



9 March 2023

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As we journey through Lent may we be inspired to pray and look closely at our relationship with God.

*Loving God,
May we be people of peace and forgiveness.
Help us to be centred on seeking understanding and building positive relationships.
We ask for Your blessing on our community as we journey together
We make this prayer in Your name.
Amen*

MACS Board Meeting

The MACS Board is conducting their meeting at the College today. It has been our pleasure to welcome Mr Gerard Dalbosco, MACS Board Chair and the Board here today. We have also welcomed Dr Edward Simons, Acting Executive Director of MACS and a number of his leadership team to the College today as well. During the day we have led prayer, hosted a tour and offered a presentation about the College. Thank you to the MACS Board for their interest in and support of the College. We need and appreciate their support and are strongly encouraged by their visit today.

Doreen Campus

I am please to report that the Doreen Early Learning Centre is likely to open at the beginning of Term 2. We will be in a position to offer confirmation of this shortly.

I am also very happy to inform the community that the secondary school construction is progressing well and is on track for a Friday 15 December completion. If you drive past, progress will be very visible in the next two months now that lots of the civil work has been done.

Catholic Education Week

Next week is Catholic Education Week and I thank the Catholic Identity and Mission Team for the celebrations they are hosting. Laetitia Malusu, DP - Catholic Identity and Mission and I will be taking a number of students to the Catholic Education Week Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on Friday 17 March.

World Youth Day

We have had a number of students and staff express interest in attending World Youth Day in Portugal during August. We look forward to confirming places on the program shortly.

Year 7 Camp

Last week I visited the Year 7 Camp which was held at Campaspe Downs near Kyneton. The students engaged in a number of activities to help them connect and develop relationships. Additionally, students deepened skills in teamwork, leadership and resilience. Thank you to Glenn Esnouf, Director of Student Wellbeing Year 7-9, for leading the camp along with all other staff involved.

Open day 2023 – Sunday 19 March 11.00am – 2.00pm

The College will be hosting our annual Open Day on Sunday 19 March, 11.00am – 2.00pm.

We look forward to many visitors discovering the College in person, with Domain and Classroom displays and activities, music performances, a free BBQ manned by our Parents and Friends Committee and lots more. Current families are welcome to attend to connect and chat with teaching staff and explore their children's learning spaces.

Guided tours on the day are available. Bookings are required to attend - [click Here to Book Online](#)



Student Tour Guides at Open Day

Volunteering as a Student Tour Guide is a wonderful opportunity for students to develop their knowledge and understanding of our College community, facilities and curriculum. It is also, in the Way of Mary, an opportunity to act in service whilst developing leadership skills.

Each tour will be conducted by 2 or more students together, or one student and one staff member, and all tours routes will be supervised by College Staff at all times. Students Tour Guides will be provided with their own express lane at the BBQ for lunch on the day and a vegetarian option and GF alternatives will be provided.

All students participating will be invited to attend a Student Tour Guide Briefing during school hours to provide them with an overview of the event and explain their duties on the day, so students new to the college in 2023 are very welcome to volunteer! We will provide you with all the information you will need.

This opportunity has been promoted to our students and I encourage them to sign up as Student Tour Guides.

Enrolments

Enrolments are currently open for:

- Prep 2024
- Year 7 2024 (Doreen and South Morang)
- Year 7 2025 (Doreen and South Morang)
- A small number of places at other year levels for 2023

Please visit the College website to apply online.

Best wishes to all students for their learning across the next fortnight.

Timothy Newcomb
Principal

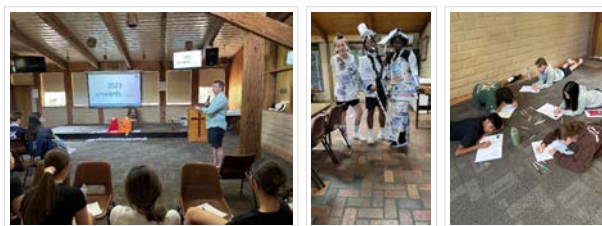
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CATHOLIC IDENTITY
AND MISSION, PREP – YEAR 12**

Year 12 Retreat

On Wednesday 22 to Friday 24 February, our Year 12 students were accompanied by staff to three different venues for their retreat. With the assistance of staff during these three days, students participated in various sessions to assist them in journeying through their last year of school. Some of the areas they explored were: Unpacking the College Theme; Hopes and Expectations of the Future; Relationship with God; Their Journey in Life so Far; Transitioning into Adulthood; and their opinions on various topics. It was an opportunity to form new relationships between peers, and with the staff, in a fun, reflective and reverent space.

We hope that students were enriched by the experience and felt affirmed by their peers, teachers and families. We pray that their last year of school may be filled with wonderful memories and that they will experience success in their future endeavours. Thank you to all our families who have supported our Year

12 Retreat program with their personal letters to their Year 12 students.



World Youth Day - 2023

This year, young people all over the world have a great opportunity to once again gather in one location and celebrate our Catholic Identity. This is through the World Youth Day Celebration that will be held in Lisbon, Portugal.

Marymede Catholic College has had past students participate in both World Youth Day Festivals and Australian Catholic Youth Festivals, with much success and transformation for those involved. We thank the parents who have registered their interest in this great experience and look forward to supporting our youth in this venture.



*In the Presence of God,
it is not by my work,
by my efficiency
or even by my success that I exist,
But because I am myself
and God created me.*

Jean-Marie Gueulette

Laetitia Malusu
Deputy Principal Catholic Identity and Mission

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL STUDENT
WELLBEING, PREP – YEAR 12**

Empowering students to flourish.

At Marymede, we acknowledge and respect the central role that parents and guardians play in our students lives. With the many joys and delights that come with parenting, we know that there will be challenging moments that can cause concern. As much as we would like to ensure that our children have a smooth path through life, we know that this is not impossible. Therefore, it is our goal at Marymede to partner with you on this journey. Together we can assist our students navigating their life experiences with resilience, to enable them to flourish.

Some common examples of issues that can be a concern are:

- managing screen time
- social media
- peer pressure
- separation anxiety

- navigating friendships
- vaping

To just name a few...

It can feel very isolating when you are trying to support your child while they are experiencing such issues. Sorting through information and advice presented through friends, family and social media can be overwhelming.

Therefore, Marymede has registered with an online platform that will provide helpful information for parents on topics that are relevant to our community.

"The SchoolTV platform provides schools with an extensive range of wellbeing resources for parents, so they can work together in partnership to ensure better wellbeing for all students."



SchoolTV has several leading experts who provide information on relevant topics to assist parents to raise happy, healthy and resilient children.

A sample of experts on School TV include:

- Dr Elizabeth Scott, HEADSPACE
- Professor Lea Waters, The University of Melbourne
- Dr Michael Carr Gregg, Child and Adolescent Psychologist
- John Rogerson, Alcohol & Drug Foundation

Marymede will have access to an up-to-date library of resources that we can share with our community through our portal. You will find a range of topics published monthly with comprehensive videos from leading specialists and organisations. This package also includes fact sheets, suggested books, apps, websites and much more.

Not only does SchoolTV have amazing experts on hand but also sources great content from organisations such as Beyond Blue, ReachOut, HeadSpace and others.

Please keep an eye out for the SchoolTV logo and instructions how to access this portal to view the information provided. We are excited about this new resource for our school community, and we hope you find it valuable.

Lisa Murray
Deputy Principal Student Wellbeing

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL DIFFERENTIATED
EDUCATIONAL PRACTICE, PREP – YEAR
12**

NAPLAN Wednesday 15 – Friday 17 March

Parents/carers received a letter regarding all Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students participating in the NAPLAN online testing from Wednesday 15 to Friday 17 March. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in *Writing, Reading, Language Conventions* (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The results of these tests will be used to support

teaching and learning programs and improve student learning outcomes at Marymede Catholic College.

On Monday 6 March, all Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students had the opportunity to participate in a practice NAPLAN test. Students, parents/carers are asked to ensure the following requirements are in place for Wednesday 15 to Friday 17 March:

- Students bring laptop devices to school FULLY CHARGED
- Students are required to bring a set of headphones to school for the tests. 'Old style' headphones with a cord are required. PLEASE DO NOT BRING AIRPODS requiring Bluetooth as these are not compatible with the testing platform.



Mid-Semester Reports and Parent/teacher Interviews – Secondary

Mid-Semester reports will be available via PAM/Simon Everywhere on Tuesday 21 March for Year 7-12 students. Teachers will report on your child's progress in each subject in the following areas:

1. **Is punctual and prepared for class** – is ready to learn, and brings all their required materials, including a charged laptop.
2. **Actively engages in class activities** – demonstrates a willingness to learn, contributes by offering insight/ additional information, poses appropriate questions, develops ideas.
3. **Uses class time productively** – completes set tasks in a timely manner, makes use of appropriate resources, and requires minimal teacher intervention in staying on task.
4. **Demonstrates positive behaviour in the classroom** – abides by all classroom expectations and treats staff and students with respect.
5. **Meets deadlines** – work is submitted by the due date and is completed as required, including homework
6. **Takes responsibility for their learning** – shows a willingness to aim for improvement, uses critical and constructive feedback and demonstrates appropriate endeavour.

Years 7-12 Parent/Teacher Interviews will take place via MS Teams on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 29 March (4.00pm – 8.00pm)**
- **Monday 3 April (2.00pm – 8.00pm)**

Bookings with teachers will open on Wednesday 22 March 9.00am. Parents/Carers will receive an email in the coming week regarding how to book and access interviews.

Michelle Robertson
Deputy Principal Differentiated Educational Practice

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL PROFESSIONAL CULTURE, PREP – YEAR 12

Parent Helpers & WWCC

A wonderful feature of learning at Marymede is the opportunity provided to students across the college to strengthen their learning through experiences outside of the classroom via a variety of excursions and incursions. Parents that volunteer their time to accompany excursions and other learning activities play a crucial role in supporting student safety and making the many excursions and learning activities possible.

As increasing opportunities arise to engage with parent helpers on excursions and on-campus activities, we remind parents and carers that all helpers must provide the College with their valid Working With Children Check (WWCC) and undergo a Child Safety training session (usually conducted by the excursion / activity organiser) prior to approval for attending the excursion / activity. To apply for a WWCC, please head to the link below:

<https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/individuals/applicants/how-to-apply-1>

Child Safe Standards and Codes of Conduct

As of 1 July 2022, all Victorian schools are bound by the revised set of Child Safe Standards. The eleven Child Safe Standards are:

- Child Safe Standard 1 – Organisations establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued
- Child Safe Standard 2 – Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture
- Child Safe Standard 3 – Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously
- Child Safe Standard 4 – Families and communities are informed, and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing
- Child Safe Standard 5 – Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice
- Child Safe Standard 6 – People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice
- Child Safe Standard 7 – Processes for complaints and concerns are child focused
- Child Safe Standard 8 – Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training

- Child Safe Standard 9 – Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed
- Child Safe Standard 10 – Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved
- Child Safe Standard 11 – Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people

These standards also include the **Child Safety Code of Conduct** that binds all members of the Marymede community, in addition to the **Parent/Guardian/Carer Code of Conduct** that applies to all schools across Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic School (MACS) to keep students, staff and parents safe in all environments, both physical and online.

- Child Safety Code of Conduct
- Parent-Guardian-Carer Code-of-Conduct

These standards and codes link to the fourth of our College strategic directions:

Fostering a positive culture and environment

We take responsibility for a safe, connected, responsive and sustainable environment.

All members of the Marymede community are urged to carefully read and faithfully uphold these standards and codes of conduct, which are available in multiple languages (along with other relevant policies and procedures) on the College website at the link below:

<http://www.marymede.vic.edu.au/news/publications>

David Broadbent
Deputy Principal Professional Culture

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL HEAD OF PRIMARY CAMPUS, SOUTH MORANG

Thank you

It has been a positive start to the year in our Primary school as the students have settled in and we would like to extend our thanks to our parent community for your continued support.

Reminder about Morning Drop Off

Primary students should only be dropped off at school from **8.20am** each morning as this is when the school opens and the time which Yard Duty commences. Prior to this time there is no supervision on the Yard.

Parents who drop their children off prior to 8.20am will be notified and asked to utilise the Before School Care service provided by Camp Australia.

Communication

We are keen to work in partnership with parents to achieve the best outcomes for our students.

Email is the best method to get a quick message through to your child's teacher or to request to set up a meeting if there are concerns that need to be addressed in a lengthier conversation.

A mutually convenient time can be arranged for a meeting to be held on campus or via Teams where necessary. Please note that all meetings need to be conducted within school business hours.

Parents are asked not to enter the Houses or classrooms in search of teachers before or after school. Teachers are actively engaged in preparation, meetings and other activities related to their teaching and supervision duties before and after school and are not always able to engage in impromptu meetings.

If you are looking for misplaced or lost property, please speak to a staff member on the yard, visit the Primary Administration Office and/or wait to be invited into the House/classroom to look for the item.

Narelle Collins
Deputy Principal Head of Primary Campus, South Morang

PRIMARY WELLBEING

Wellbeing Intervention Groups

We are excited to announce that our Primary Wellbeing Intervention groups have begun this week.

If your child has been invited to participate, you would have received communication via PAM/SIMON Everywhere. Students participate in this group once a week for 6-8 weeks. Each term a new group of students will be invited to participate.

Groups offered include:

- Zones of Regulation
- Peaceful Kids
- Social Skills
- Lego Club
- Mind Ninja
- Seasons
- Rock and Water

Helping Students to Be Ready to Learn

As part of the morning routine some teachers have been using this wonderful resource on YouTube called Calming Connections. Calming Connections is a channel dedicated to creating calm, relaxing music for kids in the classroom for teachers to utilise, along with a range of visual timers for students.

A primary school teacher and mum created this channel to create calm, relaxing, purposeful sound and music videos tailored for use in her own classroom and to share them with others.

The aim is to help students and teachers achieve and maintain calm classroom environments so optimal learning can occur!

This channel is also a wonderful tool to use at home before bedtime or during homework to help your child relax and wind down: Calming Connections, YouTube Channel

Social and Emotional Learning: What's been happening?

Resilience Rights and Respectful Relationships

This term, our Primary students have been learning about emotions and personal strengths.

Some of the skills students have been working towards are:

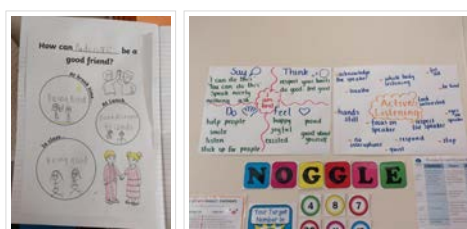
Emotional Literacy

- Identify and express a range of emotions in their interactions with others
- Identify and describe the different emotions people experience
- Explain how emotional responses influence behaviour
- Explain the influence of emotions on behaviour, learning and relationships
- Describe the influence that people, situations and events have on their emotions
- Understand how to interact positively with others in different situations

Personal Strengths

- Identify and describe personal strengths and challenges
- Explain how strengths help them to contribute to family and school life
- Identify skills and strengths they wish to develop
- Describe factors that contribute to positive relationships with people at school, home and in the community
- Identify communication skills that enhance relationships

Please see some work samples from the classroom.



Rita Casonato, Director of Student Wellbeing Years P-3

Carly O'Neal-Shipley, Director of Student Wellbeing Years 4-6

SECONDARY WELLBEING

Year 7 Camp

Empowering Students to Flourish

Our Year 7 students recently attended their camp to Campaspe Downs. This was a fantastic opportunity for students and staff to get to know one another off-campus in a beautiful bush setting. Students rotated through several activities over the three days, enabling them to build resilience, personal growth,

independence and team awareness. Some of their favourite activities were archery, canoeing, challenge course, leap of faith and the thrill-seeking giant swing. Students have returned to school this week with many great memories of these experiences enabling them to continually grow and flourish throughout the year with the various skills and friendships they developed during the year 7 camp experience.



Secondary School Behaviour Expectations in Public Spaces

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L)

We thank all of our secondary students who are actively displaying our PB4L values on a regular basis, inside and outside the classroom. Our students are given many opportunities to represent our College at external events such as sporting competitions and excursions. In addition, the students are able to utilise many facilities outside the classroom, such as the school canteen and the Mernda train line.

In supporting our students to ensure they are exhibiting our Secondary School Positive Behaviour Expectations, we remind students to be displaying at all times outside the classroom:

- **Respect**
 - o. Use good manners
 - o. Communicate politely and considerately
 - o. Be considerate of the public, all members of the school community, and visitors
- **Safety**
 - o. Move in an appropriate way
 - o. Use public and school transport with care

Corinne Niall, Director of Student Wellbeing Years 7-9

Glenn Esnouf, Director of Student Wellbeing Years 10-12

PREP TRANSITION

Primary School Nurse Visit

The Primary School Nurse Program is provided by the Department of Education and Training and is offered to all primary school students in Victoria. Earlier this week, parents/carers will have received the **Primary School Nursing Program Information Envelope** which contains an information brochure about the program and **The School Entrant Health Questionnaire (SEHQ)**. You are asked to provide information about your child's health history and any concerns you may have about your child's health and wellbeing.

The SEHQ provides important information to the nurse about your child's health. This allows the nurse to carry out an overall assessment of your child's health and wellbeing needs. Depending on this information, a direct assessment of your child may be conducted by the nurse at the school. This may include assessment of your child's distance vision, hearing, speech and/or teeth. However, a direct assessment is not required for all children.

Families may be contacted by the nurse and all will receive a letter containing information regarding the outcome of the assessment.

If you do not wish for your child to participate in the School Nursing Program, please complete the non-consent section of the questionnaire and **return to school. Please return your documents in the sealed envelope by Monday 13 March.**

Prep Families Welcome Barbeque/Teddy Bear's Picnic

We invite all Prep families to our Prep Families Welcome Barbeque/Teddy Bears' Picnic on Wednesday 29 March!

This is an opportunity to welcome you to our school community, and a chance for you to meet with other Prep families at Marymede.

Families are welcome to bring along a rug and a picnic dinner. A sausage sizzle, soft drinks and water will be provided on the night. Please note, this is an ALCOHOL-FREE event, and this event is only for PARENTS/GUARDIANS AND SIBLINGS OF STUDENTS IN PREP.

We hope to see you there!

Stephanie Marii
Prep Transition Coordinator

PROJECT COMPASSION

Project Compassion – Primary School

The season of Lent began with our Ash Wednesday liturgies. This also marked the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal.

Our Faith and Mission Primary School Leaders are inviting students to bring in loose change to put in their class Project Compassion donation box. These boxes can be found on every prayer table in every primary classroom.

The theme of Project Compassion 2023 is 'For All Future Generations' and reminds us that the good we do today extends to impact the lives of generations to come.

Together we can make a difference.



Daniela Overton
Director of Catholic Identity and Mission

CO-CURRICULAR

Sign Up for Activities

Many co-curricular activities are now up and running! Remember to sign up, encourage your friends to get involved. There are fantastic opportunities to develop new skills, have fun and meet new friends, all while earning house points!

- **Secondary Sign Ups:** [Click here](#)
- **Primary Sign Ups:** [Click here](#)

Whittlesea Ambassador's Program

If you're interested in representing the College in STEAM activities (one day per term) and using all the cool equipment on offer at Melbourne Polytech, please email Ms Torcasio as soon as possible! This opportunity is open to Secondary students and numbers are limited.

eSports

We are so excited to be expanding our eSports program this year! Training sessions are now underway for the upcoming SACCSS Rocket League competition. Students interested in signing up for tryouts should contact



Ms Buttigieg

Kylie.Buttigieg@marymede.vic.edu.au

The FUSE Cup is an international school eSports competition that is focused on providing young students with an opportunity to participate in safe, inclusive, supportive and structured school-based esports competition while developing positive gaming behaviours and digital well-being.

In addition to our year-level mixed teams, we look forward to participating in the new Girl Gamer competition. This is an initiative by FUSE to encourage and support students who identify as female to get involved in gaming and develop their skills in a supportive environment. For more info:

<https://www.thefusecup.com.au/about-us>

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 15 March: Tryouts (Years 7 & 8) Just Dance in MT101 Lunchtime (registration required)

Monday 20 March: Tryouts (Years 9 & 10) Super Smash Bros in MT101 Lunchtime (registration required)

Thursday 11 May: Competition (Years 9 & 10) Super Smash Bros at Melbourne Girls Grammar (selected students)

Friday 26 May: Competition Just Dance (Years 7 & 8) Melbourne Girls Grammar (selected students)

Gamechangers

Game Changers is a comprehensive Catholic youth ministry program for students in Marist Schools from Years 7-12. It seeks to form Christian leaders by making Jesus Christ known and loved among them.

Highlighted by a strong sense of family spirit and community, regular meetings, faith formation experiences and service opportunities, students are invited to become game changers through their participation in their Game Changers youth group.

For more information or to get involved please contact Ms O'Connor Kristina.Oconnor@marymede.vic.edu.au

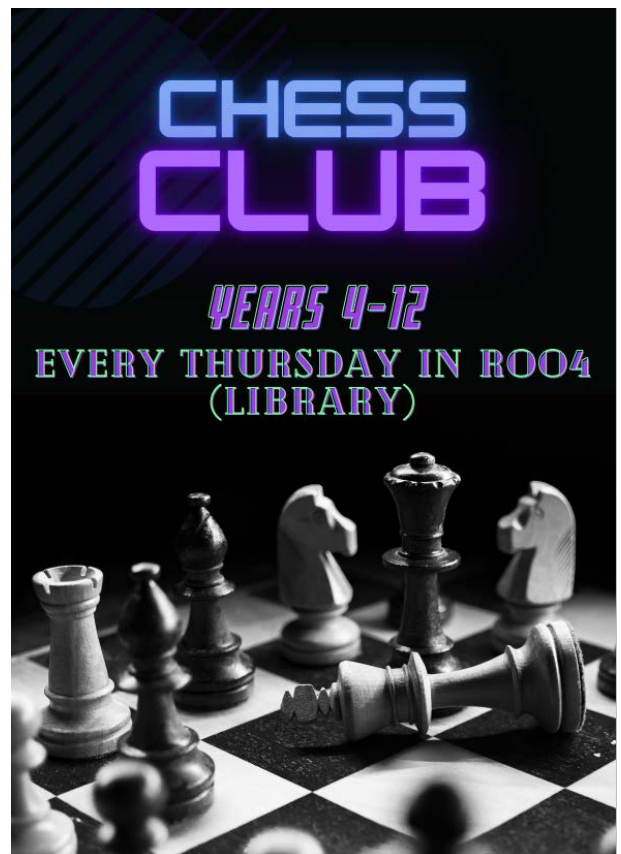
Year 8 sessions are starting Tuesday 28 March. Please email Ms Finlayson to sign up Sonia.Finlayson@marymede.vic.edu.au

Sewing Club

Tuesday Lunchtimes in MT102 (Positions are limited. Please contact Ms Wason Melanie.Wason@marymede.vic.edu.au if you are interested)

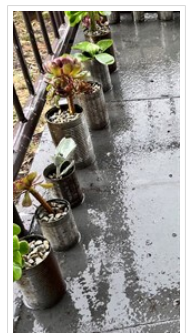
Chess Club

Thursday Lunchtimes in the Resource Centre (ROO4). This is open to students from Years 4-12 Players are encouraged to meet Mr Baldwin at the beginning of lunchtime. There will be opportunities throughout the year for interschool competitions.



Gardening Club

Tuesday and Friday Lunchtimes in the Garden behind House 7. All ages and abilities are welcome.



Secondary Singers

Starting Thursday 16 March at Lunchtime.

Love to sing? Secondary Singers (Vocal Ensemble) is a welcoming and inclusive group open to all Secondary students who love to sing. You don't need to have had singing lessons, just be willing to join in and use your voice! Contact Ms Wason for more information.

Public Speaking Competition

Rostrum Voice of Youth is a national speaking competition which provides an excellent opportunity for secondary school students to gain experience and confidence in expressing their views and communicating a message.

Heats will take place on Sunday 21 May 2023. Students can compete in either the Junior division (Ages 11-14) or the Senior Division (Ages 15-17).

Students wishing to represent the school in the competition should contact Ms Wason
Melanie.Wason@marymede.vic.edu.au

For more info including speech topics:

<https://www.rostrum.com.au/rostrumvoiceofyouth>

For any other questions regarding any co-curricular opportunities please contact Ms Wason.

Melanie Wason
Co-Curricular Assistant

School Production – *The Little Mermaid Jr.*

Audition applications are still open for Marymede Catholic College's production of *The Little Mermaid Jr.* taking place in August and September



The Little Mermaid Jr. is a stage musical produced by Disney Theatrical, based on the animated 1989 Disney film and the classic Hans Christian Andersen story of the same name about a mermaid who dreams of the world above the sea and gives up her voice to find love. With the new live action remake set to hit the big screen in May, we are excited to bring this bright and colourful, underwater story to life on stage at Plenty Ranges Arts & Convention Centre (PRACC) at the 'tail' end of Term 3.

All 2023 students in Years 5-9 are invited to audition. Please click here for the AUDITION INFORMATION PACK. Please take the time to read this carefully with a Parent/Guardian taking note of all important dates and the rehearsal commitment. Everything you need to know about **auditions and the show is in this pack.**

Once you have read the audition pack SIGN UP USING THIS LINK Auditions **strictly close** on Monday 20 March.

Please ensure you have read this pack thoroughly first, as we believe this should answer frequently asked audition questions. Show us that you can independently access information, as this is an important skill.

If you still have a question, please see / email Ms Lane, Performing Arts / Co-Curricular Assistant in office PA06 or Ellen.Lane@marymede.vic.edu.au .

Morgana Jones
Secondary Teacher



SECONDARY SPORT

SACCSS Senior Sports Day

The SACCSS tennis competition was an exhilarating event that brought together some of the best tennis players from around the region. The competition took place at Hume Tennis Courts, which has around 14 courts which built an amazing atmosphere to play in. Our tennis teams performed well, and we all left with smiles on our faces, with the thought that we did our best. Our mixed doubles (Solin and Aleksey) played outstanding matches, missing out on the semi-finals. The boys' doubles A (Isaac and Jordan) lost in the semi-finals but put up a great fight against their opponents. Alessia and I, the singles players, played our hearts out but also just missed out in playing the finals. Overall, the day gave us a chance to learn and build from our performance to be able to improve. As it is Alessia and my last SACCSS tournament we left feeling accomplished, and we will cherish the memories that were made during these days. We know we have left the seat for some very talented players coming from the junior levels of secondary school.

Other teams representing Marymede at Senior Sports day included the Girls Senior Futsal team and the mixed Netball team. The mixed netball team qualified for the semi-final and were unfortunate to miss out on the grand final. Congratulations to all teams who played in Senior teams.



Owen Onyango
School Captain

Secondary House Swimming Carnival

Marymede Catholic College started the 2023 Sports Carnival year off with a BANG! The first Carnival was the swimming, which was a day of much laughter, happiness, and love.

The first event of the Swimming Carnival of was Years 7-12 freestyle which had many participants. Whilst this was happening there were multiple activities occurring, including volleyball, novelty events, such as tug of war, throw the bean bag in the hole and many more. However, this year Marymede had access to everyone's favourites: THE SLIDES. We are sure that the slides saw the largest turnout of participants on the day, other than the relay of course.

Following the first event came backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly. Whilst these events were going ahead every year level got the opportunity to participate in the other activities. Even

though it was summer the weather wasn't the most ideal for a swimming carnival, this did not affect anyone's attitude for the day and there was still plenty of participation in all events and much positivity. After a well a needed lunch break to refuel all the swimmers, it was time for the famous relays, which revealed many individuals' competitive side, many laughs and of course memories that will last a lifetime. As the day drew to a close and the points were tallied up, the results of what everyone was competing for were revealed.

The points consisted of:

- 1st place: McAuley 482 points
- 2nd place: Chisholm 481 points
- 3rd place: Chanel 423 points
- 4th place: Marcellin 412 points
- 5th place: Romero 318 points
- 6th place: McCormack 307 points
- 7th place: Mackillop 125 points



Madi Scrimizzi and Abraham Smith
Sport Captains

CHIEF VCE EXAM SUPERVISOR

Marymede is looking for a Chief VCE Exam Supervisor to be available work at the College on 15 June 2023 and during the end of year Exam period Tuesday 24 October to Wednesday 15 November 2023.

The Chief Exam Supervisor Chief supervisors cannot be any of the following:

- a teacher who has taught Units 1-2 or 3-4 in the past two years;
- related to or associated with any student undertaking a VCE Unit 3 or 4 study in 2023;
- teaching or tutoring any student in a VCE Unit 3 or 4 study in 2023.

Applications close Monday 20 March at 9.00am.

Full information and application details are available on the Marymede Catholic College website:

<https://www.marymede.vic.edu.au/quick/employment>

Gabby Callaghan
HR Manager

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Calthorpe Resource Centre

The Calthorpe Resource Centre team invites parent volunteers to assist with book covering and some shelving of books.

You will need to have a Working with Children check, and to undertake *Child Safe* training before you commence.

Please contact Head of the Resource Centre, Marie O'Brien at Marie.O'Brien@marymede.vic.edu.au

if you would like more information.

We look forward to welcoming volunteers to our busy and vibrant Library.

Ms Marie O'Brien
Head of the Calthorpe Resource Centre

PARENTS AND FRIENDS COMMITTEE

Colour run Splash and Dash: Friday 24 March

We're three weeks out from our *School Fun Run's Splash & Dash!* We hope students are working hard towards their fundraising goals!

Currently we have raised \$2,513.00 of our \$40,000.00, so there is a way to go and I hope you'll keep supporting us. Remember, the money raised will be going towards the Marymede School Fete.

Did you know that you can WIN a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Package by setting up your student profile online and raising \$1 online? Just head over to the link below. Once you've created your page there are some great things you can do. You can sign up for online fundraising, pick your target prize and even become a fundraising superstar!

<https://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/>

We also have a great giveaway: every student that raises \$200.00 will go into the draw be one of 10 to win a free canteen lunch.

Start sharing your link via social media, text or email: this is a great way to get your donations.

Thanks for supporting us with your fundraising efforts and remember to log on to the link above to start fundraising today. We look forward to celebrating with an amazing day!

If there are any parents out there that work for Victoria Police and would like to volunteer their time to be at the colour run in uniform and bring their police car onsite for the evening, please get in touch with the P&F on paf@marymede.vic.edu.au

Fete Market Stall Holders

We are still looking within the Marymede community who has a small business and would like to have a stall at the market please contact paf@marymede.vic.edu.au . We will be sending out prices and information shortly.

Food Trucks

If anyone within the Marymede community owns a food truck or knows of anyone who has a food truck and would like to attend the fete in November, please contact paf@marymede.vic.edu.au

Michelle Williams
President - Parents and Friends Association

Hume Whittlesea LLEN / Whittlesea Youth Commitment
invites you to the

**Whittlesea Careers Expo for
Young People & Parents/Carers**

23rd March 2023 4.30pm-6.30pm
Plenty Ranges Arts & Convention Centre
Ferres Blvd, South Morang

Registrations for this evening event can
be made by contacting Helen:
helen.m@hwllen.com.au / 0434 231 987



Career Networking for Young People
An interactive career expo for school students

Interactive stalls will be hosted by representatives from universities,
TAFEs, RTOs, apprenticeship & traineeship groups, Australian
Defence Force, local government etc, with opportunities for practical
engagement in a range of vocational areas.

23rd March 2023 9.00am-3.30pm
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**RSVP for school groups essential-
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