Dear Parents

The Oblates of Mary Immaculate have rejoiced at the news that Fr Mark Edwards OMI, Rector of Iona College in Brisbane, has been asked to serve the Church as the Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne (Eastern Region). We are very proud of Fr Mark’s great honour, and that an Australian Oblate has been chosen for this position in 120 years of our arrival to these shores.

Fr Mark is a Mazenod College Old Boy. As this leaves us one Rector short for our Colleges, the Provincial and Council has made the following appointments: Fr Michael Twigg OMI has been appointed as Rector of Iona College for three years, to take effect at the end of Term 1, 2015. Deputy Ross King to assume the role of Acting Principal of Iona College for Term 1, 2015 while a period of transition occurs in Mazenod College Victoria. Fr Christian Fini OMI has been appointed as Rector of Mazenod College Victoria for three years to take effect at the end of Term 1, 2015. This will mean that all three of our Colleges will have Rectors who are old boys of Oblate Colleges – Fr Michael and I from Iona, and Fr Christian from Mazenod Victoria.

We held two special meals this week – the Volunteers Dinner on Monday night and the Maza Mums Mass and Lunch on Wednesday. The P&F AGM was held on Tuesday. I thank the following parents who hold the new (or continuing) positions: President – Mrs Helen Keogh, Vice-President – Mr Tony Checker, who will also take on the role of secretary until a new appointment next year, and Treasurer - Mrs Rachel Theunissen. Mrs Joel Nevin will continue to co-ordinate the Raffle.

As subject selections are being made for next year and exams and assessments are on the agenda, having the right attitude is the best preparation, because attitude is about spirit and energy and power. We need these to make the right decisions and to be honest with ourselves. Fr Pedro Arrupe SJ former leader of the Jesuits, wrote the following about attitude. I believe that it is worth our consideration:

Nothing is more practical than finding God, that is, than falling in love in a quiet absolute, final way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you will do with your evenings, how to spend your weekends, what you read, what you know that breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything.

I trust that you and your family have a pleasant weekend.

Fr Peter Daly OMI (Rector)
YEAR 7-10 THANKSGIVING MASS

Year 7-10 Thanksgiving Mass will be held **Thursday 4th December** commencing at **9:30am** in the **College Gymnasium**.

All parents are welcome to attend.

*Mrs Lorraine Lima – Coordinator of Campus Ministry*

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SCHOOL FEE INSTALMENTS – TERM 4

- Term 4 fee instalments are **due and payable by the 30th November 2014**.
- Please refer to the Schedule of 2014 Fees and Charges for payment methods.
- Families requiring a variation to current payment arrangements are requested to contact Monica Slater, Finance Department on 9291 1414 or at slater.monica@mazenod.wa.edu.au

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SECOND-HAND BOOK SALE

This year's second book sale will take place on the last day of school (Thursday, December 4) at 3pm. The sale will work in the style of a swap meet and tables will be made available in the College gym for students to sell and purchase books.

It is essential that parents and students check their booklists before attending the sale. There are significant changes in the Year 11 list for 2015 with the introduction of a number of electronic books.

Students are not to offer texts for sale that are no longer on the booklist.

Activity books should not be offered for sale as these have been written in.

*Mr Bruce Derby - Deputy Principal (Teaching & Learning)*

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MATHS DEPARTMENT NEWS

MATHEMATICS PRIZES FOR TERM 3

The Mathematics Prizes for Term 3 have been announced and the Mathematics Department would like to congratulate all of the nominees for their dedication to achieving outstanding results in their mathematics courses.

**The nominations for Achievement in Lower School were:**

- Jonah Powell, Lachlan Murray, Matthew Groves, Matthew Knight and Kyle Sermon.
- Matthew Knight.

**The prize winner was:**

Matthew Knight.

**The nominations for Improvement in Lower School were:**

- Lachlan Murray, Cobb Fowler, Chad Vanelwysykw and Jacob Marshall.
- Lachlan Murray and Jacob Marshall.

**The prize winners were:**

- Lachlan Murray and Jacob Marshall.

**The nominations for Achievement in Year 10 and Year 11 were:**

- Dominic Bodily, Lucas Allen, and Matthew Van Eck.
- Matthew van Eck.

**The prize winner was:**

Matthew van Eck.

**The nominations for Improvement Year 10 and Year 11 were:**

- Scott Barlow, Stewart Kay and Riley Varnavides.
- Scott Barlow and Stewart Kay.

**The prize winners were:**

- Scott Barlow and Stewart Kay.

The Mathematics Department would also like to acknowledge the Year 11 Specialist students who achieved fantastic results in the UNSW Mathematics Competition. As a group their average was approximately 10% above the nation.

To be awarded a distinction, students have to score a mark in the top 10% of the competition.

- **The following students each received a distinction:**
  - Matthew van Eck, Arni De Nardi, Alessandro Paduano and Kieran Keys.

*Mrs Lynda Godfrey – Head of Maths*

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ORIENTATION DAY FOR 2015

**Friday 28th November 2014**

We welcome all prospective Year 7 (day) and Year 7 and 8 (boarding) parents for 2015 to afternoon tea to be held in the **Gymnasium** at **1:30pm**. A full day of activities and classes has been organised for the boys commencing at **9:00am** and concluding at **3:00pm**.
SCIENCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

SCIENCE OLYMPIADS

For a number of years we have entered our best students in Year 11 Chemistry and Physics into the national Australian Science Olympiads. The Science Olympiads is the most demanding science based competition open to our students and only the best and brightest are able to do well. It starts with a challenging 2 hour exam and this year there were 1300 Chemistry students, 400 Earth and Environmental Science students and 1200 Physics students who competed. We entered 7 students in total into the exams. To have achieved a credit the student had to be in the top 30%, a distinction the top 20% and if the student was in the top 10% a high distinction.

The following students should be congratulated on their fine results:

- Matthew Alexander: Credit in Chemistry
- Alistair Ryan: Distinction in Earth Science
- Arni De Nardi: Distinction in Chemistry
- Alessandro Paduano: Distinction in Physics
- Matthew van Eck: High Distinction in both Physics and Chemistry

Matthew received a Gold Medal for being in the top 3% of students in physics and a Bronze Medal for being in the top 9% in chemistry. A first for the College and I congratulate Matthew.

Matthew has also been selected to attend the Science Olympiad Summer School over the holidays. He will be completing an intensive physics course at ANU with a real chance of being selected for the National Team next year. We have had two students in the past (Old Boys, Dylan Kerr and Evan Pearce) attend this camp. Again to be selected you have to be in the top 30 students nationally. I thank the Old Boys Association for their financial support and the hard work of Mr Jeremy Logan. Well Done.

Mr Mal Johnson – Head of Science

P & F ASSOCIATION NEWS

The AGM provided a wonderful opportunity to thank everyone for all their contributions - in a myriad of ways, reflect on the achievements of 2014, and think about possibilities for 2015. The excellent wines and tasting platters provided through a College family at The Principal Brewing Company enticed many of the parents to linger on, tour the new landscaping areas with Fr Daly, and enjoy catching up with old friends and new….the last of us leaving several hours after the meeting finished!

Your P & F Executive for 2015 is:

President: Helen Keogh
Vice-President: Tony Checker
Treasurer: Rachel Theunissen
Secretary: Tony Checker - keeping the seat warm for YOU!

Do join us at our first meeting of 2015 on 10 February at 7:30pm.

Mrs Helen Keogh - President

MESSAGE FROM MAZA MUMS

ORIENTATION DAY FOR YEAR 7 2015

- **Afternoon Tea** – 28th November, 1:30pm in the College Gymnasium
  Mazza Mums have always organised the afternoon tea on this day for all the new parents coming into the school.

- **We need** – lots of cakes, slices, sandwiches, biscuits, etc. - please be generous as we need large amounts of food to cater for this.

- **Also** – a team of Mums to set-up and another team to clean-up.

- **Year 7 Mums** – we thought it would be nice if you could help on either of these days as well as welcoming our new Year 7 parents.

- **Set-up** people will be needed from approx. 12noon and **clean-up group** from about 2:30pm (finish 3:20pm).

- **Phone/email** – we would appreciate parents contacting Jane 0438 901 689 / wallis.jane00@gmail.com or Julie 0439 910 426 / oorschot.julie@hotmail.com to let us know what you are sending along and if you can help and when.

So, FOOD, HELP, FRIENDLY FACES, CONVERSATION, LOTS OF LAUGHS – ALL NEEDED!!!

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Jane Wallis & Julie Oorschot
Congratulations to the students who have been selected to represent Mazenod WA in the annual Oblate Cricket Carnival, this year hosted by Iona College in Brisbane. The carnival has a rich history, with Oblate brother schools Mazenod WA, Mazenod Vic and Iona competing for the Oblate Cup, and several other cricket schools also competing for the Oblate Invitational Cup. The team was selected after weeks of trials, and makes up the College First XI team. They depart for Brisbane on Sunday 7th December. The teams will be coached by Mr Chris Mason and Mr Jake Akmens. Well done and good luck in the carnival.

On Wednesday the team had the opportunity to play a match against cricket specialist school Kent St SHS in a 50 overs a side match. Bowling first the team started slowly but found their rhythm with great contributions from all the bowlers, and wickets to Daniel Clare, Ben Skinner, Jaxon Butler, James Kirwan, Daniel McKay, Giles Dent. Kent St finished on 6/195 after their 50 overs, a very challenging but achievable target.

Opening batsmen Joel Curtis and Brandon Chatwin got the run chase off to a great start, reaching 0/67 before Curtis was dismissed for 20. Chatwin went on to make a valuable 47, before James Kirwan lead the side to a memorable victory with 56n.o.

It was a great effort by the whole squad, and perfect preparation for the tour.

The TEAM:
Back Row Mr Chris Mason (coach) James Kirwan (VC) Brandon Chatwin, Jono Neves, Giles Dent (Captain) Grant Kozma, Jaxon Butler, Daniel Clare.
Front Row Tom Alderson, Joel Curtis, Matthew Russo, Liam Hindle, Daniel McKay, Benjamin Skinner

Mr Tim Grabski – Head of Health & Physical Education

Ben Hischar (Year 9) has been selected in the Perth Heat State U16s Baseball Team. The team will travel to Sydney to take part in the National Championships in January. Well done Ben and good luck in the tournament.

Mr Tim Grabski – Head of Health & Physical Education

MAZENOD HOCKEY CLUB NEWS

The final Mazenod Hockey Club meeting is on Tuesday 18th November at 7pm in the College Staffroom. Everyone welcome.

Peter Bewick - President

CANTEEN ROSTER: 17th – 21st November 2014

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UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Thursday 4th December is the last day we will open until 2015.

COLLEGE TIES: DUE TO A MANUFACTURING ERROR COLLEGE TIES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL JANUARY

HOLIDAY OPENING TIMES FOR 2015

Thursday January 22nd 10am-6pm
Wednesday January 28th 10am-6pm
Monday February 2nd 2pm-6pm
Tuesday February 3rd 7.30am-10am
Wednesday February 4th 12.30pm-6pm
Thursday February 5th 8am-4pm

During 1st term 2015 the uniform shop will be open:

Wednesdays from 12.30pm until 6pm and Thursdays from 8am until 4pm.

Robyn, Maechell and Helen wish everyone a Safe and Happy Christmas and New Year.

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Thank you!

We would like to thank all of the wonderful volunteers for attending the beautiful dinner on Monday night. Special thanks to Barry and his team for the awesome food and the boarders for entertaining us with their wonderful singing. To Father Daly for blessing the evening and to Lyn for organising invites. Looking forward to another great night next year!

from the Canteen Team and Uniform Shop Team

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NEWS FROM THE CAREERS OFFICE

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 lots of information relating to universities, TAFE, job videos etc.

The link to the webpage is: http://web.mazenod.wa.edu.au/our-school/teaching-learning/careers/

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TAFE APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

For students wishing to undertake studies at TAFE in 2015 applications are now open. See http://www.http://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.

During the January holidays Notre Dame is holding a series of courses aimed at helping high school students with their studies in 2015.

The courses available are:

- Chemistry Calculations: designed as a refresher to better prepare students for Chemistry
- English 3A/B: for students studying English 3A/B in 2015
- English Year 11 ATAR: preparation for Year 11 English
- Essential English Skills: gain a better understanding of grammar and punctuation
- Human Biology 3A/B: for students studying Human Bio 3A/B In 2015
- Maths 3A/B: for students studying Maths 3A/B in 2015
- Study Skills: How to study less and achieve more!
- Year 12 Study Skills: How to study less and achieve more from a Year 12 perspective.

If any of these courses are of interest, contact Mr Delaney for a flyer and more information.
During the January holidays (20th-23rd) ECU is hosting the ConocoPhillips Science Experience. Over the four days students will be exposed to lots of information on courses and careers in:

- Engineering (Motorsport, Robotics, Physics, Civil and Chemical)
- Sport and Health Science (Sport Analysis, Coaching, Nutrition)
- Medical Science (Nursing, Paramedic, Biomedical Science techniques)
- Environmental Science (Astronomy, Forensics, Reptiles and Animals)
- Social Science (Psychology)

There will also be games and activities like beach volleyball, cricket, etc. Students entering Year 9, 10 or 11 in 2015 with an interest in science should apply.

For more information go to http://www.scienceexperience.com.au or google Science Experience ECU to watch a Youtube video of the 2014 Experience.

You can support the Oblate Mission in China and Indonesia by purchasing a card from Mrs Lil Disisto at the College Reception or call on 9291 6500.
The *Alcohol, Think Again* website has lots of useful information for parents, including how to prepare for a safe Leavers celebration. You'll find high-quality info about:

- Tips for talking to your child about alcohol
- Alcohol guidelines for young people
- Hints and tips for hosting a party for teenagers
- The impact of alcohol on the developing brain
- Common myths BUSTED

There are plenty of resources available, including an infographic about alcohol and young people.
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