Dear Parents

It gives me great pleasure to write the first Newsletter of 2017 in the position of Principal of this great College. I can report that we have begun the academic year very smoothly. The students have returned well prepared, suitably attired and ready to embrace their learning journey for 2017. I believe the routines of teaching and learning have begun so well due to the excellent preparation in the home undertaken prior to the start of the school year; the work of our teaching and support staff in preparing well planned learning programs, classrooms and the physical campus and the preparedness of our students to set about the task of learning in order to reach their personal best. I have been very impressed by the warmth of the welcome that I have received throughout the College; in particular, the politeness and friendliness of all students has made the first week such a positive experience. Thank you.

The beginning of any school year is a time of ‘firsts’: The first school days for our Year 7 students and those students joining our community in other year groups; our first year assemblies; the first lessons for subjects and, most importantly, our first celebration of the Eucharist. The Opening College Mass takes place next Thursday and is the greatest point of celebration to mark our new academic year. Please join us if you can.

We are excited to host the Oblate Student Leadership Conference next week. Student leaders, Rectors and senior staff from our brother schools will join our student leadership body as we participate in workshops and discussions to better understand our mission of leadership in the Oblate tradition. We look forward to reporting more in next week’s Newsletter.

On Tuesday I enjoyed the opportunity to meet parents at the Year 7 Parent Morning Tea and we were well looked after by the Parents and Friends Association. In the evening we welcomed back the Boarding Community. Whether you are new or a long-standing family within our school, know that you are always welcome and form such a crucial part of our education mission.

The messages from each of our Heads of Year to the boys on their first day were to focus on settling into good routines, model positive behaviours and know that they are such valued members of our College, supported by the partnership between home and the school. I am looking forward to meeting many more parents at the remaining year-based information evenings and upcoming College events.

Enjoy the week ahead.

A final thought: “I will strive to live in such a way that my actions will speak more loudly than my words and counsels”

Eugene de Mazenod.

Mr Andrew Watson
Principal

“Learn what you are in the eyes of God.”
DROPPING OFF AND COLLECTING STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL

NO PARKING ON THE VERGE

The Drop Off area in the Administration car park becomes very congested with some cars having to queue on the road waiting for access. In order to alleviate this problem, parents are asked to drive as far forward as possible in the Drop Off area, even if it means an extra 10m walk for their son (it will do them good!). Please make the drop off as quickly and safely as possible. Parents are also asked not to park in the Drop Off area if they need to visit the College Office. Please use either Pindari or Kershaw Road when picking up in the afternoon – using the marked parking bays where possible.

MESSAGE FOR YEAR 7 PARENTS
The oval will be available for drop-off and pick-ups until TUESDAY NEXT WEEK – 7 FEBRUARY as there is a cricket match on the oval on Wednesday. Hopefully the week and a few days have allowed time to arrange buses and alternative drop/pick-up locations. Please EXIT the oval at the Gymnasium end of the oval.

Your assistance with both of these concerns will help make for a safer environment for our boys.

Mr Jeff Ronan - Deputy Principal (Student Affairs)

SUPERVISION

Parents please note that supervision at the College is between 8:10am and 3:50pm.

We would prefer students were NOT on the grounds outside of these hours as there is no supervision.

For safety reasons, students arriving before 8:10am and still on the grounds after 3:50pm, are not to play any unorganised sporting activities and are to stay in the quadrangle area.

MEDICATION

If any student needs to take medication during school hours he is required to have the medication stored in the College office. The medication should be given to the College receptionist and should be accompanied by a letter containing the following information:

1. Student's name and Form room.
2. Name of the doctor prescribing the medication.
3. The purpose of the medication.
4. The name and dosage of the medication and time to be taken.
5. Parents' daytime contact phone numbers.

All medication will be self-administered.

BUSWEST SERVICE 2017

All students/families need to purchase tickets/passes prior to using the service for 2017. Tickets/passes can no longer be purchased from the bus drivers. Buswest has the right to refuse entry without a valid ticket/pass.

All payments and collection of tickets can be made from the College or by credit card over the phone with tickets collected by students at Student Services.

Do not hesitate to call the College on 9291 1500 if you have any questions or queries regarding the Buswest service for 2017.

ID PHOTOS – MONDAY, 6 FEBRUARY 2017

On Monday all students will have their photos taken by Academy Photo for use on their Library card and for the College database. Formal school photos will be taken by Academy in Term 2.

Mr Jeff Ronan – Deputy Principal (Student Affairs)

YEAR 8 VACCINATIONS

23 February, 23 May and 12 September 2017

Today all Year 8 students should have received an Information and Consent package for the 2017 Vaccination programme.

Please complete the forms and return to their Form Teacher by Tuesday, 7 February. The vaccination dates are 23 February, 23 May and 12 September.

Mr Jeff Ronan – Deputy Principal

UNIFORM SHOP INFORMATION

Please note: Uniform items can be ordered via email (provide credit card details). Please advise if you or your son wish to collect your order from the shop or administration.

Helen and Maechell – Uniform Shop Coordinators (9291 1560)
Annual School Fee invoices have been posted to all families. Term 1 instalments are payable no later than 28 February 2017. If choosing the early payment option to receive a discount, payments are also due by the 28 February. Families are requested to provide their payment intentions to the Finance Department as soon as possible.

Enquiries: Monica Slater on 9291 1414 or slater.monica@mazenod.wa.edu.au

### SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

**YEAR 7 - 12**

You may be eligible for up to $350 towards school expenses. Do you hold a:

- Centrelink Family Healthcare Card
- Centrelink Pensioner Card, OR
- Veterans’ Affairs Pensioner Card?

**Applications close – FRIDAY, 7 April 2017**

**SEE SCHOOL RECEPTION FOR MORE INFORMATION**

### INFORMATION FOR BOARDING FAMILIES

### ASSISTANCE FOR ISOLATED CHILDREN SCHEME (AIC)

This allowance provides financial assistance to parents of children who, due to geographic isolation or a disability, must live away from home to attend school. Applications need to be lodged BEFORE the 31 December 2017. Applications lodged after this date may not receive back payments.

Parents need to direct Centrelink to make AIC payments to the College. Lodge applications at: Department of Human Resources, Student Services, Reply Paid 7804, Canberra ACT 2610.


### NOTICE ON WITHDRAWAL OF STUDENTS FROM THE COLLEGE

We draw your attention to the following policy as stated in the College Schedule of 2017 Fees and Charges:-

“College fees are based on a student’s attendance for the full school year” and “Year 12 students are also charged fees for the full school year”. One term’s written notice is required in the event of withdrawal. “In lieu of such notice, tuition fees for the following term will be due and payable”. Verbal notification is not considered due notice.

Please keep this in mind if your son is applying for an apprenticeship or TAFE entry during the year or if you are facing the possibility of relocation due to a change of circumstances, a phone call to our Finance Department to clarify any aspects regarding payment of school fees is welcomed. Please address official written notification of student withdrawal to the Principal, Mr Andrew Watson.

For further enquiries contact Mrs Monica Slater, Finance Department, on 9291 1414 or slater.monica@mazenod.wa.edu.au

### CHAPEL ROSTER 2017

The flower roster for the Mazenod Chapel is about to be drawn up. Volunteers are rostered on once a term and the task requires no more than 30 minutes of your time. No experience required. If you were on the roster last year and cannot continue, please let me know. If there are any new parents who would like to be included, please contact me. Thank you.

Elilta De Nardi - 0412619449 elited@linet.net.au

### CANTEEN INFORMATION

There will be menu changes for Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent. Menu and prices will be available on the given days.
OPENING WHOLE SCHOOL MASS for the
INAUGURATION OF OUR FIRST LAY PRINCIPAL
Thursday 9 February, 9:20am – College Gymnasium

Opening Whole School Mass for the Inauguration of our first lay Principal, Mr Andrew Watson will be held in the College Gymnasium on Thursday 9 February at 9:20am. All parents are invited to be part of this celebration and are most welcome to stay for morning tea.

Mrs Lorraine Lima – Coordinator of Campus Ministry

OPENING SCHOOL MASS MORNING TEA: It would be appreciated if mums or dads could please provide one of their delicious cakes, slices or something savoury for morning tea following Mass on Thursday 9 February. Please leave at the office or gym. Any enquiries contact Jane Wallis wallis.jane@bigpond.com

THE RITE JOURNEY - PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
Wednesday 8 February, 6:30pm – Performing Arts Centre

Invitation to all Year 9 Parents

Dear Year 9 Parents / Guardians

The Rite Journey is a unique life skills programme that your son will participate in this year. It is designed to support the development of self-aware, responsible and resilient young men. As an important part of the process of preparing students and their parents for the very own Rite Journey, I would like to extend an invitation to a Parent Information Evening on Wednesday 8 February.

The purpose of the evening is to provide you with further information about the Rite Journey and to briefly outline the goals and expectations of a Year 9 student in 2017. You will also be able to ask any questions you may have and to meet your son’s group facilitator at this time.

The main presentation will commence at 6:30pm in the Performing Arts Centre and will conclude approximately 45 minutes later. Please join us for tea and coffee from 6:00pm in the PAC Foyer.

Your son is not required to attend this information session.

Mr Mike Pickford – Head of Year 9

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

We are very proud of our 2016 Year 12 students, especially our drama students. Our drama results were 10.2% above the state average. Congratulations to the boys and also our very committed drama teachers Miss Beth Parkinson, Mrs Jess Wellman and Mr Dan Jonkov. Two of the five boys have been accepted into WAAPA. Joshua McMahon will be studying a Bachelor of Music (Classical) and Rhys Pottinger, a Diploma in Production and Design. Joshua has also been asked to audition with his drama performance for the Year 12s Perspectives evening which showcases the top Year 12 performances in music, drama and dance from their practical TEE exams.

2017 is going to be another busy year for our department, please see below.

INSTRUMENTAL STUDENTS – Lessons commence next week

There are still some spaces for students who have not enrolled for lessons yet. Please contact the PAC office on 9291 1535 or email greenley.anne@mazenod.wa.edu.au if your son would like to do lessons this year.

If your son is an instrumental/vocal student and he will be away from school on the day of his lesson, please email greenley.anne@mazenod.wa.edu.au or call 9291 1535 (please leave a message if unattended) before 7:30am as well as calling Administration.

COLLEGE BANDS AND ENSEMBLES

There are many ensembles and bands that students can be members of. Any students who would like to join or learn more about these should come to the PAC office to register their interest.

Ensembles with our music tutors will start in week 3.

Concert Band: Tuesdays 3.30pm -5.30pm starting week 3
Jazz Band 2: Wednesdays 3.30pm- 5.30pm starting week 2
Little Shop of Horrors Orchestra: Thursdays 3.30pm-5.30pm starting week 2.
Jazz Band 1: Fridays 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Mazenod/St Brigid’s Combined Choir: Held at St Brigid’s commencing week 3. Starts at 7.30am on a day yet to be confirmed. Students need to be dropped at St Brigid’s and are collected by Mazenod staff before school starts.
YEAR 11 DRAMA PRODUCTION

We are excited to announce the upcoming Year 11 Drama Production - Capture the Flag by local Australian playwright Toby Schmitz.

Capture the Flag is a gripping story of four young boys huddled for days in a Berlin drain in 1945 as the Russian tanks rumble through the streets above. It is the last gasp of World War II, and while the boys have been conditioned to fight to the last bullet, they are paralysed by fear and indecision as they fight amongst themselves. How do children react when the war is lost and the adults have betrayed them? When they realise that their sacrifice has all been in vain? The rules of their favourite game, 'capture the flag' have changed, and now the bullets are real. The Year 11 Production will be held on Thursday the 30th and Friday the 31st of March (Term 1, Week 9) in the Performing Arts Centre at Mazenod College. Tickets will be available soon. For more information, please contact Miss Beth Parkinson.

WHOLE SCHOOL PRODUCTION – “Little Shop of Horrors”

Rehearsals started on Wednesday for this production and the cast are very excited about being involved. Please keep an eye out for further information in the months to come.

Mr Nick Allen – Head of Visual and Performing Arts

MAZENOD PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION NEWS

WELCOME BACK!! Our main news is we have the P & F Meeting on Tuesday 14 February and we are holding our Welcome BBQ on Saturday 18 February – details are as follows:

P & F MEETING
Our first P & F meeting is on Tuesday 14 February in the Boardroom in the College Administration, starting at 7.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to attend and we are particularly keen to see some of our new parents at the meeting. Meetings usually run for approximately an hour and are a great way for you to meet other parents and staff in a relaxed informal atmosphere and what better way to spend ‘Valentine’s Day’ than with new and interesting people.

We welcome our new Principal, Mr Andrew Watson to our meetings and look forward to working with Andrew to further enhance our school community.

WELCOME BBQ
The Welcome BBQ is on Saturday 18 February at 5.00pm. To help with catering, please return the RSVP slip at the end of this Newsletter. Once again we will have a water slide for the students to enjoy and if you would like to play tennis, please bring your racquets.

Joel Nevin – P & F President

MAZENOD SPORT

Welcome back to a new school year from all the Health Physical Education and Sport Department. Term One is already looking like a busy term with a number of sporting events:

- Inter house swimming carnival in Week 3, Tuesday 14 February (Yr 7-9) and Friday 17 February (Yr 10-12)
- ACC Swimming Carnival in Week 8 (Wednesday 22 March)
- Herb Edwards and Slazenger Tennis Cup in Week 8 Tuesday 21 and Friday 24 March
- Graeme Wood Shield Cricket begins Week 3
- Oblate Singapore Hockey Tour departing in the school holidays
- Mazenod Tennis Championships in Week 3 Saturday 18 February

Mazenod has a proud history of sporting achievement and excellence on the sports field, and I look forward to seeing that success continue to grow in 2017. Mazenod has a variety of opportunities for students to get involved in sport through the associated College Clubs and inter school competitions. Sport provides students with an opportunity to continue to develop emotionally, socially and physically.

I encourage all parents and friends of the College to get involved in the strong sporting culture that we have at Mazenod and support these events as it is a brilliant opportunity to see the students giving their all on the sporting field.

If there are any parents or friends who would like to assist with any of the interschool teams or Mazenod Sporting Clubs, whether in a coaching position or other means, please email me at mason.chris@mazenod.wa.edu.au.

Good luck to all teams and individuals in Term One.

Mr Chris Mason - Sports Coordinator

MOUTH GUARDS

Contact sport season is almost upon us. If your son wishes to have a professionally fitted mouth guard this can be organised at the school in Term 1. Boys may collect the appropriate forms from the Physical Education Office or speak with Mr Worth.
SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT

Chris Verran: Over the holiday’s Chris has achieved some outstanding success in his swimming endeavours. In December Chris swam at the WA State Age and Open Championships and came away with a Gold Medal in the 400m Freestyle and a Gold in the 800m Freestyle. He then last week travelled to South Australia with the club team (Guildford and Kalamunda Districts swimming club) to compete at the SA state championships where he won 2 Gold medals in the 400m freestyle and the 800m freestyle events. Chris will also be off to Brisbane in April to compete in the National age championships in the 1500m freestyle after beating the national qualification time in the event. Well done Chris and all the best in Brisbane!

Reilly Kennedy: Reilly also had a successful break. In January 27-29, Reilly competed at the 2017 Australian Open Water Swimming Championships at Brighton Beach, Adelaide. He competed in the 5km and 7.5km events in which he was placed first in both events in the 15/16 year old age group competing in a field of 50 swimmers and winning 2 gold medals. He is now off to compete at the Swimming Australia competition next week. Well done Reilly and best of luck.

Mr Chris Mason – Sports Coordinator

MAZENOD HOCKEY CLUB NEWS

The first Mazenod Hockey Club meeting for the year is on this Tuesday 7 February at 7pm in the College Staffroom. All welcome!

Our club registration day is on Saturday 18 February from 11am to 1pm in the College Gymnasium.

Uniforms and some hockey gear are available to purchase on the day.

Registration forms can be found on the Mazenod website under community then scroll down to sporting clubs. Forms and payment can be sent through before the registration day.

Peter Bewick – President peter@bewick.org

MAZENOD FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

If you are a returning member of MJFC or you have never played football before please logon 2017 Registrations and complete the online registration form.

If you are a new member having played football previously for another club please email our Club Registrar, Jody Ebsary on mjfc200@gmail.com and she will email you the Transfer Form with further instructions. Alternatively, the Transfer Form can be found at the end of this Newsletter for your convenience.

Membership fees for 2017 are:

$200.00 for the first player per family.
$150.00 for the second player per family
$100.00 for the third and fourth player per family

If you have any registration concerns please contact Jody Ebsary on: mjfc200@gmail.com.

The MJFC committee will endeavour to provide teams with adequate squad numbers to ensure players are able to participate each week in a competitive environment. Decisions on squad numbers will be the responsibility of the committee based on the rules and guidelines determined by the WAFC Centrals Conference Competition.

Coaches for the Year 7 teams and Year 11 team are still required. If you wish to nominate or discuss the role, please contact me on the number listed below.

Looking forward to a successful 2017 season.

Chris Hannan – President (0437 909 394)

CANTEEN ROSTER: 6 - 10 February 2017

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Sharon Hart
Tracey Crotty |
Dear Parent/Guardian,

On **Tuesday 14th February / Friday 17th February**, all students at the College will be competing in the annual House Swimming Carnival. The students will have the opportunity to participate in the College house competition and win points for their affiliated house. It is a participation based event and all students are required to attend and are encouraged to participate. Injured students can help assist with the running of the day.

**WHERE:**
Mazenod College Pool

**TIME:**
- **Tuesday 14th February**
  - Period 1&2 (Year 7) Period 3&4 (Year 8)
  - Period 5&6 (Year 9)
- **Friday 17th February**
  - Period 1&2 (Year 10) Period 3&4 (Year 11)
  - Period 5&6 (Year 12)

**WHAT TO BRING:**
Water bottle, sunscreen, towel, goggles

**UNIFORM:**
Students can wear their House PE uniform to school on the day of their carnival. (House Shirt and school shorts). They will also need to bring their normal school uniform to change into after their carnival. Students are allowed to wear Mazenod College swimming bathers or their sports shorts to swim in.

The boys are expected to behave appropriately and show the sportsmanship that is expected from Mazenod students and remember that the day is designed for participation and win points for their house. Parents are welcome to come and cheer on their son/s and get involved in the festivities of the races.

If there are any medical issues that will affect your son’s participation on the day please contact me prior to the day of the carnival.

If you would like to help out on the day please come and see me or a member of the HPE Department at the commencement of the carnival you are attending.

Kind Regards

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Mr Tim Grabski
Head of Health & Physical Education
Mazenod College 9291 1518
grabski.timothy@mazenod.wa.edu.au
On behalf of the P&F, we would like to invite all NEW and EXISTING families to join us for an afternoon of relaxation and fun as you meet and socialise with other Mazenod families.

A water slide will be available for adults and children to enjoy!

A sausage sizzle will be provided, but please bring along your own drinks and any other snacks.

The tennis courts will be open, so bring your racquets too!

We hope to see you there!

Saturday 18 February 2017
5.00pm - 8.00pm

Attention: P&F Welcome BBQ:
Please return this section to the Administration Office by: Monday 13 February 2017 or email to disisto.lil@mazenod.wa.edu.au

Family Name: ........................................ Form: ..............
Number Attending: .....................

Thank you
2016 Grand Final Winners
Congratulations to our Under 14 Div. 2, 2016 Grand Final Winners – Mazza Bullets!

Well done Mazza Alley Cats for an edge-of-your-seat game, to lose by only 1 point!

Great effort by the Mazza Pacers and Mazza Celtics in making their Grand Finals too.

Our Club has reached 200 players!
The Committee is pleased to announce the Club is growing at a rapid rate with more boys than ever before taking to the basketball court.

Given the number of teams, we have made some minor team allocation changes. Each team will now have a minimum of 5 Day students and a maximum of 3 Boarders.

New Players and Families
If your son is starting Year 7 or new to Mazenod and would like to join the Mazenod Junior Basketball Club, jump online to the website below and download a Registration and payment form asap! Year 7s will receive a free loan singlet for the first year.

FORMS: http://web.mazenod.wa.edu.au/community/sporting-clubs/basketball/

Note: The Committee is aware that the Year 7 Camp falls during Round 1 of the basketball season and is liaising with KDBA.

Year 8 – 12 Uniforms
For players that ordered the new reversible uniforms before 30 November 2016, your uniforms have arrived and will be distributed shortly to your Team Manager.

For those players ordering the new uniforms between 30 December 2016 and 10 February 2017, your uniforms will arrive early April 2017.

Season 1 runs 13 February – 8 June
Finals 13 - 29 June 2017

The Committee must submit all team registrations to KDBA by 5 February 2017

REGISTRATION & PAYMENTS ARE NOW OVERDUE!
NO PAY = NO PLAY

Judy Houlahan – Communications (All basketball enquiries: bball@mazenod.wa.edu.au)
SDFC
Player Clearance Form

Player must complete the below section in order for the transfer to proceed. Please send the completed form to the Mazenod Junior Football Club Registrar Jody Ebsary at mailto:mjfc200@gmail.com or hand deliver to the Front Administration desk at the college.

A clearance is request for:

Name:__________________________________________________________

Date of Birth:__________________________________________________

Address:_________________________________________________________________

Transfer Details:
Have you played football in the Perth metropolitan region?

Auskick: Yes / No
Junior / Youth: Yes / No
Transfer Required: Yes / No

FROM:________________________________________Junior / Youth Football Club in the ________________ District.

TO:________________________________________Junior / Youth Football Club.

Financial with Current Club: Yes / No

Signature of Player: ____________________________________________ Date:__________

Signature of Parent: ____________________________________________ Date:__________

Parents current phone and email:____________________________________

Club Registrar Use Only:

Player Clearance Completed On-Line
A player clearance for ___________________________ has been
granted/refused. Should the player’s clearance be refused, please attach the
details of the reason/s.

Signature Club Registrar ____________________________________________ Date __________