10 December 2014
Radford College Calendar

Year 12 Graduation - Thurs 11 December
11 Dec  Year 12 Graduation @ Llewellyn Hall ANU  End of Year Events Details

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There is no separate JS Bytes this week.
Now that the school year has ended for our students, I take this opportunity to provide some last-minute news and pay a tribute to those staff who will be leaving us at the end of the week.

**Radford Student Wins the ANZAC Spirit Prize**

Congratulations to Year 10 student Angela Liao, who is one of four ACT students to win a Chief Minister's Anzac Spirit Prize for 2015.

The Prize takes the form of a 14-day study trip to Turkey. Angela will travel in an accompanied party for the centenary of the landings at Anzac Cove on 25 April 2015. Apart from attending the Dawn Service at the Cove as a VIP, Angela will be conducted around the fascinating city of Istanbul and have a tour of the ancient site of Troy.

Angela’s entry for the Prize creatively captured the essence of the Anzac Spirit utilising the themes present in the stained glass windows of the Shrine of Remembrance at the Australian War Memorial. These values include loyalty, comradeship and devotion. Angela’s entry was in the form of a poster and showed how these values are still present in Australian society today. It showed a deep understanding of the significance of these values and of Anzac generally, as well as displaying a very strong artistic talent.

The College is delighted to congratulate Angela on her outstanding achievement.

**Collegian Appointed to Victorian Ministerial Position**

There was great excitement amongst the longer-serving members of staff last week when news filtered through that one of our Collegians, Jane Garrett (Class of 1990) had been appointed a Minister in the new Andrews Labour Government in Victoria. Jane has been given the Emergency Services, Consumer Affairs and Gaming and Liquor Regulation portfolios, holding the seat of Brunswick since 2010. In a recent communication with one of her teachers, Jane said she is looking forward to returning to Radford and speaking with the current students. We congratulate Jane on this significant appointment.

**Carol Service**

The Festival of Carols and Readings on Sunday evening was a wonderful community event to mark the Christmas season. The Chapel was filled to overflowing, and superb choral items by all of the Radford choirs complemented the traditional nine Bible readings beautifully. At such a busy time of year, this service provides a welcome opportunity to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Our thanks to all the choristers, conductors, managers and accompanists who contributed to this superb event, especially Joel Copeland, who this term took on the role of Acting Head of Music, in addition to his duties as Head of Cocurricular Music & Instrumental Studies.

**Staff Movements**

As is the tradition at this time of the year, we bid farewell to some staff members who will not be returning in 2015.

Ms Nicole Jaggers, Assistant Head of the Junior School for the past three years, has recently accepted a position at Miles Franklin Primary School as the PYP Coordinator. We thank Nicole for her dedication, commitment and passion for the educational program she has provided, particularly the PYP, and the leadership she has provided to the staff in the lower primary years.

Mr Richard Black will be returning to Melbourne next year to spend more time with his family and his beloved Hawthorn Football Club. Richard’s time at Radford has been characterised by his passion for literacy and pastoral care and the energy he devotes to his students in the Junior School.

Ms Felicity Miekle, who is often described as the ‘pocket rocket’, came to Radford in 2009 and has since worked in the ELC. Her drive and energy often seems limitless but she is now looking to have a short break from teaching. After 13 years at Radford College, Ms Janelle Stacey has accepted a position at St Francis Xavier College. During her time at Radford, Janelle has not only taught Mathematics throughout the Secondary School, but has been a Year Level Coordinator for the past nine years. During that time, Janelle has been held in high esteem by the students and colleagues alike.

Contract staff to finish their terms at the end of the year include Astrid Herbert (Junior School), Vivienne Sheridan (Mathematics), Jennifer Wright (English & Drama), Alex Curry (PE), and Peter Adams (PE). We thank them all for all they have done for our students both in and out of the classroom.

I would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank those staff who have taken on acting roles this term/semester:

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Mr Brad Davis  Acting Head of Health and Physical Education
Ms Kim Stonham  Acting Head of Service Learning
Mr Darryle Macdonald and Ms Nicola Bartasek  Acting Year Level Coordinators

Each of these staff members has done an outstanding job in their role, and we are very appreciative of the time and extra effort that they have all given to the College. Additionally, Ms Beth Girvan has stepped down from her role as Round Square Coordinator, a job she has performed with great enthusiasm and endeavour. Beth will now be channelling her energies into her new position in 2015, as Year 7 Head of Year.

Three staff are taking a year’s leave in 2015. Ms Di Lefebvre (French teacher) will be living and working in Canada, Ms Leanne McKean (Head of Music) is taking time leave to be a carer and Ms Elise Woodman (School Counsellor) has taken up an opportunity to involve herself in some counselling research throughout 2015.

I thank all the staff for their efforts throughout 2014. We are truly blessed to have such a committed group of people working here at Radford College. What is even more remarkable is that commitment extends to all of the staff, not just the teachers, including the Maintenance Team, the administrative staff, the groundsman, the receptionists, the Canteen staff, the Accounts staff, the people who work in OSHC and the teacher assistants.

And Finally… I conclude my final eBulletin article for 2014 with my very best wishes for the festive season to the Radford College community. I sincerely hope you all have an opportunity to experience the real meaning of Christmas, enjoy the festivities of the New Year, and spend quality time with loved ones. I look forward to welcoming everyone back for the start of the 2015 academic year.

END of YEAR EVENTS

Date: Thu 11 Dec
Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Venue: Llewellyn Hall, ANU School of Music
Childers Street, Acton

STATIONERY ORDERS for 2015

Order forms for Years 7 – 12 are available on Radford Online on the relevant academic year pages. To ensure delivery prior to Term 1, 2015 place your order by Friday, 19 December 2014.
School password: 2RADFORDCO

Uniform Shop (on campus)
Uniform Shop is now closed until January.

2015 opening before term commences:

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Online Uniform Shop

Year 7 to Year 12

1-To-1 update and ICT news
Billy Jones - Director of ICT

The first phase of our 1-to-1 program begins in Term 1 2015 with Years 7 and 9 students being required to bring their own devices to classes. At the start of week 1, Year 9 students will undertake a 1-to-1 induction program which includes a student computer device setup session where software required to access Radford’s network and learning resources will be installed. Year 7 students will undertake the device setup session in week 3 upon return from camp. Years 8, 10, 11 and 12 will receive their device setup sessions during lunch and after school.

Freedom to Learn (FTL) package for student laptops
We recently received our first delivery of FTL laptops and parents have started to collect them. If there are any Parents or Caregivers who would like to take advantage of the Freedom to Learn package, orders for laptops can be made via the Computelec Portal until the 19th of December for delivery by the 27th February 2015. Please go to
**Exciting new Digital Leadership Program at Radford**

We recently undertook a Digital Leader Pilot program with our Year 5 students. The program provided an opportunity for students to develop their leadership, ICT, communication and interpersonal skills by helping students and teachers with their low level IT issues within a classroom setting. Due to the success of the Pilot program we have decided to offer Digital Leadership opportunities to students across the college from Years 6 – 12. Selection will be competitive and prospective Digital Leaders will need to submit a project they have completed as part of the process. So far we have received around 30 expressions of interest from students and we will be implementing the new program in Term 1 next year. Watch this space!

**2015 Earth and Environmental Science Tour to New Zealand**

Have you ever wanted to walk on an active volcano? Swim in geothermal pools? Take a jet boat to a unique geothermal park? Walk across the volcanic mountain range that featured in the Lord of the Rings? Explore glowworm caves? Experience Maori culture? Learn about New Zealand’s amazing Geology? Yes?! Then this tour is for you!

**Who is eligible?** Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 in 2015. Senior students must be enrolled in one or more Science courses and/or Geography. Year 10 students need to demonstrate intent to study Science or Geography in their senior years.

Applications close Friday 20th February 2015. For more information please see the [Radford Online page](#) and then contact Mrs Rebecca Cashmere

**Science Opportunities Outside the Classroom**

**Rotary Murray Darling School of Freshwater Research April 2015**

The twentieth Rotary Murray Darling School of Freshwater Research will be held in Albury Wodonga from the 8th – 13th April 2015. This school caters for Year 11 Science students that may have ambitions for tertiary science studies. Applications and sponsorship to attend this workshop can be provided by your local Rotary Club. Visit [www.mdfrc.org.au/students/programs/rotary](http://www.mdfrc.org.au/students/programs/rotary) for more details.

**Australian Science Olympiad Competition**

The Australian Science Olympiad Competition is a national extension program for top performing secondary science students which culminate in the International Science Olympiads – the Olympic Games for science students.

To earn a spot representing Australia at the International Science Olympiads, Year 11 students must first sit one or more of the four [Australian Science Olympiad Exams](#) on offer in the disciplines of biology, chemistry, Earth and environmental science and physics. These exams will take place in August 2015. Year 11 students that are interested in applying should contact Mrs Cashmere.

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**HOD: Mr Peter Haynes**

**Administrators:** Ms Bernie Leger, Mr Brad Luhrs, Mr Peter Wallensky

**Rowing Reminder**

Just a friendly reminder that Boat Camp is compulsory for all students in years 10-12 in 2015. The dates for Boat Camp are Sunday 25th to Friday 30th January 2015. Junior Boat Camp starts on Wednesday 28th to Friday 30th January 2015, this is for students in year 9 in 2015.

Sessions will be down at the boat shed, however there may also be some sessions on land and also away from the shed, coaches of the respective squads will send all parents an email.

**Netball Trials**

Just a reminder that Junior & Intermediates Netball trials for the 2015 Winter competition will be held on the below dates and all sessions will be at Radford College in the gym.

**Junior Trials (Year 5 & 6 Boys & Girls)**

- **Saturday 7th February 2015 – 2:30pm-4:00pm**
- **Sunday 8th February 2015 – 11:30am – 2:00pm**

Please arrive 15 minutes before ready to sign in.

**Intermediates Trials – (13 years -15 years)**

- **Saturday 21st February 2015 – 3:00pm – 5:00pm**
- **Sunday 22nd February 2015 – 2:00pm – 4:00pm**

Please arrive 15 minutes before ready to sign in.
AGM 2015
Date: Thursday 26 February 2015
Time: 7pm
Venue: The Pavilion at Radford College

In accordance with the Constitution of the P&F Association, the business of the AGM will be:
(I) confirmation of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting; (II) presentation by the President of an Annual Report on the affairs of the Association and the Association’s activities for the last 12 months; (III) presentation by the Treasurer of the audited financial statements (IV) election of the Management Committee (V) appointment of an auditor.

The Management Committee comprises:

Elected Office Bearers:  Elected Ordinary Members:
i) The President               vi) 6 other members
ii) One Vice-President
iii) The Secretary, and
iv) The Treasurer
v) One Assistant Treasurer
vi) One Publicity Officer

Nominations for the Committee must be made on the attached form, and must be signed by a proposer, a seconder and by the nominee (to accept the nomination). All three of these people must be members of the P&F Association. Nomination forms must be returned to the Secretary, via Main Reception at the College, no later than 4pm on Wednesday 25 February 2015, the day before the AGM.

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ACTION changed the Network 14 service which has impacted on a range of students in non-government school in Canberra. APFACTS initial advocacy helped increase the notification times to school communities. Now that the new service has been running we are keen to hear your views. If you have a child who travels by bus please take our short survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/93DBH5Y

We would greatly appreciate if you could also pass on the survey to other parents you think may be interested in commenting on bus changes. APFACTS would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful Xmas break!

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Collegians - do we have your current contact details? Email collegians@radford.act.edu.au

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