Dear Parents

This week’s Newsletter begins with a notable and sad farewell. At this week’s whole-school assembly, Mazenod said goodbye to our beloved Sister Frances Wilson. Sister Frances has been with Mazenod College for fourteen years, but her teaching career began on February 1, 1958. Her ministry with the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions has taken her far from her native New Zealand with much of her career spent in the Kimberley. Many will remember the students who attended Mazenod from Gibb River who were supported by Sister Frances in their time at the College.

Sister has been a beloved member of our community and has worked in supporting students through baptism and confirmation, preparing classes for Mass, and preparing whole-school Masses. Equally notable has been her support of College rugby teams. Any fears our boys might have ever had of going in for the hard tackle would have been minor in comparison to the fear of Sister’s disapproval should they give anything less that their best on the field. Mr Johnson and Mr Stallard may have been the coaches, but no one was left any illusions about who the muscle behind the team was.

The irrepressible Sister Frances Wilson has been an icon of our community and will be missed by all at Mazenod as she leaves to continue her service with her congregation. At Mazenod, we value service and commitment. The aphorism “I would give my right leg for Mazenod” is one that has a strong ring of truth but is, of course, a mere figure of speech. Our Deputy Principal, Mr John Payne, has taken this a little too literally in the past week.

Mr Payne left a week ago to China to connect with the Oblate Mission in Beijing in preparation for possible student mission tours in the future. Early in his trip, however, Mr Payne had a freak pedestrian accident that has left him with a broken ankle and a severe tendon injury in his other leg.

Our prayers are with Mr Payne that he recovers speedily and returns to home shores to recuperate. In all seriousness, he has played a critical role in shaping the mission action of the College through this trip as well as his involvement in the mission tour to India in December. His experience in China will not dampen his commitment to the College’s work to be involved in missionary work of the Oblates in south-east Asia.

The end of term is certainly nigh, and like Mr Payne, the whole school is ‘flat out’ working to complete the term. The Year 12’s are furiously preparing for their mock exams. The term “mock” to describe these exams is an interesting term that has developed over time. There is nothing “mock” about them. These exams are an opportunity for our boys to give themselves one last boost to their grade and, more importantly, to highlight where they need to focus as they push hard into the WACE exams.

For our non-ATAR students, the coming weeks will involve opportunities to build upon their employability skills and to get a further taste of the industries in which they might begin their working lives. While most ATAR students will be moving in a new form of student life, these students will be making the great leap from high school student to working life in the adult world. We wish them all our best wishes for a happy transition.

For some, Term Four might mean the glimmering light at the end of the year that glows brighter and brighter as the long summer holidays draw near. To those we say, “Settle down.” Term Four is the term to coalesce all that we have learned over the year. Term Four is the time to celebrate the many and varied achievements of our community over the year.

In the first month of the term, we will be celebrating our students’ success in academia, in sporting achievement and in their service of our community. At the end of our second week, we will farewell the Class of 2014 at the Farewell Assembly on October 24 and at the Valedictory Mass and Dinner the following afternoon.

At our annual Presentation Evening on Monday, October 27, we celebrate the academic and service achievements of our whole school community. Week three will conclude with the Sportsman’s Dinner on Friday, October 31.

The key to these celebrations is that we acknowledge the whole gamut of contribution and achievement. Mazenod College is a school of academic and sporting excellence as well as a community of people in service of each other.

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“Learn what you are in the eyes of God.”
To conclude the term, I would like to extend an invitation to all of our Year 12 students. I invite them to reflect on their time at Mazenod College, to reflect on their experience in a school created in the charism of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. I should emphasise the word “Missionary” here, for this word calls upon our students to go out into the world to serve others and to learn who they are in the eyes of God.

Fr Peter Daly OMI (Rector)

**FORM 7A MASS** Friday 17th October
All parents/grandparents and friends are invited to the Form 7A Mass in the Chapel at 8:30am.

**ADMINISTRATION HOURS AND HOLIDAY DATES**

The College is open during the holidays from 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday to Friday

- Year 12 WPL Boarders return 3-8:00pm Sun 12th October
  (Year 12 Workplace Learning commences Mon 13th October)
- Year 7-11 Boarders return 3-8:00pm Mon 13th October
- School commences for Term 4 on Tues 14th October
- **SUMMER UNIFORM** (with tie) must be worn in Term 4.
  -- Students have the option of wearing shorts or long trousers.

**CURRENT DAY STUDENT FAMILIES RE-ENROLMENT FOR 2015**

Re-enrolment forms have now been posted to families of current Year 7 – Year 11 day students. Confirmation of re-enrolment together with a $300.00 deposit must be forwarded to the College by Friday, 26th September.

Enquiries: Monica Slater, Finance Department - 9291 1414 or slater.monica@mazenod.wa.edu.au

**STUDENT ABSENCES**

In the event of a student not being able to attend school, parents are expected to make contact with the College on 9291 6500 on the morning of the absence with a reason for the absence. Your assistance with this would be greatly appreciated.

Mr Jeff Ronan – Deputy Principal

**IMPORTANT EVENTS EARLY NEXT TERM**

- **FAREWELL YEAR 12’s:**
  Parents and friends of Year 12’s are invited to come along to the Year 12 Farewell Assembly on Friday 24th October at 9:15am for a 9:30am start and stay afterwards for morning tea.

- **VALEDICTORY MASS and DINNER – 25th October:**
  We request you be seated by 3:45pm for a 4:00pm start (Lady of Lourdes, Lesmurdie). At the conclusion of Mass, there will be the Valedictory Dinner in the College Gymnasium commencing at 5:30pm, followed by a presentation of Year 12 students.

- **SPEECH NIGHT – Monday 27th October:**
  All families are invited for this special evening and we request that you be seated by 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start and that your son/s sits with you during the speeches and presentations.

**Holiday opening hours**

Thursday 9th October 8am-4pm and Monday 13th October 2pm-6pm.

Remember boys have the choice of wearing trousers or shorts next term.
ENGLISH DEPARTMENT NEWS

SCRABBLE WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS IN PERTH

Perth have won the rights to host the World Youth Scrabble Championships (WYSC) in 2015 following on from Dubai & Colombo in 2013 and 2014. Australia had a total of 4 representatives at the WYSC in Colombo this year with 2 from WA, Tim Mason and Rahul Jegatheva (both featured in the photo on Website).

As hosts, Australia will be given 20 places to the WYSC in 2015, and presents a once in a lifetime opportunity to budding wordsmiths to represent their country at a world event here in WA. In the search for talented young individuals, Scrabble WA is hosting a scrabble workshop and mini competition for anyone over 9 years old (parents especially welcome!) on the 5th of October 2014. First, we’ll have a game, then we’ll take time out for questions and to tell you about playing Scrabble face to face, outside of school, home or on the internet. We’ll get parents involved – Scrabble is fun for them too! In the afternoon, we’ll have a three game competition like they do in the World Youth Scrabble Championships, which you could be part of! If you would like to attend, do let Glenys know asap on glal6229@optusnet.com.au or 9275 7090. Full info is on the Scrabble WA website:
http://www.scrabblewa.org.au/

Ms Jenny Moulton – Head of English

YEAR 7 NEWS

YEAR 7 STUDENT’S MISSION TRIP TO UGANDA

Earlier this year, Year 7 student Joshua Pendal, was able to undertake a mission trip to Uganda with his grandmother. It was a journey that allowed him to experience poverty, hardship but also incredible joy. He gained an invaluable insight into life in a developing country, as well as an appreciation of our own. Joshua describes his experience below:

Mrs Teresa Bulich

I went to Uganda which is a country in Central Africa. We visited lots of different places and helped out everywhere we could.

We were able to visit different orphanages and give them gifts of food and medical supplies. While we were there, we also visited the slums and saw how lucky we are to live in Australia.

It was amazing to see how happy the people we met were, and how generous everyone was.

Joshua Pendal 7B

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

YEAR 11 EARTH and ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE CERVANTES OVERNIGHT EXCURSION

The Year 11 Earth and Environmental Science students, accompanied by Ms Cahill and Mr Johnson, recently participated in an overnight excursion to Cervantes. The students participated in a packed programme that commenced with a visit to the Tronox Mineral Sands Minesite and processing plant to look at sedimentary ores.

We explored several geoheritage sites around Cervantes, including the Pinnacles at Nambung National Park, and stromatolites at Lake Thetis. The Emu Downs Wind Farm provided an insight into renewable energy initiatives. We looked at the importance of Marine Parks for preserving ocean biodiversity. Finally, we went on a cave tour at the Yanchep National Park to see the cave ecosystems and structures. The excursions are invaluable for demonstrating the subject theory in a practical field situation, and I know that our students benefited greatly from this opportunity.

I commend the students on their excellent behaviour throughout the excursion, and for representing Mazenod College so well. Many thanks to both Tronox and Earth Sciences WA for their on-going support with these excursions.

Mrs Marion Cahill – Science Teacher
The Annual Sportsman’s Dinner will be held in the College Gymnasium on Friday 31st October starting at 6.30pm. Please see the attached flyer for more information and also the list of award winners for this year. We ask that all award winners attend on the night. Tickets are available from the front office from Tuesday 23rd September for $35 each.

“Tickets are limited so make sure you get in quickly”

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Mr Tim Grabski – Head of Health & Physical Education

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On Thursday 18th September, 84 students competed in the B Division ACC Athletics Carnival at the State Athletics Centre. A glorious day was presented to the boys and after all the training it was time to put performance into action. Some outstanding individual and team results across all year levels meant Mazenod achieved fantastic success - taking home the Junior Boys Shield, Senior Boys shield and Overall Boys shield. It was a clean sweep of awards for the day and some very happy students for the drive home.

Some notable individual performances were:
- **Luke English** Equal 2nd in U/14 Boys Champion
- **Matthew Russo** 2nd in U/15 Boys Champion
- **Michael Garfield** 4th in U/15 Boys Champion
- **Daniel Clare** 4th in U/16 Boys Champion
- **Aidan Gordon** 3rd in Open Boys Champion

I congratulate the whole squad for their commitment and dedication over the term. Well done to **Jesse Sequeira** (Athletics captain) and **Tom O’Brien** (Athletics vice-captain) for their leadership over the course of the campaign and to the coaches who had all the athletes very well prepared for their events.

Once again the Mazenod spirit and desire to compete was very evident and both are major factors that contribute to our success. Congratulations to all involved!
CONGRATULATIONS TO: Jayden Macdonald (Yr 8); Owen McCallum (Yr 9) and Daniel Tesconi (Yr 9) who have been selected for the U15s WA State Lacrosse team this year which is a huge achievement. Between them they have been presented this year with the Coaches Award, the Courage Award, Runner Up Fairest & Best Award (U15) and Fairest & Best Award (U13).

The National Tournament is being hosted in Perth and starts next Sunday. There are going to be 17 boys and girls teams from Victoria, New South Wales, Adelaide, New Zealand, Perth and a Presidents Team made up of some visiting Singapore players. It should make for a very exciting week.

These three boys are the rising stars of Lacrosse and it would be great to celebrate their successes. Anyone who would like to come down and watch a game can get further information on www.facebook.com/U15lacrosse2014 - all very welcome.

Please see flyer on page 9 with information regarding a Lacrosse Clinic held on the 1st October at Success Regional Sporting Facility, 359 Hammond Road, Success for anyone interested in playing Lacrosse.

Mr Tim Grabski – Head of Health & Physical Education

HOCKEY NEWS

A big thank you to everyone for all the support to the boys and the club for the 2014 season, from the committee members, coaches, team managers, transport people and umpires to the coffee runners and cheer squads. The club really couldn’t function without everyone’s contribution, however big or small it may be.

Thank you also to the boys for all their efforts each week to turn up to training and games and give their best and for supporting each other.

We have had a successful season, with three of our teams making the final play-offs – 7/8A Promotion, 7/8B Gold and 9/10B Gold. Our 9/10B team not only won their Grand Final against a formidable opponent but they were also Minor Premiers for the year finishing first on the ladder and receiving the Guth Ardagh flag along with the Premiers flag.

At our Club wind up on Sunday, we announced our main award winners. These were:

7/8A Promotion Fairest & Best – Timothy Bewick Runner-up – Mackensie Dalton Coaches Award – Ben Parkhouse.
7/8B Gold Fairest & Best – Alex Nevin Runner-up – Thomas van Eck Coaches Award – Xander Smirk
9/10B Gold Fairest & Best – Christian Ward Runner-up – Timothy Wallis Coaches Award – Daniel Heyward
11/12A Reserve Fairest & Best – Tyler Trindall Runner-up – Damon Parsons Coaches – Cameron Durie

Congratulations to these boys and also to all players for their 2014 season.

We farewell three of our players leaving the club – George Walton-Hassell, Cameron Durie and Cody Eva and wish them all the best for their future endeavours. We hope to see everyone else back next year and urge families to consider assisting in any way possible.

Peter Bewick - President

COMMUNITY NEWS
Recently the College launched a Careers website that can be accessed from the main page of the Mazenod College homepage. While the webpage is still being added to, there is a lot of information relating to: universities, TAFE, job videos etc.


**SCHOLARSHIPS**

The 30th September is the usual cut-off date for many of the university scholarships available. It is a great opportunity for students to receive anywhere from $1000 to $5000 per year towards their tuition fees.

It is important to remember that scholarships are not just for the highest ATAR scores. There is a wide range of scholarships including: sporting, music and other activities. See the Careers webpage for links to the scholarship pages for the universities.

One popular scholarship that attracts several Mazenod students every year is at Curtin. Students who score more than 96 in their ATAR automatically receive a scholarship to Curtin if they put a Curtin course as their first choice.

**BROADWAY ENTRY into UWA**

A quick reminder that Mazenod is a Broadway school which means that students can access UWA with an ATAR score of 75. The cut off score for students from other schools is 80.

Broadway school students also get an advantage if they are looking to enter medicine or dentistry.

**DON’T FORGET THAT TISC PREFERENCES CLOSE ON SEPTEMBER 30th at 11:00pm. $100 LATE FEE APPLIES AFTER THIS DATE.**

**OVERSEAS STUDENT EXCHANGE OR STUDY AT AN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY**

Student Exchange Australia runs secondary school exchanges for students aged between 15-18. These exchanges place students in host families who speak English and allow students to experience another culture from a couple of months to a full year. Some of the countries available include: Sweden, France, UK, Brazil, USA, Mexico etc. See [http://www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au) for more details.

Student Placement Australia ([http://www.gocampus.com.au](http://www.gocampus.com.au)) offers students the chance to study a degree at a university in America. The majority of students will be able to access scholarships to make the costs of a degree in America more reasonable. These scholarships are particularly aimed at academic and sporting fields.

**TAFE APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN**

For students wishing to undertake studies at TAFE in 2015 applications are now open. See [http://www. tasonline.tafe.wa.edu.au/](http://www. tasonline.tafe.wa.edu.au/) This is a central website for all applications and students will need:

1. Their SCSA (Curriculum Council) number which is often printed at the top of students’ reports or they can get their number from me by popping into the careers office.
2. An idea of the types of courses they wish to apply for.
3. Evidence of work experience. Casual work, workplace learning, volunteer work etc.

Applications for TAFE close on November 3rd for ‘Folio Courses’ and 5th December for all other courses.

**PRE-EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

The Work Depot in Midland is running a program for 15-17 year olds during the school holidays.

This program is $15 per day and runs from Tuesday 30 September through to October 10th – week days 10.00am to 4.00pm. Some of the skills students will learn include: Repurposing and recycling furniture and administrative skills include – learn to work in a real office environment. Learn to refurbish an old computer ready for donation to someone in need. Build a resume that sings. Look for part time and holiday jobs.


and there is a link to the registration page on the above website.
Are you interested in living on campus in 2015?

Discover what it’s like to live at University Hall, UWA!

Come to Open Hall and enjoy a guided tour, breakfast and chat with current students to discover the ultimate UWA/University Hall experience!

When: Sunday 5 October 2014
Time: 9.00am – 10.30am
Where: University Hall, 130 Winthrop Avenue, Crawley (corner Stirling Hwy)
Cost: No charge but places are limited so you must register to attend at: admissions@unihall.uwa.edu.au
Further details: P 9273 3333 or E admissions@unihall.uwa.edu.au

Parents and Students Industry Night
Getting into the workforce
Thursday, 9 October 2014

What preparation have you done to help your child with subject choices for Year 9 and beyond?

Do you know how Apprenticeships & Traineeships work?

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of WA (CCI) have industry experts available for you to get all the information you need to help your child explore their options and put them on a successful pathway into the workforce.

CCI invites you and your child to an interactive information session where you will discover:

- How to assist your teen with career exploration;
- How the apprenticeship system works;
- School based traineeships;
- The Group Training Model; and
- A day in the life of current apprentices.

Event details:

Date: Thursday, 9 October 2014
Time: 7.00pm – 8.30pm, registrations from 6.45pm
Venue: CCI Function Centre, 160 Hay Street, East Perth.
RSVP: Monday, 6 October 2014
Parking will be available and refreshments provided.
Roll up.. Roll up... To the Greatest Sport on Earth!

October School Holidays

Come and Try Lacrosse Clinic
Hosted during the UIS National Lacrosse Tournament

Wednesday 1st October, 10:30-12:00
Success Regional Sporting Facility, 359 Hammond Rd Success WA

Cost: $10.00
Inclusions: Skills Clinics, Drink & Lacrosse Present
Registration*: Email info@uislacrosse.com.au to secure your spot!
Payment Method: Internet Banking BSB: 306-058 ACC: 0538161 OR Cash on the Day

National Lacrosse Games. Lacrosse shop & canteen will be running throughout the day

*We encourage you to book as places are limited, however we can accept registrations on the day

Contact: 0409 299 504
www.facebook.com/uislacrosse2014
www.uislacrosse.com.au