In an extraordinary display of talent and generosity, the Mazenod/Avila College Musical is upon us. As in every other year, the Musical is exceptional in its production, costuming, staging, lighting, sound, dancing, singing, acting and audience enjoyment.

These performances (which are currently still happening) are the culmination of many, many hours of rehearsals. We are all extremely proud of the Cast and Crew and I would like to publically thank all involved in its production. In a very special way, I would like to thank Mr Ken Nailon, Ms Laura Bomford, Ms Kaye Williamson, Mr Doug Leutchford, Mr Adrian De Fanti, Mr Jason Mears and an entire team of volunteers for helping to maintain and grow the fine reputation of musicals. Their generosity enables the students to experience the joy of a Musical Production.

In a new tradition, each performance has been dedicated to a charity working with those in need. A donation is made from the proceeds of each performance. This year the charities have been Beyond Blue, SCOPE (Working with People with Disabilities), Jane McGrath Breast Cancer Foundation and The Prostate Cancer Council of Victoria. The Cast and Crew chose these charities based on personal experiences and the motto was “Each Performance Counts...Each Performance Gives”.

There will have been over 2200 people attending by the time the production ceases on Saturday night. We were able to welcome many friends of the College and thank them all for supporting the Musical. I genuinely wish that every family had the chance to experience the joy that Music and Theatre can bring. If you did not see this year’s musical, you should make an extra special effort to attend next year.

I would like to congratulate Sam Alves (Year 12) on winning a Silver Medal with the Victorian Under 19 Volleyball Team at the recent National Championships. Sam was selected in an All Stars 7 as the Middle Blocker. As Volleyball is one of Mazenod’s Premier Sports, I should explain the term Middle Blocker as best I can. On defence, the Middle Blocker position is the player at the net in the middle of the court between the two outside blockers. The middle blocker strives to be involved in blocking the opponent’s hitters wherever they may be on the court. On offense, the middle blocker will usually hit quick sets or serve as a decoy to confuse the opponent’s blockers if the pass is good enough. I hope that my explanation has enlightened you. We are extremely proud of Sam and his achievement.

This week has also seen us welcome students from our brother schools in Hong Kong (Notre Dame) and Osaka, Japan (Daisho College). It is a sign of a very healthy community, if there are genuine welcomes offered. We enjoy a special relationship with these two schools and we sincerely hope that both of our cultures learn from each other. The students have blended in very well here at the College. We are extremely comfortable with all of the joys associated with multiculturalism and see it as an essential part of the fabric of the College and indeed of our Australian experience. I thank all of the families involved in hosting our international guests. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

As I am sure you are aware, Ms Julia Gillard, our Prime Minister, has called an election for August 21. Being able to vote in an election is something we should never take for granted and it is really important that every vote is treated as precious. There are obviously a lot of issues that go into making a decision of who will get your vote. Obviously here at school, the respective Education policies of each of the parties are of particular interest. The funding afforded to Catholic Schools is of primary concern to us. We are still waiting to see the final funding proposals (post 2012) from the ALP and Liberal Party and I will alert you of both when we receive them. The Greens’ position is that they want to reverse Government funding away from non-government schools which they describe as excessive.

Mr Steven Elder, the Director of the CEO reports that: “Victorian Catholic schools receive 37% less per student in total government funding than Government schools and Catholic schools know that our future would be at risk if government funding was reduced further.”

Whatever the outcome of the election, we will need to work with the elected Government to ensure equity and justice is achieved through a fair distribution of wealth and resources. For further information please refer to each parties’ website www.alp.org.au and www.liberal.org.au

Happy Election Watching and Voting!

Take Care and God Bless
Fr Michael Twigg O.M.I.
DATES

July 2010
- Mon 26 July: Year 10 Subject Selection Evening
- Tue 27 July: Fathers’ & Mothers’ Meeting
- Tue 27 July: Visit from Daisho College concludes

August 2010
- Fri 06-Aug: Victorian Schools Volleyball Titles
- Mon 09 Aug: Year 12 VTAC Information Session
- Mon 09 Aug: Year 9 Subject Selection/Information Evening
- Tue 10 Aug: VCE Constitutional Convention
- Wed 11 Aug: College Board Meeting
- Fri 13 Aug: Assumption Day Mass
- Sun 15 Aug: Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Tue 17 Aug: Fathers’ Committee Meeting
- Tue 17 Aug: Parent Teacher Interviews (4pm-9pm)
- Wed 18 Aug: Parent Teacher Interviews (1pm-9pm)
  (No Courses for Students)
- Fri 20 Aug: Year 9 City Day 1
- Fri 27 Aug: Subject Selection Forms due for students in Year 9, 10, 11 & 12 (2011)
- Fri 27 Aug: Year 9 City Day 2
- Sat 28 Aug: Year 7 (2011) Assessment Testing

September 2010
- Thu 02 Sep: Year 8 Rock Climbing 1
- Fri 03 Sep: Year 9 City Day 3
- Sun 05 Sep: Father’s Day

More dates will be added progressively

OTHER NEWS

Mazenod Contact Details Update
Just a reminder regarding the recent mail out which was sent to all families requesting the email address, please return the form to the Student Counter as soon as possible.

EMA APPLICATIONS FOR SEMESTER 2 2010

Application Forms for Education Maintenance Allowance are now available for the second instalment for parents of new students entering the College, for parents who were not eligible for the first instalment or did not make an application for the first instalment.

Application Forms for Education Maintenance Allowance are available at the College Office.

To be eligible to receive the EMA you must
- be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; and
- be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004 or be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner or be a foster parent

The above eligibility criteria must be met as at the first day of 3rd term (12th July 2010). Your original card must be presented with your application for photocopying.

THE LAST DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 6th AUGUST 2010.
The boys all seemed enthusiastic and turned up ready to play. There was great laughter and banter as the boys prepared, and this seemed normal. The boys were listening intently in the pre match speech with some very funny one liner comments about particular players and their supposedly odd characteristics.

The boys went out and played, and though they tried hard were unable to beat a better skilled team. The game was played in great spirits and respect for each other was gained in the battle. Our boys walked off with big smiles and the laughter and banter continued as it had before the game!

It then struck me as I watched the boys talk about the past 60 minutes of competitive sport! Why are we embarrassed to show how much we want to win! No one seemed perturbed or worried that we had lost and we could even find enough laughs from what we did wrong, to keep us all entertained.

Now please, do not get me wrong here! The boys enjoyed the game and played it in a true competitive spirit! They were a credit to themselves in the way they played, however no one was prepared to take a stand and instil some competitive passion in the game or the team. I honestly believe that they were too embarrassed to show that they wanted to succeed because no one was prepared to be embarrassed by their team mates or the opposition that they actually cared about what had just happened! As boys can do, it is easier to blend into the crowd than stand out as being disappointed in the performance. It is easier to look like everyone else and act as if it just really did not matter what had happened in the last 60 minutes of play!

There is nothing wrong in wanting to succeed! Giving our best is what we ask all the time of our son’s, no matter what they are doing! We only want them to do their best in their academic pursuits and gain a result that is a true indication of their ability! We all want the best for our kid’s when they leave school and make their way through adulthood!

So don’t be scared to ask them why they have not won a game of ACC sport! If we have tried our best, and were beaten by a better team we can still walk with our heads high! If we go into a game expecting to lose and we do lose, then we are losers!

We only ask the boys to do their best every time they play! We want the whole team to work as one! We should never be embarrassed about wanting to be the best we can.

OLD COLLEGIANS

A great weekend for the team as the seniors had a big win against the third placed team! Matthew Arnot from Year 11 played another fantastic game as did Rees Thomas and Chamath Jayaweera who kicked 8 goals. The Reserves had a narrow loss with Fred Deegan and Ben Woods among the best players! The club XVIII team had a massive 32 goal win led by our own Mr Dan Kelly who is on the comeback after a knee injury last year. The under 19’s continue their stellar form and sit in second position with a great win over Peninsula Grammar Old Boys. Best for the under 19’s were the Jones twins Sam and Alex who completed year 12 in 2009!

The Old Boys have a big assignment against top side Caulfield Grammar at Central Reserve this week. They must win to keep their slim finals chance alive.

While watching the Old Boys last week it was great to see the support of many staff and familiar families around the ground. What was even more pleasing was to see a number of current students there helping out in a number of roles from manning the scoreboard to running drinks and holding official duties such as interchange steward. Well done to those students!

Results

Hockey
Sen 1 vs CBC 6
Scorer; Young. Best: Aquino, Fewkes, Third, Young, Sequeira
Yr 10 2 vs St Bernard’s 11
Best: Munro, Lar, Noone, Kalumba, Van Rensburg, Malmo
Yr 9 0 vs St Bernard’s 4
Best: L Riley, D’Rozario, Butler, Freeman, Skrzyniarz, Redden, S Riley
Scorers: Aquino 4, Slade 1 Best; Aquino, Urban, Gunton, Zamorano, Urban
Yr 7 0 vs Salesian 2
Basketball
Sen 80 vs CBC 53
Best: Wood, Pitts, Castledine Scorers: Wood 25, Castledine 20
Sen B 79 vs CBC 24
Best: Bruce, Jayasinghe, Phillips, McMorrow Scorers: Bruce 15, Phillips 14, P Lemalu 13
Yr 10 50 vs St Bernard’s 31
Best: Lacis, Ephraums, Melenhorst, Gee Scorcer: Lacis 22, Ephraums 14
Yr 10 B 34 vs STBE 29
Best: Meares, Dickenson, Izon, Scorcer: Dickenson 11, Meares 6
Yr 9 58 vs St Bernard’s 44
Best; Grigg, Bruce, Wood Scorers; Bartos 15, Bruce 10
Yr9B 31 vs St Bernard’s 92
Best: Hill-Donovan, Papalaskaris, Farrugia Scorers; Hegarty 6
Yr 8 16 vs Whitefriars 23
Scores: Marandola 9, McKeogh 5 Best; McKeogh, Marandola, Charman,
Yr 8 B 15 vs Whitefriars 41
Scores: Dimitakis 6 Best; Walker, Sier, Dimitakis, Lea
Yr 7 48 vs Salesian 25
Scorers: Kinkel 10, Martino 8 Best; Kinkel, Martino, Woods, Castledine
Yr 7 B 26 vs Salesian 20
Scores: Byrne 7, V Nguyen 6 Best; Gubbels, Byrne, Ubay, Costello
Table Tennis
Sen 15/74 vs De La Salle 0/1
Best; Nagassa, Gazuzin, Begashaw, Alberto
Yr 10 11/55 vs St Bernard’s 4/20
Best; Souter, Ma, Aiello, Cusmano, Bonazinga
Yr 9 15/65 vs St Bernard’s 0/10
Best; Braganza, Pawlukowski, T Tran, T Sikora
Yr 8 10/52 vs Whitefriars 5/23
Best; Gilmore, A Huynh, D Ho, S Nguyen, J Pham
Yr 7 12/63 vs Salesian 3/12
Best; Mayadunne, Carmody, Pham, Cao, Rozario, Cao, Cusmano

Next Week’s ACC Sport

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The Sports Team
Mr David May, Mr Adrian Connolly, Mr Emilio Montoya, Mr Jason Crabtree & Mr David Bedwell

Nazenod – Avila College Musical
Mass Times
Mass in the Mazenod Chapel – Monday to Friday, 8.10am during term

Sunday Masses in our Parishes - St Leonard's, Glen Waverley, Sat 6.30pm, Sun 7.30am, 9am, 10.30am, Good Shepherd. Wheelers Hill, Sat 6pm, Sun 8am, 9.30am, 11am, 6pm
St Justin’s, Wheelers Hill, Sat 7pm, Sun 8.30am, 10.30am; St Joseph’s, Springvale, Sat 6pm, Sun 8am, 9.30am, 11am, 3pm(Viet), 5.30pm;
St. John Vianney’s, Springvale North, Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30am, 10.00am, 5.30pm; St Peter’s Clayton, Sat 7pm, Sun 8am, 10am, 11.15am (Italian).