



FOCUS

Issue Date: 16th October 2017

- **2018 Year 11/12 Timetables** are available from your Link teacher. Class changes are to be written on the reverse of your timetable and signed by Link teacher, student and Parent and submitted to student services (eknex). If the change is possible it will show on the next printout.
- **All changes to be completed by Week 4 (30 October)**
- **Year 12 Academic Records are to be checked by both link teacher and students. Please check as this may be the last chance to make sure everything is recorded correct and all units appear correct. See student services if any problems.**
 - Check correct spelling of name
 - T package – correct minimum 3 major (3.5-4 units) and 3 minor (2 units) in at least 4 different course areas (20pts)
 - A package – at least 4 minors in 4 different course areas
 - R units / WEX appear

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NEWS

SCHOOL TRAVEL- NSW

Applications for 2018 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) and Term Bus Pass (TBP) travel entitlements are now open.

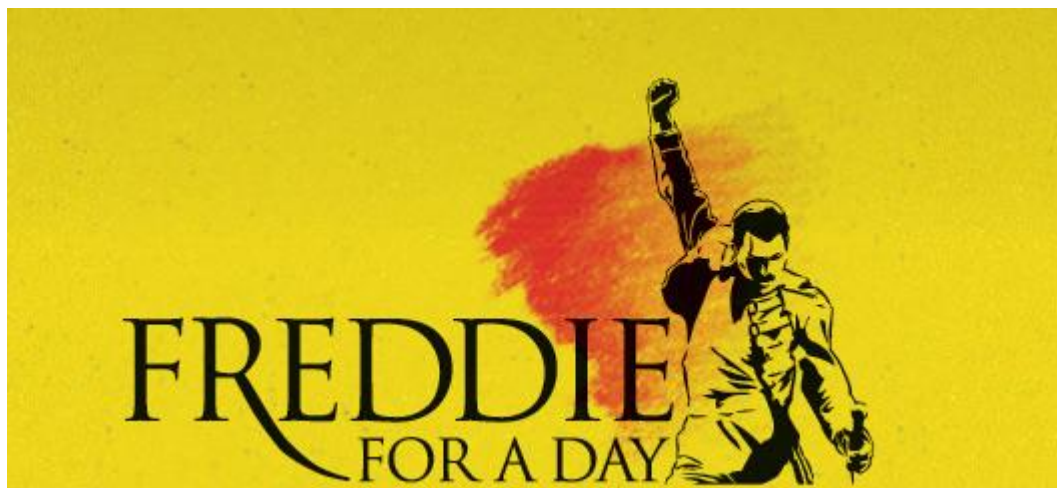
In coming days students who hold an SSTS entitlement and are changing school, will receive notification by email or post informing them of the pending expiry of their entitlement. TBP holders will also receive notification.

Application needs to be made before 31 December 2017 to ensure entitlement is updated and current card is not cancelled. If application is made after the expiry of entitlement (31 December) the system will automatically cancel the card and a new one will need to be issued.

Please note: Students who are changing grade band and are remaining at the same school will not receive notification and do not need to reapply

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas are expected to receive their new travel pass at the commencement of the New School Year. **Note;** not all R&R operators issue passes (often in smaller communities where the student is known a pass is not issued).

FREDDIE FOR A DAY



On November 24th 1991, Freddie Mercury, the lead singer of Queen, died of AIDS. He is one of the most famous figures to suffer and die from this illness. On the 20th of April 1992, world famous singers got together to pay tribute and raise awareness for the Mercury Phoenix

Trust, a trust designed to put an end to HIV/AIDS. Currently, on September 5th (Freddie's Birthday) the international event of Freddie for a Day (FfaD) occurs, people dress up in yellow and donate to the Mercury Phoenix Trust.

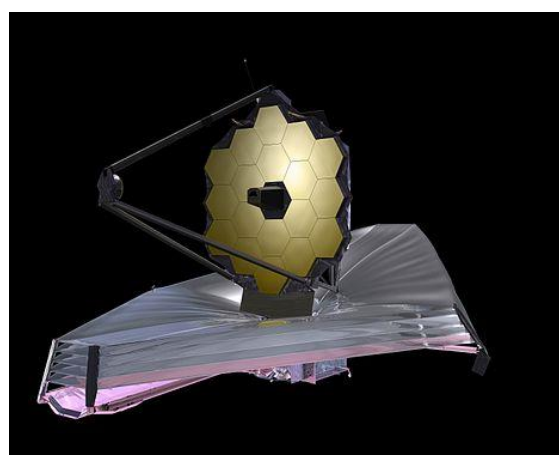
Recently, the Erindale College Leadership Group has decided to participate in FfaD after being invited to take part by students from Narrabundah College. Due to the AST being on Freddie's birthday, they have moved it to **October 17th**. To raise money, we are encouraging students and staff to wear yellow on this day and make a gold coin donation to help find a cure for HIV/AIDS.

NCSS CODING CHALLENGE

Several of our students have recently taken part in the National Computer Science School's Code "like a ninja" Challenge. For 5 weeks through semester 2, students tackled coding problems that ranged from completing basic sums to creating algorithms to encoding spy network telephone numbers, all using the coding language Python. It was a tough challenge but a few made it through to the final weeks, with Ben McKeahnie earning a Merit and Binbin Ma also receiving recognition for her efforts. All gained valuable experience in dealing with data and information. Python is a language used for many different purposes such as web applications, scientific research and the infrastructure of companies like Google, Facebook and Reddit. Just one more way that Erindale College is helping students to prepare for a diverse new world as the information revolution continues.

ASTROPHYSICS Q&A

How do we find out more about planets outside our solar system? How do we learn more about the early universe? In the final days of term 3 we were lucky enough to have two representatives from the astrophysics community come to our school and present a documentary on the design and role of the soon to be launched James Webb Space Telescope. The telescope will conduct a similar role to the aging Hubble space telescope, but will do it better in almost every way – being bigger, further from earth, cooler, and looking far more impressive than Hubble. The documentary (Into the Unknown) can be found online on Youtube. It was great to also have the industry professionals on hand to answer questions following the viewing - Elisabete da Cunha (an Astrophysicist working at the Research School of Astronomy & Astrophysics at the Australian National University), and Hannah Scherer (the Technical Lead for Australian Aerospace programs and previously a Spacecraft Systems Engineer for the James Webb Space Telescope) tackled some of the tough questions from our students about the universe, how we know what we know about it, and why the James Webb Telescope is so important to learning more. A great way to finish off the term.



END OF YEAR INFORMATION

LAST TEACHING DAY

Year 11 and 12: Friday 24th November 2017

Year 10: Friday 1st December 2017

YEAR 12 FORMAL

Where: AIS

When: 29th November 2017

Arrivals: 5:30pm (Please enter via Ginninderra Drive)

Time: 6:30-11:00pm

Costs: \$125.00

Full Payment Due: 10th November 2017

If you haven't paid a deposit and you would like to attend the formal please speak to the Front Office staff to organise payment.



YEAR 12 BREAKFAST

When: Wednesday 13th December 2017

Where: Erindale College Restaurant

Time: 8:30am

YEAR 12 GRADUATION REHEARSAL

When: Wednesday 13th December 2017

Where: Erindale Theatre

Time: 10:00am

YEAR 12 GRADUATION

When: Wednesday 13th December 2017

Where: Erindale Theatre

Time: Seated and Starting at 5:00pm

YEAR 10 FORMAL



Where: Southern Cross Yacht Club

When: Tuesday 12th December

Arrivals: 6:30pm for 6:50pm start

Time: 6:50pm - 10:00pm (Students must be collected from the venue by a parent at 10:00pm)

Costs: \$95.00 Per Person

Full Payment Due: Friday 3rd November 2017

YEAR 10 GRADUATION



Where: Erindale Theatre

When: Friday 1st December 2017

Time: 12:00 - 2:00pm

SPORT

GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

The ACT School Sport Golf Championships will be held on November 26 at Murrumbidgee Golf Course. If you are interested see Mark Armstrong in the ESA staff room to register your interest.

COERVER SENIOR GIRLS SELECT TEAM TOURS JAPAN



Congratulations to Chloe Daisley (Year 10 Girls Soccer Program) for making the squad to tour Japan in the holidays.

They played 9 games over 10 days with lots of sightseeing also included. Chloe was named one of the tour captains and enjoyed the leadership role she had on and off the field.

She also won the “Player’s Player” award. Although she is normally an attacking player she often played in defence as the Japanese teams were so strong.

LAURA HUGHES – JUNIOR MATILDAS

Congratulations to Laura for selection in the Junior Matildas last month.

The squad competed in AFC U-16 WOMEN’S CHAMPIONSHIP held in Thailand. Unfortunately the team didn’t qualify for the 17’s world cup but Laura started two out of their three matches.

In the last game against Bangladesh she scored a fantastic goal to help the team win 3-2.



CAREERS

CANBERRA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (CIT)

CIT Career Counsellor Bernard Raby will be at Erindale College Wednesday 25 October 2017 from 12noon to 2pm. See Vanessa in Careers to book a time with Bernard to talk about CIT courses and pathways.

CIT APPRENTICE LINK

CIT ApprenticeLink 2017 is a one stop shop event to connect employers and prospective apprentices/trainees, and to learn about the process for employing apprentices/trainees in the ACT.

ApprenticeLink Fyshwick - Thursday 19 October 2017

This event will cover a wide range of traditional trade areas. Course areas for this event include: Carpentry, Automotive, Landscaping, Metal Fabrication, Electrical Trades, Tiling, Cabinet Making, Glazing, Painting, Plumbing, Horticulture and Plastering.

ApprenticeLink Reid - Monday 23 October 2017

Course areas for this event include: Culinary, Hairdressing, Business, Hospitality, ICT, Community Services, Health Services and Children Services

Register through the link: cit.edu.au/apprenticelink2017

CIT HEALTH DAY OUT - THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER

CIT Health Day Out, features tours and workshops at CIT's health and fitness training facilities hosted at CIT Bruce. Students will meet teachers, view specialised labs and facilities and find out how CIT can help them to achieve a career in the health sector, one of the fastest growing industry sectors in the country.

Students will be guided through the gym facility, massage clinics and nursing and allied health assistance labs with 15 minutes practical workshops in:

- Allied Health/Dental
- Massage
- Nursing
- Sport and Fitness

OH&S WHITE CARD & ASBESTOS AWARENESS COURSE FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS

Where: CIT Tuggeranong

When: White Card Course 23/10/17

Asbestos Awareness Course 24/10/17

Cost: \$140 (Both courses)

See Vanessa for enrolment.

MASTER BUILDERS ASSOCIATION (MBA)

Master Builders Association (MBA) are recruiting carpentry, civil construction and plumbing apprentices. Applications close 27 October 2017. Go to their website for more information: www.mba.org.au under Employment/apprenticeships.

MBA Information session

4:30pm Wednesday 18th October 2017

At: MBA Group Training, Iron Knob Street Fyshwick.

This information session will give an insight to potential apprentices, parents/guardians and school representatives about MBA Group Training. This evening is open to all and we will have some industry experts on hand to answer any questions.

NECA ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIPS ARE CURRENTLY RECRUITING FOR THE 2018 ELECTRICAL APPRENTICE INTAKE.

If you have an interest in a career in the Electrical Trades see Vanessa or Stephen in Careers to complete an NECA Electrical Apprenticeship Expression of Interest form.

All applicants for the positions are required to complete the NECA Readiness Assessment which takes approximately 90 minutes to complete and covers the areas of comprehension, logic, mathematics, geometry, trigonometry and transposition of formulae. Once an expression of interest is received from a student, they will receive an invitation to attend an assessment session.

ASBA IN HAIRDRESSING – YEAR 10 OR 11 STUDENTS

Are you interested in a career in Hairdressing? An opportunity is available for a student who is currently in Year 10 or 11 to obtain an Australian School Based Apprenticeship with a prominent hairdressing business. You will need to see Vanessa for more details and write a cover letter and resume.

INDIGENOUS BORDER FORCE TRAINEESHIP

The Indigenous Border Force Recruit Trainee (IBFORT) program are currently recruiting, see Vanessa for details.

UNIVERSITY

If you want to apply for university and did not meet the deadline, please be aware that you can still apply, but you will pay a late fee. For advice about university and pathways to university see Vanessa or Stephen in Careers.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 10 and 11 students may do work experience towards the end of this Term from 27 of October to 1 November 2017. This must be organised through the College and all paperwork needs to be completed to ensure you are covered by insurance and so Year 11 students can gain R unit points.

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG TOUR – EARLY FEBRUARY 2018

A joint College excursion to University of Wollongong will be held early in February 2018 for students considering studying there. There will be no cost. See Vanessa in Careers if you are interested in attending.

CHARITY AND SUPPORT

RUN FOR YOUR LIFELINE



The fourth annual Run for your Lifeline event will be held on Saturday, 4 November 2017 around Lake Burley Griffin.

Catering for runners and fun-lovers of all ages and levels, Run for your Lifeline now includes 5km, 10km, half marathon and full marathon races. Registrations include a Lifeline Canberra wrist band, a guaranteed fun day out for the whole family, plus everyone receives a medal when crossing the finish line! 100% of each registration goes directly to our local 13 11 14 crisis support service.

More information can be found on our website, www.act.lifeline.org.au.

We're also seeking volunteers for a range of jobs at the event. Please call Sarah Kentwell on 6171 6300 if you would like to find out more about volunteer opportunities.

CANBERRA MILK

Erindale College would like to thank Canberra Milk for their continued support. For many years now Canberra Milk has made weekly donations to our Mindyigari Centre which is greatly appreciate by our staff and students









SAVER PLUS

- Saver Plus is a matched savings and financial literacy program. Participants save money over a 10 month period, where they are matched dollar for dollar, up to \$500. Participants also undertake financial workshops as part of the program.
- More than 30,000 Australians have participated in Saver Plus. Saver Plus is offered in 60 locations across Australia.
- The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.
- Participants are assigned a Saver Plus Coordinator from the local delivery organisation, and open an ANZ Progress Saver account at their local ANZ branch, into which they make regular deposits. They undertake MoneyMinded workshops to build their financial management skills and when they reach their savings goal after at least 10 months ANZ matches the amount, up to \$500, for the purchase of a nominated educational item.
- The awards Saver Plus has received include:
 - Outstanding Achievement Award in the Research category Financial Literacy Australia Awards 2015
 - Outstanding Achievement Award in the Community category MoneySmart Week 2012.
- For more information please visit <https://www.thsmithfamily.com.au/what-we-do/our-work/at-home/saver-plus> or contact your local Saver Plus Coordinator, Kathleen Watson on 0448 730 305



Could \$500 help you with high-school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.

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|  laptops & tablets |  specialist subjects |
|  uniforms & shoes |  books & supplies |
|  sports fees & gear |  camps & excursions |

To join Saver Plus, you must have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, be at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.



Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to www.dss.gov.au for more information.

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TERM 4, WEEK 2 (WEEK 12)

16th October – Cambridge Exams Start

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