Season of Lent – Ash Wednesday

As we move into this season in the Church year we encourage students and families to join in. It is a time to make changes including fasting, praying and giving. You might decide, instead, to get to bed earlier, spend more time with your children and your partner; something that will make you more aware and alive to what God would want you to be doing for your sake, for those you love and for others. Life can be a rut or it can be, well, life-lived to full. In the Peace Prayer of St Francis: it is in giving that we receive. Plan to enjoy challenging yourself this season of Lent in the lead up to Easter so that you might find the truth in this prayer.

The College will be raising funds for Project Compassion throughout Lent and the Senior Leaders and students of the College have an established record of commitment and generosity to this annual campaign.

P & F Welcome BBQ 6:00pm

Year 7 Laptop Info Evening 7:00pm

Monday 8 February

An informal sausage sizzle will be served from 6:00pm. Mrs Grace McIntock, President of the Parents and Friends Association, will provide the welcome. The short time before the Information Evening will be an opportunity for parents to meet and Pastoral and Senior Administration Staff to mingle. At 6:40pm we will begin moving to the Doyle Centre for a 7:00pm start. The Laptop briefing will conclude by 7:45pm.

FEBRUARY P & F MEETING

6:00pm Tuesday 9 February

College Library

This meeting is the first for the new executive who have children in the year level (indicated).

President: Grace McLintock (Year 8)
Vice-President: Michaela Grant (Year 12)
Secretary: Jenny Isaacs (Year 7)
Treasurer: Lajos Csiki-Bege (Year 11 & 12)

Obviously one major topic will be the Drop-Off/Pick-up and Car Park Facility, hence the venue. Usually these meetings will be in the College Meeting Room in the Admin Building.

Parent Patience & Planning Appreciated

As we completed a week of school with the Drop-off/Pick-up and Car Park Facility, designed for half the combined schools' needs, we very much appreciate the parent initiative and patience that have made the facility work. Improvement will come as the extended queuing distance becomes available in the week ahead. Mr Casey’s Marymount Primary School’s newsletter piece from earlier this week covers the major points on the matter well. (See Page 2)

The courtesy of drivers form the west, giving way to drivers turning right from Reedy Creek Road has been outstanding.
Out of Box Year 10

Laptops for Year 10, this week and Year 7, next week, cost just over half the cost of the new Drop-off/Pick-up and Car Park Facility. Nevertheless, we have reduced the IT levy to $600 this year. Our appreciation to the IT Team of Mr Fedorczyk, Ms McDonald, Mrs Marchant and Mrs Meni for ‘imaging’ the laptops ready for the new school year. Our thanks also to Mr Browne, Mrs Nicholson, Mr O’Shea and Mr Sikora for their leadership and Mrs Lynch, Mr Corner, and Mr Shaw and Learning Support staff for leading the Year 10 students as they ‘set up’ their new devices. Next Thursday they will do it again for Year 7.

CAR PARK UPDATE

Thanks to our parents and families for their patience and, in some cases their extreme patience, as we work with our new car park and set down drop off facility.

It has been pleasing to see so many parents adapting quickly to the new procedures.

Extended Drop Off Opens Next Week

The facility was designed to work in tandem with any new entry/exit points from Sunlight Drive. The full closure of this area to our school and parish site has resulted in some additions to the original design. We hope to have these additions open for use by next week. It will give us an extended north/south internal road and help take traffic off Reedy Creek Road at the Kortum Drive Lights. The time for Drop-off/Pickup may not decrease but frustration and risk-taking at the lights may.

Our main aim is to ensure that the new internal north/south access road becomes the preferred method of set down and pick up.

Other areas like the old public car park area will not be great for quick access in and out, especially during our peak afternoon period as cars trying to exit from here cause stoppages to the main access road. Cars parking in here will be blocked in for much longer times than what used to be the case.

Bus Lane and Staff Parking

Note that the external bus lane has been tapered so that buses only can exit from this lane. New signage should go up over the next few days and into next week so I would ask that you please keep an eye out for these and adhere to their directions. Also, the new bitumen car park area is designated for staff parking only. Please respect this, as even though there may appear to be vacant spaces, both schools do have staff who start later in the day or who may be attending meetings before coming to school.

Prep and Year One Parking

We will continue to have the edge of the Primary oval open for temporary parking at the start and end of the day for the families of Prep and Year One children. Eventually though we will need to reclaim this space for play areas for the children and we would ask these families discuss the option of drop-offs and pick-ups in the new designated area.

With the merge of traffic from those parents parked on the Primary oval, into the main stream of traffic at the tear-drop, we would ask that cars merge, ‘one for one’ so both streams move. This is a simple courtesy, it helps out all parties involved and (surprise) it speeds up the clearance from the facility.

Student Safety

The safety of our children has been at the heart of all we are trying to do with this new area. Please encourage your children to utilise the pedestrian crossing. Adjust your timetable, carpool, use buses, rather than take risks to avoid delays each morning and afternoon. Thank you again for your planning and patience as we adjust to the changes. It is greatly appreciated.

Greg Casey
Principal Marymount Primary School

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Parent Portal

The Parent Portal will enable easy access to information about happenings in the school, forms that need to be returned, names and contact details for staff, policy information and much more.

There’s also a special section to allow you to check the details we have recorded in our enrolment system about your children, and if necessary advise us of any changes.

You can also check on information about your child’s attendance, teachers, timetable, NAPLAN performance and (coming soon) report cards.

We will be making increasing use of the Parent Portal to provide a range of information to parents in the future.

The initial login requires you to verify your identity and setup a password.

Access Parent Portal from the Quicklinks Section of the College website.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL JUNIOR CURRICULUM

Next issue of the newsletter will include the assessment schedule for students in Year Seven, Eight and Nine.

A paper copy will also be issued to all students and an up to date schedule will be placed on the website. With this in mind it is vital that all students are engaged in their classes and that any change of electives for Year Eight and Nine students are finalised. Students must see me ASAP if they have any concerns about their timetable.

I look forward to meeting students and their families at the BBQ and Laptop information evening on Monday. This is a very important meeting since all parents and students need to be well aware of our expectations on the use of the Laptop as a learning tool, before they are issued next week. Please see more details in the newsletter.

Marie Hansen
Assistant Principal Junior Curriculum

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL SENIOR CURRICULUM

As always, it is a busy start settling into the new term and new year for our Senior students. I encourage all students and their families to access the College website to make themselves informed of the important processes of Senior schooling.

Senior Assessment Policy

For example, the following is a detailed policy statement on Senior assessment; making information available on submission of assignments, due dates, attendance at exams and the like. Since we are answerable as a school to the QCAA, who ultimately responsible for the issuing of Senior qualifications, we must adhere to strict protocols around these important processes. Assessment Policy - Years 11-12

Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)

You may also be interested in the following link, to the QCE itself. It presents information on the QCE (Senior Certificate). This is a qualification we wish all our graduating students attain by the end of their schooling.

The QCE is Queensland’s senior school qualification, which is awarded to eligible students usually at the end of Year 12. The following documents are from the Queensland Curriculum & Assessment Authority website and give a good explanation of QCE.

Subject Changes

Please note that students can only alter subject choices up to the end of next week (Friday 12 February). A form must be signed and returned before that date. After that, with nearly a month of school commenced, it is too late to attempt changing into a new subject choice, especially electives. Student must remain in their chosen subjects for the Semester. They can request subject changes at the start of each new Semester.

Peter Shaw
Assistant Principal Senior Curriculum

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The new school year 2016, is now well and truly launched. Year 7s, other new students and new staff have settled in and are no longer strangers and programs have begun.

On the staff’s first day we had the privilege of having Father Michael Whelan and Father Robert Stewart, OFM present to us on the theme To Jesus through Mary the Mother of Jesus and St Francis of Assisi, the patrons of our College. The day was reflective and gentle and allowed us to deepen our knowledge of the spirituality of St Francis of Assisi and his devotion to Mary that the life of all here at the College can be enriched further in imitating these role models.

Fr Ken Howell celebrated a Mass of the Holy Spirit with the combined Primary and College staffs on the Friday morning. In his homily, Fr Ken asked us to remember why we choose to be teachers in the first place and when we first said “Yes” to being a teacher, to remember the spark which kindled the flame and that when the going gets tough that we need to remind ourselves of this.

We were also reminded that it is the Holy Spirit who is the one who kindles the spark into a flame and who continues to be with us reminding us of who we are and what we are about; it is he who animates us to share our faith with our students and who keeps the faith alive in our hearts “so we can be true missionaries of God’s Word to the young people of Marymount.” In this Year of Mercy it will be good for us to look at everything we do and plan through the lens of mercy; in family life, the mission of the Church, in a world where terror and abuse of power over the poor and helpless is becoming the norm.

Thank you, Father Ken, Father Michael and Father Robert for being with us and bringing us so many blessings.

Important Dates
And so to all the busyness of the moment. The student leaders will attend early Mass at Infant Saviour on Ash Wednesday morning from where they will carry the ashes to the College for distribution to the rest of the College Community. The Parish Mass times are published on this page. Pancakes will be on sale on Shrove Tuesday and proceeds will go to Project Compassion as will all proceeds from the sale of roses for Saint Valentine’s Day on Friday next.

The College’s Opening Liturgy will begin at 9:15am in the Doyle Centre on 16 February.

Year 12 Retreat
Year 12 students have received permission forms for Year 12 Retreat. These need to be completed and returned to the College as soon as possible. Students who are going to Outlook or Lake Ainsworth venues have extra forms to complete. These will be sent home on Tuesday of week 3. Parents of students going to Lake Ainsworth need to complete the forms online and their letter will give directions for this.

The students have been reminded that Retreat attendance is an important part of their enrolment at the College and anyone who foresees difficulty in attending needs to see me as soon as possible.

Rosies On The Street
The Rosies On The Street Program has already begun and three students attended earlier this week, accompanied by Edwin, Campus Minister and Ms Rachel Carey, teacher. There will be several opportunities for senior students to become involved in the program as the year goes on.

Religious Education Term One
Classes have begun their programs.
Year 7: Where it All Began
Year 8: Covenant
Year 9: Making Sense of Jesus
Year 10: The Mystery of God
Year 11 Religion and Ethics: The Australian Story
Year 12 Religion and Ethics: Religions of the World
Year 11 Study of Religion: Ultimate Questions
Year 12 Study of Religion: Religion and the State

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Ash Wednesday Mass Times
7:00 am Mass Infant Saviour Church, Burleigh Heads
9:30 am Mass Ozanam Villa
12:00 pm Mass Calvary Church, Miami
5:30 pm Mass Our Lady of the Way Church, Palm Beach
6:00 pm Mass St. Benedict’s Church, Mudgeeraba
7:00 pm Mass Infant Saviour Church, Burleigh Heads

ST FRANCIS PEACE PRAYER
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Contact Anna for more info and to enrol on 0417 584290 or watersworks@bigpond.com

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Annette McMahon
Learning Support Coordinator

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Weekend date: 3 – 5 June 2016
Venue: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston QLD (on Brisbane’s bayside)
For bookings/details contact: Maria and David Murphy, ph (07) 3342 1456, dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au
Information website: www.wwme.org.au

YEAR 10 ‘WELCOMED TO THE GAME’

The morning bell rings through the College grounds indicating the start of a new year. The air is filled with mixed emotions and there’s a certain buzz in each individual, for teacher, student and parent alike. For the teachers it’s either the pleasure of seeing both new and old faces or the labour of starting yet another never-ending line of marking and assessing. For the parents it’s both the anguish of lunch boxes and the pride of seeing your child grow and move to yet another year of school. And as for the students, well, that’s a completely different story.

On Thursday 28 January students from Year 7 all the way to Year 12 were welcomed with open arms to 2016 by Marymount College. For each student in each Year level it was the beginning of being part of something bigger and more important, in particular for the Year 10s, as we customarily entered the semi-senior phase of our schooling, where every little thing counts and the doors to opportunities come open. For some it was the melancholy of giving up their beds and late nights, for others it was the rush and anticipation of returning to a fresh start with new things to keep time filled; I had been one of those individuals. It’s a different story for every person, “Being back means I can get back into routines. Kind of a trade off, I get to socialise at the cost of work,” said a friend of mine, expressing a good point in my opinion. I myself didn’t see certain people during the holidays and school indeed provides the opportunity to interact with them, as well as new faces. “This year we have new chances. New chances to do better and build better relationships with my peers and teachers,” fellow colleague, Declan Paterson, remarked with enthusiasm and a big grin as he looked on the assortment of blues and whites walking in to the courtyard. From a Year 10 teacher’s point of view, Ms Anne Leighton said, “It’s wonderful, challenging and it’s exciting. New kids, new faces, new things to teach.

Personally, I would say that being back to school means that I can put my mind to work and keep in close touch with the people around me, like a wake up call that lasts, for this term, 9 weeks. And in those 9 weeks, I will make sure to set high standards for myself to achieve, to make my learning more extensive, effectual and interesting. So far, 2 weeks into Year 10 and Term 1, I am certain that this year will prove to be an excellent one and before we know it, our “First last day” will dawn upon us. But for now, I say we enjoy what we have and the things we do, no matter how hard the game is, because we’ve been welcomed to the Game, and we do not plan on failing.

Josefina San Martin
Year 10 student reporter
A WARM WELCOME TO YEAR 8

On behalf of the Heads of Year 8, we would like to extend a warm welcome back to all Year 8s for 2016. We have felt a huge sense of energy and excitement for the return of this cohort as they move deeper into the College.

In Year 8, we have seen numerous changes to the Pastoral team, and are blessed with strong group of Pastoral Tutors who will work closely every day with your child. Mr Simon Rezo is the Head of Year 8 and Miss Erica Hennigar the Assistant Head of Year 8.

The make up of the Year 8 team is as follows:

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We look forward to working with your child throughout the year. Year 8 is an exciting year for all concerned. We would like to congratulate both the parents and students for the way in which the students have presented themselves in the first 2 weeks of school. Uniform has been worn correctly and effectively, and whilst punctuality can always be improved, this group has started off well.

Congratulations to the students who participated in the swimming carnival. It was refreshing to see such large numbers of Year 8s participating across numerous events. This week, over 30 students nominated to be the Year 8 STAC representatives. Next week, all students will vote for a Male and a Female who they want to represent the cohort. We were thoroughly impressed by the courage and commitment those nominees showed as they presented in front of a year assembly.

We have sent an email to all parents, we encourage you to have a read and talk through the agendas with your child.

Students who bring their own phone to school do so at their own risk. They must take full responsibility for them. Year 8 students are not to have their mobile phones leave their lockers at any time during school hours. We look forward to working with you and your child over the course of 2016. We have a vision of a successful year, with students achieving personally in many aspects of school life through their commitment.

Simon Rezo and Erica Hennigar
Heads of Year 8

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1. Search for BCE Connect. Search for Marymount College
2. Use either Name search, or Map to find Marymount College
3. Tap the ribbon with the star to make it your favourite.

WORLD TUTU DAY

Last Tuesday, Marymount College students helped to celebrate World Tutu Day with dozens of dancers from Years 9, 10 and 12 donning the famous ballet costume.

This annual event, in support of ballet education, saw ballerinas around the world joining together in tonnes of tulle, via the web, while The Australian Ballet in Melbourne hosted free classes and tours.

While ballet is just one of the many dance styles studied in Junior and Senior Dance at Marymount College, its history and technique is a very valuable base for strengthening performers and also developing an understanding of the development of more modern dance genres.

In August, Marymount’s Dance classes will be attending Queensland Ballet’s Lest We Forget, which is sure to be a most stunning and moving performance. Year 9-12 Dance students will also be participating in practical workshops with Queensland Ballet at their Thomas Dixon Studio in West End, Brisbane.

So many exciting events planned for 2016 already... almost ‘tutu’ much!

Shona Press
Head of Dance

Visit Parent Portal: Update your details, check your child’s attendance, view timetables
GENERAL INFORMATION

SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Every week we advertise vacancies in the Careers Centre section of the newsletter and post them on our noticeboard. These opportunities exist within a variety of industries, offer qualifications which contribute a students OP/Rank, allow students to gain workplace experience, and also provide an income. There are currently excellent opportunities including:

• Certificate III Hospitality @ Sizzler – Mermaid Beach (2 x positions)
• Certificate III Hospitality @ Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre (6 x positions)

For further details on these positions and many more, please visit the Careers Centre (Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm) or phone 55 861063.

DEFENCE FORCE GAP YEAR INFORMATION SESSION

The ADF Gap Year program provides an opportunity for young Australians who have finished Year 12 to experience military training and lifestyle whilst gaining new skills and pay over their Gap Year. For further details, consider attending the Information Session below:

Date: Monday 15 February 2016
Time: 6:00pm
Where: Defence Force Recruiting, Ground Floor, 14 Edgewater Court, Robina


DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING WOMEN IN NAVY TECHNICAL TRADES RESIDENTIAL CAMP @ HMAS CAIRNS

The Women in Technical Trades Camp will provide a hands-on and interactive experience for young women who are considering a career in Navy Technical Trades. The camp is open to female students who are:

• In Years 10, 11 & 12
• Have passes in Year 10 English, Maths and Science

When: 29 March – 1 April
Where: HMAS Cairns, Cairns Q

Register at: defence.gov.au/workexperience

Accommodation and all meals will be provided at no cost to the participant.

SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS CURRENT VACANCY LIST

Certificate III Hospitality
• Sizzler – Mermaid Beach (2 x positions)
• Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre – Broadbeach (6 x positions)
• Grill’d – Coolangatta
• Zarraffas – Pacific Fair, Palm Beach
• Crema Espresso – Robina Town Centre, The Pines
• Coolangatta SLSC – Coolangatta
• Surfers Paradise Beach Café – Surfers Paradise
• Crust – Surfers Paradise, Broadbeach
• Coffee Club – Coolangatta
• Lunchland – Burleigh Gardens (2 x positions)
• Royal Thai Hut Authentic Thai Restaurant – Pacific Pines
• Noodle Box – Robina
• Michels Patisserie – Southport
• Haveli Authentic Indian Cuisine – Broadbeach
• Uncles Takeaways – Worongary
• Michels Patisserie – Pacific Fair
• Grilled Seafood Bar – Pacific Fair
• Shingle Inn – Elanora
• Hangi Pit – Oxenford
• Toscanis Café Bar and Restaurant – Robina
• Nandos – Mermaid Waters
• French Lantern Café – Hope Island
• Certificate III Business Administration
• Service Delivery Centre - Southport
• Royal Thai Hut Authentic Thai Restaurant – Pacific Pines
• Toscanis Café Bar and Restaurant - Robina

For further details on any of these positions, please feel free to contact the Marymount College Careers Centre on P: 55861063 or visit us on campus anytime Monday to Friday (8:00am-4:00pm).
AGCC Interschool Sport
Semester 1 AGCC Interschool Sports trials will commence next Thursday 11 February during Period 5 and 6. Student’s sport selections are currently being finalized. Lists will be available for viewing on the SAO notice board early next week.

Students who have chosen tennis as their interschool sport will require their own tennis racket, while students participating in soccer and futsal are required to bring their own shin pads and purchase a pair of the college football socks.

Round 1 of the Semester 1 AGCC Interschool Sport competition will begin on Thursday 3 March.

Oceanic District Swimming Carnival
Any students who finished in the top two swimmers for each 50m event at the college swimming carnival on Friday 29 January have qualified to compete at the Oceanic District Swimming Carnival at the Miami Aquatic Centre, Pizey Park on Thursday 18 February.

A swimming team meeting will take place with the team manager, Mr Harry Klouzal, early next week. Team members will receive the necessary carnival information, a program and a South Coast permission booklet, to be completed and returned prior to the district carnival.

Students who would like to be considered for the distance events at the South Coast Region Swimming Trials on Monday 29 February and Wednesday 2 March at the Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, Southport, must submit their times to Miss Andersen by Wednesday 10 February. Times submitted must be current and verified.

Distance events include the 100m (free, back, breast, fly), 200m (free, back, breast, fly), 200m IM, 400m IM. Queensland State distance times to be submitted include the 800m free, 1500m free and the 400m IM.

Oceanic District Sports Trials
The following Oceanic District sports trials will be held on Thursday 11 February:

18 Yrs Boys Rugby Union
Students wishing to participate in these trials must visit the sports office to register and collect the relevant newsletters and South Coast School Sport permission booklets.

Cherie Andersen
Head of Sport

The Story Of A True Legend
11 year old, Natalee Rixon is an Outrigging and Kayaking champion of the future, who is a new Year 7 student at Marymount College.

Natalee has already filled her wall with many accomplishments during her three year career. This world level inspirational paddler has put hard work, dedication and loyalty into the sport of Kayaking and Outrigging to become a top competitor in her field.

As an eight year old girl, watching her uncles and close relatives paddling in international competition she was inspired to take up the gruelling sport. When Natalee heard the call to start her very first competition she was filled with nerves, excitement and adrenaline. Her win kicked off her sporting career, which now involves the long journeys of eight hours (20kms) training a week. Natalee has been training this way for three years, which deserves a gold medal in itself!

Natalee is rocketing up through the levels of her sport and has competed at National titles three times and State titles five times, this weekend she will be competing at an even higher level.

Even though this is only the start of Natalee’s career, this girl is already a True Legend.

Demi Lockett
Year 7 Student Reporter
The Call

Youth Mass
February 7
5:30pm Doyle Centre
Food, Music & Games!
facebook.com/burleighyouthmass
The Parent Portal will enable easy access to information about events in the school, forms that need to be returned, names and contact details for staff, policy information and much more.

We will be making increasing use of the Parent Portal to provide a range of information to parents in the future. The initial login requires you to verify your identity and setup a password.

Access Parent Portal from the Quicklinks Section of the College website

You can check on information about your child’s attendance, teachers, timetable, NAPLAN performance and (coming soon) report cards.

Access the College calendar and view events for the entire year.

Check the details we have recorded in our enrolment system about your children, and if necessary advise us of any changes.

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