



YEAR 7 SCHOLARSHIPS 2026

20/03/2025

Dear Parent, Carer and Applicant,

MacKillop Catholic College is offering a number of scholarships to students entering Year 7 in 2026. The aim of the scholarships is to value effort, success, and excellence in the Academic, Music and Sport domains.

Each scholarship covers up to 100% of the tuition component of the MacKillop Catholic College fees. Scholarship applications are available from Student Reception, the College website, and the Parent Portal.

Students are invited to apply for the following scholarships.

St Ignatius Scholarship for Academic Excellence

The St Ignatius Scholarship for Academic Excellence is available to students in Years 7, 2026 and is tenured for the duration of the 2026 Academic Year. The scholarship covers up to 100% of the tuition component of the MacKillop Catholic College fees. The scholarship is awarded on the following criteria:

1. Completion of the ACER Placement Test. Level 1 for Years 7. (Please note the cost, \$140, involved in sitting the ACER Academic Assessment Exam will be borne by the applicant and is payable on registration with ACER). Please register here: [ACER Scholarships](#)
2. Evidence of demonstrated academic achievement and application to study from current school
3. Evidence of extra-curricular and community leadership and service
4. Evidence of exemplary behaviour and presentation
5. A demonstrated sense of community and leadership
6. Exhibit qualities compatible with the ethos and values of MacKillop Catholic College
7. Interview with the College Principal and Deputy Principal - Secondary, demonstrating commitment to upholding the values of the College

Music Scholarship

The MacKillop Catholic College Music Scholarship is offered to music students who currently play a music ensemble instrument. It is awarded based on the following criteria:

Evidence of demonstrated engagement and success in Music

- An audition
- A commitment to representing the College in Music
- Evidence of extra-curricular and community leadership and service
- Maintenance of a C Grade or higher in all subjects
- Evidence of exemplary behaviour and presentation
- A demonstrated sense of community and leadership
- Exhibit qualities compatible with the ethos and values of MacKillop Catholic College
- An interview with the College Principal, Deputy Principal – Secondary and Head of Performance

The Music Scholarship covers up to 100% of tuition and music fees for 2026 Academic Year. It is conditional on participation and success in music ensembles, as well as continued enrolment in Music as an academic subject.

Sporting Scholarship

The MacKillop Catholic College Sporting Scholarship is offered to students who currently compete in sport at a representative level. It is awarded based on the following criteria:

- Evidence of Regional, State or National representation in a chosen sport,
- A commitment to representing the College in sport
- Evidence of extra-curricular and community leadership and service
- Maintenance of a C Grade or higher in all subjects
- Evidence of exemplary behaviour and presentation
- a demonstrated sense of community and leadership
- exhibit qualities compatible with the ethos and values of MacKillop Catholic College
- An interview with the College Principal, Deputy Principal – Secondary, and Head of Sport.

The Sporting Excellence Scholarship covers 100% of tuition fees for the 2026 Academic Year. It is conditional on their continued participation and success in their chosen sport.

Application Process

Parents/carers of applicants are required to complete an Application for Scholarship. Each application needs to be accompanied by:

- Applicant's Academic Reports for the previous two years.
- Two references in support of the application. This may include the school principal or a teacher, community leader, parish priest or minister, employer, sporting coach or club leader. Names and addresses of referees should be provided to validate the references.
- A personal handwritten statement of 400-500 words (*to be completed by the student*) outlining their strengths, achievements and how they live the values of faith, hope, love and respect in their daily lives and schooling.
- Registration with and attendance at the placement test/audition.

Please observe the following timeline for the awarding of the Year 7 2026 Scholarships:

- Application packs available from Student Reception, the College Website and Parent Portal on **Friday 21 March 2025**.
- Academic Scholarship applicants must register and pay online for the ACER test by Friday 4 April **2025**.
- Scholarship Applications close on Friday 4 April **2025**.
- Academic ACER Test at the College on **Thursday 1 May, 2pm – 4pm**.
- Interview for Scholarship applicants will occur from **26 May (Week 6, Term 2)**.

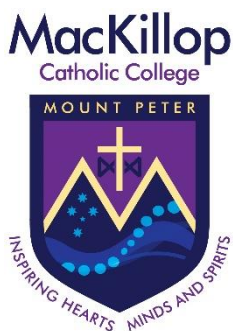
Thank you for your interest in the MacKillop Catholic College Scholarship Program. We look forward to the next stages of this application process.

If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College.

Kind regards,

Ms Melissa Headridge
Deputy Principal – Secondary

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YEAR 7 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2026

Please return applications together with necessary documentation to:

Ms Headridge

Deputy Principal – Secondary

SECTION 1: Personal Details of Applicant

Student Name: _____ House: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Parent/Carer Name(s): _____

Telephone (Home or Work): _____ Mobile: _____

Home email address: _____

Scholarship applying for (please tick):

☐ Academic (please see back page for ACER registration details)

☐ Music

☐ Sport

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SECTION 2: To be completed by the Parent/Carer

As the Parent/Carer you are invited to support the application for your son/daughter's Scholarship.

(This may include an endorsement as well as the support you can provide for your son/daughter and the College).

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SECTION 3: Signatures

Parent/Carer Signature: _____

Student (Applicant) Signature: _____

Date: _____

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SECTION 4: To be completed by the Student Applicant

What are the three most important goals that you aim to achieve in the next five years? How do you plan to achieve them?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Why do you think you are a good candidate for the Scholarship? _____

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ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

YEAR 7 STUDENTS IN 2026

Please note: Students entering Year 7 in 2026 wishing to apply for an Academic Excellence Scholarship will be required to register and sit the ACER Level 1 Academic Scholarship Test. The test will be conducted at the College on **Tuesday 20 April at 2pm.**

To register, please go to [ACER Scholarships](#) and register your child. The cost of the test is \$140, payable directly to ACER at the time of registration.

ACER Registrations close on Friday 4 April 2025

If you have any problems with this process, please contact the College on 4081 7600

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