



The Dove

"IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING
AND HAVING HIGH EXPECTATIONS
OF OURSELVES AND EACH OTHER"

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Mon 14 Mar 2016

- NSWCCC Golf @ Macquarie Links
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Tue 15 Mar 2016

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- PDSSSC U/15 Rugby League selection day @ Heber Park
- NSWCCC Baseball @ Panania

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St Patrick's Day

Fri 18 Mar 2016

- National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
- Yr 11 Study Skills Day
- Yr 7 Big Fish Little Fish
- PDSSSC Swimming Carnival @ Homebush

Dear members of the St Columba's community

Education is a journey

There is a story about a group of martial arts students who have finally achieved the peak of their ambition – the Black Belt. After many years of discipline, training and striving, they at last kneel before their master to receive their reward.

But first the master says, that he has one more test for them to pass. "Tell me, what is the true meaning of the Black Belt?"

The students quickly reply, it is the end of our journey. It is the reward for all our years of hard work.

The master pauses. "You are not ready for the Black Belt. Return again in one year."

The next year, after months of hard work, the students kneel again before their master.

"What is the true meaning of the Black Belt?" He asks them.

The students reply, it is the highest honour in martial arts. It is the sign that we have achieved the highest goal.

The master pauses. "Alas, you are not ready for the Black Belt. Return in one year."

The students go away for a further year of effort. When they return one year later, once again they hear their master's question. "What is the true meaning of the Black Belt?"

This time the students reply, "the Black Belt is not the end of our journey. It marks the beginning. From now on, we begin a never-ending effort for higher and higher standards, to learn all we can about our discipline, to become masters of our art."

The master pauses. "That is the answer I was seeking. You are now ready to receive the Black Belt and begin your work."

All change leads to new beginnings. All achievement opens up opportunities for even greater achievements. Education is change and growth. The more we learn the more we understand we need to learn. The race to perfection has no finish line.

Enrolments 2017

During next few weeks I will be visiting the Year 5 and 6 students in our Catholic feeder schools to speak to them about the College. Many parents from these schools fear that with our increased enrolments that they may be excluded from the College. Could I ask all parents and guardians that if you have friends, relatives or connections in any of these schools, to please assure them that all students from our Catholic feeder schools and all Catholic primary schools will be automatically enrolled into the College for Years 7-12.

St Columba's Catholic College was built, to ensure a place for all families who wanted a Catholic education.

School Fees

If any parent or guardian is having difficulty paying school fees please contact Mr Chris Carpenter our Business Manager and arrange for an interview to discuss this with him.

Please be assured that you will be treated with absolute dignity and respect at all times.

Whilst Catholic schools cannot exist without the support of school fees, no child will ever be refused an education in any Parramatta Diocesan Systemic Catholic school because of financial hardship.

May God bless you always,

Paul Ryan
Principal



ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Year 7, 2017 Information Evening

Wednesday 23rd March, 2016

Session 1:

4.00pm Tour of the facilities
5.00 - 5.30pm Address by the Principal

Session 2:

6.00pm Tour of the facilities
7.00 - 7.30pm Address by the Principal

- Tours will begin at 4.00 and 6.00pm sharp to enable visitors to view all of the College facilities.
- Prospectus and enrolment application forms will be available on the night.

Enquiries: Sandra O'Brien, Enrolments Secretary 4754 8907

Bookings are
not required.

Please register at the
College Library
upon arrival.

St Columba's Catholic College 168 Hawkesbury Road, Springwood 2777
Phone: (02) 4754 1022 Email: stcolumbas@parra.catholic.edu.au
Web: www.stcolumbasspringwood.catholic.edu.au



From the Office

School Fees

The school fee statements for Term 1, 2016 have been mailed out. The due date for payment is on or before Monday 7th March 2016. If you have not yet received your statement, please contact me on 4754 8902 to arrange for a copy to be sent home.

The cutoff date for returning the required paperwork for the payment of the 2016 school fees by way of Flexible Payment Plan to the Catholic Education Office, Parramatta, was 26th February. The Catholic Education Office will not accept late requests. If you would like to pay the 2016 fees as per the amounts shown on the Flexible Payment Plan paperwork, you need to contact me as soon as possible so that I am able to set the arrangement up for you.

Catholic Education Diocese, Parramatta, is committed to supporting families experiencing genuine financial hardship. If you are having difficulties with the payment of your school fees, you are encouraged to contact the school office to arrange an appointment with either me or the business manager to discuss payment options. Your situation will be treated with care and confidentiality and an appropriate payment arrangement will be made for you. Please note that as part of this process you may be required to complete a Statement of Financial Position so that the school is aware of your current financial situation. Please be assured of **complete confidentiality** with regards to any information you are asked to provide.

N.B. If you were on a payment arrangement for 2015 (except Flexible Payment Plan) it is important that you contact me when you receive your Term 1 statement so that I am aware of your intentions for 2016.

Please be advised that unless alternative arrangements have been made regarding the payment of your account it will be assumed that full payment will be made on or before the due date. Fees are payable in accordance with the Diocesan School Fees Policy which states "all fees are due and payable within 30 days of the date the school account statement is issued". Outstanding accounts will be forwarded to Catholic Education Diocese, Parramatta, for actioning.

If you need to discuss any issues regarding the school fees, please contact me by phone on 4754 8902 or by email rvion@parra.catholic.edu.au

School fees can be paid by Bpay, Postbillpay, cash, Direct Debit, EFTPOS, credit card or cheque.

Roselee Vion
Senior Finance Officer

From the Uniform Shop

It's that time of term to try on all your winter uniforms.

Beat the end of term rush, get ready for Term 2, come in and try on grey trousers or blazers, either before school or during recess.

Boys grey trousers: \$50 each.

Unisex blazers: \$175 each.

Hemming service available at a small cost of \$12 per item.

Payments can be made in the Uniform Shop or over the phone by Credit Card 4754 8943.

Reminder: Year 7 Blazer payments are due by Thursday 17th March.

Chantal Morris
Acting Uniform Shop Manager

Student News

Year 10 Commerce Excursion to Penrith Law Courts

On the 19th of February, Year 10 Commerce had the opportunity to venture to Penrith Law Courts in order to extend our knowledge on the current learning topic, Law and Society. The group was able to view a variety of cases in the Penrith Magistrate and District Courts, such as bail applications, appeals and trials. These cases gave the students an extended understanding of the roles of various members in court, the differences in criminal and civil cases and the link between the hierarchy of the court system. We appreciate the work and effort put into the organisation of this excursion by Mr Steadman who was accompanied by Mr Holmes.

Eve Cullinane and Abbey Buckle

Library News

Student ebook of the Week Secondary Schools

22/02/2016



The Fault In Our Stars

John Green

Despite the tumour-shrinking medical miracle that has bought her a few years, Hazel has never been anything but terminal, her final chapter inscribed upon diagnosis. But when a gorgeous plot twist named Augustus Waters suddenly appears at Cancer Kid Support Group, Hazel's story is about to be completely rewritten.



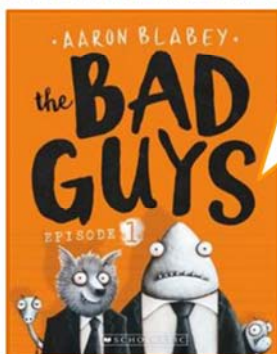
<https://goo.gl/GZsftb>



Suitable for years 8 - 12 learning exchange

Student ebook of the Week Primary Schools

22/02/2016



The BAD GUYS : episode 1

Aaron Blabey

They sound like the Bad Guys, they look like the Bad Guys ... and they even smell like the Bad Guys. But Mr Wolf, Mr Piranha, Mr Snake and Mr Shark are about to change all of that! Mr Wolf has a daring plan for the Bad Guys' first good mission. The gang are going to break 200 dogs out of the Maximum Security City Dog Pound.



<https://goo.gl/K5wda5>



Suitable for years 2 - 6 learning exchange

Belinda Sefton
Librarian

Sport News

Swimming Carnival 2016



Cross Country 2016



Careers

UNI

University of Sydney Dux Scheme

Be nominated by your principal by 30 September.

Have a guaranteed place at the University of Sydney if you meet the ATAR requirements. Nominations completed online. Portal and login details will be released between 5 to 7 August.

<http://sydney.edu.au/study/admissions/pathways-to-study/alternative-entry.html>

University of Western Sydney The Academy Scholarships

Excel in your studies and contribute to your community and you may receive:

VC Leadership Scholarship, \$10 000 per year.

Dean's Scholarship and Academic Excellence Scholarship, \$5 000 per year.

<http://www.theacademy.edu.au/scholarships>

US College Fair

10 March. 5pm to 7pm

Redlands Hall, Redlands School, Cremorne

US undergraduate degrees, scholarships and application advice.

Unis of Colorado, South Carolina, Fairleigh Dickinson University Foothill and De Anza Colleges.

<http://news.bostes.nsw.edu.au/blog/2016/2/18/us-universities-visiting-sydney-in-march-for-us-college-fair>

UNSW Year 12 Medicine Information Evening

24 March. 6pm to 8pm

Sir John Clancy Auditorium, UNSW Kensington

Application advice, admissions. Included are tips for the UMAT exam. <https://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/year-12-medicine-information-evening>

Charles Sturt University MyDay Program 2016 (May onwards)

Accounting and Business. Wagga Wagga. 10 May

Accounting, Business and Information Technology. Bathurst. 12 May

Agriculture. Wagga Wagga. 7-8 July

Allied Health. Albury-Wodonga. 30 June

Communication and Creative Industries. Port Macquarie. 4 July

Info Day. Port Macquarie. 23-24 June

Medical Radiation Science and Paramedic. Port Macquarie. 8 July

Psychology. Bathurst. 19 May

Teaching and Education. Bathurst. 2 June

Teaching and Education. Wagga Wagga. 7 June

Teaching and Education. Albury-Wodonga. 9 June

Teaching, Nursing and Social Work. Dubbo. 28 June

Read more at <http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/unilife/social/events/myday>

QS World University Rankings for NSW 2015/16

Australian rankings left. World ranking right bracketed.

1. Australian National University (19)

3. The University of Sydney (45)

4. The University of New South Wales (46)

9. University of Technology, Sydney (218)

10. Macquarie University (229)

<http://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings/world-university-rankings/2015>

TAFE

TAFE Bytes

Blog posts on different industries, careers, study options and apprenticeships.

<http://tafebytes.com.au/>

TAFE Career Quiz

Fun quiz that highlight possible career paths for you.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/careers/career-quiz>

COLLEGES

S&E Qantm Masterclass and Info Nights

Sound, animation, games design, digital media, web design, film course information.

Sydney Campus Info Night

5 May. 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Level 1, 11-17 York Street, Sydney, NSW. Call 02 8241 5200. Email: sydney@sae.edu

<https://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events/sydney-campus-open-day-30-jan-2016/?date=2016-05-05&id=598>

Byron Bay Campus Info Night

12 May. 6:00pm to 9:00pm

373-391 Ewingsdale Road, Byron Bay NSW. Call 02 6639 6000. Email: byronbay@sae.edu

<https://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events/byron-bay-campus-open-night-12-nov-2015/?date=2016-05-12&id=605>

AIE Work Experience in 3D Animation, Games and VFX

Years 10, 11 and 12 spend the week in a mini studio where they create a small game or film while learning some core skills along the way. To register, go to <http://www.aie.edu.au/workexperience>

Academy of Interactive Entertainment Events Animation and Games Design

Industry Experience Days

6 and 20 April

<http://www.aie.edu.au/ied>

Open Day 21 May

<http://www.aie.edu.au/openday>

Online Experience Day

26 May

<http://www.aie.edu.au/oed>

Short Courses at AFTRS

11 April . The Real Filmmaking Workshop .

18 April . Teens Digi Animation.

With instruction by industry professionals.

<http://www.aftrs.edu.au/short-courses/kids-and-teens>

Australian College of Applied Psychology Information Session

27 April

Campus and course tour .Speak to staff and students.

Register your attendance at: <http://www.acap.edu.au/>

Coco Republic Design School Online Courses

From 16 to 18 weeks courses on Design Essentials, Styling Essentials and Colour for Interiors.

<http://www.cocorepublic.com.au/design-school/start-learning/online-courses/>

CATC Design School Day in the Life of a Designer Workshop

4 July and 26 September

Choose between graphic design, interior design or photo imagining interactive workshop experiences.

<http://www.catc.edu.au/about-us/upcoming-events/sydney>

JMC Information Session

7 March. 6pm to 7pm

561 Harris Street, Ultimo NSW 2007

Animation, Film and TV, Music, Song Writing, Game Design, Entertainment Management, Audio Engineering and Digital Design course information and employment opportunities advice given.

<http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/information-sessions/jmc-academy-information-sessions>

Raffles College of Design and Commerce 2016 School Holiday Workshop

11 to 14 April

Digital media, fashion design, photography, fashion marketing, interior design and graphic design workshops. Register on

<http://www.raffles.edu.au/story/detail/school-holiday-workshops.html> and then email your reply to contact@raffles.edu.au.

College of Event Management Information Session

18 March

Level 9 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills

Diploma and Certificate III course advice and information on career opportunities.

<http://www.collegeofeventmanagement.com.au/information-sessions/>

Whitehouse Institute of Design School Workshops

2 Short Street, Surry Hills, NSW 2010

Novice courses for Yrs 7 to 12 on campus or at your school in drawing for fashion, interior drawing techniques, creative direction, textiles and design.

To book or enquiries, Email: enquiry@whitehouse-design.edu.au or Phone, 02 9267 8799 or 1300 551 433

<http://www.whitehouse-design.edu.au/courses/school-studios-workshops-for-schools-in-nsw-and-vic>

Sydney Aviators Open Days

12 June and 18 September . Starts 8:30am - all day

Introductory flights, private pilot licence, BBQ lunch meet instructors.

<http://www.sydneaviators.com.au/Course.aspx?pid=129>

GENERAL

Scholarship opportunities for future teachers

Years 10 -12 interested in teaching as a career. The NSW Department of Education offers presentations via video conference students interested in teaching. Students hear about all the scholarships and cadetships available to them and get an insight into teaching as a career. Register your interest and contact emma.vandermoezel@det.nsw.edu.au.

Business Cadetships Program

Opens on 7 March

Close 11 May

Run by Professional Cadetships Australia .

Year 12 students apply online at www.businesscadetships.com.au

(Under the Program, UBS will continue to offer cadetship opportunities across the firm.

Information on the Program is provided on our website).

Engineering & Technology Cadetships (ETCAD) Program

Opens on 26 April.

Applications close 17 June

Run by Professional Cadetships Australia .

The 2016 Program provides Year 12 students with the opportunity to apply for a Technology Cadetship at Westpac. On completion of their cadetship, Technology Cadets are well-placed to pursue a career in IT and in business. (This year Rolls-Royce will not be offering Engineering Cadetships).

Information on the ETCAD Program may be found at www.etcad.com.au

Urban and Rural Surveying Careers Booklet

With profiles of young through to experienced Surveyors working throughout NSW. Designed to help inspire young people to consider surveying careers for urban or rural audiences. For your booklet and other resources, visit <http://www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au/free-resources-nsw/>

One Shift Jobs

Casual or part time jobs offers.

<https://oneshiftjobs.com/>

The Lifted Brow Experimental Non Fiction Prize

Closes 29 May

Write up to 5000 words on non fiction topic. \$5000 prize and publication.

<http://theliftedbrow.com/experimentalnonfictionwritingprize>

Sydney Writers Festival

16 May. 10am to 2pm

Pier 2/3 . Walsh Bay

Years 9 to 12.

World leading thinkers and writers together.

Contact AnjaniNath, anjani.nath@bostes.nsw.edu.au or (02) 9367 8331

<http://www.swf.org.au/best-of-the-fest/>

Go Overseas

Compare various overseas programs with reviews by students and 300 articles on travel and country guides.

<http://www.gooverseas.com/>

Projects Abroad High School Projects Webinar

5 April, 6:30pm

Ask all your questions about the program. Students 16+ up have the opportunity to volunteer overseas for 2 weeks this summer as part of a fully supervised group. Destinations include Nepal, Cambodia & Sri Lanka, students can choose from a range of programs, such as working with children or in local hospitals. Email info@projects-abroad.com.au

Visit <http://www.projects-abroad.com.au/more-info/information-events/webinars/high-school-projects/>

Ten things to expect in your first week at a new job

Tips on the right things to do and ask on your first day.

<http://www.fya.org.au/2016/02/04/ten-things-to-expect-in-your-first-week-at-a-new-job/>

The HSC and Careers Expo 2016

2 to 5 June

Royal Hall of Industries, Moore Park, Sydney

Tertiary and training organisations, employers, gap year. \$10 per person. School discounts.

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

Work Experience in Surveying

Submit online form and a link made to an appropriate company for work experience.

<http://www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au/student-work-experience/secondary-students/>

How to become a psychologist

Find inside information directly from My Health Career. <https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/psychology/become-a-psychologist>

Enter your name & email address to subscribe for free.

How to become a Dietitian

<https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/dietetics/9-tips-for-getting-your-first-job-as-a-dietitian-by-Emma-Stubbs>

Enter your name & email address to subscribe for free.

2016 Go4IT Work Experience Program

20 to 24 June

5 to 9 September

7 to 11 November

Interactive learning experience to encourage girls into I.T.

http://www.tcs.com/about/corp_responsibility/corporate-social-responsibility/Pages/TCS-Go4IT-work-experience-program-girls-IT.aspx

Sarina Russo Apprenticeships

Prospective apprentices can register for the job board and incentives and allowances for apprentices.

<http://sarinarusso.com/apprentices/>

Morrisby Online

Online career decision making assessment.

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



The Australian Careers Service has recently partnered with SpotJobs, providing access to a valuable resource that we believe will have many benefits for our members and their students and clients.

SpotJobs.com is Australia's fastest-growing online job board, focusing on permanent and flexible employment opportunities. They have nearly one million registered jobseekers who trust

the website to deliver targeted jobs that match their search preferences.

Jobseekers can search and filter jobs by location and working conditions, including the time of day they'd like to work and preferences such as working indoors or outdoors, or in a customer-facing role. For students, this means they can focus on study while learning new skills that will help build their careers for the future.

SpotJobs provides an easy-to-use platform that means no matter where you are, or what device you're using, it's simple to search, apply and get hired.

Check out the [SpotJobs](http://www.australiancarriersservice.com.au/) website to learn more <http://www.australiancarriersservice.com.au/> .

For more information, please contact SpotJobs on 131 121 or email help@spotjobs.com.



An interactional workshop series for young adults on the autism spectrum who are transitioning into employment

Our Presenter



Vicky Little

Vicky Little is a passionate and professional disability advocate, trainer and mentor with over 10 years' experience in the field of Autism in the UK and Australia. Her experience includes developing and coordinating specialist graduate and student support programs across southern England at Prospects in London, the UK's National Autistic Society's employment support service. These programs offered employment preparation and transition support for students and graduates with Autism Spectrum Disorder's, as well as provided specialist training for employers and Higher Education institutes across the UK.

In 2011, Vicky brought her skills and experience back to Australia by founding AS Capable, a specialist mentoring and training service supporting adults with autism into employment, whilst simultaneously pursuing her interest in tertiary education as Disability Services Officer at Sydney University for 3 years. In June 2014, AS Capable partnered with Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect) to launch NSW's first autism specific employment service, Aspect Capable. Now the Employment Coordinator at Aspect, Vicky pursues her passion of raising awareness of the strengths and capabilities of adults with autism and enabling them to thrive within the workforce.

Who should attend: Individuals with autism over 15 who are transitioning into employment or seeking the opportunity to build skills to successfully find and maintain work. If you are a professional and are interested please contact Vicky before registering as this workshop is specifically for young people on the autism spectrum.

Workshop 1: Communication Skills for Work

Friday 18th March 2016

- Develop your understanding of communication skills at work
- Increase your awareness of appropriate ways to socially interact in the workplace
- Learn about ways to maintain good working relationships

Workshop 2: Skills for Transitioning to Employment:

Friday 22nd April 2016

- Understand your autism in the workplace, your strengths and identifying the right type of job for you
- Learn about workplace expectations and behaviour

Start to navigate your next steps as you transition from school into employment

Workshop 3: Managing Anxiety at Work

Thursday 19th May 2016

- Do you experience anxiety at school and want to learn strategies to manage it as you move into employment?
- Understand what anxiety is and how to recognise your symptoms and triggers
- Learn coping mechanisms to manage your anxiety at work.
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All three workshops will be held at:

Burwood RSL
96 Shaftesbury Rd, Burwood NSW 2134

Time: 9:30am – 2:30pm

Cost: FREE. A light lunch will be provided to participants. Parents/Carers/Teachers are invited to accompany their young people/students.

Register online: <http://www.autismspectrum.org.au>

Contact: Vicky Little
P: 02 8977 8348
E: vlittle@autismspectrum.org.au

Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect) ABN 12 000 637 267

Building 1, Level 2, 14 Aquatic Drive Frenchs Forest NSW 2086 | PO Box 361 Forestville NSW 2087 | T 02 8977 8300 W www.autismspectrum.org.au

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Careers Advisor

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Act Justly, Love Tenderly and Walk Humbly with our God

Diocesan News

Blackheath Reflection Morning

The first Catalyst for Renewal Reflection Morning will take place in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall Blackheath on Saturday 19th March. 10am-1pm.

Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ will lead the morning: *Pope Francis' Encyclical - Laudato Si'. On Care for our Common Home*. Morning Tea provided, entry by donation and no need to book.

Enquiries to Carmel 0417 474 850.

TEXT, TWITTER, TWEET Couples, the Internet and Social Media



COUPLE EVENING Friday, 18 March at 7.30pm

St Paul the Apostle Parish Hall, 40 Buckley's Rd, Winston Hills

The evening will be addressed by Shane Smith on the topic:
"Text, Twitter, Tweet – Couples, the Internet and Social Media."

Shane Smith is the **Director of Prepare/Enrich Australia** and **Vice President of the Marriage and Relationship Educators Association of Australia**. He is an enthusiastic presenter who actively promotes and facilitates marriage and family relationships. He has a broad understanding of digital technology and his presentation will focus on the impact of the internet, mobile technology and social media on couple relationships, and how digital technology matters in the lives of Australian couples.

Come along and find out the latest research on how this technology affects relationships and how it can be managed in your relationship.

Free entry and a light supper will be served.

Please register your attendance to:
marriage@ccss.org.au
or ring Lyn Keane on 8822 2222



Community News

PENRITH OBSERVATORY

SCHOOL OF COMPUTING, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS

DADS & KIDS ASTRONOMY NIGHT

The Penrith Observatory will be hosting a "Dads and Kids Astronomy Night" on Saturday 19 March from 8.00 pm – 10.00 pm. All fathers, grandfathers, kids and grandkids are invited to attend. This evening is for everyone and age is no barrier to spending an evening with the family and the stars.

Professor Miroslav Filipovic, Director of the Penrith Observatory, will make a presentation on "Aliens – Nooo!" – What is the likelihood of aliens and are really unique?

The presentation will be followed by a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and 0.6m telescope, and viewing of the night sky through the university's computerised telescopes. The Western Sydney Amateur Astronomy Group will also be on hand to help with the viewings.

To book and pay for tickets visit the "What's On" page at westernsydney.edu.au/observatory

COST: \$18 for adults, \$12 for children/concessions or \$50 for a family



PENRITH OBSERVATORY

SCHOOL OF COMPUTING, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS

Astronomy Night – Saturday 5 March 2016 (8.00 pm – 10.00 pm)

COSMIC COLLISIONS

From asteroids and comets that collide with Earth to the merging of giant galaxies, collisions in our universe can be dramatic and sometimes devastating events. Not all collisions are extinction events though. This exploration of things that go bump in space will include some of the latest information about the Chelyabinsk meteor event that occurred in 2013.

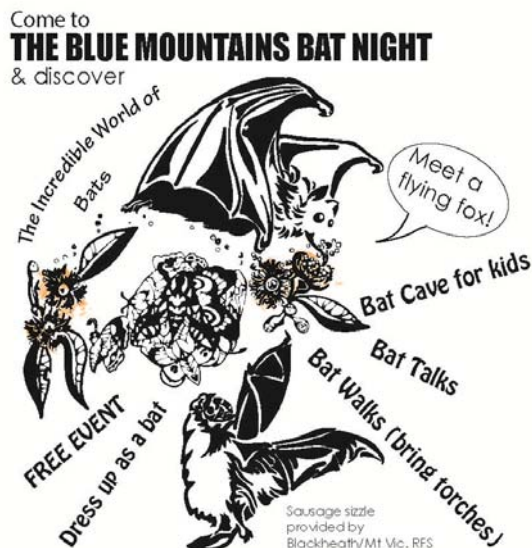
The evening will also include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory's telescopes.

Cost:

\$18 adult, \$12 child/concession and \$50 family

Bookings are essential:

To book and pay for tickets visit westernsydney.edu.au/observatory



WHEN: Friday 11 March @ 6:30pm

WHERE: NPWS Heritage Centre, Govetts Leap Rd, Blackheath

THANKS TO OUR FANTASTIC SUPPORTERS



Enquiries: (02) 4787-8877

WEST SYDNEY
FILMMAKING
PROGRAM

DATES: MON 11th APRIL - FRI 15th APRIL
LOCATION: PENRITH
COST: \$650
Spaces are limited!

"CONNECTING LOCAL TEENS TO THE FILM INDUSTRY"

A 5 day intensive course covering the how-to's of film making.
Special guest speakers to be announced.

Visit www.nuh.com.au to enrol today!



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Linking with everyone

Linkers work with all people and communities, including people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and Aboriginal communities. Linkers will support you to be part of your local and extended community.

You can contact a Linker whenever you need to, and in a way that suits you.

The role of a Linker is to provide short-term support to achieve a particular outcome.

Linkers can be contacted again in the future if another goal is identified or further support or information is needed.



Contact your local Linker

There are a range of Ability Links NSW providers across the state. To find out details of your local Ability Links NSW Linker, contact:

UnitingCare Children,
Young People and Families

T: (02) 8830 0768

E: abilitylinks@unitingcarenswwact.org.au

OR

Settlement Services International

T: (02) 8799 6700

E: abilitylinks@ssi.org.au
www.ssi.org.au

To communicate in another language, please call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on 131 450.

If you are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, contact us through the National Relay Service. For more information, visit: www.relayservice.gov.au

UnitingCare, in partnership with Settlement Services International (SSI), is funded by the NSW Government to deliver Ability Links NSW across a number of areas in NSW.



Linking people to their local communities



Linkers can Assist you to

Look at ways you can participate in and be part of your community.

Develop your existing support networks and create new networks

Build your confidence to achieve your goals

Set goals and plan for your future

What is Ability Links NSW?

Ability Links NSW supports people with disability, their families and carers to live the life they want, as valued members of their community.

It does this through linking people to their community.

Through local Linkers, Ability Links NSW also supports communities to be inclusive.

Ability Links NSW is an initiative of the NSW Government's Department of Family and Community Services, Ageing, Disability and Home Care.

How does Ability Links NSW work?

Ability Links NSW Coordinators, known as Linkers, work closely with people with disability, their families and carers to support them to fulfil their goals, hopes and dreams.

Whether your goal is to participate in sport, education, volunteering, or other activities, you remain at the centre of decision making about how you want to lead your life.

Linkers have strong local knowledge and work alongside communities, supporting them to be welcoming and inclusive.



Who can access Ability Links NSW?

Ability Links NSW is for:

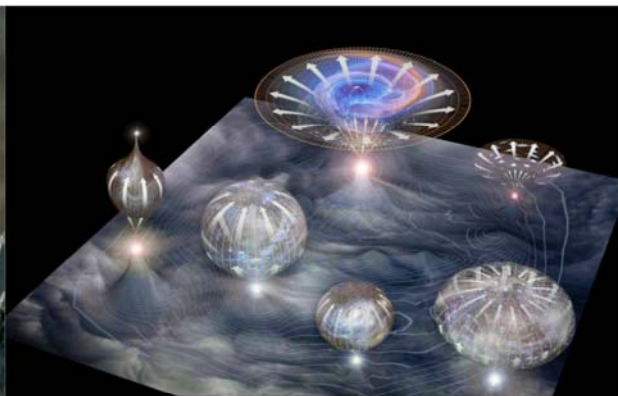
- people with disability aged 9 to 64 years
- carers and families of people with disability.

Individual, clubs, groups and businesses can also access Ability Links NSW for information and support on inclusion of people with disability.

There is no formal assessment process or referral that you need to meet in order to access Ability Links NSW.



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- Be guided in your artistic endeavours by our fabulous local artist Melanie.
 - Use the backdrop of the Blue Mountains landscape, flora and fauna for your artistic practice and inspiration
 - Please bring your own seating, chairs, cushions, whatever makes you feel comfortable.
 - Families most welcome.
- When:** Tuesdays 10.30am to 12.30pm
15th, 22nd, 29th March & 5th April
- Where:** Jackson Park (opp. Corridor of Oaks)
Cnr Sir Henry's Pde & Wigram Rd, Faulconbridge.
- Cost:** \$5 per session All drawing materials provided.
- Bookings:** Essential as number limited on 4751 3033



Facilitator: Melanie van Kessel

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