Dear Parents

Mr Jeremy Logan informed me earlier in the week that the appeal sent through the Mazenod Old Boys to fittingly remember the memory and legacy of Fr John Cranley OMI had reached its target. The generosity of donors has enabled the front doors to the Chapel be completed with stained glass inserts, an expense that could not be met at the time the Chapel was built in Fr Cranley’s time as the fourth Rector of the College. The doors will be known as “The Cranley Doors”. Last week we also installed Father’s Oblate Cross inside the front door as a sign of remembrance. I would like to thank the generous donors and also Mr Logan and Mr Leo Conti and the Mazenod Old Boys for their support.

I am also pleased to see that the Reflection Garden near the Chapel and Memorial Wall has begun construction.

We had a surprise and brief visit from Fr Gerry Conlan OMI, Old Boy and Oblate Missionary serving in Kenya. Fr Gerry was back to visit family and returned to Kenya on Thursday. He was very interested in the Rite Journey Programme that we run in Year 9 - Rite of Passage is a very important element in Kenyan culture.

The final celebration for the Rite Journey was held on Wednesday night. I would like to thank Mr Michael Pickford and the Year 9 teachers involved in this most wonderful programme. It is a programme that we have imbued with Catholic and Oblate values and addresses many of the needs of young people as they begin the journey that encompasses the teen years onto adulthood. I thank the boys who have entered into the experience with enthusiasm and the parents who have been so supportive throughout the Programme.

Of course the big events of the week have been the various Orientation experiences for the new Mazenodians of 2016. On Wednesday afternoon we had a gathering of boys and families who are the sole entrants from the schools. From family feedback we heard that many such boys felt quite overwhelmed on Orientation Day by the large numbers coming from our feeder schools. This gathering offered an opportunity for the boys to meet with, and hopefully recognize, some of their new mates in 2016. I thank Mr Chris Mason for this initiative and the staff who were able to attend. Preparations are well in hand for Friday’s gathering and we are all looking forward to welcoming the boys and families to the College.

Tuesday evening saw the Mackintosh Oval swarming with budding astronomers as the astronomy evening took place on a wonderfully clear night. I thank Mr Mal Johnson and the Science staff for providing this wonderful and exciting learning experience. I certainly enjoyed the boys explaining how it all worked and what to look for as I gazed at the moon with all its various features.

The Battle of the Bands is in full swing and the quality of the acts is quite outstanding. The Hughes Centre (PAC) is filled with an appreciative audience of boys and staff. The finale will be held in the Covered Quadrangle today at lunch time. I thank Mr Sam Graham and the music staff for providing this opportunity for the boys.

Next Thursday we hold our final Thanksgiving Mass for the year at 11:20 am. You are all welcome to attend the celebration.

A final thought: “If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world on fire!” St Catherine of Sienna

Fr Peter Daly OMI (Rector)
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – THURSDAY 3 DECEMBER

The last day of school will see Year 10 students sit their final exam and Year 7-9 students involved in structured lessons for periods 1 and 2. This is then followed by a Thanksgiving Mass, a whole school assembly and a Year Assembly. All students are expected to be at school for the duration of Thursday 3 December and we request that parents do not make arrangements to pick their sons up before the scheduled 3:10pm finish. Parents are welcome to attend the Thanksgiving Mass commencing at 11:20am.

Mr John Payne - Deputy Principal (Academic and Year 10-12 Student Welfare)

YEAR 7-10 THANKSGIVING MASS
Thursday 3 December at 11:20am – College Gymnasium
All parents are welcome to attend.

SCHOOL FEES

Please refer to the Mazenod College Schedule of Fees and Charges:-
“Applications by students to participate in optional tours and excursions will not be accepted unless all fees are either fully paid or up to date as per the elected payment option.”

Finance Department – Ph: 9291 1414

THE 2015 COLLEGE ANNUAL HAS ARRIVED!
Families of Year 11 and Year 12 students, who do not have younger siblings, please collect their Annual from the College office. Thank you.

SECOND-HAND BOOK SALE
Thursday 3 December 3:15-4:00pm – Mazenod Gymnasium

There will be the opportunity for students and parents to on sell books from this year although with the advent of e-books there are few books that may be for sale

Books that may be for sale might include:

Year 12 Geography & Physics
Year 11 Sciences and WACE PE studies workbook
Years 7-12 English – various novels

Please bring small denominations as there will not be a change facility available.

Mr Jeff Ronan - Deputy Principal (Administration and Year 7-9 Student Welfare)

CONFIRMATION OF SUBJECTS, BOOKLISTS and YEAR 9 LAPTOPS

A Confirmation of Options letter and the 2016 Booklist will be posted home to parents of Year 7, 8 and 9 students at the end of next week. For Year 9 students, the letter will also include the streamed course in English, Maths and Science your son will be placed in for next year. For Year 8 students, the letter will also include the Maths stream your son has been placed in for next year.

A letter has been emailed home today regarding the process for changing over Year 9’s laptops, which will occur on Monday 30 November. A copy of the letter has also been given to Year 9 students.

Mr Peter Douthie - Deputy Principal (Curriculum)

ORIENTATION DAY THANK YOU!

FROM THE MAZZA MUMS

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the mums and dads who kindly donated food and their precious time in making all new and existing families for 2016 welcome when attending our successful Orientation Day.

We would also like to take this opportunity in THANKING EVERYONE who assisted us throughout the year. It is so very much appreciated!

Jane Wallis & Julie Oorschot
DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT NEWS

INDUSTRY & ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY PROJECT

Once again the Year 10 Industry & Enterprise Class have been involved in a building project on the grounds of the College. This year the boys spent a week building a Pergola and Barbecue Area in the Boarding House. I would like to congratulate the boys for all their efforts and hard work throughout the course of the week. I would also like to thank Mr Dave Vallis, Mr Andy Barnett, Mr Floyd, and Mr Angelo Vallis, for all their assistance and expertise throughout the course of the project. Below are some pictures of the project.

Mr Michael Scarfone - Industry & Enterprise Team Leader

SOCIETY & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT NEWS

ASIA FOOD HALL DAY

The Mazenod school gymnasium was transformed from a sporting venue into an Asian marketplace on Friday 20 November as part of their Geographical study of Australia and the Asian Region. Approximately 150 Year 9 students divided up into 40 groups, each set up a food stall which represented countries throughout the Asia region – including Turkey, Vietnam, Russia, Malaysia, Afghanistan and China. The boys did their best to convey the diversity of culture not only through food, but also through clothing, music and language. The investigation also examined links between countries of the Asian continent and Australia. An important part of the project was that students worked together in groups of 3-4 and collaborated with pupils who were not necessarily their best friends or part of their particular peer group. They had to share responsibilities and meet deadlines – true life skills.

Staff outside of the Society and Environment faculty also joined in the day’s event and were appreciative of one of the perks of the job – trying out the variety of culinary dishes available. The annual Asia Food Hall event also raised some funds for the school’s St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal, another annual service event held at the College.

A thank you to the Society and Environment staff for their help on the day – Mr Stallard, Ms Wynn, Mr Hiatt and also Mr Vallis and ground crew for making sure that all of the resources were in place to set up the food stalls.

Mr Kostecki - Head of Humanities and Social Sciences
PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

The heats were held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week to rapturous audiences. Full report on Friday’s final in next week’s newsletter.

CITY OF PERTH’S MAKE A NOISE

Samuel Allum (Year 10) and Luke Keogh (Year 12) are currently participating in the City of Perth’s Make A Noise course. They will be performing their final pieces with the other course graduates at a free gig on **Friday, 11 December** from **7.30pm** at the Northbridge Piazza under the large LED screen. They would love the support of the Mazenod community so hope to see you there.


2016 INSTRUMENTAL/VOCAL LESSONS

Enrolment information booklets are now available from the PAC office and need to be returned by **Thursday 3 December**.

New students to Mazenod in 2016 will receive this information in their ORIENTATION PACK and should return the enrolment form by **Friday 11 December** by email, fax or post.

If you have any queries please contact Anne Greenley on **9291 1535**.
MAZENOD COLLEGE

POSITION VACANT
CASUAL LAUNDRY ASSISTANT REQUIRED

- For Boarding Laundry – School Terms Only
- Commencing 1st week February 2016
- Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays 7:00 am -12:00 midday approx.
- With extended hours during busy time and flexibility to cover Wednesdays and Thursdays when needed.

Please contact: Lyn McDonald on 9291 1500 or email mcdonald.lyn@mazenod.wa.edu.au

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Thursday 3 December is the last day we will open until 2016.

HOLIDAY OPENING TIMES FOR 2016

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1st Term only (as well as the normal Thursday):

| Wednesday February | 10 | Midday to 6pm through to end of term. |

Maechell and Helen – Uniform Shop Coordinators

CONGRATULATIONS! Luke English (Y9) was recently selected as a member of the WA State Football Academy for his recent performances at the WAFL under 15’s Carnival. This gives Luke an excellent opportunity to push his case in front of the coaches/selectors of the WA State 16’s Team. Well done Luke and good luck over the summer.

Mr Jake Akmens – Sports Coordinator

McCARTHY LIBRARY NEWS

A library plea to mums and dads

The library is undertaking a stocktake next week and is seeking the return of many missing items. If any library books appear to be lurking in the corner of your son(s) bedroom, can they please be returned to Mazenod College. All books can be dropped off at the front office and library staff will collect them from there. We greatly appreciate any assistance you can give us in this regard.

Penny Worthington – Head of Library and Information

50th ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK PRIZE!!

Offering a $20 JB HiFi Gift Voucher for a name for the cookbook.
Please email entries to Helen Keogh hkeogh@westnet.com.au – Closing Date: 27 November 2015.

LOST PROPERTY!

TO ALL PARENTS: There are a number of unclaimed/unnamed items of school uniform – jumpers, track tops, sport shirts, school shoes, footy boots and runners - some near new - in Student Services to be claimed.

CANTEEN ROSTER: 30 NOVEMBER – 3 DECEMBER 2015

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Mazenod College 50th Jubilee

During 2016 Mazenod College will be celebrating its 50th Jubilee with many events being held throughout the year to mark this special milestone.

*Dinner under the Stars* will be held on **March 19** and this special evening will mark the beginning of a year filled with many memorable occasions.

On **Saturday, 7 May**, the *Mazenod Old Boys Jubilee Dinner* will take place and we ask that you pass the word around so that many Old Boys from across the 50 years of the College are in attendance.

Notice of all 50th Jubilee events will be published in the Newsletter and on the College website.

We look forward to having past and present members of the College community come together to celebrate the Mazenod College Jubilee.
You can support the Oblate Mission in China and Indonesia by purchasing a card from Mrs Lil Disisto at the College Reception or call 9291 1500.

Give someone a gift of hope
this Christmas

Are you wondering what to give as a gift for Christmas this year?

An ideal meaningful gift for someone special this Christmas is a MAMI Christmas Gift Card, a gift that keeps on giving for the entire year and beyond.

At Christmas we celebrate the greatest gift of all, the birth of Jesus Christ. In the true spirit of Christmas, your gift can be a gift to those less fortunate - a gift of love, of life and of hope.

The concept is simple - make a recommended tax deductible donation to one of our programs and you will receive a Christmas Gift Card, which explains that you have purchased a gift card in place of a gift, and give it to a loved one.

Make a donation to one of the following important projects in the Missions supported by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

- Sponsor a Tool box $20
- Make a Donation for the purchase of educational equipment & books $25
- Support our Cheoks - $10 or Goats $35
- Purchase a bike $30
- Sponsor a desk $40

Missionary Association of Mary Immaculate
M.A.M.I. Centre, PO Box 384 Camberwell VIC 3124 Telephone 3855 8888 Email mami@oblates.com.au Web www.oblates.com.au
“COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS”
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie Family Celebration
of the Sacrament of Reconciliation-confession.

Tuesday 22 December at 7:00pm

You may not have been to Confession or Mass for a long time, for various reasons. You may have become disillusioned with the Church, you may not have been lucky in your relationships, you are hassled with children’s sporting commitments on the weekend.

Maybe now is the time to have a look at things again. Whatever the reason we invite you “home for Christmas”.

There will be a large number of priests available. The format is simple. Confess your sins and receive forgiveness. Your privacy will be respected.

This is a powerful healing Sacrament. We can carry around old grudges, hatred and guilt for years. Now is the time to “empty your bucket!” Set yourself free again!

Regardles of your spiritual state, no one is excluded. We can’t open the door any wider!

Fr Jim Corcoran
Retired Parish Priest, Assistant to Fr Michael

P.S. There will also be the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at ALL Masses on the weekend of the 19 and 20 December.