

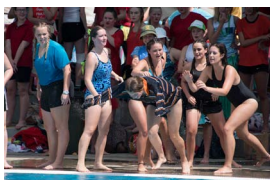
## MKC Swimming Carnival

With the help of our dedicated and efficient staff, the MacKillop College Swimming Carnival kicked off early on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February with the 200m Individual Medley. The Carnival ran smoothly, and on schedule, for the entire day. A scorching hot day provided the students with the perfect opportunity to cool off in the pool, resulting in one of the highest participation rates at a MKC swimming carnival. With the variety of novelty events and non competitive events offered, Mr Hughes was kept on his toes starting non competitive races, with four to five heats in the pool at the one time. All students should be proud of their efforts in and out of the pool.

House competition was fierce as always. All the captains and their committees created an atmosphere of house spirit, participation and enjoyment. House Cheers was the highlight of the day. It was very entertaining, and it was challenging for the judges to pick a winner. Congratulations to McAuley and their captains Alyssa Ridding and Brittany Reece for their creativity and leadership in guiding their house to victory. MacKillop were awarded second place, followed by Gilroy and Chisholm.

MacKillop House created a little piece of history this year, as it is the first time since 1996 (when Mrs Withers daughter Megan Withers and Kerrie McMullen were House Captains) that the red house won the MKC Swimming Carnival House Shield. Congratulations to Adelaide Kenworthy and Eliza Tucker on their leadership and sheer passion throughout the day. The final house placing and points include:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place MacKillop 438 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place McAuley 411 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place Gilroy 373 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> place Chisholm 348 points



All house captains are to be praised on their organisation and planning in the lead up to the carnival, along with their excellent leadership they showcased throughout the day. Congratulations to Phoebe Morrison for breaking two records in the 17 years age group: 100m Freestyle 1:14.45 and 50m Backstroke 39:75. Other students who performed outstandingly on the day, our age champions, include the following:

NAME	AGE	PLACE	HOUSE
Ava Healey	12	1st	Gilroy
Tahnaya Mercieca	12	2nd	MacKillop
Kate Fallon	12	3rd	Gilroy
Ella McPhillamy	13	1st	McAuley
Keisha Sealy	13	2nd	MacKillop
Kathryn Richardson	13	3rd	MacKillop
Molly McCrossin	14	1st	Chisholm
Emily Press	14	2nd	MacKillop
Jannah Rush	14	3rd	MacKillop
Kate McPhillamy	15	1st	McAuley
Sophie Noonan	15	2nd	MacKillop
Abbie Harvey	15	3rd	McAuley
Karrie Humphries	16	1st	MacKillop
Jade Weekes	16	2nd	McAuley
Ella Johns	16	3rd	McAuley
Phoebe Morrison	17	1st	Chisholm
Rosalie Wood	17	2nd	MacKillop
Olivia Luck	Senior	1st	Gilroy
Adelaide Kenworthy	Senior	2nd	MacKillop
Hayley Porter	Senior	3rd	Gilroy

Thank you to the P&F and the Bathurst CEO for the loan of their tents. The Senior Council did a fantastic job baking over the weekend, supplying staff and students with delicious treats throughout the day, a great effort to all involved.

A big thank you to all the staff, especially Mr Knight, who gave up his time to assist at the carnival, and to Ileya Marinovic for helping with delivering and returning the equipment. To further improve future carnivals, we invite parents to forward any comments or suggestions to [mackillop@bth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mackillop@bth.catholic.edu.au) or call Alysha Bright or Matthew Knight at MacKillop College on 6338 2200.

We would like to also thank the Bathurst Swim Club for lending us their starting horn and would like to remind the MKC and Bathurst Community they are currently accepting memberships.



Please visit their website <http://bathurst.swimming.org.au/> for more information.

