

WEEK 5 TERM 1

NEW INFORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

28 Feb	Southside Touch Football Competition
29 Feb	CIT Coffee course
4-5 March	Drama Camp
4 March	Whitecard Course
5-6 March	Year 7 Immunisation
6 March	Beach Volleyball Competition
7 March	CIT Coffee Course

BUUNJI BIRRANG

Buunji Birrang is MSHS's program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. Please see attached a copy of our monthly newsletter, which shows what we have been up to in the start of Term 1. If you have any questions about the program please reach out to sarah.finzi@ed.act.edu.au.

FIRST NATIONS FAMILY BBQ – THIS WEEK!

MSHS is having a First Nations Family BBQ to welcome all of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families to the school year. This will be an awesome opportunity for our First Nations students to connect with their peers, and to make more connections within our community. This will be happening in Week 5, Thursday the 29th of February in the inner courtyard at Stromlo. This event will kick off at 4:30 pm - see you there! RSVP to sarah.finzi@ed.act.edu.au.

CAREERS

We please ask that all students in both year 9 and 10 make sure they have joined the Careers Google Classroom so opportunities aren't missed out on as they are often time sensitive and may have limited places available. The code for the Google classroom is **zox4o7**.



GPN is a community of women and girls who are interested in computer science, programming and IT. Workshops are held for girls year 6-12, they are free and no prior coding experience is necessary.

Term 1 GPN: Sunday 24th March 2024 at ANU

- Registrations open 23rd February 2024 at 10:00 am
- Registrations close 7th March 2024 at 5:00 pm

Register through the eventbrite website, search for:
Girls' Programming Network Canberra Term 1

<https://events.humanitix.com/gpn-canberra-term-1>



Australian National University

COLAB
AN ASD-ANU COLLABORATION

Are you a student who is passionate about learning and is interested in ICT, cyber security, programming and engineering?

Come and see what it's like to solve a cyber security incident!

Learn about the tools and techniques required to solve these problems in an ASD Cyber Security work environment.

You will be mentored by highly technical ASD staff and solve a variety of challenges and experiences designed to build new skills and understandings while also having fun. Activities range from programming, intercept and encrypt, forensic analysis and investigation, web application and security, cryptanalysis, geospatial analysis, to prototyping with an Arduino.



WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM



The ASD Work Experience Program (WEx) is designed for students in years 11 and 12 who have a passion to learn more about ICT, cyber security, programming and network engineering. High achieving year 10 students may be considered if they can display the level of skill and knowledge required.

Work Experience placements are open to students around Australia. The program is held in Canberra however almost half of students are from interstate including Queensland, Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales, so we encourage students from all over Australia to apply.

Applications are now open for all sessions below.

To apply, please visit:

www.asd.gov.au/careers/im-starting-my-career

8 April – 12 April

15 April – 19 April

1 July – 5 July

8 July – 12 July

23 September – 27 September

30 September – 4 October

DEFENCE

SESSION 1
SESSION 2
SESSION 3
SESSION 4
SESSION 5
SESSION 6

Visit asd.gov.au/careers/students or email asd.pathwayprograms@defence.gov.au

INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN THE DEFENCE FORCE?

	<u>Defence Force work experience</u>	<u>CLOSES</u>
APS	ASD Cyber Security and Robotics Work Experience Program (April) Job Ref - WEP/00770/24 Australian Public Service Brindabella Park, ACT 8 - 12 April 2024	25-Feb-23 11:30 PM
	SD Cyber Security and Robotics Work Experience Program (April) Job Ref - WEP/00773/24 15-19 April 2024	25-Feb-23 11:30 PM
ARMY	Exercise First Glance - Indigenous Youth Placement: RMC Duntroon Job Ref - WEP/12716/23 Duntroon, ACT 8-12 April 2024	08-Mar-2024 11:30 PM
RAAF	Air Force Familiarisation Placement - RAAF Richmond - March 2024 Job Ref - WEP/00459/24 Richmond, NSW 26 – 28 March 2024	25-Feb-24 8:00 PM
	Air Force Aviation Amplify Program for Women 1 Job Ref - WEP/12745/23 RAAF Williamtown (Hunter Region) 07-11 April 2024	03-Mar-24 11:30 PM
	Air Force Aviation Amplify Program for Women 2 Job Ref - WEP/00015/24 RAAF Williamtown (Hunter Region) 14-18 April 2024	03-Mar-24 11:30 PM
NAVY	Navy Aviation Overview (April) Job Ref - WEP/12847/23 Nowra, NSW 8-10 April 2024	03-Mar-24 11:30 PM
	Navy Aviation Overview (May) Job Ref - WEP/12851/23 Nowra, NSW 20-22 May 2024	07-Apr-24 11:30 PM
	Navy Aviation Overview (June) Job Ref - WEP/12853/23 Nowra, NSW 17-19 June 2024	05-May-24 11:30 PM

Please click on website link below for full details on how to apply and further opportunities.

<https://www.defence.gov.au/jobs-careers/student-pathways/defence-work-experience-program>

INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN THE PERFORMING ARTS?

Work Experience at the Canberra Theatre Centre (CTC) is a crucial first step to understand the performing arts industry and how it operates.

Canberra Theatre Centre offers Year 10 & senior school students a chance to spend a week in Canberra's largest professional theatres, learning, developing, observing, and participating in various areas of operation. The Canberra Theatre Centre is the

major presenter for performing arts in the ACT. It comprises three theatre spaces, the Canberra Theatre, The Playhouse and The Courtyard Studio.

Students will spend time working out of The Courtyard Studio with a small group of passionate theatre makers, while learning from industry professionals across all areas of theatre, including directing, stage management, lighting, sound, mechanics, performance, design and more. Participants will also be given the opportunity to directly pursue their passion in theatre or stagecraft and design, direct or produce a pre-selected scene throughout the week.

Students will gain valuable feedback from industry professionals on the strengths and weaknesses of their own work and suggestions and adjustments to improve their processes in theatre production.

The CTC Work Experience Program will run during the following weeks in 2024:

- **April 15 – 19, 2024**
- **June 24 – 28, 2024**
- **December 2 – 6, 2024**

SELECTION CRITERIA

You need to fit the following criteria:

- Be in Year 10 or above or a tertiary student (if work experience is a mandatory requirement to complete the relevant course)
- Demonstrate an interest in the performing arts.
- Be available to do work experience at an allocated time.

To apply for a placement please students must complete all sections and submit the [Work Experience Application Form](#). Interviews are conducted to select appropriate candidates.

The Education team at the Canberra Theatre Centre will contact you to arrange an interview on receipt of your application. For further details please email Christopher.Maher@act.gov.au.

Careers Website - <https://www.mountstromlocareers.com/>

Careers Google Classroom code: zzox4o7

For further information on any of the Career opportunities please contact traci.Chatfield@ed.act.edu.au

Check out the parent's section on our website.

www.mountstromlocareers.com

REMINDERS

NAPLAN 2024

NAPLAN testing will occur in our school between **13 and 25 March 2024** for students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9.

Online NAPLAN tests provide more precise results and are engaging for students. The tests are tailored (or adaptive), which means that each test presents questions that may be more or less difficult depending on a student's responses. This helps students remain engaged with the assessment.

Tailored testing allows a wider range of student abilities to be assessed and measures student achievement more precisely. A student's overall NAPLAN result is based on both the number and complexity of questions they answer correctly. Your child should not be concerned if they find questions challenging; they may be taking a more complex test pathway.

NAPLAN provides valuable information to schools and parents about literacy and numeracy achievement. It supports school improvement processes by enabling teachers to monitor student progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development.

All eligible students are encouraged and supported to participate in NAPLAN testing. Visit www.nap.edu.au to see interactive versions of the test and for more information.

TALKING WITH OUR SCHOOL

Our teachers and school staff work hard every day to provide the best outcomes for every student.

Preparing for great teaching takes time. It is important that our teachers and school staff have time outside their core hours to rest and reset.

Communication with parents and carers is important to us and our staff will always work to get back to your enquiries within a reasonable timeframe. We aim to do this within 3 working days. If your matter is urgent, we will get back to you as quickly as possible.

There is no expectation that teachers respond to queries from families during their personal and family time.

Every student and every family is important to us. By respecting the time of our teachers, you are helping to make time for great teaching.

We want to continue to work closely with you on your child's learning at school and do our best to respond to you in a timely manner.

We update families on what is happening at our school in a number of ways from information nights, emails, notes, newsletters, and social media. We encourage you to stay in touch with our school through these channels.

FACEBOOK

Follow us on Facebook to stay up to date on all the happening at school [here](#) or search for Mount Stromlo High School in your app.

UPDATING CONTACT DETAILS

Need to update your contact details? Call the Front Office anytime or email Student Records.

