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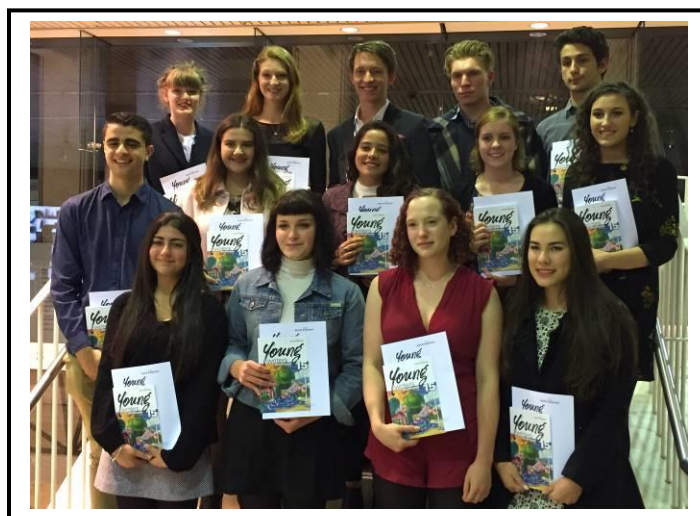
## WORDEXPRESS PUBLISHED WORKS OF HSC ENGLISH STUDENTS



On Monday, 22 August 2016 Mr Tom Alegounarias, President of the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards NSW (BOSTES) launched the annual BOSTES showcase of exemplary HSC English Extension 2 major works delivered in partnership with the State Library of NSW.

More than 1600 students studied English Extension 2 in the 2015 HSC and 18 have their works published in the WordExpress' *Young Writers Showcase* anthology.

St Francis Xavier's College would like to congratulate two of our students who were chosen to be featured authors in *Young Writers Showcase15*.



**Lauren Freemantle**

Title: On a wing and a prayer  
Short Story

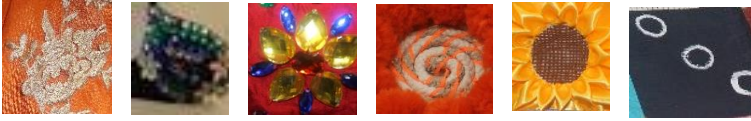


**Grace Lancaster**

Title: Je ne comprends pas: 'I'm claiming the right to be unhappy'  
Performance Poetry

Mr Alegounarias also acknowledged the effort and support of the English teachers who have nurtured the talents of their students.

# TEXTILE & DESIGN



## Year 12 Major Projects

Year 12 Textiles and Design students devoted half their class time creating a Major Project. The Major Project consists of a folio, 12 x A3 pages, documenting the design process of an item from one of five focus areas.

The focus areas are: Textile Art, Costume, Apparel, Furnishings and Non Apparel. The Major Project contributes 50% of the student's external mark and the item and folio rank as equal percentages. The other 50% is taken from the results of the external HSC Examination.



The 2016 Textiles and Design students presented a display of their Major Projects on Monday afternoon 15 August, to family, friends, students and teachers.

All visitors were impressed and amazed at the high standard of creativity and innovation displayed.

The display included items from a wide range of different focus areas and included impressive items.

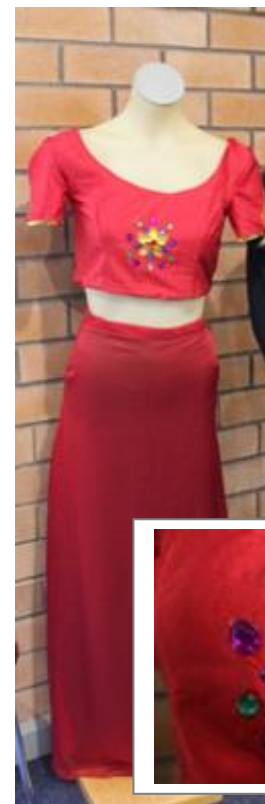
The following day the Major Projects were sent to BOSTES Marking Centre in Sydney for external marking.



### **Black with Gold Trim 1900's Inspired Evening Outfit**

Black lace high collared blouse, lined with gold attached to fitted black satin shorts with padded leg edge trimmed with machine embroidery using gold metallic thread and handmade beads. Waist over band also trimmed with gold metallic thread and long black chiffon train.

*Sophie Richardson*



### **Indian Inspired Outfit**

Two piece red outfit, dupion silk bodice with centre front beading detail and block printed sleeve edge. Red double chiffon long skirt.

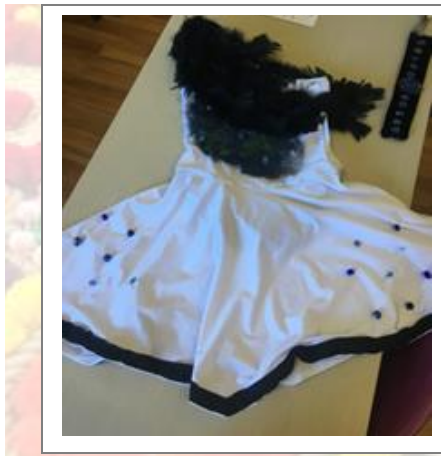
*Laura Phelan*





**Indian Inspired,  
Block Printed and Beaded Dress**  
Lace applique at front with lace shawl

*Meg Warby*



**White/Black  
Figure Skating Costume**  
Historically inspired Lycra skating  
costume embellished with Angelina  
fibres, beads and feather boa

*Taylah Grainger*



**Hand Embroidered Wall Hanging**

Combination of textile art techniques including hand embroidery stitches  
using heavy yarns, and folding of fabric to create flower shapes.

*Kayla Deller*



**Katy Perry Inspired Skirt**  
Circular skirt with multi  
coloured 'sprinkles'  
attached

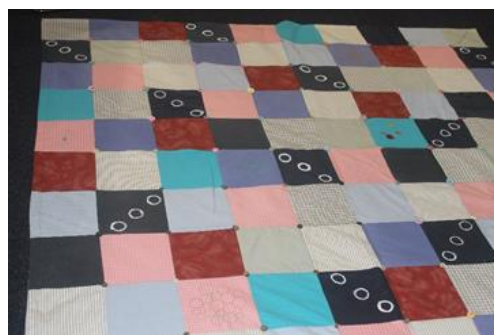
*Connor Talty*



**Multi-Coloured Rug**

Culturally inspired colourful floor rug or wall hanging  
made from a wide range of woollen fibres using various  
textile art techniques

*Angel Moylan*



**Creative Recycle Bed Quilt**

Quilt created from recycled business shirts,  
block printing and Japanese sashiko embroidery  
on a variety of squares.

*Maddison Spillane*



**Hooded Brown  
Cosplay Cloak**  
Longline fitted PVC cloak,  
eyelet lacing at front  
with bead feature

*Rochelle Deller*

**Monday, 5 September 2016**  
**by 3pm to the Administration Office**

### **Drama Night - Family and Friends Afternoon**



On Tuesday, 16 August the HSC Drama Department held a family and friends evening as an opportunity to perform some of their HSC Practical pieces. The students performed some of their individual projects along with their mandatory group work assessments. The evening was a success with the students feeling confident performing in front of a live audience, similar to the HSC examinations. Congratulations to the following students who participated: *Bianca Drain, Ellen Leggett, Lochlan Northey, Ruby Baker, Gillian Pfeiffer, Joel Okumu, Tovah Agresti, Jacob Askew, Ashleigh Green, Rose Villari, Brittany Rudland, Maidlin Jackson, Oliver Smart, Renee Hedges, Joe Hart, Ivania Coluccio, Mil Brooks and Georgi Lamond.*



*Abraham Britz*



*Ivania Coluccio*



*Anthony Goodman*



*Alex Melville*

### **"Musical Interlude" Conservatorium Concert Success!**



On Thursday, 18 August, a selection of Year 12 Music 1 and 2 students along with two featured Year 11 Music students performed at the Newcastle Conservatorium of Music in an evening titled "*Musical Interlude*". The students had the opportunity to perform a selected piece from the Core and Elective Examinations that the students have been preparing. The concert was a success with positive feedback from the family and friends who attended the night.

Congratulations to all who performed!



*Gabriella Mills*



*Jake Radley*



*Chelsea Scully*



*Jack Watsford*





# McAuley Day 2016



## *Saving the best until last!*

McAuley Day last Friday marked the final House Day celebration for 2016 and the real downhill run for our Year 12 students. The day ended the way it started, with the whole school community having fun, getting involved and green with envy of some of our fabulous costumes. The assembly in the morning involved an Olympic style presentation of the final race between Catherine McAuley (Izaak Johnston) and Shocking Volt (Joel Okumu) with our guest runner Luke Christian in the gruelling event; the Holy Hurdles. Using her outstanding qualities to overcome the adversities in the event, McAuley not only crossed the line first, but helped the fallen Volt to win the race in virtue as well.

Special thanks to our wonderful hurdles: Amelia Thompson (Malevolence) Sophie Gonano (Hedonism) Miranda Smith (Cruelty) Emily Shaw (Doubt) Jackson Johnson (Greed) and Emily Keast (Conflict and Hatred). The performances in the main yard during long tutor group brought the crowd in, and the paella, hot chips, milkshakes and a good round of spoons kept them entertained and full. Thank you to all who were involved and assisted in making McAuley Day an astounding success.

*Green grins all round!*



Tovah Agresti and Rose Cousins  
McAuley House Captains 2016



# From the Careers Desk



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**Last two weeks of sessions from Mrs Mac**  
**Don't leave any applications till the last minute.**

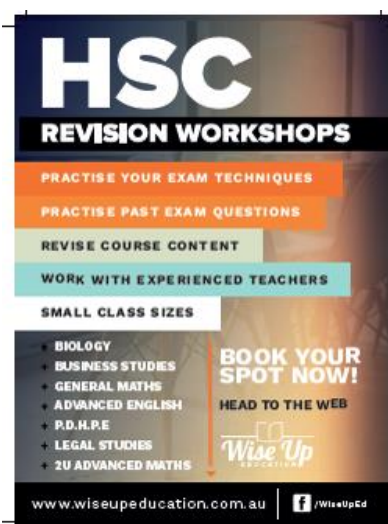
## Year 12 Post Trials Timetable

### YEAR 12 PROGRAMS for Term 3, 2016

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Saturday</b> <b>27/08/2016</b> Open Day for National Uni /ADFA / Canberra Uni /Sydney Uni / UTS  <b>Sunday</b> <b>28/08/2016</b> Open Day for Western Sydney	<b>Week 7</b>	29/08/2016  2nd UAC "How to apply to Uni" talk – Period 5 <i>You must register                      for this on the                      booking sheet                      outside Mrs Mac's                      Office</i>	30/08/2016  3rd UAC "How to apply to Uni" talk – Period 5 <i>You must register                      for this on the                      booking sheet                      outside Mrs Mac's                      Office</i>	31/08/2016  Early Entry to University <i>What is it and how                      to apply?</i> Lunch time in the Theatre	01/09/2016  In-Service Day for CAA <i>Mrs Mac not                      available</i>	02/09/2016  First Aid Course for <b>Sports</b> <b>Coaching students</b> *Other students can apply.
<b>Saturday</b> <b>03/09/2016</b> UNSW Open Day	<b>Week 8</b>	05/09/2016  TAFE Applications for 2017 Lunch time in the Theatre  <b>RSA Course</b> <b>3pm-9pm in the</b> <b>Theatre</b>	06/09/2016  The Last UAC "How to apply to Uni" talk Period 5 <i>You must register                      for this on the                      booking sheet                      outside Mrs Mac's                      Office</i>	07/09/2016  TAFE Applications for 2017 Lunch time in the Theatre	08/09/2016  <b>Mrs Macs last                      day- DO NOT                      leave things till                      the last minute!!!</b>	09/09/2016  First Aid Course for <b>Hospitality</b> <b>students</b>  *Other students may apply to do this  <b><u>Mrs Mac not                      available today</u></b>

"Wise Up" Education is offering  
HSC workshops in Newcastle

[www.wiseupeducation.com.au](http://www.wiseupeducation.com.au)



**NEWCASTLE**  
**Merewether Surf Life Saving Club**

### SEPTEMBER

26 Biology  
27 Business Studies  
28 Advanced English  
29 General Maths  
30 PDHPE

### OCTOBER

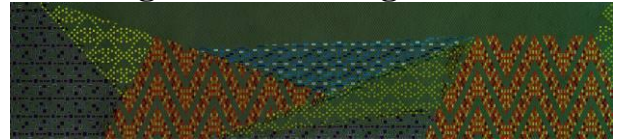
3 Legal Studies  
4 2U Maths  
3U Maths



For anyone interested in a Career in Biomedicine-  
this is a great opportunity.



## Migrant and Refugee Week



On Friday, 2 September we will be celebrating Migrant and Refugee week.

It will be out of uniform, with a gold coin donation. The theme is around the world, to celebrate the cultural diversity which we have been gifted with here at the College.

Throughout the next couple of weeks, the Cafe will be fund-raising for this event as well, so come along and have some yummy treats from around the world. All funds raised will be donated to Zara's House, a community facility for women newly arrived to the Newcastle area.

Please see Miss Asquith if you have any questions or would like to participate in our celebrations.

## HSC Engineering Study Day -UoN

The UoN Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment will once again host an Engineering **HSC Study Day, in the September school holidays**, to support students undertaking engineering studies. Students can register interest in attending to: Jenny Taylor / Phone: 0249217840 or Email: [Jenny.taylor@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:Jenny.taylor@newcastle.edu.au)

## Exploring Architecture UoN

Students can participate in a design project for the day and seek advice and inspiration from our academic staff and Master of Architecture students. This event is replacing the DWP Suiters event that was originally scheduled.

**Session 2** Friday, 9 September.

**Time** 9:30am to 2:30pm Lunch provided at the University of Newcastle

### Registration and Enquiries

Jenny Taylor  
Phone 02 4921 7840 or Email  
[Jenny.taylor@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:Jenny.taylor@newcastle.edu.au)

## First Aid

There are still places in the First Aid courses. It's cheap, run during school hours, looks great on a resume and would impress a prospective employer!!  
See Mrs Mac for details



**A reminder for students not to  
park across  
residents driveways please!**

We would also like to remind students of the importance of being considerate of neighbours, especially on garbage collection day ensuring  
**you don't move the residents' bins or block access to the bins.**

### NOTE:

If your son/daughter drives to school please supply the Student Services with their car details including registration.

## COLLEGE NETBALL



On Thursday, 28 July, our Year 11 students represented the College in Netball at the Maitland Newcastle Diocesan Netball Carnival at National Park. The girls played extremely well, with one loss on the day and coming in equal first place on the ladder. Unfortunately, due to for-and-against the team placed second overall for the Tournament.



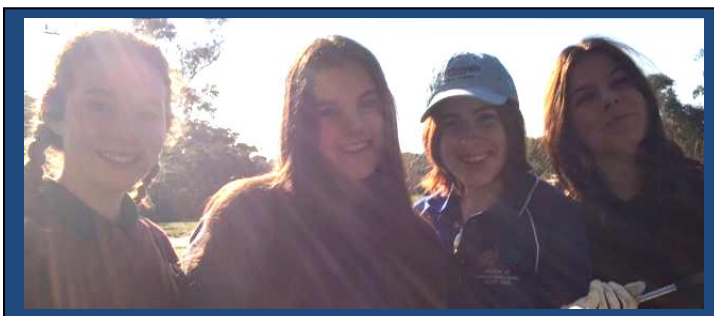
More recently, on Wednesday, 17 August, a group of Year 11 and Year 12 students represented the College in the NSWCCC Netball Championships in Penrith. The Year 12's who had just completed their Trial HSC exams were full of energy and keen to get out on the Netball court. All of the girls played admirably on the day, however unable to advance through to the next level of the competition.

Thank you to Mr Henry who drove the Netball squad to Penrith and played numerous other roles on the day.

*I would like to congratulate all of the girls who competed at both the Diocesan and NSWCCC carnivals on their terrific sports-womanship, they played with an obvious love of the game and respect for the College and their opponents.*

*Thank you to our coaches Ms Mowbray and Ms Begley for their time and effort in training, trialling and coaching the squad.*

## DIOCESAN GOLF



On Friday, 19 August, some of our Year 11 and Year 12 students represented the College at the Diocesan Golf Day held at the Newcastle Golf Course in Fern Bay. Our students participated in either the Social 9 Hole or Championship 18 Hole Division.

Josh Cook, who is a highly accomplished golfer, had the lowest scratch score on the day & the Net winner of the Senior Division. He was first runner of the whole competition and winner of the Senior Championship Division.

The College is extremely proud of all of our Golfers, who conducted themselves with great poise and leadership on the day. A big thank you to Mr Stone, who attended as the Team Manager, offering great experience and advice to all of the Golfers.





## DIOCESAN ATHLETICS



The Maitland-Newcastle Diocesan Athletics Carnival was held at the Hunter Sports Centre at Glendale on Thursday, 18 August. Our students participated in a number of track & field events and were a credit to the College with many of our athletes volunteering to help on the day between their events.

Our girls competed strongly on the day, with Maya Stewart placing 1<sup>st</sup> in both the 100m and 200m, and Emily Whelan winning the U16's Triple Jump and setting a new record for the U16 Girls High Jump, jumping an incredible 1.70m. Our girls relay team, Maya Stewart, Emily Whelan, Erin Cullen and Elise Middleton, also won the Senior Relay race by a whooping 30m lead and setting a new Diocesan record of 53.6 seconds. The girls Relay team will progress through to the NSWCCC on Friday, 16 September.

Our boys also competed tremendously on the day, with Tex Hoy placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the U17's 200m race and will progress through to CCC.

Congratulations to all our students who competed and thank you to our officials on the day, Mr Frank Hales, Mr Casey Kirkup and Ms Stevie-Lee Kennedy, as well as our team manager Mrs Trish Stallard.

## NSW CCC FOOTBALL QUARTER FINAL



The boys' Soccer team played the Quarter Final game of the NSW Catholic Colleges Cup on Wednesday, 17 August against Freeman Catholic College Bonnyrigg in Sydney, at Adamstown Oval.

Unfortunately, SFX went down by 1 goal to nil in a game that could easily have gone either way. Our team went into the game with 4 of the regular starting players missing due to injuries, but the depth of talent in the squad, meant that we were able to field a very competitive team on the park.

Jacob Winzar was terribly unlucky not to have us in the lead in the first minute with a brilliant glancing header that missed the goal by only centimetres. Later in the game, Alex Grant shot a thundering kick that rebounded off the crossbar.

The final whistle saw the game end in a loss, but our boys could confidently say that they all put in a good shift.

### TERM 3 SPORTS EVENTS

- **Friday, 16 September 2016**  
**NSWCCC Athletics Carnival**
- **Date TBC**  
**Downie Shield Cricket Round 1**



## YEAR 12

*Friday, 23 September*

**Year 12 Graduation Mass**

**Great Hall, Newcastle University**

*Friday, 23 September*

**Term 3 Concludes**

*2016 Higher School Certificate Examinations*

**Thursday, 13 October to Friday, 4 November**

*Friday, 11 November*

**Year 12 Graduation Dinner**

## YEAR 11

*Monday, 5 September until Thursday, 15 September*

**Year 11 Final Preliminary Course Exams**

*Thursday, 22 September*

**Last day for Year 11**

*Friday, 23 September – STUDENT FREE DAY*

**Term 3 Concludes**

*Monday, 10 October*

**Term 4 Commences for students**

**St Francis Xavier's College**

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## Student Services

**Hours:** 8:00 am until 3:10 pm

**Telephone:** 4961 2110

**Email** [hml-studentservices@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:hml-studentservices@mn.catholic.edu.au)

***All student related phone calls can be made directly to the Student Office. If the phone is unattended please leave a message.***



**A reminder to leave enough distance from neighbours' driveways when parking.**



**All students need to be aware that the vacant block of land between Corona Street and Hebburn Street is out of bounds at all times.**

**It is not to be used for parking.**





### Finance Office Hours

8:30 am to 3:00 pm – Monday to Friday

E: [hml-finance@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:hml-finance@mn.catholic.edu.au)

## SFX TERM 3 STATEMENTS

### Reminder

Your Term 3 statement was issued on 26 July. Statements were sent home by email, the subject was 'St Francis Xavier's College Term 3 Fee Statement', sender details: [Hml-finance@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Hml-finance@mn.catholic.edu.au)

Please ensure emails from the College do not go directly to your spam/junk account.

It is your responsibility to ensure you receive the statement.

**If you have not received an email please contact the Finance Office immediately.**

**PAYMENT OF YOUR ACCOUNT WAS REQUIRED BY  
MONDAY, 15 AUGUST 2016.**

**Please ensure any overdue accounts are paid immediately.**

However if you are making regular payments by direct debit or BPAY please ensure accounts are finalised no later than end of Term 4 for Year 11 students and end of Term 3 for Year 12 students. If you are making regular instalments a calculator has been provided [St Francis Xavier's College Fee calculator](#) to enable you to check your payments will finalise your account by the required date. Alternatively please contact the Finance Office to assist you in calculating a weekly, fortnightly or monthly payment.

## Method of Payment Options

**QKR is now our preferred option to receive school fees**, alternatively BPAY, the Biller Code and Reference Number can be found on your statement. Your nominated deduction amount must finalise your account in full no later than end of Term 4 for Year 11 students and end of Term 3 for Year 12 students.

**Excursions and sport payments** cannot be paid via BPAY but can be paid using the QKR app. Details of which are available on our website [St Francis Xavier's College website](#). **Please take the time to read the information and download the App as it provides a secure method of paying for excursions and fees.**

**Credit Card / EFTPOS**: The College accepts Mastercard or Visa only. Please be aware that if you are paying by credit card you can email, fax, post or

telephone your credit card details to the College. An authorisation slip is provided at the bottom of your statement each term.

**In Person**: Parents are welcome to pay directly at the Finance Office between 8:30am and 3pm. Students can only pay before the start of school and in their lunch and recess breaks.

**Direct Debit**: Please contact the Finance Office.

**Receipts will be emailed.**

# HSC STRESS LESS

A series of workshops for year 11 and 12 students to help navigate through the stress of the HSC

The workshops will run every Monday from 4:30-6:30pm for 4 weeks

The first group will commence on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September  
Please call or email to register your attendance

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Newcastle

For more information call headspace Newcastle on 49294201 or email [intakeheadspacenewcastle@hunterprimarycare.com.au](mailto:intakeheadspacenewcastle@hunterprimarycare.com.au)





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## CALENDAR DATES FOR SCHOOLS 2017

### ASPIRE @ the Civic Theatre

Wednesday 2 August @ 11.00 am

Thursday 3 August @ 11.00 am

Friday 4 August @ 11.00 am and 7.00 pm

Saturday 5 August @ 7.00 pm



## 2017 AUDITIONS

If you are talented in any of the creative arts please ask for a form to audition for the 2017 ASPIRE Program. Closing date for the return of these forms to the Catholic Schools Office is Friday 23 September 2016. An alternate date will also be available for those who are unable to audition on their relevant day.

If you have any queries please contact Anne Atkins at the Catholic Schools Office on (02) 4979-1331

Auditions dates are listed below:

### INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE

Stage Band  
Strings

Monday 7 November 2016

Catholic Schools Office,  
Newcastle

### DANCE ENSEMBLE

Monday 7 November 2016

Catholic Schools Office,  
Newcastle

### DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Tuesday 8 November 2016  
Wednesday 9 November 2016

Catholic Schools Office,  
Newcastle

### VOCAL ENSEMBLE

Thursday 10 November  
2016

Catholic Schools Office,  
Newcastle

# ASPIRE Holiday Workshops

## September 2016

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ASPIRE holiday workshops are all about skills development in a fun and safe environment with likeminded performers.

All ASPIRE holiday workshops are open to students from Year 5 to Year 12 and material used will be age appropriate. Your child doesn't need to have any prior experience with the ASPIRE program.

Payment for these holiday workshops is via the new Qkr APP. If you require assistance in using this app please contact us. The cost for each workshop is \$80.00.

Please note participation in holiday workshops does not guarantee acceptance into the ASPIRE program for 2017.

To register your child's booking or for further enquiries please contact Anne Atkins on (02) 4979-1331 or email [anne.atkins@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anne.atkins@mn.catholic.edu.au). Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

### Singing: The Confident Performer

*Wednesday 28 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown*

This fun workshop focuses on performance technique and how to ooze confidence on stage. You'll look at what to do with your body when performing and discuss how to deal with nerves. Participants will be encouraged to try out a few different styles of song as well as working on a piece they bring to the workshop.

### Dance: The Story of Dance

*Wednesday 28 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown*

Working with dancer and choreographer Angie Diaz young dancers will gain insight into how we can tell stories and create an emotional response from an audience through movement. As well as being put through your paces with new choreography and partner work, you will be challenged to create your own pieces.

### Music: The Singer-Songwriter

*Thursday 29 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown*

Bring along your instrument of choice and work alongside Professional muso Mike McCarthy for the day as you write your own songs. Musicians will look at everything from lyrics and finding inspiration to finding the right riffs and musical patterns. This is a great opportunity to hone your skills and work in your preferred style.

### Acting: Scripts and Scenes

*Thursday 29 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown*

This engaging workshop will take young performers through techniques for approaching scripted work, including first read-through and how we take information from a script for our character, basic blocking and delivery of text and performance tips. It's a great way to develop your acting skills. Script will be age appropriate and from a variety of theatre styles.

