Alight for the World - Day One

35 teachers in their first year of teaching attended Day 1 of the Alight for the World Spiritual Formation Program for Early Career Teachers held at The Hermitage, Mittagong earlier this month.

The opening day of the program, facilitated by Suz Marden, Pat O’Gorman, Beth Riolo and Jen Charadia, gave teachers the opportunity to explore their understanding of Spirituality and Images of God within the Catholic faith tradition. The day also provided time for participants to gather and network with other teachers in the 2013 cohort as they reflected on the start of their first year of teaching.

A highlight of the day was a presentation given by Mr Chris Price. Chris is an early career teacher at St Brigid’s Catholic Parish Primary School, Gwynneville, who shared his experience and insight regarding the challenges and joys of teaching in a Catholic School.

Sincere thanks are extended to this year’s cohort of teachers for their wonderful participation in the Formation Day.

Lamplighter Leadership Program - Day Two

On Thursday 9 May participants from the 2013 Cohort gathered at The Hermitage, Mittagong for the second day of the Lamplighter Leadership Program. The weather was perfect, with the autumn trees providing a scenic backdrop for the focus of the day. Br Bill Tarrant fms and Suz Marden facilitated the day on the second Formation Capacity – Prayer and Style of Prayer (Meditation). The day begun with the group taking full advantage of the beauty of The Hermitage with a meditation walk, followed by exploring the story of Bartimaeus in Mark’s Gospel and concluding with ideas for taking the Lamplighter experience back to schools.
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK FILM COMPETITION

WINNERS ANNOUNCED

There were over 400 student participants, with 110 films received for judging in the CSW Short Film Competition. Entries were open to all students across NSW and ACT and the standard of entries was very high.

There is 1 winning entry in each of the three categories (Primary, Secondary, and Group) who receive a major prize including a 64GB IPAD, 64GB Mini IPAD and $1000 voucher to MAC1 and 2 finalist entries per division who will receive a $100 iTunes card and a $100 voucher for their school. All winning participants have been contacted and are very excited about the results!

A representative from Australian Catholic Superannuation & Retirement Fund will be in attendance when prizes are given to the winning students at a special presentation at their school assemblies in the next few weeks.

The winning entries in each division can be viewed at the Catholic Schools website - www.catholicschools.edu.au
PARISHES WORKING TOGETHER – BISHOP’S RESPONSE

With the Feast of Pentecost last weekend, Bishop Peter Ingham has issued a pastoral letter in response to the Parishes Working Together consultation. The letter is entitled “With the Spirit of God, Moving Together into our Future.” In his introduction, Bishop Peter says: “As promised, on this Feast of Pentecost I am happy to share with you the outcome of the extensive education and consultation process, ‘Parishes Working Together’. This incorporates our plans to continue together, clergy, religious and laity, to build vibrant and sustainable Church communities in the Diocese of Wollongong as we move into the future.” The letter sets out a range of strategies for moving forward together with the Spirit. Copies of the letter will be sent via email to Principals to distribute to all families and will be available online. Bishop Peter notes that a full report will be made available in June.

Faith In Action - Through the Jesuit spirituality of Pope Francis
- 1 June 2013 - Xavier Centre

Renowned national speaker Sandie Cornish will help unpack Catholic Social Teaching through the Jesuit spirituality of Pope Francis. Learn the basic tools to move from faith into action in your everyday life. Through prayer, reflection, sharing and input we will identify issues facing us today, discover the riches of Scripture and Church Social Teaching and explore ways of beginning to develop our understanding and response to these issues. There are only 90 places available so RSVP is essential by 24 May to darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au or phone Darren on 4222 2463. The cost of the day is $10 and morning tea and lunch will be provided. (Tea/Coffee and Registration will commence at 9:30am for a 10:00am start) Please find attached an invitation to this event being organised by the Diocesan Council for Justice, Ecology and Peace.

New Executive Director for NCEC

Recently announced was the appointment of Mr Ross Fox as the Executive Director of the National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC). Mr Fox, at present Director of Policy, Research and Communications with the Catholic Education Office, Melbourne, will take up his NCEC appointment in Canberra on 1 July 2013.

The Marie Bashir Peace Awards 2013

The National Council of Women of New South Wales invites the participation of NSW Catholic secondary schools in the fourth year of THE MARIE BASHIR PEACE AWARDS for female students in Years 10, 11 or 12. Nominations may be submitted of student/s who is/are showing leadership in fostering peace and harmonious relationships. More information is provided in the attached Flyer, Information Announcement Sheet and Nomination Form.

HOW CAN YOU NOMINATE A STUDENT FROM YOUR SCHOOL?

* Write your Reason for Nomination on the attached Nomination Form
* Complete the Nomination Form with your signature and the signatures of your Nominee and her Parent/Guardian
* Include a Signed Statement written by the Nominee about her activities
* Return the above to The National Council of Women of New South Wales, either by Email ncwsw1@bigpond.com, Fax (02) 9269 0466 or post to NCW NSW, LG Level (Letterbox #3), 280 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW 2000. CLOSING DATE IS JUNE 21, 2013.

NSW Board of Studies Notices

Principals and staff are reminded of the need to be aware of and implement as required the Official Notices issued by the NSW Board of Studies. More details at www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au

A Celtic Pilgrimage - August 2013

Please find attached an information flyer regarding an opportunity for pilgrimage at the Education and Spirituality Centre in Tullow, Ireland.

Mater Dei Staff Immersion Experience

Teaching staff are advised that Mater Dei School, Camden will be offering a Staff Immersion Experience to Mater Dei on Tuesday 27 August 2013.

This is a significant personal and professional learning opportunity and is fully supported by the Catholic Education Office. Please ‘save the date’ if you are interested. More detailed information about the program and registration will be distributed to schools later this month.
On behalf of the Director of Schools, sincere congratulations to the members of the Association’s Executive who were elected earlier in the year. President - Amanda Wilson; Vice President - Neil McCann; Secretary - Toni Sillis; Treasurer - Jenny Werakso.

The Association will be holding their Conference on 22 - 23 August 2013 with the theme of ‘Stewardship and Sustainability’. The Annual Association Mass and Dinner this year will be held on the 6 December 2013 at Bowral.

Broken Bay Institute event ‘Strangers, Migrants and Refugees in the Bible’ - 3-6 July 2013
The Broken Bay Institute is holding an important event for anyone who is concerned about the plight of refugees and migrants. The BBI is bringing to Australia a number of acclaimed scholars, as part of their 10 year anniversary. Whether for professional or personal development, this event is not to be missed by anyone who cares about refugees and wishes to gain new perspectives and practical insights that will help you make a difference.

Places will be limited. For travellers, accommodation is available at nominal rates ($60 B&B) at Mount Saint Benedict Centre (Pennant Hills). Further details are available on BBI's website (http://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/news-and-events/dsp-default.cfm?loadref=347)

GOD IN THE GONG – Tuesday 11 June 2013
For ages 18-35 years
Venue: Macarthur Tavern (cnr Gilchrist Drive & Kellicar Road, Campbelltown)
Time: 7.00pm – 9.00pm (Dinner available at the venue from 5.30pm)
Speaker: Fr Richard Healey
Topic: Faith and Journey: How, when and why do we go on pilgrimage?
Enquiries: youth@dow.org.au or 4222 2460

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS magazine Winter 2013 edition: Faith in the public square. OUT SOON!
In this special edition of Australian Catholics the place of the Church in today’s world is explored. Two mothers, a Christian and an atheist, talk about raising children. Young people tell where they go for guidance, community and spirituality. What will the Royal Commission mean for the Church, while Kristina Keneally speaks of being a Catholic in public life. Don’t miss out on this edition. If you are not receiving Australian Catholics magazine please use the attached subscription form or call (03) 9421 9666 to subscribe.

10th Biennial Catholic Schools Parent Conference - 25 & 26 May 2013 - Parramatta
A reminder that The Council of Catholic Schools Parents NSW / ACT and the Parramatta Parents Representative Council will host the 10th Biennial Catholic Schools Parent Conference iConnect... with Learning, in Partnership, in Faith on the 25 and 26 May 2013 at the Hotel Novotel, Parramatta. Further information and registration please contact Rebecca Hill at CEO rebecca.hill@dow.catholic.edu.au

2013 Pierre de Coubertin Award & International Youth Forum - call for nominations
The Australian Olympic Committee invites you to select one student in Year 11 or 12 (Year 10 for Central schools or Junior Colleges) to receive the prestigious Pierre de Coubertin Award which celebrates the Olympic spirit and the ideals of sport and sportsmanship. The State Presentation and Student Olympic Academy will be held on Friday 21 June 2013 at Sydney Olympic Park. Numbers attending the Student Olympic Academy will be strictly limited to the first one hundred (100) students nominated due to the limited size of the room. To be eligible to attend the State Presentation, Student Olympic Academy and be considered for the International Youth Forum, all nominations must be received by close of business on Friday 31 May 2013. Please be advised that nominations received after this date will be processed and the Pierre de Coubertin Award Certificate forwarded to your school for presentation at another time. Further details and a nomination form for the Youth Forum are attached.

St Scholastica’s College 90th Reunion - Sunday 26 May 2013
St Scholastica’s College, Glebe is holding its 90th re-union at the College on Sunday 26 May commencing with Mass in the Chapel at 12 noon followed by a light lunch. All ex-students and previous staff members are warmly invited to attend. For further information please contact Maureen McCluskie on 9872 6624 or 0417 027 568 or email maus133@tpg.com.au

Director - Catholic Mission Wollongong
Mike Deasy is stepping down from as Diocesan Director Catholic Mission Wollongong that he has held for the last ten years. Principals are asked to include the attached vacancy advert into their School Newsletters issued in May.
Holy Spirit College celebrates 30 years
Congratulations to the community of Holy Spirit College, Bellambi, who will celebrate 30 years with a Mass of Thanksgiving and celebration on 21 May.

ANZAC Community Grants 2013
The New South Wales Government has created a grants program aimed at helping young people and multicultural communities participate in the Anzac spirit and traditions. Grants of up to $5,000 are available to schools. Applications must be made on behalf of schools and address the six criteria provided in the attached flyer. Whilst Anzac Day has passed there are still limited funds available to schools. Enquiries and applications may be made to Ms Maret Hegh on 8762 9888 or at maret.hegh@veterans.nsw.gov.au.

Alternatively applications can be forwarded directly to:
Anzac Community Grants
Veterans’ Affairs
Office of Communities
PO Box K403
HAYMARKET NSW 1240

Please note that the Closing Date is 31 May 2013.

The Big Chill Out is on again!
The 2012 event raised over $22000 and this year our targeted amount is $35000. Posters will be distributed to schools later this week advertising the event. A4 posters are also attached, feel free to distribute to all staff and school networks. Any contributions to event prizes or sponsorship please contact Josie Cooks josephine.cooks@dow.catholic.edu.au

Circular to Schools CS 5 2013

The Big Chill Out 2013
Diocese of Wollongong

FOR STAFF OF THE DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG (AND THEIR FAMILY & FRIENDS OVER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS)

FRIDAY 2 AUGUST
ST JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ALBION PARK
7PM - 7AM SAT

Raise money to support the Vinnies Food Van. Experience the night on limited luxuries - cardboard box tent provided. BYO sleeping bag and pillow - rug up! A short-stay option available. $10 per participant. Fundraising activities & music Prizes to be won. Guest speaker Paul Power, CEO Refugess Council of Australia and a prayer vigil with Bishop Peter Ingham.

VISIT THE WEBSITE
www.dow.catholic.edu.au

Organised by the Catholic Education Office, Diocese of Wollongong
RSVP: Josie Cooks, Catholic Education Office
P | 4253 8836     E | josephine.cooks@dow.catholic.edu.au
FAITH IN ACTION
Through the Jesuit spirituality of Pope Francis

Join renowned national speaker Sandie Cornish as she helps us unpack Catholic Social Teaching through the Jesuit spirituality of Pope Francis.

Learn the basic tools to move from faith into action in your everyday life. There are only 90 places available to those who RSVP first. Don’t miss out!

WHEN: Saturday 1 June 2013
9.30am Registration & tea/coffee (10am Start)

WHERE: Xavier Centre Conference Rooms
38 Harbour St, Wollongong (next to Cathedral)

COST: $10 at the door (incl. morning tea & lunch)

RSVP: 24 May to Darren McDowell
4222 2463 | darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au

Proudly brought to you by
the Diocesan Council for
Justice, Ecology & Peace
WHO CAN BE NOMINATED?

- One girl in Year 10, Year 11 or Year 12 from each school.
- The Nominee must have made a significant contribution to harmony or social justice.
- The Nominee must have displayed leadership in fostering harmonious relationships and peace.
- The Nominee should be willing to attend the presentation function on the date selected as close as possible to the United Nations International Day of Peace, September 21, and address the audience on the nature of her contribution (approx. 3 minutes)
- The Nominee will not previously have received this award.

HOW TO NOMINATE?

- All nominations must be made by the school principal on the attached Nomination Form and signed by the principal, the student and a parent/guardian of the student.
- The principal may nominate one female student from the school in accordance with the above listed criteria for Nominees and provide Reason for Nomination (maximum 300 words).
- With the principal's nomination must be a signed statement from the Nominee containing information on activities pursued and/or programs initiated relevant to the award.
- Completed nominations must be posted, emailed or faxed to National Council of Women NSW by the closing date of June 21, 2013.

Selection of Awardees by the Awards Committee of NCW NSW

Presentation of 2013 Awards will take place at Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Sydney on a date to be confirmed — close to September 21, UN International Day of Peace. — at 2.30 pm

CASH AWARDS OF $250.00 EACH & CERTIFICATES for Selected Awardees and for their schools

Awardees, their parents and their respective school principals will be contacted by the Awards Committee to announce the date of the Awards Presentation.
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF NSW

ANNOUNCING THE 2013

MARIE BASHIR PEACE AWARDS
FOR FEMALE STUDENTS IN YEARS 10, 11 OR 12

ONE STUDENT PER SCHOOL AS NOMINATED BY THE PRINCIPAL
Recognition of the student’s work and achievements plus acknowledgement of her school

AWARDS OF $250.00 EACH
Certificates for Selected Awardees and for their Schools

Nominations must be submitted on the attached form.

Closing Date: June 21, 2013

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION

• One girl in Year 10, Year 11 or Year 12 from each school
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The Marie Bashir Peace Awards have been initiated and organised by the National Council of Women of NSW, with assisting sponsorship from Zonta Club of Sydney East and Pan Pacific & South East Asia Women’s Association of Australia (PPSEAWA)

National Council of Women of NSW (NCW NSW), established in 1896, is linked through the National Council of Women Australia (NCWA) to the International Council of Women (ICW), the world’s oldest international women’s organisation formed in 1888. ICW has Category 1 consultative status in the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. NCW NSW is an umbrella organisation for a large and diverse number of affiliated women’s organisations. We are non-sectarian and non-party political and seek to provide a forum for considered debate on policy matters, in particular those matters affecting women and children.

Nola Barkl, Convener
Marie Bashir Peace Awards Committee, NCW NSW
Tel. (02) 9269 0433 Fax (02) 9469 0466 Email ncwnsw1@bigpond.com
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN NSW INC.

THE MARIE BASHIR PEACE AWARDS 2013

NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE
Name of Student

Currently in Year  10 ☐  11 ☐  12 ☐  (tick appropriate year)

THIS FORM MUST ATTACH A SIGNED STATEMENT FROM THE NOMINEE
containing her own expression of information on activities pursued and/or programs initiated relevant to the award. (MAXIMUM 1 x A4 page.)

NOMINATOR
Name of Principal

Name of School

Principal’s Phone………………………… Email  ………………………………………………………………

Liaison Contact (Name)………………… Email…………………………………………………

Reason for Nomination  (maximum 300 words, may be attached)
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SIGNED……………………….SIGNED……………………..SIGNED…………………
(Principal)  (Student)  (Parent/Guardian of Student)

Return by June 21 2013 to:
National Council of Women NSW Inc.,
Post  LG Level (Letterbox #3), 280 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW 2000
Email: ncwnsw1@bigpond.com  Fax  (02) 9269 0466
DATE..........................
Spend 10 days in the ancient Celtic Landscape of Ireland, breathe in its depths, touch its sacredness, smell its beauty, stand in its richness and solitude and know within yourself the call to fullness of life.

Sing, dance, pray and be silent, imagine and reflect in quiet places, ancient cities and sacred sites, that will give you space to know the longings of your own heart and time to let the search for meaning shape the way you live.

Date: Monday 12th - Thursday 22nd August 2013
Venue: Based at Teach Bhríde Education and Spirituality Centre, Tullow, Co. Carlow
Cost: From €1,650.00 (euro) per person sharing.
(Single accommodation available)
Cost includes: courtesy coach from Dublin City centre (to and from the venue) accommodation and all meals, all pilgrimage travel, gratuities and entrance fees to sites.

Monica Brown and Hilary Musgrave will facilitate a 10 day pilgrimage that will take you to Glendalough, Newgrange, The Boyne Valley, The Hill of Tara, Jerpoint Abbey, Kildare Town, Kilkenny City and County Carlow, visiting ancient ruins and old burial sites, high crosses, holy wells, medieval cities and sacred places. Through music, song, story and myth, dance, mime, imagery and scripture-storytelling, Hilary and Monica will invite you to listen to your own story in this Celtic Landscape where you can come home to yourself and to your God.

Accompanying us on the journey through the Celtic Landscape will be Irish story tellers, Celtic singers, historians and Irish dancers.

Guest presenters will include; Michael Rodgers from Glendalough, Mary Minehan from St Brigid’s Centre Kildare.

For more information contact:
Phone: (Ire) +353 1 442 9618
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Email: celticpilgrimage@gmail.com
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2013 Pierre de Coubertin Award: calling for nominations

The Australian Olympic Committee invites you to select one student in Year 11 or 12 (year 10 for Central schools or Junior Colleges) to receive the prestigious Pierre de Coubertin Award which celebrates the Olympic spirit and the ideals of sport and sportsmanship.

The award is named after Baron Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the Modern Olympics, who believed international sports competitions between athletes from different countries would promote a more peaceful world. In addition, the Olympic ideals motivate and encourage all young people to strive for their personal best.

The State Presentation and Student Olympic Academy will be held on Friday 21 June 2013 at Sydney Olympic Park. Numbers attending the Student Olympic Academy will be strictly limited to the first one hundred students nominated due to the limited size of the room.

This year, there is an opportunity for at least one Award recipient to be selected to attend the 9th International Youth Forum in Lillehammer, Norway. This will be a self-funded trip and nominating students must attend the Olympic Academy on 21 June. Details and nomination form for the Youth Forum are enclosed.

The Academy will be followed by the Award Presentation at Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre, to which parents will be invited. The schedule and details of the Academy will be provided upon receiving the Nomination. Both the Academy and Presentation are free of charge and students must attend the Academy day to be eligible to receive their Award at the Presentation. The Academy has proved very popular so please send in your student’s application as soon as possible if you wish them to attend.

To be eligible to attend the State Presentation, Student Olympic Academy and be considered for the International Youth Forum, all nominations must be received by close of business on Friday 31 May 2013. Please be advised that nominations received after this date will be processed and the Pierre de Coubertin Award Certificate forwarded to your school for presentation at another time.

We look forward to receiving your nomination for the Pierre de Coubertin Award. Further information is located at www.olympics.com.au/nsw or alternatively you can contact the NSW Olympic Council on Tel. (02) 9247 2000 or email nswoc@olympics.com.au

Yours sincerely,

Helen Brownlee OAM
AOC Executive Board Member
President NSW Olympic Council
We have moved!

Please be advised the office of the Australian Olympic Committee and NSW Olympic Council has relocated.

The new contact and address details are as follows:

Level 4, 140 George Street, SYDNEY NSW 2000

PO Box R1788, ROYAL EXCHANGE NSW 1225

T: (02) 9247 2000

New Fax Number: (02) 8436 2198

E: nswoc@olympics.com.au

The International Pierre de Coubertin Committee (CIPC) has invited the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC) to send a delegation of eight Australian students and two accompanying teachers to the 9th International Youth Forum, which will be held in Lillehammer, Norway, from 10th – 18th August, 2013.

The AOC selects the eight students to attend from recipients of the 2012/2013 Pierre de Coubertin Award in each State/Territory between the ages of 16 to 18 years. Students selected will be involved in the Forum program organising sports events, leading discussion groups and coordinating group activities as well as participating for the Coubertin Award.

The CIPC offers free hospitality (food, accommodation, local travel and excursions) from the time of arrival in Lillehammer, until departure on 18th August. The accommodation has been reserved by the host school, Gausdal Pierre de Coubertin High School, in the Birkebeineren Hotel, Lillehammer, built as the Press Village for the Winter Olympic Games, 1994. Participants will have the opportunity the visit the Olympic venues, and enjoy the Norwegian culture and landscape.

In order to meet the requirements for group activities at the Forum, the AOC organises an orientation session at Sydney Olympic Park prior to departure from Australia. Selected students must therefore be available from Thursday 8th August to Monday 26th August, 2013. Final dates will be circulated to successful students once airline bookings have been made.

Students selected must be able to contribute an estimated $2,500 to cover airfares, accommodation in Sydney, and associated expenses. The AOC will be seeking a grant to assist with the cost of airfares and to help reduce the overall cost.

In order to further enhance the experience, the Pierre de Coubertin Gymnasium Erfurt, Germany has kindly offered a week of homestay with their students, following the International Forum. Erfurt is situated in the centre of Germany, in the province of Thuringia, with a history dating back some 1,250 years. A visit to the school and excursions to places of interest will be organised for the Australian delegation.

To balance the composition of the delegation, each State and Territory Olympic Council is invited to nominate one female and one male student from which the AOC will select one student per state. If, for any reason, vacancies exist after this process, the AOC will determine from which states the additional student(s) will be selected. The accompanying teachers will be Helen Brownlee, President, NSW Olympic Council and AOC Executive Board Member, and Bethanie Kearney, President TAS Olympians Club and a practising teacher in Tasmania.

All nominees will be notified of the final selection, and the AOC will advise the respective schools of the eight successful candidates in due course.
2013 INTERNATIONAL
PIERRE DE COUBERTIN YOUTH FORUM
NOMINATION FORM

Lillehammer, Norway: 10th – 18th August 2013

1. PERSONAL DETAILS
Surname: ____________________________ Given Name(s): ____________________________ DOB: __/__/____
Postal Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
Do you hold a current passport? If Yes, Passport # ____________________________ Expiry Date: __________
Phone: ______________________________ E-mail Address: __________________________________________

Parents / Guardian / Care Giver Contact Details:
Name: _____________________________________________________________________________________
Home Address: ______________________________________________________________________________
Phone (H): __________________________ Phone (Wk): __________________________ Mobile: ________________
Fax: _________________________________ E-mail Address: __________________________________________

2. SCHOOL INFORMATION
School: _____________________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________ Suburb: __________________________ Postcode: __________
Phone: ______________________________ Fax: __________________________________________
Email Address: __________________________________________
School Contact: ______________________________________________________________________________

In 2013 the student enrolled is in Year (please circle): 11 12
Previous recipient of Pierre de Coubertin Award (Year) ______ or 2013 nominee_______ (please tick)

3. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND
Do you speak a language other than English well enough to sustain a basic conversation? ____________________________
Do you play a musical instrument? If YES, which instrument(s)? ____________________________
Please list all recent positions of responsibility you have held in your school
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4. **AIMS & GOALS**

Please list the personal aims and goals you hope to achieve through participation in the Youth Forum

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5. **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Do you have any international travel experience?  
**YES / NO**

If YES, please detail:

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Please list any general community activities that you may have been or are currently involved in. (Organisation, type of involvement, time spent in last 12 months)

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6. **DECLARATION**

To the best of my knowledge and understanding, the information provided on this form is correct and I am available to participate in the International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum and Homestay Program (Erfurt, Germany) from 10th – 24/25th August, 2013.

I understand that I will be under the authority of the Australian Olympic Committee. I agree that if successful, I will complete the ‘Contract of Agreement’ relating to my participation in the Forum.

I understand that the cost to attend the International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum is estimated at AUS $ 3500.00, this sum being for return ground and air travel to Lillehammer/Erfurt. It does not cover any additional spending money, which must be covered by the participant.

I accept that the completion of this form in no way ensures my selection to attend the International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum. I further accept that the AOC Selection Committee’s decision will be FINAL and that no correspondence will be entered into for unsuccessful applicants.

Signed: (Applicant) _______________________________ Date: ______________

Signed: (Parent/Guardian/Care giver) _______________________________ Date: ______________

Approved by School Principal: _______________________________ Date: ______________

NB:  *The information obtained in this application form will be kept strictly confidential.*

Return completed Nomination Form to the NSW Olympic Council by **COB Friday 31st May 2013**
Fax (02) 9247 2000 or mail to PO Box R1788, Royal Exchange NSW 1225

*For any enquiries please contact the NSW Olympic Council Office Tel. (02) 9247 2000 or email helen.brownlee@olympics.com.au*
The Australian Olympic Committee is offering the prestigious Pierre de Coubertin Award to celebrate the Olympic spirit. NSW schools are requested to nominate students who are active participants in sport, displaying the Olympic ideals of fair play and sportsmanship.

School Nomination Information
- Students will be assessed and nominated by their school by the specified closing date.
- Schools are encouraged to conduct an internal awards process to determine their nominee.
- Only one nomination will be accepted from each school in any one year.
- Special nominations for students with disabilities or students who are isolated will be considered by the Awards Committee.

NSW State Presentation of Awards
Certificates recognising Award recipients will be presented at the State Presentation & Academy Day during International Olympic Week (around International Olympic Day, 23rd June). If students cannot make this Presentation Day, Certificates will be sent to schools for a presentation event after the State Presentation & Academy Day.

Selection Criteria and Guidelines
The Award recipient must:
- Be enrolled in years 11 or 12 (Yr10 in Central Schools/Junior School Campus) and not have received the Award on a previous occasion;
- Have participated actively in the school physical education program with a consistently positive attitude; and
- Demonstrate the attributes consistent with the fundamental aims of the Olympic movement.

At some stage throughout years 7-12, the selected student must have represented the school in:
- At least one sport on the current Olympic program; and
- participated in at least two other sports (individual or team).

Literary / Artistic Work
The student must submit a piece of work (literary or artistic) which demonstrates / depicts an appreciation of Olympism.

- Literary – Maximum of 250 words (typed).
- Artistic – Maximum 64cm x 45cm (or equivalent in three dimensional context).

Literary or artistic works will remain the property of the Australian Olympic Committee, and where appropriate will be published in official publications.

Checklist for Nomination
- Nomination Form (2 pages) completed by Sport Organiser / Year Adviser and signed by School Principal.
- Literary / artistic work (note maximum dimensions above) completed and attached to nomination.
- Permission for Photography Form (optional, 1 page)
- Registration for Academy Day Form (Only the first 100 Registration Forms will be accepted)
- Entry submitted by closing date

Please send Nomination Forms to:
NSW Olympic Council
Level 4, 140 George Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000
Phone: 02 9247 2000
Facsimile: 02 8436 2198
Email: nswoc@olympics.com.au


“The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle.”

BARON PIERRE DE COUBERTIN
# Nomination Form

## Student Nomination Information

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The student is enrolled in year: (circle) 10, 11, 12 [Year 10 Central Schools/ Junior School Campus only]

## 1. School Representation

**School Representation in at least one sport on the current Olympic program:** (Add additional information as required)

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2. Student participation in at least two other sports (not necessarily on the Olympic program):

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3. Attributes consistent with the fundamental aims of the Olympic movement.
   a) Describe the student’s special qualities as evidenced through participation in physical education and sport throughout his/her secondary school years (e.g. attitude, motivation).

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b) Provide examples of sportsmanship displayed by the student.

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c) Detail the student’s involvement in either coaching, administration or the promotion of school sport which has encouraged others to achieve their full potential.

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4. Literary or artistic work showing an appreciation of Olympism must accompany this nomination. Please note size restrictions.

Principal’s Certification:

I verify that ____________________________ (student) has fulfilled the criteria for the Pierre de Coubertin Award.

Principal’s Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

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Permission for Photography Form

A photograph may be taken of students receiving their award at any NSW Olympic Council Award presentation. These photographs may be posted on the NSW Olympic Council website so that they may be accessed free of charge by the Award recipient, his/her family and the school. The photos may also be used in any publicity material for the Award. For this to occur, the permission of a parent or guardian is required.

Please forward this form to the parent/guardian of the Award recipient for their signature and return to the NSW Olympic Council, PO Box 312, St Leonards NSW 1590.

I ________________, (parent/guardian) give permission for the photo of ______________________ (child’s name) taken at the presentation of the Pierre de Coubertin Award to be posted on the NSW Olympic Council website along with child’s name and school.

This form should be returned with the Student Nomination Form.

Registration for Academy Day Form

A New South Wales Olympic Academy Day will be held in conjunction with the NSW State Presentation for recipients of this year’s Pierre de Coubertin Award, providing the opportunity to meet Olympians, workshop Olympic issues and learn more of the International Olympic Movement activities.

The Academy Day is free of charge for Award recipients but strictly limited to the first 100 applications.

☐ Yes, I would like to attend the Academy Day

☐ No, I am unable to attend the Academy Day

Student’s Name:___________________________________________________________________________________________

School:________________________________________________________________________________________________

A letter will be sent to successful applicants to confirm their place at the Academy Day.

This form should be returned with the Student Nomination Form.
Diocesan Director for Catholic Mission
(Wollongong)

Applications are called for the above position that will be vacated by Mike Deasy at the end of June. Mike will continue with his work for Catholic Mission in the dioceses of Bathurst and Wilcannia-Forbes. A job description is attached. More specific questions can be directed to Walter Dinale Catholic Mission’s National HR Manager WDinale@catholicmission.org.au or on (02) 9919 7800.

Applications close 31 May 2013.
The New South Wales Government has created a grants program aimed at helping young people and multicultural communities participate in the Anzac spirit and traditions.

Anzac Community Grants are intended to aid local communities, especially in the lead up to the Centenary of the First World War in 2014-2018, in raising public awareness of the Anzac spirit and the sacrifices made by Australians in war, conflicts and peacekeeping.

The grants will ensure that members of the NSW community, through commemorative and educational initiatives, can share in and honour the enormous sacrifices Anzac diggers have made throughout Australia’s military history.

Applications are invited for grants of up to $5,000 from ex-service organisations, community groups, schools and other educational institutions, local government, museums, or historical societies.

**CRITERIA**

Applicants must identify whether they are applying for a youth grant or a multicultural grant under the program. If applying for both streams, a separate application must be submitted for each grant. Applications simply for excursions are not eligible for funding.

**Applicants must be able to demonstrate:**

1. How the project will promote a greater understanding and recognition of our Anzac legacy:
   1.1 among young people (in a youth grant application); OR
   1.2 among multicultural communities (in a multicultural grant application).

2. How the project will:
   2.1 benefit school aged people and other young people up to the age of 25 (in a youth grant application); OR
   2.2 benefit the members of one or more ethnic communities, within the broader community, and promote the values of multiculturalism (in a multicultural grant application).

3. Innovation in project design, particularly in using web-based programs or social media where relevant (partnerships with organisations or individuals with particular expertise in web-based programs and social media are encouraged).
4 A capacity to utilise a range of communication media that ensures effective connection to younger generations (partnerships with organisations with particular expertise in a range of communication media are encouraged).

5 How historical accuracy of any educational or local story material is to be ensured.

6 That the project will clearly focus on fostering the Anzac spirit within the school or community.

**ANZAC YOUTH GRANTS**

Examples:

- A local school learns about the diggers who were former students and then shares its new knowledge in formal presentations in class or in the community.

- Aboriginal young people research and document local Aboriginal involvement in Australia’s wartime history to facilitate increased recognition of Aboriginal military service.

- A High School records and documents oral history of local veterans for lodgement with the State Library and online curriculum support websites.

- A Primary School records and documents local families identified on war memorials.

- A local RSL proposes creative resourcing/training of veterans visiting schools to ensure age-appropriate, curriculum-aware presentations.

**ANZAC MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY GRANTS**

Examples:

- An ex-service organisation supports ex-servicemen and women in sharing their stories, and their example of community service, with our more recently arrived communities.

- An historical association works with the community to tell the story of a local internment camp, or engages stories of the town’s contribution to the First World War through its families, industry, recruitment marches, hospitals, ex-service organisations or community leaders.

- A community organisation partners with a memorial custodian for national day celebrations, such as laying wreaths at the ANZAC Memorial at Hyde Park, or at a local memorial.

**PREPARING AN APPLICATION**

Applicants must:

- be an organisation, not an individual
- clearly address the six criteria above in their proposal
- ensure their proposal is received by **Friday 31 May 2013** at:
  
  - maret.hegh@veterans.nsw.gov.au
  - Anzac Community Grants
    Veterans’ Affairs
    Office of Communities
    PO Box K403
    HAYMARKET NSW 1240

Successful applicants will be announced around Anzac Day 2013.

Successful applicants will be required to provide a detailed report on outcomes within 30 days of grant completion. A template for the report will be forwarded with the letter advising successful applicants.

Further information or enquiries: Ms Maret Hegh, 02 8762 9888
The BIG CHILL OUT
Diocese of Wollongong

FOR STAFF OF THE DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG (AND THEIR FAMILY & FRIENDS OVER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS)

FRIDAY 2 AUGUST
ST JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ALBION PARK
7PM - 7AM SAT

Raise money to support the Vinnies Food Van. Experience the night on limited luxuries - cardboard box tent provided. BYO sleeping bag and pillow - rug up! A short-stay option available.

$10 per participant
Fundraising activities & music
Prizes to be won
Guest speaker Paul Power, CEO Refugee Council of Australia and a prayer vigil with Bishop Peter Ingham

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