

WEEK 1 TERM 4

NEW INFORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

26 Oct Second-hand Uniform Sale – 3:30-5:30pm in Space

28 Oct Mango Drive orders due

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable school holidays so that we can reach for the stars as we head into the end of the year. Term 4 is a wonderful term of celebration but there is still a lot of work to be done before we can start the end of year celebrations. All students should have a clear understanding of how they're going and what areas to improve for each of their subjects after mid semester reports and Parent/Teacher Night. If your child is unsure of how they can improve, please encourage them to ask their teacher.

As I'm sure you're aware, our main priority is to improve student writing as this is an area of growth for us as a school. Every teacher uses strategies from The Writing Revolution to teach the literacy required for their subject and through spirals of inquiry determines the impact of those strategies on their students. At a higher level of analysis and review, as a school we determine the impact of these writing strategies by analysing NAPLAN results but more relevantly by assessing 10% of our students 3 times a year against The Writing Revolution outcomes. So far, we have assessed the paragraphs of 84 students twice, with their average results doubling between February and July. We have one more round of testing to go in November but it's a testament to our teachers and students that we have achieved such a significant improvement in a short space of time. We won't be resting on our laurels though as we push to improve student writing for the rest of the year and beyond.

2023 YOUNG CANBERRA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The Young Canberra Citizen of the Year Awards (the Awards) is an annual celebration established in 1989.

The Awards are an opportunity to recognise and celebrate individual young people and groups of young people. The Awards shine a light on young people who have made a big personal achievement or been actively involved in the community in areas like community work, sport, education, science, culture, the arts or the environment.

The Awards are supported by the ACT Government and the Award's sponsors, who are committed to recognising the diversity and talent of individuals and groups from a wide range of backgrounds and experiences.

- Young Canberra Citizen of the Year Award - This award is sponsored by Beyond Bank Australia
- Young Achiever Award - This award is sponsored by the ACT Youth Advisory Council
- Personal Achievement Award - This award is sponsored by Anglicare ACT
- Individual Community Service Award - This award is sponsored by Youth InterACT
- Environment and Sustainability Award - This award is sponsored by Ginninderry
- Arts and Multimedia Award - This award is sponsored by QT Canberra
- Group Achievement Award - This award is sponsored by the Australian Catholic University

2023 Young Canberra Citizen of the Year Awards nominations are now open and will be closed midday on **Monday, 16 October 2023**.

To apply, go to <https://dhcs.smartygrants.com.au/YCCY2023>

For further information on the 2023 Young Canberra Citizen of the Year Awards, contact the Office for Youth Engagement Team on [6205 3064](tel:62053064) or via email youth.interact@act.gov.au.

MANGO DRIVE

The P&C Association will be holding their annual Mango Drive. If you wish to purchase a tray of mangoes, please order and pay using this link <https://square.link/u/eQ5deYpk>. Each tray will cost \$24, orders will close on October 28th. Please see the attached flyer for information.

CAREERS

We have our new intake for Women in Construction Pathways Program for 2024! We have the information sessions coming up next week, I just wanted to touch base and see if you have any more students interested in applying for the program? This information session is for a 2024 January intake, so if you have students wanting to start an ASbA at the start of 2024, this will work perfectly. **See Traci Chatfield for further information. Expression of Interest must be in by 12/10/2023.**



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WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION PATHWAYS PROGRAM (WICPP)



Interested in Construction?

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

- ✓ Undertake an Australian School Based Apprenticeship (ASBA)
- ✓ Be mentored by men and women currently working in the industry
- ✓ Work in Project Management, Drafting, Architecture, Engineering and Business in Construction

OR

- ✓ Work with carpenters, plumbers, electricians and civil construction employers (plus more)
- ✓ Receive:
 - All Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - White Card
 - Asbestos training
 - Silica Training
- ✓ A pathway to an apprenticeship on completion of school, if desired

Suitable for students in
Years 10 & 11



MBA Group Training

CARPENTRY CAREERS EVENING

26 October 2023

4:30pm – 6:30pm

1 Iron Knob Street,
Fyshwick, ACT, 2609

THE EVENT:

- Take a tour of the MBA facilities and discover where you'll be learning the tricks of the trade from the local industry's best trainers.
- Gain an overview of what a career in carpentry looks like, discover why you should train with the MBA and hear about the extensive apprentice support services
- Meet with a variety of employers and discuss the next steps in starting a career in carpentry.



Scan the QR code to find out more



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

Careers Google Classroom code: gjn4ugn

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

GAME ON WARAMANGA – TERM 4

The **Game On** events are community based, free, family friendly physical activity “pop up” events, which will see us conduct four events in eight suburbs across Canberra each year, utilising local parks, ovals, sports courts/fields. The aim of the events is to promote physical activity/60mins a day target for children through providing fun, accessible sessions and ideas for

children, families and school communities. Our aim is that the events are a pre-cursor to ongoing community based physical activity and we will evaluate the sessions through a range of measures.

To confirm, we will be running four events on the following dates:

Walk, Talk, Workout: Sunday 26th November 10am-11.30am

Run, Jump, Catch, Throw: Friday 1st December 3pm-4.30pm

Navigate & Participate: Friday 8th December 3pm-4.30pm

Bike Skills & Drills: Wednesday 13th December 3pm-4.30pm

All events will be held at [Mount Stromlo High Outdoor Courts](#)

Some refinements have also been made to 14 school services based on school and community feedback, and to align with updated school bell times.

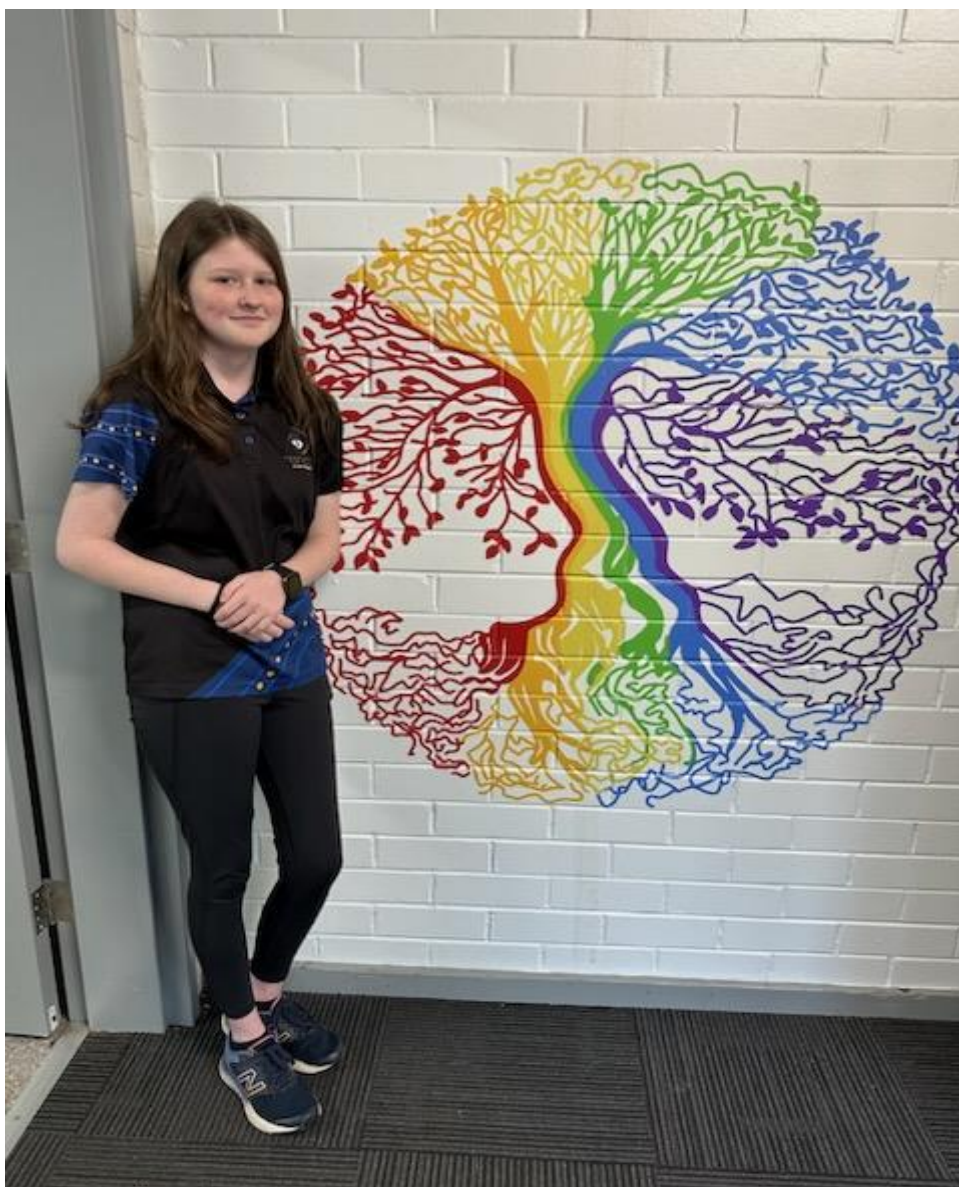
HELPING ACT

A BIG thank you to **HelpingAct Food Bank**.

It has been a year since **HelpingAct Food Bank** started supporting our Breakfast Club, so we would like to thank both Mohammed Ali (who is the founder of HelpingAct) and Basil for their time and generosity.

Please take the time to check out their link. www.helpingact.org

WEAR IT PURPLE DAY COMPETITION WINNING DESIGN



REMINDERS

UPDATED BUS TIMETABLE

Transport Canberra has announced today that a [new bus timetable](#) will be implemented from Monday 9 October to align with the start of the school Term 4.

The timetable features more frequent weekday bus services, most of which will run at least every 30 minutes throughout the day.

A return to 30-minute daytime frequencies will ensure improved off-peak services can be provided between 9.30am and 3.30pm, while maintaining reliability. The increased frequency has resulted in changes to the first and last service times for some bus routes.

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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.

