Dear Parents

We are now very much into the term and the assignments and tests are well under way. I encourage you to talk with your boys about their study and how they are going.

As much as possible, the College requests that students attend school every day of the term. This is in line with the legal obligation parents have to ensure that their children are enrolled in school and attend for every day of the educational programme in which they are enrolled. Particularly the older they get, absences become increasingly detrimental to their academic progress as they miss valuable learning experiences including preparation for assessment and examinations. For this reason, we actively discourage families from withdrawing students from the College for the purpose of a family holiday.

As we approach the halfway point of Lent it is useful to reflect upon the following from Pope Francis:

Men and women of all times and all places desire a full and beautiful life.
To ‘have life and have it to the full’ (John 10:10) is to live a life free from conflict, poverty, and injustice; a life with equal access to food, water, education, healthcare and shelter; a life of peace and of dignity.

Project Compassion 2014 celebrates our shared desire for a full and beautiful life. You can help break cycles of poverty, and fortify vulnerable communities with what they need to feel secure in the surroundings of home. With your compassion, we can transform lives. I ask you to continue your support for the various activities we provide for Project Compassion fundraising.

The Year Seven Fathers’ and Friends’ Breakfast on Friday morning was a wonderful occasion for those who were able to attend. It is interesting that in schools many contact the mothers of boys if there is ever a need to do so. Unintentionally many fathers are left out of the conversation. With you, we believe that it is a partnership between both parents and the College to provide a healthy and safe learning environment for the boys.

Good luck to the boys who will represent the College in the ACC Swimming meet next Wednesday. The effort of braving those chilly mornings of late will all come to fruition on the day. I thank the boys for their dedication and the staff and parental support.

A final thought: **Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila**

Let *nothing* disturb you,
Let *nothing* frighten you,
All things are passing away:
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things
Whoever has God lacks nothing;
God alone suffices. - St. Teresa of Avila

Father Peter Daly OMI (Rector)

"Learn what you are in the eyes of God."
IMPORTANT PARKING MESSAGE – KERSHAW AVENUE

Parents please do not park on the Kershaw Avenue verge or footpath as it poses a danger to Primary School pedestrians. Thank you.

Mr Jeff Ronan – Deputy Principal

SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

TERM 1

Fee instalments for Term 1 are due and payable by the 31st March. Please refer to the Schedule of 2014 Fees and Charges for preferred payment methods.

If you have not yet forwarded a payment or advised us of your payment intention please contact Monica Slater, Finance Department, on 9291 1414 or slater.monica@mazenod.wa.edu.au.

If genuine financial hardship is being experienced, please contact the Finance Department to arrange a confidential fee review application.

SEEDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEAR 8 -12 ONLY

You may be eligible for up to $350 towards school expenses.

Do you hold:

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

Applications close - Friday 11th April 2014

SEE SCHOOL RECEPTION FOR MORE INFORMATION

FORM 11A MASS Friday, 28th March at 8:30am

All parents/grandparents and friends are invited to the Mass in the Chapel.

2014 PERFORMING ARTS GALA VARIETY NIGHT

TONIGHT Friday, March 21st @ 7:00pm – NOT TO BE MISSED!

CABARET

is the Gala Variety event featuring the creative genius of our performing arts students in Art, Drama and Music. This showcase brings together the whole department in a visual and sound extravaganza that has been extremely successful since opening in 2010. We are hoping to raise funds for the purchase of stage equipment for the Department from this event.

Some tickets are available at the door for $10 adults, $5 children and $25 a family. Please form tables of ten or combine with other families to share this wonderful experience. Whilst tea and coffee will be provided, the evening is designed to be quite informal so we invite you all to bring along your own platters, drinks and supper.

For more information please contact Performing Arts Department on 9291 1535.

Mr Nick Allen - Head of the Visual and Performing Arts Department

SOCIETY & ENVIRONMENT

ASX Sharemarket Competition

What a great start to the Game! Matthew Bishop (Year 9) is ranked 1st in WA and 4th in Australia out of 12,784 syndicates. Alex Fraser (Year 9) is 2nd and Christian Fragomeli (Year 10) is 5th in WA. Mazenod has 16 syndicates in the WA Top 100.

All Year 9 students are participating in the game as a part of their Introduction to Economics topic. The aim is to foster financial literacy. Students are given a virtual $50,000 to invest in Australian shares using an internet account. Still, it is early days as the Game doesn’t finish until May 21st. Today’s investment advice is “Don’t count your chickens before they hatch”.

Great work so far gentlemen and you will no doubt continue to make your own good luck!

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Mr David Hiatt
Students from Mazenod College are taking part in the 20th annual Australian Geography Competition next Thursday on March 27th. Approximately 70,000 students from all around Australia have entered the Competition, which is organised by the Australian Geography Teachers’ Association and the Royal Geographical Society of Queensland.

Students who excel in the Australian competition have the chance to represent Australia in international Geography contests. Two senior students from WA will be selected to take part in Geography’s Big Week Out in Sydney later this year. From that event, Australia’s team will be chosen for the 2015 International Geography Olympiad in Tver, (just north of Moscow) Russia. Outstanding students aged 14 or 15 years old are in the running for a place in the team which will represent Australia at the 2015 National Geographic World Championship.

The competition here at Mazenod has been organised into a House Competition in two divisions – a junior division (years 8-9) and senior division (years 10-12). The best students from each year group and House have been invited to the competition. Congratulations to the following students (and best of luck!)

| Year 8 | Luke Della Posta, Aedan Sweeney, Thomas van Eck, Maverick Hamilton, Robert Kelly |
| Year 9 | Anthony Bulich, Aiden Fitzpatrick, Damon Witcombe, Kyle Sermon, William Conti, Tyler Goddard, Ike Mizerski |
| Year 10 | Noah Roderick-Smith, Joshua Watson, Alexander Limnios, Lucas Allen, Wade Southcott, Scott Glassby |
| Year 11 | Harrison Gerhardt, Richard Honey, Benjamin Hutchinson, Alistair Ryan, Kieran Sanders |
| Year 12 | Rupert McDonald, Jaydn England, Jesse Sequiera, Blake Norrie, Ryan Borbas |

The top achieving student from each division will win a school prize as well as achieving House points. The results will be known sometime in May and the winners announced at a Whole School Assembly.

**EXCURSIONS and FIELD TRIPS**

Geography has certainly been active this week with both upper school classes participating in fieldtrips this week. The Year 11 Geography students, as part of the Hazard Geography study of Bushfires, were very fortunate to be one of the first schools invited to take part in the new Bushfire Programme run by the Perth Hills Centre in Mundaring. The programme is the first to be run in the area of Stoneville and Parkerville which recently suffered a bushfire resulting in the significant loss of property. The programme is an excellent way for students to gather primary data and learn not only of the dangers of bushfires, but also ways in which people can adapt and mitigate the damage.

The Year 12 students participated in a trip around the Perth metropolitan area as part of their Geography of Urban Planning. Students visited areas such as the Midland, Caversham, Inglewood, the CBD, and East Perth in order to view the different land use zones of Perth – many of which a majority of our boys have never seen or visited.

The fieldtrips discussed are just a couple of those that the S & E department have committed our students to this year. Year 7’s will be visiting the Perth Museum in Term Two, Year 8’s will visit the Perth Law Courts in Term Four and the Year 10 Geography students will be visiting Trigg Beach as part of their studies this year.

**ENGLISH DEPARTMENT NEWS**

**SPELLING BEE**

Who is the BEST SPELLER IN MAZENOD? This term, all students and teachers are invited to compete against one another in the Mazenod Spelling Bee. This is a House competition running in Weeks 8 and 9 of this term. Check the notices for more details.

Ms Jenny Moulton - Head of English

**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

**BLAZERS:** Unfortunately we have been informed delivery of the blazers will be delayed possibly as late as the second week of the April school holidays owing to the incorrect coloured fabric being sent from Italy.

We apologise for this inconvenience. However it is essential that boys are fitted for the correct size in the next two (2) weeks. We will then be able to ask the manufacturer to give priority to making the required sizes.

Robyn and Maechell – Uniform Managers

How many triangles with the three sides measuring 3, 4 and 5 cm can you fit inside a rectangle measuring 0.3 m by 0.6 m.

**Week 6 prize winner:** Paolo Colombo (Gavin. Points also for Grandin and Gerard)

**Week 6 answer:** 281
CHESS NEWS

The Mazenod Trophy Chess Competition is off to a flying start. Over 200 students have signed up for the competition and in the last week we have seen many budding Kasparovs put their strategies into play. In lower school, several Year 7 and 8 students are now fiercely competing for the honour of overall winner of their Year group. The competition will run for several weeks and Mr Glenn Pabst is generously giving up his lunch times to adjudicate every game; his knowledge and skills are invaluable to our competitors.

Known as the “Game of Kings”, chess is beneficial to our students in many ways. Studies have shown that manoeuvring those rooks and knights can greatly improve test scores in young students and it is interesting to note that several European countries have integrated chess into their curriculum. Here at Mazenod, chess is played as a recreational ‘sport’ and the high demand for chess sets leaves little doubt that our students are happy to put technology aside and use a board and pieces to do battle in a game that was invented hundreds of years ago.

In 2013, Alex Limnios (Year 9) won the Mazenod Chess Trophy and he outwitted his Year 12 opponent in a game that had spectators riveted on the play. Over the next few weeks, winners of each Year group will be published in the Newsletter.

Penny Worthington
Head of McCarthy Library

COLLEGE SPORT NEWS

ACC SWIMMING CARNIVAL DETAILS

This Wednesday 26th March is the Annual ACC Swimming Carnival at Challenge Stadium. Members of the team are asked to be at school at 6.45am for an early departure. It is expected that the return time will be 3.30pm approx. A copy of the programme, including Mazenod competitors for each event, can be found on the Mazenod Sports SharePoint page.

A reminder to any parents and friends that attend as spectators, would you please sit in the designated public spectator seating area. Good luck to all the team!

Mr Liam Mallon (Coach)

Jesse Sequeira (Year 12) will be competing in the WA School Sports Interstate Baseball Tournament this year. The tournament will be held in Wollongong from 4-11 May 2014. Good luck, Jesse.

He also represented WA the U18 National Championship in January 2014 in Canberra. WA played in the grand final, but went down 3-1 to Queensland in a nail biter.

The U18 WA team came home with the Silver Medal. Here are a few pictures of Jesse in action.

Mr Tim Grabski - Head of Sport

CANTEEN ROSTER: 24th – 28th March 2014

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Tennille Overton
Shea Price
Veronica Lys
Leanne Neeson
SENIOR TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior Championships will be held this Saturday 22nd March commencing at 12.00pm, with a round robin competition. The quarter finals will commence at 2.30pm and the final at 3.30pm.

Players are required to wear appropriate tennis attire or school sports uniform. Spectators are welcome.

Mr Peter Douthie – Deputy Principal

MAZENOD HOCKEY CLUB NEWS

The club training and grading day is on this Sunday 23rd March from 4 to 6pm at Perth Hockey Stadium in Bentley. Can players please arrive at 3.30pm for warm-up. There will be two Kookaburra players coming to assist with coaching (Kieran Govers and Timothy Deavin).

Following the club day, there will be the Mazenod Old Boys versus current Mazenod students hockey match from 6 to 7pm and you are all welcome to stay and watch.

Peter Bewick – President

MAZENOD SENIOR BASKETBALL

The Senior Basketball team played an interschool game at Swan Christian College this week. It was the team’s 4th game. It proved to be a real nail-biter!! Our Mazza boys were down in the first half but in the second half, they pulled together, winning by 5 points. It was great to see several parents turn up to support the team. Mr. Martinskis stated that this was one of the best wins he has seen since his involvement 5 seasons ago.

Of the four games played thus far our Mazza bballers have won 3 of their 4 games. The first game was at LaSalle. It was a close one but in the end our team was victorious, winning 46 to 44. The second game was an unfortunate loss against Carmel, only losing by 1 for a final score of 29-28. The third game was a home game against Governor Stirling and a blowout win for our boys with a final score of 67-33.

Next Tuesday at 4pm, our Mazenod Senior basketballers will host Helena College. If you are looking for some excitement, come and support your team.

Mr Tim Grabski – Head of Sport

MAZENOD FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

Please find attached amended Training schedules #

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(1) As advised by coaches (in conjunction with College training)

The first games are scheduled for the weekend beginning the 4th of April….in 14 days!!

All students who are new to MJFC for 2014 are to ensure that they have completed a “Player Clearance Form” which can be found on the Mazenod College web site at <community><sporting clubs><AFL> in the downloads area (these are to be emailed to mjfc2014@gmail.com when completed). The transfers are taking about 7 work days to be processed by the commission……please remember, no transfer = no play.

Eric Paini – President
0417 170 896
LESMURDIE-MAZENOD JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB NEWS

CRICKET WINDUP 2013/14
Sunday 30th March 2014
11:30am – 3pm in the Mazenod Gym
Lunch provided
Check your email for full details
Please contact Melissa Secretary LMJCC@hotmail.com
to RSVP (a must for catering purposes) or if you have any queries.

Wesley Sutton – President (Mobile: 0417 935 198)
email: President.LMJCC@hotmail.com website: http://lmjcc.wa.cricket.com.au/

MAZENOD COLLEGE
OPEN DAY
THURSDAY 10th April 2014
3.30 to 6.00pm

The Rector, Staff and Students invite you to observe our College in action.

- Tours of the College and Boarding House between 3.30-5.15pm
- Academic and Sporting Exhibitions
- Jazz bands and ensembles
- Afternoon tea and sausage sizzle

55 Gladys Rd, Lesmurdie WA 6076
Phone: 9291 6500 Fax: 9291 6711
Email: admin@mazenod.wa.edu.au
Getting kids to school ON TIME!

Missing a few minutes each day may not seem like a big deal but your child may be missing more than you realise if he or she is continually late.

“Come on Jack! Get a move on. School starts in ten minutes and you’re not even dressed yet!”

If this scenario sounds familiar then you are not alone. Anecdotal evidence suggests that getting children to school or pre school on time can be one of the most difficult tasks for parents. Missing a few minutes each day may not seem like a big deal but your child may be missing more than you realise if he or she is continually late.

Current research shows that mornings for most children are the most productive time of the day with 10.00am the peak period for productivity. When children arrive late and take time to settle as they inevitably do precious minutes are lost. A child who is fifteen minutes late to school each day misses one week of school every year.

How can you get your dawdling kids out the door without yelling yourself hoarse? Here are a few techniques and ideas for you to try to get your punctually-challenged children to school on time:

✓ Establish a morning routine.
Make sure your children know what is expected of them in the morning, and also what you will do. Resist nagging but be willing to take them to school even if they haven’t fully prepared for the day.

✓ Identify and remove distractions such as television.
If the children are regular watchers before school charge the routine and keep the TV off. It should only be turned on when children are completely ready for school.

✓ Teach some of the basics of time management.
The average adult underestimates by about 25 per cent the time it takes to do various jobs. Make sure you have realistic time estimates and stop packing so much into the time you allocate. Encourage older children to estimate how long it takes to do activities such as getting ready in the morning. Then they can measure the time taken to do those tasks and compare their estimates with real time.

✓ Arrive at school ten minutes early.
Plan to arrive at school early rather than be there on time. This idea works well for perpetual latecomers, whether young or old.

✓ Model a good routine.
Its pointless expecting children to be organised in the morning if you are in a rush your self. Set a good example by being as methodical as possible and avoid sleeping in unless your children are so organised that they get you breakfast in bed. And pigs might fly as well!

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SAVE THE DATE: Perth Seminar on the Role of Parents

Dr Conor Gilligan from Newcastle University will visit Perth in April and present at a public event about young people’s initiation to and consumption of alcohol, and the role of parents. This is a public event and everyone is welcome to attend.

Dr Gilligan’s work is at the forefront of research into the role of parents in delaying and reducing adolescent alcohol consumption in Australia and internationally. Her research has investigated factors that influence parental behaviours, including parental supply of alcohol to adolescents; parental perceptions of social norms and family factors influencing adolescent alcohol use. She has identified promising approaches to intervening with parents which overcome some of the limitations of current programs such as limited parental reach.

Event details: Adolescent alcohol initiation and consumption: The role of parents

**Date:**  Wednesday 9 April, 10am-11am  
**Venue:**  Edith Cowan University,  
            Mt Lawley Campus  
            Building 18, Room 101  
**RSVP:**  Daniela Christou: d.christou@ecu.edu.au; 9370 6350.

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Come on down to the Sacred Heart Community Fair on Sunday 23rd March 2014. From 11am - 3pm there will be rides, a Kidz Zone, local wares, creative stalls, a variety of entertainment, an international food court and sausage sizzle, plus much more for the family to enjoy. The Fair is located at 40 Ovens Road, Thornlie.

We hope to see you there.

Kind regards
Emma Seaman
P & F President - Sacred Heart School Thornlie