Raising an Adolescent

It sure isn’t easy raising a teenager. Many a parent has been reduced to tears in the process; but why should we be surprised if we don’t act with care and respect? We wouldn’t try telling an adult what to do. We might ‘position’ ourselves with the hope that we might ‘influence’ an adult. We might behave in a way that invited an adult to consider why we are doing what we were doing. We might ask an adult about what they are doing and why; so that we might understand them.

With an adult we are more inclined to respect, understand and influence them. Indeed, we might even be open to being influenced by them; if we’re not an opinionated and arrogant adult ourselves. Certainly, as brash and as challenging as an adolescent can be, they remain our hope for the future, and they will always be younger and growing in capacity, as surely as we are getting a little older every year.

Debating Coaches

As a young teacher, later as a Year Coordinator and then as a Deputy I was a debating coach because getting enough volunteers was a problem. I often struggled to get to coaching sessions. It is a demanding, yet rewarding role. As a Principal, I am very grateful to staff who take on this role because of what it can mean for the students. It gives students the opportunity to learn how to be passionate, powerful and effective in speech. As they develop confidence, grow in skill and learn more about advocacy, they develop awareness and grow as people. This contribution to public speaking is essential in the co-curricula offerings of any school. Thank you to Mrs Annette McMahon and Ms Janie-Marie Burgess for coordinating our efforts, and to the Coaches, Mrs Leigh Dornan, Ms Jennifer Gorman, Ms Erin Gower, Ms Teagan Griffey, Mrs Susan Hurley, Ms Mallory Lowe and Ms Lauren Mitchell for your work with our debaters this year.

QCS Preparation Continues

Senior students will complete their second QCS Paper this Thursday. The preparation sessions to date, with Middle Leaders and Senior Teachers, aim to practice problem solving that eliminates distractors and sharpen student focus, as they apply basic skills and critical thinking to be at their best for QCS. Each student will benefit personally by every small improvement they make in the practice tests. Every student will benefit, by a factor of six, by the collective effort of each student in each subject they study. Finally, with the widespread improvements we know
will come for the Seniors, through everyone’s efforts in QCS preparation, a mistake here or there by some, will not be significant nor be cause for anxiety, for an individual or the group. The Seniors will do well if they work together in their QCS preparation... This is as vital as any individual subject work they are also required to do and cannot be overstated.

**Cricket at the College**

Our 1st XI played Benowa SHS in the State 20/20 knockout recently, but unfortunately went down by an incredible 140 runs. Benowa had an amazing batsman, who was dropped on nought with a powerful hit directly at the fielder. He went on to smash 123 runs. He was a league above on the day. Another batsman scored 57 runs. We were chasing 232; a big call in 20/20. However, Coach Brendan Crowley, in making this report, regarded still regarded the feats of Marymount players of the past, such as Riley Glover, Jordan Miles, Matthew Peck and Ryan Sevil as similar in stature. He went on to say, as disappointing as it was to see Marymount lose, it was great to see such a talented batter hit so sweetly. Our Juniors played this Tuesday against PBC. With five Gold Coast Representative players in the team, and the others, great players in their own right, Mr Crowley was quite optimistic, but, you never know in a 20/20, and so it proved. We scored only 67 runs against a good bowling attack. Mr Crowley said our fielding didn’t let us down, insisting we need cricket nets so that we can work on batting and bowling.

**Qld Catholic Colleges Cup**

Our netballers put in a wonderful effort on the courts in Brisbane on Tuesday. The Juniors and intermediates had some very tight losses and emphatic victories. The Intermediate Team only lost two games, narrowly in both, to the eventual winners and runners up. The strength of the Juniors owes much to the 48 girls who trialled before the 11 were selected. The Open B Team fought hard to finish 5th. Just reward for their effort in a carnival of real merit. The Open A Team, unfortunately, began too slowly in such strong company before powering through the next 7 games with dominant wins. Great preparation for the QISSN Carnival in Rockhampton in five weeks. We hope Brooke Prendagast’s injury does not prevent her playing in Rockhampton. Well done to all the girls, who were exceptional in every way throughout a very enjoyable day for all. Our appreciation to, Mrs Smith, Ms Crawford, Mrs Sewell, Mrs Browne and Ms Jacks, a formidable coaching and management staff that supporting our girls now and for our future in QISSN.

Chris Noonan
Principal
The Queensland Government will introduce new systems for senior assessment and tertiary entrance, which will commence for students entering Year 11 in 2018. They will provide a new approach to senior assessment, combining school-based assessment with external assessment, set and marked by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA). Students seeking tertiary entrance will obtain an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) instead of the current Overall Position (OP) rank.

The Senior Secondary Assessment Taskforce has been established by the Minister for Education, who chairs the Taskforce to guide these historic reforms. The Taskforce includes stakeholders from key groups including schools, school systems, parent groups, secondary principals’ associations, teacher unions, tertiary institutions, QCAA and the Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC).

To date the Five Taskforce Meetings have:

- Endorsed formal terms of reference and an agenda to consider key aspects of senior assessment and tertiary entrance arrangements. The findings of the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) review of senior assessment and tertiary entrance provided a starting point on these issues.
- Supported the proposal that all senior Authority subject results be based on a combination of four summative assessments, and new processes to enhance comparability and quality of school-based assessment.
- Given general support to school-based assessment not being scaled against external assessment.
- Endorsed processes for judging and reporting on student attainment to derive a numerical result in each assessment activity.
- Endorsed reporting final subject results as a total numerical score with an accompanying level of achievement based on syllabus standards.
- Broadly supported for external assessment to generally comprise 25% of the total subject result in most subjects, and 50% of the total result in mathematics and science subjects.
- Discussed advice from QTAC on future tertiary entrance processes for Queensland Year 12 students.
- Supported the transfer of responsibility for the calculation of a common Year 12 tertiary entrance rank from the QCAA to QTAC, and noted that an ATAR would be derived by a process of inter-subject scaling.

The Sixth Taskforce Meeting on 3rd May has:

- Confirmed that it will be compulsory for Year 11 and 12 students to undertake an English subject under the new senior assessment and tertiary entrance framework.
- Agreed that eligibility for an ATAR will be subject to satisfactory completion of an English subject, although a student’s results in English will not be a mandatory inclusion in calculation of their ATAR.
- Discussed further processes for calculation of an ATAR, and in particular the need to ensure that tertiary entrance processes provide appropriate recognition for different forms of student attainment.
- Received additional information on current and potential tertiary entrance processes for Queensland students from QTAC and the QCAA.
- Supported QTAC’s recommendation that the calculation of an ATAR be based on a student’s best five senior subjects.
- Determined that the next Taskforce meeting will include further consideration of the type of subjects that will be included as part of the calculation of a student’s ATAR, and the mechanism for producing a common tertiary entrance rank for Queensland Year 12 students.


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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL SENIOR SECONDARY

Reminders About Senior Assessment

• Year 11 & 12 In Class Exam period: Monday 6 June - Tuesday 14 June.
• Year 11 & 12 Exam Block: Wednesday 15 June to Thursday 23 June (Exam block privileges apply).
• A Year 12 QCS (Short Response Item) practice exam will be run at the end of Exam block - compulsory attendance. Competency catch-up for all VET related subjects will apply during exam block - compulsory attendance.

All Year 12 students remain at school each Thursday for the entire Term up until Week 10 (Exam Block). Formal rehearsals / QCS additional program / other activities run during Sport times. A Multiple Choice QCS practice exam will be run in Week 8 as part of this program.

Reports
Semester reports will be uploaded to the Parent Portal by Friday 24 June.

New Senior Curriculum Trial
Our Year 11 Maths B students are part of the State wide trial in preparation for the new Senior curriculum, assessment and reporting to be commenced in 2018.

This trial involves a current test which will, for the most part, replace the end of Semester test usually undertaken. This trial exam is very similar to the content and program currently delivered. There will be no disadvantage to our students undertaking this alternative ‘trial’ test, as a result. The trial exam will go towards their overall grades. However, since it is to be marked externally and thus have a delay in reporting outcomes, the test scores they obtain will not form part of their Semester I results. They will be included, instead, in Semester II data. We will be delivering a letter to all parents of Year 11 Maths B student outlining more details of the trial.

Peter Shaw
Assistant Principal Senior Curriculum

HOMEWORK CLUB

Our Homework Club runs every Thursday afternoon from 3:10-4:30pm in the College library.

All students from Years 7-12 are welcome and there is no need to book in; students just sign in when they arrive. The Learning Support teachers and a Maths specialist teacher supervise and are available to assist students with homework and assignments as needed.

Homework Club also provides an opportunity to access the library facilities after school hours and is a great place to meet with classmates to work on group assignments.

Annette McMahon
Learning Support Coordinator

Notice
The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse will close new applications for private sessions on 30 September 2016.

If you know of people who would like to apply for a private session, it is important that they come forward now. People who have already registered for a private session will not be affected. They will have been notified of this and are guaranteed to receive a private session if they still wish to attend.

Please contact the Royal Commission with any questions or for support by calling 1800 099 340 or by emailing contact@childabuse royalcommission.gov.au.

More information about private sessions can be found at http://childabuse royalcommission.gov.au/share-your-story/private-sessions.

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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Friday 2 May is Rosies Have a Heart Day

This day is now a College tradition as we have had a strong connection with Rosies since they first began on the Gold Coast over 26 years ago. Over the years, many of our students and staff have “been out on the street” with Rosies allowing them an eye opening experience of this issue in our community. It is under the auspices of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate religious order and is an organisation which serves the homeless here coast, in Brisbane, Ipswich and in Victoria where it originated.

On Friday 27 May students may wear free dress in the Rosies colours and pay a gold coin for the privilege. Our aim is to heighten awareness to the issue of homelessness in our community and the work of Rosies and to raise much needed funds for them as well. Appropriate dress standards apply. A variety of fun activities will on at lunchtime.

Mary, Mother of Mercy Church

As the new Church of Mary Mother of Mercy rises out of the ground, up on the hill we look forward to seeing the completed building, it promises to be an architectural treat and will surely be a visual delight in this landscape. This morning, however, it is a very busy, noisy, dusty worksite dominated by a large crane which is erecting the concrete walls. The lower ground areas, which include a columbarium, are clearly visible and will soon disappear under the floor.

This morning, five College students and three Primary students participated in the making of the video appealing for donations towards finishing various parts of the project whilst informing the viewer of the great facilities which it will provide this community for many years to come. As those students patiently and painstakingly learned and delivered their script against the worksite background one couldn’t help thinking of the truth of one part of their message …that “the babies being baptised here will be married here and their babies will also be baptized here.” It was a very thought provoking moment which is reminder of the place of the church in our lives, as a community gathering place, a sacred space where the milestones of our life journey are celebrated and where we come together to thank God for our lives as we attend Mass and pray together as community.

Congratulations and thank you to all the students who participated in the video.

We are looking forward to the College Mass on the Feast of Mary Help of Christians, 24 May at 9:15am. Parents very welcome.

Dolores Maitland
Assistant Principal Religious Education

YEAR 11 MASS

“If you really thought about who you are, who God is, and how much thanks you owe Him, you would want to go to Mass. The Mass would become the source and center of your spiritual life.”

On 12 May, Year 11 students gathered in the Doyle Centre for a significant, sacred and spiritual event – our class Mass. We were very fortunate to have our Parish Priest, Fr Ken celebrate the Mass with us.

Over the past two weeks, Mrs Cooper had been very lovingly but strongly encouraging the students of Year 11 to learn the two selected songs for the Mass. To be honest we sounded shocking during every practice up until the actual Mass, where we all sounded quite good…which surprised most of us!

In the subject of Religion and Ethics, we have been learning about rituals and Mass. I believe it’s very important that we keep our spiritual connection with God as we walk through one of the biggest years of high school.

In our everyday lives, there are curve balls and ups and downs. Going to Mass may help us to understand what we are dealing with, or at least gain a better perspective. In tough times especially, you will find that attending Mass is full of benefits and only one outcome – a good one. It’s uplifting, motivating and inspiring.

Simply, practising religion is good for your soul. We have a powerful and merciful God. He knows we may do wrong, but his mercy is incredible. That is why, we as a Year 11 cohort need to always be aware of His love and His mercy.

Peyton Hutchins
Year 11 reporter and participant

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Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

POWERHOUSE OF LEADERS

We were fortunate enough to attend the annual Powerhouse of Leaders conference in Brisbane, where 600 leaders from across the Brisbane Archdiocese gathered for an inspirational day of spiritual formation.

The theme of mercy was prevalent throughout the entire day, with guest speakers Robyn Moore and Father Rob Galea truly changing our perspective on life and highlighting our power to make a difference in the world. Archbishop Mark Coleridge sent a video message reminding us to always show a hand of mercy to those most in need of our compassion. I really enjoyed this amazing opportunity to hear these inspiring people talk about their experiences in leadership and the role of God in their life as well as having the chance to network with other student leaders from across the Archdiocese.

Abbey Joseph
Academic Captain

The part of the day I enjoyed the most was the activities with students from other districts. All the schools were split into five different groups and encouraged to interact with new people. We learnt how other school leaders show the act of mercy at their schools. This was great to know as many of us discovered new ideas that we could bring back to our school community.

Karla Macpherson
School Captain

The Powerhouse of Leaders was a truly memorable and moving experience for all of the members of the Leadership team who attended.

The day begun crawling through the busy Brisbane streets, which lead to us arriving slightly late, but only to be ushered into the top row of the theatre, giving us the peak view of the performers. The theme of the event mercy, guided us to reflect on the mercy that is shown throughout our school, as well as being a reminder to show this virtue more often. We were graced by the guest speakers, Fr Rob Galea and Robyn Moore, who touched on us growing as people and being the best leaders that we can. Robyn Moore, who is the voice of childhood hero Blinky Bill and world renowned public speaker, truly moved the whole audience and captivated us with her humour, humility and kind-heartedness. The Powerhouse of Leaders was a great day for all involved and certainly one to remember.

College Procedure for Early Departure

1. Bring a note signed by your parent/guardian
2. Have your note signed by PC teacher AND Year Coordinator
3. Present note to class teacher at the time you need to be released from class
4. Come to SAO, give note to SAO staff
5. Sign out on computer using your ID card

Please Note: We cannot let students go home with someone who is NOT their parent or guardian UNLESS there is a note from parent giving permission for this.

ST FRANCIS PEACE PRAYER

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Humanities performance on Ancient Rome

On Tuesday 17 May, Year 7 Humanities students attended a performance by the troupe from Living History Australia. The focus was on the unit studied in Term 2 - Ancient Rome. The Company has a range of costumes and replica weapons and artifacts to bring History alive, and students from the audience were invited to dress up in these costumes and play the role of a slave, a gladiator and a knight and to ask questions. At the end of the performance, all students were invited to try on costumes from the time, lift some fearsome weapons (all under careful supervision, of course) and to handle a range of replica items that were part of life in Ancient Rome. The students were well behaved and appreciative of this novel and fun way to learn about History.

Cheryl Fraser
Head of Humanities Department

HISTORY NEWS

YEAR 7 LIVING HISTORY PRESENTATION

On Tuesday morning, all the Year 7 students crammed into the amphitheatre for a Living History presentation on Ancient Rome.

As students settled into their seats, they noticed many interesting artifacts on the floor in front of the stage. From swords to farming tools to armour to jewellery, all remakes of equipment used in the everyday life of a Roman. There were many laughs and gasps as the Living History presenters revealed the truth about the army of Ancient Rome and gladiators that fought for entertainment. Did you know that the Ancient Romans called giraffes leopard-camels? Or that there was only one elephant that ever fought gladiators because of the sound it made while dying? Rome was a very advanced society compared to other empires. Ancient Romans lived a hard life but students learned that Rome went on to be one of the greatest empires in history.

Madison Miernik
Year 7 Reporter and Participant

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Next week, your Year 8 son or daughter should be spending Humanities homework time finalising their preparations for the Night of Living History. The research evidence and paragraphs are due next week – the last lesson of Week 7.

In class next week, students will be working on the six open questions that parents may ask on the night. These must be finished for homework if class time is not used wisely. Students will have a task sheet to guide them through this process.

Cheryl Fraser
Head of Social Science Department

Week 7 To-do list

- Finalise 6 questions for the NOLH.
- Select costume items
- Select decorations and ‘artifacts’ to put on board and on table, including two cloths – one to cover the board, one for the table.
- Decide on and organize some cheap giveaways, relevant to the historical person
- Remember – the idea is to be creative, not to spend money.
- Find some dress-making pins with coloured heads for the display board.
- **Submit Research Task** last lesson of Week 7 (Booklet, notes, paragraphs, bibliography)

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**Parent Portal**

If you are the Main Contact for your son/daughter, it is important that you access the Parent Portal. The Parent Portal enables 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 is attendance, teachers, timetable, NAPLAN performance and academic reports.

The initial login requires you to verify your identity and setup a password. Full instructions have been included in all term one newsletters. Access Parent Portal from the Quicklinks Section of the College website.

Please contact the College if you have any difficulty accessing the Portal.
Public Speaking

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International Buffet
Please join us for an International Buffet
Date: Tuesday 31 May
Time: 6:00pm - 8:30pm
Location: Marymount College Hospitality Dining Room
Cost: $25 per person including drink
RSVP: Tuesday 24 May
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Indigenous News
Yugambeh Mobo Festival is an Indigenous Youth Festival that is held each year.
It is a celebration of Aboriginal Culture and showcases the talents of many of our Indigenous youth as well as providing an assortment of food, craft and activity stalls.
Date: Sunday 29 May
Time: 11:00am-4:00pm
Venue: Somerset College
Cost: Free Entry

Marymount College has dominated the first round of Rostrum Voice of Youth, as the result of outstanding performances by all of the College’s entrants in the Gold Coast heats of the competition. Six out of our eight entrants won through to the next level of the competition, the Gold Coast Regional Final.

In the junior division, all three College entrants (Jessica Daley, Molly Koschel and Sophie Shaw) were successful in. In the senior division, Reece Jackson, Eshwin Rangesh and Thomas Weatherall also won through to the Regional Final round. As there will be a total of thirteen finalists all together, this means that nearly half of the regional finalists will be Marymount College students, with the remainder coming from a number of other schools. The regional finals will be held this coming Saturday 21 May.

We congratulate all of our public speaking students on their excellent speeches and commend them on their efforts, their dedication, their many hours of preparation and their obvious enthusiasm.

Bill Bruce
Public Speaking Coordinator

This past Saturday, I had the ultimate experience of participating in the annual Rostrum Voice of Youth competition, which is where each individual writes his or her known speech.
I competed in the junior division in which I was allocated a heat and had to compete and verse other schools for the win. I had chosen the topic Humble Beginnings and had to write a 5-6 minute speech.
It was quite stressful, but I would like to thank Mr Bruce our Public Speaking coach, for all of his time and effort into helping me to perform my best.
I won my heat along side a student from St Stephens! I will now go onto the Regional heats this weekend.
This experience has taught me a lot about public speaking but also about how to better organise myself and improve my time management.

Molly Koschel
Year 10 reporter and participant

Marymount Art Show 2016
Friday 29 - Sunday 31 July 2016
Gala tickets www.trybooking.com/vrb Artist entry www.trybooking.com/why

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MULTICULTURAL DAY

It was time for us to enjoy the many flavours of multiculturalism as students, staff and teachers gathered at lunch last Friday. With a number of stalls selling a variety of delicious foreign foods we were able to express our appreciation through participation in the event – buying the delicious meals on offer.

Arissa Antanyakal, the school’s Cultural Captain and the creator of this event states, “Multicultural Day was inspired by Harmony Day, which makes people aware of racial discrimination whilst bringing cultures to the students through our food stalls. This lets students have a ‘taste’ of different cultures whilst learning about them.”

It was a great example of a multicultural community as LOTE classes gathered together to cook exotic dishes and parents created mouth-watering feasts. Linda McBride, a student of Japanese who helped out with the event said, “It was a great idea and everyone got involved. We should definitely continue doing this.”

This great effort was not in vain as the products quickly sold out. “The food was great. Do it again some time,” commented Niamh Waugh, a Year 11 student.

On behalf of the school, I would like to thank Arissa for initiating this brilliant idea and everyone who helped bring this event to life. Happy Multiculturalism!

“All in all this was an amazing experience that I hope will leave a legacy for years to come.” - Ariya Antanyakal, Cultural Captain

Natalie Hughes
Year 11 reporter

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Arisa, one of our wonderful Cultural Captains, organised Marymount College’s first ever Multicultural Day, with stalls offering foods from different cultures.

Since my parents own a small Italian Restaurant, Trio Romano, I was asked to contribute some food, to which I responded with PIZZA! The day before Multicultural Day, I travelled to work with my Dad, then paid for and made ten large pizzas – Hawaiian (ham & pineapple), Meat Lovers (ham, bacon & pepperoni), Margarita (tomato, cheese & oregano).

It was awesome to see everyone getting involved and becoming aware of the different cultural background of students in our school.

We hope to leave Multicultural Day as one of The Class Of 2016’s legacies, with each year improving on the celebration of the last!

Dani Lanci
Year 12 reporter

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Ski Trip 2016

Due to unexpected circumstances there is now one extra space available on the 2016 Ski Trip.

If you think that your son or daughter might be interested in attending please contact Mr Tim O’Shea at the College for more details.

The trip is open to all Year 11 and 12 students and we are going to Perisher in the first week of the September school holidays.

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STARBOUND SUCCESS

The highlight of April was the Starbound Entertainers Festival. It was so exciting three weeks ago when Marymount College placed First, Second AND Third in the eisteddfod’s High School Sections.

Our Senior Extension Dance Team’s lyrical routine, choreographed by ex-student Maddy Clay, placed first and was followed by musical theatre routine, Run and Tell That, by Ms Kristina Baker, which placed second. The dancers received third place for their street tap routine, also choreographed by Maddy Clay.

Marymount College won last year’s Starbound Entertainers Festival as the top high school, and it was wonderful to see us place first again, with even more schools involved. Congratulations to all of the dancers!

Shona Press

Head of Dance
School Based Apprenticeship and Traineeships Available

TAFE GOLD COAST SCHOOLS PROGRAM MID YEAR INTAKE

TAFE Queensland Gold Coast are accepting Expressions of Interest for mid-year entry into various Schools Programs across a diverse range of study areas. The Schools program allows you to fast track your career by completing a Certificate qualification and gain point towards your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). Also enhances employment opportunities by gaining hands-on, practical experience. Courses include:

Courses are delivered one day per week over the duration indicated and are FREE! This is a very popular program and places will fill fast. Applications are now open via www.studentrego.com (code TAFE5). See the Marymount College Careers Centre for further details.

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WOMEN IN DEFENCE INFORMATION SESSION

This Information Session has been designed to provide an excellent opportunity to engage with a current serving female from the Australian Defence Force and discuss not only the recruiting process, but also life in the Australian Defence Force as a female. The session will also provide information on the recruiting process.

DATE/TIME: Wednesday 25 May 2016 (6pm)
WHERE: Defence Force Recruiting Gold Coast
Ground Level, 14 Edgewater Court, Robina
RSVP: Call 13 19 01 or cgpgoldcoast@def.com.au
TAFE QLD – INTRODUCTION TO VETERINARY NURSING

Love the idea of pursuing a career with animals? This course will provide an insiders overview of life as a veterinary nurse. Delivered 1 night per week over a 4 week period, the course will cover medical/surgical nursing, animal handling, large animals and wildlife, emergencies and much more.

DATE/TIME: Commences Monday 23 May 5-8pm
LOCATION: 91-99 Scarborough Street, Southport
COST: $185
ENROL: www.tafegoldcoast.edu.au/study-with-us/enrolment-fees/enrol
MEDENTRY UMAT PREPARATION

MedEntry is the only government accredited UMAT training organisation and is run by academics, doctors and professionals with expertise in test development, measurement and analysis. MedEntry offers two-day courses, practice exams with fully worked solutions and percentile rankings, thousands of practice questions, UMAT and interview skill development guides, one-on-one tutoring services, personalised interview training sessions and more. For further details, visit www.MedEntry.edu.au.

YEAR 11 GRIFFITH ENG PROGRAM

Applications for the 2016 intake into the GRIFFITH ENG Program - Pathway into Griffith University Engineering Degree - are now open. Year 11 students are invited to consider taking part in GRIFFITH ENG Program commencing in Semester 2, 2016. The program is designed to encourage students interested in pursuing a career in engineering to study the equivalent of a first year first semester Griffith University engineering course during their senior years.

GRIFFITH ENG is a two stage program. Stage one, A Taste of Engineering, consists of two on campus Experience Days offered in Semester 2, 2016 to Year 11 students, covering the practical components of engineering practice course. Students who successfully complete the Taste of Engineering will be invited to enrol in GRIFFITH ENG in Year 12 to continue with stage two of the program in trimester 1, 2017. The Stage two will involve attending the 1701ENG Creative Engineering course classes and completing the end of program examination for GRIFFITH ENG at the end of trimester 1.

For further details and to apply visit www.griffith.edu.au/griffith-eng or email griffeng@griffith.edu.au.

YEARS 10, 11 & 12 GIRLS – TRY A TRADE

Have you considered a career in a trade industry?

Girls in Years 10, 11 and 12 have the opportunity to try out six trades in one day including:
- painting
- electrotechnology
- bricklaying
- tiling
- shop fitting
- horticulture

LOCATION: Ashmore Trade Training Centre, Cnr Heeb Street & Benowa Road, Ashmore
DATE: Friday 3 June
TIME: 9:00am-2:00pm
COST: Free

To register your interest, visit the Marymount College Careers Centre or see Mr Turner (Head of Industrial Design & Technology).

NOTE: We will be taking a group from school and transport will be provided.
Host Families are required for students of Yuhigaoka Gakuen High School from Osaka, JAPAN attending Marymount College from 7 August – 19 August 2016

This is a worthwhile opportunity for your family to learn about Japanese culture, while sharing with your Japanese student the lifestyle of an Australian family.

- Families are asked to provide all meals and a friendly home for their student
- They will travel to and from school each day the same way as arranged for your own children (please provide transportation fee)
- Payment of $400 to host families will be paid to assist with some of the expenses involved when hosting your student
- If you are hosting another Japanese student during Yuhigaoka High School’s stay, please refrain from becoming a host family for Yuhigaoka High School students.

Yes, I would like to host a Japanese student, but...

Will the student speak any English?
Yes. However, as their English skills may be limited, we would ask that you speak clearly and slowly (but not in a patronising way) when communicating with them.

Will I have to cook Japanese food for the student?
No. Your Japanese student is here to experience an Australian lifestyle. This includes spending mealtimes with your family, and eating what you and your family normally eat.

Is it OK if the parent/s work fulltime?
Yes. During these times (e.g. after school), your Japanese student can spend time with your own children. Families who live near each other are encouraged to share transport, or other activities outside of school.

Do we need Blue Cards?
Yes. If your family hosts an overseas student for 10 or more days, it is necessary for all family members over the age of 18 to have a current Blue Card. Please contact the school office to obtain blue card application form.

If you would like to host a Japanese student this year, please contact:
Kanae Aki Languages Coordinator kaki@marymount.qld.edu.au to obtain a Host Family Application Form or access on Parent Portal via this link

Please contact Yoko if you need information about this program.

Yoko Sugimoto ISS – Study Tour Organiser 3870-9114 / operations@griffithiss.com.au

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Student Achievement
South Coast Golf Team:
Congratulations to Year 7 student, Will Ross, on his selection in the South Coast Region Golf Team. He will now compete at the 10 - 12 Years Queensland School Sport Golf Championships from 17 – 20 July in Yeppoon. Best of luck to you at the State Championships Will!

Marymount College Cross Country Carnival

The most gorgeous, sunny day presented itself for the running of this year’s college cross country. Congratulations to all students who completed the 4km or 6km course. The victorious team on the day was Patanga House. Well done to all Patanga runners who contributed to their team’s triumph!

Age Champions:

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All students who finished in the top 10 runners for their age group have qualified to compete at the Oceanic District Cross Country Championships at Pizzey Park Track and Field Complex, Miami, on Monday 23rd May. Best of luck to all of our runners competing at the districts.

AGCC Semester 1 Interschool Sport Grand Finalists:

Yesterday our students were involved in 55 Semi Finals in the AGCC Interschool Sport competition. A wonderful achievement! Results are still being finalized but we wish all of our students competing in the Grand Finals on Thursday 26th May all the very best.

Round 1 of the Semester 2 AGCC Interschool Sport competition will begin on Thursday 21st July. Trials for the new competition will commence on Thursday 2nd June. Sports played next semester include:

**BOYS** - Cricket, Futsal, Oztag, Rugby League, Tennis

**GIRLS** - AFL, Basketball, Soccer, Touch Football, Volleyball

Students are now able to complete their sports choice on the college intranet by doing the following:

Log into the College intranet:

From within the school – http://sburinet/intranet

From outside the school – Marymount website www.marymount.qld.edu.au and choose Student Portal then College Intranet.

- Click the 🍁 icon.
- Choose a sport and click Add
- If you are happy with the displayed Existing Selections, click Quit

Oceanic District and South Coast Region Sports Trials:

The following Oceanic District sports trials will be held in the coming weeks:

12 Yrs Boys Rugby Union Trials – Wednesday 1st June at Nerang Bulls Rugby Club

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

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The 1st XIII Rugby League team have been improving through each week of the Titans Cup competition that runs throughout Term 2. The placement of this competition is ideal for or team as they prepare for their assault on the Confraternity Shield Carnival during the first week of the upcoming holidays in Rockhampton.

The squad, of 40+ Year 10-12 boys, has been hard at it in the gym and on the training field since October last year and are showing very positive signs towards gelling into a strong outfit.

Titans Cup results so far have been shared but there is a strong feeling amongst the Makos (fastest shark in the ocean and one of the top 5 man eaters) that special things are possible.

- **Rnd 1** (13 April) v Keebra Park SHS LOSS 4-28 (Try: Max Hielsher. Man of the Match: Reegan Creedy)
- **Rnd 2** (20 April) v Aquinas College WIN 10-4 (Tries: Jordan Taylor, Tom Berkers. Goal: Lachlan Cooper. Man of the Match: Tom Berkers)

Well done to all of the boys, from both the 1sts and 2nds, who have performed so well in games and, in most instances, at training. Rugby League is strong and healthy at Marymount. Thanks to the staff and families that have supported both teams on Wednesday nights at the various venues. Next week’s games are crunch matches. We hope to have as many MARYMOUNT SUPPORTERS at Robina JRLFC as possible to cheer on our boys starting with the 2nds @ 6pm v Varsity SHS, followed by the Catholic College Grudge Match between 1st XIII from Marymount and Aquinas.

Remember to wear your blue and white.

Jason Hamilton
1st XIII Coach

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TITANS CUP RUGBY LEAGUE

MARYMOUNT COLLEGE 1ST XIII VS AQUINAS COLLEGE 1ST XIII

6pm - Wednesday, 25th May at Robina Junior Rugby League (Behind the Hospital)

Come dressed in your Marymount gear and support your Marymount Makos
Have a Heart Day

FRIDAY 27 MAY - FREE DRESS DAY

Wear RED OR PINK

GOLD COIN DONATION FOR ROSIES
Friends on the Street

USUAL CONDITIONS APPLY: No Short Shorts, No Midriff Tops, No Thongs, No Micro Skirts, No Singlet Tops, No Rude Slogans, No Rude Pictures, No Low Cut Tops
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