Dear Parents

I want you to burn, to give heat, to give light. (St Eugene de Mazenod).

You could be forgiven if you thought my opening to this Newsletter is in response to our most unusual cold weather. The many celebrations and events of this week in our College track comfortably back to this most central call to action given to us by St Eugene. On Wednesday we recognized in the assembly the academic achievements of the Class of 2016, the top performing academic students in Year groups from last year and the scholarship recipients for 2017. My address to these people and the whole student body was based on two themes: My personal best (personal excellence) is always good enough and Yes, I can. I challenged the boys to frame not only their 2017 academic goals but a selfless commitment to all areas of a Mazenod education with these guiding statements in mind.

At yesterday’s Opening Year Mass our celebrant and Provincial, Fr Daly, challenged the whole community to action and service through faith. Where and with whom should we be focusing our efforts and talents to promote dignity to all through God’s love with unwavering commitment? There is as much urgency to act now, today to be strong witnesses to the Gospel as when St Eugene founded the Oblates two hundred years ago. The Eucharistic celebration was also special with Fathers Hughes, McMahon, Fini, Twigg and Asad concelebrating Mass and student leaders from our network of schools in attendance. Thank you to Mrs Lorraine Lima, students and staff involved with the liturgy and music and the wonderful generosity of Mazza Mums for the morning tea following Mass.

The Oblate Student Leadership Conference has been hosted by us this week and the senior leaders from Iona, Mazenod Victoria, St Eugene’s and Mazenod WA have workshopped and discussed what it means to lead in a life-giving Oblate way. Fr Michael Twigg led this group to consider how their leadership would respond with vigour and passion to three key sayings of St Eugene:

Learn what you are in the eyes of God; Through the eyes of Christ, we see the world, and Leave nothing undared for the kingdom of God.

It has certainly been a joy to talk with and listen to these fine young women and men as they articulate the actions of leading which they will take back to their respective schools.

My sincere thanks to our families who have billeted our guests and to Mr John Payne for his co-ordination of the conference.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Mr Andrew Watson
Principal

"Learn what you are in the eyes of God."
At this week’s opening assembly we welcomed back students from the 2016 Year 12 cohort who achieved an Australian Tertiary Rank greater than 90. There were 13 students who achieved this mark representing 16% of the ATAR population. The highest achieving student was Lochlan Durie with an ATAR of 99.35 ranking him as the 7th highest achieving Mazenod student since the introduction of the ATAR system. He will be awarded the Mazenod Medal at this year’s Presentation Evening. The other students recognized at the assembly were:

Noah Roderick-Smith 98.85, Connor Simpson 98.70, Joshua Watson 96.85, Benjamin Skinner 94.60, Jess Cunnold 93.20, Remy Spring 92.65, Grant Kozma 91.60, Samson Tangney 91.10, Finlay McKay 90.90, Timothy Phipps 90.70, Christian Fragomeli 90.05, Jordan Joseph 90. Notably there were a further 14 students who achieved an ATAR greater than 85.

88% of ATAR students were offered a university place while 63% were offered their first preference.

We congratulated Joshua Watson who received a Certificate of Excellence from The School Curriculum and Standards Authority for achieving in the top 0.5% of the state for English. He is the first Mazenod student to achieve this certificate in the subject of English. Jess Cunnold, Lochlan Durie, Noah Roderick-Smith, Connor Simpson and Joshua Watson were each awarded a SCSA Certificate of Distinction for their grade average over two years of senior School.

Subjects to significantly outperform the state in 2016 included Maths Specialist, Drama, Applied Information Technology and Geography. Both Applied Information Technology and Geography were ranked in the top 15 schools in the state.

All 42 students enrolled in a General programme of study successfully completed at least one VET Certificate. All senior school students now have the opportunity to enrol in a Certificate II in Engineering (Metals), Sport and Recreation, Information Technology, Sampling and Measurement (Science) or the newly introduced Business Certificate.

With the introduction of new requirements for students to achieve the Western Australian Certificate of Education (representing Secondary Graduation), the state rate dropped to 92% of students achieving the WACE. In 2016, 99.6% of the Mazenod cohort met the requirements for Secondary Graduation.

Mr John Payne (Deputy Principal – Senior School)

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS 2016

L-R: Mason Houihan (Yr 7), Jack Giancono (Yr 8), Max Batty (Yr 9), Matthew Knight (Yr 10) and Matthew Spanjers (Yr 11)

The criteria for this award: Achieves outstanding academic achievement; actively contributes to the College community and demonstrates the values of Saint Eugene de Mazenod.

They receive a medal, certificate and a full year scholarship worth $6400.

Mr John Payne (Deputy Principal – Senior School)
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.

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

Mr Jeff Ronan - Deputy Principal (Student Affairs)

ABSENCES

When a student is absent from school, sport or school event, notification should be given, where possible, in advance in writing. If this is not possible, there must be notification by phone or via the absentee email address absentees@mazenod.wa.edu.au. Please refer to your son's School Diary for further information.

Mr Jeff Ronan – Deputy Principal

OPENING WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

MAZZA MUMS THANK YOU

THANK YOU TO......

- our wonderful Mazza Mums and Dads who provided food and helped towards the morning tea for our Opening School Mass on Wednesday; AND...
- to the parents who filled in the Mazza Mum Help Forms in their orientation pack – so very much appreciated.

Jane Wallis/Ann Bond – Coordinators

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

YEAR 11 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Thursday, 23 February @ 6:30pm – Performing Arts Centre

There will be a Year 11 Parent Information Evening on Thursday 23 February, 6.30pm, in the Performing Arts Centre. The purpose of the night is to provide an overview of Year 11, the pastoral care and careers program, hints and tips on how to help your son achieve excellence, resources for parents and a summary of how we conduct our results tracking.

Once staff have presented our ‘school stuff’ we have invited Youth Focus to come and present to our parents. Their session is entitled ‘Understanding Mental Health’ and topics that will be covered include youth mental health issues, effective engagement strategies, depression, anxiety and self-harm in young people.

The information evening is designed for parents, and while students will be welcome to attend the evening with you, it is not a requirement for them to do so.

Mr Beau Hemley - Head of Year 11

UNIFORM SHOP INFORMATION

are needed in the uniform shop. If you can help in the shop on a Thursday during our busy times: 8-9am or 3-4pm, we would love to hear from you.

RUGBY SHORTS now on sale $18.00

Helen and Maechell – Uniform Shop Coordinators (9291 1560)

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.

Elitta De Nardi - 0412619449 elitted@iinet.net.au
2017 SCHOOL FEES

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.

For more information refer to: www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/assistance-for-isolated-children OR Ph 13 23 18 or Fax 1300 786 102.

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

LIBRARY NEWS

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ORDERS – Term 1

The library is participating in the Scholastic Book Club again this year and the Term 1 catalogue has been distributed to classrooms. If students are purchasing items from the catalogue they need to return the order form before the end of February. Parents can pay for their order online Scholastic Book Club Payment or pay cash. If paying cash, please place the order and correct money in an envelope and ask your son to deliver the envelope to library staff. A receipt will be issued.

It is anticipated that Scholastic orders will be received mid-March and items will be distributed to students as soon as they arrive. Thank you for your support of the Scholastic Book Club.

Mrs Penny Worthington – Head of McCarthy Library

CANTEEN INFORMATION

There will be menu changes for Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent. Menu and prices will be available on the given days.
VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO BLAIR ALLEN!

We are proud to say that another of our 2016 Year 12s has been accepted into WAAPA. As a result of his call back audition Blair Allen has been given a place in the Diploma of Acting course.

COMMUNITY CAR BOOT SALE TERM 1

The Performing Arts Department will be hosting a ‘Community Car Boot Sale’ to raise funds in support of our College Jazz Band who have been invited to perform at the ‘Generations of Jazz Festival’ in Mount Gambier.

Please watch this space for more information. In the meantime consider collecting and organising your preloved treasures for sale or plan to attend to purchase a bargain. Sellers will be able to book a bay on trybooking.com.

Turn these treasures into cash whilst supporting the Mazenod Jazz Band tour. You will also be treated to a variety of musical entertainment on the day as well as a tasty sausage sizzle.

INSTRUMENTAL STUDENTS

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 next week.
  - Concert Band: Tuesdays 3.30pm - 5.00pm
  - Jazz Band 2: Wednesdays 3.30pm - 5.30pm
  - Little Shop of Horrors Orchestra: Thursdays 3.30pm-5.30pm
  - Jazz Band 1: Fridays 3.30pm – 5.30pm
  - Mazenod/St Brigid’s Combined Choir: Held at St Brigid’s commencing next week. 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.

**Mr Nick Allen – Head of Visual and Performing Arts**

MAZENOD PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION NEWS

**P & F MEETING**

We look forward to welcoming new and old families to our first P&F meeting next **Tuesday 14 February** in the Boardroom in the main Administration Block, starting at **7.30pm**.

**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**

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS and EVENTS

**SENIOR CRICKET TEAM 20/20- Graeme Wood Shield**

**Round 1 Match Report**

The first game of the 20/20 Graeme Wood Shield Cricket Competition took place at the College on Wednesday, with the defending Champions, Mazenod College, taking on Darling Range Sports College. Captain Liam Hindle won the toss and elected to bat. In what was an amazing innings to watch, Joel Curtis regularly found and cleared the boundary on his way to 107 from 59 balls! He was well supported by Joshua Harris (31) and Ethan Carrington (35). The team reached an impressive total of 4 for 221 from its 20 overs.

Defending the total, Mazenod only managed to take 2 wickets, one to debutant Casey Saito and one to last year’s finals hero Adam Disisto. Jaxon Butler also bowled well without luck finishing with figures of 0/6 from his 3 overs. The Darling Range batsmen fought hard but the total was too large, finishing on 2 for 117 from their 20 overs.

Well done to the team and thanks to all the students and staff who supported them.

The next game is in Week 4 on **Wednesday 22 February** against Swan Christian, again here at Mazenod College starting at **1pm**.

**Mr Tim Grabski – Head of Health & Physical Education**
SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT

We congratulate Adam Disisto and Joel Curtis who have been asked to trial for the ACC State Representative Cricket Team on the 3 March. If successful they will represent the ACC in a match against a State Government School team at the WACA.

We wish these two boys the best of luck.

Mr Chris Mason – Sports Coordinator

SCHOOL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

School Tennis Championships: All Students are invited to nominate for the Mazenod School Tennis Championships on Saturday 18th February. Due to competitor number constraints it is recommended that you have played tennis before nominating. If you unsure or have any questions please see Mr Mason in the PE office.

SWIMMING TRAINING

Students who are interested in training for the upcoming ACC Swimming Carnival and House Swimming Carnivals are invited to come to swimming training in the College pool on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting Week 3 at 7am. If you are interested please come and see Mr Mallon in the science office or Mr Mason in the PE office. Breakfast will be provided to all swimmers.

Mr Chris Mason – Sports Coordinator

MAZENOD FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

Registration for 2017 Football Season has officially opened!

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)

MAZENOD HOCKEY CLUB NEWS

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2017 HOCKEY SEASON

Our hockey registration day is on Saturday 18 February from 11am to 1pm in the school gym. 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 and as soon as possible for teams to be finalised.

Peter Bewick – President peter@bewick.org

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.
MAZENOD HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On Tuesday 14 February / Friday 17 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 14 February: Period 1&2 (Year 7) Period 3&4 (Year 8) Period 5&6 (Year 9)
- Friday 17 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 AND FROM school on the day of their carnival. (House Shirt and school shorts, tracksuit if required). Please bring dry shorts and underwear to change into after the 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

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

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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: .................

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The New Reversible Uniforms Have Arrived!
The new basketball uniforms look great and are ready for teams to start playing.
**Team Managers**, please contact our Property Manager, Lisa Davey to arrange pick up
Bball.property@mazenod.wa.edu.au

New Equipment for Every Mazza Basketball Team.
The Committee has been working hard over the break and has put together sports bags with new equipment for each team.
**Team Managers**, please pick up your team’s sport bag from the Committee in the Gym on Wednesday 15th Feb between 3:30pm-6pm. Make alternative arrangements by contacting our Equipment Manager, Anne-Marie Marriott Bball.equip@mazenod.wa.edu.au

Team Managers - Check Your Emails for Team Lists and Our Latest Q&A.
Our Registrar, Liz Linaker has been very busy and has now emailed all team managers their final team contact lists as well as a useful and informative Q&A sheet.
**Team Managers**, please make sure you read and forward this information to all your team’s parents - it will answer a lot of your questions! Parent’s check with your son’s team manager for the latest updates. Coaches and Team Managers should organise training day/time and location, in consultation with parents.

Order Your New Uniform by 10th February 2017.
The Committee is placing another bulk order for new reversible uniforms for delivery early April.
To order, download the order form from the Mazenod website today!
http://web.mazenod.wa.edu.au/community/sporting-clubs/basketball/

No Pay = No Play!
The Basketball Committee has now registered all of our 29 basketball teams with KDBA to meet the 5th February deadline. All players must have paid their basketball fees to be eligible to play in Season 1 starting next Wednesday for U18’s and Thursday for U14’s and U16’s.

If your son has NOT been notified of his team before 13th February, please contact our registrar, Liz at
bball.registrar@mazenod.wa.edu.au

Rules and Regulations? Ask our Basketball Specialist!
Matt Davey is a committee member, long time player and resident Basketball Specialist, ready to support team managers, coaches and parents. When it comes to training techniques, regulations and playing at KDBA, Matt is happy to answer all your questions. Ask Matt at:
bball.sme@mazenod.wa.edu.au

Three Cheers for Team Managers & Coaches!
A huge thank you to our band of dedicated parents who look after our team’s week to week and put in hours to coach and develop our players. In particular, to our new and old student coaches for being great role models for the younger teams and giving back to the Club.

Hit the Courts Next Week!
Season 1 games start next week, 13th February, with different teams playing on either Wednesday or Thursday. No doubt we will see good sportsmanship, team work and some awesome skills on the court. **GOOD LUCK TO ALL 29 MAZZA TEAMS!**

Check KDBA fixture playing times at: kalamundabasketball.com.au

Judy Houlanah
MJBC Communications & Year Book
bball@mazenod.wa.edu.au
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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 ___________________________

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