

MACINTYRE HIGH SCHOOL



WEEK 5, FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2024

**CELEBRATING
50 YEARS**
of Macintyre
High School

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Innovation

Success



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YEAR 12 GRADUATION

At the end of last term, we celebrated our graduating class of 2024 at the Graduation Assembly, held on Thursday 26 September and formal, held at the Inverell RSM.

Due to the rain, professional photos were inside the RSM Club. Students arrived early for their professional photos., where they got individual, family and friend photos before a full year group photo.

After the group photo, it was time for the formalities to begin. Teachers and guests all took their seats at our beautifully decorated tables. Mrs Limbert introduced the Year 12 students as they entered by table groups. It was lovely to see them all dressed up to celebrate the end of their schooling. Between meals, Mrs Chapple and Ms Limbert delivered their speeches, along with School Captains Louis Grebert and Remy Smith. After Mrs Limbert's address she shared a special video she compiled of messages from Macintyre teachers.

Students and their guests enjoyed taking more photos with the photo booth with Tess from Chic Photo Pod, or reminiscing on their time at Macintyre, as they looked through the Year 12 Valedictory.

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TERM 4 KEY DATES

Week 6 - Week B

Wednesday 20 November -

Scripture

Thursday 21 November - Year

meetings, North West Volleyball
trials

Week 7 - Week A

All week - Year 10 work
experience

Monday 25 November- Domestic
Violence Prevention march

Week 8 - Week B

Tuesday 3 December -

Presentation Night

Thursday 5 December - Principal's
assembly

Week 9 - Week A

Monday 9 - Thursday 12

December - Great Aussie Bush
Camp

Week 10 - Week B

Tuesday 17 December - Big Day
Out- Rewards Day

Wednesday 18 December - Last
day of Term 4 for students

Thursday 19 December - Staff
Development Day

YEAR 12 GRADUATION CONTINUED...

A special thanks to everyone who made the night possible. Thanks to all of the staff who helped with the set up and pack down of the formal, our emcee, Mr Fleming, Mrs Stewart for the amazing photos, all the staff from the Inverell RSM, Macintyre Hot Bread for the cake, Tess from Chic Photo Pod, Louis Ramos from the Music Guru and all the families, friends and teachers who have helped along the way. Our Year 12 students have now completed their final HSC exams, and we wish them all the best as they await their results later in the term. Year 12, we will miss you, but we know that you are destined to do great things – whether that is work, study or travel – we know the world is ready for you.



INVERELL ART PRIZE

Congratulations to Year 9 student, Sadie Walker who won the Junior Section of the Inverell Art Prize earlier in October. Congratulations Sadie.



CONGRATULATIONS BELLA GRIFFIN

On October 25th, Bella Griffin represented MHS at the NSW Arts Unit Drama Ensemble Festival along with 200 other students from across the state. Bella's group was selected to perform earlier this year at State Drama Camp. Her bravery in stepping up and performing at such a big event is truly admirable. Congratulations on this incredible achievement, Bella!



2025 SNOW TRIP

We are excited to announce the Year 10 and 11 Positive Mindset Snow Trip will be back again in 2025. Students will enjoy a wonderful week at the Snowy Mountains in Week 3 of Term 3 from Monday 4 August to Friday 8 August.

An expression of interest note can be obtained from Ms Fleming and should be returned with a non-refundable deposit of \$50 by Friday 29 November. Currently there are 40 spaces secured, however, if more students wish to attend, there is time to make changes.

The total estimated cost is \$1400 and thanks to special funding, the school has been able to subsidise each student to bring the cost of the excursion down to \$1100 (to be finalised, once quotes are confirmed). The cost of the excursion covers travel, accommodation, breakfast & dinner, ski gear hire, lift pass and ski lessons. Students are recommended to have a little extra money for items they wish to purchase, including lunch each day. Snowboarding may cost an additional payment of \$50.

A weekly payment of \$30/school week will have the excursion paid in full approximately one month prior to departure.

For more information please contact the school.

-Ms Fleming



AGRICULTURE NEWS

NORTHERN SCHOOLS STEER SHOW

On Tuesday 5 and Wednesday 6 November, the Northern Schools Steer Show was on in Tenterfield. Tuesday saw a busy and warm day parading and junior judging of cattle. All the students had a go and looked good doing so.

Macintyre ended up with Marshall Wells catching the judges eye with his calm manner in the intermediate division and Nick Hilton and Rachel Forrester made it through to the finals in the seniors division. Nick was successful in placing 4th out of a strong line up.

Next was junior judging with all students having a go and overcoming their reticence and ended up with Rachel Forrester speaking and winning the seniors division.

There were 16 schools in attendance and an estimated 300 students.

On the final day of the school they had a good outcome with the led steers. Mildred steer won 1st place in his class and then reserve champion steer overall. The Santa heifer placed 3rd, the Charolais x silver heifer placed 3rd and the black steer placed 5th. Overall these are great outcomes! The cattle were then off to Bindaree for the carcase component.

Thanks to Macintyre, breeders and interested community members for the cattle team support!

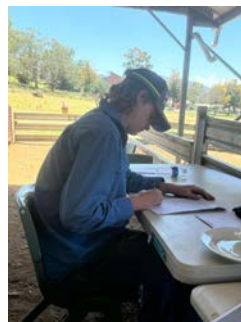
-Mrs Snaith



AGRICULTURE NEWS CONTINUED...

REGIONAL WORLDSKILLS COMPETITION

Congratulations to Marshall Wells and Damon Martin for participating at the Regional Worldskills competition on Tuesday 29 October at Farrer for VET Primary industries. The boys represented our school well and put in a great effort. Thanks to Matt Colley for driving us all down.
-Mrs Snaith



YEAR 7 TECHNOLOGY

YEAR 7 TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS ILLUMINATE LEARNING WITH THEIR WOODWORK LED LIGHTS

Year 7 Technology class have recently completed their LED Light Projects that integrates woodwork, CAD design and laser engraving. This comprehensive project provided students with a well-rounded educational experience, blending creativity, technical skills, and hands-on learning. Students brainstormed and designed their LED light designs, considering both the electronic components and the wooden structures that would house them. This phase encouraged critical thinking about aesthetics & functionality.



7 Technology – and the finished product

Students crafted the wooden bases and frames for their LED lights, learning essential woodworking techniques such as measuring, cutting, sanding, and assembling, ensuring their projects were both sturdy and visually appealing.

To add a personal and artistic touch, students used the laser engraving machine to etch intricate designs onto their clear acrylic and wooden panel's. This process introduced them to digital design software and the precision of laser technology along with basic electronic circuits.

-Mr Ting

YEAR 7 SCIENCE


Year 7 have been learning about Earth, Moon and Space this term. As part of this unit we were lucky enough to have James Sheather from the Northern Tablelands Local Land Services come and speak with the students in the Yarning Circle. James spoke to the students about local Aboriginal astronomy, seasons and cultural burning practices based on the knowledge of those seasons. We really appreciated him coming and sharing his knowledge with us.

-Mrs McGee




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1974 FUN FACTS




Post-it Notes
were invented
in 1974




Day of the week:
November 15th, 1974
was a Friday




Some of the most
influential and successful
artists of the decade
released their hit songs
in 1974, such as Elton
John, David Bowie, ABBA,
Queen, and John Denver.




A young novelist
named Stephen King
published his debut
novel, *Carrie*.



The highest-grossing
film of 1974 was
Blazing Saddles




The first item with a
barcode was
scanned in a
supermarket.




The first Toshiba
floppy disk drive
was introduced in
1974.




Australian average
earnings - \$7,600
per year




#1 Billboard top song
"The Way We Were"
Barbara Streisand



Loaf of bread costs
\$0.20 and litre of milk
costs \$0.27 (including
delivery)
Petrol was \$0.57 a litre



Her Majesty Queen
Elizabeth II visit to
Australia




By mid-1974,
Australia was in an
economic recession

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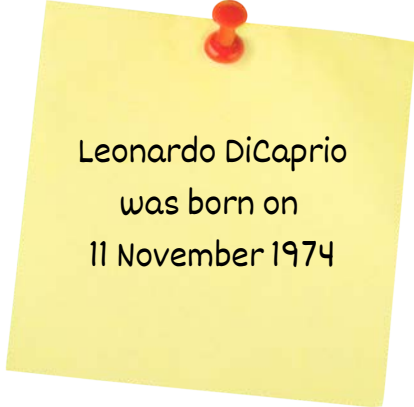
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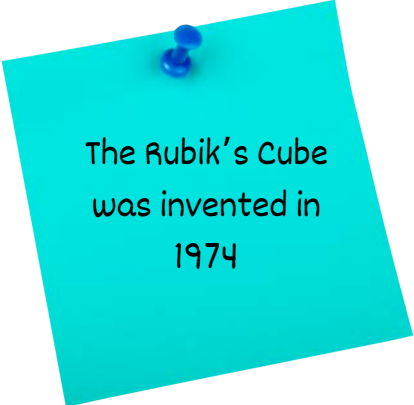
The World Trade Center
- the tallest building in
the world at 110 stories
- opened for business in
New York City




The Terracotta Army
of Qin Shi Huang is
discovered at Xi'an,
China.



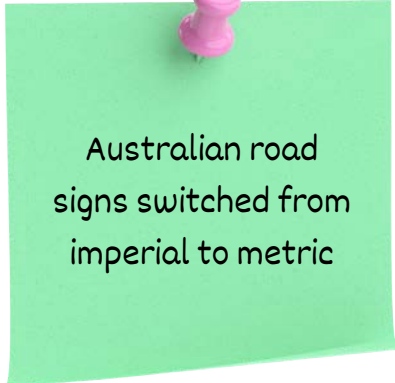
Leonardo DiCaprio
was born on
11 November 1974




The Rubik's Cube
was invented in
1974




The Prime Minister
of Australia was
Gough Whitlam




Australian road
signs switched from
imperial to metric



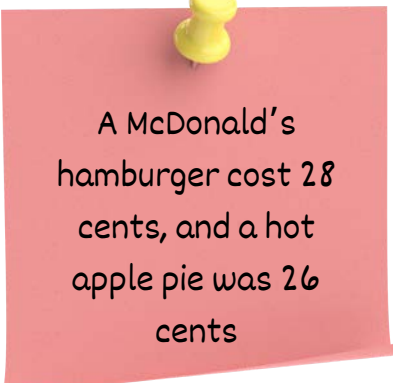
The first Australian
credit card was
introduced



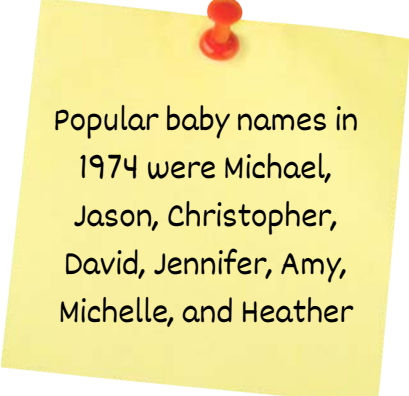
The median house
price in Sydney is
\$28,000



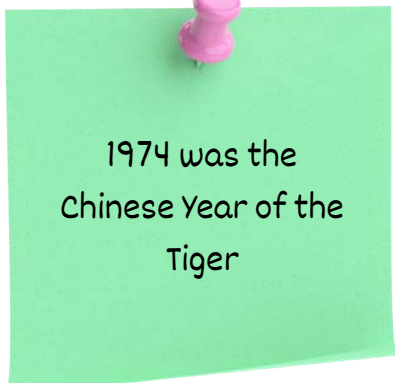
Cyclone Tracy
devastates
Darwin



A McDonald's
hamburger cost 28
cents, and a hot
apple pie was 26
cents



Popular baby names in
1974 were Michael,
Jason, Christopher,
David, Jennifer, Amy,
Michelle, and Heather



1974 was the
Chinese Year of the
Tiger

SPORT NEWS

UNDER 15'S GIRLS BASKETBALL

At the start of the term, the Under 15's girls basketball team travelled to Port Macquarie to compete in the State Knockout carnival. The first game was against Terrigal which was a physically demanding game against a strong team. Unfortunately, the team went down with a loss of 60 -19.

After a break and recharge, the team then faced Orara for the second game. The girls played a strong offensive and defensive game and controlled the game from start to finish coming away with a fantastic win of 40 - 32.

Well done to the U15 girls for a great season of Knockout Basketball and once again ranking in the Top 20 of the state.

A big thank you to Brooke for driving us and Kacey for scoring!

-Mrs Gerhke



KILLA 9'S RUGBY LEAGUE

On Thursday 24 October the Under 16's girls rugby league team attended the Killa 9's Rugby League carnival in Tamworth. The girls played very well and were unlucky with their first game, however, were successful in getting the win in the second.

A big shoutout to Mr Reynolds for training with the team prior, Mr Gleeson for driving the bus and Marcus Muggleton for his coaching on the day.

-Miss McLachlan



14'S BOYS CRICKET

On Friday 1 November, the 14's boys cricket team defeated Warialda High School. Dan Bell topped the scoring with 46 runs.

Well done boys!

-Mr Richardson



YEAR 9 AND 10 COMMERCE

Year 9 and 10 Commerce classes have been participating in the ASX Schools Sharemarket Game. Close to 18 000 students from Australia and New Zealand have been competing to see who can make the largest return on their virtual \$50 000 investment in shares.

Macintyre High School had two outstanding students who made nearly \$19000 over the two months of trading. Riley Dennis of Year 9 came 4th in the NSW Division and Landyn Doak of Year 10 came 5th in the NSW Division. This is our school's best result for many years.

Congratulations to all Commerce students who participated.

-Mrs Grills

BINDAREE BEEF

Macintyre High School would like to thank Bindaree Beef for their donation of mince to the school. This regular donation will help support our Breakfast club, Home economics and MC cooking programs.

We greatly appreciate Bindaree Beefs ongoing support and look forward to all the delicious meals that will be prepared in the future.



CONGRATULATIONS BELLA THOMPSON

Congratulations to student Bella Thompson who competed at the WA AWI Nationals & placed 4th for novice shearing at Katanning Nationals 2024 representing Sport Shear NSW
Well done Bella!!



NEW ENGLAND SINGS

Sadie Walker and Mitchell Hollands proudly represented Macintyre at the New England Sings Combined Primary and Secondary Choral Concert in Armidale over the weekend. They made the trip with Inverell Public School students, adding to the excitement of the event. A big thank you to Mr Schuhmacher for working with Mitch and Sadie every Monday to rehearse the repertoire!



REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Monday 11 November, members of the community gathered at the Inverell Cenotaph for Remembrance Day. Our school was proudly represented by our captains Liam Snaith and Rachel Forrester who laid our beautiful wreath. Year 8 student Caleb Kenny marched with the cadets. Thanks to the Inverell RSM club for a lovely lunch.

Lest We Forget



SENTRAL PARENT PORTAL

Thank you to everyone who has downloaded the Sentral Parent Portal app. We are excited with the feedback received from parents and how you can easily stay in touch with your child's learning journey.

The Sentral Parent Portal allows you to message your child's teachers, browse school documents and resources, view the newsletter, book parent/teacher interviews, respond to unexplained absences and advise the school in advance of planned absences for your child.

Excursion permission notes are now being distributed directly through the Sentral Portal app. If you have not downloaded the Parents app as yet we would encourage you to do this, for any queries please contact the school on 67221555.



UNIFORM

The wearing of school uniform at Macintyre High School is a mandatory expectation. The Macintyre High School community endorses the wearing of a uniform by all students at the school for a number of reasons. Amongst these are the following:

- Uniform is non-discriminatory.
- Macintyre High School's uniform has many options to suit all students.
- School uniform provides an economical and simple alternative for families to dress children and eliminates peer pressure.
- A Uniform Code ensures that students wear appropriate clothing and discourages wearing of clothing which is immodest, offensive, unsafe or torn.
- Individuals who are not members of the school community will be more easily identified when on school premises.
- Students are easily identified at formal functions, whilst representing the school and in the wider community.
- By displaying high standards of appearance to the greater community, the positive image of Macintyre High School and Public Education is promoted.

Please contact the school if you need financial assistance.



Mathematics 7–10

Scan the QR code to find out more about the Mathematics 7–10 syllabus or visit curriculum.nsw.edu.au/learning-areas/mathematics/mathematics-k-10-2022/overview



You have an important role in supporting your child at home in their learning.



What will my child learn?

By studying Mathematics in Years 7 to 10, your child will learn to appreciate how mathematics is a relevant part of their everyday lives.

They will have the opportunity to develop an increasingly sophisticated understanding of mathematical concepts and a fluency with mathematical processes that will help them interpret and solve problems in a variety of contexts.

Areas of study will include:

- Number and algebra
- Measurement and space
- Statistics and probability.

How will my child benefit?

The study of Mathematics 7–10 can benefit your child by helping them to:

- deepen their understanding of the world around them
- make connections within mathematics, across other subjects and in real-world contexts
- enhance their ability to problem-solve in familiar and unfamiliar situations
- develop essential numeracy skills
- nurture their own ability to think logically, critically and creatively
- develop a positive self-concept and become a self-motivated learner.

What can I do to help?

You can help your child at home by:

- being positive in how you approach mathematics at home
- praising mathematical thinking and effort, and not just correct solutions
- encouraging them to explain or show how they are using mathematics in everyday situations
- asking them about the mathematics they use in activities like sport, cooking and shopping
- asking them to share their thinking when they are working towards a solution
- approaching errors as opportunities to make new connections
- celebrating small steps in problem-solving
- ensuring they practise their mathematics regularly at home
- engaging with the digital syllabus to gain insight into the context of their learning
- reinforcing that language can have different meanings in mathematics (for example *adjacent*).

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Date: Thursday 7th November

Venue: Best Community Services

Address: 16 Waratah Avenue

Contact: Reichelle 0447 045 063



*Eligibility Conditions Apply





**THE SAPPHIRE CITY
CONCERT BAND
PRESENTS**

CAROLS IN THE PARK

SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER, 2024

FROM 6:30PM

AT CAMPBELL PARK AUDITORIUM

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

**THE INVERELL PIPE BAND | THE INVERELL SINGERS
THE NORTHERN CHORALE & MC PETER CADDEY**

FREE FAMILY EVENT

BATTERY CANDLES FOR SALE \$5 (CASH ONLY)

FRUITALICIOUS FOOD TRUCKS FROM 6PM





RYAG SHEEP

4 March to 8 March 2025



RYAG Sheep is an excellent opportunity for students interested in exploring either or both the wool and meat aspects of the sheep industry through informative and hands-on activities presented by experienced and expert people actively engaged in the sheep industry in the Walcha area. Participating students will enjoy the opportunity to gain strong insights into the sheep industry as a potential career path.

RYAG Sheep 2025 is open to students who will be enrolled in Years 9, 10 and 11 in the academic year 2025. The maximum number of places is **30**; therefore we have to limit each participating school to **two nominations only**. Any additional interested students may be added to a waiting list and if further places become available they will be allocated in accordance with the merits of their applications.

In 2025 the camp will be based at the historic Europambela Station near Walcha and will run from the afternoon of Tuesday 4th March to Saturday morning 8th March 2025. Accommodation will be in the revamped shearers' quarters. Students must bring their own bedding/sleeping bag & pillow. At all times appropriate supervision will be exercised to ensure the wellbeing of all participants.

The RYAG Sheep has consistently proved to be an enjoyable and rich learning experience from which students gain a wealth of knowledge about the sheep industry. Participation can be the game changer for future career paths with the added bonus of making lasting friendships with likeminded people.

All participants are required to be endorsed by their local Rotary Club who may be willing to part sponsor the fees.



Quiet Stock Handling



Wool Classing



Pastures and Weeds



Worms and Parasites

Just a few of the topics covered during the camp

For more information or nomination forms contact:-
RYAG Secretary/Treasurer Katrina Blomfield
0409 779 189 or ryagsheep@walcharotary.org.au

Applications close Friday 6th December 2024
The cost is \$250 per student