



Junior School Speech Day

Presentation of
Academic and Performance Awards

5th December 2024



National Anthem

Acknowledgement of Country

National Anthem

Junior School Choir and Orchestra

Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are one and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair!
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair!

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing
Advance Australia Fair!

Welcome and Guest Speaker



Official Welcome

Masters of Ceremonies
Clara Micallef and Elin Pavlakos

Principal's Address

Mrs Maxine Kohler
Principal of The McDonald College

Guest Speaker

Mariam Saab
Alumni 2003

Welcome

Junior School Choir
"Music is Always There"

The McDonald College Academic Awards Announced by

Mr Peter Slattery
Director of Junior School

Presented by

Mrs Maxine Kohler
Principal of The McDonald College



Academic Awards

ACADEMIC AWARDS - KINDERGARTEN

Excellence in English
Excellence in French
Excellence in Music

Tomas Kender

Excellence in Numeracy

Maryam Alamoudi

Endeavour in French

Meilani Crowley

Merit Award *"for improvement in Reading and Comprehension"*

Melody Molles

Merit Award *"for creating a little bit of magic in the Primary school and putting a smile on everyone's faces"*

Darren Wijaya



ACADEMIC AWARDS - YEAR ONE

Excellence in English
Excellence in French

Olivia Wufuer

Excellence in Visual Arts
Excellence in Music

William Wang

Excellence in Mathematics
Endeavour in Visual Arts
Endeavour in French
Citizenship Award

Alpha Kocaturk

Endeavour in English
Endeavour in Music

Malakai McMaha

Endeavour in Mathematics

Finn Clifford



Academic Awards

ACADEMIC AWARDS - YEAR TWO

Excellence in English
Excellence in Visual Arts
Excellence in Music
Endeavour in French

Elise Sherer

Endeavour in English
Endeavour in Mathematics
Endeavour in Visual Arts
Endeavour in Music

Isla Brinkworth

Excellence in Mathematics
Excellence in French

Archer Granada Tobias

"Big Me"
Rock Band



ACADEMIC AWARDS - YEAR THREE

Excellence in Mathematics
Excellence in Music
Endeavour in English
Endeavour in Science

Abigail Lok

Excellence in English
Endeavour in Visual Arts

Waverley Gerard

Excellence in French
Endeavour in Mathematics

Atilla Kocaturk

Endeavour In Music
Merit Award "*for consistent effort in all subject areas*"
Citizenship Award

Ilke Ozaras

Endeavour in French

Aya Santosa

Merit Award "*for Improvement in Spelling*"

Laila Breen

Merit Award "*for Improvement in Spelling*"

Milana Tabakovic



Academic Awards

ACADEMIC AWARDS - YEAR FOUR

Excellence in English
Excellence in Mathematics
Excellence in PDHPE
Excellence in Music
Excellence in HSIE

Alexis Djordjovic

Excellence in Science
Endeavour in HSIE
Endeavour in French
Endeavour In Music

Abigail Wilson

Excellence in French
Endeavour in English
Endeavour in Mathematics

Soul Lee

Excellence in Visual Arts
Endeavour in PDHPE

Alira Djordjovic

Merit Award "*Improvement in Mathematics*"

Dana Alamoudi

Merit Award "*Improvement in Spelling*"

Eden Hough

Merit Award "*Improvement in Writing*"

Elliott Muscat



ACADEMIC AWARDS - YEAR FIVE

Excellence in English
Excellence in History
Excellence in Geography
Excellence in Science
Excellence in Visual Arts
Excellence in Music
Endeavour in Mathematics
Endeavour in French
Citizenship Award

Angela Lee

Endeavour in English
Endeavour in Music
Endeavour in Science
Endeavour in History
Citizenship Award

Skylah McMahan

Excellence in French
Endeavour in Geography

Abigail Kakala

Excellence in Mathematics

Oscar Luo

Excellence in PDHPE

Catalina Richetti

Endeavour in Visual Arts

Sofia Bonfield-Molina

Endeavour in PDHPE

Harrison Rogers

Citizenship Award

Zehra Habiboglu



Academic Awards

ACADEMIC AWARDS - YEAR SIX

Excellence in English Excellence in History Excellence in Music	April Hsin Biro
Excellence in French Excellence in Visual Arts Endeavour in History	Kyrylo Prokopchuk
Excellence in Mathematics Excellence in French	Oliver To
Excellence in Science Endeavour in PDHPE	Grace Thomas
Excellence in Geography	Alyssa Jindal
Endeavour in Music Endeavour in French Endeavour in Visual Arts	Madison Lok
Endeavour in English Merit Award <i>"for excellence in reflective writing that demonstrates a recognition and analysis of themes and concepts in English Novel Study"</i>	Jemima Hazlett-Berridge
Endeavour in Mathematics Merit Award <i>"for development of accuracy in comprehension and structured writing responses"</i> Endeavour in Science	Ahn Khoi Vo Valentina Bagala
Endeavour in Geography	Elin Pavlakos
Excellence in PDHPE	Jayden Tan
Citizenship	Jackson Francis
Dux of the Junior School	April Hsin Biro



Announced by

Mr Peter Slattery
Director of Junior School

Presented by

Ian Gilkes - Concord Rotary Club

The Concord Rotary Prize for Citizenship

Clara Micallef
Elin Pavlakos

Presented by

Mariam Saab

The Sally Sitou MP, Federal Member for Reid
Friendship Award

April Hsin Biro

Poetry Recital Competition Winner

Malakai McMaha

Chess Club Champion

Leonardo Tababakovic

The Visalli Award for Creative Arts

Oliver To

Junior School Captains review of 2024

Clara Micallef
Elin Pavlakos

Presented by

Clara Micallef
Elin Pavlakos
Announcement of School Captains for 2025



Sporting Awards

Announced by

Mr Peter Slattery
Director of Junior School

Presented by

Mr David Garner
Deputy Principa

Junior Champions - Athletics

Sacha Vezis
Alexis Djordjevic

Senior Champions - Athletics

Jeffrey Chong
Eva Bourgeois

Fraser House Captains:

Cameron Sherer
Jayden Tan

Markham House Captains:

April Hsin Biro
Oliver To

Good Sport Award

Alexis Djordjevic

Athletics Shields presented to House Captains

Winning House for 2024 Announced

"Raise Your Voice"
Year 3 - 6 Performing Arts Choir



Announced by

Mr Peter Kraft
Director of Performing Arts

Presented by

Mrs Maxine Kohler
Principal of The McDonald College

Acting

Kindergarten
Year 1
Year 2
Year 3
Year 4
Year 5
Year 6

Tomas Kender
Malakai McMah
Elise Sherer
Ilke Ozaras
Soul Lee
Sofia Cristovao
Halimah Bokhari

Dance

Kindergarten
Year 1
Year 2

Melody Molles
Malakai McMah
Elise Sherer

Classical Dance

Year 3
Year 4
Year 5
Year 6

Laila Breen
Alira Djordjevic
Angela Lee
Grace Thomas

Orchestral Instrument Program

Year 3
Year 4
Year 5
Year 6

Laila Breen
Alexis Djordjevic
Catalina Richetti
Cameron Sherer

Music

Kindergarten
Year 1
Year 2

Tomas Kender
Malakai McMah
Elise Sherer

Acrobatics/Gymnastics

Kindergarten
Year 1
Year 2

Tomas Kender
Malakai McMah
Elise Sherer

Sport Stream

Year 4

Alexis Djordjevic



Tennis Stream Award

Announced by

Mr Peter Slattery
Director of the Junior School

Presented by

Luke Bourgeois
Voyager Tennis Academy

Year 5
Year 6

Ken Dalla Pozza
Peter Domingo

Ann McDonald Scholarship Awards



Announced by

Mr Peter Kraft
Director of Performing Arts

Presented by

Mrs Maxine Kohler
Principal of The McDonald College

Music

Francesco Di Leo

Classical Dance

Angela Lee

Junior Dance

Oliver To



Year 6 Graduates

Announced by

Mr Peter Slattery
Director of Junior School

Presented by

Ms Antoinette Colbran
Chair of the College Council

Valentina Bagala	April Hsin Biro
Halimah Bokhari	Eva Bourgeois
Jeffrey Chong	Peter Domingo
Jackson Francis	Jemima Hazlett-Berridge
Alyssa Jindal	Torah Kernot-McNamara
Madison Lok	Honoka Matsunaga
Clara Micallef	Daisy Nguyen
Elin Pavlakos	Kyrylo Prokopchuk
Cameron Sherer	Leonardo Tabakovic
Jayden Tan	Grace Thomas
Oliver To	Anh Khoi Vo

Closing Comments

Mr Peter Slattery
Director of Junior School

Ann McDonald Scholars
Francesco Di Leo
Angela Lee
Oliver To

College Song



College Song

Gathering and recollecting all our memories
As we step forward on our way,
Sharing the Spirit of the arts, loving to move together;
Reaching towards our dreams and a new day,
Our hearts will echo with our song
Daring to show them our way.

We march ahead, with hopes so high
Into a land unknown
McDonald College calls us all
To see where truth is sown.

We are striving on our way,
New discoveries each day,
We're setting our aim:
Together, we're striving to reach
For the highest star.

And in this land of sun and smiles
We all can share the arts.
Work together and play our part:
Come on, we've got the chance.

We are striving on our way,
New discoveries each day.
We're setting our aim,
So come with us, sing with us now!
Here is our song:
Come with us, sing with us now.