



# Macquarie Grammar School

## *May Bluey*

*'Truth and Virtue'*



**M.U.N.A.**

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*The Top Two In Each Group  
'Cross Country'*



**Public Speaking  
Competition**







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### Autumn Term

Examination Week Years 11 and 12

Examination Week Years 7 to 10

Year 12 Graduation Assembly

Autumn Term Awards Assembly, 2:00pm

Lessons conclude for Yrs 7 – 12

8<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> June

19<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> June

Thur 29<sup>th</sup> June

Fri 30<sup>th</sup> June

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### Winter Term

Staff Professional Development Day, Visitations

New Student Orientation Day

Lessons commence for Yrs 7 to 12

Parent-Teacher Interviews for Years 7 to 12

MGS Athletics Carnival Years 7 to 12

Winter Term Awards Assembly, 2:00pm

Lessons conclude for Years 7 to 12

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> July

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> July

Tues 25<sup>th</sup> July

Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Sept

Thur 21<sup>st</sup> Sept

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept

**School Office Hours (During Term)**

8:30am-5:00pm

**School Office Hours (During Term Breaks)**

9:00am-5:00pm

**Uniform Ordering Hours**

9.00am- 500pm

### Inspirational Quote

*"Tell me and I forgot. Teach me and I remember.  
Involve me and I learn."*

*Benjamin Franklin*



Japanese is a course that has a great academic record and interest at our school, in particular from our senior students.

**Message from the Headmaster**  
**Autumn Term**

This term commenced with an ANZAC Day Assembly to commemorate our war veterans and our office bearers led the proceedings throughout. The reverent atmosphere was most impressive as our students displayed a mark of respect for all those soldiers who lost their lives since the First World War.



The students have settled into their lessons well and have been involved in a number of activities including the newly introduced Chinese Debating and MUNA. The Cross Country Competition was held and a variety of new intra-school sports commenced. The school is constantly evolving and it's an absolute pleasure to see our students making a positive contribution in this process.



### Parent-Teacher Interviews

In Week 2 Parent-Teacher Interviews were held and there was a huge response from the parents and guardians. The feedback received was invaluable for students, parents/guardians and teachers. I would like to thank the parents/guardians for attending and the teaching staff for giving their time so generously for their students.

## Welcome

I would like to introduce to our school community our new PDHPE teacher and Head of Sport, Mr Slavin. He joins us from The Cranbrook School after 19 years of loyal service as a classroom teacher, tutor, boarding house master and sport co-ordinator. We are truly fortunate to have him join our staff, as he brings a great deal of expertise as an excellent classroom practitioner and PDHPE HSC Marker. Mr Slavin commenced his duties a few weeks ago and has made a positive impact on the life of the school. I welcome him warmly to our school and wish him a long and happy tenure with us.



## Message from the Director of Curriculum Public Speaking and Chinese Debating

Autumn Term 2 has been an impressive one, the staff and students have both shown a strong commitment to the School, demonstrated by their attitude and commitment. In particular, I would like to highlight the application and dedication the students have made to their studies. Each Monday morning the School recognises the excellence within the school with Rosalind Malolo winning the NSW Plain English Speaking Award first round, the cross country champions and the Chinese debaters all winning recognition for their excellent achievements. The teachers who were involved with the success of these students deserve to be congratulated for their exemplary ability to provide opportunities for such success as well as guiding and spending many hours with the students in preparation for the events. As such I say heartfelt congratulations to Mr Gates and Ms Cai.

## NAPLAN

As the term has progressed the Years 7 and 9 students sat for the National Examinations for Literacy and Numeracy, NAPLAN. Through this important examination we can evaluate and determine priorities in the English and Mathematics KLAS for further enrichment of student learning. The results for NAPLAN will be available on the 18<sup>th</sup> August to both parents and the school for evaluation of each student's performance. Indeed it will be very interesting to see how our students have fared in the NAPLAN Examinations.

## Autumn Term Assessments

End of Autumn Term assessments are approaching and the assessment task notifications have or will be sent to all students for every subject. Please make sure that you are aware of your child's assessment tasks and offer your support to them, in this important time. I wish all of our students the very best of luck in their assessment tasks.

## Winter Term 3 Parent-Teacher Night

The Parent Teacher Night for Winter Term 3 will be held in Week 2 on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017. Please feel most welcome to attend this evening as it provides opportunity for valuable discussion of your child's progress, this can often be very valuable for the improvement of behavioural and learning outcomes. Every parent/guardian is encouraged to attend the Parent Teacher Night.

## Year 10 Subject Choices

Year 10 are approaching an important time regarding subject choices for Year 11, 2018. I will be conducting an information session for Year 10 during class time that will involve important information about the ATAR, subject choices, HSC requirements and strategies that will facilitate the best options for each individual student. Subject teachers will also be outlining the course requirements of their particular courses. More information will be passed on to students and parents/guardians as the appropriate time is determined.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding teaching and curriculum at Macquarie Grammar School. I am always open to a productive discussion with the view to improving student learning outcomes.

Mr Hagan

Director of Curriculum and Compliance

## HSC Study Skill Day for Chinese and Literature Course

On the 16 of May, Mrs Sun has accompanied with year 12 students to attend the 2017 HSC Study skill Day for Chinese and Literature at the Burwood RSL Club.



This single day course had six (6) sessions focusing on past HSC questions appearing in the 2015 and 2016 HSC for Chinese Background Speakers. Teachers and 2017 HSC candidates gained insightful knowledge from the various experienced HSC Senior Examination Markers or Markers relating to syllabus and assessment requirements in attaining high HSC bands. Teachers are able to share and discuss effective HSC teaching and revision strategies to assist HSC candidates. Our very own Mrs Sun was a presenter on the day as an HSC Examination Marker.

The purpose of these activities is to:

- enhance student and teacher's understanding on the essential syllabus and assessment requirements.
- discuss a wide range of teaching and learning strategies which could help maximise students' HSC results.



- share invaluable knowledge and skills that are necessary to make student HSC studies more effective and successful.



*Mrs Sun  
Chinese Teacher  
Director of Welfare and Operations*

### **NSW Schools Chinese Debating Competition**

The Australian National Chinese Debating Association and the University of New South Wales (UNSW) Chinese Debating Club are formed by passionate, capable debaters. They are not-for-profit organisations whose rationale is to continue to promote the Chinese language and culture, deepen inter-cultural communications. The candidates formed many friendships through supporting and competing against one another. For nine (9) years, these organisations have been holding championship competitions for university students and the event has been acknowledged and supported by many.



Last year, the organisation expanded the structure of the championship competition including secondary school students for the first time. They wish to assist high school students to develop their critical thinking skills and analytical skills through debating. In September, the Chinese Language Teachers' Association Victoria held the first Chinese Debating Championship for secondary students in Melbourne.



After discussions and research, in responding to the invitation from the Australian National Chinese Debating Association and the UNSW Chinese Debating Club, the Chinese Language Teachers' Association New South Wales decided to hold the first "NSW Schools' Chinese Debating Championship" from March to May this year.

This competition was relevant to our students undertaking HSC Preliminary Chinese Literature (Chinese Background Speakers Course). The questions and topics involved themes and issues taught in the HSC Course, to compliment the teaching and learning of the programs, and most importantly, to developed high school students' critical thinking and analytical skills.

This truly was an invaluable experience for our students, we had nine students Joy, Gracy, Emma, Sam, Fred, Jordan, Harry, Hilton and Tyki, of the HSC Preliminary Chinese and Literature Course and two Year 10 students Alisa, and Edward who participated in this event!

Please refer to the following article; "My Experience from Chinese Debating" written by Jessica Dai of Year 11.

*Mrs Sun  
Director of Welfare and Operations*

### **My Experience from Chinese Debating**

It was my absolute pleasure to join the 2017 NSW Chinese Debating Competition with my school and our tutor. Here I am simply recalling some great moments and feelings I gathered from this outstanding debating event.

We went into two competition rounds against Strathfield Girls' High School and Killarney Heights High School.

Prior to these competitions, training sessions were always exciting, we discussed about our topics which were fairly relevant to the modern day societal issues, and we had a few 'internal battles'. Our rehearsal debates especially prepared us for the formal competition. I found that debating was really worth being involved as it allowed us to develop various skills of thinking, viewing a subject from a new perspective, altering the right and the wrong and speaking rationally and fluently to defend opinions. Logic in explanation, consistency in argument, correspondence in conclusion, engagement of communication and employment of literature, all of these elements involved in debating surely will influence us positively in our later study of both English and Chinese language, and throughout these practices I actually understood the importance of self-





approval and sincerity in a speech. Believe it or not, resonance gained from the audience can sometimes be of greater value than a piece of adequately structured but emotionless statements.

I can still clearly remember the rush I had in my mind every time I trained; it was the desire to be victorious. The closer we proceeded to each competition the more tension we could feel in our hearts, fortunately our team was quite united, cooperative and confident and our tutor offered almost all his leisure time just to help us. Through every single suggestion and on stage tip, we benefited significantly. He was strict and critical but never missed any progress we made. His dedication encouraged us and directly led to those excellent performances that we were not able to achieve before we met him.

A responsible teacher provides the will power for students to strive and give their best. This is perhaps why we as a team kept on discussing and improving despite feeling tired, pressured and scared, during the preparation period before each competitive round. Besides, members of our debating team might not be equally capable in terms of debating skills, the way we cared for and assisted one another to gain from the experience and learn from past mistakes touched me deeply. I am glad that we did not disappoint anyone, especially ourselves.

Under a truly intensive and raging atmosphere of 'War of Words', I had a real taste of being on stage where everyone had their eyes focused on me as I stood calmly gaining their attention and expectation, facing a group of opponents who aggressively threw their points at us, and we responded with both confidence and nervousness, even a bit of humour. By the time we got off the stage, the outcome seemed less crucial, all that mattered was the attempt, the breakthrough and the experience. We lost the first round by just one point, which was a pity; however, we won the second round with a score of 9 -0. After the resounding win, none of us was overly proud about it because we knew that our capacity and ambition was driving us to perform even better in the future.

### Public Speaking Finals

Amy Sheppard speaking on the topic "What Number are You?" and Rosalind Malolo speaking on "Truth", both girls represented our School at the local finals held at SCEGGS Darlinghurst. Both girls spoke well and managed the impromptu section speaking on Questions and Answers with confidence and clarity.

Rosalind won the prepared speech section and came third in the impromptu section so we wish her well in the next round - the Regional Finals held at the NSW DEC Performing Arts Unit on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May.



### Pulchritude

A pulse enchants her soul,  
Alluring, mysterious, wild and bold  
The essence of a flourishing foal,  
her soul, her soul, her soul, her soul.  
Ipseity and the substance in spirit  
Dubbed sickly, sinful, sacred and sweet.  
Her beauty is of playful trees,  
Singing birds and even the howling moon  
On an eerie night,  
It's of devilling deity  
In absolute piety  
It's of cherry blossoms and  
I must embosom it  
And thus,  
It shall never be forgotten;  
I must be in awe in  
The pulchritude of her soul.

Laura Rose (Year 12)

### MGS CROSS COUNTRY

In what turned out to be an amazing day at the Domain. The students ran a pre-determined course of three laps for the School Cross Country. What was striking was the enthusiasm, the keenness and the fun had by all while running and finished the cross country course in good time.

*The Cross Country Champions for 2017 are:*





<i>Junior Boys Champion</i>	<i>Raphael Kesov</i>
<i>Junior Girls Champion</i>	<i>Haeley Gonzalez</i>
<i>Senior Boys Champion</i>	<i>James Patterson</i>
<i>Senior girls Champion</i>	<i>Frances Li</i>

*Well done to all who ran well and made the afternoon a very special and fun event. This event is a very special time in MGS's calendar and this year turned out to be even better than last year.*

### **MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly)**

Amy Sheppard, Rosalind Malolo and Mia Steward competed over the weekend of the 20<sup>th</sup> May - 21<sup>st</sup> May at Baulkham Hills High School representing the country of Palau. The Model United Nations Assembly (M.U.N.A.) is run by Rotary and allows students from local schools to compete in public debate on six resolutions over the two days. Each school team of three is allocated a country to research and represent, speaking on behalf of that country.

Topics included terrorism, world trade, space exploration, refugees, the use of twitter and protecting the environment. Around sixty (60) students were involved and we mixed it with the best of them. We competed equally with the other schools speaking with confidence and clarity.



Traditional dress was worn by most countries and the debates were lively and entertaining. All three girls spoke on various resolutions doing us proud. On the Sunday, the day began with the Parade of Nations with each team/nation walking around the venue proudly holding high their country's flag and sign. This is a special celebration of unity across the "world" and the collective whole group photos were wonderful.



Rotary E-Club sponsored the team so that all food and materials were paid for by the Rotary club. We thank Rotary E-Club for their wonderful support of our school.



*Mr Gates  
MUNA Coach*

### **Careers**

#### **University Open Days**

##### **Australian Catholic University Open Days**

North Sydney. 2 September

Strathfield. 9 September

[http://www.acu.edu.au/student\\_experience/student\\_life/experience\\_uni\\_before\\_you\\_start/Open\\_Day](http://www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/student_life/experience_uni_before_you_start/Open_Day)

##### **Macquarie University Open Day**

19 August

<https://openday.mq.edu.au/>

##### **Southern Cross University Open Day**

Monday 4 December Coffs Harbour

Tuesday 5 December Lismore

Thursday 7 December Gold Coast

<http://scu.edu.au/futurestudents/index.php/73/>

##### **University of Canberra Open Day**

26 August

Bruce Campus

<http://www.canberra.edu.au/future-students/openday>

##### **The University of Newcastle Open Days**

Central Coast - 12 August. 10.00am to 2.00pm

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/central-coast-open-day>

Newcastle. 19 August. 10.00am to 4.00pm

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/newcastle-open-day>

##### **University of Notre Dame Open Day**

26 August <http://www.notredame.edu.au/opendaysydney/>

##### **University of Sydney Open Day**

26 August. 9.00am to 4.00pm

Camperdown and Darlington Campuses

<http://sydney.edu.au/study/admissions/events-for-future-students.html>

##### **UTS Open Day**

26 August. 9.00am to 4.00pm

<https://openday.uts.edu.au/>

##### **University of Wollongong Open Day**

19 August Contact: 1300 367 869 or

[futurestudents@uow.edu.au](mailto:futurestudents@uow.edu.au)

<http://www.uow.edu.au/openday/index.html>



### **Western Sydney University Open Day**

27 August. 10.00am to 2.00pm

Parramatta Campus.

<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/openday>

### **UOW Early Admission**

Opens 1 - 25 August

With UOW Early Admission, we'll get to know you, look at your results so far and reward your hard work with a place at UOW before you even sit your first exam. Applicants must be in Year 12 in 2017, and completing the HSC at an Australian High School, be under 21 years of age, and eligible to receive an ATAR

<http://www.uow.edu.au/future/early-admission/index.html>

### **UTS 2018 Course Guides**

<https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/undergraduate/essential-information/uts-courses/course-guides>

### **UNSW Scholarship Information Evening**

7 June. 6.15pm to 8.00pm

Sir John Clancy Auditorium, UNSW Kensington

The Scholarships Information Evening provides depth and detail on the range of scholarships at UNSW and the application process. The evening is aimed at Year 11 and 12 students and their parents and will consist of an information session that includes:

General introduction to UNSW scholarships and application process

Co-op Programme opportunities and how to apply

Q&A panel to answer all your questions

An opportunity for one-on-one discussions about specific scholarships

To make the most of the evening be sure to have a look at the Scholarships and Co-op Programme websites before attending.

This is always a popular event, so register now to secure your place.

<https://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/scholarships-information-evening-0>

### **University of Sydney Scholarships Year 12 Information Evening**

20 June. 6.00pm to 8.00pm

ABS Auditorium

Abercrombie Street & Codrington Street, Sydney

If you are a Year 12 student, join us on campus for an informative evening where current students and staff will answer the important questions on scholarships: What scholarships are offered at the University of Sydney? What does it take to submit a successful scholarship application? What is the broad range of opportunities available to scholarship holders? Representatives from our residential colleges and Elite Athlete Program will also be on hand to answer any further questions you may have.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/scholarships-information-evening-tickets-31743384317>

### **Save the Day in Communications - Experience UTS Day**

6 July. 9.00am to 3.00pm

Watch this link. More info to follow.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/communication/about-communication/info-sessions-and-events>

### **UTS Law Undergraduate Info Evening for Years 11 and 12s and Parents**

21 June. 6.00 to 8.00pm

UTS Haymarket Campus - Building 5, Block B. Corner of Quay St and Ultimo Rd, Haymarket, Sydney.

Register: <http://www.uts.edu.au/about/faculty-law/events/law-undergraduate-info-evening>

### **Cambridge Immerse, UK**

Register to 30 June

Study academic programmes in the university with Cambridge and Oxford tutors for 16 to 18 year olds.

View the Law program at Cambridge Immerse.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UKy0AZbk\\_M0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UKy0AZbk_M0)

Visit: <https://www.cambridgeimmerse.com/>

### **Australian Catholic University (ACU) Early Achievers' Programme**

Build on your volunteering and leadership experience and explore your potential with ACU's Early Achievers' Programme. Do you regularly volunteer in your community, school, church, workplace, or cultural group? The Early Achievers' Programme could boost your application to ACU.

**Applications are open until Monday 17 July – mark it in your calendar!** If successful, you'll receive an offer in August 2017 to study in 2018, and your application will be assessed on lower minimum entry scores. You'll also benefit from opportunities to enhance your leadership and volunteering skills while at ACU. To find out more about the program, visit, [www.acu.edu.au/early-achievers](http://www.acu.edu.au/early-achievers)

### **Study in Australia for International Students**

This is the official Australian Government website for international students. Search for courses, institutions and scholarships, read about studying and living in Australia, watch stories from other students, and learn about Australian education. <http://www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/>

### **UAC Studying In Australia for International Students**

Australian tertiary institutions offer a broad range of study options and areas of specialisation, from arts and humanities, business and economics to communications and media studies, creative arts, education, engineering, health and medical sciences, science and technology and teaching. Qualifications gained in Australia are recognised around the world. <http://www.uac.edu.au/international/admission/study-in-australia/>

**UAC International Students - Who can apply?** <http://www.uac.edu.au/international/admission/who-can-apply.shtml>

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Visit: <https://www.cambridgeimmerse.com/>

### **Bond University Medical Programme**

5 year double degree of the Bachelor of Medical Studies (BMedSt) and the Doctor of Medicine (MD).

<https://bond.edu.au/program/medical-program>

### **Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT)**

This website helps prospective university students make informed choices about their future. QILT provides students with a broad range of information about Australian



universities including graduate job prospects and student satisfaction and retention rates. <https://www.qilt.edu.au/>

### **Which career in health science suits you?**

Great quiz guides you to a health career specialization. <http://this.deakin.edu.au/careers/quiz-which-career-in-health-science-suits-you>

### **UNSW Campus Tour**

Campus tours run on the first Saturday of each month and most Fridays providing potential students with a guided tour of what UNSW has to offer. All tours start with a presentation prior to the tour.

<https://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/unsw-campus-tours>

### **UMAT 2017**

Registrations close 2nd June 2017.

The test takes place nationally on the 26th July 2017.

UMAT is a test that is used specifically to assist with the selection of students into the medicine, dentistry and health science degree programmes at undergraduate level at the universities listed on the website.

<https://umat.acer.edu.au/>

### **ANU: Tuckwell Scholarship**

Applications open now for 2018

The scholarship provides financial support for a range of degrees, both single and combined undergraduate degrees. There is also a travel allowance to help move to Canberra, inclusive of returning home during the duration of the degree and an ANU sports centre membership.

<http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/the-scholarship/>

### **UNSW 360 Virtual Tour**

If you are unable to take a tour of the campus in person, UNSW has launched a website that allows you to tour the campus from your phone or computer.

<http://www.360tour.unsw.edu.au/>

### **Applying to the Australian Defence Force Academy**

It is advised that students wishing to study at ADFA apply in year 11 as it is a competitive selection process which may take up to 12 months to complete.

Gaining entry to ADFA is a dual process which requires students to apply directly to the Australian Defence Force while also applying concurrently to UNSW ADFA through UAC.

An offer to study at ADFA is conditional to meeting the academic requirements of UNSW as well as the mental and physical requirements of the Australian Defence Force.

To find out more about the selection process visit: <http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/adfa/how-toapply/>

### **PCA: Professional Cadetships Australia**

This year we will again be running two cadetship programmes: the Business Cadetships Programme and the Engineering & Technology Cadetships (ETCAD) Programme. Under the 2017 Business Cadetships Programmes, UBS intends to continue to provide cadetship opportunities across the firm in Sydney. Business Cadets study at the University of their Choice in Sydney and may select from degree programmes in business, commerce, economics and the humanities. Applications are made online. They are open and close on 10 May.

Applications for the ETCAD Programme open on 26 April and I be writing to you about the details of this Programme in late March. However, I am pleased to let you know in

advance that Westpac will continue to offer Technology Cadetships and in addition, Macquarie Group will also offer Technology Cadetships.

### **Careers in Maths**

Visit the Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute's website to view a range of career profiles from apprentice chefs to Electricians to Nurses where mathematics is a necessary part of their everyday jobs.

<http://mathsadds.amsi.org.au/>

### **Australian Taxation Office: Tax File Number**

A tax file number is a unique nine-digit number issued to individuals and organisations to help administer tax and other Australian Government systems. Students need a TFN before they can start any type of paid work.

For information on how to apply visit: <https://www.ato.gov.au/individuals/tax-file-number/>

### **2017 Western Sydney Careers Expo**

22nd to 25th June 2017, the Dome and Hall 2, Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park

There will be exhibitors from universities, TAFE, providers of HSC resources, gap year programmes and work skills programmes. Admission is \$10 per person, with discounts offered for school groups.

<http://www.westernsydneycareerexpo.com.au/>

### **How to survive Year 12**

Starting Year 12 this year? Click this link to find out how to survive the year:

<http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/studying-training/secondary-study/6-tips-for-surviving-year-12>

The Good University guide also gives tips on how to survive year 12. Click here to find out more:

<https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/education-blogs/tertiary-study/year-12-survival-tips>

### **How to prepare for Year 12**

Want to get a head start for Year 12? Study TV host Rowan, a Sydney University Graduate of Law, has compiled a number of tips in multiple YouTube videos, on his channel, about how to prepare for Year 12. Click this link to find out more:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrZDmupZ99dfVJfVMkFukHA>

For videos and interviews with top students who reveal how they achieved their amazing academic success head over to:

<http://www.studytelevision.com>

Like them on Facebook for video updates:

<http://on.fb.me/mMbNCV>

### **Study smarter this year**

Wanting to study smarter this year? Watch this video summarising Marty Lobdells "Study Less Study Smart" video. Watch here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=23Xqu0jXlfs>

For tips on studying throughout all areas of education, whether high school or university, Subscribe to Thomas Frank (College Info Geek) here on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGKntY7aVnIGXYEBQvmBAQ>

### **Year 12 Career Action Plan**

This Career Action Plan from the Victorian Government is useful for all Year 12 students to help plan their futures, and includes handy checklists of things you should do to be prepared for applying for jobs and tertiary study.

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/teachingresources/careers/carframe/Pages/yr12apply.aspx>



### **Pathways to university**

This article from Deakin University gives advice on pathways into university no matter what you receive as an ATAR.

<http://this.deakin.edu.au/study/how-to-get-in-to-uni-no-matter-what-your-atar>

### **GENERAL**

#### **HSC Preparation courses at the University of Sydney, Centre for Continuing Education**

The HSC Preparation courses at CCE, the University of Sydney provide a comprehensive overview of preparation for HSC exams and assessment tasks. Students develop strategies for effective independent study which can be applied across a number of subjects: Chemistry, Physics, Essay writing, Economics, Biology or English Preparation. Learn the smart way and browse HSC courses at

<https://cce.sydney.edu.au/>

#### **Western Sydney Uni Year 12 Free HSC Study Sessions**

3 to 7 July

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/hsc\\_study\\_sessions/hsc\\_study\\_sessions](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/hsc_study_sessions/hsc_study_sessions)

#### **Professional Cadetships Australia Videos**

What is it like to be a cadet in Business or Engineering or I.T.?

<http://www.professionalcadets.com.au/business-cadetships-video.asp>

<http://www.professionalcadets.com.au/engineering-technology-cadetships-video.asp>

#### **Australian Mathematics Competition**

27 July

For all mathematics levels with more special events to follow. Teachers can register students online.

<http://www.amt.edu.au/mathematics/amc/>

#### **The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award**

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award (or 'The Duke of Ed') is an exciting international youth development program. Anyone between the ages of 14 and 25 can take part and the best bit is you choose your own activities and set your own goals. The Bridge Award is also available.

This award is open to young people aged between 11 and a half and 25 years. It builds confidence and resilience and is a great introduction to the Bronze level of The Duke of Ed (from 14 years). You'll get recognition for doing many of the things you already do. You can also choose new activities that you've always wanted to do.

<https://www.qld.gov.au/youth/be-involved-have-your-say/duke-of-ed-what-is/>

#### **Defence Info Sessions**

All Defence areas near to you such as: Trades, GAP, Reserves, ADFA, Commando, Women in the Force, Pilot and many more. Go to this link to find what is happening nearest you.

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/DefenceJobsAustralia/events/>

#### **How to become a Chartered Accountant**

<https://www.youunlimitedanz.com/Site-Content/About-CA/How-to-become-a-CA>

#### **Education USA YouTube Video Channel**

What is it like to study in America? What is the visa process? <https://www.youtube.com/user/EducationUSAtv>

Mr. Adamovich  
Careers

### **Mobile School App for iPhone and Android**

The school has its own mobile application that it uses as a portal to disseminate information such as Newsletters, permission notes, notifications and even forms. If you haven't downloaded the Macquarie Grammar School Application from the App Store or Google Play be do, so that you can be up-to-date with what's happening at Macquarie Grammar School. Skoolbag is a mobile App for Macquarie Grammar School to communicate directly to parents, staff and students.

How to Install the Macquarie Grammar Skoolbag App on your smartphone:

#### **iPhone Users**

Simply search for "Macquarie Grammar School" in the App Store on your phone and install. After the App is installed on your phone, make sure that you select "OK" to allow push notifications.

#### **Android Users**

Simply search for "Macquarie Grammar School" in Google Play on your phone and install.



### **School Uniform**

Parents/guardians please make sure that your child attends school in full school uniform or the correct uniform when attending school. It's suggested that students have two of every item of clothing except off course the blazer, jumper and tie. You order online through the Midford portal [www.midford.com.au/Order-Online/](http://www.midford.com.au/Order-Online/). The item can be delivered to school for pick up once electronic payment is made. This is a wonderful system and it works brilliantly.

Please follow the Uniform Online Ordering steps below:

## **Uniform Online Ordering**

Enjoy the convenience of online shopping. Save time and energy by ordering your uniforms online in 5 – 6 easy steps!

### **New User Instruction**

1. Go to [www.midford.com.au](http://www.midford.com.au)
2. Select Macquarie Grammar School from the Online School Shops tab
3. New users need to click the Register New Account button
4. Start the registration process by selecting Macquarie Grammar School from the drop down menu and add the unique school pass phrase [MGS2004]
5. Add your personal information, create a username and personal password
6. Order the items you need, choose to collect from the school or arrange for home delivery.



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