Mr Owen Knight, Mr Michael McIntosh, Miss Prue Murray, Mrs Fortunate Nkomo, Miss Emma Oriel, Mrs Amy Reaburn, Mrs Brooke Taylor, Miss Holly Taylor, Mr Marthinus van der Walt
Aboriginal Education Engagement Officer:
 Miss Teaghan King
Laboratory Assistant: Ms Deborah Haysom

BOARDING

Head of Boarding: Mr Peter Roe
Boarding Staff: Miss Talitha Hodge, Mr Lyndon Phipps, Mrs Kellie Roe

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Infrastructure Manager:
 Mrs Joanne Rankmore
Director of Community Engagement:
 Mrs Lyndal Elder
Executive Assistant and Registrar:
 Mr Jacob Grey
Technology Solutions Engineer:
 Mr Anthony Hayes
Student Support Officer: Mrs Kelly Somerville
Accounts Administrator: Ms Amanda Powell
Administration Officers: Mr Lachlan Hojel, Mrs Zoe Edwards
Marketing Trainee: Miss Bree Gavin

Staff 2023

Absent: Mrs Zoe Edwards, Mrs Lyndal Elder, Mrs Fortunate Nkomo, Miss Holly Taylor



Ms Deborah Allworth Mrs Ainslie Angus Ms Lyndal Audie Mrs Bree Bailey Miss Alice Barber Mrs Jodie Barber



Ms Naomi Barber Miss Chloe Bird Mr Tom Blackburn Mrs Natalie Bowen Miss Caitlin Bowman Mrs Louise Brennan



Mrs Natalie Cole Mr Patrick Connors Mrs Sandra Davis Mr James De Lyall Mrs Jessica Diamond Miss Savannah Dimmock



Mrs Jennifer Downey Mrs Cassandra Doyle Mrs Lynne Fleming Mrs Emma Garland Miss Bree Gavin Mrs Josie Greentree



Mr Jacob Grey Miss Rhiannon Griffith Mr Brett Haddon Miss Madeline Harvey Mr Anthony Hayes Ms Deborah Haysom

Staff 2023



Mrs Laura Hegarty



Mrs Michelle Heggie



Miss Talitha Hodge



Mr Lachlan Hojel



Mrs Rachel Hurford



Mrs Keera Job



Miss Emily King



Miss Teaghan King



Mr Eli Kinscher



Mr Owen Knight



Mr Benjamin Lee



Mr Craig Mansour



Mr Michael McIntosh



Mrs Alison Mitchell



Mrs Kelly Munge



Miss Prue Murray



Miss Emma Oriel



Rev Tom Owen



Mr Lyndon Phipps



Mr John Pluck



Ms Amanda Powell



Mrs Vanessa Price



Mrs Jemima Quilty



Mrs Joanne Rankmore



Miss Mary Rathbone



Mrs Amy Reaburn



Mr Wade Richardson



Mr Peter Roe



Mrs Kellie Roe



Mr Stuart Rufus



Mrs Abbey Scoles



Mrs Claudia Scoles



Mrs Marina Simcox



Ms Jackie Smith



Mrs Kelly Somerville



Mrs Brooke Taylor



Miss Katrina Tonkin



Mr Marthinus van der Walt



Ms Fallon Wheeler



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PHOTOS:

01: Keya Alwis, Anja Cannon, Kindergarten and Mrs Kelly Munge
02: Maggie Batho, Year 2, Mrs Keera Job and Farai Chitsunge, Year 2

Junior School



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PHOTOS:

01: Lily Batho, Layla Allatt and Maha Islam, Kindergarten
 02: Piper Hoper, Sadie Lappa, Nina McMahon, Annabelle Dunkley, Stella Robertson and Leila Bowen, Kindergarten

Head of Junior School's REPORT

"Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow." – Anthony J. D'Angelo

As we reflect on the events of 2023, I am reminded of the strength of our Junior School community. Our academic programs continue to thrive, providing dynamic and engaging learning experiences. Our students continue to willingly participate, strive for excellence and grow as learners.

The commitment of our school community to the Macquarie Teaching and Learning Framework has led to increased student outcomes and their individual awareness of their own Learning Powers. Throughout the year our students worked to strengthen their skills for learning and demonstrated a passion for learning. Junior School students engaged in the SoundsWrite and Spelling Mastery programs this year, focusing on phonics and initial and extended code sounds, spelling rules and word morphology. Our PRIME Mathematics program sees our students engaging in lessons focused on mathematical problem-solving using Concrete, Pictorial and Abstract pedagogical approaches. These programs helped support the development of key literacy and numeracy skills.

The wellbeing of our students and staff remains a key priority, with the implementation of our Wellbeing Framework in 2023, working to support the holistic development of our students. This framework allows staff to provide specific supports and strategies for our students. The Second Step Social and Emotional Learning program continues to be a core curriculum within our Junior School, helping to promote self-awareness, problem-solving and positive coping strategies. Essential skills for learning, emotional regulation, showing empathy, compassion, friendship building and assertiveness skills are explicitly taught and practised weekly.

Junior School students engaged with Co-curricular activities such as sport teams, debating and chess competitions, STEM and construction, livestock preparation and showing, and music ensembles. These opportunities not only developed their academic and personal growth, but also allowed for creative expression and social connections. Key events this year included our NAIDOC celebrations, Dubbo Show, Dubbo Eisteddfod, Kindergarten's 100 Days of School,

Book Week, Macquarie's Got Talent, Grandparents' Day and our Community Christmas Carols.

Our Co-curricular program evolved further in 2023 with students having opportunities to engage in our Junior School Electives program. At Macquarie, we recognise that every student is an individual with diverse talents and passions. While the core curriculum is essential for a well-rounded education, we believe that a student's interests should also be nurtured and explored. Our Electives program offers a wide range of interest-based subjects, including Textiles, Coding, STEAM, Circus Skills, Engineering and Problem Solving, Cooking, Environmental Studies, Geography, Drama, Performing and Theatre Arts. We are excited to build on the foundation of our Electives program into 2024, and continue to provide a platform for students to explore their interests, develop new skills, and create new connections with their peers.

Throughout the year our students actively engaged with the local community through various charity and fundraising events, demonstrating compassion and empathy for those in need. Students worked to fundraise and create care packages for children at our local hospital, and raised money for the Heart Foundation and the Starlight Children's Foundation. These endeavours helped our students develop a strong understanding of the world around them and the importance of making a positive impact.

As we conclude another year, I look back with pride and gratitude for all that we accomplished together. We should be proud of the incredible efforts and involvement of everyone in our school community. Congratulations again to our Junior School students and staff for their enthusiasm and outstanding achievements in 2023!

Mrs Keera Job



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Junior School WELLBEING

Junior School students continued to engage with the Second Step social and emotional learning program this year. Our units this year taught skills and concepts of:

- Skills for Learning
- Bullying Prevention
- Friendships
- Empathy
- Emotion Management
- Problem Solving.

A primary focus for our wellbeing programs is the notion of being responsible. Being responsible helps make Macquarie a place where everyone can learn. When we are responsible, we can be trusted to do the right thing. We help others. We clean up our messes. We admit when we make mistakes and learn from them. We focus on our schoolwork. We are a team.

We have also talked about being respectful, and reinforced that our classroom and school rules include being respectful to one another. Students have learned it's not respectful to call people names that hurt their feelings and that saying kind words to others helps you make and keep friends!

We learned that you can ignore the person or speak to them assertively, saying that it's not okay to call people names.

Macquarie continues to display a united front against bullying. Our Second Step lessons focused on the 3 Rs: Recognising, Reporting and Refusing Bullying behaviour. Our students learned about being an upstander and refusing bullying by speaking in a calm, assertive manner. Students learned that bystanders have great power and can help refuse bullying by reporting the behaviour for someone, standing up for others and being an inclusive and kind friend.

Throughout the year students also participated in Child Protection Week, celebrating 'Every child, in every community, needing a fair go'. The week focused on the understanding that children need to grow up feeling safe and supported. Our Junior School students worked with Child Protection programs and classroom activities to equip them with further knowledge and skills to keep themselves and each other safe.

Mrs Keera Job

Junior School Captains' REPORT

Our year as part of the Junior School Leadership team was a memorable and fulfilling one. We learned a lot about leadership, teamwork and responsibility, and are grateful for the opportunity to have served our school and community in these roles.

We started the year with our Year 6 Canberra excursion. We represented our school in Canberra at The Australian War Memorial, Parliament House and The Mint. Not long after Canberra it was ANZAC Day and the Junior School Captains represented Macquarie by marching and carrying the wreath at the ANZAC ceremony in town. We were very proud to represent our school and of all the Junior School students who took part.

One of the highlights of our year was the chance to deliver assemblies at our school. It was always a great experience to stand in front of our fellow students and share important messages, news and events. It was also a fantastic opportunity to showcase our school's talents and achievements, handing out classroom and MPP badge awards. It was also a great honour to be involved in our whole school ANZAC and Remembrance Day assemblies, laying wreaths and reading poems. We also helped to lead the Junior School in our NAIDOC Day ceremonies and at Junior School Chapel.

At the start of the year, we participated in PSSA competitions including soccer, rugby league, league tag, netball and AFL. We were also lucky to participate in the Junior School Cross Country, Athletics and the Swimming Carnivals in 2023. Junior School students represented themselves and their Houses in lots of different events and made us all very proud of their participation and achievements.

Rose and Jimmy were our 2023 Junior School SRC Captains. We supported many foundations and contributed to creating care packages for children at the Dubbo Base Hospital. Throughout the year, we held various fundraising events to support different foundations and charities, including the Starlight Children's Foundation and Jump Rope for Heart. We also had a fantastic time at the Junior School 70s Disco, which was a lot of fun and a huge success!

Our time was great because of all the opportunities and things that happened this year and the wonderful teachers and staff in the classrooms. The events were spectacular. We had a great time helping out some of the younger students. We loved having Kindergarten buddies as much as they did!

Overall, this year was a wonderful experience that we will treasure for the rest of our lives.

Thomas Kidd, Ella Taylor, Mason Shanks, Ivy Rich, Jimmy Pirie and Rose Bagshaw, Junior School Leadership Team

Junior School ELECTIVES

We were thrilled to launch our new, innovative Junior School Electives program in Semester 2 this year. This program is aimed at providing our Stage 2 and Stage 3 students with a more personalised and enriching learning experience.

At Macquarie, we recognise that every student is an individual with diverse talents and passions. While the core curriculum is essential for a well-rounded education, we believe that a student's interests should also be nurtured and explored. Our Junior School Electives program does just that by offering a wide range of interest-based subjects, including Textiles, Coding, STEAM, Circus Skills, Construction, Engineering and Problem Solving, Cooking, and Drama and Theatre Arts.

Yet, it is not just the students who have shown obvious excitement for this program. Our incredible Junior School staff members have each played a pivotal role in bringing the Junior School Electives program to life, drawing upon their expertise and passion to create engaging and enriching experiences for our students.

We are excited and optimistic for the continued growth and development of our Junior School Electives. Building upon the foundation of success laid out this year, we are committed to expanding the scope of our elective offerings to cater to the ever-evolving interests and aspirations of our students.

Mrs Keera Job



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PHOTOS:

01: Miss Madeline Harvey, Polly Pilon and Henrietta Canning, Year 6

02: Lucas Whalan and Yarran Lane, Year 6



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Junior School Captains



Jimmy Pirie (SRC Captain), Mason Shanks (Vice Captain), Thomas Kidd (Captain), Ella Taylor (Captain), Ivy Rich (Vice Captain), Rose Bagshaw (SRC Captain)



Junior School Student REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

At Macquarie we encourage students to develop their leadership skills through avenues such as the Student Representative Council (SRC).

Each semester, students from Year 1 through to Year 6 elect two class members to be their voice on the council and share important issues and also develop fundraisers. Being part of an SRC enhances communication skills, as members need to effectively convey the opinions and needs of their peers to both the student body and the school administration.

Serving on an SRC allows students to grow personally by stepping out of their comfort zones, taking on responsibilities, and learning from both successes and challenges.

This experience contributes to their overall personal development. SRCs contribute to building a sense of community within the school. By organising events, activities and initiatives, they create opportunities for students to connect, collaborate and build positive relationships.

In Term 1, students held an out of uniform day to raise money for the Starlight Children's Foundation. Students were encouraged to dress in purple and yellow and bring a gold coin donation. Collectively, Junior School students raised \$333.00 to buy craft supplies to help children in hospital pass the time. Our representatives gathered during one of their lunchtimes and packed a large number of gift bags for the Dubbo Base Hospital. SRC Leaders Rose and Jimmy visited the hospital early in Term 3 to drop the bags off and visit the children's ward.

Students donned their flared pants and flowery headbands to dance the night away at our first SRC Dance in a number of years. The night consisted of learning the steps to classic school dance songs such as the Nutbush and the Macarena as well as being educated in timeless classics from Fleetwood Mac, The Bee Gees and ABBA. Students had an amazing night and enjoyed every second of the snack table.

Jump Rope for Heart took place in Term 4 and encouraged students to learn how to skip or develop a new skill with the skipping rope while raising money for the Heart Foundation. Our fundraiser ended with a 'jump off' at the end of Week 8 where students had the chance to show off their new skills. Over the course of Term 4, our Junior School students raised approximately \$2,000 with the support of their friends and families.

Miss Alice Barber

PHOTOS:

01: Back Row: Flynn Heggie, Kane Furney, Eli Burt, Eli Pedersen, Dominic Gadsby, Ethan Rich, Year 4 Front Row: Mitchell Brown, Year 3, Angus Murray, Year 4, Toby Robinson, Year 4, Archer Mealey, Year 4
02: Annabelle Brown, Piper Hoper and Piper Tebbenhoff, Kindergarten
03: Millie Reid, Delilah Smith and Molly Linehan, Year 4
04: Miss Alice Barber, Rose Bagshaw, Jimmy Pirie, Year 6, Ms Rachel Edwards and Dr Fitzgerald



Junior School SRC - Semester 1

Back Row: Alistair Boland, Japneet Kaur, Madeline Parkes, Jemima Young, Finn Hyland
 Second Row: Fox Owen, Francesca Wade, Molly Linehan, Lilla Job, Eli Burt, Mia Wright
 Front Row: Zander Przerada, Jack Macinnes, Jimmy Pirie, Rose Bagshaw, Maggie Batho, Caisey Vernon
 Absent: Amelia Murray



Junior School SRC - Semester 2

Back Row: Archie McGroder, Millie Reid, Zara Patten, Harriette Quigley, Georgia Batten, Jack Hansen
 Second Row: Ally Phillips, Alexander Fletcher, Farai Chitsunge, Corbyn Smith, Thomas Chad, Terry Wang, Matilda Wheatley
 Front Row: Toby Orford, Nicholas Smith, Jimmy Pirie, Rose Bagshaw, Evelyn Garland, Riley Toole
 Absent: Madison Ray



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Pre-Kindergarten

Pre-Kindergarten students engaged in a range of sport and wellbeing activities.

Dubbo Show

Pre-Kindergarten students attended the Dubbo Show in 2023 and engaged in learning about the community event. We travelled to the show on a bus with Kindergarten, and enjoyed walking around the show to see the nursery farm animals, cattle judging and horse jumping. We visited the pavilions and saw our creative art displays and enjoyed receiving an animal balloon. We had recess as we watched the cattle judging, and finally enjoyed dancing and moving with Fierce Dance studio, and were also able to marvel at a magic show.

Dubbo Eisteddfod

We performed at the Dubbo Eisteddfod in the Dance Section, with a dance routine to *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*. Learning the dance and performing developed student confidence, music appreciation, co-ordination and memory recall. We had the best time and were so proud of our achievement, as we were awarded first prize for our effort and dance ability.

Sport, Dance, Swimming, Gymnastics and Wellbeing

Throughout the year, Pre-Kindergarten students engaged in a range of sport and wellbeing activities. These promoted and enhanced the development of motor skills, cognitive and social skills and contributed to overall wellbeing. Participation boosted self-confidence, whilst developing new abilities, concentration and performance.

Mrs Jackie Smith

PHOTOS:

- 01: Oliver McMahon and Charlie Bragger, Pre-Kindergarten
- 02: Eden Richardson and Wilfred Elliott, Pre-Kindergarten
- 03: Joseph Erickson, Pre-Kindergarten
- 04: Raymond Amatto-Shipp and Cailee Costa, Pre-Kindergarten
- 05: Harriet Williams, Pre-Kindergarten
- 06: Mia Little, Wilfred Elliott and Payton Przerada, Pre-Kindergarten
- 07: Andrew Mharadza Chifamba and Charlie Bragger, Pre-Kindergarten

Pre-Kindergarten



Bentley Bourke Toby Christian Cailee Costa Alice Crawley Nicolas Cronin Maeve De Kaste



Harriet Dunkley Joseph Erickson Beatrice Garland Arif Haniff Beau Kardell Mia Little



Bella Lundholm Andrew Mharadze Chifamba Harlem Miller Ivy Primrose Moore Violet Murphy Xavier Nott



Harry Orford Luca Osborne Charlie Parkes Payton Przerada Eleanor Steventon Anne Thornton



Harriet Williams Wendy Zhu

Absent: Raymond Amatto-Shipp, Ivy Baker, Charlie Bragger, Carter Dyball, Wilfred Elliott, Ryan Mangat, Elizabeth McMahon, Oliver McMahon, Eden Richardson, Nahuel Santo



PHOTO: Maha Islam and Nevayah Judd, Kindergarten



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PHOTOS:

01: Virginia McMahon, Kindergarten 02: Hamish Giffen, Kindergarten
 03: Saige Nixon, Rory O'Sullivan, Keya Alwis, Maha Islam, Joseph Garland and Hamish Giffen, Kindergarten 04: Joseph Garland and Dax Thorley, Kindergarten
 05: Branden Wylde, Annabelle Brown, Jack Quigley and Lara Boland, Kindergarten

Kindergarten

Students enjoyed learning in our Kindergarten classrooms.

2023 was a wonderful year in Kindergarten! We achieved many fun things and were extremely busy with incursions and excursions throughout the year.

At the beginning of the year, students attended a theatre experience of *Are we there yet?* at the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre. This linked with our 'All about me' unit in History/Geography.

We visited Fitness Focus for weekly gymnastics lessons and engaged in Dance workshops at school too for sport. Students also had the opportunity to visit the annual Dubbo Show in Term 2 with their teachers and peers, where highlights included the petting zoo, dance shows, supporting the Macquarie Livestock Show Team and watching our friends in various show jumping competitions.

Students celebrated 100 Days of Kindergarten at the beginning of Term 3 as we congratulated them for achieving such a major milestone within their first year of school.

Kindergarten students then had their main excursion to Taronga Western Plains Zoo. This was part of our 'Living Things' Science unit. During the zoo experience, students engaged in an educational workshop, a guided tour and visited many exhibits and shows.

Towards the end of the year, we participated in a Learn to Swim program for four consecutive weeks at the Dubbo RSL.

Students enjoyed learning in our Kindergarten classrooms. We were so proud of their progress both academically and socially as they completed their first year of schooling at Macquarie!

Mrs Abbey Scoles

PHOTOS:

06: Rory O'Sullivan and Henry Poole, Kindergarten
 07: Stella Robertson and Virginia McMahon, Kindergarten



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Kindergarten Blue



Layla Allatt Keya Alwis Muhammad Asad Ashalina Atif Leila Bowen Anja Cannon



Beau Carter Joseph Garland Piper Hoper Maha Islam Eli Kosef Ted McMullen



Oli Newton Saige Nixon Rory O'Sullivan Henry Poole Navsheen Sandhu Yuvan Sharma



Sartaj Singh Dax Thorley Yirong Zhang

Kindergarten Red

Absent: Taimoor Sheikh



Lily Batho Lara Boland Annabelle Brown Emmett Chan Annabelle Dunkley Hamish Giffen



Nevayah Judd Walan Lane Sadie Lappa Jayden Liyanage Tom Macinnes Nina McMahon



Virginia McMahon Ariella Mwadaani Joseph Owen Jack Quigley Stella Robertson Tom Sheehan



Blair Smith Kobe Toole Branden Wylde

Stage 1

A Memorable School Year: Celebrating Achievements and Fun-filled Activities.

As we reflect upon the school year, it is evident that Stage 1 students were actively engaged in a wide range of activities and showcased their talents, fostered teamwork and embraced learning opportunities. From exciting excursions to engaging classroom activities, our students truly made the most of every moment.

One of the highlights of the year was the Stage 1 Pizza, Movie and Sleepover event held in the Trade Training Centre at school. During this event, students had the opportunity to bond with their teachers, classmates and create lasting memories.

In Term 3, students embarked on an excursion to Wambangalang Environmental Education Centre where they experienced dip netting, examined Indigenous artefacts and participated in team building challenges.

In Science, students participated in a range of hands-on experiments which required them to observe, question and collect data while communicating ideas with their peers. When learning about forces and motion, students designed and built their own cars which allowed them to apply their knowledge of physics in a practical way. Students learned about natural resources and participated in a practical investigation to make ice cream. They learned about the scientific principles behind this delicious treat, combining fun and learning in a tasty way.



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Sport in Stage 1 saw students visit Fitness Focus to participate in a gymnastics program which allowed students to explore their physical abilities, improve flexibility and develop core strength. Students participated in the RSL Learn to Swim program which instilled water confidence whilst developing swimming technique. In Term 4, Rugby NSW conducted the Rugby Sevens program, where students displayed their teamwork, resilience and sportsmanship. All of these sporting opportunities allowed students to develop their skills while promoting fun, fitness and a healthy lifestyle.

Some of the other highlights throughout the year included reading with our Senior School friends during Book Week, Jump Rope for Heart, learning the glockenspiel with Mrs Heggie in Music, the Junior School sporting carnivals, Grandparents' Day, the Easter Hat Parade, NAIDOC Day, Life Education Van, the Junior School Disco and participating in the LittleScribe online writing program with Australian authors. We also created and emailed messages of support for the Matildas soccer team.

As we bid farewell to the school year, we celebrate the achievements, growth and memorable experiences that have shaped our Stage 1 students' educational journey in 2023.

Mrs Kelly Munge

PHOTOS:

01: Arthur Steventon, Year 1 02: Charlotte Burt, Year 1
03: Jack Gibson, Year 2 04: Delilah Bailey, Tilly Amatto-Shipp, Perri Cronin, Audrey Richardson, Quinn Williamson and Charlotte Burt, Year 1 05: Charlotte Stevenson, Year 2 06: Nathaniel Dunkley, Jack Gibson and Rusty Lappa, Year 2

Stage 1 Sleepover

Students had a fantastic time at the annual Stage 1 Pizza, Movie and Sleepover night.

Staff and students had a beautiful pizza picnic on the lawn followed by a movie night in the Trade Training Centre. Year 1 students were picked up following the movie, while Year 2 students had a sleepover at school! For many students it was their first opportunity to spend the night away from home.

The annual Stage 1 Sleepover is a great way to prepare students for their Years 3 and 4 overnight excursions. It provides the chance to practise independence within the comfort and familiarity of the school setting.

Mrs Kelly Munge

Stage 1 Navy

Absent: James Richardson



Rowan Andrew Maggie Batho Churchill Bellotti Ellie Brown Maxwell Chan Farai Chitsunge



Maya Cook Nathaniel Dunkley Xavier Elliott Benicio Ferrett Baez Evelyn Garland Jack Gibson



Dougal Kelly Rusty Lappa Sullivan Larnach Nathaniel Mwadaani Fox Owen Orani Parsons



Olive Prcevich Bill Sheehan Madison Shiels Hadley Smith Charlotte Stevenson Noah Stiles



Abigail Tucker

Stage 1 Pink

Absent: Avitaz Brar, Joshua Watts



Tilly Amatto-Shipp Sanaya Atif Delilah Bailey Lily Bell Oliver Christian Perri Cronin



Kyran Dolphin Blair Fitzgerald Skylette Haynes Verity Jones Valentino Kek Theo Kosef



Wallace Larnach Kaydyn Manyura Nicholas McNee Edward Murphy Erin Oh Toby Orford



Zander Przerada Blake Robinson Riley Toole Caisey Vernon

Stage 1 Turquoise



Maggie Bagshaw Lachlan Booth Charlotte Burt Rubi Carter Otis De Kaste Max Fearnley



Fleur Fletcher Mitchell Gadsby Adam Haniff Hayley Isenbert Matilda Linehan Theodore Lloyd



Jack Macinnes Connor Manson Hudson Murphy Ally Phillips Audrey Richardson Runtek Singh Sandhu



Nicholas Smith Arthur Steventon Jim Taylor Monty Wade Quinn Williamson Bryant Wylde

Stage 2

We got off to a tremendous start and continued this throughout the year.



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What a year! It was awesome to have all the students return to school to start another year of their schooling at Macquarie. Along the way, the students had some great opportunities to learn and grow and we had many things to be thankful for.

There were many highlights in 2023 for Stage 2. We started the Stage 2 Speech Festival which saw each student present a speech to their class and a selected few got to speak in front of their peers and Mrs Fleming. It was an awesome opportunity to learn some new skills.

Grandparents' Day was an unbelievable experience where we welcomed the community with open classrooms, performances and a picnic lunch. It was great to see so many smiling and cheerful faces.

Another highlight of 2023 was Macquarie's Got Talent, where we got to watch some amazing acts on stage.

Finally, a definite high point was the Stage 2 Camps. Year 3 travelled to Taronga Western Plains Zoo to sleep over with the animals and Year 4 went to Lake Burrendong for an outdoor learning experience.

In our classrooms we learned about the features of the past and present of communities in Australia, explored earth's environments in Geography and in Science we observed and detailed the purposes of different materials.

PHOTOS:

01: Ivy Burns, Ruby Bowen, Evie Patten, Norah Wallace and Bridget Leary, Year 4 02: Eli Burt, Year 4 and Alistair Boland, Year 3



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PHOTOS:

- 01:** Madison Ray, Navya Kulasekara Arachchi, Chien-Yun Lin and Eleni Rich, Year 3
- 02:** Sophie McAnally and Harriet Kelly, Year 4
- 03:** Toby Robinson, Delilah Smith, Year 4

There were many times during 2023 that we were able to engage in fun and cheerful times. Some of these were NAIDOC Day activities, a Water Wise visit, Book Week and various out of uniform days, Jump Rope for Heart and Pink Stumps Day.

In Term 3 we farewelled Mrs Scoles who became a mother for the first time with Maggie. She even came to visit us in Term 4! Miss Harvey joined Stage 2 Purple and had a terrific time teaching and getting to know the wonderful students in her class.

Our Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals were a hit with some great participation and skills on display. We managed to complete our swimming lessons with success, and for most of us it was our first time participating at PSSA for weekly sport in Term 2 and Term 4. We also managed to learn a lot of new skills during our Sport and PE lessons each week.

It was a fantastic and memorable year for Stage 2. We got off to a tremendous start and continued this throughout the year. We had a fantastic time, where each child was able to make many memories that will be talked about for years to come.

Mr Stuart Rufus

Year 3 Zoo Snooze

On 17 August, Year 3 headed to Taronga Western Plains Zoo Dubbo for the Zoo Snooze overnight excursion!

After school we all met at the Savannah Plaza with our parents. We marked the roll and said farewell to parents and walked up to the Zoo Snooze tents. We were assigned tents and learned some rules for the night.

We had some free time to get settled before dinner was served. After dinner we went on a night tour. This tour focused on nocturnal species including Tasmanian Devils, koalas, kangaroos, wallabies and emus. The Tasmanian Devils seemed to be a bit shy and despite using our torches to spot them, we didn't get to see one. We did spot some koalas and quolls and learned about the different types of wallabies.

After the walk we came back to the camp and had supper and prepared for bed. Everyone was very excited to be on a big sleepover with their friends, but after a bit of excitement we finally settled down to sleep.

Early the next morning, Mrs Diamond and Mrs Price woke up the very sleepy campers. We had breakfast and then went on an early morning walk. The two groups explored the middle of the zoo and saw lots of animals.

When we arrived back at camp, it was time to pack up our tents and our belongings. We put our bags out for the bus to pick up. After we said our goodbyes to the zoo staff, we rode the bus around to the African Wild Dogs. We split into two groups and followed each other as we made our way around the zoo. The highlights were getting to talk to the keeper of the rhinos, seeing some sleeping lions near the fence, the cheetah and, of course, the meerkats and elephants.

At the end we had a look around the new wildlife hospital and then we had a quick play at the playground before we wearily got on the bus.

It was a great visit to the zoo!

Eleni Rich, Brileigh Fitzgerald, Scarlett Nicholls and Lucy Bagshaw, Year 3



PHOTOS:

- 04:** Lily Orford, Mitchell Brown, Poppy Job, Eleni Rich, Madison Ray, Lucy Bagshaw, Scarlett Nicholls, Chien-Yun Lin, Xavier Cannon, Thomas Chad, Mia Wright, Francesca Wade, Sophie Coles, Navya Kulasekara Arachchi and Guransh Singh, Year 3
- 05:** Brileigh Fitzgerald and Navya Kulasekara Arachchi, Year 3
- 06:** Lucy Bagshaw, Madison Ray and Mia Wright, Year 3
- 07:** Marley Betts and Lily Orford, Year 3
- 08:** Cayden Vernon, Jashanpreet Warya, Alistair Boland, Alexander Fletcher, Mitchell Brown, Nayan Duncan, Jack Fearnley, Guransh Singh, Xavier Powell, Patrick Blackstock and Thomas Chad, Year 3

Stage 2 Lime

Absent: Emmanuel Muchineripi, Jemima Watts



Hope Bailey Marley Betts Alistair Boland Sophie Coles Nayan Duncan Jack Fearnley



Brileigh Fitzgerald Alexander Fletcher Navya Kulasekara Arachchi Chien-Yun Lin Alexander McNee Scarlett Nicholls



Rubie Quigley Madison Ray Eleni Rich Guransh Singh Charlotte Steventon Cayden Vernon



Francesca Wade Jashan Warya Patrick Weekes

Stage 2 Purple



Chloe Bell Bartika Ana Bhattarai Jaxon Bourke Eli Burt Caitlin Elder Skye Elder



Fredi Ferrett Baez William Graham Mackenzie Hoper Athena Kek Harriet Kelly Bridget Leary



Molly Linehan Allie Lundholm Sophie McAnally Archer Mealey Eleanor Moeller Angus Murray



Sophie Mwadaani Gordon Owen Evie Patten Eli Pedersen Lillianna Phillips Toby Robinson



Norah Wallace Terry Wang Matilda Wheatley Poppy Windeyer

Stage 2 Yellow



Lucy Bagshaw



Patrick Blackstock



Ruby Bowen



Mitchell Brown



Ivy Burns



Xavier Cannon



Thomas Chad



Alexis Cook



Kane Furney



Dominic Gadsby



Flynn Heggie



Poppy Job



Emilia Luck



Amelia Murray



Elijah Newton



Lily Orford



Holly Pendlebury



Elijah Phillips



Xavier Powell



Millie Reid



Ethan Rich



Lainey Simcox



Chloe Smith



Delilah Smith



Jacob Smith



Mia Wright



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PHOTOS:

01: Lillianna Phillips, Year 4 02: Angus Murray, Year 4
03: Gordon Owen, Year 4

Year 4 Camp

On Monday 6 November, all of Year 4 met up at P2 at 8.30am and departed for Lake Burrendong at 9.00am. We were all super excited!

Once we arrived, we unpacked the bus, got morning tea and then we realised that there was another school called Kinross Woleroi. They were sharing the camp and experience with us. Then we got sorted into our cabins and got ready for lunch. Once we managed to get back to the assembly area, with the amazing help of Miss Harvey and Mr Rufus, and the staff that took amazing care of us, we were sorted into two groups called the Kangaroos and the Echidnas. The Kangaroos that we were both in did orienteering and bushcraft, where we made boomerangs. The Echidnas did canoeing as their first activity of the trip. Then we went back to our cabins and got ready for the swim test.

Then we finished off our day with a delicious plate of nachos for dinner and an ice cream cup for dessert. It was a hit amongst some of the boys!

We got woken up on Day 2 by either Mr Rufus or Miss Harvey. We got changed and ready for breakfast. There was a variety to choose from for breakfast. We then cleaned our teeth and finished getting ready and shared our activities for the day. Kangaroos were canoeing and swimming in the dam, while the Echidnas were doing archery and orienteering for their first activity. After our activities, we had lunch together, which was burgers, then we went on a giant slip 'n' slide down the steep hill on a giant blue tarp. We were able to rub dish soap on ourselves to slide even faster down the tarp. Then we did paint balloon combat, which was against each other. The Kangaroos won, for sure! Then we had free time from 4.00pm until 6.00pm but the pool was only open from 4.00pm to 4.45pm.

Once we finished dinner, which was a chicken pasta bake, we had night sports with the other school, which was so much fun. We cleaned our teeth and went to bed, as we were very tired that night!

On Day 3, we woke up and cleaned our cabins so that we could leave after lunch. The Kangaroos had pedal carts first, then archery. The pedal carts were so much fun but so much hard work. The Echidnas did bushcraft and then pedal carts. After all of that, we met for lunch and packed our things onto the bus. We thanked our guides, Peta and Mitch, for helping us throughout the camp. On the long trip back, most of us slept and the other half talked amongst themselves. When we got back to school, we unpacked and waited for our parents to pick us up from P2 and go back home. We are pretty sure that all of us enjoyed our own beds that night. It was good to be home, but what a few days of memories we made!

Finally, a big thanks to Mr Rufus, Miss Harvey and Mrs Wallace for looking after us and having fun with us.

Delilah Smith and Poppy Windeyer, Year 4

Stage 3



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Stage 3 students excelled across all domains.

2023 proved to be another tremendous year of growth and achievement for students across Stage 3 at Macquarie. Stage 3 students excelled across all domains including Livestock, Creative and Performing Arts, sports and also academia.

As always, camp was the highlight of the year for many as they got to spend a few days away with their friends and experience something new. Year 6 travelled to Canberra and demonstrated their vast knowledge of Australian democracy whilst visiting Parliament House, Government House and also the Royal Australian Mint. The trip was not all academic as students were able to burn energy in the Australian Institute of Sport's Sportex facility and also try their hand at laser tag. Year 5 students were in for an action-packed adventure when they arrived in Kincumber at the Great Aussie Bush Camp. Students scaled to new heights, literally, and conquered all manner of fears. During their time away, Year 5 students were fortunate to rock climb, fence and even get catapulted into the air on a giant swing.

Over the course of the year students participated in a range of Co-curricular activities such as the da Vinci Decathlon, Debating, Livestock Show Team and various sporting endeavours. These allowed students to excel in areas beyond the classroom and represent themselves and their school in the wider community. It was incredible to hear the various achievements throughout the year from being selected in CIS teams, to winning debates and even taking home coveted judging and parading honours. We were also fortunate to have Japneet Kaur, Year 5, recognised for her outstanding creative writing through the Littlewrite Writing Competition.



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Leadership is an honour that comes with being in Stage 3, particularly amongst our Year 6 students. Year 6 students embraced leadership roles with commendable maturity and responsibility. Their willingness to assist in the classroom, represent the school in various activities, and serve as role models for their peers showcased their outstanding leadership qualities.

Miss Alice Barber



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PHOTOS:

01: Archie McGroder, Year 5 02: Dean Caulfield, Charlie Hawkins and Cooper Hansen, Year 5 03: Charlie Hawkins, Anthony Knight and Jett McCauley, Year 5 04: Aeva Maher, Year 5, Ellie Brown, Year 2 Jimmy Pirie, Year 6 and Tom Sheehan, Kindergarten 05: Japneet Kaur, Year 5 06: James Kelly, Year 6 07: Mason Shanks, Thomas Kidd, Ella Taylor and Ivy Rich, Year 6

Stage 3 Green

Absent: Parmeet Kaur



Rose Bagshaw Henrietta Canning Angus Coleman Emma Cook James Croker Jack Germano



Jack Hansen Orla Heggie Logan Hosking Dana Kek Thomas Kidd Yarran Lane



Olivia McMullen Madeline Parkes Zara Patten Jimmy Pirie Eliza Price Ivy Rich



Mason Shanks Max Szymkow Lucas Whalan Jemima Young

Stage 3 Orange



Lila Albury Kayde Baldry Billy Baxter Nathan Bell Zachary Coles Charlie Furney



Finn Hyland Lilla Job Harry Josephs James Kelly Tino Mahupete Maya McCauley



Archie McGroder Scarlett Mealey Alexis Mitchell Matilda Moeller Audrey Myles Delilah Nicholls



Braxton Nichols-Rowe Polly Pilon Eva Powell Harriette Quigley Alex Stiles Ella Taylor

Stage 3 White

Absent: Hamish Watts



Milla Andrew



Georgia Batten



Dean Caulfield



Cooper Hansen



Charlie Hawkins



Aria Jacob



Evelyn Jones



Japneet Kaur



Anthony Knight



Aeva Maher



Jett McCauley



Annie McDonald



Jack Murray



Kushaal Palaparathi



Kate Pendlebury



Corbyn Smith



Zachary Smith



Devesh Srinivas



Eva Strahorn



Lachlan Tucker



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Year 5 Camp

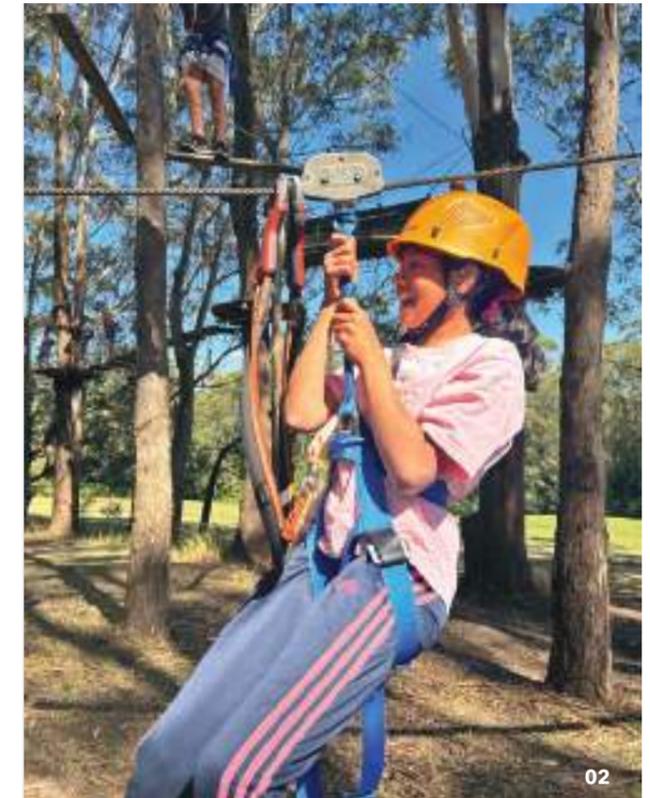
During Term 3, our Year 5 students travelled to the Great Aussie Bush Camp in Kincumber for their annual school camp. The theme of our camp was 'Challenge by Choice' meaning students were given the opportunity to participate to varying degrees and heights!

Over the three days students participated in activities such as canoeing, archery, fencing, rock climbing and a high ropes course. Each of these saw our students step out of their comfort zone and be brave for a time. No activity required the same bravery as the giant swing and power fan challenges. Power fan required our students to climb 13 metres into the air and step off a platform to gradually float down. The giant swing was similar in that our students were once again given the task of scaling great heights. Students were pulled by their class mates to a height of approximately 14 metres before being released and propelled forward.

Year 5 finished each night with an activity of either team challenges or games on the oval. Team challenges were a chance for our students to do something a little silly after an adrenaline-filled day. Students worked together to knock over cans, paint each other's nails in under 60 seconds, stand up without knocking a cup of water off their forehead and even make an outfit out of garbage bags.

Our students were incredibly well behaved for our instructors and amazing friends to one another.

Miss Alice Barber



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PHOTOS:

01: Nathan Bell, Dean Caulfield, Devesh Srinivas, Charlie Hawkins and Cooper Hansen, Year 5 02: Aria Jacob, Year 5 03: Kate Pendlebury, Aria Jacob, Evelyn Jones, Audrey Myles, Milla Andrew and Eva Strahorn, Year 5

Year 6



Lila Albury Rose Bagshaw Kayde Baldry Billy Baxter Henrietta Canning Angus Coleman



Emma Cook James Croker Charlie Furney Jack Germano Jack Hansen Orla Heggie



Logan Hosking Harry Josephs Dana Kek James Kelly Thomas Kidd Yarran Lane

Absent: Parmeet Kaur



Tino Mahupete Olivia McMullen Scarlett Mealey Alexis Mitchell Matilda Moeller Madeline Parkes



Zara Patten Polly Pilon Jimmy Pirie Eliza Price Harriette Quigley Ivy Rich



Mason Shanks Max Szymkow Ella Taylor Lucas Whalan Jemima Young

Year 6 Canberra Camp

Throughout Term 1, Year 6 studied 'Democracy in Australia' and it was only fitting that our excursion to Canberra also occur at the start of the school year. Year 6 arrived to school nice and early on Monday 27 February and departed for the nation's capital unsure of what to expect, but also very excited for laser tag and Questacon.

On our arrival we stopped for lunch and Year 6 had the chance to burn some energy before our first activity at the CSIRO. Year 6 had to quickly put their thinking caps on as they took part in a scavenger hunt throughout one of the exhibitions. Students were very appreciative of the CSIRO and their contribution to discovering Wi-Fi. We then made our way to the National Capital Authority where we learned about the city's history and all of the names it could have been called. Once we were back on the bus, we navigated our way through the hills to Mount Ainslie where we took in an amazing view of Canberra.

The Australian War Memorial is always a stop that students are instantly intrigued by. We began Day 2 with a wreath laying service to pay our respects to fallen service men and women

and those still in service today. Year 6 students were incredibly respectful and asked insightful questions to broaden their understanding. Next stop was Parliament House where Year 6 wowed their tour guide with their knowledge of our political system. Government House was a quick stop on our way to the Australian Institute of Sport where students experienced a range of different sports. At last it was time for laser tag. After three rounds of laser tag and a number of dance battles, Year 6 students were well and truly ready for bed (and so were the teachers).

The Botanic Gardens allowed us to start our day with a breath of fresh air before heading over to The Royal Australian Mint. Our tour guide, like many others, had nothing but praise and admiration for Year 6 and the way they conducted themselves

throughout the tour. With a quick bite to eat, we travelled to Old Parliament House and learned how voting occurs, we even had a go at voting ourselves. The Art Gallery encouraged our students to think out of the box and use different perspectives. The Observatory was short lived unfortunately as it was raining and we were unable to see the sky clearly.

Questacon was an instant favourite of many. Students challenged their understanding of how and why things work the way they do. Bravery was put to the test when many participated in the freefall drop and also the earthquake house. The National Museum was seen in the distance most days when we crossed the bridge to the Parliamentary Triangle. On Day 4 we finally got there. Students visited many exhibits through the tour, a key one being an exhibit on natural disasters. Student enjoyed sharing their stories of floods, hail and bushfires with the tour guide.

Miss Rathbone, Mrs Job and I would like to commend Year 6 on their outstanding behaviour on camp. It is a rewarding and pleasing feeling when guides and members of the wider community recognise the students for their knowledge, hard work and outstanding behaviour.

Miss Alice Barber



James Kelly, Thomas Kidd, Kayde Baldry, Max Szymkow, Charlie Furney and Logan Hosking, Year 6

Junior School Special Days

Our Macquarie Special Days calendar was bursting this year with so much to celebrate and enjoy!

We began the year with our Pre-Kindergarten to Year 2 Easter Hat Parade – a much-anticipated event each year! We were thrilled to share the day with our parents and friends and loved showcasing our beautiful Easter hats. The parade was a beautiful way to end Term 1.

We had students participating in various ANZAC Day marches in Dubbo, Narromine, Wellington and Gilgandra, each wearing their uniform proudly and representing our school and their families with excellence. Events like these make us very proud to be a part of such a strong school community.

Key events this year included NAIDOC celebrations, the Dubbo Show, Dubbo Eisteddfod, Kindergarten's 100 Days of School, Book Week, Macquarie's Got Talent, Grandparents' Day, Bike Safety Day and our Community Christmas Carols.



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The theme of 2023 Book Week was 'Read, Grow, Inspire!' What an amazing way to describe the magic that comes to life when we read the pages of a book! Students had the opportunity to engage in Book Week themed activities, games and competitions over the course of the week to help share our combined love of books and reading. We hosted Katrina Roe, author and audio book narrator, who shared her process and her new book, *Lily's Balloon*.

Many Junior School students auditioned and performed in the 2023 Macquarie's Got Talent showcase. This was a fabulous opportunity for our students to shine their light and share their many gifts and talents. The performing arts encourages students to explore their emotions, expand their imagination and helps them develop their own voice – and what a beautiful collective voice they have! Our students wowed the four judges with vocals, music and drama performances, solo and group dance routines, comedy acts and gymnastic and acrobatic demonstrations. Each and every act was outstanding and made us incredibly proud.



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One of the most treasured events on our annual calendar is Grandparents' Day! Macquarie Junior School was thrilled to host this event again, and was overwhelmed by the incredible response from grandparents and families in attendance. Our visitors shared in classroom learning, enjoyed a picnic on a beautiful day, saw old friends and met new ones, and all watched with immense pride as our students performed on stage. The performances at our Grandparents' Day concert were incredible. They not only entertained the grandparents, but also made them feel very special.

Mrs Keera Job

PHOTOS:

01: Isabella Davies and Carter Shiels, Pre-Kindergarten
 02: Sadie Lappa and Lara Boland, Kindergarten 03: Monty Wade, Year 1
 04: Theodore Lloyd, Year 1 05: Nina McMahon, Kindergarten
 06: Sadie Lappa, Kindergarten 07: Kara Johnson, Year 7 and Jemima Young, Year 6 08: Mrs Alison Mitchell and Lucy Bagshaw, Year 3

Junior School Prize List



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Sports Awards

Junior Female Sports Person
Harriet Kelly

Junior Male Sports Person
Alex Stiles

Junior School House Championship
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Kindergarten Awards

Kindergarten Blue

Keya Alwis	Academic Excellence in English
Oli Newton	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in English
Piper Hoper	Noticeable Improvement in English
Maha Islam	Academic Excellence in Mathematics
Ted McMullen	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in Mathematics
Eli Kosef	Noticeable Improvement in Mathematics
Anja Cannon	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Leila Bowen	Macquarie Pride Award

Kindergarten Red

Jayden Liyanage	Academic Excellence in English
Sadie Lappa	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in English
Hamish Giffen	Noticeable Improvement in English
Emmett Chan	Academic Excellence in Mathematics
Jack Quigley	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in Mathematics
Branden Wyld	Noticeable Improvement in Mathematics
Lara Boland	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Stella Robertson	Macquarie Pride Award

Stage 1 Awards

Stage 1 Pink

Erin Oh	Academic Excellence in English
Theo Kosef	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in English
Valentino Kek	Noticeable Improvement in English
Wallace Larnach	Academic Excellence in Mathematics
Blair Fitzgerald	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in Mathematics
Caisey Vernon	Noticeable Improvement in Mathematics
Toby Orford	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Blake Robinson	Macquarie Pride Award

Stage 1 Turquoise

Jack Macinnes	Academic Excellence in English
Audrey Richardson	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in English
Rubi Carter	Noticeable Improvement in English
Monty Wade	Academic Excellence in Mathematics
Hudson Murphy	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in Mathematics
Bryant Wyld	Noticeable Improvement in Mathematics
Jim Taylor	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Fleur Fletcher	Macquarie Pride Award

Stage 1 Navy

Charlotte Stevenson	Academic Excellence in English
Hadley Smith	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in English
Sullivan Larnach	Noticeable Improvement in English
Jack Gibson	Academic Excellence in Mathematics
Dougal Kelly	Progress Through Persistent Endeavour in Mathematics
Farai Chitsunge	Noticeable Improvement in Mathematics
Noah Stiles	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Maggie Batho	Macquarie Pride Award



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Years 3 to 6 Honour Roll

Year 3

Francesca Wade	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Jashan Warya	Macquarie Pride Award
Mitchell Brown	Macquarie Pride Award
Mia Wright	Honours in Core
Thomas Chad	Honours in Mathematics
Alistair Boland	Honours in Mathematics
Emilia Luck	Honours in English
Lily Orford	Honours in Mathematics
	Honours in Core
Chien-Yun Lin	Honours in English
	First Class Honours in Mathematics
Hope Bailey	Honours in Core
	Honours in Mathematics
	First Class Honours and First Place in English
Holly Pendlebury	Honours in English
	Honours and First Place in Mathematics
	First Class Honours and First Place in Core



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PHOTOS:

01: Maggie Batho, Noah Stiles, Farai Chitsunge, Dougal Kelly, Jack Gibson, Sullivan Larnach, Hadley Smith and Charlotte Stevenson, Year 2
02: Caitlin Elder, Year 4 and Mr Martyn Mitchell 03: Lachlan Tucker, Year 5

Junior School Prize List

Year 4

Matilda Wheatley	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Norah Wallace	Macquarie Pride Award
Millie Reid	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Alexis Cook	Honours in Core
Bartika Ana Bhattarai	Honours in Mathematics
Elijah Phillips	Honours in Mathematics
Harriet Kelly	Honours in English Honours in Mathematics Honours in Core
Poppy Windeyer	First Class Honours in English First Class Honours in Mathematics Honours in Core
Caitlin Elder	First Class Honours in English First Class Honours and First Place in Mathematics First Class Honours in Core
Skye Elder	First Class Honours and First Place in English First Class Honours in Mathematics First Class Honours and First Place in Core

Year 5

Annie McDonald	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Nathan Bell	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Lachlan Tucker	Honours in Mathematics
Milla Andrew	Honours in English
Zachary Smith	Honours in Mathematics
Cooper Hansen	Honours in English
Japneet Kaur	Honours in English Macquarie Pride Award
Aria Jacob	First Class Honours in English Honours in Core
Finn Hyland	Honours in English Honours in Mathematics
Kate Pendlebury	First Class Honours and First Place in English First Class Honours and First Place in Mathematics Honours and First Place in Core

Year 6

Madeline Parkes	Macquarie Citizenship Award
Eliza Price	Macquarie Pride Award
Orla Heggie	Honours in English
Zara Patten	Honours in English
Ella Taylor	Honours in Core Macquarie Pride Award
Lila Albury	Honours in English Honours in Mathematics
Rose Bagshaw	Honours in Mathematics Honours and First Place in Core
Thomas Kidd	Honours in English First Class Honours in Mathematics
Mason Shanks	Honours in English First Class Honours and First Place in Mathematics
James Croker	First Class Honours and First Place in English Honours in Mathematics

Dux of Junior School

James Croker

CWA Most Improved Award

Alexis Mitchell
Billy Baxter

Junior School Fine and Performing Arts Award Kindergarten to Year 6

Caitlin Elder

Jennie Everist Award for Outstanding Citizenship Kindergarten to Year 6

Ella Taylor

Faith Community Character Excellence Awards Faith

Corbyn Smith

Community

Harriette Quigley

Character

Alistair Boland

Excellence

Skye Elder



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PHOTOS:

01: Aria Jacob, Year 5 02: Ella Taylor, Year 6 03: Skye Elder, Year 4 04: Ted McMullen, Kindergarten

Senior School



PHOTO: Ava Wright, Chayse Parry, Phoebe Chrystall, Kara Johnson, Gabriella Reid and Charlotte Campbell, Year 7

Deputy/Head of Senior School's REPORT

At Macquarie, students enjoy rich learning experiences within and beyond the classroom. We are committed to nurturing the whole child's growth so that they may become citizens who will make a positive difference in the world.

With our Building Learning Power Teaching and Learning Framework firmly embedded into the curriculum, students routinely demonstrate developing skills in resilience, being relational, reflective, and resourceful learners. Students apply their learning power skills across all core subjects and electives. New Stage 5 electives introduced this year include iStem and Textiles Technology.

The Macquarie Agricultural Pathways Program entered its second intake, seeing ten students from Years 7 and 8 combining fieldwork with bookwork on the farm one day a week. Practical animal production activities, including tagging, drenching, vaccinating, weaning, and weighing livestock, were some of the activities the children participated in. Hands-on plant production tasks, including measuring feed availability of pastures, plant identification, and soil biology, also formed part of the learning for these students.

Our 2023 Higher School Certificate (HSC) results were a credit to our students, their families, and our excellent staff. Students studied various arts, humanities, sciences, and mathematics subjects. Four students also gained qualifications through Vocational Education and Training, including Real Estate Practice Certificate III, Automotive Vocational Preparation, Animal Studies Certificate II, and Sport and Recreation Certificate III. A special mention must be made of Nicholas Anderson, Year 12, Dux of the Class of 2023, who achieved an ATAR of 92.10.

The Macquarie Advanced Learning Model is a talent development mentor program for high-ability Senior School students. It features teachers, industry specialists, university scholars, academics, and community leaders supporting students in designing, constructing, or investigating an individual project or set of experiences and transferring this understanding into the wider world. Our 2023 participants, their projects, and their mentors were:

- Isabelle Russell, Year 11, Cycling/Academia - mentored by Grace Brown (Commonwealth and Olympic champion and university graduate)
- Annalise Somerville, Year 9, Politics/Law - mentored by Senator Sue West, Mayor Mathew Dickerson, Politician Mark Coulton
- Lily Fitzsimmons, Year 11, Professional Art - Indigenous - mentored by Lizzy Stageman (running a professional Art Business and Indigenous Art Making).

Student wellbeing is always a priority at Macquarie, but even more so this year, with wellbeing being the school's strategic intent focus. Head of Wellbeing, Mr Wade Richardson, and his team of Stage Leaders and Patrons have spearheaded the development of a Student Wellbeing framework.

Using the PERMA model, students have learned about developing positive relationships, managing stress and anxiety and time management skills through various workshops, information sessions and presentations. A select group of students from our current Year 10 cohort has participated since 2020 in the Blackdog Future Proofing Study, which aims to discover how we can use our phones to deliver preventative mental health interventions on a large scale.

Macquarie boasts a rich Co-curricular offering in Sports, the Arts, Agriculture, Academics and Service Learning. Students are encouraged to participate in our Co-curricular program to complement academic study but also to maximise their potential in areas of interest while building essential skills in teamwork, leadership and problem-solving. Activities in the Senior School include, but are not limited to, Livestock Show Team, Equestrian sports, Wether Challenge Team, Junior and Senior Choirs, Band, Year 7 Production, Swimming, Athletics, Cross Country, Rugby Union, Rugby League, Futsal, Cricket, Netball, Soccer, Touch Football, Debating, da Vinci, Chess, Science and Engineering, Public Speaking, Duke of Edinburgh Award, and Service Volunteering.

The 2023 Year 7 Production, [The School of Magic](#), was the brainchild of student Lucy Diffey, Year 7. Director Mrs Taylor expertly reworked Lucy's ideas into a full-scale production.

All 73 students participated in designing and creating their costumes, sets, digital artwork and dances as they told the story of the Amethyst School of Magic, where the rules are clear: "learn the spells, do the assignments, and do not ever enter the Out of Bounds Areas."

Each year, students in the Senior School participate in an annual Outdoor Education experience. Year 7 attended camp at Somerset, where they enjoyed canoeing, archery, rock climbing and team-building activities. One of the highlights was a night walk and bonfire. Year 8 participated in an exhilarating Urban Challenge in Sydney, where students navigated all forms of public transport as they made their way in groups across the city. Students also worked in a soup kitchen run by Kids Giving Back, where they prepared a fantastic 105 meals for people experiencing homelessness. Year 9 completed their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze level hike located at Somerset. Year 10 participated in a varied version of the Urban Challenge, which included a silent disco on Cockatoo Island, swimming in the ocean, and a 17-kilometre hike from Narrabeen to Manly. Year 11 travelled to Cairns for a week-long experience that included visiting the Daintree, the Great Barrier Reef, snorkelling, scuba diving, canyoning and cultural immersions. Year 12 concluded their time at Macquarie with a retreat to Toukley on the coast, with time to study, but also to reflect on their time at school and consider the adult they will be beyond the school gates.

Deputy/Head of Senior School's Report

At Macquarie, there are multiple opportunities for students in the Senior School to experience leadership. Each semester, a new Student Representative Council (SRC) is selected to be a voice for others. Year 12 students buddy up with Kindergarten students each year, reading with their buddies one morning a week. In Year 10, students train to be Peer Support Leaders and work with our newest members in the Senior School in Term 1 to help them form new friendships. All students in Years 11 and 12 are considered leaders, with some stepping into badged leadership roles, including Captains, Vice Captains, and Prefects.

At Macquarie, it is our ministry plan that our students will grow a heart for service during their time at the school. To this end, students participate in service activities, including Cook for Good, where students prepare food for Anglicare fortnightly. This food is distributed to people in our community who are in need. Students meet with Dubbo senior citizens in a neighbouring aged care facility to interact and share stories. Another service activity is collecting recyclable materials from classrooms and staff rooms and any other requests submitted by staff. Our Year 12 2023 charity was the McGrath Foundation. Throughout the year, students conducted bake sales, casual clothes days, and a Pink Stumps cricket match between staff and students to raise funds for this great cause. Macquarie students also participated in Operation Christmas Child, where families filled shoe boxes with gifts for those who would otherwise not experience the joy of receiving a gift at Christmas.

The school calendar was marked by several significant events throughout the year. The Year 7 Waypoint Dinner allowed this cohort to acknowledge the commencement of Senior School and for families to meet each other and their children's teachers. The Year 11 Leadership Evening saw these students welcomed to Stage 6 and acknowledged as leaders of the school. As is tradition at Macquarie, students received their Senior tie and a Bible to mark the event's significance. The Year 12 Valedictory events, including a final Chapel, Assembly and Dinner, marked the end of formal school for our Class of 2023.

With another school year behind us, we should feel proud of all we have achieved, for the growth and learning that has taken place, and for the contribution of our community as we work together to provide an outstanding education for students at Macquarie.

Mrs Alison Mitchell



PHOTO:
Harry Chapman, Year 7

Advanced Learning MODEL

Mentoring

Macquarie's bespoke Mentoring program has seen committed and passionate students enjoying learning beyond the classroom. Living in a regional city has not hampered these students accessing world class mentors.

Lily Fitzsimmons, Year 11, completed a short-term mentorship. She met with contemporary Indigenous artist Lizzy Stageman (showcased on *The Block*) and learned about working professionally as an artist and an Indigenous woman.

Adam Pendlebury, Year 7, was thrilled to be partnered with his idol Sharath from @BuildingBeautifully Instagram fame. Adam and Sharath work on civil planning projects.

Isabelle Russell, Year 11, competes in both track and road cycling at a national level. Isabelle hopes to gain a university education and lay the groundwork for a professional career whilst also pursuing a career in cycling. Thus, her aim for the Mentoring program was to have someone that could help her balance both successfully. Isabelle is mentored by Grace Brown, Commonwealth gold medallist and ranked 11th in the world. A highlight for Isabelle was meeting Grace at a race this year.

Annalise Sommerville, Year 9, is pursuing a political career and has engaged with a number of mentors and experiences. She writes, "From my meeting with Senator West I gained an educated perspective about the history of women in the Australian parliament. During this meeting we discussed Senator West's career and her successes and the challenges of being a woman in politics and the power and influence women can have in government. We discussed political inclination and ideology. Specifically knowing which political party you personally lean towards or want to be a politician for and clear reasons why. Senator West also encouraged me to develop a broad understanding of global politics so as to provide a depth to my understanding.

I was also privileged to meet with our local Mayor, Mathew Dickerson. Our discussion was wide ranging covering the role of Mayor, the skills and responsibilities of that position and some history of the Council. I was particularly interested in Mayor Dickerson's successful mayoral podcast and how it is an effective way to fulfill the crucial role of communicating with the Dubbo community. I gained a lot of useful advice and information which I will add to my research journal.

Work experience at MP Mark Coulton's office provided me with great insight into a working member of parliament and led to a week in Canberra when parliament is in session in 2024!"

Mrs Rachel Hurford

Senior School Captains' REPORT

(Presented at the 2023 Presentation Day.)

Good morning, Mr Mitchell, Mr Mansour, special guests, parents, staff and students. 2023 has been an exciting year for the Macquarie community. One thing is for sure: we are all wiser and more knowledgeable than we were at the start of the year. Students at Macquarie have become familiar with the language of our Teaching and Learning Framework, Building Learning Power. In particular, we are on a learning continuum of becoming resilient, relational, reflective and resourceful learners.

This year, we have seen a new general classroom building completed to accommodate our growing school. From this building, Senior School English lessons will be taught and perhaps we will see the next generation of distinguished authors come from this. After extensive fundraising efforts by the P&F and a power upgrade, air conditioning and heating have been installed in Henderson Hall, giving much-needed relief in the summer and winter months.

Macquarie offers an Outdoor Education experience for each year group across the school annually. The camps increase in challenge as the students get older and include activities such as canoeing, hiking and an Urban Challenge in Sydney. I'm sure I speak for the rest of our year group when I say that this year's camp highlight was our trip to Cairns. Eight days away from home included time in Sydney, taking in the sights of Vivid and Sydney University, a visit to the Daintree to experience the biodiversity of the region, and other activities such as canyoning, a visit to Fitzroy Island and snorkelling on the Great Barrier Reef. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff that made this trip and other camps possible.

A new year brings a new set of leaders and this year did not disappoint. Each leader in the Senior School has been paired and appointed a portfolio to oversee throughout the coming year. The leaders and their portfolios are:

- The new Student Representative Council led by Annabelle Stephens and Thomas Williamson, Year 11
- Service to the community and charity fundraising efforts run by Tharushi Marapana and Kathryn Rice, Year 11

- Chapel and Faith in Action run by me and Tozula Yamba, Year 11
- Agriculture run by Airlie Smith and Nicola Millar, Year 11
- And Co-curricular activities including arts, sports and academics run by Eve Porch and Isabelle Russell, Year 11.

As is tradition, the incoming Year 12 cohort chooses a charity to fundraise for. This year we have chosen Little Wings, a charity that helps children in rural areas with chronic illnesses to access much-needed flights to and from healthcare.

We have embarked on fortnightly bake sales, Cadbury chocolate sales and a Christmas-themed out-of-school uniform day with a lunchtime sausage sizzle, getting us off to a good start with our fundraising.

The Senior School Student Representative Council (SRC) has been reintroduced this year with much success. The SRC has advocated for and achieved equitable jewellery options for Stage 6 girls and boys and winter pants for the girls. We are looking forward to what the SRC can achieve in 2024.

Macquarie has a rich Co-curricular offering. On the sporting field, our touch football, netball, futsal, soccer and cricket teams have represented Macquarie throughout the western region. A number of students have represented the school in swimming, athletics and cross country. Our equestrian team attended the annual North West Equestrian Expo again this year, doing the school proud with their fantastic results and exemplary behaviour. Our esteemed Livestock Show Team has continued to excel locally and further afield at the Sydney Royal Easter Show.

Academically and in the Arts, we have had success in Debating, da Vinci, the Dubbo Eisteddfod and with the Chess teams. In the community, we have represented the school at the Dubbo Remembrance Day ceremony and ANZAC Day march. Students have prepared food for those in need through the Cook for Good program, and served the school in other ways including reading with Kindergarten, recycling, and connecting with senior citizens at various times throughout the year.

It is with great sadness that we farewell our Headmaster. Mr Mansour has provided us with a school that nurtures our growth, resilience and character through its programs, both in the classroom, through Co-curricular, and in the outdoors. As a student body, we thank him and are grateful for everything he has done for us. We wish Mr Mansour every success in his new chapter at The Riverina Anglican College in Wagga.

On behalf of the student leadership team, we would like to thank the Macquarie community for entrusting us with the responsibility of our roles. We are all very thankful for this incredible opportunity.

On behalf of every student at Macquarie, we would like to thank parents, teachers, staff, Mrs Mitchell and Mr Mansour for allowing us to enjoy the many and varied opportunities available to us at Macquarie.

Once again, we congratulate each of the students who have earned an award today, and we wish you and your family a safe and happy holiday season.

Ethan Moody and Airlie Smith, 2024 School Captains



Senior School Captains and Prefects



Dinesh Srinivas (Prefect), Nicholas Anderson (Prefect), Toby Bannon (Vice Captain), Dugald Shepherd (Captain), Isabella Walker (Captain), Molly Quilty (Vice Captain), Ally Bogie (Prefect), Siobhan Utete (Prefect)

Senior School SRC



Back Row: James Mansour, Bryce Abel, Tozula Yamba, Thomas Williamson, Angus Mein
Front Row: Mia Cummings, Olivia Simcox, Annalise Somerville, Airlie Smith, Alicia Fordham

Senior School Wellbeing REPORT

At Macquarie, we believe that education extends beyond academics. Research suggests that wellbeing and learning go hand in hand. Wellbeing positively influences students' learning, and success in learning enhances student wellbeing.

Our commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals is reflected in our Senior School Wellbeing program. With 2023 being the first year implementing our Wellbeing Framework, there has been a dedicated approach to incorporating the principles of positive psychology to help students develop a sense of agency over their own wellbeing.

In Term 3, we began our involvement in the LifeChanger program, a transformative initiative embedded in our yearly program. Over the course of a week, students attended engaging workshops that exemplify the program's pre-emptive, holistic, and evidence-based nature. Our continued involvement in this program in future years ensures a comprehensive and evolving exploration of wellbeing concepts tailored to developmental stages.

In Year 7, students will embark on an immersive journey centred on the theme of connection. This introductory workshop introduces LifeChanger and explores the Five Pillars of Health, Skills, Self, Purpose, and Tribe. Year 8 will delve deeper into these pillars and focus on mental and physical health, goal setting, resilience, and the importance of connection. Year 9 will take a profound look at self-esteem, with students encouraged to explore their identity through themes like personal story, comparison and decision-making. Year 10 will focus on mental health, with Senior students empowered to mentor and support their younger peers. Year 11 students' iLEAD workshops elevate leadership skills and help students identify strengths, values and a vision for life. Finally, in Year 12, the Calling program continues this journey, addressing the unique challenges of balancing school and life in the final year.

Mr Wade Richardson

PHOTOS:

- 01:** James Ray, Rhiley McCauley, Harley Pirie, Ruby Josephs, Tabitha Hignett, Heidi Turnbull and Tess Patten, Year 9
- 02:** Nicholas Anderson and Jett Cole, Year 12
- 03:** Nicholas Croker, Dugald Shepherd, Isabella Walker, Siobhan Utete and Sophie Coggan, Year 12



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Year 7 Production

The Year 7 students production of The School of Magic was a success!

"At the Amethyst School of Magic, the rules are clear - learn the spells, do the assignments, and do not ever enter the Out of Bounds Areas. But rules were made to be broken, right?"

This year's Year 7 group was keen to continue what has now become a rite of passage for Year 7 Macquarie students and to make their own mark on the stage in the Year 7 Production, *The School of Magic*.

We had 73 Year 7 students involved in the production and they all had their chance to be on the stage at some point in the performance. In House groups, our students were divided into either a spells class, cooking class, the spelling training team

or the dragon training team, and they all had to learn the song and dance for their designated scene. Students who were cast in lead and minor roles came together for regular lunchtime and after school rehearsals, but the different House groups were only able to rehearse once a week.

The enthusiasm, energy, commitment and camaraderie that our Year 7 students brought to the whole process ensured that their production of *The School of Magic* was a resounding success. Our audiences are still raving about how fantastic it was. Congratulations to all who were involved and were able to achieve this by "working together", having "focus, strength and discipline" and by being "brave".

"Remember that magic is believing in yourself - if you can do that, you can make anything happen."

Mrs Brooke Taylor



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PHOTOS:
01: Molly Hyland, Ruby Ivers, Grace Murphy, Lucy Diffey, Mia Betts and Larissa Elder Year 7
02: Scarlett Chandler, Grace Murray, Lila Powell, Sophia Peart, Verity Smith and Lily Gibson, Year 7
03: Jett Nicholls and Ruby Ivers, Year 7

Year 7



Kate Attenborough Amber Azzopardi Brooke Beaton Mia Betts Bradley Binks Lewis Blizzard



Harry Bourke Scarlett Braithwaite Lawson Brown Charlotte Campbell Lachlan Chad Samuel Chandler



Scarlett Chandler Harry Chapman Phoebe Chrystall Ava Cummings Macy Diamond Lucy Diffey



Larissa Elder Georgina Empringham Hugh Evans Charlie Fearnley Darcy Ferguson Lily Gibson



Lachlan Harley Harry Hawkins Kody Henry Zander Hibbard Chloe Hoy Molly Hyland

Absent: Sehaz Leen Kaur Brar, Claire Chapman, Harrison Watts



Ruby Ivers Kara Johnson Clancy Judd Daniel Leary Abigail Luck Millie Martin



Archie McCauley Riley McCauley Zara McLellan Bailey Millington Grace Murphy Grace Murray



Jett Nicholls Jacob Osborne Benjamin Palmer Chayse Parry Evie Peart Sophia Peart



Adam Pendlebury Lila Powell Lachlan Profke Sam Ray Gabriella Reid Noah Rich



Callum Richards Ibrahim Ridha Alexis Rufus Hannah Scanes Darcy Shanks Lilly-Anne Simmons

Year 7



Mia Sloman Verity Smith Brandon Somerville



Sally Stephens Jock Strahorn Harlie Sunderland



Lexi Trickey Lainey Walker Tyler Wang



Byron Wheatley Declan Wilcher Ava Wright

Year 8

Absent: William Gleeson, Valentine Muchineripi



Rebecca Anderson Jasmine Ashfield Samuel Ashford Archie Bannon Clyde Blackstock Charlotte Brown



Stone Cole Riley Crotty Hallie Cummins Ari Dale Bayliss Diamond Charlie Duffy



Hudson Duffy Caison Duncan Alex Faponle Shaun Ferguson Mackenzie Finlay Cayley Finne



Lucas Fong Alicia Fordham Henry Furney Hugo Furney Ashton Green Joseph Haluk



Archer Heggie Bonica Henry Fletcher Hollingworth Lachlan Hooper William Horton Dillan Hosking

Year 8



Rahul Jacob



Maddie Keady



Harry Kidd



Hailey Kim



Erin Kirk



Mac Lesslie



Charlie Lockyer



William Lockyer



Addison Lovett



Zali Lovett



Darcy Manns



James Mansour



Andie McAnally



Flynn McDonald



Jesse McInerney



Archie Milgate



Emma Mills



Oliver Mills



George Mitchell



Isabelle Mudford



Lachlan Murphy



Lilly Myles



Amy Newton



Siobhan Newton



Miranda Orr



Archie Pirie



Reed Quill



Talen Ramsay



Lee Redmond



Lauren Rice



Colby Rufus



Thomas Russell



Ellen Shaw



Spencer Simcox



Nellie Spencer



Tully Spinks



Thomas Staggs



Rowan Stevens



Nixon Strachan-White



Georgia Sweeney



Grace Szymkow



Max Taylor



Isla Tink



Emily Urquhart



Darcy Walker



Harmeen Warya



Darcie Watts



Sienna Whalan



Hamish Wright

Year 9



Tia Allan Thomas Arndell Kristy Azzopardi Thomas Benson Bayley Betts Ella Binnie



Savannah Braithwaite April Butler Johnnie Canning Sam Chad Sarah Chandler Amelia Chrystall



Brodhie Crain Mia Cudmore Jack Deveson Benjamin Grimson Jacob Hignett Tabitha Hignett



Brooke Hoy Calliope Hurford John Jesrani Sabrina Jones Ruby Josephs Will Kerin



Samuel Luck Zack Masters Rhiley McCauley Stella McLellan Angus Mein Oliver Orth

Absent: Zaylie Hallinan, Paxton Henningham, Thomas Lawson, Lacey Markcrow, Grace Rindfleish



Luke Osborne Owen Parkes Tess Patten Emilia Peart Lily Pedersen Harley Pirie



Edward Porch Amy Quilty Kaitlyn Rankmore James Ray Brendan Richards Zoe Shanks



Annalise Somerville Jed Spinks Zac Spinks Jackson Tucker Heidi Turnbull Hamish Webster



Caitlin Wilcher Levi Woldhuis

Year 10



Mason Albury



Billie Allan



Lachlan Anderson



Jack Arndell



Holly Azzopardi



Cameron Barber



Eddie Barber



Nathan Batten



Charlotte Bickerton



Corey Binks



Samuel Brown



Trinity Buxton



Thomas Chrystall



Tobey Cohen



Chase Cole



Maddison Coleman



Kaela Croker



Mia Cummings



Justin Dickson



Molly Duffy



Isaac Finlay



Maxwell Hall



Gracie Harland



Eva Harris



Julianah Hegarty



Lachlan Hollingworth



Thomas Hooper



Angus Johnson



Tom Kerin



George Kidd



Sophie Lockyer



Daniel Mansour



Charlotte Masonwells



Abigail Medcalf



Hugh Mitchell



Ryan Newton



Alexander Price



Arlen Quill



Danielle Rice



Thomas Roth



William Ryan



Jasmine Shepherd



Olivia Simcox



Calhoun Stevens



Jacob Stiff



Nicholas Sweeney



Ruby Szymkow



Jack Taylor



Charlie Thomas



William Tink



Lyndsey Tremain



Lauren Turnbull



Hannah Whyman



Ava Zaia



Bridie Zell



Lachlan Zell

Year 11



Bryce Abel Shelby Adams Ignatius Blackman Cooper Calder Edward Chapman Gregory Cook



Mitchell Cook Emmerson Ferguson Lily Fitzsimmons Hannah Gibson Benjamin Hignett Isabella Jones



Cooper MacLagan Tharushi Marapana Emeline McCullough Nicola Millar Taya Millington Ethan Moody



Alexander Palmer Eve Porch Kathryn Rice Isabella Rufus Isabelle Russell Shafi Shiraj



Airlie Smith Annabelle Stephens Jack Szymkow Thomas Webster Laura Wilcher Thomas Williamson

Year 12



Tozula Yamba



Nicholas Anderson Toby Bannon Ally Bogie Sophie Coggan



Jett Cole Nicholas Croker Georgia Cudmore Molly Quilty



Thomas Shelly Dugald Shepherd Dinesh Srinivas Siobhan Utete



Isabella Walker Millie Wright

Subjects



Agriculture

Year 7 Agriculture Technology

Year 7 students studied plant production throughout their rotations of Mandatory Technology this year. During practical lessons, students engaged in a range of activities that involved planting, watering, weeding, propagating and harvesting a range of vegetables. Students were presented with the task of choosing their own vegetables to sow based on the growing seasons, availability of seed and growing requirements.

Stage 5 Agriculture: Royalla Stud

Stage 5 Agriculture students visited Royalla Shorthorn Stud and attended talks run by MLA's Rob Polkinghorne, who spoke about meat grading and eating quality, and the LLS's Brett Littler, who spoke about management of ruminants through the cooler months and managing feed gaps.

Year 11 Agriculture: Sheep Trial

In Term 2, students engaged in a sheep trial to study the effects of a barley ration on the short-term weight gain of cross-bred lambs. Students weighed and checked the lambs weekly to then finalise their preliminary studies of animal production and summarise their application of the content. To complete the unit, students submitted a sheep trial report that followed the format of experimental design to showcase their understandings of agricultural research.

Year 11 Agriculture: Toongi Farm Case Study

Mr Fergus Job provided a vast insight into the current operations and future plans of Toongi Pastoral to Year 11 Agriculture students early in the year. Students were able to investigate the land formations, biological features and infrastructure of Toongi in order to individually design a proposal for an additional enterprise that could be suited to the farm. Mapping software and programming provided visual insight into the soil types, land size and operations of Toongi.



Students weighed and checked the lambs weekly to then finalise their preliminary studies...



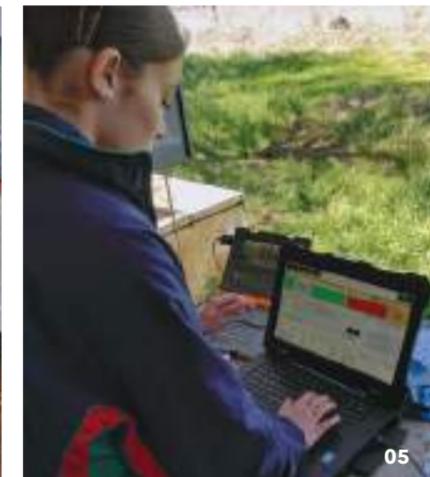
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Macquarie Agricultural Pathways Program

Macquarie partners with Australian Strategic Materials to use Toongi Pastoral Company's farms as an agricultural education resource. Each Wednesday, ten students from Years 7 and 8 use the farm to combine fieldwork with bookwork.

Practical animal production activities include tagging, drenching, vaccinating, weaning and weighing livestock. These tasks are paired with completion of homework on the fundamental principles of animal health and welfare.

Hands-on plant production tasks include measuring feed availability of pastures, plant identification and recognising the stages of development in a plant's lifecycle. Associated classwork explores soil biology and chemistry as well as strategies for weed control.

Mr Owen Knight

Year 11 Agriculture: Elders Agronomist Visit

Year 11 Agriculture students met with agronomists from Elders Dubbo to discuss soil and its properties in relation to their study of plant production. Students utilised hands-on practical skills to determine the soil pH, type, dispersion and slaking using a few different techniques, including ribbon tests. Students then discussed macro and micro nutrients in the soil and particular fertilisers that can be used to replenish any nutrient deficiencies identified through testing.

Year 12 Agriculture: Veterinarian Visit

To kickstart the Animal Production Unit of HSC Agriculture, students met with a local veterinarian to discuss common reproductive and management techniques that can improve and manage the reproductive success of local animal production systems. Embryo transfer, artificial insemination and estimated breeding plans were discussed to provide students with tips on how to get the most out of livestock.

Miss Savannah Dimmock

PHOTOS:

01: Larissa Elder, Sally Stephens, Archie McCauley, Samuel Chandler, Hugh Evans, Kara Johnson and Millie Martin, Year 7
 02: John Jesrani, Year 9 03: Airlie Smith, Isabella Jones and Jack Szymkow, Year 11 04: Airlie Smith, Hannah Gibson, Taya Millington, Nicola Millar, Benjamin Hignett, Year 11, Miss Savannah Dimmock and Mr Michael McIntosh 05: Nellie Spencer, Year 8

Primary Industries

This course enables students to develop a range of knowledge and skills related to work within and beyond primary industry.

This year, the focus was on:

- The construction and maintenance of rural fencing
- Developing, interpreting and responding to weather forecasts
- An appreciation of the principles of environmental sustainability
- Livestock handling and husbandry skills
- Animal health and welfare
- Engagement with environmental sustainability.

The activities developed communication skills, teamwork and a commitment to safety which are valued within the workplace and readily transferable to domestic circumstances.

Mr Owen Knight



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English

It was a busy and fulfilling year for the English Department at Macquarie.

The 2023 Year 12 cohort deserves commendation for their learning leadership in English. Targeted support for Year 12 students was provided through attendance at 'virtual' ETA Study Days. We wish the students well and thank them for their contribution.

Mrs Hurford, ably assisted by Miss Oriell and Miss Murray, ran a highly successful program of online HICES Debating this year. Macquarie students debated Kinross Wolaroi School, Blue Mountains Grammar School and Scots All Saints College. We thank Mrs Hurford for her enthusiastic and capable leadership of the Public Speaking program at Macquarie.

Year 11 students attended two theatre productions; *Do Not Go Gentle* at the Roslyn Packer Theatre in Sydney and *The Death of a Salesman* at the Dubbo Regional Theatre.

Year 10 students participated in a podcasting workshop led by Camilla Ward and Sharon Quill from the Cam and Shaz Show. They presented their experiences in creating and producing their podcast for DCFM 88.9. They discussed the layout, content, editing, promotion and technology needed to produce an entertaining and successful podcast.

Staff professional engagement was highly productive in the planning and programming for the new Stages 4 and 5 English Syllabus implementation in 2024.

This year Mrs Bowen joined the English Faculty. The existing staff, Mrs Hurford and Miss Oriell, were also assisted by Miss Murray. Mrs Fleming continued in the role of Head of English.

Mrs Lynne Fleming



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Food Technology

This year in Stage 5 Food Technology, students explored 'Food in Australia' which included the Indigenous ingredients available to us and the ways in which chefs around Australia and across the world are using these Indigenous ingredients in new and innovative ways. Students then explored 'Food Product Development' which looked at the ways food manufacturers are using technology to develop techniques of creating new foods, while also exploring the use of SWOT analyses as a method of deciding on the viability of introducing a new product to market.

In Semester 2, students looked at 'Food Trends' and used Instagram and other forms of social media to figure out what and why certain products became popular in Australia and internationally. Following that, we explored 'Food Selection and Health' to understand how our bodies use food as fuel.

Our year was an exciting combination of learning about the meaning of food for our health, in celebration, and importance of connection to country in Indigenous Australian culture. We also thoroughly enjoyed exploring a variety of techniques in the kitchen and learning how to manage safety and teamwork.

Mrs Emma Garland

PHOTOS:

01: Mrs Camilla Ward, Sophie Lockyer, Charlotte Masonwells, Year 10 and Mrs Sharon Quill
 02: Tozula Yamba, Lily Fitzsimmons, Kathryn Rice, Airlie Smith and Tharushi Marapana, Year 11
 03: Maddison Coleman, Year 10
 04: Corey Binks and Alexander Price, Year 10
 05: Mia Cudmore and Amelia Chrystall, Year 9



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German

This year in Stage 4 Modern Languages – German, we covered a variety of topics, including greetings and hobbies, food, free time, opinions, school and family.

These topics allowed for much time spent in conversation and in games utilising the learned language. Students also had an impromptu opportunity to teach some Macquarie Kindergarten students the colours on the playground during one of our lessons. This was fun for all students in Year 8 and Kindergarten.

In Stage 5 Modern Languages – German this year, we covered topics on asking for permission, persuading others, housework, German and Australian school systems, travel, directions, and social aspects of life for youth in both Germany and Australia.

Students were taken in Term 2 on an excursion to Sydney to visit the Goethe-Institut to experience their VR technology, eat at the Bavarian Restaurant in the Rocks, and watch a German film on Norton Street in Leichhardt. Students in Stage 5 also tried their hand at making pretzels in the Food Technology kitchen as a way to bring language, food and culture together. This was a fantastic inaugural year for our Stage 5 German class.

Mrs Emma Garland



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PHOTOS:

- 01: Bridie Zell, Mia Cummings and Danielle Rice, Year 10
- 02: Flynn McDonald, Max Taylor, Colby Rufus and Clyde Blackstock, Year 8
- 03: Mason Albury, Year 10, Brodhie Crain, Year 9, Lily Pedersen, Year 9, Danielle Rice, Year 10, Kaela Croker, Year 10, Mia Cummings, Year 10 and Daniel Mansour, Year 10
- 04: Mason Albury, Year 10
- 05: Lily Pedersen, Year 9
- 06: Angus Mein and Jed Spinks, Year 9
- 07: Mitchell Cook, Bryce Abel, Cooper Calder, Jack Szymkow, Benjamin Hignett, Ethan Moody and Nicola Millar, Year 11

HSIE

This year we were able to complete some fantastic excursions.

We said goodbye to our Year 12 classes of Society and Culture, Studies of Religion, Modern History and Business Studies and wish them luck in their future endeavours.

This year we were able to complete some fantastic excursions. Year 7 was able to visit the Warrumbungle National Park to practise their geographical skills. They completed the Goulds Circuit walk, climbing to the Macha Tor summit (750m). Students stopped at three different sites along the path to complete fieldwork. At these sites, student studied the landform, slope, aspect, vegetation, temperature, wind speed, soil moisture and ground cover. Students walked approximately ten kilometres over the course of the day. Year 11 Business Studies visited The Little Big Dairy and viewed the entire process of production from start to finish as part of their operations topic. Students learned about the growth of the business, challenges, changes and how they have developed their production over time. Students then used this information as a case study in their assessment task. We also hosted the Tutankhamun Road Show where the program was designed to provide students with an in-depth interactive understanding of Ancient Egypt.

Human Society and Its Environment (HSIE) covered a range of interesting content over 2023. Commerce students studied 'Travel'. They learned how to plan for travel and how to solve problems encountered when travelling. They explored the considerations that need to be made when planning for travel and gathered relevant data when developing a travel itinerary and budget. Year 10 History focused on being resourceful as they studied 'Rights and Freedoms' in Australia with students teaching the class, to making connections between historical activist organisations and current suffrage movements. Our students explored our Nation's development of 'Rights' in great detail. Stage 5 Geography focused on skills such as field sketches, weather maps, topographic maps and climate graphs. They used their knowledge to report on current conditions and forecast the weather.

It was fantastic to see our students flourishing across a diverse range of HSIE subjects and we congratulate those who worked hard towards achieving their best in these courses.

Mrs Laura Hegarty

Mathematics

We had a busy and exciting year in the Mathematics Department.

Our Year 7 students completed their first year of secondary schooling, and our Year 12 students finished their HSC exams. We said a sad farewell to Mr van der Walt as he took a leadership position at Dubbo Christian School, and welcomed Ms Nkomo in both the Science and Mathematics faculties.

We also prepared for a curriculum update in Mathematics for 2024 which involves more explicit problem solving embedded into our lessons.

Year 7 students enthusiastically embraced the challenges of learning at the secondary level. They learned how to follow a timetable, how to bring the required equipment to each class, and how to organise their study time to ensure they completed their homework and prepared for assessment tasks. As part of their assessment program, Year 7 completed ongoing assessment, which is designed to encourage consistent effort across each term. Some Years 7 to 10 students participated and enjoyed success in the ICAS competitions and their certificates were awarded at school assemblies.

Year 8 students also challenged themselves and learned some brand-new skills such as Pythagoras' Theorem and more complex equations. Year 8 also completed their first take-home assignment which was a valuable learning experience for them. Year 8 is a really important year for students to embrace the challenge of becoming independent learners, and we look forward to their efforts paying off as they enter Stage 5 next year.

Year 9 students enjoyed the challenge of learning more complex topics and synthesising their knowledge as they moved into Stage 5. They discovered the need to build on their prior knowledge and understanding to maximise their learning. Year 10 spent time considering their course choices for Year 11. We look forward to more of our Stage 5 students participating in ICAS competitions, as these competitions provide valuable challenges to even the most capable problem-solvers.

Year 11 students commenced their Year 12 courses, and will be sitting their HSC in 12 months' time. It is amazing how fast time goes for these students. It is a challenge to continue their work ethic in Term 4, but essential if they wish to maintain their results across the HSC year. We look forward to supporting this cohort with their job, apprenticeship, and university applications over the next 12 months. We are very proud of our Year 12 2023 cohort, who gained employment, apprenticeships or early offers to university. We are excited to hear about their achievements in the future.

Ms Naomi Barber



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PHOTOS:
01: Lucy Diffey and Ruby Ivers, Year 7 **02:** Sienna Whalan, Lilly Myles, Nellie Spencer, Hallie Cummins, Darcy Walker, Rowan Stevens, Stone Cole, Clyde Blackstock, Flynn McDonald, Jesse McInerney, Mac Lesslie and Dillan Hosking, Year 8
03: Grace Murray, Abigail Luck, Sophia Peart and Georgina Empringham, Year 7



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Music

The students at Macquarie showed enthusiasm in Music classes throughout 2023. They took part in practical and theory activities with interest and showed a willingness to present their developing skills and talents to their classes.

A lot of the work we do in Music involves students performing for each other. I need to congratulate all of the students in Years 7 and 8 for being willing to this.

CAPA Night

Creative And Performing Arts (CAPA) Night was held in the music room and provided a more intimate venue for our Music students this year. We had individual performances from Abigail Medcalf, Year 10, Eva Harris, Year 10, and Alex Faponle, Year 8. Larissa Elder, Year 7, Skye Elder, Year 4, and Caitlin Elder, Year 4, provided us with a violin trio and, as usual, performed beautifully. The Stage 5 Music class, Year 10 Rock Band and our Macquarie Band also provided entertaining performances for the appreciative audience. This night was combined with the performance of our HSC Music students' performance programs. Dugald, Siobhan, Nick, Bella and Jett all presented part of their program

HSC Students

Our Year 12 Music students completed their HSC performance exams at the end of Term 3. They undertook a rigorous performance program for these exams and deserve congratulations for the high-quality pieces they delivered on the day. I would like to thank Bella, Dugald, Siobhan, Nick and Jett for their willingness to share their talents and enthusiasm with students and the wider school community throughout their years at Macquarie. Your contributions and performances will be missed.

Mrs Jodie Barber

PHOTOS:

04: Abigail Medcalf, Year 10 and Isabella Walker, Year 12 **05:** Larissa Elder, Year 7, Caitlin Elder, Year 4 and Skye Elder, Year 4 **06:** Tobey Cohen, Year 10, Alexander Price, Year 10, Reed Quill, Year 8 and Arlen Quill, Year 10 **07:** Jack Taylor, Lachlan Anderson and Abigail Medcalf, Year 10 **08:** Jett Cole, Nicholas Anderson, Isabella Walker, Siobhan Utete, Dugald Shepherd, Georgia Cudmore and Nicholas Croker, Year 12



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PDHPE

Our PDHPE program at Macquarie is more than just a curriculum, it's a dynamic journey that equips students with knowledge and skills essential for a healthy, fulfilling life. In Years 7 to 10, students navigate a spectrum of topics, each year building on the foundation laid before.

In Year 7, students embarked on understanding the essence of a balanced lifestyle. They delved into the intricacies of positive and negative risk-taking, honed their communication skills, and showcased their creativity by choreographing group dances for a memorable showcase.

Year 8 brought a focus to mental health awareness and the impact of substance use on individuals and communities. Alongside these crucial lessons, students also mastered the art of partner dancing by preparing for the annual Cha-Cha Dance Off with spirited performances in Jive and Cha-Cha.

Year 9 marked a shift toward critical thinking, with students learning to analyse health information. The University of Newcastle's Resistance Training for Teens program introduced them to the benefits of resistance training and laid the groundwork for creating their own training programs.

In Year 10, students honed their decision-making skills and recognised the increasing control they possess over their health and choices. Exploring the influences and consequences of their decisions, they gained insights into how their choices impact both themselves and others.

As students progressed into the senior years, the challenges became more nuanced.

In Years 11 and 12, students were confronted with specific health and movement science issues, prompting thoughtful examination and socially imaginative responses.

The emphasis shifted to individual plans, lifestyle decisions and the clarification of values, empowering students to translate knowledge and beliefs into meaningful action.

Beyond these core subjects, our PDHPE program extends to Child Studies and Community and Family Studies. In Stage 5 Child Studies, students explored factors influencing children's wellbeing and development and fostered inclusive practices. Meanwhile, Stage 6 Community and Family Studies equipped students with an understanding of diverse family and community dynamics by empowering them to address contemporary issues effectively.

Our PDHPE program at Macquarie is a comprehensive exploration of wellness and prepares students not just for exams, but for a lifetime of informed, healthy choices.

Mr Patrick Connors



PHOTO:
01: Charlotte Bickerton, Year 10, Harriet Williams, Pre-Kindergarten, Xavier Nott, Pre-Kindergarten, Amy Quilty, Year 9, Luca Osborne, Pre-Kindergarten, Cailee Costa, Pre-Kindergarten and Olivia Simcox, Year 10

Science

This year, Science at Macquarie farewelled the beloved Mr van der Walt who finished with us to take on a Head of Faculty role at Dubbo Christian School. We also saw Miss Audie depart the Science Department as she prepares to travel and see family. Both Mrs Nkomo and Mrs Edwards were answers to prayer and joined the Science team for the commencement of the 2024 school year.

Some of the activities that our Macquarie scientists were involved in this year included:

- Year 7 Famous Scientist Symposium
- Year 10 Science and Engineering Challenge
- Year 12 Scientist students' graduation
- Year 10 Excursion to Bathurst Fossil and Mineral Museum and Wellington Caves
- Year 7 Classification and Adaptation Excursion to Western Plains Taronga Zoo
- Year 9 conducted an ecological study on the Macquarie/Wambuil Rivers Riverine ecosystem.

Mr Brett Haddon



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PHOTOS:
02: Corey Binks, Holly Azzopardi, Hannah Whyman and Jasmine Shepherd, Year 10 **03:** Declan Wilcher, Ibrahim Ridha, Callum Richards, Darcy Shanks, Lainey Walker and Macy Diamond, Year 7 **04:** Eva Harris and Kaela Croker, Year 10 **05:** Isaac Finlay and Daniel Mansour, Year 10 **06:** Bradley Binks, Year 7 **07:** Millie Martin and Brooke Beaton, Year 7

Technology

Year 7 Mandatory Technology

In the workshop, Year 7 students completed a timber-based element for Mandatory Technology. In line with the subject's requirements, both a practical project and an associated design folio were produced by students.

Learning covered the development of:

- Work health and safety aspects and requirements in a timber workshop
- The correct and safe use of the tools, machinery and equipment typically found in a workshop
- The identification of various types of timber
- The theory components associated with each of the above components of learning.



Lilly-Anne Simmons and Scarlett Chandler, Year 7



Bradley Binks, Year 7



Noah Rich, Year 7

Year 8 Mandatory Technology

Year 8 covered a number of technology areas this year. Two of these were Graphics Technology (technical drawing) and Engineering Systems.

In the engineered systems element, students designed a rubber band-powered model car with the aim of developing an understanding of the physics associated with power and motion. The techniques and skills learned in Timber Technology assisted them with the practical construction component of this project. They also completed a design folio to accompany their project.



Lucas Fong, Flynn McDonald and Clyde Blackstock, Year 8



Max Taylor, Year 8

Industrial Technology: Timber

Stage 5 Industrial Technology students completed a number of quality skill-building projects throughout 2023. A design folio was also completed for each project. Both the theory associated with timber construction and the relevant work health and safety were also covered throughout the year.

HSC Year 12 Design and Technology

This year, four students completed Design and Technology at the HSC Year 12 level. Each of the students' projects was of a high quality and should see them complete two years of study with the satisfaction of receiving good results in their HSC Design and Technology examination.

Mr Michael McIntosh



Lucy Diffey and Grace Murphy, Year 7



Charlotte Campbell and Chayse Parry, Year 7

HSC Design and Technology Major Design Projects



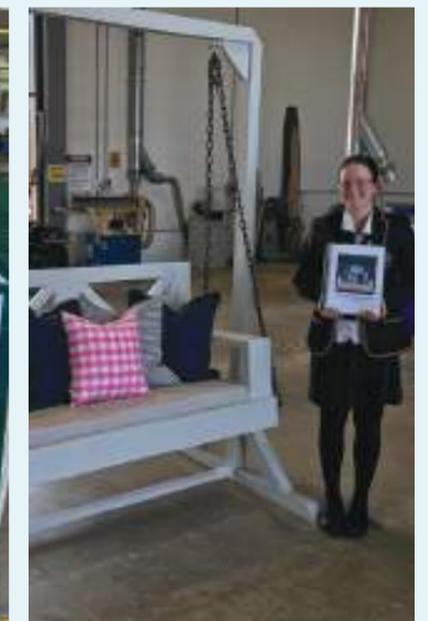
Toby Bannon
A Smart Street design of six eco-friendly houses.



Ally Bogie
An Ultra Stretch Show Bolero.



Georgia Cudmore
A Timber Dog Kennel constructed from left over offcuts of materials.



Millie Wright
A Sustainable Outdoor Swing Bed.



Visual Arts

Another creative year was had in the Art room with a focus on 3-Dimensional sculpted forms.

Millie Martin, Year 7



Ava Cummings, Year 7



Byron Wheatley, Year 7



Callum Richards, Year 7



Daniel Leary, Year 7



Oliver Mills, Year 8

Year 8 explored the use of animals in art, and looked at a number of artists, including Haydon Fowler. 8 Yellow and 8 Blue were lucky to see his work on display at the Western Plains Cultural Centre in Dubbo. The students were asked to select an animal and research the animal's feature then create a small ceramic sculpture.

Year 8 students' second task was to look at one point perspective and the use of colour to create atmosphere in landscape paintings. The students were very successful at producing their own acrylic painting.

Year 7 students began their Senior School art journey with a look at portraits and the Archibald Portrait Prize. Year 7 Yellow had the opportunity to see the paintings from the 2022 Archibald portrait finalists as the exhibition toured NSW stopping at the Western Plains Cultural Centre. The students also looked at a number of different art styles and created mini artworks inspired by these artistic movements. The students finished their studies by looking at Cubism and were asked to create a Picasso-inspired ceramic face.

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Year 11 students worked on developing two major works this year responding to two themes. The students worked hard on their practical skills as well as deepening their understanding of ways to analyse artworks to prepare them for the HSC.

Congratulations to all students for their participation and the creation of works that they should be very proud of.

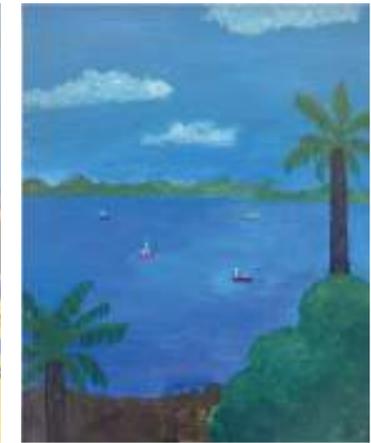
Mrs Sandra Davis



Alicia Fordham, Year 8



Hugo Furney, Year 8



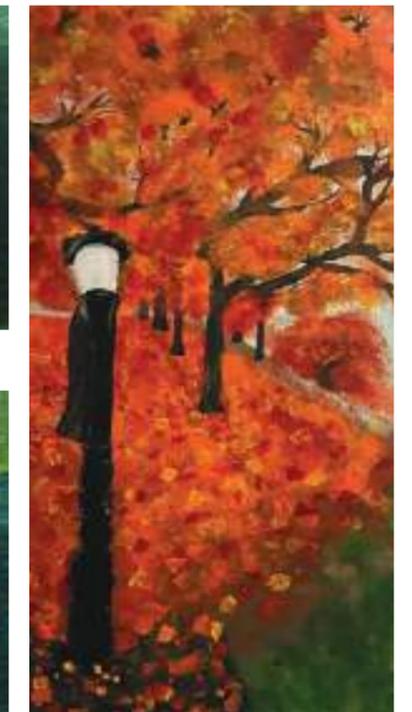
Charlotte Brown, Year 8



Kate Attenborough, Year 7



Lainey Walker, Year 7



Grace Szymkow, Year 8



Mia Sloman, Year 7



Zara McLellan, Year 7



Andie McAnally, Year 8



Isabelle Mudford, Year 8

Years 7 to 10 Outdoor Education

The students learned about team work and real-life lessons.

Years 7 and 9 - Camp Somerset

Students embarked on a journey-style program, staying each night at a different campsite in two-person tents. Students completed a range of challenging activities throughout the week and played an active role in meal preparation, tent setup and group decisions. The Year 9 program also acted as the Adventurous Journey component for those students completing their Duke of Edinburgh Award.



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Years 8 and 10 Urban Challenge

The Urban Challenge was filled with fun and adventure! The students were involved in an unfolding journey taking them around the Sydney CBD and surrounding suburbs. They organised their own food, travel and selves as they navigated and negotiated their way across the city. The students learned about team work and real-life lessons such as public transport won't wait for the slow team!

Students also assisted the charity Kids Giving Back which works to support homeless communities around Sydney.

Mr Wade Richardson

PHOTOS:

01: Back Row: Amy Newton, Sienna Whalan, Isla Tink, Andie McAnally, Georgia Sweeney, Archer Heggie, Hudson Duffy, Thomas Russell, Caison Duncan
Front Row: Mackenzie Finlay, Lauren Rice, Lucas Fong, Year 8

02: Alexis Rufus and Lilly-Anne Simmons, Year 7

03: Back Row: Callum Richards, Bailey Millington, Ibrahim Ridha, Lainey Walker, Lila Powell, Molly Hyland, Abigail Luck, Gabriella Reid, Verity Smith, Lilly-Anne Simmons, Larissa Elder, Samuel Chandler
Front Row: Grace Murray, Ava Cummings, Ruby Ivers, Mia Betts, Year 7



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PHOTOS:

04: Benjamin Grimson and Bayley Betts, Year 9

05: Lilly-Anne Simmons, Mia Betts, Verity Smith and Gabriella Reid, Year 7

06: Billie Allan, Olivia Simcox, Maddison Coleman and Sophie Lockyer, Year 10

07: Edward Porch, Rhiley McCauley, Jed Spinks and Will Kerin, Year 9

Outdoor Education



Year 11 Cairns Experience

Tuesday, Week 8, Term 2, Year 11 set off for the Cairns trip.

After a day in Sydney, including a Sydney University tour, VIVID sightseeing, a play at the Roslyn Packer Theatre, and dinner at Pancakes on the Rocks, we set off for Cairns. A night in the Daintree ended a long day of travelling, though, the views to get there, as well as two cassowary sightings by Mrs Greentree, were nothing to complain about.

The next day started with a biology survey of the creek and a view of the Daintree from the top of a crane before we headed back to Cairns via a standup paddleboarding session on the Mossman River. For the rest of our nights, we stayed at the Cairns Colonial Resort.

Friday greeted us with a spiritual tour of Mossman Gorge, a tour through a crocodile park and free time in the Cairns CBD for dinner. Saturday, arguably the most anticipated day of the trip, started with tours of the Cairns Museum and Aquarium. Though a trip west into the mountains landed a group of us in canyoning, a tough walk to the top bottled our adrenaline, though it was all let out after the first ten-metre jump and, after a few close calls, we all made it to the end.

The next day, an early six o'clock breakfast left a couple of people missing their alarms. We travelled out to Fitzroy Island and in our first snorkelling experience, we were swimming with a turtle. The rest of the day was filled with free time, snorkelling and hanging out on the beach.

Our final day of activities was a trip to the outer reef, where some of us had our first experience at scuba diving. Also included was a glass-bottom boat tour, a biology survey and free snorkelling time on the reef, where we got up close to a lot of coral and fish, and even one shark. Another free night in the Cairns CBD rounded off our day and our trip, before returning to Dubbo.

Thanks to Mr Mansour for this awesome camp, to Mrs Somerville for her planning of our itinerary, and to the awesome staff who made this camp possible.

Ethan Moody and Cooper Calder, Year 11



Year 12 Retreat

Completing the HSC is a momentous achievement in one's life. One of the great joys in my role is to share a week with our graduating Year 12 students.

Staying near beaches and rivers in Toukley on the Central Coast, our Year 12 Retreat has become a key landmark event in a special final week for our Year 12 students. The camp is a mixture of study, adventure activities and life reflections.

Two reflection activities we do on our Year 12 Retreat reinforce the special period of time students find themselves in. One activity involves students simply sitting in a circle and sharing their favourite memories from school. Many stories are told with lots of laughs and some tears mixed in. The other reflection activity of note is our 'friendship journals'. All students have journals on camp and on our final night students place out their journals for their peers to write some encouraging affirming thoughts. This simple activity provides space for students to show genuine appreciation to the people they have shared so much of their lives with.

In what is a unique period of life, students are challenged to think through their faith and direction for life beyond high school.

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

- Proverbs 22:6

Rev Tom Owen

PHOTOS:

01: Shelby Adams and Airlie Smith, Year 11
02: Back Row: Thomas Webster, Thomas Williamson, Bryce Abel, Hannah Gibson, Nicola Millar, Taya Millington
 Third Row: Isabella Jones, Ignatius Blackman, Tozula Yamba, Benjamin Hignett, Emmerson Ferguson, Emeline McCullough
 Second Row: Tharushi Marapana, Shelby Adams, Isabella Jones, Airlie Smith, Lily Fitzsimmons, Kathryn Rice, Eve Porch, Isabella Rufus, Annabelle Stephens, Edward Chapman, Mitchell Cook
 Front Row: Cooper Calder, Ethan Moody, Alexander Palmer, Gregory Cook, Year 11
03: Lily Fitzsimmons, Tozula Yamba, Kathryn Rice and Tharushi Marapana, Year 11
04: Cooper Calder and Bryce Abel, Year 11

Boarding

It was a full year of activities and adventure.

We kicked off 2023 with 46 Boarders, our largest cohort to date and it was a full year of activities and adventure, as well as many challenges. In all the busyness of life, it is easy to forget, but as I look back over the photos from 2023, I am reminded of all the fun moments we had.

Games of touch football, soccer, basketball and very competitive handball games, sitting around the bonfire in winter, cooking damper and toasting marshmallows, swimming as the weather warmed up and having slip 'n' slides down the hill and wheelie competitions on mountain bikes, it was great to see students getting into their fitness this year, with many going to the gym after school as well as running in the afternoons and doing chin-ups whenever possible, particularly in the dining room while they waited in line for dinner.

This year, I was especially proud to see our Senior students stepping up and taking on leadership roles. Emeline McCullough, Year 11, was a great mentor and coach to our younger netball teams. Tom Kerin and Tobey Cohen, Year 10, were selected for the School Representative Council and Airlie Smith, Year 11, was awarded School Captain. I am excited to see the ongoing positive impact that these students will also have on the wider school community.

It was exciting to see Macquarie Boarding successfully acquire another five-year registration as well as take the option to purchase Vista Lodge and commit to the long-term future of Boarding in Dubbo. This was cemented with two new dwellings being established on site for staff, allowing for the continued growth of 58 students.

As many of you know, this was my final year at Macquarie Boarding. I spent a lot of time reflecting on the past five years of living at Boarding and four years as Head of Boarding. It was one of the most challenging roles I have worked in, but certainly one of the most rewarding. Living on site with my family and sharing life with the Boarders is unique, as you get to experience the highs and lows, the good days and the bad days. Not only that, but the students see me on my good and bad days as well as my bad hair days, which they would say are most days! I am grateful for all of it, and I will miss all the students and staff at Boarding and the wider school community.

Mr Peter Roe

PHOTOS:

01: Sophia Peart, Year 7 02: Nellie Spencer, Hallie Cummins and Maddie Keady, Year 8
03: Cooper Calder, Year 11 and Tobey Cohen, Year 10 04: Erin Kirk and Darcie Watts, Year 8



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PHOTOS:

05: Jye Sharpley, Year 7, Lachlan Profke, Year 7, Siobhan Utete, Year 12 and Emeline McCullough, Year 11
06: Evie Peart, Lainey Walker, Sally Stephens, Ava Cummings and Lilly-Anne Simmons, Year 7
07: Abigail Medcalf and Mia Cummings, Year 10 08: Jesse McInerney, Year 8, Jye Sharpley, Year 7, Hamish Webster, Year 9 and Jack Smart-Angel, Year 7
09: Kate Attenborough, Year 7, Lainey Walker, Year 7, Daniel Mansour, Year 10, Mrs Janet Mansour, Evie Peart, Year 7, Mr Craig Mansour, Maddie Keady, Year 8, James Mansour, Year 8 and Ava Cummings, Year 7

Boarders



Back Row: Mrs Kellie Roe, Emilia Peart, Emeline McCullough, Darcy Manns, Charlie Thomas, Tom Kerin, Cooper Calder, Tobey Cohen, Will Kerin, Isabelle Mudford, Zara McLellan, Mr Lyndon Phipps
Third Row: Tia Allan, Maddie Keady, Lee Redmond, Airlie Smith, Jesse McInerney, Darcie Watts, Thomas Webster, Julianah Hegarty, Nixon Strachan-White, Alicia Fordham, Kate Attenborough
Second Row: Mr Peter Roe, Sally Stephens, Erin Kirk, Mia Cummings, Ava Cummings, Lachlan Profke, Hamish Webster, Darcy Walker, Lilly-Anne Simmons, Nellie Spencer, Billie Allan, Miranda Orr, Miss Talitha Hodge
Front Row: Hallie Cummins, Amber Azzopardi, Abigail Medcalf, Kristy Azzopardi, Lexi Trickey, Lainey Walker, Stella McLellan, Siobhan Utete, Evie Peart, Sophia Peart, Holly Azzopardi

Senior School Prize List

Year 7 Academic Awards

Evie Peart	Honours in Visual Arts
Millie Martin	Honours in Visual Arts
Scarlett Braithwaite	Honours in Visual Arts
Grace Murphy	Honours in Mandatory Technology
Kara Johnson	Honours in HSIE
Daniel Leary	Honours in Mathematics
Lily Gibson	Honours in English
Ava Cummings	Honours in English
Harry Chapman	Year 7 Blue Macquarie Citizenship Award
Macy Diamond	Year 7 Yellow Macquarie Pride Award
Mia Betts	Year 7 Blue Macquarie Pride Award
Scarlett Chandler	Honours in Visual Arts and Year 7 Green Macquarie Pride Award
Kate Attenborough	Year 7 Yellow Macquarie Citizenship Award and First Class Honours and First in Class in Visual Arts
Samuel Chandler	Honours and First in Class in Science and First Class Honours and First in Class in Mathematics
Lucy Diffey	Honours in PDHPE, Honours in Visual Arts and Year 7 Green Macquarie Citizenship Award
Molly Hyland	Honours in Science, Honours in Music and Honours and First in Class in PDHPE
Verity Smith	Honours in PDHPE, Honours in Science, Honours in Mandatory Technology and Honours in English
Larissa Elder	Honours in Visual Arts, Honours in PDHPE, Honours in HSIE, Honours in Science, Honours in Mathematics, Honours and First in Class in Music, First Class Honours in Mandatory Technology and First Class Honours and First in Class in English
Adam Pendlebury	Honours in Music, First Class Honours in English, Honours and First in Class in HSIE, First Class Honours and First in Class in Mandatory Technology and Dux of Year 7
Lucy Diffey	Playwright Award

Year 8 Academic Awards

Charlotte Brown	Honours in Visual Arts
Lauren Rice	Honours in Visual Arts
Hudson Duffy	Honours in Mathematics
Reed Quill	Honours and First in Class in Music
Mackenzie Finlay	Year 8 Blue Macquarie Pride Award
Lachlan Murphy	Year 8 Blue Macquarie Citizenship Award
Georgia Sweeney	Honours in English and Honours in Mathematics
Caison Duncan	Honours in Visual Arts and Year 8 Yellow Macquarie Citizenship Award
Thomas Russell	Honours in Mandatory Technology and Year 8 Green Macquarie Pride Award
Ari Dale	Honours in English and Year 8 Yellow Macquarie Pride Award
Erin Kirk	Honours in Mathematics, Honours in English and Honours and First in Class in HSIE
Siobhan Newton	Honours in Mandatory Technology, Honours in PDHPE and Year 8 Green Macquarie Citizenship Award
Rahul Jacob	Honours in HSIE, Honours in Science, Honours in Mathematics and First Class Honours and First in Class in English
Max Taylor	Honours in Music, Honours in PDHPE, Honours in HSIE, Honours in English and Honours and First in Class in Science
Harmeen Warya	Honours in HSIE, Honours in Science, Honours in English, Honours and First in Class in LOTE, First Class Honours and First in Class in Mathematics
Alicia Fordham	Honours in Mathematics, Honours and First in Class in Mandatory Technology, Honours and First in Class in PDHPE, First Class Honours in English, First Class Honours and First in Class in Visual Arts and Dux of Year 8

Year 9 Academic Awards

Heidi Turnbull	First in Class in Technology
Zack Masters	First in Class in Food Technology
Lily Pedersen	Honours in PDHPE
Zoe Shanks	Honours and First in Class in PASS
Ruby Josephs	Year 9 Green Macquarie Citizenship Award
Luke Osborne	First in Class in Music and Year 9 Yellow Macquarie Pride Award

Tabitha Hignett	Honours in Science and Honours and First in Class in Agriculture
Amy Quilty	Honours in PASS, Honours in Geography and First in Class in Child Studies
Jed Spinks	Honours in Science, Honours in Mathematics 5.3 and Honours in English
Calliope Hurford	Honours in Geography, Honours in English and Honours and First in Class in PDHPE
Annalise Somerville	Honours in Science, Honours and First in Class in Geography and Year 9 Green Macquarie Pride Award
Sabrina Jones	Honours and First in Class in German, Honours and First in Class in Science and Year 9 Yellow Macquarie Citizenship Award
Edward Porch	Honours in History, Honours in Geography, Honours in Science and Honours and First in Class in Mathematics 5.3
Ella Binnie	Honours in Geography, Honours in Science, First in Class in Mathematics 5.2, First Class Honours in English and Honours and First in Class in History
Savannah Braithwaite	First in Class in Elective History, Honours in Geography, Honours and First in Class in Commerce, First Class Honours and First in Class in English and Dux of Year 9

Year 10 Academic Awards

Mason Albury	First in Class in German
Ryan Newton	Honours in Technology
Lachlan Anderson	Honours in Geography
Lauren Turnbull	Honours and First in Class in Child Studies
Tom Kerin	Honours and First in Class in Agriculture
Kaela Croker	Honours and First in Class in English
Hugh Mitchell	First Class Honours and First in Class in Technology
Adam Pendlebury	First Class Honours and First in Class in Mathematics 5.3
Molly Duffy	Year 10 Green Macquarie Pride Award
Corey Binks	Year 10 Green Macquarie Citizenship Award
Daniel Mansour	Year 10 Yellow Macquarie Citizenship Award
Arlen Quill	First in Class in Music and Honours and First in Class in Food Technology
Jasmine Shepherd	First in Class in Mathematics 5.2 and Honours and First in Class in Geography
Danielle Rice	Honours in Science and Honours and First in Class in History
Olivia Simcox	Honours and First in Class in PASS and Year 10 Yellow Macquarie Pride Award

Eva Harris	First in Class in Commerce, Honours in Mathematics 5.3, Honours and First in Class in PDHPE, Honours and First in Class in Elective History, Honours and First in Class in History, Honours and First in Class in Science, Honours and First in Class in English and Dux of Year 10
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Year 11 Academic Awards

Laura Wilcher	Southern Cross School of Distance Education - Academic Excellence, Award for Dance
Eve Porch	Honours in PDHPE
Kathryn Rice	Year 11 Macquarie Pride Award
Tharushi Marapana	Honours in Studies of Religion and First in Class in Investigating Science
Emeline McCullough	Honours in Standard English and Honours and First in Class in Community and Family Studies
Nicola Millar	Honours in Business Studies and Honours and First in Class in Design and Technology
Lily Fitzsimmons	First in Class in Visual Arts and Honours and First in Class in English Standard
Annabelle Stephens	Honours in Studies of Religion, Honours in English Advanced and Honours and First in Class in Economics
Airlie Smith	Honours and First in Class in Agriculture, Honours and First in Class in Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation and Year 11 Macquarie Citizenship Award
Tozula Yamba	Honours and First in Class in Studies of Religion, Honours and First in Class in Society and Culture and Honours and First in Class in Mathematics Standard
Hannah Gibson	Honours in Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation, Honours in Agriculture, Honours in English Standard and First in Class in Biology
Ethan Moody	Honours in Economics, Honours in Mathematics Advanced, Honours and First in Class in PDHPE, Honours and First in Class in Business Studies and Honours and First in Class in Legal Studies
Isabelle Russell	Pacific Online Christian School - Academic Excellence Award for Physics, First in Class in Mathematics Extension, Honours and First in Class in Modern History, Honours and First in Class in Chemistry, Honours and First in Class in Mathematics Advanced, Honours and First in Class in English Advanced, Honours and First in Class in English Extension and Dux of Year 11

Senior School Prize List

HSC Award

Highest ATAR Achieved and Dux of Macquarie 2022
Clair Stiff

Sport Awards

Senior School All Round Proficiency in Work and Sport
Isabelle Russell

Senior Male Sports Person
Edward Chapman

Senior Female Sports Person
Billie Allan

Macquarie Champion House
Dunlop

Community Awards

The Macquarie Boarding Citizenship Award
Tom Kerin

Senior School Fine and Performing Arts Award
Lily Fitzsimmons

Macquarie Outstanding Service and Leadership Award
Millie Wright

The PJ Murdoch Award
Benjamin Hignett

Macquarie Citizenship Award
Emeline McCullough

ADF Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork Award
Toby Bannon

ADF Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork Award
Tom Kerin

ADF Future Innovators Award
Nicholas Anderson

ADF Future Innovators Award
Eva Harris

Year 12 Certificates and Subject Awards

Honours and First in Class in Biology
Isabella Walker

Honours and First in Class in Business Studies
Toby Bannon

First in Class in Chemistry
Nicholas Anderson

Honours and First in Class in Design and Technology
Toby Bannon

Honours in Design and Technology
Ally Bogie

First in Class in Advanced English
Nicholas Croker

Honours and First in Class in Standard English
Ally Bogie

Honours and First in Class in Standard Mathematics
Isabella Walker

Honours and First in Class in Advanced Mathematics
Nicholas Anderson

First in Class in Modern History
Toby Bannon

Honours and First in Class in Music
Isabella Walker

Honours and First in Class in PDHPE
Ally Bogie

First in Class in Society and Culture
Toby Bannon

First in Class in Studies of Religion
Isabella Walker

First in Class in Investigating Science
Dinesh Srinivas

Year 12 Community Awards

Year 12 Ampol All Rounder Award
Molly Quilty

Year 12 Reuben F Scarf Award for Commitment
Isabella Walker

The School of Rural Health Award for Excellence in Science
Nicholas Anderson

Year 12 Macquarie Pride Award
Dinesh Srinivas

Year 12 Macquarie Citizenship Award
Dugald Shepherd

PHOTO: Eva Harris, Year 10



PHOTOS:

01: Dinesh Srinivas, Year 12 and Mr Craig Mansour 02: Tom Kerin, Year 10 and Toby Bannon, Year 12 03: Millie Wright, Year 12
04: Mr Craig Mansour and Tozula Yamba, Year 11

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PHOTOS:

01: Lily Fitzsimmons, Kathryn Rice and Airlie Smith, Year 11 02: Mason Albury, Year 10
 03: Olivia McMullen and Polly Pilon, Year 6 04: Henrietta Canning and Tino Mahupete, Year 6
 05: Lachlan Harley, Year 7, Talen Ramsay, Year 8, Flynn McDonald, Year 8 and Benjamin Palmer, Year 7

Junior School House Captains



James Kelly, Logan Hosking, Max Szymkow, Charlie Furney, Alexis Mitchell, Henrietta Canning, Polly Pilon, Scarlett Mealey

Senior School House Captains



Airlie Smith, Kathryn Rice, Benjamin Hignett, Tozula Yamba, Thomas Williamson, Emeline McCullough, Annabelle Stephens

Chisholm

Chisholm House members displayed their aptitude for sports and athletics this year, with many significant achievements and prizes for students from various age groups.

We began the year with our Swimming Carnival, where Chisholm began developing an impressive sense of team spirit that would bring us together throughout the year. In this, we enjoyed some wins in the novelty events, such as the team cheering and the water bombing competition; however, we placed fourth overall for collective House points.

Next came the Cross Country Carnival, where we showed our impressive talents for running through multiple first placings. Spencer Simcox, Year 8, Annabelle Stephens, Year 11, and Nicholas Anderson, Year 12, won their age groups, and many other students achieved seconds and thirds for their age groups. This resulted in second place overall for Chisholm House.

Our last whole school sporting event was the Athletics Carnival which saw multiple Chisholm Age Champions and the 16 Years Boys 800m record being broken by Lachlan Anderson, Year 10, with a new time of 2:30.10!

Overall, Chisholm had a fabulous year and we are starting to build momentum for the years to come.

**Annabelle Stephens and Thomas Williamson,
Chisholm House Captains**



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PHOTOS:

- 01: Eve Porch and Annabelle Stephens, Year 11
- 02: Toby Bannon, Year 12 and Tobey Cohen, Year 10
- 03: Bryce Abel, Year 11 and Dugald Shepherd, Year 12
- 04: Alexis Rufus and Lily Gibson, Year 7



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PHOTOS:

- 05: Isabella Walker, Year 12 and Airlie Smith, Year 11
- 06: Zac Spinks and Bayley Betts, Year 9
- 07: Archie McCauley, Darcy Shanks, Declan Wilcher, Lachlan Harley, Jett Nicholls, Benjamin Palmer and Zander Hibbard, Year 7
- 08: William Graham and Norah Wallace, Year 4



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Cuthbert

Cuthbert had yet another amazing year. This year we had some wonderful achievements and extremely high participation rates.

Although we didn't get the win in the Cross Country or Swimming Carnivals, our House was represented with pride and everyone gave it their all in their respective races and novelty events. On the other hand, we dominated the Athletics Carnival and came home with the win.

Over the year, Cuthbert demonstrated House spirit by enthusiastically dressing up in our House colour (yellow). The encouragement and support shown in our House was amazing.

Congratulations to everyone for their amazing achievements over the year and a big congratulations to all our Age Champions! A big thank you to the teachers for their encouragement and their House spirit.

We would like to wish good luck to the 2024 House Captains, we know you will represent our House with pride.

**Emeline McCullough and Airlie Smith,
Cuthbert House Captains**



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Dunlop

This year saw a very successful carnival season for Dunlop. We were very lucky to be successful in two out of the three carnivals.

The year began with the Swimming Carnival. Dunlop showed great athleticism as well as House spirit. At this event, we were able to secure a victory in the Senior School. Unfortunately, we missed out on victory in the Junior School, however, all of the students put in a great effort.

Next up was the Cross Country Carnival, which saw another Senior School success and lots of people showing House spirit. The Junior School showed similar House spirit at their Cross Country event.

Finally, we had the Athletics Carnival. After a long day, filled with cheering and great athletic endeavours from many students, we were unfortunately unable to bring home another victory at the Senior School event. Despite their great achievements at the Junior School carnival, Dunlop also narrowly missed the Junior School victory.

Congratulations to all those who participated in an event for Dunlop. We wish Dunlop great success in future years, and the future captains well.

Go Dunlop!

**Tozula Yamba and Shellby Adams,
Dunlop House Captains**

PHOTOS:

01: Jemima Young, Madeline Parkes, Rose Bagshaw, Ella Taylor and Alexis Mitchell, Year 6 02: Oliver Orth and Jack Deveson, Year 9
03: Francesca Wade, Year 3, Lucy Bagshaw, Year 3, Evelyn Garland, Year 2 and Eleni Rich, Year 3 04: Alicia Fordham and Emma Mills, Year 8
05: William Ryan and Daniel Mansour, Year 10

Flynn

In 2023, Flynn had yet another outstanding year, with the Junior School winning first place in the Swimming and Athletic Carnivals! Even though Flynn Senior School did not win any of the carnivals, we were proud of the incredible House spirit that every student displayed this year.

We wish we could give every one of the Flynn students who set records and advanced to higher competition levels this year individual recognition, but there are just too many of you! We were incredibly proud and happy for all of you! Congratulations!

We saw some incredible blue outfits throughout the year that earned us points, and it was amazing to watch all the students working together to try and grab the number one position. Thank you so much to every student who participated and gave it their all throughout the year.

We extend our sincere wishes for the 2024 Flynn House Captains' success. Flynn has our full support and we can't wait to see the incredible outcomes that they will undoubtedly achieve. It was an honour to serve as your captains.

Go Flynn!

Kathryn Rice and Benjamin Hignett, Flynn House Captains



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PHOTOS:

06: James Kelly, Year 6 and Corbyn Smith, Year 5
07: Cooper MacLagan, Year 11
08: Nellie Spencer, Year 8, Rebecca Anderson, Year 8, Alicia Fordham, Year 8 and Kristy Azzopardi, Year 9
09: Amy Quilty and Sarah Chandler, Year 9 10: Back Row: Alexis Cook, Caitlin Elder, Skye Elder
Front Row: Harriet Kelly, Sophie McAnally, Poppy Windeyer, Sophie Mwadaani, Year 4
11: Tino Mahupete, Year 6

Swimming Carnivals

Junior School

Monday 30 January

Age Champions

- 8 Years Emily Davies and Noah Stiles
- 9 Years Eleni Rich and Patrick Blackstock
- 10 Years Poppy Windeyer and Dominic Gadsby
- 11 Years Annie McDonald and Alex Stiles
- 12 Years Ivy Rich and Angus Coleman

Junior School House Champion

Flynn



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PHOTOS:

- 01: Ivy Rich, Year 6 and Eleni Rich, Year 3
- 02: Poppy Windeyer, Year 4
- 03: Jack Fearnley, Braxton Nichols-Rowe and Xavier Powell, Year 3
- 04: Alex Stiles, Year 5

Swimming Age Champions Junior School



Noah Stiles, Patrick Blackstock, Alex Stiles, Angus Coleman, Ivy Rich, Annie McDonald, Poppy Windeyer, Eleni Rich
Absent: Emily Davies, Dominic Gadsby



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PHOTOS:

- 05: Chayse Parry, Kara Johnson, Millie Martin and Phoebe Chrystall, Year 7
- 06: Isabelle Russell and Emeline McCullough, Year 11

Senior School

Tuesday 31 January

Age Champions

- 12 Years Ava Wright and Harry Chapman
- 13 Years Ava Cummings and Darcy Shanks
- 14 Years Andie McAnally and Charlie Lockyer
- 15 Years Zoe Shanks and Samuel Luck
- 16 Years Sophie Lockyer and Tom Kerin
- 17 Years Molly Quilty and Edward Chapman
- 18 Years Nicholas Anderson

Records

- Ava Cummings 13 Years Girls Individual Medley
- 13 Year Girls 200m Freestyle

Senior School House Champion

Dunlop

Swimming Age Champions Senior School



Back Row: Andie McAnally, Charlie Lockyer, Nicholas Anderson, Tom Kerin, Samuel Luck, Molly Quilty
Front Row: Darcy Shanks, Ava Cummings, Zoe Shanks, Harry Chapman, Sophie Lockyer, Ava Wright, Edward Chapman

Athletics Carnivals



PHOTOS:
 01: Charlotte Bickerton, Year 10, Billie Allan, Year 10 and Kathryn Rice, Year 11
 02: Grace Rindfleish, Year 9 03: Jack Fearnley and Patrick Blackstock, Year 3
 04: Japneet Kaur, Eva Strahorn and Kate Pendlebury, Year 5
 05: Archie McCauley, Riley McCauley and Sam Ray, Year 7

Junior School

Tuesday 16 May

Age Champions

- 8 Years Maya Cook and Noah Stiles
- 9 Years Mia Wright and Xavier Powell
- 10 Years Harriet Kelly and Toby Robinson
- 11 Years Eva Strahorn and Alex Stiles
- 12 Years Madeline Parkes and Logan Hosking

Records

- Nicholas Smith Junior Boy Long Jump, 3.32m
- Harriet Kelly Junior Girls 800m, 3.07.75
- 10 Years Girls 200m, 34.96
- 10 Years Girls Long Jump, 3.25m
- Alexis Cook 10 Years Girls High Jump, 1.13m
- Maya McCauley 11 Years Girls High Jump, 1.19m
- Alex Stiles 11 Years Boys 800m, 3.00.84
- Junior Girls 4x100 Relay Harriet Kelly, Alexis Cook, Maya Cook, Caitlin Elder, 1.10.06

Junior School House Champion

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Senior School

Monday 15 May

Age Champions

- 12 Years Evie Peart and Harry Chapman
- 13 Years Sophia Peart and Harry Hawkins
- 14 Years Siobhan Newton and Ashton Green
- 15 Years Amelia Chrystall and Oliver Orth
- 16 Years Billie Allan and Jack Taylor
- 17 Years Annabelle Stephens and Jack Szymkow
- 18 Years Georgia Cudmore and Nicholas Anderson

Records

- Lawson Brown 13 Years Boys 100m, 13.37
- Ashton Green 14 Years Boys 800m, 2:27.82
- 14 Years Boys 200m, 25.94
- 14 Years Boys 400m, 57.75
- Lachlan Anderson 16 Years Boys 800m, 2:30.10
- Georgia Cudmore Open Girls High Jump, 1.5m
- Open Girls 100m, 14.07
- Open Girls 200m, 29.31
- Open Girls 400m, 1:11.44

Senior School House Champion

Cuthbert

Athletics Age Champions Junior School



Second Row: Harriet Kelly, Logan Hosking, Eva Strahorn, Madeline Parkes, Alex Stiles
 Front Row: Maya Cook, Noah Stiles, Xavier Powell, Toby Robinson, Mia Wright

Athletics Age Champions Senior School



Back Row: Oliver Orth, Nicholas Anderson, Jack Taylor, Jack Szymkow, Amelia Chrystall
 Front Row: Evie Peart, Siobhan Newton, Ashton Green, Annabelle Stephens, Harry Hawkins, Sophia Peart
 Absent: Billie Allan, Harry Chapman, Georgia Cudmore



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PHOTOS:

01: Annie McDonald and Aeva Maher, Year 5
02: Logan Hosking, Charlie Furney, Mason Shanks, Max Szymkow and Yarran Lane, Year 6
03: Scarlett Mealey, Rose Bagshaw and Lila Albury, Year 6
04: Tom Kerin, Year 10 and Millie Wright, Year 12

Cross Country Carnivals

Junior School

Thursday 9 March

Age Champions

- 8 Years Abigail Tucker and Dougal Kelly
- 9 Years Mia Wright and Xavier Powell
- 10 Years Harriet Kelly and Dominic Gadsby
- 11 Years Eva Powell and William Davies
- 12 Years Rose Bagshaw and Logan Hosking

Junior School House Champion

Flynn

Senior School

Friday 10 March

Age Champions

- 12 Years Ava Wright
- 13 Years Sophia Peart and Harry Hawkins
- 14 Years Alicia Fordham and Spencer Simcox
- 15 Years Sarah Chandler and Jack Deveson
- 16 Years Airlie Smith and Jack Taylor
- 17 Years Annabelle Stephens and Cooper MacLagan
- 18 Years Ally Bogie and Nicholas Anderson

Senior School House Champion

Dunlop

Cross Country Age Champions Junior School



Abigail Tucker, Dougal Kelly, Xavier Powell, Logan Hosking, Rose Bagshaw, Eva Powell, Harriet Kelly, Mia Wright
 Absent: William Davies, Dominic Gadsby

Cross Country Age Champions Senior School



Back Row: Harry Hawkins, Spencer Simcox, Nicholas Anderson, Jack Taylor, Cooper MacLagan, Jack Deveson
 Front Row: Sophia Peart, Alicia Fordham, Annabelle Stephens, Airlie Smith, Sarah Chandler, Ava Wright
 Absent: Ally Bogie

Co-curricular



PHOTO: Ruby Szymkow and Gracie Harland, Year 10

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Care and Faith Groups

Prayer and Hot Chocolate Group.

Every Tuesday morning in the trendy Lab 4, a group of Senior School students meet for our prayer and hot chocolate group.

Every Senior School student is welcome in our space. Some students are there every week and others come more sporadically.

Whilst the group is a Christian group in nature, all students, wherever they are in their faith journey, are welcome and do come along to our group.

In the playground, students are often segregated into their year and friendship groups. However, in our prayer and hot chocolate group students from all year groups attend. It reminds me of Paul's words, "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." - Galatians 3:28

In the classroom, students learn the Bible and in chapel students continue this learning and think through practically how to love and serve God. This group offers a way for students to connect with their faith on a relational level. Which at its core is what the good news of Christianity is about; a relationship with our heavenly father.

This humble group offers students space to explore and reason with their faith but also for them to have support as they navigate the joys and difficulties of teenage life.

Thank you to all students who have made our prayer and hot chocolate group what it is and I look forward to seeing our group grow in the years to come.

Rev Tom Owen

PHOTOS:

01: Ella Taylor, Year 6, Mason Shanks, Year 6, Rev Tom Owen and Charlie Hawkins, Year 5 **02:** Back Row: Molly Quilty, Nicholas Anderson Front Row: Nicholas Croker, Isabella Walker, Thomas Shelly, Toby Bannon, Dinesh Srinivas, Jett Cole, Year 12



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There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

- Galatians 3:28

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Chess

2023 saw the formation of the Macquarie Senior Chess team.

Our inaugural team participated in the NSW Junior Chess League Country Secondary Schools Competition throughout Terms 1 to 3.

Our first match was an online match against Cobar High School with Mitchell Cook, Year 11, Nicholas Anderson, Year 12, Dinesh Srinivas, Year 12, and Gregory Cook, Year 11, selected to play. Each school won two games with Macquarie declared the winner on count back.

In our second match, we hosted St Mary's Catholic College Wellington which saw Macquarie prevail with a 4 - 0 final score. Thank you to Cooper Calder, Year 11, for coming in last minute due to illness of another team member.

For our third match, we travelled to St John's College in Dubbo where some fierce competition saw us knocked out of the primary competition after a 2.5 - 1.5 loss. Some creative strategies were employed and great post-game analysis allowed us to reflect on this loss before advancing to the second-place competition.

In the second-place competition, we hosted the Central West Leadership Academy for our next game, which was won by Macquarie 2.5 - 1.5. Nicholas Anderson employed a particularly risky strategy which paid off with a match-deciding victory.

Our next match saw our biggest challenge to date as we lost two of our original team members due to Trial HSC exams. Our new-look team of Mitchell Cook, Year 11, Cooper Calder, Year 11, Mason Albury, Year 10, Adam Pendlebury, Year 7, and Thomas Williamson, Year 11, travelled to Orange to compete against Canobolas Regional Technology High School. After another close match, we ended up losing 2.5 - 1.5, which saw us knocked out of the competition altogether.

All members who represented the school did so with pride and honour. Mitchell Cook deserves special mention for being the only member to play all games and also remaining undefeated throughout both competitions.

A big congratulations to all those who participated. We look forward to another strong year next year.

Mrs Bree Bailey

PHOTOS:

02: Charlie Hawkins and Cooper Hansen, Year 5
03: Jack Hansen, Year 6 and Skye Elder, Year 4



Cooper Calder, Year 11

Junior School Chess Competition

On Friday 28 July, three Junior School Chess teams competed in a competition held at St Mary's Catholic School in Dubbo.

Our students had a successful day making new friends, learning clever moves and having fun. Our A team, Lila Albury, Year 6, James Croker, Year 6, Skye Elder, Year 4, and Jack Hansen, Year 6, finished the day equal third!

Congratulations to all the students who participated.



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Junior School Chess Team



Back Row: Jack Hansen, Lachlan Tucker, Charlie Hawkins, Kushaal Palaparthi, Dean Caulfield
Front Row: Skye Elder, Corbyn Smith, Zachary Smith, Devesh Srinivas, Cooper Hansen, Lila Albury
Absent: James Croker

Senior School Chess Team



Mitchell Cook, Cooper Calder, Nicholas Anderson, Dinesh Srinivas

da Vinci Decathlon



Macquarie excels in the 2023 da Vinci Decathlon!

Congratulations to our Year 7 da Vinci Decathlon team who placed first in the Central West NSW Regional challenge!

The Decathlon, which was established by Knox Grammar School in 2005, celebrates the academic gifts of young people by providing a stimulating and challenging competition run in the spirit of an Olympic Decathlon.

Central West NSW Regional Results

Years 5/6 =2nd

Lila Albury, Rose Bagshaw, Orla Heggie, Finn Hyland, Aria Jacob, Scarlett Mealey, Kate Pendlebury, Mason Shanks

Year 7 1st

Samuel Chandler, Harry Chapman, Larissa Elder, Adam Pendlebury, Sam Ray, Gabriella Reid, Ibrahim Ridha, Verity Smith

Year 8 3rd

Hudson Duffy, Caison Duncan, Alicia Fordham, Archer Heggie, William Horton, Rahul Jacob, Erin Kirk, Harmeen Warya

Year 9

Tia Allan, Savannah Braithwaite, Tabitha Hignett, Calliope Hurford, Edward Porch, Zoe Shanks, Annalise Somerville, Jed Spinks

Year 10 2nd

Mason Albury, Corey Binks, Kaela Croker, Mia Cummings, Eva Harris, Arlen Quill, Danielle Rice, Bridie Zell

State Results

The Year 7 da Vinci Decathlon team then went on to excel as the regional representatives (Bathurst to Dubbo) at the State finals at Knox on Tuesday 25 July. Our Year 7 team placed third in Science and third in Cartography and came seventh overall!

The day before our students toured the Powerhouse Museum and participated in a bespoke Coding course with Museum staff. They coded instructions to turn lights on and off and graduated to coding interactive games that others could play online. Museum staff noted that they exceeded what had been planned for the session with their quick grasp and application of concepts.

Mrs Rachel Hurford

PHOTOS:

01: Ibrahim Ridha, Sam Ray, Adam Pendlebury, Harry Chapman, Samuel Chandler, Verity Smith, Larissa Elder and Gabriella Reid, Year 7
02: Gabriella Reid and Verity Smith, Year 7

Stage 3 Da Vinci Team



Scarlett Mealey, Aria Jacob, Mason Shanks, Kate Pendlebury, Orla Heggie, Finn Hyland, Rose Bagshaw, Lila Albury

Year 7 Da Vinci Team



Verity Smith, Larissa Elder, Sam Ray, Ibrahim Ridha, Gabriella Reid, Harry Chapman, Adam Pendlebury, Samuel Chandler

Year 8 Da Vinci Team



Erin Kirk, William Horton, Archer Heggie, Caison Duncan, Hudson Duffy, Rahul Jacob, Alicia Fordham

Year 10 Da Vinci Team



Bridie Zell, Mia Cummings, Danielle Rice, Corey Binks, Arlen Quill, Mason Albury, Kaela Croker, Eva Harris

Year 9 Da Vinci Team



Tia Allan, Savannah Braithwaite, Zoe Shanks, Edward Porch, Jed Spinks, Tabitha Hignett, Annalise Somerville, Calliope Hurford



Debating

Macquarie Debating teams had a wonderful season in the HICES Debating competition with an even spread of wins across the teams.

Mrs Rachel Hurford

PHOTOS:

- 01:** Larissa Elder, Adam Pendlebury, Lucy Diffey and Daniel Leary, Year 7
02: Mia Cummings, Arlen Quill, Corey Binks and Mason Albury, Year 10
03: Kaela Croker and Isaac Finlay, Year 10



Year 5 Debating Team

Cooper Hansen, Charlie Hawkins, Kate Pendlebury, Aria Jacob



Year 6 Debating Team

Lila Albury, Ivy Rich, Orla Heggie, Madeline Parkes, Alexis Mitchell



Year 7 Debating Team

Noah Rich, Larissa Elder, Daniel Leary, Lucy Diffey, Adam Pendlebury



Years 8 and 9 Debating Team

Lily Pedersen, Sabrina Jones, Luke Osborne, Annalise Somerville, Rahul Jacob



**Year 9
Debating Team**

Lily Pedersen,
Sabrina Jones,
Luke Osborne,
Annalise Somerville



**Year 10
Debating Team**

Mia Cummings, Kaela Croker,
Isaac Finlay, Corey Binks,
Arlen Quill, Tobey Cohen,
Mason Albury, Bridie Zell



**Year 11
Debating Team**

Kathryn Rice,
Thomas Williamson,
Tozula Yamba, Bryce Abel,
Annabelle Stephens



Livestock Show Team

Our team had another successful year!

The Macquarie Livestock Show Team had another successful year in 2023 and was kept busy attending as many shows as possible.

We started in Term 1 with a warm-up show at Mendooran, then returned to Sydney at the end of the term for another exciting Royal Easter Show. In Terms 2 and 3, the team headed to the local shows including Gilgandra, Wellington, Dubbo, Warren, Peak Hill and Tullamore. There was also the opportunity for team members to attend the National All Breeds Junior Heifer Show in Blayney and the Australian Shorthorn Youth Expo in Dubbo. We rounded out the year with senior team members qualifying at the Western Group Zone Finals.

PHOTOS:

01: Max Taylor, Year 8, Angus Johnson, Year 10, April Butler, Year 9, Lachlan Hooper, Year 8, Gracie Harland, Year 10, Jack Taylor, Year 10, Jackson Tucker, Year 9, Nicola Millar, Year 11, Hugh Mitchell, Year 10, George Kidd, Year 10, William Horton, Year 8, Sam Chad, Year 9 and Harry Kidd, Year 8 **02:** Jack Taylor, Year 10, Angus Johnson, Year 10 and Nicola Millar, Year 11 **03:** Angus Johnson, Year 10, Sam Chad, Year 9, Jackson Tucker, Year 9, Jack Taylor, Year 10, Mrs Brooke Taylor, Charlie Lockyer, Year 8, Nicola Millar, Year 11, April Butler, Year 9, Ella Taylor, Year 6, Abigail Tucker, Year 2, Sophie Lockyer, Year 10, Charlotte Campbell, Year 7, Jim Taylor, Year 1 and Max Taylor, Year 8 **04:** Angus Johnson, Year 10

Livestock Show Team

Some notable results from the year included:

Mendooran Show

- Ally Bogie Champion Parader
- Angus Johnson Reserve Champion Parader
- Ella Taylor Junior Judging Junior Champion
- Jack Taylor Junior Judging Senior Champion

Sydney Royal Easter Show

- Nicola Millar 3rd F002 Paraders State Final Heat
- Ally Bogie 2nd F002 Paraders State Final Heat
- Hugh Mitchell RAS Youth Show Reserve Champion Junior Judge

Dubbo Show

- Ella Taylor Junior Champion Parader, Junior Reserve Champion Herdsman, Junior Judging Reserve Junior Champion
- Max Taylor Sub-Intermediate Champion Parader, Sub-Intermediate Reserve Champion Herdsman, Overall Grand Champion Judge
- Angus Johnson Intermediate Reserve Champion Parader
- Ally Bogie Intermediate Champion Parader and Grand Champion Parader
- Tom Kerin Junior Judging Intermediate Champion
- Rose Bagshaw Junior Champion Herdsman
- Jack Taylor Intermediate Champion Herdsman
- Nicola Millar Intermediate Reserve Champion Herdsman
- Macquarie Champion School

Warren Show

- Ella Taylor Junior Champion Parader, Junior Judging Junior's Champion and Overall Reserve Champion
- Charlie Fearnley Sub-Intermediate Champion Parader and Grand Champion Parader
- Tom Kerin Intermediate Champion Parader
- George Kidd Junior Judging Senior Champion and Overall Grand Champion



Tullamore Show

- Ella Taylor Under 15 Years Champion Parader and Grand Champion
- Gracie Harland Under 18 Years Champion Parader
- Max Taylor Junior Judging Junior Champion Judge

Peak Hill Show

- Tom Kerin Novice Champion Parader
- Ella Taylor Under 13 Years Champion Parader
- William Horton Under 15 Years Champion Parader
- Angus Johnson Under 18 Years Champion Parader and Overall Reserve Champion
- Gracie Harland Junior judging Champion



PHOTOS:

01: Back Row: Angus Johnson, Year 10, Nicola Millar, Year 11, Jack Taylor, Year 10, George Kidd, Year 10, Ruby Josephs, Year 9, Hugh Mitchell, Year 10
 Second Row: Jackson Tucker, Year 9, Max Taylor, Year 8, April Butler, Year 9, George Mitchell, Year 8
 Front Row: Sam Chad, Year 9, Gracie Harland, Year 10, William Horton, Year 8, Harry Kidd, Year 8
 02: Jackson Tucker, Year 9
 03: Max Taylor, Year 8
 04: Gracie Harland, Year 10, Ruby Szymkow, Year 10, Hugh Mitchell, Year 10, Max Taylor, Year 8, Tom Kerin, Year 10, Jack Taylor, Year 10, Charlie Lockyer, Year 8, Bayliss Diamond, Year 8, Charlie Fearnley, Year 7, George Mitchell, Year 8, George Kidd, Year 10, Nicola Millar Year 11, Charlie Duffy, Year 8, April Butler, Year 9, Sophie Lockyer, Year 10, Lachlan Hooper, Year 8, William Horton, Year 8

National All Breeds Heifer Show

- Jack Taylor Total Beef Assessment Scholarship Award
- Macquarie Best Champion School

Australian Shorthorn Youth Expo

- Tom Kerin and Jack Taylor Senior Coota Park Tech Talk Winners
- Ella Taylor Junior Judging Pee Wee Champion
- Angus Johnson Junior Judging Sub-Intermediate Reserve Champion, Sub-Intermediate Champion Parader
- Ally Bogie Junior Judging Senior Champion
- Hugh Mitchell Consolidated Pastoral Scholarship Winner
- Macquarie Calf Caper Costume Winners

Western Group Young Judges Finals

- Angus Johnson Paraders F002 State Finals Qualifier
- Nicola Millar Paraders F002 State Finals Qualifier
- Jack Taylor Paraders F002 State Finals Qualifier
- Tom Kerin Fruit and Vegetables State Finals Qualifier

Congratulations to all our team members for the successes that they have had throughout 2023.

We are thankful to all of our Livestock Team families, who supported their children and the team in 2023, and the Williams family of Polldale Shorthorn Stud, whose continued support of Macquarie allows our students to experience the wonderful world of cattle showing.

Mrs Brooke Taylor

Livestock Show Team



Back Row: Jackson Tucker, Sam Chad, George Kidd, Hugh Mitchell, Jack Taylor, Tom Kerin, Charlie Lockyer, George Mitchell
 Second Row: Mrs Brooke Taylor, Harry Josephs, Archie Milgate, Harry Kidd, Angus Johnson, Charlie Duffy, Bayliss Diamond, Max Taylor, William Horton
 Front Row: Rose Bagshaw, Charlotte Campbell, Ally Bogie, Nicola Millar, April Butler, Ruby Szymkow, Ruby Josephs, Sophie Lockyer, Gracie Harland, Ella Taylor
 Absent: Charlie Fearnley

Music

Our Music Co-curricular program developed steadily this year. We had regular rehearsals for the Senior School Choir, Junior School Choir and Macquarie Band. The wonderful members sacrificed their own time to be part of these groups. We had numerous performances from both choirs within the school this year and at The Anglican Schools Corporation (TASC) Choral Festival in Sydney.

The Anglican Schools Corporation Choral Festival

Our Junior and Senior School Choirs came together numerous times to perform this year. In Term 2, many of the choir members combined again to travel to Sydney to perform at The Anglican Schools Corporation (TASC) Choral Festival. There was great excitement as the students and teachers set off to Sydney for the trip. The choir presented *Steppin' Out With My Baby* by Irving Berlin arranged by Mac Huff and *Ancient City* by Paul Jarman. Our students held their own amongst more experienced choirs and performed beautifully. They were also lucky to see the stage production of *Mamma Mia* and enjoyed the ABBA tunes at the end of show singalong.

Thanks

I would like to thank Ms Pearson for taking on the role of Band leader. She did an outstanding job in developing and encouraging our Band students. Thanks also needs to go to Mr Ryan, Mrs Elder, Mr Collingridge and Ms Pearson; this group of people come every week to provide brilliant private instrumental tuition to a growing number of students.

We would like to thank all of the students and parents involved in our growing music program for a fun and enjoyable year. We look forward to doing it all again, and more, in 2024.

Mrs Jodie Barber



Mrs Alison Mitchell, Larissa Elder, Year 7, Trinity Buxton, Year 10, Lauren Rice, Year 8, Harmeen Warya, Year 8, Sabrina Jones, Year 9, Emily Urquhart, Year 8 and Lily Pedersen, Year 9

Choirs

At Macquarie, our Choral programs form the heart of our musical community. Teachers and students have been working hard over 2023 to build our Choral program at Macquarie.

Our Junior School Choir had a very successful 2023. In June, they won their section of the Dubbo Eisteddfod with seven schools participating. Students sang beautifully and represented Macquarie with pride. Their hard work and commitment to the choir is to be commended, with each member attending a before school rehearsal on Wednesdays each week.

Our Senior Choir participated in the Dubbo Eisteddfod after only five months of rehearsals. They achieved a fantastic second place in their section, which is to be commended.

In June, representatives from both choirs participated in The Sydney Anglican Schools (TASC) Choral Festival at Penrith Anglican College. This is an annual event which brings together a number of schools in the Corporation for a day of singing workshops and performances. This year more than 700 students from around the state participated. Our combined choir sang beautifully on stage and did an excellent job of performing some new repertoire in front of Corporation principals and other students. The highlight of the day was learning a mass choir song and performing as part of a choir with 700 voices to conclude the concert. It was awe-inspiring and will be an experience our students will remember for a long time.

Whilst in Sydney, our choir students went to the Sydney Lyric Theatre to watch a performance of *Mamma Mia*. This was an incredible show with a very strong cast. At the end of the show, the entire audience was encouraged to sing a whole selection of ABBA hits. Our students got to their feet and danced while absorbing the atmosphere and singing their favourites.

Both Junior and Senior Choirs performed as part of a combined choir to sing at our Christmas Concert and at our end of year chapel services and Presentation Day ceremonies.

Running our choirs would be impossible without the leadership of staff and our talented accompanists. Many thanks to Mrs Alison Mitchell, Mrs Jodie Barber, Mrs Michelle Heggie and our accompanists Larissa Elder, Year 7, and Mrs Lyndal Elder. They form such a supportive and dedicated team.

Mrs Michelle Heggie

Junior School Choir



Back Row: Lila Albury, Ella Taylor, Aeva Maher, Orla Heggie, Ivy Rich, Georgia Batten, Eleni Rich Second Row: Mrs Michelle Heggie, Skye Elder, Chien-Yun Lin, Lainey Simcox, Annie McDonald, Scarlett Mealey, Lily Orford, Matilda Wheatley, Caitlin Elder, Larissa Elder Front Row: Abigail Tucker, Maggie Batho, Alexander McNee, Charlotte Steventon, William Graham, Norah Wallace, Lachlan Tucker, Navya Kulasekara Arachchi, Evelyn Garland Absent: Hope Bailey, Madison Ray

Senior School Choir



Back Row: Trinity Buxton, Daniel Mansour, Nicholas Anderson, Reed Quill, Hudson Duffy, Sabrina Jones Front Row: Larissa Elder, Ari Dale, Lauren Rice, James Mansour, Emily Urquhart, Alex Faponle, Lily Pedersen Absent: Harmeen Warya

Sports

Athletics

Junior

HICES

On Tuesday 29 August, our Junior School Athletics team of 32 students competed in the HICES Athletics Carnival at Sydney Olympic Park. Congratulations to all Macquarie students for demonstrating excellent skills and superb running ability in all events.

A special mention to both Noah Stiles, Year 2, who finished first in the 8 Years Boys 100m and Mia Wright, Year 3, who placed first in the Junior Girls Discus, throwing a massive 21.23m.

CIS

On 19 September, eight students from the Junior School competed in the CIS Athletics Championships at Sydney Olympic Park. The students were all nervous but excited to compete at such a high level.

Noah Stiles	23rd 100m
Maya Cook	9th 100m
Xavier Powell	21st 100m
Mia Wright	23rd Discus
Harriet Kelly	21st 100m, 13th 200m, 15th Long Jump
Eva Strahorn	22nd Shot Put
Polly Pilon	9th Discus
Jemima Young	11th Discus.

Mr James De Lyall

Senior

WAS

In Week 7 Term 3, Macquarie hosted the annual WAS Athletics Carnival. Eighty students competed against students from Kinross Wolaroi School, St Stanislaus' College, Scots All Saints College and Orange Anglican Grammar School. We had 32 students qualify for the AICES Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to the following students who broke records:

Georgia Cudmore	Open Girls High Jump, Long Jump, 200m, 400m
Evie Peart	12 Years Girls Long Jump
Millie Martin	13 Years Girls Discus
Ally Bogie	Open Girls Javelin.

AICES

A week later, our qualifying students travelled to Sydney Olympic Park to compete against students from schools within the AICES affiliation. The competition was fierce and so was the hot September day on the track. The following students achieved outstanding results:

Evie Peart	3rd 400m
Billie Allan	2nd 200m
Georgia Cudmore	1st High Jump, 2nd Discus.

Mr Patrick Connors



PHOTOS:

01: Noah Stiles, Year 2, Polly Pilon, Year 6 and Mia Wright, Year 3 02: Jacob Smith, Year 4, Toby Robinson, Year 4, Xavier Powell, Year 3 and Patrick Blackstock, Year 3
03: Lachlan Tucker, Year 5 04: Patrick Blackstock and Xavier Powell, Year 3



Back Row: Jemima Young, Charlie Furney, Ivy Rich, Madeline Parkes, Eva Strahorn, Harriette Quigley, Dana Kek, Kate Pendlebury, Max Szymkow
Third Row: Mason Shanks, Alex Stiles, Maya McCauley, Nathan Bell, Logan Hosking, Henrietta Canning, James Kelly, Polly Pilon, Rose Bagshaw, Lachlan Tucker
Second Row: Chloe Smith, Scarlett Mealey, Eva Powell, Archie McGroder, Archer Mealey, Jack Murray, Yarran Lane, Molly Linehan, Patrick Blackstock, Zachary Smith
Front Row: Evelyn Garland, Marley Betts, Mia Wright, Noah Stiles, Toby Robinson, Harriet Kelly, Xavier Powell, Jacob Smith, Alexis Cook, Cathlin Elder, Maya Cook

AFL

On 21 February, Macquarie competed in the annual Paul Kelly Cup (AFL) in Dubbo. It was a great day where the students improved in every game. The hot weather didn't overshadow the students' effort or commitment as they finished the day with two wins against Dubbo Christian School and St John's Primary School.

AFL - Paul Kelly Cup



Back Row: James Kelly, Logan Hosking, Charlie Furney, Angus Coleman, Max Szymkow, Billy Baxter
 Front Row: Jack Murray, Alex Stiles, Kayde Baldry, Thomas Kidd, Finn Hyland, Dean Caulfield

Cricket

Macquarie Cricket heads into the season with optimism and determination.

In the world of school cricket, Macquarie had a promising beginning to the 2023 season. The team showed remarkable potential, and several key developments are setting the stage for an impressive year ahead.

One of the most promising signs for Macquarie Cricket this year was the strong turnout at trials. The response from students eager to participate in the sport not only demonstrated the school's commitment to cricket, but also the growing enthusiasm within the community. This influx of talent created a competitive environment, with numerous young students pushing hard for the coveted Baggy Blue presented to members of the First XI.

It's worth noting that Macquarie introduced three debutants to the First XI this season. Jasmine Shepherd, Year 10, Bayley Betts, Year 9, and Lachlan Murphy, Year 8, all received their Baggy Blues this year. These fresh faces added new dimensions to the team and contributed to its overall success.

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We hope that the strong performance in recent matches is an indicator of the season ahead.

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The success of Macquarie Cricket doesn't stop with the First XI, as the Wiburd Shield (Years 7 to 9) team also boasted a wealth of talent. We hope that the strong performance in recent matches is an indicator of the season ahead.

PHOTOS:

01: Benjamin Hignett, Year 11 and Oliver Orth, Year 9 **02:** Oliver Orth, Year 9, Samuel Luck, Year 9 and Angus Johnson, Year 10





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One of the most significant strengths of Macquarie Cricket is the depth in the batting line-ups.
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A significant leadership change took place this year, with the departure of the former Captain. However, Macquarie Cricket welcomed a new Captain, Oliver Orth, Year 9, for the 2023 season.

One of the most significant strengths of Macquarie Cricket is the depth in the batting line-ups. With seasoned players and young talents, they are well-equipped to face various challenges throughout the season. The recent match performances indicate the capability of the team to consistently deliver with the bat.

As Macquarie Cricket heads into the heart of the season, we are filled with optimism and determination. The victories in the Wiburd and Douglas Shield matches against Orange Anglican Grammar School set a strong precedent for what can be achieved. With promising debutants, a new Captain, and a wealth of talent in their ranks, the team is well-positioned to continue their strong start and leave their mark on the 2023 Cricket season.

Mr Eli Kinscher

PHOTO: Back Row: Jasmine Shepherd, Year 10, Oliver Orth, Year 9, Benjamin Hignett, Year 11, Thomas Chrystall, Year 10, Daniel Mansour, Year 10, Brendan Richards, Year 9, Angus Johnson, Year 10, Benjamin Grimson, Year 9 Front Row: Samuel Luck, Year 9, Thomas Hooper, Year 10, Lachlan Murphy, Year 8, Bayley Betts, Year 9, James Mansour, Year 8

Cricket First XI



Back Row: Samuel Luck, Daniel Mansour, Jack Taylor, Thomas Chrystall, Benjamin Hignett, Dugald Shepherd
Front Row: Jasmine Shepherd, Benjamin Grimson, Brendan Richards, Tom Kerin, Oliver Orth, Angus Johnson **Absent:** Thomas Hooper

Cross Country

HICES

On 23 May, Macquarie students braved the frosty weather and travelled to Scots All Saints Bathurst to participate in the HICES Cross Country Carnival.

All these students are to be congratulated for representing Macquarie and putting in their best effort while running a challenging, hilly course.

Special mention to Harriet Kelly (3rd) and Skye Elder (8th), Year 4, for qualifying for CIS!



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PHOTOS:

- 01: Harriet Kelly and Skye Elder, Year 4
- 02: Dougal Kelly and Noah Stiles, Year 2
- 03: Xavier Powell, Patrick Weekes and Patrick Blackstock, Year 3



04: Back Row: Benjamin Grimson, Year 9, Luke Osborne, Year 9, Jack Taylor, Year 10, Dugald Shepherd, Year 12, Nicholas Anderson, Year 12, Charlotte Bickerton, Year 10, Jasmine Shepherd, Year 10, Airlie Smith, Year 11, Emilia Peart, Year 9, Alicia Fordham, Year 8 Second Row: Jett Nicholls, Year 7, Harry Hawkins, Year 7, Ashton Green, Year 8, Jack Deveson, Year 9, Georgia Cudmore, Year 12, Amy Quilty, Year 9, Oliver Orth, Year 9, Zoe Shanks, Year 9, Brendan Richards, Year 9 Front Row: Evie Peart, Year 7, Nellie Spencer, Year 8, Rebecca Anderson, Year 8, Ava Wright, Year 7, Billie Allan, Year 10, Sarah Chandler, Year 9, Sophia Peart, Year 7, Grace Murray, Year 7

CIS

Congratulations to Harriet Kelly and Skye Elder, Year 4, who represented HICES at the CIS Cross Country Carnival on 8 June. The girls competed against more than 120 athletes in the Under 10 Years Division at the Sydney Equestrian Centre. Harriet finished 60th and Skye 64th.

WAS

During Week 3 Term 2, Scots All Saints College held the WAS Cross Country Carnival. Macquarie sent 29 students to compete against students from Scots All Saints College, Kinross Wolaroi School, St Stanislaus' College and Orange Anglican Grammar School. The students showed great tenacity on the difficult course, with at least one student from every year group qualifying for the AICES Carnival.

AICES

In Week 6 Term 2, Macquarie sent 12 students to compete at the AICES Cross Country Carnival held at the International Equestrian Centre in Penrith. These exceptional individuals truly showcased their abilities and dedication throughout their events.

Congratulations to Georgia Cudmore, Year 12, Jack Deveson, Year 9, Dugald Shepherd, Year 12, Nicholas Anderson, Year 12, Luke Osborne, Year 9, Amy Quilty, Year 9, Sarah Chandler, Year 9, Sophia Peart, Year 7, Evie Peart, Year 7, Alicia Fordham, Year 8, Jett Nicholls, Year 7, and Harry Hawkins, Year 7, who demonstrated exceptional skills in each of their events.



Back Row: Alex Stiles, Logan Hosking, Max Szymkowiak, Kate Pendlebury, Harriette Quigley, Charlie Furney, Jemima Young, Charlie Hawkins
 Third Row: Annie McDonald, Scarlett Mealey, Archie McGroder, Jack Murray, Mason Shanks, Rose Bagshaw, Yarran Lane, Lila Albury, Eva Powell
 Second Row: Kane Furney, Lucy Bagshaw, Francesca Wade, Harriet Kelly, Zachary Smith, Patrick Blackstock, Alexis Cook, Xavier Powell, Jacob Smith
 Front Row: Marley Betts, Patrick Weekes, Caitlin Elder, Dougal Kelly, Mia Wright, Hope Bailey, Toby Robinson, Amelia Murray, Noah Stiles, Skye Elder

AICES Cross Country



Back Row: Amy Quilty, Jack Deveson, Luke Osborne, Nicholas Anderson, Dugald Shepherd, Georgia Cudmore
 Front Row: Evie Peart, Alicia Fordham, Jett Nicholls, Harry Hawkins, Sarah Chandler, Sophia Peart Absent: Billie Allan

CIS Cross Country - Junior School



Harriet Kelly, Skye Elder

Equestrian

From 2 to 6 June, Macquarie's Equestrian team competed at the North West Equestrian Expo held at Coonabarabran. The event hosts 500 high school riders from more than 100 schools and is the largest event of its kind in Australia.



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Team

Airlie Smith (Captain), Ruby Josephs, Archie Milgate, Billie Allan, Tia Allan, Emma Mills, Isabelle Mudford, Charlotte Masonwells.

Results

Airlie Smith (Expo Gymkhana)

- 1st Mount Most Suitable
- 2nd Pleasure Hack
- 3rd Gymkhana Rider
- 4th Team Hunt

Ruby Josephs

- 5th Rider Class
- 4th Team Hunt

Emma Mills

- 3rd Bending

Isabelle Mudford

- 2nd Combined Training 3

Team Penning 10th

Tia Allan, Billie Allan, Archie Milgate

Polocrosse 8th (Division 2)

Airlie Smith, Billie Allan, Tia Allan

Well done to our team! We look forward to even more riders joining Macquarie Equestrian in the years to come.

Mr Tom Blackburn

PHOTOS:

- 01: Airlie Smith, Year 11
- 02: Billie Allan, Year 10, Airlie Smith, Year 11 and Tia Allan, Year 9
- 03: Airlie Smith, Year 11 and Ruby Josephs, Year 9

Equestrian Team



Billie Allan, Archie Milgate, Charlotte Masonwells, Emma Mills, Isabelle Mudford, Ruby Josephs, Airlie Smith, Tia Allan

Regional Futsal Championship Team



Thomas Williamson, Thomas Webster, Dugald Shepherd, Nicholas Anderson, Jack Szymkow, Ethan Moody Absent: Bryce Abel

Football

On Friday 8 September, Macquarie competed in a friendly soccer match against The King's School from Sydney. The Macquarie students played extremely well against tough and experienced competition from the King's students.

They displayed excellent teamwork and demonstrated great sportsmanship. The final score didn't overshadow the fierce competition and the fun that all the students had.

A special mention to Callum Richards, Year 7, for an outstanding goal (only goal) from half way.

We are looking forward to hosting King's again in Term 3, 2024 with hopefully a different and closer score line.

Team

Lila Albury, Lewis Blizzard, Dean Caulfield, Harry Hawkins, Zander Hibbard, Bailey Millington, Archie McCauley, Riley McCauley, Jack Murray, Jett Nicholls, Callum Richards, Ibrahim Ridha, Mason Shanks, Sally Stephens, Lainey Walker.

Mr James De Lyall

AICES

During Week 3 Term 2, the following students travelled to Valentine Sports Park, home of Football NSW Headquarters, and competed at the AICES Football tournament:

Boys Under 16 Years

Lachlan Anderson, Benjamin Grimson, Daniel Mansour, Alexander Price.

Boys Opens

Bryce Abel, Dugald Shepherd, Jack Szymkow, Thomas Williamson.

Special recognition for Sally Stephens, Year 7, who trialled for the Girls Under 16 Years, although only being in Year 7!

Congratulations to the students that were selected from the WAS trials to compete at AICES.

Mr Patrick Connors

AICES Football



Back Row: Daniel Mansour, Dugald Shepherd, Jack Szymkow, Lachlan Anderson
 Front Row: Sally Stephens, Benjamin Grimson, Thomas Williamson, Oliver Orth, Alexander Price
 Absent: Bryce Abel

League Tag

On 17 November, the Macquarie Girls Under 14 Years League Tag team competed in the NRL Western NSW High School Gala Day held at Apex Oval.

The first game saw the girls play St Johns A where they went down narrowly three tries to one. The second game was an exhilarating end-to-end contest that resulted in a two-all draw against St Johns B. In the final game of the day the girls went down to the eventual Gala Day premiers St Matthews Mudgee, four tries to one.

The girls showed great improvement across the entire day and should be very proud of their efforts.

Mr Patrick Connors

League Tag



Back Row: Ava Cummings, Year 7, Miranda Orr, Year 8, Jasmine Ashfield, Year 8, Lilly Myles, Year 8, Charlotte Brown, Year 8, Isla Tink, Year 8, Andie McAnally, Year 8, Phoebe Chrystall, Year 7, Ruby Ivers, Year 7
 Front Row: Georgia Sweeney, Year 8, Lucy Diffey, Year 7, Molly Hyland, Year 7, Grace Murphy, Year 7, Mia Betts, Year 7, Lila Powell, Year 7, Sophia Peart, Year 7, Hallie Cummins, Year 8

Netball

As we bid farewell to the 2023 Netball season, it is a moment of reflection and celebration for the growth, camaraderie and achievements that defined our journey. Sport has an incredible way of bringing people together, fostering skill development, presenting challenges and forming lasting connections. The past season was a testament to these values for our Macquarie netballers.

For many players, this season marked their first experience in netball. The experience of interacting with members of the school community, both younger and older, was important for building a strong Macquarie Netball community. Friendships forged on the court extended beyond the game, creating bonds that extend into the broader community.

Navigating the highs and lows of a game is an integral part of any sports season. Whether it was working through a challenging umpiring decision, cheering on fellow teams or taking on leadership roles as coaches, our netballers faced a range of experiences that contributed to their personal and collective growth. These challenges became opportunities for learning, resilience and skill enhancement.

Umpiring is a crucial aspect of any sporting organisation, and we were thrilled to announce the development of some outstanding young umpires within our club throughout the 2023 season. Numerous Macquarie players attended Saturday umpire courses offered by the Dubbo Netball Association (DNA), with mentoring provided both within the club and by DNA representatives. A special congratulations to those who umpired regularly throughout the season – your dedication did not go unnoticed.

A moment of pride for Macquarie umpires in 2023 was when Michelle Williams and Olivia Simcox, Year 10, achieved their National C Grade Badge. This recognition is a testament to their commitment, hard work and passion for the sport. Well done, Michelle and Olivia, your achievement reflects the high standards set by our club and your dedication.

Macquarie fielded an impressive 13 teams in the DNA competition, ranging from Under 8 Years to A Grade, and showcased exceptional teamwork and netball skills across the board. Three teams made the finals, with the Majestics team giving a valiant effort in the first week of Finals and the Mystics and Hornets narrowly missing the Grand Final – each team's effort was amazing!



A moment of pride for Macquarie umpires in 2023 was when Michelle Williams and Olivia Simcox, Year 10, achieved their National C Grade Badge.



PHOTOS:

01: Back Row: Emeline McCullough, Year 11, Tozula Yamba, Year 11 Front Row: Isla Tink, Year 8, Ruby Ivers, Year 7, Billie Allan, Year 10
02: Back Row: Dana Kek, Year 6, Madeline Parkes, Year 6, Ivy Rich, Year 6, Kate Pendlebury, Year 5, Orla Heggie, Year 6, Aeva Maher, Year 5 Front Row: Olivia McMullen, Year 6, Ella Taylor, Year 6, Rose Bagshaw, Year 6, Eva Powell, Year 5, Lilla Job, Year 5
03: Tozula Yamba, Year 11, Olive Prceovich, Year 2, Emily Davies, Year 3, Lucy Bagshaw, Year 3, Poppy Job, Year 3, Lily Orford, Year 3, Lainey Simcox, Year 3 and Holly Pendlebury, Year 3

Macquarie Netball Awards

	Best and Fairest	Most Improved
Munchkins	Olive Prceovich	Abigail Tucker
Milkshakes	Mia Wright	Maggie Batho
Minnies	Lily Orford	Scarlett Nicholls
Mermaids	Chloe Bell	Amelia Murray
Marvels	Eva Powell	Japneet Kaur
Magic	Madeline Parkes	Henrietta Canning
Mustangs	Evie Peart	Kate Attenborough
Meerkats	Heidi Turnbull	Hallie Cummins
Majestics	Tia Allan	Kristy Azzopardi
Mystics	Eve Porch	Julianah Hegarty
Hornets	Michelle Williams	Claudia Morrison

The Junior and Senior Club Person of the Year awards are a heartfelt acknowledgment of their unwavering commitment and passion for Macquarie Netball.

Junior Club Person of the Year

Ms Ali Attenborough

Ali has demonstrated a remarkable and ongoing commitment to Macquarie Netball over several years. From managing teams with dedication to stepping into the crucial role of Macquarie Netball Representative on Saturdays, Ali's contributions have been invaluable.

Senior Club Person of the Year

Eve Porch, Year 11

Eve's commitment extends across umpiring, coaching, and sharing her profound love for netball with those around her. Her enthusiasm was infectious, creating a positive and empowering atmosphere both on and off the court. Eve's exceptional contributions made her an integral part of our Netball community in 2023.

As we close the chapter on the 2023 Netball season, we express our deepest gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of Macquarie Netball. We eagerly look forward to building on this foundation and achieving more in the seasons to come.

Mrs Marina Simcox



Netball – Magic

Rose Bagshaw, Jemima Young, Ivy Rich, Harriette Quigley, Madeline Parkes, Dana Kek, Henrietta Canning
 Absent: Olivia McMullen



Netball – Marvels

Annie McDonald, Lilla Job, Aria Jacob, Ella Taylor, Orla Heggie, Japneet Kaur, Maya McCauley, Eva Powell
 Absent: Isha Joshi



**Netball -
Mermaids**

Amelia Murray, Poppy Windeyer,
Chloe Bell, Delilah Nicholls,
Kate Pendlebury, Eva Strahorn,
Aeva Maher, Molly Linehan,
Athena Kek, Sophie McAnally



**Netball -
Milkshakes**

Navya Kulasekara Arachchi,
Emilia Luck, Rubie Quigley,
Eleni Rich, Madison Ray,
Francesca Wade, Mia Wright,
Maggie Batho



**Netball -
Minnies**

Poppy Job, Hope Bailey,
Scarlett Nicholls,
Holly Pendlebury, Lily Orford,
Lucy Bagshaw, Lainey Simcox



**Netball -
Munchkins**

Maggie Bagshaw,
Matilda Linehan,
Delilah Bailey, Olive Prcevich,
Maya Cook, Fleur Fletcher,
Abigail Tucker, Lily Bell
Absent: Lily Batho



**Netball -
Majestics**

Kristy Azzopardi,
Mia Cummings,
Gracie Harland, Eva Harris,
Ella Binnie, Emilia Peart,
Tia Allan, Ava Cummings,
Billie Allan
Absent: Ridhi Gupta



**Netball -
Meercats**

Hallie Cummins, Miranda Orr,
Bonica Henry, Darcie Watts,
Emma Mills, Heidi Turnbull,
Maddie Keady, Nellie Spencer



Netball - Mustangs

Lainey Walker, Sophia Peart, Lilly-Anne Simmons, Grace Murray, Zara McLellan, Kate Attenborough, Macy Diamond, Ava Cummings, Evie Peart
Absent: Hannah Scanes



Netball - Mystics

Eve Porch, Julianah Hegarty, Charlotte Masonwells, Emmerson Ferguson, Tozula Yamba, Lauren Turnbull, Olivia Simcox, Isabella Rufus



AICES Netball

Tozula Yamba



Netball Schools Cup - Junior School

Back Row: Kate Pendlebury, Madeline Parkes, Orla Heggie, Ivy Rich, Dana Kek
Front Row: Eva Powell, Rose Bagshaw, Aeva Maher, Ella Taylor, Lilla Job



Netball Schools Cup - Senior School

Back Row: Andie McAnally, Julianah Hegarty, Lauren Turnbull, Emma Mills, Olivia Simcox, Emilia Peart
Second Row: Siobhan Newton, Tia Allan, Ruby Ivers, Alicia Fordham, Charlotte Masonwells, Eva Harris
Front Row: Mia Betts, Ava Cummings, Billie Allan, Gracie Harland, Mia Cummings, Lucy Diffey, Grace Murphy
Absent: Isla Tink



Netball - WAS

Back Row: Olivia Simcox, Lauren Turnbull, Tozula Yamba, Emmerson Ferguson, Charlotte Masonwells
Front Row: Billie Allan, Eve Porch, Julianah Hegarty, Isabella Rufus, Gracie Harland

Rugby League

CIS

NSWCIS has become a powerhouse in terms of rugby league in most recent years. Macquarie sent Jasmine Shepherd and Hannah Whyman, Year 10, to trial for the Girls Under 16 Years team. Both the girls, who played rugby and league tag respectively, chanced their arm by playing rugby league for the first time. Both players were selected as shadow players and have paved the way for other young girls at Macquarie to play rugby league at a high level.

Rhiley McCauley, Year 9, was also selected to trial for the Under 15 Years team. The CIS 15 Years team went on to win the National Championships. Congratulations to Rhiley and we look forward to seeing him be an integral leader in our Rugby League team next year.

Small Schools Rugby League

Week 8 Term 2 brought some excellent results on the football field for our Under 14 Years Rugby League team. The boys came away with wins against Orange Anglican Grammar School, Gilgandra High School and Wellington High School.



Unfortunately, the team went down by only two points against Parkes Christian School who were the eventual winners of the carnival. The team showed tremendous character, coming back from 18-0 down to almost levelling the scores at 18-16.

Mr Patrick Connors

PHOTO:

01: Back Row: Tully Spinks, Year 8, Spencer Simcox, Year 8, Charlie Fearnley, Year 7, Lachlan Harley, Year 7, Ashton Green, Year 8, Fletcher Hollingworth, Year 8, Archie Bannon, Year 8, Colby Rufus, Year 8, Flynn McDonald, Year 8
Front Row: Hamish Wright, Year 8, Archie Pirie, Year 8, Lachlan Hooper, Year 8, Lachlan Murphy, Year 8, Harry Kidd, Year 8, George Mitchell, Year 8

Small Schools Rugby League Competition



Back Row: Charlie Fearnley, Tully Spinks, Spencer Simcox, George Mitchell Second Row: Colby Rufus, Ashton Green, Archie Bannon, Flynn McDonald, Lachlan Hooper Front Row: Hamish Wright, Archie Pirie, Fletcher Hollingworth, Lachlan Harley, Harry Kidd, Lachlan Murphy

Rugby Sevens

Junior

On 11 May, our Junior School Rugby Sevens team competed in the Western Rugby Sevens Gala Day. The students played against Dubbo South, Orana Heights and Wellington Pubic School. With a win, draw and loss, they just missed out on the finals on 'for and against'. The boys showed excellent determination and competed in every play. They should be extremely proud of their efforts

Mr James De Lyall

Senior

During Week 6 Term 3, Macquarie sent two teams to the NSW Rugby Sevens Gala Day at St Stanislaus' College in Bathurst. The girls displayed great pride on the field with much improvement made in plays and skills over the course of the day.

The Years 9 and 10 team won their first game and lost by small margins for their following games. The Years 7 and 8 team lost their games, but minimised their margins each game which showed great motivation and perseverance.

Mr Patrick Connors

PHOTOS:

02: Back Row: James Kelly, Year 6, Logan Hosking, Year 6, Charlie Furney, Year 6, Yarran Lane, Year 6, Jack Germano, Year 6, Thomas Kidd, Year 6
Front Row: Kayde Baldry, Year 6, Billy Baxter, Year 6, Mason Shanks, Year 6, Alex Stiles, Year 5



03: Back Row: Mia Betts, Year 7, Darcie Watts, Year 8, Charlotte Brown, Year 8, Andie McAnally, Year 8, Emma Mills, Year 8, Jasmine Shepherd, Year 10, Charlotte Bickerton, Year 10, Holly Azzopardi, Year 10, Amelia Chrystall, Year 9, Kristy Azzopardi, Year 9, Tia Allan, Year 9
Front Row: Grace Murphy, Year 7, Hannah Whyman, Year 10, Jasmine Ashfield, Year 8, Hallie Cummins, Year 8, Miranda Orr, Year 8, Lilly Myles, Year 8, Molly Hyland, Year 7, Isla Tink, Year 8, Lucy Diffey, Year 7, Charlotte Masonwells, Year 10

Rugby Sevens – Stage 3



Back Row: James Kelly, Logan Hosking, Charlie Furney, Max Szymkow, Billy Baxter Front Row: Yarran Lane, Finn Hyland, Thomas Kidd, Kayde Baldry, Alex Stiles

Swimming

HICES

Nineteen students from the Junior School travelled to Sydney to compete at the HICES Swimming Carnival. Throughout the day, our students competed in individual events as well as a number of relays. Our swimmers represented Macquarie to the best of their ability, demonstrating teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the day.

AICES

Late in Term 2, 15 Senior School students travelled to Sydney to compete at the AICES Swimming Carnival. These students participated in a range of events, from individual 50m sprints to team events such as the 4x50m Freestyle Relay. Even away from school, the students showed camaraderie and encouraged their fellow swimmers throughout the day. Congratulations to Edward Chapman, Year 11, who was fortunate to qualify for CIS.

CIS

At CIS in Term 2, Senior School student Edward Chapman, Year 11, was recognised by the AICES at the All Schools Swimming Carnival for his consistency, effort and achievement in swimming during his time at Macquarie. Edward has represented Macquarie every year he has been a student.

Miss Alice Barber



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PHOTOS:

01: Alex Stiles, Year 5, Dominic Gadsby, Year 4, Noah Stiles, Year 2 and Emily Davies, Year 3
02: Back Row: Nicholas Anderson, Year 12, James Ray, Year 9, Clyde Blackstock, Year 8, Amy Quilty, Year 9, Olivia Simcox, Year 10, Charlie Duffy, Year 8
 Front Row: Molly Quilty, Year 12, Sophie Lockyer, Year 10, Ava Wright, Year 7, Siobhan Newton, Year 8, Harry Chapman, Year 7, Evie Peart, Year 7

HICES Swimming



Back Row: Kate Pendlebury, Eva Strahorn, Angus Coleman, Harriette Quigley, Ivy Rich
 Second Row: Angus Murray, Maya McCauley, Alex Stiles, Lucas Whalan, Mason Shanks
 Front Row: Lainey Simcox, Noah Stiles, Sophie McAnally, Poppy Windeyer, Patrick Blackstock, Mia Wright

AICES Swimming



Back Row: Amy Quilty, James Ray, Nicholas Anderson, Molly Quilty
 Second Row: Harry Chapman, Sophie Lockyer, Charlie Lockyer, Olivia Simcox, Edward Chapman
 Front Row: Mia Betts, Evie Peart, Ava Wright, Siobhan Newton, Ava Cummings, Brooke Beaton
 Absent: Clyde Blackstock, Charlie Duffy

CIS Swimming Junior School



Alex Stiles, Angus Coleman, Noah Stiles

CIS Swimming Senior School All Schools Swimming



Edward Chapman

Touch Football

CIS

Congratulations to Lachlan Murphy, Year 8, who was selected at the AICES Touch tournament to compete in the NSW CIS Under 15 Years Championships. Lachlan held his own with his team going undefeated and taking out the championship against some of the best players in the country.

Mr Patrick Connors



PHOTOS:

01: Back Row: Lauren Turnbull, Year 10, Sarah Chandler, Year 9, Charlotte Bickerton, Year 10, Jasmine Shepherd, Year 10, Sophie Lockyer, Year 10, Zoe Shanks, Year 9, Julianah Hegarty, Year 10, Amelia Chrystall, Year 9 Front Row: Amy Quilty, Year 9, Charlotte Masonwells, Year 10, Lyndsey Tremain, Year 10, Billie Allan, Year 10, Hannah Whyman, Year 10, Olivia Simcox, Year 10 **02:** Back Row: George Kidd, Year 10, Sarah Chandler, Year 9, Amelia Chrystall, Year 9, Ruby Ivers, Year 7, Rhiley McCauley, Year 9, Ashton Green, Year 8, Spencer Simcox, Year 8, Jacob Hignett, Year 9, Jack Taylor, Year 10 Front Row: Grace Murphy, Year 7, Hugh Evans, Year 7, Hamish Wright, Year 8, Molly Hyland, Year 7, Mia Betts, Year 7



AICES Touch Football



Back Row: Jacob Hignett, Spencer Simcox, Jack Taylor, Rhiley McCauley Second Row: Grace Murphy, Sarah Chandler, Ashton Green, Amelia Chrystall, Ruby Ivers Front Row: Molly Hyland, Hamish Wright, Lachlan Murphy, William Horton, Mia Betts Absent: George Kidd

Touch Football – Western All Schools Years 7 and 8



Back Row: Archie Pirie, Andie McAnally, Fletcher Hollingworth, Spencer Simcox, Ruby Ivers, Riley McCauley
Second Row: Hamish Wright, Lachlan Murphy, Lucy Diffey, Rahul Jacob, Siobhan Newton, Max Taylor, William Horton
Front Row: Mia Betts, Grace Murphy, Georgia Sweeney, Jasmine Ashfield, Ava Cummings, Lila Powell, Molly Hyland
Absent: Sam Ray, Isla Tink

Touch Football – Western All Schools Years 9 and 10 Girls



Back Row: Zoe Shanks, Charlotte Masonwells, Amy Quilty, Amelia Chrystall, Lauren Turnbull, Olivia Simcox
Front Row: Hannah Whyman, Lyndsey Tremain, Jasmine Shepherd, Julianah Hegarty, Sarah Chandler, Billie Allan, Sophie Lockyer
Absent: Charlotte Bickerton



Angus Mein, Zoe Shanks, Emilia Peart and Savannah Braithwaite, Year 9



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