Dear Parents

Fr Daly has been away this week at the Provincial Council Meeting and returns tomorrow.

At the opening whole school assembly yesterday, we welcomed all new students to the College Community and hope and trust that their time at Mazenod is a fulfilling experience. We welcomed back to the school 13 students from the 2014 graduating cohort who achieved an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank of 90 or greater. They shared a lunch with staff and were then presented with a certificate at the assembly. Dominic Daines (College Dux) achieved the highest ATAR (99.7) which is in fact the fifth highest ATAR achieved by a Mazenod student since the inception of the percentile ranking system for university entry. Blair Southcott, Cameron Durie and Ben Harris all achieved ATARs greater than 98. Justin van Nieuwburg, Dominic Daines and Ben Harris all achieved a School Curriculum and Standards Authority Certificate of Commendation for achieving 20 ‘A’ grades over two years of Senior School.

For the fourth year in a row, all students met the requirements for Secondary Graduation meaning that Mazenod has had a 99.7% graduation success rate over the past 10 years. Applied Information Technology, Earth and Environment Science and Maths 3CD were ranked in the top 15 schools in the state.

Also at the assembly, the most outstanding students from 2014 were announced and presented with a medal. These students were also awarded an academic scholarship for 2015. The criteria for this award includes outstanding academic achievement, active contribution to the College community and demonstration of the values of Saint Eugene de Mazenod. The recipients are Matthew van Eck (Yr 11), Noah Roderick-Smith (Yr 10) Kyle Sermon (Yr 9), Harry Edwards (Yr 8), and Liam Jones (Yr 7).

During the first two weeks of December, Fr Daly and I accompanied four students on the inaugural India immersion experience. It was truly a wonderful experience and inspiring to see the work being done by the Oblates in schools and parishes in India. Not only was the trip an immersion of sights, sounds and smells, it was a powerful experience to teach for 5 days in St Eugene’s Primary School in Tallapudi. Tallapudi is a very small rural village characterised by significant poverty but we were all struck by the community’s happy nature and faith-filled life. Living in a rural setting meant that we were very much immersed in the Indian lifestyle and culture. Mazenod is committed to continuing these immersion experiences in the future and the Tallapudi experience will be offered to Year 11 students for December of this year. In the April holidays, four students will be the first students from Mazenod WA to visit the Oblate mission in China. As a result of these two trips, we hope that we will have students visit India in December and China in April each year.

A final thought from Pope Francis:

“The priest who seldom goes out of himself … misses out on the best of our people, on what can stir the depths of his priestly heart. … This is precisely the reason why some priests grow dissatisfied, lose heart and become in a sense collectors of antiques or novelties — instead of being shepherds living with ‘the smell of the sheep.’ This is what I am asking you — be shepherds with the smell of sheep.”

—Pope Francis’ address to the world’s priests at the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday March 28
DROPPING OFF AND COLLECTING STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL

NO PARKING ON THE VERGE PLEASE

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.

Jeff Ronan - Deputy Principal

2015 SCHOOL FEES

Annual School Fee invoices have been posted to all families. A reminder that payment in full (to qualify for early payment discount) and Term 1 instalments are due no later than the 28th February 2015. Please contact Mrs Monica Slater – slater.monica@mazenod.wa.edu.au or on 9291 1414 – to advise your payment intention.

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 – Thursday, 2nd April 2015

SEE SCHOOL RECEPTION FOR MORE INFORMATION

BOARDING FAMILIES

Student Subsidised Travel Scheme

This allowance provides assistance to students travelling from a geographical area known as the Defined Remote Area (DRA) to attend school, regardless of whether there is an educational facility locally available.

Ph 1300 660 147 or http://www.transport.wa.gov.au/aboutus/19683.asp

OPENING WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

Tuesday 17 February, 9:20am – College Gymnasium

Opening Whole School Mass celebration in thanksgiving of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate will be held in the gym on Tuesday 17 February at 9.20am. All parents are invited to be part of this celebration and are most welcome to stay for morning tea.

OPENING SCHOOL MASS MORNING TEA: Could mums or dads please provide one of their delicious cakes, slices or something savoury for morning tea following Mass on Tuesday 17 February. Please leave at the office or gym. Any enquiries contact Jane Wallis wallis.jane@bigpond.com on 0438 901 689 or Julie Oorschot oorschot.julie@hotmail.com on 0439 910 426. Thank you for your support.

CANTEEN NEWS

During Term 1, we have Ash Wednesday, 18 February and Lent. Each Friday starting 20 February will be meat-free along with Ash Wednesday. There will be a large selection of food to choose from, some though will be order only. So come down and check out what is on offer.

Canteen Team

CHAPEL ROSTER 2015

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.

Ellita De Nardi 9291 9449, elited@iinet.net.au
SCIENCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

National Science Teachers Summer School, the National Youth Science Forum and the Australian Science Olympiad Summer Schools were all held in Canberra during January 2015. Having each completed a rigorous selection process, Matthew Alexander attended the Youth Forum, Matthew van Eck attended the Physics Science Olympiads and I attended the Teachers Summer School. All events featured programmes packed with cutting edge science, presentations by notable science experts, exciting social activities and opportunities to meet like-minded people.

Highlight of the National Science Teachers Summer School was the latest research about dark energy and dark matter, visiting the Mt Stromlo Observatory and Tidbinbilla Deep Space Tracking Station. The highlight for Matthew Alexander was simply absorbing each cutting-edge lecture and lab visit with 200 like-minded, sociable people. He especially enjoyed a lecture from one of the world’s leading neuroscientists on consciousness, and the emotional tour to the National War Museum.

Matthew van Eck also describes his experience as a rare opportunity to meet other like-minded people from around Australia. He was inspired by what people can achieve as well as surprised by how much he could learn (12 hours of physics a day covers a lot).

Both students thoroughly enjoyed their experience and I strongly encourage all students to participate in these opportunities if they are offered to them.

Many thanks to Australian Science Teachers Association, Kalamunda Rotary and the Mazenod Old Boys for financially supporting the participants.

Mrs Marion Cahill

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

SCHOOL PRODUCTION – THE ADDAMS FAMILY

Mazenod College students, The Addams Family needs your voices!! As most of you are sure to know, The Addams Family is currently in rehearsals, with production week being in Term 2. To make the show the best it can be, we need a choir full of voices to support the actors on stage and raise the roof of the gym!!

For further information, please email Miss Bell at bell.louise@mazenod.wa.edu.au, or come to the PAC office.

FRIENDS OF PERFORMING ARTS (FOPA)

FOPA started last year with a group of enthusiastic people interested in helping out in the Performing Arts Department. We are very grateful to those who have already joined the group and as always are happy to have more people involved. At the moment the department is busy rehearsing, planning and creating for our next production “The Addams Family The Musical” which will be held in May. If you are interested in being part of all that is involved to get this production on stage please come to a meeting on Monday, 16 February at 6.30pm in the PAC. If you are unable to attend or would like further information please contact the department on 9291 1535 or email greenley.anne@mazenod.wa.edu.au

INSTRUMENTAL STUDENTS

Lessons commence next week. If your son is an instrumental student and will be away from school on the day of his lesson, please leave a message on the Music Office voicemail (9291-1535) before 7:30am. This is essential as music tutors need to be notified. Thank you.

ENSEMBLES

Below is the ensemble timetable which will start next week. It is important that students who have signed up for the different ensembles attend rehearsals each week. If boys are unable to attend they need to advise either the tutor taking the ensemble or one of the Performing Arts staff.

Mrs Anne Greenley – Performing Arts Administrator

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The 2015 Mazenod House Swimming Carnival is next week. Please read below and the attached letter for information about the day.

**Year 7:** Monday Period 1 & 2 (come to school in House PE uniform, bring school uniform to get changed into after carnival)

**Year 8:** Monday Period 3 & 4 (come to school in House PE uniform, bring school uniform to get changed into after carnival)

**Year 9:** Monday Period 5 & 6 (come to school in normal school uniform, get changed into House PE uniform/bathers at lunchtime)

**Year 10:** Wednesday Period 1 & 2 (come to school in House PE uniform, bring school uniform to get changed into after carnival)

**Year 11:** Wednesday Period 3 & 4 (come to school in House PE uniform, bring school uniform to get changed into after carnival)

**Year 12:** Wednesday Period 5 & 6 (come to school in normal school uniform, get changed into House PE uniform/bathers at lunchtime)

Mr Tim Grabski – Head of Health & Physical Education

Good luck to Brooklyn Vanzetti (Y10) who will be representing Australia at the Junior Speedway Challenge in New Zealand. A fine achievement and we wish him all the best in his endeavors.

Mr Jake Akmens – Sports Coordinator

Registrations for the 2015 Hockey season are now open. Please find registration forms on the Mazenod website. All registrations must be in by Saturday 14 February as teams need to be finalised for Hockey WA the following week. There will also be a Club Registration day on Saturday 14 February from 11am to 2pm in the school gym.

Completed Registration forms can be emailed to Kieran Charles (Club Registrar) on kieran.charles@gmail.com. Any queries please contact Peter Bewick on peter@bewick.org

Peter Bewick – President

Welcome to the 2015 football season.

Registration for the 2015 season is being completed online. This is part of a national process through the AFL. **All registrations must be completed by the 22 February 2015.** We currently have 120 registrations completed.

All existing members are required to log onto the attached link below and complete the registration process. If you encounter any difficulties in this process you must email the club registrar, Jody Ebsary, at mfc200@gmail.com and advise of any difficulties.

https://reg.sportingpulse.com/v6/regoform.cgi?aID=11&pKey=6431bee4c4d3cc64d92e30bcde0aad8c&cID=269&formID=36056

All Year 7’s and any other new members wishing to play for the MJFC must complete the attached Transfer Registration Form and return to Jody on mfc200@gmail.com or return to Reception desk in Administration. You will then be notified by email advising how to finalise completion of the registration process. A transfer form **must be processed** prior to any registration being completed.

On Sunday 22 February (10am – 12.00pm) the MJFC will be available for registration purposes. This will be held in the Administration Office.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding registration for 2015 do not hesitate to contact me on 9291-6500 or email paini.eric@mazenod.wa.edu.au

Eric Paini – President (92916500 or 0417 170 896)
Our first P&F meeting for 2015 was held on Tuesday, 10 February. After some amusing discussion as to whether we should follow Federal politics and have a “spill” of positions at every meeting in order to give everyone a go at every role, we decided to continue as we are..... for now!! Big thanks and welcome to the new parents who joined us. Priorities for 2015 are building our Mazenod community, enhancing the boys’ experience at Mazenod, and preparing for Mazenod’s jubilee in 2016.

Our thanks to Mrs Janine Fisher who has been coordinating Mazenod’s popular Footy Tipping Competition for a few years now, but now she would like to pass the baton on. Janine is available to support the new coordinator. If you would like to run the footy tipping, or know someone who does, please contact Tony Checker (adc@checker4.org). The competition is eagerly anticipated every year, and enjoyed across the whole school.

Volunteers are needed to set up tables and chairs for the Welcome BBQ on Saturday, 21 Feb 2015, from 3:30 pm, at the gym. And a reminder to get your RSVP form to us asap. Next meeting will be 10 March at 7:30 pm in the Boardroom.

Tony Checker – Vice President, P & F

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**MAZENOD OLD BOYS NEWS**

“DAY AT THE PARKY” – Sunday, 8 March at 2:00pm

The annual ‘Mazenod Old Boys Day at the Parky’ is back for its second year. We would love all old boys to head to the Parkerville Tavern from 2pm on Sunday, 8 March with the whole family.

The Mazenod College Staff Band will be performing during the afternoon. There will be raffles, merchandise for sale and the ability to join the MOB. Anyone wearing their MOB polo shirt will receive discounted soft drinks and beer.

It is sure to be an excellent day for both members and non-members and we look forward to an even bigger turnout than last year. **Mr Liam Mallon – Mazenod Old Boys Committee**

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**CANTEEN ROSTER: 16 – 20 February 2015**

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ST EUGENE’S PRIMARY SCHOOL IN TALLAPUDI, INDIA

Tristan Wasmann & students from Tallapudi PS

Kayne Williams teaches a Grade 4 class.

Principal, Fr Nimal with Tom Amos & Tom O’Reilly

Superior of the Tallapudi Parish, Fr Sahayaraj
LOLIVERS TENNIS COACHING book now for TERM 1. Tennis lessons for children, age Kindy to 16 years of all abilities. Saturday mornings and Tuesday afternoons at Darlington or Friday afternoons at Helena Valley/Boya. Heaps of fun, small classes, fully qualified coaches and great tennis! Evening adult tennis training courses too! For more information, contact Lee or Lu at 9252 0209, email: lolivers@bigpond.com or visit www.loliverstennis.com.au

The HBF Run for a Reason will be held this year on Sunday 24 May. For more information, visit http://www.hbfrun.com.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 waterslide will be available for the children to enjoy! So be prepared and bring bathers and a towel.

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 racket too!

We hope to see you there!

Saturday 21st February 2015
5.00pm - 8.00pm

Please return this section (Attention: P&F Welcome BBQ) to the Administration Office by:
Monday 16th February 2015 or email to disisto.lil@mazenod.wa.edu.au
Thank you.

Family Name: ............................................. Form: ..............
Number Attending: .................