

NARRABUNDAH COLLEGE NEWS



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PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

FUTURE FOCUSED STUDENTS

This is the last session for our year12 students. Many are exploring post college pathways and preparing for their university applications.

Our students are facing big issues like globalisation, automation and more flexible working arrangements. Indeed, according to the New Work Order Report Series our students will be navigating 17 changes in jobs across 5 different careers, so their future challenges are significant.

What they need are skills like: communication, teamwork and problem-solving skills and choosing to work in a future-focused job cluster.

This was reinforced at the recent colloquium I attended on: ***Building a Culture of Excellence: Nurturing Learning*** where we were challenged and inspired to explore best practice and to build on the learning culture in our schools. The keynote, Lee Watanabe-Crockett presented his concept of Future Focused Learning: 10 Essential Skills. He focused on giving students the tools to learn, to see the possibilities, be solutions focussed and use analytical, critical and creative thinking. He challenged us to empower our students to develop deep awareness and understanding of our global culture.

It is crucial that our students see what's possible through:

- Self-directed learning
- Access to problems that matter
- Giving them permission *to get it wrong* in order to build their capacity
- Giving students an emotional connection to their learning to develop empathy and enable them to make connections across complex ideas.

Session 3 is the time for our year12s to draw on their learning to see the possibilities and be future focused. They have the power to face the challenges of post college life and are ready to navigate all those changes in careers.

Our year11 students' journey is well under way and they do need to continue to build their capacity for learning over the next 4 terms.

Thank you to parents, students and staff for their participation and feedback in the **2018 Narrabundah College Satisfaction Survey**. Results should be available in early Term 4 and we will use this data to inform our Annual Action Plan for 2019.

Towards the end of last session, all students also completed unit evaluations for each subject. Our teachers will analyse this feedback from students to change their teaching practices, where necessary, to improve the overall learning outcomes for our students.

ATAR Estimates

Year12 students aiming for university in 2019 should already have an ATAR estimate and I'm sure all students know that the Universities Admissions Centres applications close on Friday 28th September. A late fee is incurred if the deadline is not met. Applications to CIT need to be completed online then applicants need to attend an Enrolment Information session.

IB EXAMS

Students undertaking the International Baccalaureate exams commence their 'stuvac' on 19th October. Examinations commence on 29th October and conclude on Friday 16th November. We wish all students well in their exams after two intense years of work.

UN DAY

The annual college UN Day is to be held on Friday 26 October from 12.00-2.00pm. It is a highlight in our calendar. The day allows students to showcase their culture, perform and appreciate other cultures. Students, staff and parents always comment very positively on the day. I encourage you to attend and enjoy the day with your son/daughter.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Students from our College excel in a wide variety of endeavours. Below is a list of a few that have come to my attention. Congratulations to these students:

- Sam P who jointly came first in the UNSW School of Science and Engineering 2018 ProgComp Final and won a prize of \$5000.

- Ziqi Y who won a prize in the Australian Mathematics Competition.
- David J, Geoffrey Z, Spencer C, Ryu C and Eric H who were awarded HDs in the Australian Mathematics Competition.
- Joanne N, Zaran H, Netanya R, Hamzah B, Ranit B, Sam P, Grace L, Wallace T, Elise W, Jiamei S who were awarded Distinctions in the Australian Mathematics Competition.
- The 20 students who were members of the audience at the recent Q & A Program televised from Canberra and to William R who was selected to ask a question.
- The 13 students who recently played in the ACT Senior Concert Band at Limelight.
- Aneesha J who has been selected for the UN Youth Emerging Leaders' Program to travel to South Korea, China and Japan in January 2019. She is the only representative from the ACT.
- 2017 Graduannd Mark Perry who has beaten a large competitive field to win an Internship at the White House in Washington DC next year.

*Kerrie Grundy
Principal*

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE NEWS

YEAR12 IB

Congratulations to all yr12 IB students who have attended and completed their IB trials - well done! Students are now able to focus on their exam preparation and should attend all tutorials up until study vacation which begins on Friday 19th October.

IB Examinations begin on 29th October and finish on 16th November. The November 2018 examination timetable is on the IB classroom page.

YEAR11 IB

Extended Essays

All students should have contacted their EE supervisors, so they are able to work on their Extended essays during the October break.

Chris Ward

International Baccalaureate & CAS Coordinator

FRENCH BACCALAURÉAT NEWS

Year11 – General Parents' Information evening

On Thursday, 16th August, an Information Evening was held for our new Terminales, in Year11. The session, conducted by the Proviseur, provided important information about the Baccalaureat examinations and the organisation of this school year. It also gave parents an opportunity to meet the teachers and go over their expectations for the year ahead.

An email has been sent to parents with the power point presentation.

Guest Speakers

The scientific French stream had the pleasure to receive two guest speakers from the Department of Quantum Science of the ANU: Dr David Gozzard and James Spollard. They came to present how a laser works and what it can be used for. James focused his presentation on the Lidar Project that can be used to map the environment of an autonomous car. They showed us material from their laboratories. It was a very enriching experience for the students who seized the opportunity to ask questions about lasers and the two scientists' studies and work experience.



Accompagnement personnalisé

You may have seen us on Wednesdays, lying on the tables or on the floor around lunchtime. We were meditating. Our Year11 students are experiencing a lot of stress so we created a special class to boost their self-esteem and prepare them to choose the studies they want. Each class starts with a five-minute meditation session and then each student has a notebook where they write a "smart goal" for the week, something they liked during the week. The introduction ends with a compliment to another student. After that we do some activities to improve their self-confidence, for example, we were all standing in a circle and each student and teacher had to say something positive about himself/herself and imagine a simple movement. Everyone repeated the movement. This is a way for everyone to acknowledge each other's qualities and offer the possibility to be recognised inside the group.

Students are also exploring different study options. They had a visit from former students and a teacher from Teloepa who had a very unusual approach. It was a way to show them that the study they will choose are not going to define all their life.

We worked on the notion of failure. Each student wrote a failure he/she experienced on a paper and what they learnt from it and put it on the wall. At the centre we put the famous poster from student services saying, "you failed only if you have given up, everything else is learning." Some French teachers did it too, so students can see that adults went through failures and are still alive! If you wish to do the same, either in French or in English, you can use coloured paper, share a failure and what you learnt from it and stick it on the wall of B13!

Physical Education

As the term finishes, students are ending their badminton classes in the gym. They had the bac evaluation. They will now start long distance races at the

public oval next door. The evaluation will be held on week 9.

In the calendar

The **conseil de classe** for year11 students is scheduled for week 2 - Term 4 at Narrabundah College.

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday, 1st November in Week 3 at Narrabundah College. Bookings will be made through a Doodles documents. Parents will receive an email with the link of each teacher.

Baccalauréat mock exam – The first “*bac blanc*” will be organised during Week 10 of Term 4. Year11 students will be able to sit for their subjects in the same conditions as the actual exam. The timetable will be given to the students as soon as possible. They will have a practical physics and biology exam, English oral on Week 9.

Un Day, is on the 26th October and our students will have a stall (amongst with ES students) where they will sell crêpes and other French goodies. It's always a huge success thanks to the involvement of students and parents' contributions, so I would like to thank you all in advance for this year's participation.

Floriane Michel
French Baccalauréat Coordinator

STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

Year12

Students heading into university study for 2019 should be applying to the university admission centres across Australia by Friday 28 September 2018. You are still able to apply after this date, but a late fee will be charged. All students should have at least registered with each of the admissions centres in each state and put down some preferences of courses. These preferences can be changed right up to early January 2019, and certainly can be changed after students receive their actual ATAR on December 19.

Most institutions that participate in the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) have an Educational Access Scheme (EAS) for applicants who have experienced long term educational disadvantage. The forms require considerable supporting documentation and there is also a section which must be filled in by the school. Students should check their eligibility to apply for this as soon as possible. Universities in other states have similar schemes.

It is extremely important that year12 students check their package and in particular do not void units. The loss of points and/or subjects could jeopardise their eligibility for an ATAR or Year12 Certificate. Some students have had approval to undertake 4 lines of study in this last quadrimester at the college as they have completed more than a full-time load at some stage over the past two years. However, care needs to be taken not to void any of these units, as the approval has been granted on the understanding of staff, parents and students that

students will complete all 4 lines. If a student is in any doubt whatsoever as to where they stand as far as their package is concerned, they should consult their adviser as soon as possible. Updated ATAR estimates that include the last session are now available from the advisers.

Year11

Parents of some year11 students may be called in for an interview after the October holidays if there are significant problems/issues or concerns regarding attendance and/or progress. We have noticed more and more students trying to organise their classes over a reduced number of lines. We have a seven-line timetable created to maximise flexibility and diversity of curriculum offerings. Students should avoid timetabling work and other out of college commitments during school hours as we cannot guarantee subjects if line choices are restricted.

At the end of this year we will be holding 3-way parent/teacher/student interviews as a review of progress throughout year11. Parents will be asked to book a meeting in college hours from 10-12 December that will involve either the student's adviser or an executive teacher. This meeting will provide the opportunity to check progress, get their first ATAR estimate and make decisions about areas to focus on for year12 to ensure each student makes the most of their time at the college.

Delisia Wiild
Student Services, Executive Teacher

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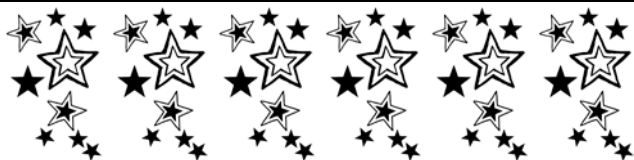
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Elisha Richards - School Psychologist

FIRST AID NOTICE

If your child is unwell please ensure that they bring their own analgesics and Hayfever medication, as the college does not supply them.



YEAR 12 FORMAL 2018

The College Formal is set for Friday, 30th November at the **AIS Arena, Leverrier St, Bruce.**

Students may start arriving at 5.30pm, although entry to the Arena is not until 6:30pm.

The **tickets cost \$120.00** and must be presented at the Formal for checking. Tickets will be on sale at the College's front reception from **Monday, 17th September until Friday, 9th November.**

Arrivals : will take place at the entrance to the Arena and may take place from **5.30pm.**

Pick up: may take place anywhere convenient in the Complex, but **parking in the arrivals area is not permitted** and security will move cars on. **Staff will be present until 11.45pm.**

NB: Students who leave the building for any reason will not be permitted to re-enter. The AIS is a non-smoking venue.

Remember, **dress** is fitting for a formal occasion. In the past, male students who have not hired formal suits have chosen to wear smart casual shirts and trousers, with or without ties.

The price of the ticket includes a three-course meal and soft drink package.

Photographs: we have organised a professional photographer and students may have photographs taken upon arrival, in the foyer and inside the hall. All photographs can be obtained on-line, and prints can be ordered. Photographs are not included in the ticket price.

The Formal is organised by the college with staff attending. Of course, normal college rules apply so alcohol and other illicit substances are not tolerated and if students breach the rules or arrive at the venue under the influence of any such substances, they will be sent home.

Narrabundah College has established an excellent reputation for exemplary behaviour at past Formals. This has resulted in successful and very enjoyable memorable evenings for everyone.

The College does not support any after Formal parties.

Andrea Trappes
Student Advisor

**Narrabundah College
Presentation Night**

**Wednesday, 19 December 2018
5:00 - 7:00pm in the Gym**

Student.....
(Given name - please print) (Surname - please print)

Will you be present to receive your certificate?

Yes **No**

I have invited:

Guest:
(please print name)

Guest:
(please print name)

RSVP: Please return this form to Reception by no later than Friday, 7 December 2018.

Please Note: Graduating Year12s will not be reserved a seat without an RSVP

If you have any enquiries, please contact
Reception on 6142 3200

Unable to attend Presentation Night?

If you are unable to attend Presentation Night Wednesday, 19 December commencing 5.00pm, then you may:

- a) collect your Certificate from Reception at the college:

Thursday 20 December 2018	9.00am – 3.00pm
Friday 21 December 2018	9.00am – 12noon

 and from
Monday 21 January 2019 **9.00am – 3.00pm**
- b) arrange for another person to collect your Certificate for you, but you must give them a signed letter authorising them to do so.
- c) **for postage in Australia – purchase a \$6.70 prepaid registered B4 envelope from a Post Office.**

For postage overseas – purchase a \$25.00 prepaid registered B4 envelope from a post office. (Write student's name, address on both sides of prepaid B4 registered envelope. Place envelope in the box in Delisia Wiild's room in Student Adviser's area.)

Please note: You must fill in the Lodgement Slip receipt with student's own address and details and we will post on your behalf.

International Private Students (IPS) will have their certificates posted by the International Section in the ACT Department of Education.

Please note: Certificates are not available before Presentation Night

LIBRARY NEWS

Lending of books for session 3 is now complete and we thank students and staff for their patience over the first few days of the session. Session 3 books are due back on November 27, the last day of the final exams for 2018. We ask that all overdue books and books that are no longer needed be returned in the next few days. We ask all students to keep an eye on their email's in-box as overdue notices will continue to be sent each couple of weeks until the end of session 3. A full list of all books will be sent to your in-box in the few days leading up to the final exams.

Students who change subjects should return all books from the subject that they are changing from at the same time they pick up books for their new subject.

The library staff have noted that some books are being returned in a damaged condition. Chewing by pets, coffee stains, ripped and waterlogged books are among the damage that has been observed. Damaged books cannot be returned to the collection or lent out in the future; we ask that all students take care of our books.

Year12 students and year11 students who are not returning in 2019 are invited to add their details to the alumni data base. The alumni data base is a way of looking forward it enables students who have left to reconnect in the future. At Narrabundah College we expect our students to become leaders in the community, industry, politics, to be pioneers of the future in engineering, health and social development. Alumni enable students to reconnect for reunions, special achievements and for special events. The alumni database is available now, adding your name early in session 3 eliminates delays during and after the examination period. If the alumni database is, for any reason, not available ask for it to be activated by library staff.

Furthermore, we ask students to claim any lost property which is displayed on the coat stand and the table beneath in the foyer of the library on your right after entering. Long term lost property items are kept in the Lost Property cupboard to the right of the printer opposite the circulation desk. Unclaimed lost property will be donated to charity.

Jenny Howard
Teacher Librarian

INTERNET BANKING – DIRECT PAYMENT

There is a 'Payment' option on the school website (www.narrabundahc.act.edu.au) – **Westpac Quickweb**. Go to: **contact us, Payment**. **Please identify your payment by including the student's name.**

MATHS NEWS

Australian Maths Competition Results

25 students took part in this year's Australian Maths Competition, despite being held on Moderation Day. Well done to everyone who took part! This year the results were outstanding:

Prize – Ziqi Y.

High Distinctions – David J, Geoffrey Z, Spencer C, Ryu C and Eric H.

Distinctions – Grace L, Wallace T, Elise W, Jiamei S, Joanne N, Zaran Z, Netanya R, Hamzah B, Ranit B and Sam P.

Credits – Emily N, Thomas L, Vivian D, Wisesa R and Xiangbei P.

Guest Speaker

Last term, Associate Professor Adam Butt from the ANU Research School of Finance, Actuarial Studies and Statistics gave an engaging presentation to both year11 and 12 students. He explained what actuaries do and took them through some interesting problems that challenged their mathematical thinking.

Year 11 Subject Selections for Session 3

Students have recently started their Session 3 Maths classes. It is very important that students are enrolled in a course where they can show development in their skills and knowledge and do not feel overwhelmed by the level of difficulty.

All year11 Specialist Core students have been informed that if they continue in Specialist Core in session 3, they are then locked into the course and **cannot** change to Maths Methods at the beginning of year 12. So, students who are finding Specialist Core too challenging now should make the choice to move to Maths Methods.

Year11 students finding Maths Methods too challenging can change to Maths Applications now, which we highly recommend, or can change at the beginning of year12.

It is not too late to change classes. If students would like individual advice I encourage them to see me in the Maths staffroom, or to speak to their student adviser.

Nicole Burg
Executive Teacher

2018 Student/Parent Calendar & ibook

can be found on our website,
www.narrabundahc.act.edu.au/our_students

GENERAL NOTICE FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Parents are welcome to visit the Narrabundah College front office or call on 61423200 to make enquiries regarding their sons & daughters. Please do not walk around the college looking to make contact with staff.

LANGUAGES NEWS

ANU Japanese Speech Contest

Haomin L who studies Japanese Continuing Course won the College Division ANU Japanese Speech Contest that was held on Saturday 18th August. In total, four Narrabundah College students participated in this competition. Haomin's topic was 'Differences between Australian and Japanese Education'. In his speech, he talked about his experience as an International student in Canberra and also referred to his sister's experience travelling in Japan. He is now competing at Nationals in Sydney on 6th October. Congratulations to Haomin on his achievement and we wish him all the very best at the Nationals.

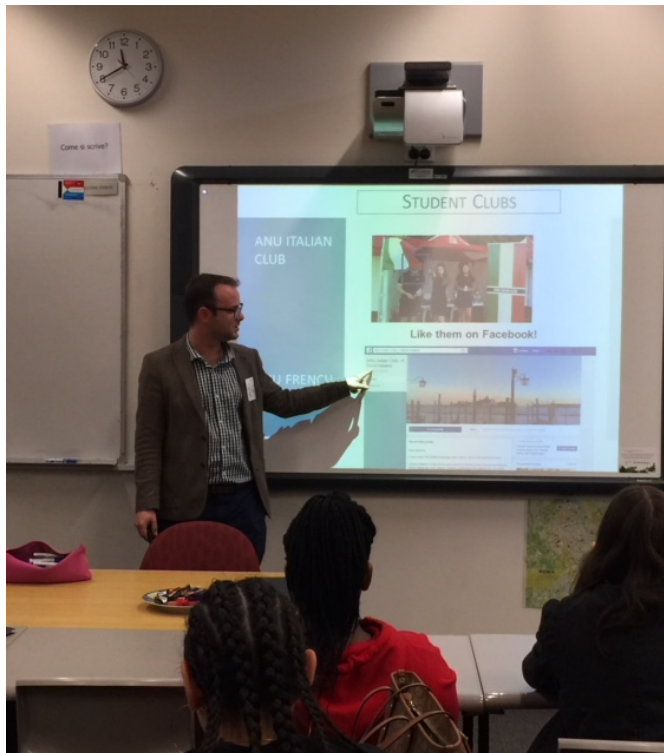
*Michiko Barber
Japanese Teacher*

ANU lecturer visits Italian classes

Once again Narrabundah Italian students had the opportunity to hear firsthand how learning a language not only opens your mind, but also doors to interesting job opportunities in and outside of Australia.

On Monday, 27 August 2018, Dr Joshua Brown, the new Lecturer and Convener of Italian Studies at the Australian National University (ANU) came to Narrabundah College to speak to the students of our Italian classes.

Dr Brown gave an overview of the School of Literature, Languages and Linguistics at the ANU and emphasised how studying Italian provided a gateway to one of the richest European cultural traditions. He made his visit interactive by showing videos that were made by past ANU students talking about their experiences studying languages and what it meant for them.



Students heard specific details about what Italian courses were offered by ANU. Dr Brown reminded the students how they can get bonus points on their ATAR, talked about the many career opportunities available for bilingual and polyglot people and also mentioned some social activities ANU students of Italian organise regularly.

There was plenty of time for a Q&A session. Our students certainly took advantage of that since some of them are planning to study Italian after college.

Miyuki Shino, Head of Languages, and our principal Kerrie Grundy joined us for some time during Dr Brown's visit and took the opportunity to talk to our visitor and the students.

Our guest was impressed with the participation and preparation of our students who, on their part, really enjoyed the occasion.



*Assunta Corrado-Nitz
Italian Teacher*



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Dear Parent/Carer

ACT Government funded meningococcal ACWY vaccine for adolescents

Meningococcal disease is a rare but severe infection that occurs when meningococcal bacteria invade the body from the throat or nose and enter the bloodstream. The disease can progress very quickly and can lead to death or permanent disability.

Young adults and older teenagers are at increased risk of meningococcal disease. They are more likely to carry the bacteria in their nose and throat, and more likely to spread the bacteria to others.

In December 2017, the ACT Government announced funding of a free meningococcal ACWY (MenACWY) vaccine for Year10 students with a one-year catch-up program only during 2018 for 16-19-year olds. The free vaccine for the catch-up program has been available from February 2018 through general practitioners and will finish on 31 December 2018.

While the vaccine for the catch-up program is provided free by the ACT Government, doctors may charge a consultation fee.

To facilitate better access for 16 to 19-year-olds to the MenACWY vaccine, the ACT Schools Health Team will be visiting ACT colleges and independent and Catholic high schools during the second semester of 2018. The vaccine will be offered at school to Year11 and 12 students by trained nurse immunisers.

You will receive a consent form for the MenACWY vaccine. We request your support in completing the form, so your child can present this to the immunisation team on the day they visit your child's school. Year11 and 12 students who do not return a signed parental consent form may lawfully provide their own consent for vaccination. This will only occur if an immunisation nurse deems that the student is able to understand the information provided and is competent to make an informed decision.

To learn more about meningococcal disease and the MenACWY vaccine, visit: <http://www.health.act.gov.au/our-services/immunisation/high-school-immunisation-program>.

If you would like further information about the program please contact the Immunisation Unit, Health Protection Service on 6205-2300 during normal business hours.

Dr Paul Kelly
Chief Health Officer
ACT Health

We will be visiting Narrabundah College to conduct Yr11 & Yr12 Meningococcal immunisations on the following days:

- 16 October, Tuesday**
- 17 October, Wednesday**
- 18 October, Thursday**
- 19 October, Friday**

[Forms available from the Front Office](#)

Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve Open Day on Sunday 7 October 2018 from 10am to 3pm.

The annual Tidbinbilla Open Day is on again this year. Mark this date in your diary for a fun-filled day of nature-based experiences, kid's activities, live music, displays, demonstrations and more - held in the greatest venue of all, the great outdoors! The theme this year is 'Rediscover Tidbinbilla' where we encourage you to explore the Reserve with renewed curiosity and a fresh perspective. Rediscover the rich Indigenous culture of Tidbinbilla through a guided experience on Ngunnawal Country. Rediscover adventure and take the chance to explore our natural environment through immersive NaturePlay activities. Rediscover science with a hands-on experience to learn about our Threatened Species Breeding Programs. Rediscover heritage and take a step back in time to explore the stories of the Tidbinbilla Valley and how they have shaped the reserve to what it is today.

A relaxed family friendly atmosphere with free entry to Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve all day.

<https://www.tidbinbilla.act.gov.au/whats-happening>

Instrumental Music Program extension ensembles for 2019 - applications for auditions are now open



Current year 8-11 students who will be attending a public high school or college in 2019 are eligible to apply for auditions for the following IMP ensembles.

Senior Concert Band – Brass, woodwind and percussion players in years 9 - 12 in 2019 in ACT public schools

Senior Concert Choir – Singers in years 7 – 12 in 2019 in ACT public schools

Percussion Ensemble – Percussion players in years 7 - 12 in 2019 in ACT public schools

Website link - http://www.imp.act.edu.au/our_ensembles/auditions





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Emergency Services Open Day on Sunday 28 October 2018 from 10am to 3pm.

The Open Day provides an opportunity for the ACT community to learn how emergency services works. It is a day of family fun with the opportunity for people of all ages to sit in trucks, try out fire hoses, ride in a helicopter, tour the incident management facilities and learn about Emergency Services Agency operations. A family event filled with entertainment, food, skills demonstrations, and hands on activities! This is an exciting day out for all ages where you can meet the people who keep our community safe and learn how you can take care of what matters most during an emergency. It's up to all of us to work together for a strong and resilient Canberra.

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Menslink Midweeker with Don Furner

Event Info

Wednesday 10th October 2018

5:30pm > 7:00pm

[Menslink](#)

[Gryphons Caffe Bar](#)

16 Barker Street, Canberra, ACT 2603

[#health&wellbeing](#) [#sport](#) [#business](#)

[View on Facebook](#)



Event Description

Imagine you are driving up the Hume highway to Sydney and get a phone call instructing you that you are to turn around and fire your brother from his job as head coach for the Canberra Raiders. For Don Furner, this is exactly what happened to him and this is just one of the moments that has shaped who he is today. Every job has its highs and lows – and Don has had plenty of both in his mission to build one of the countries, and this town's, longest running and arguably best-known sporting teams – the Canberra Raiders. Don has had a long career, history and unwavering commitment to his 'Green Machine' rugby league family. Starting out as a ball boy for the team on the sidelines, he has worked and earned his way up through the ranks and now runs the business of the Canberra Raiders from the CEO's seat.

Throughout his life he has faced many challenges and helped many young men with their personal and professional struggles. Join us to hear his insights into elite sport, its effects on community and hear stories of the successes and failures along the way.

Midweekers are available to women and men of all ages who want to come and listen to inspiring stories from our local men, as well as to understand some of the key issues facing young guys in our region. You don't have to be a guy to come to a Midweeker – just interested in supporting young guys and their families.

Event Info

Wednesday 7th November 2018

5:30pm > 7:00pm

[Menslink](#)

[Gryphons Caffe Bar](#)

16 Barker Street, Canberra, ACT 2603

[#health&wellbeing](#)

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Event Description

Picture a young boy, growing up in the Punjab region of India in the 1960s. There's only one classroom in the school, a blackboard and a single dedicated teacher. Fast forward to 2018 and that same boy is now an accomplished cross-national PhD qualified academic in plant sciences and has positioned himself as one of Canberra's most influential educational figures as the Vice Chancellor of the University of Canberra.

What makes someone relocate their family and their life halfway around the globe from Canada for a job and how does education play a role in shaping the lives of young men? Come along to our Midweeker to hear about Professor Saini's personal and educational journey as he reflects on many issues, including his father's own educational journey reminding him of the struggles he too faced following his passions.

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Important Dates

28 Sept	Last day for class changes
1-12 Oct	School Holidays (includes 1 Oct, Labour Day – Public Holiday)
26 Oct	UN Day – Line 6 National Bandanna Day-Fundraiser & Bake Sale
29 Oct	IB exams start
5 Nov	Yr11 WEX and VOC applications close Music Assessment week
7 Nov	Test timetable published 2019 Session 1 grid available to students
9 Nov	Last day withdrawal from units Yuddah Contemporary Music Festival
14 Nov	4.30 Board Meeting 6.00 P&C Meeting
15 Nov	6.30-7.30 Fashion Parade in Theatre
19 Nov	5.00-7.00 Visual Arts Exhibition (A&F Block) Accompanied by music students
20 Nov	12.00 Yr12 Farewell Assembly

21-27 Nov	Test Week – Excursion Free
27 Nov	Return all Library books & text books
28 Nov	9.00 Yr12 Breakfast
30 Nov	Yr12 Formal @Bruce, AIS Arena
28 Nov-4 Dec	Assessment Week Excursion & Student Free
3-7 Dec	Yr11 only – VOC & WEX week
5 Dec	Feedback Day – all students to attend Excursion Free Unit scores displayed
12-14 Dec	Yr11 IB Study Session
6-21 Dec	Excursion & Student Free
14 Dec	Board/P&C Morning Tea
19 Dec	5.00-7.00pm Yr12 Presentation Night (gym) Yr12 Reports will be in Graduation Pack

2018 Parent Information Evenings, Parent Teacher afternoons & other evenings

1-12 Oct	School Holidays (includes 1 Oct, Labour Day – Public Holiday)
26 Oct	UN Day
9 Nov	Yuddah Contemporary Music Festival
14 Nov	4.30 Board Meeting 6.00 P&C Meeting
15 Nov	6.30-7.30 Fashion Parade in Theatre
19 Nov	5.00-7.00 Visual Arts Exhibition
26 Nov	Parent Teacher Online (PTO) bookings open
30 Nov	Yr12 Formal @Bruce, AIS Arena
10&11 Dec	9.00-4.00 Yr11 IB Progress Interviews
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