

WEEK 7 TERM 1

NEW INFORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

13-15 March	Outdoor Education Camp
14 March	CIT Coffee Course
20-22 March	Outdoor Education Camp
25 March	Parent/Teacher Interviews – 4:00pm – 7:00pm in SPACe
25-27 March	LYRA Connection Camp

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

This time of year is always a little contentious for some, as NAPLAN comes around again. I won't go into the limitations of NAPLAN, as they are well known, but the information that we get from it is quite significant. NAPLAN is the only standardised testing that we do that can be compared across the country, enabling us to measure the progress of our school priorities with minimal bias. We also look at individual student results to determine what, if any, interventions need to be put in place. I completely understand that some students will need to be exempt from NAPLAN, if you would like to exempt your student then please contact the front office, however the more students we can get completing the testing to the best of their ability the better the information we receive to help your child. Another benefit of NAPLAN is that it is one of the few opportunities students get to practise these formal assessment before they get to college.

At MSHS we are emphasising that there is no pressure with NAPLAN testing, students can't really study for it, but it is vital that they give it their best effort so that the information we receive is worth using. We would really appreciate it if parents could give their children the same message so that together, we can reach for the stars.

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**.

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

SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS

Wondering what to do with last year's uniforms? Why not donate second-hand uniforms to the P&C shop. All donations will be graciously accepted by the front office staff. Please help us support our school community.

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.
