



23 November 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

The VCE Units 3 & 4 exams have ended and I congratulate our students for the hard work and level of commitment they have shown over the last few trying weeks.

The students now anxiously await their results which will be released in mid-December. Thank you to our VCE Coordinator, Mr. Vincenzo Rovetto for coordinating the examinations.

Years 11 & 12 2018 Commencement Classes

Today, our Years 11 & 12 students will begin their commencement classes. These classes are compulsory for our senior students returning to Marymede next year.

Year 9 Exams

The Year 9 exams begin on Tuesday December 5 and I have said to our students on a number of occasions at school assemblies, those students who have made a commitment to their studies throughout the year can approach their exams with confidence.

Year 7 2018 Parent Information Night – 23/11

A reminder to our Year 7 2018 parents that we will be holding a Transition Evening tonight at 7.00pm in the Auditorium. Senior staff members will be in attendance and the House Coordinators will be in their Houses to address any of the questions about the transition into Secondary school.

National Futsal Championships

Last weekend, our Year 10 Boys' Futsal team competed in the National Futsal Championships in Brisbane. The team narrowly missed out on making the finals.

Congratulations to the boys on the way they represented our college and to our staff members Ms Ann-Marie Kane and Mr. Kristian Lipiarski for the support they offered the team.

Philippines Immersion Program

Our Philippines Immersion party consisting of Year 11 students Tye Jackson, Sofia Razal, Bethlehem Dislakis, Renee Verna, Alexandria Verdi, Daniel Nicolo, James Manoussakis, Samantha Gaunder, Jessica Jacobs, Breanna Martin and staff members Ms Kelly Hack and Mr. Jeremy Guzman, depart for the Philippines on 1 December. Mr. Kevin Meese from Catholic Mission will be supporting our staff and students on the immersion trip.

We wish them a safe and rewarding experience in the Philippines and look forward to catching up when we return in 2018.

Year 6 Camp

The Year 6 students and a number of primary staff were involved in the annual excursion to Canberra last week. From the reports I have received, our students had a wonderful experience in the nation's capital.

Grandparent's Day

We were blessed with stunning weather for our inaugural whole school Grandparent's luncheon which was held recently. Walking around the college grounds, it was fantastic to see the number of Grandparents who were in attendance and the interaction which was taking place between staff, students and Grandparents. The school was a sea of colour and the feedback was overwhelmingly very positive.

Thank you to Ms Julia Wake and the staff who supported her in organising this wonderful Marymede Community event.

Secondary Awards Evening – 27/11

A final reminder that the Secondary Awards Evening will take place next Monday 27 November in the College Fitness Centre starting at 7.00pm.

Carols by Candlelight – 7/12

Our annual Marymede Catholic College Community celebration of Carols by Candlelight will take place on Thursday 7 December in the Fitness Centre at 6.00pm. This is a wonderful

way for us to come together to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

Professional Renewal Leave

I am currently on Professional Renewal Leave in Italy visiting our new sister school, Scuola Media, Stefano da Putignano, Bari. A number of our current Years 9 & 10 students studying Italian will be attending classes in late November next year as part of our LOTE Exchange Program.

In my absence, Ms Tracey Kift will be the Acting Principal. I plan to be back at school on Thursday 7 December, just in time for our Carols by Candlelight.

Kind Regards

Mr. Michael Kenny
Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS PREP – YEAR 12

School Improvement Survey Results

The College recently received the results of our 2017 School Improvement Surveys. We had a record number of families respond to the survey – 158 families, alongside, 339 students and 128 staff – which has provided some outstanding insights into the progress the College has made in the past 12 months.

The results of the survey have been very affirming of the direction the College is taking and the changes underway. It also continues to give us important information on how to continue to grow and develop over the next 5 years.

Thankyou to all families who completed this survey.

Year 11 and 12 Commencement

Our Year 10 and 11 students officially became Year 11 and 12 students today with the beginning of their 2018 Commencement classes. These classes are an important introduction to their VCE studies and ensure they have a jump start to their studies next year. Given the importance of these classes, it is essential that students attend all scheduled classes in these two weeks and take the opportunity to begin reading, studying and revising the content covered in preparation for SACs in early Term 1.

Students will receive holiday homework to complete for their VCE studies over the Christmas break; these tasks are compulsory and an important foundation for their learning next year. Students are encouraged to read through all tasks that have been given prior to December 18 to ensure they understand the tasks set or that they can contact their teachers for any clarification. Failure to complete homework due to not understanding the task will not be an acceptable excuse for non-completion of tasks.

Ms Tracey Kift
Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching Prep – Year 12

ACTING HEAD OF FAITH AND MISSION

Faith and Mission: ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARE APPEAL

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Christmas is a time to open our hearts and give generously to our local and global community. This year we wish to support the Christmas appeals for each of our House Charities, so we are inviting the community to continue to be generous and donate goods and products related to your child's allocated House group. Your gifts can be placed in the relevant boxes in the Founders Building, or, if you are attending the Carols by Candlelight on Thursday, December 7, you are welcome to bring a gift and place it in the boxes displayed.

Please refer to your child's House Group below for gift ideas and a brief description of each appeal. Please note, there is no need to wrap any products.

Please contact Mrs Marie Bagh (Acting Director Faith and Mission - Secondary) if you have any questions.

We thank you in advance for your wonderful and generous support.

House Charity	The House Charity need assistance with....
Chanel: Catholic Mission	Catholic Mission is needing donations of good quality, almost new children's books that are not torn or written in. Catholic Mission will take the books to Myanmar, Burma, where they are training teachers and establishing a school. The donated books will be used in their library for primary students.
Chisolm: The Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project	The Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (BASP) require practical support like groceries and cleaning products. The following donated gift items will be of great support to BASP who will use these gifts to make up Christmas hampers for families seeking asylum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coles Gift Card • Nuts, dates, dried foods • Cooking oil • Colouring books and pencils, children's books (year level and age) • Cleaning products, cleaning sponges, • Nappies (toddler age) • Children's activity books
McAuley: The Sisters of Mercy - Mercy Works	Asylum Seeker Resource Centre: Top TEN items to support people seeking asylum living in our community: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • basmati rice • tinned tuna/fish in oil

CAMPUS CO-ORDINATOR PREP – YEAR 12

House Community Picnic Success

The queue to get into the school snaked down past the Prep House into the carpark. What a beautiful day for our families to come together in their Houses. Having a whole school picnic enables families who have children from the primary and secondary years to come together. There were tables of cards, hula hoops, skipping ropes and amazing picnic spreads. Each House had about 50 families attend, and we had about 700 extra people sprawled across our lawns. Next year will be even bigger, and we'll be better prepared. Thank you for entering into the spirit of the day.



Awetism Expo 17

Marymede flies the pilot school flag for the I CAN Network, and on Friday, November 17, six students shared their I CAN talents and interests at the ANZ World Headquarters. Alongside students from at least 20 other schools, these young people listened to each other, shared stories and amazed each other. Reverend Tim Costello was a guest speaker who emphasised the importance of diversity, imagination and creativity and the significance of celebrating each other's talents and success.

In the photo below, Chris Varney, Founder & CEO, is to the left and alumni Marymede student Caitlin Downie, is to the far right.



House Charity	The House Charity need assistance with....
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> tinned tomatoes & tomato paste pasta & pasta sauce spreads: honey, peanut butter, tahini, jam raw nuts & dried fruit family pack biscuits coconut cream tea bags & ground or instant coffee shampoo and dishwashing liquid
McCormack: Catholic Care	<p>To assist the Refugee community in Eltham, Dandenong and Melton through the Refugee Settlement Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supermarket vouchers basmati rice tinned tuna/fish in oil tinned tomatoes & tomato paste pasta & pasta sauce spreads: honey, peanut butter, tahini, jam raw nuts & dried fruit family pack biscuits oil coconut cream tea bags & ground or instant coffee shampoo and dishwashing liquid
Romero: St Mary's House of Welcome	<p>St Mary's House of Welcome is a support centre for disadvantaged people experiencing homelessness, poverty and mental health issues. Currently their pantry is depleted and require general perishable foods, for breakfasts and lunch, including long life milk, cereals, noodles, pasta and pasta sauces, baby formula (for 2-year-old plus), couscous, and other easy to cook items.</p>
Marcellin: Australian Marist Solidarity (AMS)	<p>The Marist School in Bangladesh is a community made up of families who work on the tea plantations and are virtually slaves. We are asking that students bring in a gold coin donation and participate in House games so that the money raised will be used for an infrastructure project in Bangladesh through a partnership with the Marist brothers in Bangladesh.</p>

Mrs Marie Bagh
Acting Director Faith and Mission

St Mary's College for the Hearing Impaired Graduation

On Monday on this week, we celebrated with St Mary's, the graduation of students, Chantelle Ippolito and Max Jones. Chantelle is the first Graduate of the South Morang Campus of St Mary's College for the Hearing Impaired, to achieve her VCE, and Max, through successfully completing Senior VCAL and his Automotive VET Certificate is in his second year of an apprenticeship.

Congratulations to the St Mary's team and the support you all provide each other in reaching these significant milestones.



Secondary School Awards Evening – Monday 27 November

A letter has been sent to all families regarding the upcoming Awards Evening. All students are required to 'check-in' with their Tutor Teacher and be seated by 6.45pm. We look forward to celebrating the great work of our students across all learning areas of the College.

Year 5 Camp – Wednesday 29 November to Friday 1 December

The students and staff cannot wait for this adventure camp! Make sure your children pack their own bag!

Ms Julia Wake

Campus Co-ordinator Prep – Year 12

SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

Marymede Catholic College *Top Acts Performing Arts Concert- A raging Success*

The third Annual Marymede Catholic College *Top Acts Performing Arts Concert* 2017 was a raging success. It was the first time Marymede Catholic College has held a *Top Acts Performing Arts Concert* at Plenty Ranges Arts and Convention Centre. The night featured VCE soloists, Primary Choir, VET Dance, Drum Line, Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced Sessional Dance, a selection of Year 6 DJs and Year 9 Drama with an in excess of 115 people performing from Year 1 to Year 12.

Some highlights for me included the "Body Image" dance performed by the VET dance students who were able to use a slam poetry piece about the issue of body image to make a very moving dance performance. A lot of smiles were in the audience as the house curtains were raised to reveal the

primary students singing to "Titanium" and "Fight Song". Another performance that stood out was the Year 9 Drama class who performed a scene from a performance they made to present in the Malthouse Theatre about the dangers of global warming.

Overall, it was an amazing night with amazing performances. A massive congratulations to all staff and students involved.



Mr Helsen Cross

2018 Performing Arts Captain

Year 9 Drama- Suitcase Series

On November 10, 2017, the Year 9 Drama class travelled to the Malthouse Theatre to perform an interpretation of the stimuli script 'Turbine'. The experience allowed the Year 9 class to catch a glimpse of what it really means to create and perform your own piece.

The people there were extremely welcoming and created a supportive environment for the performances shown.

The experience allowed us to observe other's interpretations of the 'Turbine' script and helped us to develop our performance skills. We were extremely lucky to observe the professional performance of the play and to see the script come to life, it was interesting to see real life adaptations of characters we had only read about.

We are all extremely thankful that we had the opportunity to attend this excursion.

Miss April Robertson

Year 9 Drama Student

Marymede's Carols by Candlelight- Tickets On Sale Now

Carols by Candlelight is fast approaching on Thursday December 7. Tickets are now on sale at a cost of \$5 per ticket, includes a sausage in bread, a drink, a raffle ticket, and a donation to the St. Vincent De Paul. All tickets can be purchased via TryBooking at the link below:

<https://www.trybooking.com/TCPK>

More information will be distributed in the coming week via Facebook, email and SIMON.



Ms Angie Bedford
Head of Performing Arts Prep – Year 12

Australasian Futsal Championships – Brisbane 2017

From November 9 – 13, ten Marymede students travelled to Brisbane to play in the U/16 Australasian Futsal Championships. The boys representing Marymede were: Daniel Tsafkas, Anthony D’Ambrosio, Deon Roumeliotis, Jake Montagnese, Robert Pintimalli, Jordan Talevski, Aydan Fasciani, Jack Anderson, Corey Thompson and Jake Ciantar. The boys played 7 matches in total, winning 3, drawing in 1 and being defeated in 3. They played quality futsal representing the college and state with pride finishing in 5th place overall. Throughout the tournament the Marymede boys scored 44 goals in total. Top goal scorer was Anthony D’ Ambrosio who scored 8 of the 10 goals in our final match and a total of 22 goals in the tournament. Other goal scorers included Jake Montagnese (7), Jack Anderson (3), Daniel Tsafkas (3), Deon Roumeliotis (8), and Aydan Fasciani (1).

The boys thoroughly enjoyed playing in a tough competition against the best in the country, and are already looking forward to the qualification stages for the 2018 Championships. A huge thanks to the parents for supporting their sons in attending this tournament, and to Mr. Kristian Lipiarski for coaching the boys throughout the year.



Year 8 Boys Soccer Premier League Winners

Last week on our Year 8 Boys soccer team were crowned Premier League winners after defeating local rivals St. Monica’s College in the Grand final 3-2. The boys played in a nail-biting thriller, but came away as the superior team, champions and undefeated in 2 years.

On the day the full team showed grit, determination and a hunger for victory. Every player did his best and gave all they could. Team members included: Deon Roumeliotis, Chris Markovski, Adrijan Ajvazovski, Mohammed Al Noobi, Luke Bosco, Joseph Calcagno, Marcus Caruana, Daniel Cincotta, Jesse Hardie, Jake Mitkovski, Mitchell Popovski, Ethan Quattrone, Stefan Santinon, Sahib Singh, Corey Thompson,

Julian Trampevski and Jett Humphreys. Goal scorers for Marymede in the Grand Final were Julian Trampevski, Marcus Caruana and Deon Roumeliotis. Congratulations to the Year 8 boys and their Coach, David O’Connor.



Ms Ann-Marie Kane
Head of Sport

2017 Whittlesea Show

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded a prize or received a commendation for their Visual Arts work, which was exhibited at the Whittlesea Show on the 4th and 5th of November.

Out of 100 entries from Marymede, over a third of them received a prize or commendation – this is a terrific result.

Student	Year Level	Section	Prize/ Commendation
William Van Krieken	Year 4	Creative Writing	2nd
Jacob Zdunic	Year 2	2D Art	Commended
Insa Gu	Year 2	2D Art	Commended
Maci Madin	Year 2	2D Art	1st
Natalie Zdunic	Year 5	2D Art	1st
Alice Arena	Year 1	Collage	Very Highly Commended
Daryl Roy	Year 1	Collage	1st
Ace Whitnall	Year 1	Collage	2nd
Ava La Rosa	Year 2	Collage	Commended
Elliah Klein	Year 1	Modelling	5th
Ada Gordon	Year 1	Modelling	2nd
Ciera Multari	Year 1	Modelling	4th
Benjamin Zychla	Year 1	Modelling	5th

Student	Year Level	Section	Prize/ Commendation
Jessica Bibis	Year 2	Modelling	6th
Zac Trajkovski	Year 2	Modelling	1st
Zac Trajkovski	Year 2	Modelling	Best Primary Exhibit
Philippa Carville	Year 7	2D Art	3rd
Isabella Chessler	Year 7	2D Art	Very Highly Commended
Stefan Buzevski	Year 7	2D Art	Commended
David Coles	Year 7	2D Art	Highly Commended
Aishleen Kaur	Year 7	2D Art	1st
Eilish Driver	Year 12	2D Art	1st
Adam Argyros	Year 10	Computer Generated Art	2nd
Adrian Garro	Year 10	Computer Generated Art	5th
Julian Bosco	Year 10	Computer Generated Art	Very Highly Commended
Alex Mastrilli	Year 10	Computer Generated Art	1st
Jacob Francisco	Year 10	Media Studies	Highly Commended
Lucas Gatto	Year 10	Media Studies	Highly Commended
Daniel Nicolo	Year 11	Media Studies	3rd
Sofia Razal	Year 11	Media Studies	2nd
Sofia Razal	Year 11	Photography	1st
Damon Rudge	Year 11	Media Studies	5th
Tahlia Thomas	Year 11	Media Studies	4th
Julian Zaccari	Year 11	Media Studies	1st
Angelique Milevski	Year 12	Media Studies	3rd
Jacinta Costanzo	Year 12	Media Studies	2nd

Thank you to Ms Julie D'Avoine, Visual Arts Technician, for all her work in co-ordinating our entries again this year, and to the Visual Arts teachers for inspiring the young, creative artists in their classrooms.

The students' work is currently on display in the foyer of the Performing Arts Building. You are all welcome to visit the exhibition space at any time.

Mr Jeremy Guzman
Head of Visual Arts

PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Year 6 Canberra Camp 2017

Students from Year 6 travelled to Canberra on Monday, November 13 to undertake an educational tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. Some of the places we visited were Parliament House, Australian Institute of Sport and Questacon. It was a jam packed week and we came back on Friday 17 November. A special thanks to all the staff that made this week possible, and so enjoyable for our students.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Well done to all the pupils for being so enthusiastic and respectful.

Miss Alison Lappin
Year 6 Level Coordinator

Primary Sport

House Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Marcellin on winning the Marymede Primary House Swimming Carnival

Over 90, Year 3 -5 students participated, and the year results are as follows:

- 1st place Marcellin
- 2nd place McAuley
- 3rd place - McCormack
- 4th place Romero
- 5th place Chisholm
- 6th place Chanel



Primary House Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to McCormack who were the winners of both the Prep – Year 2 and Year 3 - 6 House Athletics Carnival.



Primary Volleyball

The boy's Primary volleyball team have qualified to the School Sport Victoria State Competition which is to be held on Friday November 24. This is the second year running Marymede has qualified to this stage and hopefully we can come away with one better than runners up in 2016.



Year 5 House Sport

It's been great to see the boys and girls show a lot of enthusiasm with the hip hop dance classes they have been exposed to during House Sport this term. Thank you to Kira McLennan for taking these classes.



In2Cricket and NetSetGO

We have now completed week 4 of the Junior Netball and Cricket sessions that are run on Fridays after school. The students are learning a lot about the games and it is great to see so many families attend.



Upcoming Dates

Friday November 24:	Year 6 selected students - State Volleyball
	Year 4 selected students - Cricket and Soccer
Monday November 26:	Year 3 & 4 selected students - State All Stars Hoop Time Final
Thursday November 30:	Year 3 & 4 selected students - State Final Future Stars

Mr Gerard Large
Head of Sport

PATHWAYS

Careers

Careers Website

Each week we get list of current vacancies in Apprenticeships and Traineeships. Both full time and School based. We place this updates list as it arrives on the Marymede Career Website. The link to the careers website can be found in PAM or on SIMON under the tab, Student (from home). Parents and students are encouraged to familiarise themselves with this wonderful website that contains a wealth of information. There is a Student area on the lower right-hand side where students can register and go into a careers tools area that contains easy to understand tools for making a resume or doing an application letter. Under work experience tab at the top you will find the area where the forms for work experience or structured work place learning (SWL for VCAL or VET students only) forms

can be downloaded. You can find information on how to get a Tax File Number or Unique Student Identifier number(USI), needed by every student to complete any certificate.

VTAC

Any Year 12 students who may want to change their VTAC preferences will need to wait till after Monday, November 20 when it re-opens.

2017 Post Results and ATAR Services (PRAS)

PRAS is a joint VCAA and VTAC information service available to students, parents and teachers who may have queries after the release of results in December. Please note that results cannot be obtained through this service.

If students have questions about results they can visit the PRAS blog or contact PRAS by phone or email between:

- Friday 15 December 7.00am – 5.00pm
- Saturday 16 December to Tuesday 19 December 9.00am – 5.00pm

Phone (03) 9032 1717 (metropolitan callers) or 1800 653 080 (freecall) or email: pras@edumail.vic.gov.au

Jobs in Health

It accounts for more than one in every nine Australian jobs, and is picked to be the next trillion-dollar global industry. Our endless pursuit of health and wellbeing has reached epic proportions, with people pouring unprecedented sums of money into the 'wellness' industry – everything from acupuncture to personal training, pedicures and life coaching. The result is a burgeoning demand for workers to supplement the already 1.2 million strong Australian wellness workforces. With a promising career outlook, high job satisfaction and comfortable remuneration, you'll find all the components to ensure that you wind up in a Jobs-for-the-healthy-wealthy-and-wise

Take Care of Yourself

Self-care is a pretty buzzwordy term that seems to be popping up all over the place. It pretty much just means deciding to spend time checking in and looking after yourself. And it can take different forms for different people.

<https://www.fya.org.au/2016/08/19/what-is-self-care-5-easy-ways-to-start/>

Work Experience or (Structured work place learning for VET or VCAL student)

Students can complete placements once they finish Term 4 if they are 15 years of age and get their fully completed forms into the Pathways Team at the College by no later than Monday, December 4. The college can cover students for Work Cover up until Friday, December 22. No student is permitted to do placement after that date as they will not be covered by Work Cover.



Mrs Carol Fisher
Careers Coordinator

PARENT'S AND FRIENDS

Marymede Family Movie Night – Saturday 25 November

This community event is fundraising for the Parents and Friends, and our Philippines Immersion, please come along for one, or both, movies screening on the big screen in the Fitness Centre.

BBQ and movie treats are available for sale and the **Annual Major Raffle** will be drawn between each movie.

- 5.00pm:** Doors open
- 5.30pm:** First movie – ICE AGE 5
- 7.30pm:** Raffle Drawn
- 7.45pm:** Second Movie – NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM
- 10.00pm:** Close

Feel free to bring a **SOFT** beanbag, mattress or blow up chair to sit on. Fitness Centre seats will be available, but camp chairs and fold-out chairs will not be able to be used.

Further details are in the attached flier.

Ms Julia Wake
Campus Co-ordinator Prep – Year 12

COMMUNITY MASS

