

Mount Carmel College Graduate Named SA Australian of the Year 2018

The 2018 South Australia Young Australian of the Year is 24 year old Kyran Dixon, a role model for all youth but especially indigenous youth. Kyran was a student of Mount Carmel College and graduated in 2010.

This is Kyran's story...

Braving two battles with cancer, Kyran is a role model for young Indigenous people in his community. After being diagnosed with a bone tumour in his hip when he was just 11, this talented Australian Rules footballer had to press pause on his sporting ambitions. Working his way back to football, Kyran joined the Port Adelaide Football Club Academy before disaster struck. A second diagnosis, this time Acute Myloid Leukemia in 2014, demanded lifesaving treatment. While enduring the rounds of chemotherapy, Kyran maintained his university studies, graduating in 2016. He is now an ambassador who actively promotes cancer awareness and research. As a proud member of the Kurna and Narrunga clans, Kyran is a founding member of the Aboriginal Youth Cancer Advisory Group and promotes healthy lifestyle choices among Aboriginal young people. Whether he's a guest speaker or a mentor for at-risk youth, Kyran spreads a message of hope, strength and resilience, and motivates others to make the most of their choices.

Kyran is a proud graduate of Mount Carmel College and our community is so proud of him.



Kyran invited Kelli Lewis, his Art teacher at Mount Carmel College, to attend the Awards Night.