Killarney Heights High School Newsletter



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Term 2 Week 9 2020

Principal's Report



Students are now setting in after their time in isolation. Learning in most subjects is back to normal which is great for both students and teachers. The situation in Victoria this week is a reminder that we must remain vigilant with our hygiene measures so that we don't end up back in lockdown.

One side effect of the lockdown is that students have become unused to wearing full uniform. Our good reputation is built partly on how our students appear when they are out and about in the community. Wearing hoodies and track pants might be suitable for lessons at home, but is not acceptable attire for school. I understand it has been difficult with many of the shops closed, but the uniform shop is open with full stock. We are asking for parents to encourage all students to wear full school uniform.

Reports for all years are either being issued now or in the next few weeks. Unfortunately our attendance system could not record student absences accurately over this period, so please don't be concerned about the attendance figures. Some subjects have found it difficult to assess students in the usual way this semester, but have been able to award a grade instead.

Our teachers are currently working on updating their teaching and learning programs for students. Our main aim is for students to learn more deeply, to understand the why of what they are learning, to be challenged so that the new knowledge is integrated into what they already know. This is not an easy task – it takes hours even weeks for teachers to write a new unit of work. To ensure consistency and quality of the teaching programs, we have given teachers an extra hour per week to learn about how to do this, and then to write the teaching programs. Our aim is for all teaching programs to be explicit and challenging, so that students will have optimal learning outcomes.

Finally some good news! The renovation of the laboratories in E block have begun. The 50 year old labs have been demolished and the building has started with the project expected to take about 16 weeks. We all need to say a big thank you to both you and to the P&C for their generous donation so this renewal could be done, these laboratories will cost \$624 000, with the P&C funding half of this cost. 75% of the P&C fees go directly to school building projects, these can be claimed as a tax deductable expense.

We are so fortunate to be in a community that supports our school in all ways. Once again thank you.

Hayley Emmerton Principal

Attention Parents

If your child has been involved in a serious incident, or has been hospitalized or is coming back after extended absence, can you please phone the school and let us know that your child is returning.

We need time to prepare so that we can make sure that everything is in place for a smooth return. It would be best if we had a couple of days' notice of the intended recommencement date.

Upcoming Events		
29 June	Group Photo Day	
3 July	Last Day of Term 2	
21 July	Students Return to School for Term 3	
10 Aug	P&C Meeting	
10 - 21 Aug	HSC Trial Exams	
21 Aug	Year 10 Vaccinations	
7 Sep	P&C Meeting	
11 Sep	Year 7 Vaccinations	
14 – 22 Sep	Year 11 Exams	
24 Sep	Year 12 Graduation	
25 Sep	Last Day of Term 3	
12 Oct	First Day of Term 4	

HSC Supervisors Wanted

Male and female supervisors required for short term casual work in 2020.

Collecting names now.

Please email school attention: Principal/HSC Supervisor

Uniform Shop OPENING HOURS

Tuesdays from 7.30am to 1.30pm Thursdays 11.30am to 3.30pm

> Dee Cleworth Uniform Shop 9453 5000

If you need to access the uniform shop during school hours please come through the front office as the back gates will be locked.

Deputy Principal Report

Half Yearly reports

Receiving a Half Yearly Report is a great time for students to reflect on how they have performed at school so far and a chance to make adjustments to reach their goals. Talking through these reflections can be a first step to putting these changes into action. Teenagers often need a bit of support and encouragement to improve their routines.

On the next page is a *Reflection Sheet* that we encourage our students to use after they have read their own report. It has been made available to them in the Year Group Google Classroom as an editable document. This copy is here to assist you to have a conversation with your child and encourage them to discuss with you how they feel about the schooling progress. We know that learning remotely during COVID has been a difficult time for many students, but now that we are back at school, it may be a chance to discuss some good and bad habits that may have formed.

Term 3 is a fresh start and a chance for students to feel renewed after a break and ready for learning. A great time to set a new routine and goals for achievement.

Half Yearly Reports are available to Years 10, 11 and 12 already on the Sentral Parent Portal and will be available to Years 7, 8, 9 by July 3.

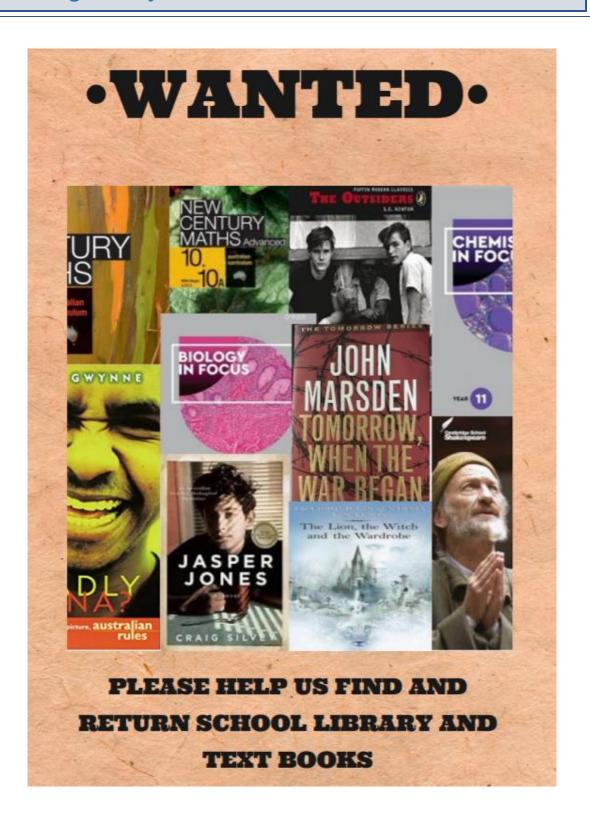
Dennielle Woskanian

Half Yearly Report Reflection

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Subject	Effort	Achievement	What end result do I want?
English			

Missing Library Books



Uniform – Wear it Proudly

Girls can wear black stockings if it is cold

Don't you look smart in your uniform!

School jumper or jacket or a blazer

No hoodies



Ties for boys

Grey Trousers No Jeans

> Black leather shoes

Dress for Success

It has been so heartening to welcome students back to school this week and we are so happy to have our classrooms full of activity once again.

We have high expectations of our students when it comes to their uniform and we'd like to extend our thanks to the vast majority of students who wear their uniform with pride. It is thanks to the support of our parents and carers that standards remain high and this is something regularly commented on by our visitors.

This letter is to remind our students and their family of the uniform requirements, particularly as we move into the cooler winter months. We know it can be difficult to keep track of uniform requirements as the seasons change so we hope the following provides some clarity around what students should be wearing to school each day.

Junior Uniform

Option 1: grey school shorts or grey school long pants - white shirt and tie - school jumper/jacket - black leather shoes.

Option 2: plain navy skirt and white blouse - black tights - or long navy pants and white blouse - school jumper/jacket - black leather shoes.

Senior Uniform

Option 1: checked skirt, white blouse, black tights - or long navy pants and white blouse - school jumper/jacket/Year 12 jersey – black leather shoes.

Option 2: grey school shorts or grey school long pants - white shirt and senior boys tie - school jumper/jacket/Year 12 jersey - black leather shoes.

Sport Uniform

Sports day only: plain blue school sports shorts - white school polo shirt - plain blue track-pants - school jumper/jacket.

Uniform items can be purchased at the uniform shop on Tuesday between 7.30AM and 12PM and Thursday between 11AM and 3PM. Thank you once again for your support in maintaining out high standards of presentation and positive reputation within the local community.

Subject Selection

Subject Selection

Year 10 have already made their initial subject choices and our timetabling team is busy collating this data and creating the lines ready for students to make their final selections. Year 8 will also begin this process early next term and will receive their subject selection booklets during a year meeting in week 2. Below is a timeline of the subject selection process for year 8 into 9 and 10 into 11.

Elective choice time lines 2021

Year 11 First Choice open	Thursday June 18th	
Year 11 First Choice close	Wednesday July 1st	
Year 11 Lines created	Holidays	
Year 11 Lines open to students	Friday July 24th	
Year 11 Lines close for students	Friday July 31st	
Year 11 Parent and student interviews	Thursday August 13th	

Year 9 Elective handbook Distributed	Week of July 27th	
Year 9 First Choice open	Wednesday August 5th	
Year 9 First Choice close	Friday August 14th	
Year 9 Lines created	Week 5	
Year 9 Lines open to students	Wednesday August 26th	
Year 9 Lines close for students	Friday September 4th	

Vaccinations

NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2020 the following vaccines will be offered. *Please note the revised date for the Year 10 vaccine:*

YEARS	VACCINE	NUMBER OF DOSES	DATE
		2-doses at least 6	20 Feb and 11
	Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine	months apart	Sept
Year 7	Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine	Single dose	20 Feb
Year 10	Meningococcal ACWY vaccine	Single dose	21 August

Parent Information Kits that include an information sheet, consent form and privacy statement will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- return the completed consent form to their child's school
- ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Please note that if a student is absent from a clinic they will be offered any missed doses at subsequent clinics during Year 7 or 8 (for HPV and dTpa vaccination) and during Year 10 (for Meningococcal ACWY vaccination). They do not need to go to their GP for these vaccines because they are absent from a clinic.

The following short videos have useful information about the vaccines and how the school immunisation clinics run.

HPV and dTpa- https://www.health.gov.au/resources/videos/getting-your-hpv-dtpa-vaccinations-at-school-what-to-expect

Meningococcal ACWY- https://www.health.gov.au/resources/videos/getting-your-meningococcal-acwy-vaccination-at-school-what-to-expect

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/ Pages/withdraw consent.aspx.

A Record of Vaccination card will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Details about vaccinations given at school will also be uploaded to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) to support complete vaccination histories.

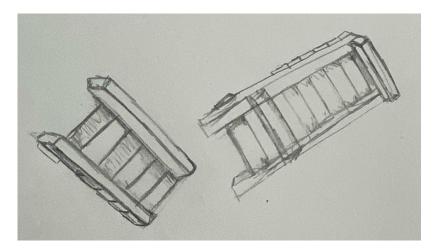
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Year 9 Industrial Technology – Timber

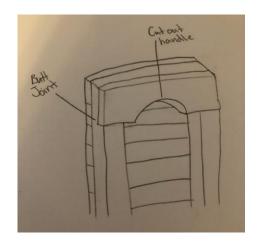
Year 9 Industrial Technology Timber students recently completed their first major timber product which was a portable timber chair. The construction of these chairs was put on hold while students worked from home due to Covid 19.



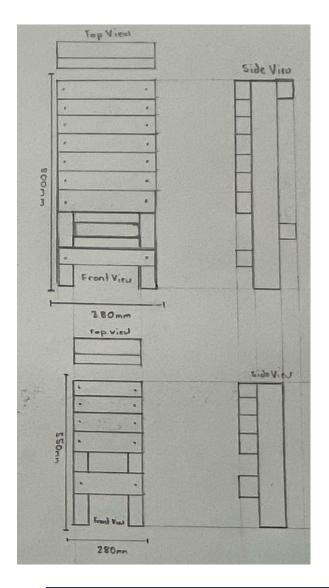
While at home students researched how to work safely, what material and skills would be required to build the chair as well as design their own modifications to the chair to improve the quality of the product.

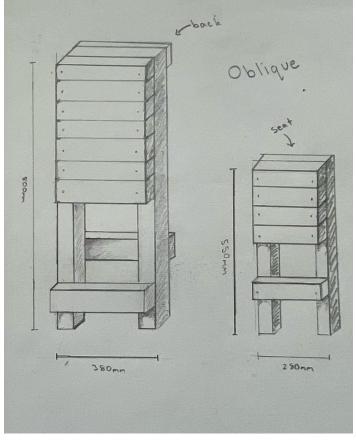


Each student completed a set of workshop drawings to help in the planning and construction of the chair.









When students returned to school they used a variety of hand tools, power tools and machinery to create their chair.





All students did a great job.



Mr Murphy (Rel. HT TAS)

CAPA

Visual Arts



Artwork: Lily Kneale

Title: "Home"

Date: 17/5/20

Materials: Acrylics on board

In term one, all year 9 Visual Arts elective classes focused on the traditions of still life genre and completed a two dimensional artwork that depicted an arrangement of inanimate, everyday objects using a range of media. Year 9 artists portrayed their still life symbolically or allegorically to express their personal idea and then formally studied composition and the elements and principles of art in order to guide them with the aesthetic qualities of the artmaking process.

Lily Kneale has taken the opportunity to enter her still life artwork into the Northern Beaches Council Art Prize Competition 2020. She entered it into the Youth category and the Award and Prizes are valued at \$500. The award winners will be announced on Friday the 31st of July. There will also be a People's Choice Award that will be chosen by public vote throughout the exhibition period and announced on the 16th of September 2020 which also consists of a \$500 prize. We wish Lily all the best and good luck.

Ms Drougas

H.T CAPA (rel.)

Drama

We are thrilled to have a cohort of extraordinary Year 7 Drama Students this year. To encourage our new Drama students to reflect and celebrate the experiences they have developed in their classes we ran a competition asking them to share why they think Drama is an important subject for Year 7. The winner was Aliana Hensel from 7H and this will be shared with the class of 2021 to provide an intimate perspective on what they can expect to learn and develop in the Drama Program at Killarney Heights High School. Congratulations to Aliana and we hope you enjoy reading her reflection.

Mrs Pascoe and Mr Hawkins (Year 7 Drama Teachers)

I think Drama is an important subject because it teaches you skills for the future. Drama helps improve your communication skills, teamwork, dialogue, negotiation, social skills, confidence; it fuels your imagination and provides you with tools to better express yourself.

Drama helps you collaborate. You have to share your ideas and help each other so you can get things done and accomplish acting skills. Drama is about a lot of teamwork. Whether you are making a movie or just playing a drama game in class you work as a team. In the future teamwork will be a skill you need to have. Remember 'there is no I in team' and 'teamwork makes the dreamwork'.

In Drama you also learn about dialogue which is learning about speaking and presenting something to someone. Dialogue is useful so you can express your emotions about something and have strong skills when presenting or performing. This leads on to presenting and performing in your life. You probably will present a document or slide to a group of people and you will want to project your voice and seem engaging. These are some of many important skills you would learn in Drama.

Negotiation is a skill used in Drama and real life. In Drama negotiation is used to collaborate and work together to put on a show. Negotiation is used in life to solve problems and share ideas to find an answer that suits everyone. Similarly, in drama you socialise with others. The people you work with become your friends and you learn new things from them. Drama also builds your confidence in lots of things but especially performing. Performing and presenting is something you will do throughout life so having confidence is a skill you will need.

Last of all Drama fuels your imagination and is a way of expressing yourself. Using your imagination is a fun and rewarding experience. Expressing your feelings is something that is also fun and healthy because you need to let out your emotions and in drama you do that in a fun, exciting way. You also learn more about who you are as a person along the way. So overall I think drama should be taught to everyone for it is such a fun and rewarding experience from all the new things you learn and the fun that comes out of it. I personally find it as my favourite subject and always look forward to it and always try my best because it teaches you so many new things. Drama is an asset to us and in our lives as it opens many doors.

ALIANA HENSEL, 7H

Friday Jams



The prefects have begun an amazing, musical initiative called "Friday Jams". On Fridays at lunch time, students get their bands together and jam out on the skywalk overlooking the quad. So far we have had Hannah Greenland and Laura Jeanmaire perform a set as a duo, and pictured is the year 10 band called "Throwing Sticks", featuring James Saunders, Ben Souchaud, Anna Colquhoun, Jade Cunningham and James Reeson.

Students can sign up to play at the Friday Jams outside the CAPA staffroom. Rock on, Killarney!

Blade Fuller

Science



Watt's up in Science

Since returning to school things in Science are back in full swing with practical demonstrations and exciting experiments happening across all year groups! Of course there is hand sanitiser a plenty in all science labs and equipment is being disinfected between classes, but aside from the increased vigilance with hygiene

and disinfecting equipment our science classes are back to being as hands on and engaging as ever!

So far this term:

Year 7 have been exploring natural resources, making their own paper and investigating alternative energy sources, setting up wind turbines and water wheels. Year 8 has explored energy transformations, designing Rube Goldberg machines and setting up electrical circuits. Year 9 has dived into climate science conducting experiments on the greenhouse effect and ocean acidification. While, year 10 has been exploring genetics and cellular processes by extracting DNA from strawberries, modelling mitosis and observing cell division under the microscope.

In our senior science courses the physicists have been thinking hard, conducting through experiments on relativity. In Chemistry students have been conducting precipitation reactions and building their own galvanic cells. Biology has student taking a detailed look at cellular structures, engaging in lots of microscope work and constructing models of cell membranes. Earth and environmental science has been investigating density, modelling ocean currents and conducting pollen analysis to learn about past climates. In Marine studies the labs have been smelling a little "fishy", with students getting their hand dirty and performing a fish dissection to investigate the anatomy and physiology of fish.











Library News

The Library Lowdown

No time to read? Try listening instead. We are trialling an **audiobooks** subscription service over the next month. Select a title from our digital collection available at https://khhs.wheelers.co/ and tune in whilst travelling, exercising or cooking these school holidays. Students in Years 7, 8 or 9 may be able to record audio books in addition to physical and ebooks on their **Premier's Reading**Challenge log. Check out rules and titles

on the PRC list at the student site:



https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/

For those tactile types that prefer a physical book, pop into our well resourced school library before holidays and choose from our extensive collection. New titles arrive often. We happily take requests and suggestions for new books to add to the collection.

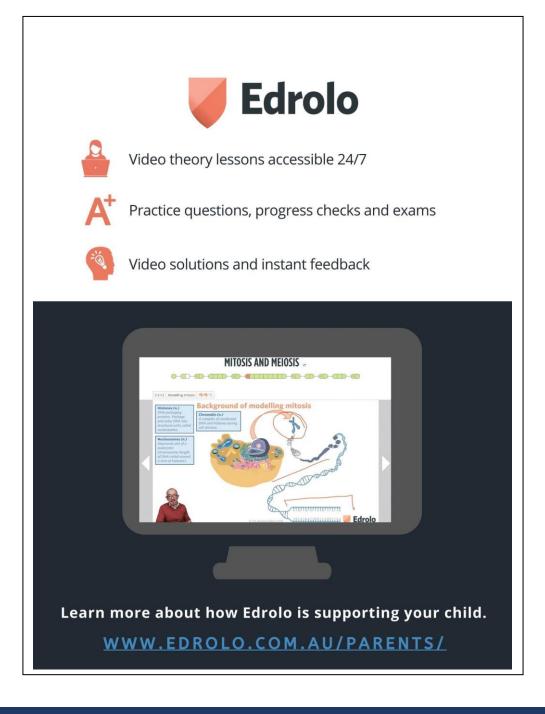


Kate Thompson
Teacher Librarian

Edrolo

Edrolo for Parents

Year 11 and 12 students have been given access to Edrolo for some subjects, Edrolo is a HSC revision and study tool. Prents can find out about this by accessing the following link: www.edrolo.com.au/parents



Band News

Our Bands Are Back Together



We've got the Bands Back Together Again.

The Killarney Heights High Band Program is back in swing with the return of full rehearsals.

As the community shakes off the Covid blues our band students are doing what they do best - playing great music together.

They kept the beat going as best they could with online rehearsals during the school closure period. But there is no match for the real thing.

KHHS Bands would like to thank our Conductors Lachlan Hamilton, Nic Jeffries and Rosy Davidson for their sterling efforts on line.

A big thank you to Mr Powning and Mr Fuller for stepping in to conduct for an interim period and CAPA for making it happen.

A shout-out to our wonderful bandies and their families who've been very patient with the challenges facing the program.

Now that the music is flowing again we await further easing of restrictions as we anticipate performing again and sharing our music. Now that's something to look forward to!

KHHS Bands is highly regarded for its musical excellence and achievement. But it's also about having fun and that is going to be a priority as we move ahead.

And don't forget if you're interested in joining the Bands you're always welcome. Just contact our Band Administrator Samantha Eakin in CAPA.

Symphonic Winds Tues/Thurs before school
Concert Band. Mon/Wed before school
Stage (Jazz) Tues after school
Big Band (Jazz) Fri before school
Chamber Orchestra (strings/woodwind) Fri before school.





KHHS Band Committee

2020 HSC



Careers News

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There are many changes happening regarding university entry and applications for tertiary study in 2021. Please check the careers newsletter for more details on the Killarney Heights Careers website

https://www.killarneyheightshscareers.com/

I have attached a short version of the latest careers information

UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

Corporate roles in health with the new Bachelor of Science (Health)

29 June 2020, 4:00 pm - 29 June 2020, 4:30 pm

Find out about the new Bachelor of Science (Health). This degree provides a thorough grounding in health and health systems at the local, national and global level. You will develop a strong foundation in understanding health communities and the ability to think critically about challenges in health and healthcare, which will make you a competitive graduate.

Find out more: https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN eebe6oUnT avKvijvqY0IA

Pathways to studying at the Business School (USYD)

30 June 2020, 5:00 pm - 30 June 2020, 6:00 pm

There is more than one pathway to the **University of Sydney Business School**. Join us to hear about the range of admission pathways available and from current students who will share their student experience. This is the perfect opportunity to have your questions answered and to learn about the range of industry-focused and real-world opportunities available for Business School students. Your global business journey starts here.

Find out more: https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN-cabbfQ1RKOBOeTWO9tjeg

University of Sydney | Admission Pathways

1 July 2020, 4:00 pm - 1 July 2020, 4:30 pm

Here at the University of Sydney we know that ATAR alone isn't always the best measure of your potential. If your studies in Year 11 and/or 12 have been impacted by commitments or circumstances beyond your control, join us for this webinar where we will walk you through the various admissions schemes and pathways that we offer.

Find out more: https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_g0bG6x_xSxil0o8-EhVKPQ

University of Sydney | Early Offer Year 12 (E12): How to Apply

1 July 2020, 5:30 pm - 1 July 2020, 6:15 pm

This session provides an overview of our Early Offer Year 12 (E12) Scheme, including eligibility and how to apply.

Find out more:

https://unisydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN vhUaJgx0Ry2KhfPCnRSHUg

University of Sydney | Ask an (Arts) Student: Live Q&A

1 July 2020, 5:30 pm - 1 July 2020, 6:00 pm

Want to know what studying an Arts degree is really like? Now's your chance. In this session we will demystify the Bachelor of Arts and you will have the opportunity to ask questions to some of our current students.

Find out more:

https://unisydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN m9jlwuqWSZWxf7XRDWDX5A

University of Sydney | Pharmacy at USYD

2 July 2020, 4:00 pm - 2 July 2020, 4:30 pm

A career in pharmacy is more than just pills and potions. Find out all about it from Professor Andrew McLachlan, Dean of Pharmacy at the University of Sydney, which is one of Australia's leading universities for pharmacy.

Find out more: https://uni-

sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN RXYamriGR5GBFOhkVxwrpQ

MACQUARIE LEADERS & ACHIEVERS EARLY ENTRY SCHEME NOW OPEN

The Macquarie Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme gives you the opportunity to secure an offer for your dream degree before your final exams!

MQ Uni will consider your Year 11 performance, leadership and your contribution to your community through your extra-curricular activities.

Watch this video to find out more about the scheme, the application process and key dates: https://youtu.be/szFvzGUI8_Y

To be considered for an early offer in the first round on 5 August, students must submit their application by 2pm on Friday 10 July 2020.

Final closing dates for applications is 31 August 2020.

To assist you further, MQ Uni invite you to book a 30 minute 1-on-1 consultation with our expert student advisers to discuss your personalised study options.

Find out more:

https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-requirements/domestic/macquarie-entry/macquarie-leaders-and-achievers

NOTRE DAME | EARLY OFFER INFO WEEK

29 June 2020, 4:00 pm - 2 July 2020, 6:00 pm

Despite all the challenges this year, getting into Uni doesn't have to be stressful. Join our Early Offer Info Week for tips on submitting your best application and taking the right steps through to enrolment next year. In the last week of June, we'll deliver a series of webinars to connect you with Academics and current students so you can get the best picture of study options and life as a student at Notre Dame University.

View their schedule of webinars and register for as many as you like.

Find out more: https://www.notredame.edu.au/events-items/early-o%EF%AC%80er-info-week

Charles Sturt University | Open Day, Bathurst

27 September 2020, 10:00 am - 27 September 2020, 2:00 pm

Charles Sturt University, Panorama Avenue, Bathurst NSW, Australia

Want to come on campus to see what we're all about at Charles Sturt? You're in luck! Open Day will be back in 2020 and you can find out all there is to know about studying with Charles Sturt.

Learn about applying to uni, living on campus and what support is available. You can also discover the fun side of uni through our clubs, societies and sporting teams.

All things happening at Open Day 2020: live entertainment, competitions and giveaways

Food trucks with FREE food faculty, campus and accommodation tours course and uni life information sessions expo hub where you can meet our expert teaching staff and find out what to expect in lectures and tutorials.

Find out more: https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events/open-day

I am available to meet with students and parents/carers to discuss your child's future options. Please book an appointment on 9451 7005 ext 1007

Ms McDermott

Careers Adviser

Community News

ADULT PAINTING CLASSES

5 week course – 2.5 hrs per week - \$250

Tuesday, Wednesday or Fridays Starting July 21st – August 18th Day & Night classes

Contact Lisa: 0403 241 689 Lisamaywilliams.art@gmail.com

