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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of our Marymede Community,

Staff Professional Learning Day – 11 July

We were thrilled to have Fr. Elio Capra return to our college to work with the staff on the first day of Term 3, Monday July 11. Fr. Elio is a Salesian Priest who has over 40 years experience teaching in our catholic schools and lecturing tertiary students at the Australian Catholic University in Melbourne.

The staff found Fr. Elio to be a very engaging presenter. He is very passionate about Catholic Education and the crucial role staff play in catholic schools in helping our students on their faith journey.

World Youth Day in Krakow

Two members of our Marymede Community, teacher Mr. Liam McCormack and Year 11 student Clarissa Polifroni are part of the Catholic Education Melbourne group who have flown to Krakow (Poland) to participate in the World Youth Day activities. We hope that both Liam and Clarissa have a fabulous experience interacting with young Christian people from all over the world and attending the World Youth Day Mass with Pope Francis. Liam and Clarissa will be sharing their experience with our students upon their return to school.

Marymede Week (August 8 -12)

The week beginning Monday 8 August has been declared Marymede Week to officially celebrate the ten years of the college's existence.

A number of events have been planned during that week which include fundraising student led activities and food stalls on the Monday, profits of which will be handed over to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. This will be followed after lunch by the now traditional 'Marymede's Got Talent' concert where our talented students will perform on the big stage. We will also be acknowledging our foundation staff, students and parents at various functions.

The highlight of the week will be the Whole School Mass to be celebrated at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne on Friday August 12 commencing at 11.00am.

Marymede has much to be proud of and we hope this special week proves to be a real celebration of the growth of the college in ten short years.

Italian Exchange

Ten Italian students and two adults, Marina Marchi and Tulio Benatti from Liceo Pico School in Italy arrived at Marymede last Friday to begin their six weeks at our college. I thank our Marymede families for opening up their homes to the Italian students. I look forward to seeing the students around our campus and hopefully enjoying all the curricular and co-curricular activities on offer.

Planning for 2017

Planning is underway for next year. I draw this to your attention as you might not be aware that planning is done months ahead. I am interviewing staff about their plans for next year and by the end of the term I hope to have a clearer picture about staff availability. We also use this time to project our budget for the following year which is critical to the organisation of the college.

Parents can support us by the prompt return of the re-enrolment forms which will be mailed home soon.

We anticipate that we will have a limited number of vacancies in some year levels for next year. If you know of families considering Marymede for their children, please encourage them to submit an enrolment application as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

VCE/VCAL/VET Information Evening

Thank you to the parents of current Year 10 students who attended our Senior Pathways Evening recently. It is very important that students, parents and our staff work closely together to determine the future pathways. I thank Mr. David Adamson, Mr. David De Silva, Mr. Gary Hickey and Ms Tracey Kift for their presentations on the night.

Staffing

Ms Simone McGill has accepted a teaching position at another Independent school and concluded her teaching at Marymede last Friday. We welcome Mrs Felisia Lai (Indonesian and Religious Education) and Mr. Christopher Brown (Humanities) to our teaching staff and wish them both an enjoyable and successful time at the College.

Kind Regards, Mr. Michael Kenny Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS PREP - YEAR 12

Year 10-12 2017 Subject Selections

The online portal for current Year 9-11 students to submit their subject preferences for next year opened this morning and will remain open until midnight on August 8. Students received their Student Code and Password for the portal from their House Coordinator in Tutor Group.

Students wanting to apply to include an accelerated VCE or VET study in their program can collect the acceleration application form from the Founders Office; the completed form must be submitted by August 5.

The presentations from our recent VCE/VET/VCAL Information Evening and Year 10 Subject Selection Evenings are available on SIMON and PAM along with copies of the Year 10 Subject Handbook and the Senior Certificates Handbook which outline the subjects offered in 2017.

Primary Curriculum 2017

We are currently reviewing the Primary Curriculum for 2017 looking for opportunities to enhance the learning experiences for our primary students. Some of our key priorities are to:

- Ensure we are thoroughly addressing all of the learning outcomes of the Victorian Curriculum, particularly in the areas of Science and Technology;
- Make use of the opportunities available in a P-12 school to give primary students greater access to the specialist facilities and teachers from secondary;
- Continue to strengthen student outcomes in Numeracy and Literacy;
- Introduce a curriculum structure in upper primary that bridges the gap between primary and secondary, further easing the transition for students; and
- Ensure suitable teachers are used to teach subjects that require specialist knowledge or skills.

We look forward to sharing some of the exciting developments for the primary curriculum later this year when we complete this review process and to the wonderful learning opportunities that lie ahead for our primary students.

Semester Reports

Having received such a strong response to our parent reporting survey, we have spent significant time exploring the responses received to identify opportunities to improve our semester reports. Overwhelmingly, two key messages emerged from the survey data in both primary and secondary

- That families wanted reports to communicate more personalised information about their child, rather than feel that comments are too general or standard.
- That families wanted clearer information about their child's performance and to get a better sense of how their child's performance compared with the expectations.

We are currently developing a new report format that will particularly target these priorities and look forward to trialling this new format for the end-of-year reports. Thank you to all families who responded to the survey including the many parents who took time and effort to include valuable and constructive comments that have offered us a very clear direction for the redevelopment of our semester reports.

Young Author

Finally, congratulations to Year 12 student, Ysabel Dungca whose short story, *The Art of Pouring Water*, was recently selected for inclusion in an anthology of writing by young Australians entitled *My First Lesson*, to be published by Black Inc Books in September. Twenty Five stories were



selected from hundreds of entries and Ysabel's contribution is a beautifully written and highly original piece. I wouldn't be at all surprised to see *The Art of Pouring Water* popping up in English classes and writing clubs at Marymede, both as a beautiful text for students to read and study, and as an inspiration to students about what is possible when we are willing to take risks and seize opportunities.

Ms Tracey Kift

Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching Prep – Year 12

ACTING HEAD OF FAITH AND MISSION

Year 9 Reflection Day

Marymede Catholic College is a school founded with Marian values and we reflect on Mary as our guide and role model. The Year 9 students were able to explore this concept in depth when they took part in their Reflection Day on Wednesday July 20.

Students were privileged to listen to a young Salesian Seminarian, Jeff Miller, who shared his devotion to Mary. He shared with the students the power of Marian prayer, praying to God through Mary. Jeff highlighted the strengths and characteristics of Mary as the ultimate disciple in faith; faithful, devoted, humble, risk taker and mother to all.

Students next visited and explored St Patrick's Cathedral or St Paul's Cathedral before heading to the National Gallery of Victoria. At the NGV students took part in a guided tour vising art works which depicted Mary and were able to make connections, interpret and reflect on how Mary is depicted in art.

Upon return to school students will continue to explore Mary in a study throughout the term.



Year 11 Christian Leadership Retreat

Matthew 25:35-36, 40 'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

Today we live in a world where people are often distracted by their own needs and wants. The Year 11 Christian Leadership Retreat is an opportunity for our students to reflect on how they can live their life in a way that is supportive, inclusive and respectful of all in our world as was explained in the above verse by Matthew. The experience will allow students to look at the model of Servant Leadership which Jesus modelled and encouraged us to follow. Reflection on personal goals and discussions around opportunities for formal leadership roles within the College in 2017 will also take place.

The College is excited to be working with the students during this two day program.

Term 3 Upcoming Faith and Mission Events

- Weekly Community Mass: Wednesday 8am in the Chapel of Annunciation
- Prep Year 12 McAuley Feast Day: Thursday August Prep – Year 12 Marymede Mission Action Day: Monday August 8
- Prep Year 12 Marymede Day Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral: Friday August 12
- Year 11 Christian Leadership Retreat: Monday August 22 to Tuesday August 23
- Year 3 Reconciliation Liturgies: Wednesday August 24 and Thursday August 25

Mrs Melinda Muir Acting Head of Faith and Mission Prep – Year 12

DIRECTOR OF PRIMARY

100 Days of Primary School

On Friday July 22, our Prep students celebrated their first 100 days of Primary School.

Whilst minor for some, this was a momentous occasion for the youngest members of the Marymede Community, who celebrated their special day by participating in a range of activities related to the number 100, followed by a special 'Prep Disco' in the afternoon.

They were also spotted around the yard throughout the day wearing their '100 Days of School' badges which they decorated during the morning.

To celebrate the day, we asked some of our Prep students what their favourite part of Prep has been:

Isaac (Prep 1) – "I have enjoyed making lots of new friends and playing with them outside."

Holly (Prep 1) – "I have enjoyed learning about symmetry and telling the time."

Mackenzie (Prep 2) – "I have enjoyed learning how to write the letters of the alphabet."

Ace (Prep 3) – "I have loved learning Italian. I can count to ten in Italian!"

Elliah (Prep 4) – "I have enjoyed learning how to skip count by 10's and 5's."





Student Safety and Wellbeing

The safety and wellbeing of student's is of upmost importance to us, therefore we are concerned about the number of Primary students being dropped off unsupervised on College grounds too early before or remaining on campus after school.

Please note that teachers commence their yard duty supervision in the playground at 8:20am and it concludes at 3:40pm. Unless a student is attending Before School Care and/ or After School Care, no primary students should be on the College campus before 8:20am or after 3:40pm.

We are very fortunate at Marymede Catholic College to have Before and After School Care provided by Camp Australia, which enables parents/guardians to access care for their primary school aged child/ren in the mornings and afternoons outside of the times that teachers are on supervision duty in the College grounds.

Please be aware of the policy which has been published previously in the College newsletter and on our website. *Any primary student who is on the College campus before 8:20am will be taken to Before School Care* where they will be supervised until 8:45am. Camp Australia will charge parents for supervision of their child/ren.

We thank you for your support in ensuring the safety for all students at Marymede.

Policy - Student Supervision Before and After School

The safety and wellbeing of our students at Marymede is very important to us. We are very fortunate at Marymede Catholic College to have an on-site provider of Before and After School Care provided by Camp Australia.

This service provided by and administered enables parents/ guardians to access care for their primary school aged child/ ren in the mornings and afternoons outside of the times that teachers are on supervision duty in the College grounds.

Before School Care provided by Camp Australia runs from 6:30am – 8:45am, Monday to Friday and After School Care runs from 3:15pm – 6:00pm, Monday to Friday. Before and after these times, there is no supervision provided by the College on the College grounds.

The teachers commence their yard duty supervision in the playground at 8:20am and it concludes at 3:40pm. Unless a student is attending Before School Care and/or After School Care, no students should be on the College Campus before 8:20am or after 3:40pm.

Any primary student who is on the College campus before 8:20am will be taken to Before School care where they will be supervised until 8:45am. Camp Australia will charge parents for supervision of their child/ren.

The same applies to any students who are not collected from the College campus by 3:40pm. They will be taken to After School care, where they will be supervised until they are collected by a parent/guardian. Camp Australia will charge parents for supervision.

Primary students are unable to use the College Library as a before or after hours supervision area, unless they are supervised by a Parent or Guardian. Primary students with Secondary school siblings are unable to be supervised by their Secondary school sibling in the library and would also need to abide by the above.

For further information about Camp Australia services please visit their website.

http://www.campaustralia.com.au/

Sports Uniform Years 5 and 6

It has become noticeable during the colder weather that many of our Year 5 and 6 students, are coming to school only wearing the College sports shorts and polo.

We understand that your child is experiencing much growth in Years 5 and 6, and therefore, purchasing additional Primary Uniform items can be costly, given they will wear them for six months before needing the Secondary Uniform.

As students in Year 5 and 6 outgrow their Primary Sports Uniform, parents may purchase items which form part of the Secondary Sports Uniform. *This applies to the Sports Uniform only*.

The Sports Uniform includes the College tracksuit pants, the windcheater and/or rugby top and the sports spray jacket, in addition to the polo and sports shorts. We hope that this option will encourage our students to stay warm during the colder months.

Ms Nicole Pegler Director of Primary

CAMPUS CO-ORDINATOR PREP – YEAR 12

Marymede Week 2016 – 10th Year Anniversary

Most families have responded to the events for Marymede Week via Caremonkey. If you are yet to do so, please access Caremonkey, ensure your children's details are up to date and respond. If you have any questions related to Mission Action Day or the Marymede Day Mass at the Cathedral, please contact your child's pastoral / tutor teacher in the first instance.

Volunteers – we have a great group of volunteers who will be assisting with the BBQ lunch on Friday August 12, thank you very much for your help. Jenny Priest, one of our Secondary School Administration officers will be co-ordinating the group.

Lunches for students in Prep – Year 3 for Monday August 8 – Mission Action Day - will be able to be ordered via **flexischools online until Wednesday August 3**, students who have not ordered by this time will need to bring their lunch. For all other students there will be food stall co-ordinated by students where lunch can be purchased. Tickets for Mission Action Day will be able to be ordered from Monday August 1 and also purchased on the day. 12 tickets for \$10.00 pre-purchased, or \$1.00 per ticket on the day. Please place money in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and Pastoral/Tutor Group and give to their teacher.

Our Year 10 Food Technology class will be demonstrating their hospitality skills for our Founder's Evening, celebrating the 10 Year commitment to Marymede of current Foundation parents and staff. Invitations were emailed last week.

Transitions

The recent Year 5 Secondary School Experience and Transition evening was a wonderful opportunity for our Year 5 students to become even more comfortable within the secondary classrooms with Secondary Teachers. As part of my study in a Masters of Leadership I recently conducted a Literature Review of research into transitions from Year 6 to Year 7, this is an excerpt of findings for students who change schools from Primary to Secondary:

"It is widely understood that transition from primary school to secondary school for the general population is a critical time for the wellbeing and successful progress through adolescence (Hanewald, 2013; Topping, 2011; Jindal-Snape & Miller, 2008) with well-planned and implemented transition programs required to support students, families and teachers (Hanewald, 2013). Research by Jindal-Snape and Miller (2008) identifies clearly the stressors associated with transition. These include: discontinuity in learning and physical space; changes in pedagogy; different teacher-student relationships and expectations; fluctuating/changing peer relationships; puberty. According to Newman and Blackman (2002), if these stressors are managed well a successful transition takes place, however if a child is not able to cope, developmental damage may occur."

This clearly reinforces the strength of a P-12 School context with transition being seamless from Year 6 to Year 7, and indeed at Marymede the transition program beginning in Year 4 and continuing through Year 5 and Year 6. It is a strong advantage to the wellbeing of our children.

Ms Julia Wake Campus Co-ordinator Prep - Year 12

SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

Year 12 RE Seminar Program

Last Monday Year 11 students joined the Year 12's and attended the presentation by their inspirational guest speaker, Ben Pettingill. Ben sees life in a different way to most. At age 16, Ben lost 98% of his eyesight overnight to a rare genetic syndrome, Lebers Hereditary Optic Neuropathy. This sudden traumatic event turned his world upside down, redefined everything he knew and crushed all his childhood dreams in an instant. Yet it was also the beginning of him seeing life with a whole new view. Ben grew up in country Victoria, and after completing High School, he went on to University to study Business. It was during studies that Ben realised his passion is to inspire everyone to see the world with a whole new view. This is what Ben calls True or Limitless Vision.

Ben spoke to students about his very unique lifestyle which includes motorbike riding, water skiing and travelling extensively by himself despite having only 2% vision. Ben is also the only legally blind person in the world to have competed, untethered, in the internationally recognised Spartan Obstacle Course Race. Ben demonstrated a natural ability to capture the imagination of all students; his story was exciting and transformational. He unpacked his message with enthusiasm and humour. He used his experiences and the solutions he has developed to make a long lasting, positive impact on the students. It was very evident that his greatest passion is adding value through empowering students to discover True and Limitless Vision.



menALIVE Ministry

On August 20-21 menALIVE are running a Men's Weekend which is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. The weekend is organised by men in the local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age. Please refer to the attached flyer for further information and registration details. I encourage father's from the Marymede community to register and attend this upcoming event.

God Bless Riccardo luele Head of Secondary Religious Education

A Year 12 Product Inspired By the Earth Tones and Native Wildlife of Zimbabwe

Tinotenda Mubayiwa was born in Zimbabwe and is one of many creative year 12 students at Marymede. Using his skills in Product Design, coupled with those from Visual Communication and Design, he is making a unique padded seat with storage for toys, to be used in his little brothers bedroom.

The seat is made using the deep red colours of Jarrah contrasted against the light colour of Victorian Ash, both

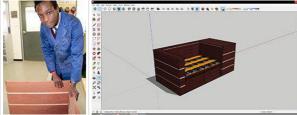
Australian native timbers. The Vic Ash creates a clever pattern of shadow lines around the seats arms and back rest.

Tino's Zimbabwean heritage has impacted on the way he thinks creatively as he used the fabric designs his mother Sweena had stored away, to inspire the design for the seating cover and scatter cushions that will nestle on the seat.

Using coloured pencils Tino drew the repeated printed pattern featuring elephants and lions in earth tones. Next he changed the idea into a digital imaging using Adobe Illustrator, a Computer Aided Drawing/Design (CAD) program. This digital design was emailed half way across the world to "Spoonflower" in America. Within 10 days he received his original textiles design back as 2 metres of fabric ready to be made into cushion covers.

His next challenge is to learn how to sew but with the assistance of Melanie Montemurro, a volunteer textiles student from RMIT, Tino will overcome this minor lack of technical skill.





Ms Robin Panousieris Technology Coordinator Year 12 Product Design and Technology Teacher

Year 12 Legal Studies Excursion to the Melbourne Law Courts

The Year 12 Legal Studies Students had one of the most enriching experiences when visiting both the County and Supreme Courts of Victoria. Our very own fates were decided in the Supreme Court where we participated in a mock trial, which encouraged each of us to represent a real member of the courtroom who had a particular role in a criminal trial.

The Supreme Court's architecture was truly remarkable dating back centuries where Ned Kelly's trial was heard and where he was sentenced to death. The history of the Supreme Court is fascinating, with a huge library containing historic events, architectural information, past customs used by judges including the black handkerchief, which was placed on a judge's head to inform the accused that the judge's verdict meant a sentence to death. When visiting the County Court we witnessed a robbery trial. The accused was being interrogated by the defence and prosecution barristers and we were surprised by the ongoing repetition of certain questions that each lawyer would ask the accused in hope of finding either the accused individual's guilt or innocence in the case.

We also observed how a jury is empanelled through the jury duty selection methods. We learnt that any individual within society aged 18 years and over can be selected for jury duty and must attend empanelment unless there is a liable and legitimate reason as to why they cannot, which is decided by a judge at the time of empanelment. We also participated in a jury empanelment where some of us were able to be selected for jury duty and we were also shown the jury deliberation room. We learnt a lot about the roles of individuals within the courtroom and what they are able to do to assist in creating a fair and effective trial.

This legal excursion to the County and Supreme Courts was an incredible experience that left most of us in awe of how our legal system operates and gave us an insight into how the legal system tries its utmost best to provide individuals with a fair and unbiased trial in order to achieve justice in society for both now and in the future.



Miss Victoria Damos Year 12 Legal Studies Student

Year 10 Italian Excursion

On Tuesday July 19, Mr.luele's Year 10 Italian class attended the Big Day Out event that was held at the Darebin Arts Centre in Preston. Several schools throughout Victoria attended the event. The purpose of the excursion was to inform us about why we should continue our Italian studies into VCE, and furthermore once we finish school leading into University.

Throughout the day, we participated in several activities and were able to get to know students from other schools. Some former VCE students spoke to us about the benefits of carrying on such a wonderful language and explained to us where the Italian language had taken them. We also watched an Italian film that portrayed how far Italian cinematography has evolved.

A highlight of the day was the Music performances that everyone participated in. Everyone contributed singing along to iconic songs such as 'Volare' and 'Tu vuo' fa' l'americano'. Marymede offers so many wonderful opportunities to be involved in and to be a part of this enjoyable day was one to remember. The event really opened my eyes to the amazing opportunities of learning a language and is why I would definitely recommend studying a language as it can benefit you in more ways that you could possibly imagine.



Miss Gabriella Agosta Year 10 Italian Student

PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Book Week at Marymede 2016

Book Week at Marymede Prep – Year 12 will be celebrated during the week beginning Monday August 22, until Friday August 26. Book Week is the longest running children's festival in Australia.

The theme for Book Week is 'Australia: Story Country'. Our theme this year celebrates our country along with the Australian stories that have been told over time.

The Book of the Year Awards for 2016 Short List and Notables have been announced and can be found on the 'The Children's Book Council of Australia' website.

We will be celebrating Book Week in all Primary School classrooms and in the Calthorpe Resource Centre throughout the week in a variety of ways. Some of the wonderful activities that will take place over the week include; author visits and Storytelling sessions and will become familiar with this year's short listed books.

Prep - Year 6 students have been invited to enter a Writing Competition. Students are asked to write a narrative piece on the theme Australia: Story Country. Winners will be judged by our Librarian Ms Bunce and winners will be announced at our Book Week at Marymede Parade. Students have been encouraged to take part in the Writing Competition and it would be wonderful to have your support. Entries close Wednesday August 3.

Our Book Week celebrations will also include a Prep – Year 6 Character Parade where children can dress up as a book character of their choice. The Parade will take place on Friday August 26. Further details will be published in the next newsletter.

Each year many public libraries from all over Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators. As a family you may also like to visit your local library to explore various Australian authors and illustrators. Have fun.

Ms Elizabeth Milani Literacy Co-ordinator Prep - Year 6

Primary Sport News

Interschool Sport

Congratulations to the following teams who have progressed to Regional finals in the SSV competition

Tee Ball – Boys Football AFL Soccer - Boys





Walk to School

Great to see so many students participated in the Walk to School day on Friday July 15.

Congratulations to Marcellin who had the highest student participation rate on the day



McDonalds Hoop Time

On Friday July 22, thirty two Year 3 and 4 students participated in the Bridge Inn Hoop time Competition. Marymede registered 4 basketball teams on the day who competed in a round robin tournament against schools from the local area. Well done to the Girls team who were undefeated on the day and have progressed to the 2nd round. The boy's team lost in the semi-finals and both mixed teams played off in the semi-final and one team were runners up in the grand final.



Hockey

Greensborough Hockey Club are currently accepting registrations for students from beginners to advance to attend an 8 week hockey clinic. For more information please see attached flyer or you can email

juniors@greensboroughhockeyclinic.com.au or call Erika Newbegin on 0419888050

Mr Gerard Large House Coordinator

PATHWAYS

Year 10 Course and Subject Selection

All Year 10's are required to attend an interview with their parent to discuss their educational plan for the next two years and to select courses and subjects for Year 11 in 2017.

The interviews will be held on Monday August 1, between 12.30-6.00pm. The interviews will be conducted in Resource Centre (library).

In the upcoming weeks and months, many Universities, Tafes and Colleges will hold their Open Days. We strongly encourage any families considering Pathways after secondary school to view the attached schedule.

Mr David Adamson Careers Coordinator

REGISTRAR NEWS

New Students

Marymede Catholic College welcomes the following new students who commenced this fortnight and their families to the College:

Max Zhou Sanjanaa Roopa Sunil Olivia Kurtzman Stephanie Kurtzman

2018 Enrolments

Applications for Year 7 and Prep in 2018 are also now open and will close in February and May respectively. Additionally, applications for Year 7 2019 are open now and will close in August 2017. This is a significant change to previous enrolment processes and will affect students who currently attend an external Primary School and are a sibling of a current Secondary student at the College.

A reminder to current Year 5 families that Year 7 2018 Intention Forms are due back to the College by Friday September 23.

School Bus Service

Final payments for the Semester 2 Bus service are due on Friday August 19.

The cost for Bus passes in Semester 2 is as follows:

FULL PASS: \$630 (Deposit: \$170) ONE-WAY PASS: \$375 (Deposit: \$95)

Semester 2 Bus passes will be handed out within the next fortnight. For further information regarding the School Bus service please do not hesitate to contact the College on 9407-9000.

10th Year Anniversary College Reunion

As part of our 10th Year Anniversary Celebrations, the College will be holding a reunion for all past graduates on Friday September 2, 2016 at Sagi Bar in Northcote. We will be reaching out to our Alumni in the coming weeks with invitations. In the meantime, if this event is of interest to a member of your family who graduated Year 12 at Marymede Catholic College, please advise them to contact me.

Open Day

I am excited to inform all families that our 2016 Open Day will take place on Sunday August 28 between the hours of 11.00am – 2.00pm. Open Day continues to be a great Marymede Community annual event which offers plenty to both new and existing families. Further information regarding School tours and activities on offer on the day will be communicated to families in the coming weeks.

Mr Matthew Luczek Registrar

PARENT'S AND FRIENDS

Responses to Parents and Friends Survey

There was a good response to the Parents and Friends survey with varied and detailed feedback provided. The overall feedback was positive, holding in high regard the work of the Parents and Friends committee. Feedback included:

- Prioritising family oriented social and sporting events;
- Marymede Fete endorsed as an important part of the Marymede calendar;
- Midweek evening events difficult to get to;
- A wide variety of suggestions for future events.

In response to the feedback at the July meeting of the P&F Committee it was decided:

- The Father's Day Evening planned for Wednesday August 31, will go ahead in the Fitness Centre inclusive of Dad's, Grandad's and/or significant male influences and children.
- A family movie and disco night will replace the proposed colour run on Saturday November 19.

The survey is still open if you would like to contribute.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Marymede_PandF_Survey

Ms Julia Wake Campus Co-ordinator Prep - Year 12