Dear Parents and Students of Marymount,

Greetings during this the holiest week of the Christian calendar. The gatherings of Christians in all parts of the world to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is indeed a cause of great joy, especially in our local area and Parish. Can I add a very warm invitation for your family to join with your fellow parishioners in the liturgical events that make up our celebration of Easter. These begin on Holy Thursday evening in the Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7:00pm, continue at 3:00pm on Good Friday for the commemoration of the Lord’s Passion, and reach their high point in the Solemn Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening or Easter Sunday Mass. These celebrations will be held in our four churches and at Marymount. A very special welcome to families of Marymount to come to the Doyle Centre on Friday at 3:00pm or Easter Sunday at 10:00am or 5:30pm.

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I hope and pray that this Easter will be a blessed time for all at Marymount. May the joy and peace of the Risen Christ touch the hearts of all our families with hope and renewed life. Happy Easter and a good holiday time for our students.

Fr Ken Howell
Parish Priest
A Busy Term Done...  
Now For Term 2

We won’t go through the list of all that happened in Term One. It was busy. Much happened and so much was achieved. We salute the Year 7 Pastoral Teachers who were also teachers for two or three core classes for their pastoral group and, with the Year 7 Pastoral Coordinators ensured a smooth transition to high school. While our Year 8 Team were just as effective supporting their students transition to high school, these students are considered more experienced and were met with (almost) the full demands of high school. We know they are looking forward to their Camp in Week 4.

Before that we have Hairspray, Parent/Teacher Interviews, Marine Aquatic, Biology, Music & Business Excursions, 2011-2015 School Renewal Validation and College Tours. NAPLAN Testing for Year 7 and 9 will happen in the same week as the Year 8 Camp from 12 to 14 May. The busy-ness of Term 2 continues for a further six weeks culminating in the Senior Formal on Friday 26 June at the Marriott Hotel. It doesn’t stop there however. From June 29 to July 3 our Open Rugby League Team will be in Ipswich for the Confraternity Shield and our Open Netball Team in Brisbane for the Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Netball Carnival.

It’s a great school with students involved and taking on challenges every week. The willingness of staff to provide the opportunities and the support is vital and much appreciated by the students, parents and the principal.
Following consultation meetings between the Parish and the combined Marymount Schools, the proposed new church drop-off/pick-up and car park will complement the proposed new combined Marymount Schools’ drop off/pick up and car park and provide a whole of site solution to traffic problems. The consultation around this solution has further delayed construction of the new church. We appreciate the priority that has been placed on student safety and the needs of our families each morning and afternoon during these meetings.

When necessary council approvals are obtained for the combined schools project and tenders assessed construction should take three months. The aim is to complete the project before November. The parish is waiting until there is certainty about the construction of this new drop-off, pick-up and car park before proceeding to tenders for the new church.

There will be difficulties for staff and student parking inside the school grounds during construction of the combined schools’ project. We will establish a traffic management plan for the staff and student parking and will seek their patience and care during the construction. The parish will require a traffic management plan from the successful tenderer for the construction of the new church. This will ensure safety for all and viable traffic movement during construction of the new church later in the year.

All families have dealt with College construction traffic over the past three years. We were patient because we were anticipating the end result. We are asking all to be understanding as we manage further construction traffic from the mid-term 3 and anticipate the end to car park frustrations that have been part of mornings and afternoons over many years.

Reports & Parent Teacher Interviews

Reports will be mailed home on today, Thursday 2/4/15. Details for booking Parent/Teacher Interviews for 1:00pm - 6:00pm Monday 27 April and 1:00pm - 4:00pm Tuesday 28 April will be included with the reports. Online bookings will be possible from 9:00am Tuesday 21 April.

Chris Noonan
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL SENIOR SECONDARY

Principal's Awards
I congratulate the many students who have done exceptionally well in settling into their Senior year(s) of schooling, as represented in the very pleasing reporting results they have received. Many of these will be acknowledged in the Principal's Award ceremony next term.

Reporting
Please remember that reporting for Term I is interim only; meaning that only a limited amount of academic progress can be reported on. Teachers make a professional judgement on how each student has settled into the subject and course and use this opportunity to flag concerns or give encouragement on progress to date. It is important to refer to the key in Progress and effort; especially when reading the progress as “at the ‘expected level’ or ‘above’ or ‘below’.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
All parents are encouraged to attend the Parent/Teacher interviews set for early in Term II. The online system for these bookings is explained in the letter attached with the report.

Subject Changes
Subject changes are not possible for Term II, as subjects are credited for a full Semester. There are a very few exceptions, such as changing from a higher to a lower level of Maths or English, for example.

Wishing all students and their families a very happy, safe and holy Easter.

Peter Shaw
Assistant Principal - Senior Secondary

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL JUNIOR SECONDARY

Parent Teacher Interviews - Tuesday 29 April
1:00pm - 6:00pm
A letter will be forwarded home with your son/daughter’s term one report, regarding parent teacher interviews, including password and login details to make a booking online. The online bookings will open on Tuesday 21 April and close at noon Tuesday 28 April. We encourage all families who are concerned about their child’s term one progress to make an appointment with the teacher concerned. Students are encouraged to attend interviews with parents. Students are permitted to go home at 12:30pm, but supervision will be provided in the library until 3:00pm. Please complete the slip that is with reports if you require supervision for your son/daughter.

NAPLAN 2015
Year 7 and 9 students will undertake NAPLAN testing this year from Tuesday 12 May - Thursday 14 May. Please contact the College in writing if your son/daughter will be unable to sit tests on these days.

For further information on NAPLAN testing view the Information for Parents booklet or visit the NAPLAN website.

Wishing all families a happy and safe Easter

Marie Hansen
Assistant Principal - Junior Secondary

Marymount College has raised over $6,000 for Project Compassion this year

Camp Gallipoli
As of today we have two places available for students who might like to join our group travelling to Camp Gallipoli for ANZAC Day this year.

The group will leave Marymount on Friday 24th April and return Saturday the 25th after being involved in numerous ANZAC activities being run at the Brisbane RNA Showgrounds.

This is a sleepover event being supervised by Marymount College staff.

If any students are interested in taking up this ‘once in a lifetime’ opportunity they need to contact Mrs Jacque Cook jcook@marymount.qld.edu.au over the holidays for information.

Transport, meals, entertainment, Dawn Service all include - $99.

Visit the Camp Gallipoli website

View the College Calendar - Click Here
Mass Times
Saturday
8.00am Burleigh Heads
5.00pm Miami
6.00pm Palm Beach
6.15pm Burleigh Heads
Sunday
7.00am Palm Beach
7.00am Burleigh Heads
8.30am Miami
8.30am Mudgeeraba
10.00am Doyle Centre
5.30pm Doyle Centre

Lord,
May all that we do this day,
from morning until night,
begin with your inspiration,
and continue with your powerful help.
May our work this day be rooted in love and mercy,
that we might love you,
and love our neighbours,
as perfectly as you love us.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen

FAMILIES BACK ON TRACK
This week many of the senior students had the opportunity to participate in the Family’s Back on Track reach out program.

This was a great experience for the students, particularly since many had volunteered for the first time to visit children who are living in not ideal circumstances. It was great to see so many students involved and using their spare time to ‘PUT A LITTLE LOVE’ in others hearts. It was also rewarding to begin the year with these kids, as it is such an important time in the Christian calendar and was great to help brighten up their week with many activities such as playing sporting games, creating Easter baskets and masks and having a sausage sizzle. But the Easter Egg hunt was the highlight of the day.

Georgia Forsyth (Year 12) said. “Towards the end of the afternoon we put together an Easter egg hunt for the children, their faces were priceless! It is such a warm feeling seeing them so happy and smiling.”

Arisa Atanyakul (Year 11) said “Tuesday afternoon was a fulfilling event as we got to enjoy our afternoon with children who were able to have fun no matter what situations they were going through at home. It was great to see them smile and laugh throughout the afternoon.”

Mia Beasley (Year 10) student said, “I thought it was a really fun and rewarding experience to interact with the kids there, and to take into consideration those who are not as fortunate as us when it comes to family relationships.”

Special thanks to Edwin and Mr Murphy for giving up their time and making the whole afternoon possible. The response for this event was so outstanding that we could not take everyone who volunteered. It’s so nice to know that we have students with a caring heart willing to give up their time and share Christianity with others.

Our next visit will be early next term so those interested need to let Edwin know in the first week back in Term 2.

Looking forward to our next Families Back on Track adventure!

Happy Easter
Nixon Brass
Vice captain

Back on Track experience fun for everyone
When a group of students from the College took time out of their afternoon to go to the Back on Track facilities to entertain the kids there, we made their day better while also having a great time ourselves.

Not only did Mr Murphy make ice-creams, cook sausages and shake milkshakes, but he also did a spot-on job of driving there! Our Campus Minister Edwin brought bunny masks, Easter egg baskets in a variety of colours, scissors, glue and sticky tape to have an enjoyable time with the kids. We used the nearby court to play basketball, and kick a soccer ball too. At the end of the day, we went on a fantastic Easter egg hunt, which consisted of the kids filling their newly-made baskets to the brim and beyond with Easter chocolate. It was a fantastic day for everyone!

Luke Harrison
Year 10 reporter and participant

FACEBOOK PAGE - Youth Mass Burleigh Parish
MARYMOUNT STUDENTS WIN AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL TITRATION COMPETITION.

Dr Trevor Appleton FRACI C Chem OAM was a University of Queensland lecturer and researcher from 1974 until his recent passing. Dr Appleton was a long time member of the Royal Australian Chemical Institute (RACI). He was instrumental in establishing the Secondary School Titration Competition (previously open only to tertiary students only) in 1984. Senior secondary chemistry students formed teams of three to test their titration skills against other teams around Australia. Currently approximately 1500 teams compete at the regional level and of these approximately 150 teams qualify to compete at the National level. These teams are drawn from an eclectic mix of schools from all sectors. A list of the higher achieving schools is always strewn with a galaxy of prominent and state-leading establishments.

Sadly, Dr Appleton passed away in 2014. The RACI have seen fit to provide a perpetual trophy dedicated to Dr Appleton in memory and recognition of the 30 years during which he personally prepared the final chemicals that each student was to analyse. This meant in excess of 900 vials of chemicals were distributed by him to universities (test centres) in every state each year. Professor Appleton, as we all knew him, is sadly missed by those of us who attended the finals competitions over the years.

It is a great honour that a Marymount College team was to be the 1st recipient of this trophy. Members of our 2014 winning team were Savana Brunton, Tom Harrison and Daniel McIntosh. Congratulations to them. Their mentor and coach was Ms Jen Webster.

Footnote: Marymount has an unequaled record in this competition. We have been National Champions an unprecedented 3 times with numerous national placings. These spectacular efforts are due in no small part to the unflinching enthusiasm and deep knowledge base possessed by Jen Webster.

Chris Murphy
Head of Science
Performing Arts Classes
Performing Arts Classes are held every Tuesday after school in the Doyle Centre Drama Room. There are a few spots still available this year.

With years of experience in both live and TV/film work, my daughter Cleo Massey and I like to offer the students a variety of experiences. Some take part in festivals and the older students will do some film work.

Classes cover acting skills, role play, character work, improvisation and more. If you would like to enrol your child email or text me as below
Anna Waters-Massey
watersworks@bigpond.com
0417 584290
www.annawatersmassey.com.au

YEAR 12 - FIRST TERM OF FINAL YEAR
‘Our last and final year of schooling’, oh how the words are finally true! To know that this is our last year of schooling is exciting and at the same time terrifying. To know that by the end of this year, we will finally be revealed to this ‘real world’ that we have all been countlessly told about is ever so fascinating.

To know that our last ‘first’ exam block and our last Retreat are already over makes you realise how quickly this year is already going. Although, Year 12 may be stressful and challenging, personally, this year has already held countless memories, events and opportunities that will be remembered forever, and the great thing is that there are still plenty more to come.

Retreat was one wonderful memory of Term 1, as I got to bond and form friendships with people to whom I had never spoken, and Agriculture camp was another highlight, as I was able to participate in activities I had never done before i.e. Picking ‘shiraz’ grapes from a vineyard in Stanthorpe!

Jazmin Scullion
Year 12 reporter

My main goal for this year (my final year of schooling) is involving myself in as many aspects of College life as possible.

Rotary Interact, MUNA and Student Reporting are all extra-curricular activities that have enabled me to gain skills and qualities that will be valuable to me long after I leave the school grounds for the last time at the end of the year.

In younger grades, I was petrified and ‘sick to the stomach’ about public speaking. Being involved in clubs that encourage students to voice their own opinion has strongly benefitted me both inside and outside of the classroom. Balancing schoolwork and extra curricular activities has

Jazmin Scullion
Lachlan Grant
Taya Oxenham

also been a task in itself, but has highlighted the importance of time management. I highly recommend to students in all grades to involve themselves in as many cultural clubs and activities that they can handle, as they offer you opportunities that should never be turned down, including representing our school at events and special functions.

Lachlan Grant
Cultural Captain and Year 12 reporter

For me, all the events I’ve been a part of this term that have been accessible to me specifically through my role as school captain have been the most significant.

The Opening Liturgy, Valentine’s Day and St Patrick’s Day, to name the more prevalent. Being able to influence the wider community with my contributions has been so rewarding, and something I guess I’ve always looked forward to. Given the chance to choose the year’s theme (Put a little love in your heart) felt like a big responsibility to me, and this message is something that, as leaders, we really hope to expand as the year goes on, continuing the promotion of what’s truly important – love – as we strive and struggle through 2015.

Taya Oxenham
School Captain
Year 11 Coordinators Report

As Term 1 draws to a close it is a chance to congratulate the Year 11 students on their transition into the senior phase of their schooling lives. Collectively they have been able to adjust to the increased workloads and expectations, whilst maintaining their enthusiasm and positive outlook. The students have had the opportunity to set realistic goals for themselves for this year and have put in place the practices that will help them to achieve those goals.

As well as dealing with the academic demands of Term 1, Year 11 students have been involved in a multitude of extracurricular activities. This week we had a number of our students involved in the Easter liturgy and over the holidays many of the Year 11s will be putting the final touches on their performances in the College Musical Hairspray. We wish them all the very best and look forward to enjoying the show in the first week of Term 2.

To all the Year 11s and their families we wish you a happy and holy Easter. Enjoy your well-earned break so you can return refreshed and energised for term 2.

Matt Carroll & Irene Scott
Year 11 Coordinators

YEAR 11 - BUSINESS EXCURSION

On Tuesday a group of eight Year 11 students went to Griffith University to be school Ambassadors for Business.

When we first arrived we didn’t know what to expect. The first lecture was on Accountancy covering what they do, why they do it and what is their importance. We made our way to the second lecture hall and then divided into twenty-two different groups where we worked on a project about expenses, profit, liabilities and why you would need an accountant. Some of the example companies used were Woolworths, Pizza Hut and Boost Juice. The day was extremely interesting and informative.

I would like to thank Mr Rezo for taking us, Ms Organ for organising the day and Griffith University for letting us explore University Life.

Jake O’Neill
Year 11 Business Ambassador

YEAR 11 - FIRST TERM WRAP

The first term of Year 11 was challenging to say the least.

But, with late-night study headaches and dozens of pages full of study notes galore, we managed to amble through. The difference between what is required of you in Year 10 and what is required of you in Year 11 is far greater than we imagined.

Now being high school seniors, the workload is extremely intense. Exam block was something we’d never been faced with before, but we welcomed it with open arms and conquered it.

The ability to study between exams instead of attending normal classes was a blessing – I don’t think many of us would have survived had we not have been granted the privilege of an exam block.

To conclude, Year 11 so far has been challenging, but we are more than ready to plunge further into our senior year.

Bella Cantoni
Year 11 student reporter

Phillip Oliver
Year 11 student reporter

This term has been exiting and scary all at once.

To come from seemingly simple and easy schooling of Years 8, 9, and 10, it was a big step and a shock for everyone to be dropped quickly into senior schooling. Last week we experienced our first exam block, and it was easy to see many mixed feelings of fear, anxiety, and nervousness. It was great to see however, that as a whole, Year 11 determinably pushed through. This term has been amazing, and it is a great stepping-stone for the rest of the year and the rest of our time at Marymount.

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Bella Cantoni
Year 11 student reporter

Planning a Holiday? Check term dates here
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE GRANITE BELT TOUR

Earlier in March, the Year 11 and 12 Agricultural Science class went to the “wild west”. We toured agribusiness in the Stanthorpe and Granite Belt Region. The 3 day camp gives students some real life experiences relating to the difficulties of producing food from paddock to plate.

Day 1:
Our first stop was at an Aratula Redclaw Farm. Here we got to see the production cycle for Redclaw (freshwater crayfish) and get an opportunity to get up close and personal with them. We then headed to the Girraween National Park where we got to observe and explore what a natural ecosystem was compared to the previous managed ecosystem. We were then all prepared to make the hike up the Pyramids (5 km), to appreciate the breath taking views, and to sit and take in the scenery, as we were all exhausted! Once most people had made it to the top, we descended down the hill and headed to the bus. Our accommodation for 2 nights was at the Top of the Town Holiday Park in Stanthorpe. By this time, we were all hungry and ready to eat, and with the help of the students and teachers we prepared a BBQ dinner, which included freshly prepared redclaw!

Day 2:
We all awoke to the smell of a cooked breakfast, and prepared for our trip to the ‘Strawberry Fields.’ Here we got to experience what its like to run your own strawberry production farm and the positives and negatives with this type of business. We were fortunate enough to even pick and eat our own strawberries from the ‘pick your own’ section of the farm. After this we were able to see the processes involved in packing and labelling strawberries and how they then end up on our supermarket shelves.
YEAR 11 & 12 AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE GRANITE BELT TOUR

After this we left to visit Tony and Mary Kominos where we got to experience their winery. Tony explained the wine making and bottling processes and we actually got to pick our own ‘shiraz’ grapes from the vineyard where we hand harvested approximately 800kg of grapes. We spent 2.5 hours here and then we hopped back in the bus where we went to the Bramble Patch. Here we got to go inside their store which stocked; strawberry coulis, jams, dressings etc. This business has now fully moved away from actually farming and focused on the value adding of local produce. We then all had the chance to have a homemade fruit ice cream or frozen yoghurt, which was delicious!

Our last stop was the ‘QLD College of Wine Tourism’ where we got to see the many opportunities in wine tourism such as wine making, hospitality, horticulture, science and tourism. They also put on a lovely afternoon tea for us, which included some delicious choc – chip cookies. Finally we arrived back at the “Top of the Town Cabins” for our last night in Stanthorpe.

Day 3:
Packing up is never fun but a cooked breakfast sure helps! Before the long trip home we stopped at a massive apple packing and storage facility. This family owned business was in the middle of harvest time and so preparing the fruit for sale in Woolies. I had no idea that each apple was washed, dried, waxed, polished, scanned, colour sorted, x-rayed, sized and ever passed through a metal detector! The huge controlled atmosphere storage rooms are able to hold apples fresh for over 9 months. The apples we sampled however were straight from the orchard. Our final stop was at another orchard and cider factory. This was another example were value adding to apples has helped an agribusiness flourish.

Thanks to the Teachers and Ms Sandra Leu for giving us the opportunity to visit all these places. We came back exhausted but happy to have eaten so much wonderful produce.

Jazmin Scullion
Year 12 Agricultural Science Reporter
MUNA was an amazing, liberating, fun experience.

YEAR 12 - MODEL UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY

On Saturday 21 March, Lachlan Grant, Lucy Koschel and I spent the day at a mock up of the Model United Nations assembly, better known as MUNA.

After doing it as a team last year we were well prepared and excited to relive the experience. We represented Afghanistan and were asked to discuss four resolutions: The threat of Ebola, Climate Change, Terrorism and an Emergency resolution of Capital Punishment. These resolutions were extremely interesting and it was great to research how Afghanistan fits in with these resolutions and then vote ‘for’ or ‘against’ the resolution passing. On top of this we were allowed to pass notes to other countries and try to form alliances with them which was challenging considering we were Afghanistan but great fun. MUNA is an excellent opportunity for learning about international relations and ongoing current issues. The day was very successful with our member, Lucy, being chosen as one of two best speakers on the day and she will represent the Rotary District in Canberra to speak at another MUNA where she will be up against some of the top speakers of Senior school across the country. She put a great deal of effort into research and was able to communicate this information in an extremely engaging and articulate manner. I would just like to thank Lachlan for the gorgeous table display and keeping everything organised and fun.

On behalf of our team I would like to thank Ms Kennedy for taking time out of her busy schedule to help us with MUNA and being there to support us and I would also like to thank Kirra-Currumbin Rotary Club for providing us with this rewarding opportunity. Overall MUNA was an amazing, liberating, fun experience and we will remember it well into the future.

Brooke Fraser
Year 12 participant

Nicole Keating, Chloe Ward and I participated in the Model United Nations Assembly. MUNA is the Mock United Nations Assembly consisting of many different countries who are part of the UN with each school choosing a specific country to represent. Our team chose South Korea, which was an interesting country in terms of their policies and was fascinating to research. Our team represented South Korea dressed as K-Pop artists. Each team member had to get involved in the passing of resolutions that were given to us prior to the day and also had to debate and explain what our country would be doing to solve the problem. An interesting aspect of this was when an emergency resolution was called, no one in the room had done research about the said problem and technology couldn’t be used to do research, which was quite a challenge that our team handled well. MUNA was such a rewarding experience and was really enjoyable. Not having done MUNA before, I had my doubts about what it was going to be like, but participating in MUNA definitely was a pleasurable experience that I would do again if given the opportunity.

Nicole Keating, Chloe Ward and I would like to give a big thanks to our teacher Ms Paula Kennedy who was a huge help and guided us every step of the way. All in all it was a great experience. We especially would like to thank the Kirra-Currumbin Rotary Club as without their sponsorship we would not have been able to take part in this very worthwhile opportunity.

Daniel Debattista
Year 12 Participant

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All Parents now have access to our Parent Portal - usernames and log ins were emailed this week
Students participated in a Coffee Art class that consisted of Etching and Free Pour.

**YEAR 11 - HOSPITALITY STUDIES EXCURSION**

The Year 11 Hospitality Studies students went on an excursion to the Coffee School at Southport this week.

They spent the day making a wide variety of coffee's in the morning session that included; Short and Long Blacks, Cappuccinos, and Latte's. From this session all students obtained a certificate in Barista Skills.

In the afternoon session the students participated in a Coffee Art class that consisted of Etching (using chocolate syrup on top, pictured below) and Free Pour (pouring the milk in different ways to make different designs, pictured below). Students received a second certificate in Latté Art.

Over all the students had an exciting day and enjoyed learning a lot about coffee and the making of it, which will help them in up coming functions and possibly work in the future.

David Grant
Hospitality Coordinator

**Write a Book in a Day Competition**

All English and Art students are invited to gather a group of friends and enter this very exciting competition. It would be wonderful to have Marymount College represented.

On completion, books are distributed and enjoyed by children in hospitals around Australia. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have supported hospitals & research units Australia wide since the competition went national in 2009. In 2014 over 459 teams got involved with over $105,000 raised.

The Kids’ Cancer Project

The Kids’ Cancer Project is one of the largest funders of childhood cancer research in Australia having invested over $24 million, thanks to community support. Col Reynolds founded the charity in 1993 when he learned research was the only way to help children with cancer.

For further enquiries, see or email Mrs Hurley.
YEAR 10 - TERM ONE

Imagine what it’s like to organise a wedding; there are so many things to have ready, book the wedding band, organise guests, write invitations, book a venue, have what you’ll be wearing and so many other things.

Now imagine trying to organise three weddings at the same time. That’s what it’s like being in Year 10! It can be stressful, exhausting, anxiety provoking. But it’s all worth it in the end. Imagine walking down the aisle and finally being able to relax. Well that’s what I think everyone is waiting for. I think a wedding is a perfect metaphor for being in Year 10!

This first term has been incredibly fun, there have been so many great things to be involved in, the musical is in its final weeks of rehearsal, Interact Club has picked up so many new recruits, especially in the new grades, I’ve met lots of new people and became closer with old friends, and found new sides to myself, and to other people.

Term 1 has been a crazy roller coaster. Bring on Term 2!

Reece Jackson
Year 10 reporter

YEAR 10 COORDINATORS REPORT

As we draw towards the end of Term 1, we can celebrate the success which many of the Year 10 cohort have earned with their hard work and determination. It was an action packed term for all members of the grade, with everyone getting their first taste of the academic workload of senior school, combined with an array of extra-curricula activities, including the Musical, Sport and Debating Teams.

Most students have handled this workload well, however, it is imperative that after experiencing Senior Secondary schooling in Term 1, students continue to work hard to maintain their efforts. We recommend they continue to build and develop their skills in planning, communication and organization, to continue to manage the workload coming their way. This will go a long way to managing the stress of assessment and exams arriving at the same time towards the end of a term.

Hats

We would ask parents if they are able to check to ensure that students have their names on their new hats, as there are frequent cases of them going missing. We are looking forward to the inaugural inter-pastoral Volleyball tournament for Year 10s on Thursday afternoon. It will be a great way to end the term, where we will see the Pastoral rivalry flare up once again.

We are extremely pleased with the Year 10 cohort, and they are showing evidence of working as a cohesive unit academically and socially, which is reflecting well amongst the school community.

Kevin Cornor and Simon Rezo
Year Ten Coordinators

Reece Jackson
Year 10 reporter

Do you need Transport Information?
It was a fun activity, and it was very interesting trying to figure out one of England’s most infamous crimes.

**YEAR 9 HISTORY - VICTORIAN ENGLAND MURDER MYSTERY**

In History we have been learning all about the Industrial Revolution, but on Friday 20 March, Miss Burrows’ Year 9.4 History class were given an interesting task to complete as we are wrapping up the final bits of the Industrial Revolution study.

Some of the skills we have learnt since the beginning of the year is how to pick a reliable source, how to know which ones to trust and which to not, and which contain bias. Miss Burrows had given us information all about Jack The Ripper—a crime that is still unsolved to this day. In the year 1888, ‘Jack The Ripper’ had committed some of England’s most infamous crimes, murdering multiple women in the district of Whitechapel. What we were to do, was organize ourselves into groups of three to five, then we were given sources that we had to read over and present to the class who we believed was the real ‘Jack The Ripper’ as the detectives on the case. We even had moustaches to look the part.

The sources contained all sorts of information, one source was the exact letter written by ‘Jack the Ripper’ to the London newspapers, others were maps, pictures, suspects, extracts from encyclopedias and many others. As a group, we were to compare each source and figure out which one we believed were the most reliable and supplied the best information, in order to argue which suspect was guilty.

We were given suspects and victims, which we had to read over and compare. We had to try and figure out with all the information the sources supplied who we thought was the mysterious ‘Jack The Ripper’. We believe ‘Jack the Ripper’ was M.J. Druitt. You heard it here first.

It was a fun activity, and it was very interesting trying to figure out one of England’s most infamous crimes. The skills we used in this activity were what we have learnt all this term about reliability, bias and analysing sources, which helped us to solidify our learning in History this term.

**Maggie Reynolds**
Year 9 reporter

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**YEAR 9 - PROJECT COMPASSION**

Project Compassion is a Catholic fundraising campaign that assists underprivileged people in Australia and in Third World countries.

Year 9 have made extraordinary efforts to raise money for this amazing charity, with the help of our Year 9 Coordinators Mr Fren and Miss Crawford, who have encouraged us to work towards a certain goal for our grade. We have contributed to Marymount’s fundraising events, for example St Patrick’s Day, to raise money for Project Compassion was extremely important, as it is our involvement that helps people everywhere who are in need of basic life essentials.

In our Religion classes, we have been studying how Project Compassion has assisted many families in Australia as well as in Third World countries such as Cambodia and Timor Leste. Even donating a dollar or two can help a family buy a water tank or even animals such as goats and chickens, to provide basic foods such as milk and eggs.

**Maggie Reynolds**
Year 9 reporter

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**For information on extracurricular activities - Click Here**
Year 8 Coordinators
Report
Congratulations to the Year 8 students who received merit awards. Every few weeks those students in Year 8 who display admirable leadership skills, community service, greatly improved or outstanding classwork will be rewarded with a merit certificate at our year assemblies. Once a student receives four merit awards they can present these to the Year Coordinator who will give them a $6 tuckshop voucher.

Year 8 also congratulates Emily Pade and Bryn Larkin on being voted as the STAC Representatives of Year 8 for 2015. It was a very close vote. With that said we must acknowledge Max Mallory and Grace Kiehne, who missed out by only 1 vote. Year 8 are now very aware that every vote counts! We also thank the other 17 students who were nominated by their peers to be considered for STAC Representative. Continue to display the leadership qualities your peers recognise in you and remember there is always next year.

Well done on a great Term One. Enjoy the Easter Break. We look forward to moving into the new building and working with you next term.

Cathy Cooper and Peter Carroll
Year 8 Coordinators

YEAR 8

It has come to the end of Term 1 and I guess all of Year 8 feel relieved (I know I do) that there is finally a brake from HOMEWORK there is too much I tell you! But that is an argument for later.

To be completely honest with myself I felt like I have gone pretty well. Further into the term as the homework come flooding in, I slowly lost the will to live after about the third assignment in the space of one week but luckily I was able to pull myself out of the hole of despair and onto the boat to success. All I needed was to have better time management. I was soon able to finish assignments before their due dates and I felt like I was on top of things.

My parents played a BIG part in helping me get on top of my homework.

My highlights for Term 1 included the first day when we got our macs - I was so excited! Another highlight would have to be joining student reporting; it has been so much fun writing reports and articles on what goes on in Year 8. My friend in Year 8 told me he has had a "so cool" time and can’t wait for Term 2. My other friend said he has definitely had some troubles but overcame them later in the term and he has had so many amazing teachers. Next term I am looking forward to hopefully having Home Ec and Manual Art as my elective, I hear they’re a lot of fun!

Kasey Hatton
Year 8 student reporter

This year I started my first year of High School. In the weeks leading up to my first day, I was so scared and worried about everything from thinking I was not going to fit in or even have fun.

Those weeks went by so quickly; before I knew it I was saying goodbye to everything I had ever known and being put into a new situation with all different people I had to adapt to. The first few days I was very apprehensive about everything but when the weeks went by I started to become more and more comfortable with the idea of ‘High School’. Now that I have finished my first term of Year 8 I feel, I feel have come along way from that shy girl I was on the first day of High School I have made friends with some amazing people along the way too. I now can’t wait to see how the rest of high school will unfold but I definitely I know that I will have a blast!

Molly Koschel
Year 8 reporter
Marymount College Careers Centre

6:00pm - 8:00pm
Tuesday 28 July 2015

Representatives available from Universities, Training Institutes, Organisations and Exchange Programs to provide advice

Come and discover a wide range of career opportunities by speaking to our parent practitioners working in the industry

All year levels are encouraged to attend

Changes to the Secondary Schools Tax File Number Program

The Australian Taxation Office in partnership with Australia Post is making it easier for individuals to apply for a TFN. Students can now apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post office. For further information on applying online visit www.ato.gov.au (search QC27248).

School Based Apprenticeships/Traineeships

Visit our website to view current School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Year 11 Work Experience Program (Term 2/Week 10)

For those students who have yet to secure a placement for next terms Work Experience Program, please take advantage of the break to consider and research your options. Where and how you spend your time depends on how much effort you put in now! Keep in mind that spending the week at parents or friends workplaces is completely acceptable. Ideally though, your placement should have some relevance to your post school pathway. Students who have not registered can gain assistance with their placement from the Careers Centre staff on our return to school or contact Ms Petrina James pjames@marymount.qld.edu.au.

Jupiters Hotel and Casino “School Based Apprenticeship in Commercial Cookery”

24 positions have become available to students wishing to start their career as a CHEF with one of Australia’s best known 5-star venues. The positions involve assisting in food preparation and food plating while receiving quality training in all areas of food & kitchen to become a qualified chef, providing superior quality food and excellent food presentation to all restaurant clients.

Shifts may include early starts, and on Friday and Saturday evening there may be late finishes. You will need to be flexible with your availability. You must have transport to and from work. For more information contact Peter Mills on 5532 8489 or reception@icontraining.com.au or see the Marymount College Careers Centre. Applications close Friday 15 May 2015.

Southern Cross University Access Information Evening “Change of Date”

SCU Access provides an opportunity for Year 11 and 12 students to undertake a university subject while completing their senior schooling. Free from university fees, the program offers students the chance to gain a taste of university life, stimulate their interest in academic pursuits and enhance their educational performance and long term aspirations. On successful completion of the program, participants will gain direct entry and advanced standing into a relevant Associate degree offered at SCU. Interested students and their parents/caregivers are encouraged to attend the Information Night and note the change of date:

Date: Wednesday 29 April 2015
Time: 5:00pm - 5:45pm Optional Campus Tour
       6:00pm - 6:30pm Refreshments served in Level 2, Building A (yellow building)
       6:30pm - 7:30pm Information in A2.20

For further details and to RSVP contact Caitlin Burcher 0419 875 270 Caitlin.burcher@scu.edu.au.
SPORTS REPORT - HEAD OF SPORTS

College Cross Country

This year’s College cross country will be held on Friday 8 May on the College ovals. Distances are as follows:
12 and 13 year old boys and girls – 3km
14, 15, 16 year old girls and open girls – 4km
14 and 15 year old boys – 4km
16 year old boys and open boys – 6km

Nominations will commence in Week 1 of Term 2. More details about the event and a program will follow early in Term 2.

Student Achievements

South Coast Region Team:

Congratulations to the following students on their recent selection in the South Coast Region Team to compete at the Queensland School Sport State Championships in their chosen sport:

- Terri-Anne Egan – 15 Years and Under Touch Football Team
- Casey Roberts – 15 Years and Under Touch Football Team
- Scarlett Jones – 16 Years and Under AFL Team
- Paije Hockings – 18 Years and Under Basketball Team
- Norbi Csiki-Bege – 18 Years and Under Basketball Team
- Matthew Egan – 18 Years and Under Touch Football Team

We wish these students all the very best at the state championships next term.

Year 10 student, Casey Roberts, has also been selected as a member of the Queensland Under 15 Girls Oztag team to compete in the Junior State of Origin Series in Kawana on 3 May. Well done on your selection Casey!

Queensland Surf Life Saving State Titles

Over the past two weekends a number of the College’s very talented surf life savers have competed at the State Youth and Senior Surf Life Saving Championships at Maroochydore. Congratulations to all students who competed, particularly Year 12 student, Megan Kreuter on her wonderful results:

- Gold medal - Individual U17 Ironwoman and Surf Swim events
- Gold medal - Team U17 Surf, U19 Surf, U17 Taplin Relay events
- Bronze medal - Individual U17 Ski Race
- Bronze medal - Team U19 Tube Rescue

As a result of her amazing performance, Megan was awarded the Peter Lacey Medal. This medal is given to the Most Outstanding Under 17 Years Performer at the Queensland Surf Titles. Megan will receive this award at a luncheon at Metricon Stadium later this month. Congratulations Megan on being the recipient of this exceptional award.

Year 7 students, Zoe Nicholson and Emily Noyes, and Year 9 student, Bridget Noyes, also won gold in the March Past event at the surf life saving championships. Well done girls!

Cherie Andersen
Head of Sport

Two Day Soccer Camp

Come and join the fun these school holidays with Football Mad & Complete Sports Conditioning!

When: 16-17 April 2015
Time: 9:00am - 2:00pm
Cost: $135
Where: Assisi Catholic College Upper Coomera

Hot Shots Tennis

New Program for 2015
Squad Coaching - Playing/Training
A program for students aged 10-18 years
Squad participation is designed to fully develop a student’s tennis potential and incorporates technical, tactical, mental and physical coaching and training.

Sessions: 1 hour
Cost: $200 (10 weeks)
Family discounts apply

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MARYMOUNT COLLEGE PRESENTS

HAIRSPRAY

7PM TUESDAY 21 & WEDNESDAY 22 APRIL
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TICKETS $28 ADULTS/ $18 PENSIONERS & STUDENTS
With more than 140 students and 15 teachers involved, an immense amount of time has been contributed to putting this production onto stage

‘HAIRSPRAY’ TAKES OVER MARYMOUNT COLLEGE

From the streets of Broadway to The Arts Centre on the Gold Coast, Marymount College students are eagerly preparing for the “time of their lives”, when they hit the stage to present Hairspray, the Broadway Musical in less than three weeks time.

Sets are being painted and last minute lines are being learnt, with more than 140 students and 15 teachers involved, an immense amount of time has been contributed to putting this production onto stage. The experience of standing on a stage with hundreds of people watching is one that many of the students have never experienced before, and so the excitement and anticipation is infectious and growing amongst the students from Years 7-12.

The musical follows Tracy Turnblad (Lucy Koschel – Year 12), a girl with big dreams and big hair, on her quest to dance on The Corny Collins Show. When her chance eventually arrives, she grooves her way into instant stardom and the eyes of teen dream Link Larkin (Dom Larkin – Year 11). But with the program’s stage manager against her (Claire Howell – Year 12), revolutionary Tracy will need the help of her best friend Penny (Carlie Rached – Year 11), her ‘big-hearted’ mother (Josh Muir – Year 11) and sassy cohost Motormouth Maybelle (Arisa Atanyakui – Year 11) to show the world that all it takes to make a dream come reality is a toe-tappin’ beat and just a little Hairspray!

Tickets are currently on sale and on behalf of the entire cast and crew it would be greatly appreciated if the students were to perform in front of a packed theatre for both nights. Ticket prices for Adults are $28 and for children, students and pensioners $18.

Lachlan Grant
Cultural Captain and Year 12 reporter

To purchase musical tickets - Click here
ON THE COUCH WITH LUCY KOSCHEL (AKA TRACY TURNBLAD)

With less than three weeks until opening night how are you feeling at this current moment?

“I am so excited at the moment for the opening of Hairspray. You know you are close when you start to feel the beating of the drum echo the beating of your heart on stage. You feel the emotion with every fibre in your being, and then of course there is the bonding between not only the leads, but with the entire cast and crew. It is an amazing experience and I am busting with excitement for production week.”

What is the best part about being a lead in a musical production?

“The best part about being a lead would definitely have to be the legacy you leave behind, for future principle leads. Its been a hard and long journey, but when you get on the stage, and finally ‘become’ your character, and realize why you were cast as them, it is a feeling that cant be recuperated.”

Why did you audition to be a lead in Marymount College’s production of ‘Hairspray, the Broadway Musical’?

The reason I wanted to be the lead in a Marymount musical, goes back a long way. I was in grade six, and I came to see the schools production of “grease” with my school. After that day, I was obsessed. I told my parents that if I got anything out of life, it would be to be a lead in the Marymount Musical, in 2015. I was a determined little soul, and my hard work and persistence has paid off. When I got to MMC, I was in the chorus for “Anything Goes” I idolized Ruby Hunter, and Elsa Howell, I literally treated them like Gods, and hoped that one day when I ‘grew up’ I would be as amazing as them. When year 10 came around, “The Wedding Singer” was staged. In this musical I had one line. And I was made. I thought I was the bees knees because I got to attend the tech run on the first day of production week at the Arts Centre. Then the big one. Grade 12. I remember the day I walked down to the cast list, I was so scared, I was shaking and I felt like I was going to vomit. Then as the crowds parted to let me through, and I saw my name at the top of the list beside Tracey Turnblad. And in that moment, that little star struck, 11 year old Lucy Koschel, finally made it.

Do you intend to pursue a career in theatre after high school?

My plans after high school are big. I want to continue with musical theatre, as I don’t think that it is something I could completely leave out of my life, its too important. But I also would like a degree in journalism, broadcasting, which I will use as a sort of ‘backup’ plan, but hopefully I will be accepted into a theatre course first, and finish that out before my other degree, Broadways the Goal!!”

Lachlan Grant
Cultural Captain and Year 12 reporter

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HAIRPSRAY UPDATE

"Hey Mama, Welcome to the sixties"

Stepping into the Art Department on Tuesday afternoon felt just like stepping into the '60s as twenty students and their amazing art teachers put in hours of work for Hairspray the Musical.

Everywhere you looked, 1960's Baltimore was coming to life – backdrops were being primed, dried and painted, hotdog stands were being assembled, Miss Maybelline's Record Shop was being drilled together and Mr Pinky's Dress Shop went from an idea to a gorgeous billboard. Everywhere you looked there were projectors, paintbrushes, rollers, masking tape, colour mixing and a collection of very talented artists.

The skilled staff in the Manual Arts department, Mr Aaron Turner and Mr Peter Carroll have been working hard to provide the massive canvasses on which the Art department are making Hairspray come to life.

Students helping out included Emily Follett, Isabelle Painot, Lillian Carrara, Gerard Ostini, Christie Bementato, Alicia Murray, Taylor Day, Maddi Hodson, Codey O'Neill, Annabelle McCarthy and Stephanie Sheehan (Stephanie is still at Marymount Primary but offered to help!). Mr Steve O'Keefe, Ms Ebony Horn, Ms Jo Nairn, Ms Bernadette Gair, Ms Jenny Lems, Ms Jennifer Gorman and Ms Jacqui Sheehan also gave very generously of their time and worked tirelessly until, literally, the sun went down.

The entire Hairspray cast, team and crew are eternally grateful for everyone's generosity and creativity.

Purchase tickets to what promises to be a fun, toe-tapping show - Click Here

Deanne Seigle-Buyat
Teacher
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