Dear Parents/Guardians & Students,

The MacKillop College Athletics Carnival is scheduled for **Tuesday 18 August** at the Domain Athletics Centre.

You will find detailed in this flyer some important information that you need to be aware of for the Carnival Day. If you have any issues or queries please do not hesitate to contact me at the College to discuss further.

**Carnival Details:**

**When:** Tuesday 18 August *(Back-Up Day due to bad weather – Friday 21 August)*

**Where:** Domain Athletics Centre

**Time:** 9:00am – 2:30pm *(Buses will depart the College by 8.30am & return the students to school by our normal finish time)*

- Students are to wear full College HPE uniform to and from the College. If students have any specific athletics gear they would like to wear to compete on the day they can discuss this with their House Coordinators.
- Students are highly encouraged to bring & wear their ‘House Colours’. Please take note of the following House Mascots *(there will be bonus points awarded to the best dressed House):*
  - Kirby Crocs *(Green)*
  - Lochaber Lightening *(The Flash – Red)*
  - Penola Pirates *(Yellow)*
  - Tenison Tigers *(Blue)*
- Students will need a cut lunch, snacks and plenty of water.
- Students will be aware of their event start times. A Program will be emailed to each student & a copy will also be posted on the College website prior to the Carnival for parent/guardian reference.
- Please note that the times are approximate and are subject to slight change. Also note that there are a number of events to get through in a short amount of time so there will be cross over between track & field events – students have been advised to listen to our trackside announcer & attend their track event when called then attend or return to the field event to complete as required.
- As this is a House based Carnival students will be required to sit in the designated stand area with their House Staff when not competing.
- Parents and family members are more than welcome to attend. There will be seating available for you on the day.
- If you are able to assist us at the Carnival with various jobs, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me prior to the Carnival or approach me on the day.
- FAQ’s overleaf 😊

We look forward to a rewarding & enjoyable day for all involved.

Thanks for your time

Kind Regards
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- **Can I enter High Jump?** – Only those students listed on the Program to participate in High Jump for their age group are to attend the event on the day. All students have had the opportunity to practice & challenge themselves in HPE & those who are capable of jumping the SATIS starting height for their age are invited to participate at our Carnival. This event involves a lot of set up time through the process so this is the best way we can control numbers to ensure the event runs to time as required. Thanks.

- **How many events can I go in?**
  You can go in as many as you like, however, competing in every event is a big ask. If you think you are up for it...go for it!!! As a bare minimum it is expected that you compete in at least one track and one field event. It is a long day sitting in the grandstand not participating getting cold & bored ... Make the most of the day and sign up to some events.

  It is a very BUSY DAY with lots going on both on the track & in the field areas. If you have 2 Events scheduled @ the same time – please listen to the Track Announcer & head to your Track Marshalling Area when called – this may be prior to starting your field event or whilst completing the event - your Field Marshal will work your Field attempts around your Track race no issue.

- **How do I score points for my house?**
  Remember. Every point counts. You will receive at least 1 participation point for every event you compete in, regardless of where you finish. After the event is complete, competitors will be ranked from 1st to last based on time or distance. The winner will receive 25 points, 2nd 20 points, 3rd 15 points, 4th 10 points & 5th 5 points. All other participants will receive 1 point only for participation (20 bonus points for a record).

- **How can I become an Age Champion?**
  All of the points that you receive are tallied up against all of the other people in your age group. Sometimes a person may compete in 4 events, win them all and win the Age Championship. Other times a person may not win an event, but you could still come 1st, 2nd or 3rd overall by going in as many events as possible and getting a good place.

- **What heat do I compete in?**
  For track events, heats will be organised on the day. Make sure you aim to compete in races against people who will make you push yourself. The track marshal will help you. While winning your heat is great – you need to remember that points are allocated based on your overall time & the finish order of ALL the students in your age group that competed in the event (all heats combined).

- **HURDLES**
  We will not be running hurdles at the College Carnival.

  **Year 7s**
  If you are keen to represent the College in Hurdles at Southern SATIS you can trial at a designated training session at the Domain (TBA) to make the Team. We only have 1 student compete & 1 student listed as reserve for the event at the interschool – so the top 2 students will make the Southern SATIS & State SATIS team for the Hurdles Event.

  **Year 8, 9 & 10s**
  We are happy to nominate the students who competed at the Southern/State SATIS last year as our hurdlers for 2015 if you are keen to do so. However if there are any new students to the College who would like to challenge to compete in the Hurdles a time trial can be run at a designated training session at the Domain (TBA).

  Likewise, if you are not new to the college but feel you are now capable of hurdling better this year & would like to challenge for a spot that is fine – in either case please see Mrs. Dixon or Mrs. Geappen to discuss – the nominated students will be named post our Athletics Carnival.

THANKS EVERYONE ☺