End of Year Events
The last two weeks of this term are filled with three important events which celebrate our year 12’s end of school. We kick off with the Year 12 Breakfast on Monday 2 December – the breakfast is organised and prepared by our staff as a gesture of thanks to our outgoing year 12’s. This is followed by the Year 12 Formal on the same evening. This year the formal will be held in the Great Hall at New Parliament House. Two weeks later on Tuesday 17 December we have the Graduation Ceremony at the Canberra Theatre. Student attendance at these celebrations is, of course, dependent on their continued appropriate behaviour during the last few days of classes. Last year, four students did not meet this expectation.

Satisfaction Survey Results
My thanks goes to all of you who completed the annual satisfaction survey. The survey provides us with valuable information which we use in our planning. I have summarised the overall results from the Parent, Student and Staff surveys below and included a comparison with the average results across all nine public colleges.

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Children’s Week Awards
The college received awards for three programs recently at the Children’s Week Awards at the National Museum. This is the first time a school has received more than one award at this annual ceremony. Awards went to the Student Leadership Group, The Big Picture Program and to the See Change Group for their involvement as environmental mentors at Chapman Primary School.

NEITA Award
Lisa Garner is one of only 60 teachers nationwide to be honoured in this year’s National Excellence in Teaching Awards. Lisa’s award was for her leadership in literacy across the college and for her work in the Big Picture Program.

Canberra College Facebook page
We now have 422 likes on our Facebook page. In a large college such as this it is difficult to celebrate all the great achievements of students and staff in our newsletter. On our Facebook page you will find many success stories and information about college events. I recommend it to you as another avenue of communication.

Attention Parent/Carer of Students with Medical Conditions
It is essential that the college maintains accurate and up to date information on all student medical conditions.

If at any time the health care needs of your child change, please contact the front office on 6205 5799.

HOST FAMILY NEEDED!
Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is looking for a volunteer host family for a 17 year old Italian boy who arrived in Australia in July 2013 and is currently attending Canberra College. He’s a very open minded and friendly boy interested in sports and meeting friends. Together with his host family he would love to experience new activities and simply be part of his host family’s daily life. If you can help, please phone Isabelle at the Student Exchange Office 1300 135 331. Thank you very much for your help.
Year 11 student Tom C has been selected to be part of a group of 5 ACT students to attend the National Constitutional Convention held in March of 2014. Students from all States and Territories will come together in a residential workshop to be held in Canberra, to discuss an issue which will affect the Australian Constitution. Very big Congratulations to Tom!!

Eleven of our top IT students working with IT/Science teacher, Jim Phillips, participated in the NCSS Challenge. It is a computer programming competition run by the National Computer Science School and The University of Sydney, which this year had nearly 40,000 students entered in Australia and New Zealand and some schools in Singapore and Malaysia were also competing this year.

Two of our students, Adam R and Jonathan R, kept up the momentum through a busy assessment period and did outstandingly well, appearing on the leaderboard of the top 100 in all three categories. It is particularly impressive that they featured in the Advanced category, as many professional programmers who get paid to solve problems aren’t able to do most of the programming problems set in that category. They have been nominated for the Pursuing Excellence school award. Honorable mentions also go to Ted P & Liam M.

Three students Robbie L, Camille S and Jordan W have been selected as student photographers to take part in the 100 Stories of Public Education project! This exciting project is a coffee table book featuring articles and accompanying photographs of 100 prominent people who have shaped our ACT Public Education system to what it is today, to celebrate Canberra’s Centenary. This book will be provided to each of the 86 public schools in the ACT and also to other ACT Government agencies and stakeholders, giving their work prominence and wide recognition.

Professional photographer and ex Canberra College photography student Rohan Thomson, who is a photographer at the Canberra Times and also an award-nominated freelance photographer, is mentoring support during this project.

On Thursday Week 1, the Music staff hosted a fantastic opportunity for our students and members of the local Canberra Music community to attend a song writing, music business and improvisation workshop by touring Sydney jazz/pop vocalists Briana Cowlishaw and her band.

The workshop provided an opportunity for participants to workshop ideas and collaborate together on stage with Brianna and her band.

The College Jazz band will again be performing at the Arawang Primary school twilight Fete on Saturday evening 9th November.

‘YUDDA’ the inaugural festival evening of music from Narrabundah College and the Canberra College is being held on the Friday night 8th November. This year the Canberra College (CCPAC) is the host for the event for the evening of contemporary, classical and electronic music. We are looking for solo and group performances from the Canberra College Music Faculty to perform. Any enquires can be made to the Faculty.

We hope to see all parents, students, teachers and colleagues of both Colleges and the community to come along. Details will be posted online to the College Facebook site very soon.
Congratulations to Merkayla L who is in the final stages of completing her Certificate II ASBA in Business. Merkayla has been very fortunate to have the opportunity to work with her Host Employer Valentina Urginovska at Cleaning World at Fyshwick for the duration of her ASBA.

Valentina has been an excellent Mentor and Supervisor to 2 of our students since the beginning of 2012, allowing these students to have real industry experiences and opportunities. It is because of our Partnerships with Industry and Mentors like Valentina that our students can get these rich experiences and we thank them for taking the time to support our students.

Samantha D and Sandhia Prasad from the CPA Plan Your Own Enterprise competition presentation on Tuesday this week. Samantha was the ACT winner (and we also had Mackenzie R as one of the six finalists) and she will now represent the ACT for against all other States, Territories and New Zealand for the Australasian prize.

Congratulations to Year 11 students, Amy B and Claudia S who have been successful in gaining a place in the National Youth Science Forum to be held in January, 2014. This is a prestigious forum attracting only the very top students from around Australia. Students at the forum will be able to ‘test drive’ careers in the fields of Science, Engineering and Technology with experts from industry and the tertiary sector over a twelve day period.

There are 450 students Australia-wide with Amy and Claudia making up 2 from a total of 18 selected from the ACT and surrounds. We are very proud of the girls’ selection. It is the first time two students from Canberra College have been successful. We look forward to hearing some stories of their experiences next year.

Students are studying Cert II Volunteering and this was an excursion to speak with volunteers at the War Memorial about being a volunteer there. Students first names in order left to right... Blake, Ben, Adam, Adrian, Toby, Charles, Alice

Year 12 student Maggie O has been offered an apprenticeship at UBS in Sydney from 2014. Over the last few months Maggie has been through a rigorous 5 rounds of interviews and online testing with only four students being successful. This opportunity was open to all students across Australia and Maggie is the only winner to live outside of Sydney. A big congratulations to Maggie for a fantastic achievement!

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Change of Banking Details

Please note our Banking details for all payments are now with Westpac

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QUICKPAY ONLINE

Currently a new online payment facility is being introduced into all ACT Schools. This new program should be available to all schools in about 4 weeks.

Payments will be made via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or Mastercard credit card or debit card. The payment page will be accessed through the school’s website by selecting the Make a Payment link.

In School Sport our Boys Indoor Cricket team led by Tyson B are ACT Champions.

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PE News

Congratulations to the following individual achievements:

Erin P competed at the NSW All Schools Athletic Championships over the holidays and in her under 19’s division she came 1st in the Discus and 2nd in the 100m.

Karl W has been selected in the under 21’s Australian European Handball team to play in Mexico in December.

Lorna M was the winner in the feather weight division at the National Championships in Tae Kwon Do.

Our Girls Badminton team led by Clare G finished 3rd in the Colleges Tournament.

Our Girls Volleyball team led by Georgia C and Tessa B are Intercol Champions and finished third in the Volleyball Schools Cup.

Well done to all of these participants.

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CANBERRA COLLEGE - CIT SOLUTIONS
SHORT COURSE PROGRAM

CAN2029 Yoga – DRU & Hatha

CAN2031 French for Tourists

CAN2017 Digital Photography for Beginners
Art Exhibition
Exhibition of Q3 Art and Ceramics students’ work was held on the 25 September. Thank you to all those who attended.

ART WORK

Colour: EMMA H, Just Another Day for the Rich, 2013. Gouache and gold acrylic on paper, 594 x 420mm

Two upcoming Drama Productions

POST
An original Musical Written and directed by year 12 student Alex M with choreography from CC Dance students and technical work year 11 students.

Post is a contemporary tragedy that explores the idea of “shooting the messenger”…. The postman brings mail to the remote town of Gilthrum once every week. The community are reliant upon this weekly delivery as they are isolated from the rest of the world.

Tragedy ensues when the postman brings news of a plague coming from the capital. The town people refuse to heed his warning……thus begins a gradual descent into chaos.

Tinker Tom’s Travels

Tinker Tom’s Travels is a forty minute performance which students have created for junior primary school students.

Tinker Tom has a magic Tractor that allows him to travel backwards and forward in time in Australia.

His adventure begins when he leaves on his magic tour, back in time to visit and talk with some of the Dinosaurs who lived in Australia thousands of years ago, and then he moves forward in time to the Gold rush in Ballarat during the time of the Eureka Stockade, meets, and talks with Peter Lalor and other protestors. After this Tinker Tom moves onto the time of Convicts and meets some of the female convicts and sees how they lived and about the Love Tokens given to convict family members. His last trip is to the very first Australian Olympics in Melbourne in 1956 and the very first television sports recording, before returning home, singing a song and dancing a dance with all of the people and dinosaurs he met on his travels and special members of the audience.

Dance

The dance students had a very successful performance season at Dancefest this year celebrating the Canberra Centenary. Upcoming dance performances this year are the School showcase on Tuesday the 19th November and the Year 12 class performing their work exploring sustainability to open the 2020 Vision Youth Parliament on the 13th November.
Fridge Door for Parents

Weeks 4-6 - 4 to 18 November — IB Exams

Week 8 - 2 December — Year 12 Breakfast 9am

Week 8 - 2 December — Year 12 Formal 6pm

Other College information
For information on Australian School-Based Apprenticeships (ASBA), Career & Transition and Work Experience (WEX), please call Canberra College and ask to speak to Jo-Anne Lee (Careers and Transitions) or Sonya Bell (WEX and ASBA Coordinator) or Alex O’Brien (Careers Advisor)

Mathematics tutorials are available at Canberra College on Thursday’s 12.30–1.45 pm. For more information please call the front office.

Canberra College’s aim is to have a 100% electronic communication with parents. If you provide your email address to the front office staff we can assure that you will receive information through our newsletter and updates on other college events.

For further information about news and events please go to the Canberra College website http://www.canberrac.act.edu.au
Are you looking for a fun way to get fit and tone your body after Winter?

Well, Nia Dance Classes have just started at the Canberra College Performing Arts Centre and I would love to see you there and experience the joy of Nia!

*Nia is a fun dance-like-no-one’s-watching workout, a way to calm my overactive mental realm, a playful and creative release, my practice for Living with Purpose and Dancing Through Life, and an applied science for understanding the body via sensation.

Simple steps, free form movement and inner awareness allow for a blissful experience for every age, body type and fitness level. It invites change that begins with awareness, self-love and empowered responsibility to make a difference individually and collectively, as a conscious community.

Nia empowers you to be in the now and make movement choices that fit you and your needs. It’s fun, it’s funky and it creates change! “ ~ Sophie Marsh ~
Nia Black Belt and Australian White Belt Trainer ~

**Class Times:**
- Wednesday ~ 6.00pm – 7.00pm
- Saturday ~ 9.30am – 10.30am

Come and try your first class for FREE!

**Casual Class - $15 ~ 5 Class Pass - $70 ~ 10 Class Pass - $135**

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