



28 November 2019

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

We recently held our Secondary Awards Evening to acknowledge students in Years 7-11 who have excelled through academic achievement, commitment to studies or through their contribution in any other way at our College. The feedback about the night has been extremely positive from our parents.

I was delighted with the number of families who made the effort to attend on the night. We pride ourselves on our strong school community spirit and events such as the Awards Evening provides great opportunities for us to come together in celebration.

A big thank you to our Deputy Principal Learning & Teaching, Tracey Kift, for her work in coordinating this significant Secondary School experience.

### 2020 Primary School Leaders

Congratulations to Rebecca Kouts and Sahib Khangura on being appointed Primary School Captains for next year. There were a number of high- quality students who applied which made the task of short listing extremely difficult.

Congratulations also to the following students on being appointed House Captains for next year:

- Chanel:** Shayla Campbell & Diya Das
- Chisholm:** James Pampanella & Abbey Mueller
- Marcellin:** Shreeya Sreejith & Arshjot Shergill
- McAuley:** Chanula Mudiyansele & Bianca Cramond
- McCormack:** Shewon Perera & Grace Tran
- Romero:** Michael Sabatino & Alyssa Fasciani

Our Director of Students (5-8), Melinda Muir, is looking forward to working closely with the 2020 Primary Student Leadership Team.

### Senior Primary Sports Results

Congratulations to our Senior Primary Girls Volleyball Team who last Friday were crowned the best Primary Girls Volleyball Team in Victoria. This is a magnificent achievement for the girls and their coaches, Gerard Large and Liz Miles.

We also congratulate our Senior Primary Boys Basketball Team on finishing runners-up in the State playoffs and our Boys Volleyball Team who reached the semi-finals.

### Primary Celebrations of Learning

A reminder to our Primary parents that our Years 5 & 6 Celebration of Learning will take place on Tuesday 3 December in the College Fitness Centre, commencing at 6.30pm. Our Prep to Year 4 Celebration will be held on Thursday 5 December, also commencing at 6.30pm in the College Fitness Centre.

Both events promise to be great celebrations of the learning that takes place throughout the year. I look forward to seeing a large parental turnout.

### Year 9 Exams

**I share this prayer for our Year 9 students who undertake their Semester 2 Exams next week:**

*Come still my heart  
O Lord calm my nerves and focus my mind  
Father, I lay before you everything I have studied  
May I channel all that I have learnt into these exams  
Please give me the faith to believe I can pass these exams  
Yet the peace to know that all is well  
Thank you that you are with me no matter what the result  
Thank you that your friendship is eternal*

### Year 5 Camp

The reports back from the Camp at Lady Northcote Recreation Centre are that both our Year 5 students and staff are enjoying the outdoor activities and the stunning spring weather in Bacchus Marsh.

## Next Newsletter

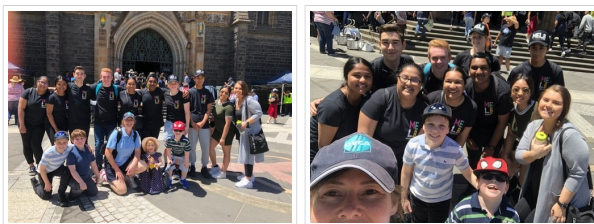
Our final Newsletter for 2019 will be emailed home on Friday 6 December. Staff members who will be leaving the College will be acknowledged and key dates for the start of the 2020 school year will be published.

**Mr. Michael Kenny**  
**Principal**

## DIRECTOR OF FAITH AND MISSION

### Australian Catholic Youth Festival – ACYF – Melbourne Pilgrimage Walk

What a beautiful day on Sunday to walk with at least 1,500 other young people, led by Archbishop Comensoli, who are heading to Perth in two weeks to experience faith and action together. Archbishop Comensoli spoke of all the small diamond pieces of glass which make up the big windows in the Cathedral and how they all fit together to allow light to shine in. He described how all the young people present, and their supporters, were all a part of the body of Christ – needing each other to bring Christ's love to the world. Our pilgrims each received a blessed badge symbolising the small diamond pieces of the windows of the Cathedral and were commissioned to walk together and share the journey to Perth and beyond, meeting challenges and forming community.



### Marist 2020 Student Leaders Gathering – Amberley

College Captains Ann Anil and Dimitri Bachos, along with Faith and Mission Captains Rachel Alex and Jacob Leddin, joined 2020 school leaders from 12 other Marist schools for a Leadership Retreat. They heard the similar experiences and stories from student leaders from Western Australia, South Australia and regional and metropolitan Victoria. The retreat focused on how they could strengthen their leadership with the characteristics of Simplicity, Solidarity, Presence, Love of Work, Family Spirit and *In the way of Mary*.



### Sunday Mass @ Marymede – Final Mass for 2019

15 December, 10.30am.

Our pilgrims who are attending the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Perth in December will be commissioned at our November Sunday Mass.

Please bring along family and friends and a small plate to share for morning tea afterwards.

## Upcoming Faith & Mission Events

- Community Mass continues each Wednesday – 8.00am in the College Chapel of the Annunciation. Last one will be 11 December.
- Advent Liturgy – Year 10 and 11 – 29 November, 11.30am.
- REMAR Blue Solidarity Experience (City) – 2 to 6th December
- Advent Liturgy – Year 7 to 9 – 6 December, 11.30am.
- Australian Catholic Youth Festival (Perth) – 7 to 12 December
- Sunday Mass, 10.30am – 15 December
- Staff Mass – 17 December

**Ms Julia Wake**  
**Director of Faith and Mission P-12**

## SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

### Humanities

RMIT Urban Futures Competition

This year, we had two students shortlisted in the RMIT Urban Futures Competition. We congratulate Chelsea Harrop who was highly commended, placing her in the top 20 for Victoria. The focus of the competition was on how our students can be leaders in creating liveable, resilient and vibrant cities of the future. Considering the challenge of significant and current population growth in Melbourne, students were asked to create an image or provide a photograph that communicated an identifiable problem and an explanation of their proposed solution. Here is Chelsea's entry in the competition.



An example of what could be placed inside of the food truck/farm, on the walls would be these vertical pot plants.

These creative plant walls are designed to create more space for growing produce. By placing the plant in-between the gaps in the pallets, the plants are able to grow out.



With many people still wanting to buy homes closer to inner Melbourne, there is a major crisis of a potential future where there is a scarcity of fresh produce coming from the suburban

and inner-urban areas. This creates problems for communities and small businesses who depend on fresh produce to provide for their everyday lifestyle. By introducing environmentally friendly food trucks into many communities, we can start to encourage the general public to come together to support and maintain a healthy environment.

These are not normal food trucks where you buy delicious food from, but old food trucks that would now be used to grow commercial quantities of sustainable produce. These not only take up limited amount of space but are sustainable as they use LED lights to replace the sun, use recycled plastic bottles instead of soil, and only use recycled water to feed the plants. Some of the main fruits and vegetables that can be grown in these farms include tomatoes, lettuce, melons, strawberries and onions. Previously trialled in America, this method has proven to be incredibly effective. Why reinvent the wheel, when instead we could reinvigorate it? By employing and training homeless Victorians, as well as having enthusiastic citizens in communities, we would not only be growing fresh food in a sustainable manner, but we would also be helping to train more people about ensuring the future sustainability of our people.

**Mrs. Jane Darrou**  
**Head of Humanities**

## WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

### Instrumental Music Semester 1 2020

Just a reminder that new enrolments for Instrumental Music Semester 1 2020 close on Friday 13 December. If your child is interested in learning a musical instrument either privately or in a pair please contact Ellen Lane [ellen.lane@marymede.vic.edu.au](mailto:ellen.lane@marymede.vic.edu.au) by Friday 13 December for an information sheet and enrolment procedure. Please note there is currently a wait list for some instruments as teachers may be at capacity with numbers.

### Sessional Dance Semester 1 2020

Just a reminder that new enrolments for Sessional Dance Semester 1 2020 close on Friday 13 December. If your child is in Yr.5-12 in 2020 and interested in developing their dance talents please contact Ellen Lane [ellen.lane@marymede.vic.edu.au](mailto:ellen.lane@marymede.vic.edu.au) by 13 of December for an information sheet and enrolment procedure. Those students already enrolled in Sessional Dance 2019 who no longer wish to continue please submit this request in writing to Ellen Lane by no later than Friday 1 December otherwise the College assumes students will be participating under the same agreement for a full year and the next full semester fees will be payable. The information sheet outlining costs, terms and conditions can be accessed for those already enrolled via CAREMONKEY for reference.

**Miss Ellen Lane**  
**Performing Arts and Co-Curricular Assistant**

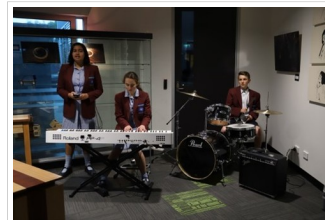
## 2019 Visual Arts and Design End-of-Year Exhibition

Unique and captivating work by the Prep - Year 10 and VCE Visual Arts and Technology students were showcased in the Visual Arts & Design End-of-Year Exhibition this month.

Congratulations to the following students who were announced as the 2019 exhibition award recipients at the Opening Night on November 13:

- **Daniel Prezioso (Year 12, Visual Communication Design)**  
**Principal's Award** – Acquisition of artwork for the school's permanent collection, selected by Mr Michael Kenny.
- **George El-Azar (Year 12, Product Design and Technology – Wood)**  
**Calthorpe Award** – Most outstanding work chosen by the College Board.
- **Hayley Smyth (Year 11, Studio Arts)**  
**People's Choice Award** – Voted by opening night guests.

Thank you to the teachers and technicians in the Visual Arts and Technology Domains, Mrs Jo-Anne Mazzeo (Board Chair), Mr Michael Kenny, the Food Studies class, Ms Angie Bedford, Mr Aaron Syrjanen, Mr Daniel Bamford Clark, Nerissa Diaz (Year 8), Brianna Parisi (Year 8), Marc Pandolfo (Year 7), and the Maintenance and IT Teams; for their support and generous contributions to the exhibition.



**Mr Jeremy Guzman**  
**Head of Visual Arts**  
**(P-12)**

**Mr Maurice Di Muzio**  
**Head of Technology**  
**(P-12)**

## FINANCE OFFICE

### School Banking

Thank you to all those who actively participated in our School Banking Program throughout 2019.

The last day for School Banking in 2019 will be 9 December.

We also thank and acknowledge the volunteers who assist with administrative duties for the banking program each week. We are currently seeking additional volunteers for 2020. Parents interested can submit their details via the attached flyer.

Wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year 2020. Happy Holidays.

**Mr Suresh Gangadharan**  
**Finance Manager**



## PARENT'S AND FRIENDS'

### School Labels

A reminder that the Parents and Friends Committee have partnered up with two suppliers of Labels for all your back to school needs.

Buy any of the amazing personalised products online at the link below using our Unique Coupon Code AFRDB-ZRPI-6UYA0E.

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Log onto the link below and use our unique code: FRS1462

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Browse the sites to view the wide range of products.

### Save the Date

The Marymede Colour Run will be on again next year in February.

Please see Flyer, further information will be given out in the near future.

If you have any further questions or queries please use the P&F email: [paf@marymede.vic.edu.au](mailto:paf@marymede.vic.edu.au)

**Michelle Williams**  
**P&F President**

## COMMUNITY MASS

