



## FOCUS

Issue Date: 30th October 2017

### FRANCE TRIP

Meeting for all those interested in the France trip can you please come to room 231 at 1:10pm Monday 30 October.

### UPCOMING DATES: TERM 4, WEEK 4 (WEEK 14)

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – English T Exams

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - 2018 Y12 class selection closes

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## NEWS

### MERCHANT OF VENICE EXCURSION

On Wednesday the 18th of October, 23 Erindale College students had the opportunity to see a production of William Shakespeare’s “The Merchant of Venice” produced by the Bell Shakespeare Company at the Canberra Theatre. The play followed the storyline closely, adding its own interpretation and twists to keep us as an audience both laughing and in awe. It was also a valuable chance for Year 10 Cambridge Literature students to revise the play ahead of being tested on it in their Cambridge exams next month.



It was interesting to look to the side of the stage and watch the actors change their costumes during the performance - this happened in order to keep all 10 actors on the stage at once, even though they weren’t involved in the scene.

The insight we received at the end was brilliant; the actors who portrayed Portia, Jessica, Antonio, Lorenzo and the Prince of Arragon sat down and gave the audience an opportunity to ask questions to better understand their interpretation of the play.

Overall, the performance was very well thought out and it was clear to understand even if you had not read the play. Everyone enjoyed their big day out and was very impressed by the standard set by the Bell Shakespeare Company.

By Jordyn Kearney (Year 10)

### PSYCHOLOGY

Our line 2 Psychology students have had a very informative and value added semester with regular workshops run by our school psychologist Lukas Kucharski. During this time they have had practical everyday discussions around the causes and management of human behaviour, particularly relationships. We hope to continue this program next year and thanks to Lukas for making this invaluable experience for students possible.

## FIRST AID COURSE



As Semester 1 drew to a close this year, 10 students from the Erindale Sports Academy and 5 college staff attended a First Aid course provided by Allens Training.

A big thank you must go to the trainer Ryan who kept the course fast paced, fun and very educational. It is very reassuring to know a number of our staff and students can assist should an emergency arise and we look forward to inviting Ryan back when it comes time to renew our qualifications!

## DRONE TRAINING



Five staff from Erindale College recently attended the *Drones 101 for Teachers* course held at Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching & Learning. The course provided attendees with insight on how to incorporate Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) into areas of the curriculum such as Science, Technology, Mathematics, Photography, Art and Design. Staff were also introduced to the rules involved in operating drones and had a great time trying their hand at flying a DJI Phantom 4 Pro.

## FORMER ERINDALE COLLEGE STUDENTS

### MAIAH ROLLE-LEISKE

Maiah Rolle-Leiske, ex-student at Erindale College, will be representing the Australian Navy as one of the military personnel to unfurl the Australian flag for the opening ceremony of the World Cup Rugby League 2017.

### GRACE WEST



In some exciting news, recent Erindale College graduate Grace West has announced that she has accepted her nomination to run in the Canberra leg of the Commonwealth Games Queens Baton Relay on the 26th of January next year.



## DANCE SHOWCASE

Come and join us for our Dance Showcase, where you will see the TDP, Year 11's and 12's show us their latest dance routines.

**When:** 7<sup>th</sup> November

**Where:** Erindale Theatre

**Time:** 6:00 – 8:00pm



## SPORT

### MIXED NETBALL



On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October Natalie Keen spent the day at Belconnen Netball Courts with the Erindale Mixed Netball teams.

The students performed very well and were a credit to the school.

The three teams ended up placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> over the course of the day.

Erindale 3 were convincing winners in their 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Playoff, beating Hawker College 13-2.

Erindale 2 were unlucky not to end up playing in the Grand Final after losing one of the early round games (and eventually beating that same team in the Finals) and were knocked out by the Erindale 1 team in the crossover semi-final. They went on to win their 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Playoff against Canberra College 8 – 6.

The Erindale 1 team were undefeated throughout the day, finally winning the Grand Final match against Lake Ginninderra College 16-13.

A big thanks to Sheona Pollard and Tori Elphick (and any others that filled in) for umpiring throughout the day.

Well done to all involved!

## ATHLETICS

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October the Track and Field athletes from Erindale college participated in the ACT Schools Knockout competition.

The competition is a team based event, which involves a minimum of 7 athletes competing across 8 different events and a Swedish relay (2x200m, 1x400m, 1x800m) to conclude.

Erindale entered both a Senior Girls and Senior Boys team on the night.

Unfortunately for our boys there were a number of late injuries, which reduced our competition numbers. However the boys performed well and ended up with the bronze medal.

The girls did very well and took out their age group, winning the gold medal! This has qualified the girl's team for the Australian Schools Knockout Championships in Adelaide on the 11th December 2017.

Congratulations to all those involved in the competition:

**Girls** – Courtney Foster, Lauren Freeman, Jess Gregory, Kaylee Gregory, Caitlin Keen, Hannah McPherson, Taylah Minto

**Boys** – Bjorn Ackland, Lars Koppen, François Le Grange, Josh Torley.



## CRICKET



Congratulations to the Erindale College 20/20 cricket team on winning the competition held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at the Mint oval Deakin and a big thanks to Michael O'Rourke from ACT cricket for supporting the team.

## CYCLING

Congratulations to Mackenzie Edwardson and Tassie Davies on winning the College Cycling Championship on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at Stromlo Forest Park



# 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:** Monday 13th 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:** 5:00pm (Students to arrive by 4:30pm)

## YEAR 10 FORMAL



**Where:** Southern Cross Yacht Club

**When:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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:** Monday 6th November 2017

## YEAR 10 GRADUATION



**Where:** Erindale Theatre

**When:** Friday 1st December 2017

**Time:** 12:00 - 2:00pm