IMPORTANT NEWS

I am hoping that all families were aware of the recent statements of our Prime Minister, Julia Gillard that current Catholic school funding will be maintained until at least the end of 2013. This funding will also be indexed to account for rises in costs of wages and living.

This result provides a greater deal of certainty leading into the election and is a step in the right direction. This means that both the Labor Party and the Liberal Party are guaranteeing funding in real terms for the next Government in Parliament. The Green’s policy is to reverse funding away from Catholic schools.

Catholic Education has asked all parties to commit to maintain funding in real terms so that Government funding keeps pace with education costs.

There is always a delicate balancing act that political parties try to navigate at this time. One of the fundamental reasons that the Federal Government support Catholic schools in the manner that they do is that the State Government’s funding is less than adequate.

The facts of Catholic school funding are clear:

- Catholic schools students in Victoria receive 37% less total government funding than students in government schools.
- Catholic schools stretch every dollar further - the average spending per student by Catholic schools is 93% of the cost of education in a Government school.

With these resources, and students from every walk of life, Catholic education has a strong reason to keep Government funding at current levels in real terms with increases to keep pace with education costs. Clearly the conversation will continue, but it is important to be aware that this conversation is crucial and one that you need to constantly make with your local Members of Parliament.

In our democracy we do not vote for Julia Gillard or Tony Abbot. We vote for a series of local candidates. It is extremely important that these local candidates are made aware of local issues. Rest assured that we will continue to encourage all politicians to maintain the conversation.

On Wednesday of this week I accompanied nine students, along with Mrs Mary Moore and Fr Andrew Chen O.M.I. to St Joseph’s Primary School in Springvale, as part of the Year 10 Building Bridges Programme. This Programme sees Mazenod involved with students from the Jewish, Muslim and Christian faiths. The students were involved in a Day of Service in the St Joseph’s community. I was very proud of the way in which each student respected the dignity of the service. These young men expressed the absolute essence of Christian service by giving of themselves so willingly. The beauty of the Programme is that they got to witness the service of the other faiths as well. The students served the Year 3 and 4 students and it appeared from the smiles on the faces of all the students that they enjoyed themselves very much. Thanks very much to Mrs Moore and Fr. Andrew for their care of the boys as well.

This week also saw the results of the recent VCE Exams in Biology, Chemistry, Accounting, Physics and Psychology. Every single student was offered the opportunity for an individual conversation with myself or one of the Executive Team. There were the entire range of emotions present when the students received their results. For some it was a vindication for all of the hard work that they had put in. For others, it highlighted some necessary areas of improvement. I tried to emphasise to each student that they were worth more than any mark and that these important marks were an indicator of where they currently sat. For every student and staff member, there needs to be some significant learning from these recent exams. I thank each and every teacher for the support that they offer to the boys. I know that every teacher here at the College is absolutely committed to helping the students. I have great confidence in their ability and they do the teaching profession proud.

It is absolutely crucial now that every single Year 11 and 12 student steps up to the task at hand. Every family makes considerable sacrifice for their sons to attend this College and it is expected that every student respects that sacrifice. Our families here at the College support Catholic education and make those sacrifices because they are trying to give their sons the best education that they possibly can. We here at the College respect and accept that responsibility willingly. This is why we have such academic support offered to each of the boys. It is also why we have the academic consequences of Saturday detentions when the work ethic slips.

For the next 14 weeks, every single VCE student needs to make necessary sacrifices in order to achieve the best results that they can. This does not mean that they do not make the necessary contributions to their family life (dishes, chores, cleaning their rooms). But it may very well mean that they take every care to ensure that the work/rest balance is finely tuned. If there is any family that needs assistance from the College in trying to affirm that balance, then please don’t hesitate to call. I am genuinely happy to offer any assistance necessary (except clean their rooms!).

I have been very pleased to see that we are moving closer to the formation of an official Old Boy’s Association of the College. This Association will be available for all current students upon graduation and provides a wonderful network of spiritual, financial, sporting and moral support to all Old Boys and those associated with the College. This new Association will form shortly and one of the most pleasing aspects has been the willingness of Old Boys to contribute in many ways back to the College. It certainly does not surprise us that this support is offered as the culture of Old Boy’s support has been strong for decades. Under the caring and supportive eye of Mr Steve Putrino, the Old Boys have emerged as a powerful Association of Service and Support.

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

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Mazenod College
Warmly invites all parents, especially Mothers and Grandmothers to celebrate the College Mass in honour of Our Lady August 13 2010 at 11 am College Gymnasium

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Careers and Pathways

OPEN DAYS THIS WEEKEND—SUNDAY 8th AUGUST

RMIT
City Campus Sun 8 Aug 10am – 4pm 9925 2260 www.rmit.edu.au
Bundoora Campus Sun 8 Aug 10am – 4pm
Brunswick Campus Sun 8 Aug 10am – 4pm

Victoria University
Footscray Park only Sun 8 Aug 10am – 4pm 9688 4110 www.vu.edu.au

William Angliss
Institute of TAFE Sun 8 Aug 10am – 4pm 9606 2111 www.angliss.vic.edu.au

- Congratulate us on the Division 1 Intermediate Public Speaking Team comprising year 9 students Andre Sabatino, Tishan Lokuge, Jack Skeggs and Lachlan Cauchi who won the ACC Intermediate Public Speaking Competition at Parade College on Wednesday. The boys delivered a series of prepared and impromptu speeches. This is the third time they have won the title, making it a truly inspirational victory. Well done boys.

Ms J Caird.

The SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

We are in need of more good condition school and sports uniforms, ties, school bags, sports bags etc. Only good condition items will be accepted. Clothing must be clean and blazers dry-cleaned. Items can be left at the Front Office with contact details clearly attached.

Nancy 0418 553 191 nancy.mete@optusnet.com.au
Amanda 0401 194 799 diamanta@bigpond.net.au

Left to Right – Andre Sabatino, Tishan Lokuge, Lachlan Cauchi and Jack Skeggs

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DATE

August 2010

Mon 09 Aug Year 12 VET Information Session
Mon 09 Aug Year 9 Subject Selection/Information Evening
Tue 10 Aug VCE Constitutional Convention
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 (4 pm-9 pm)
Wed 18 Aug Parent Teacher Interviews (12.30 pm-8.30 pm)
Wed 18 Aug College Board Meeting
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
Wed 08 Sep Music Gala Night
Thu 09 Sep Year 8 Rock Climbing 2
Fri 10 Sep Year 9 City Day 4

More dates will be added progressively

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Dates: Tuesday 17 August 2010
4 pm – 9 pm (class will finish as normal)

Wednesday 18 August 2010
12.30 pm – 8.30 pm (Student Free Day)

Please book in the earlier sessions if possible, as the session after dinner is always very busy.
OPEN DAYS NEXT WEEKEND – SUNDAY 15th AUGUST

University of Melbourne
Parkville; VCA Discovery Day
Sun 15 Aug
10am – 4pm
1800 801 662
http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/about/openday/

Swinburne University
All Campuses
Sun 15 Aug
10am – 4pm
1300 368 777
www.swinexpo.com
www.swin.edu.au

Australian Catholic University
Melbourne Campus
Sun 15 Aug
10am – 3pm
1300 ASK ACU
www.acu.edu.au

2011 GAP YEAR placements are still available
Any year 12 students are interested in applying for a volunteering placement, Lattitude Global Volunteering have a wide range of options still available. The Lattitude website details the latest information at www.latitude.org.au including the process for applying. With exciting placements in countries all over the world and six different roles to choose from, there really are volunteer opportunities to suit everyone. If you would like further information about available placements, please contact Carla Baker on 03 9826 6266 or marketing@latitude.org.au

FITNESS AT CHISHOLM INSTITUTE
VTAC Code: 54191 (Berwick) 58021 (Frankston)
Course Information Sessions for 2011
What the information session offers you:
• Course Information
• Application Forms
• Access to the course teachers
• Opportunity to see Chisholm’s new facilities & equipment
Session Details: Thursday 9th December, 2010 (Frankston) or Monday 13th December, 2010 (Berwick) 7pm – 8pm
Venues:
Berwick Campus
Frankston Campus
Kangan Drive
Fletcher Road
Building A
Building Y
Auditorium
Fitness Lab
To register your attendance please call Maria on (03) 9238 8219

HOSPITALITY SHORT COURSES AT CHISHOLM INSTITUTE – SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Day classes in hospitality skills offered during the September term holidays. For complete information or enrolment, visit www.chisholm.edu.au/shortcourses or Chisholm Short courses 9238 8111

PROVIDE RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL
On satisfactory completion, an RSA certificate to meet State legislative requirements will be issued. (Participants must be a minimum of 17 yrs & 9mths of age).
Fee: $80 (GST exempt)
Sessions: 1 x 4 hours
Frankston: Tuesday 9.00am - 1.00pm, 21 September or Thursday 9.00am - 1.00pm, 23 September
Dandenong: Wednesday 9.00am - 1.00pm, 29 September

BAR ATTENDANTS
Promoting knowledge and practical skills within the hospitality industry. (Participants must be a minimum of 17 yrs & 9mths of age).
Fee: $280 (GST exempt)
Sessions: 2 x 7 hours
Frankston: Tuesday & Thursday, 9.00am - 4.00pm, 21 September & 23 September

COFFEE MAKING
An introduction to the art of coffee making.
Fee: $100 (GST exempt)
Sessions: 1 x 4 hours
Frankston: Tuesday 9.00am - 1.00pm, 21 September

PROFESSIONAL WAITING
An introductory course in food and beverage service.
Fee: $140 (GST exempt)
Sessions: 1 x 7 hours
Frankston: Wednesday 9.00am - 4.00pm, 21 September

Vivian Seremetis – Careers Coordinator

SPORTS NEWS

Who Is Best!

I learnt a valuable lesson last week! Never get too comfortable and take your eye off the ball! I mistakenly over looked that an ACC game was scheduled to be played at an earlier time and consequently we missed the game. The game will be rescheduled, and there is no real consequence, except the embarrassment of us not turning up!

What it did reinforce was the famous line used by our former Director of Sport, Mr. Damian Carroll who always reminded us, ‘Failing to prepare, is preparing to fail.’

We can sometimes in life, get into a routine and we become focussed on exactly what has to be done. We focus on the end product with blinkers on! We make sure we keep things steady and try to get to the end with little trouble! The problem is we forget about all the things going on around us and we lose our peripheral vision and perspective! We need to ensure that we have taken care of all things we can control.

There is no doubt we all fall into this trap at stages during the year. It takes enormous courage to get out of our comfort zone and push our threshold limits in life. This motto is something that we all can follow, both young and old. The students here are great in everything they do, but few are reluctant to push themselves. Take cross country for example; many students are not prepared to get involved because they don’t want to run against a clock! Many students would not know how good they could be, because they are just not prepared to go the extra distance and give it a go.

I am an unashamedly huge fan of Brett Kirk, Captain of the Sydney Swans in the AFL. I was reading with interest the other day an article about his life in football. At the end he summed up what sport was to him. He said that before he leaves each week to go and play, his 5 year old son says to him, ‘Dad you don’t have to be the best player today, you just have to be the one that tries the hardest!’

We are not an elite sports school, and never intend to be with scholarships. We do however; wish to give every student the chance to participate in as many sporting opportunities as possible and where we can, help develop students in their chosen sports. We are proud of all our premiership teams and students that succeed in individual pursuits. But above all, we always applaud loudly and proudly all the students who go out and do their BEST! We ask nothing more and nothing less from our youngest to our oldest student!

Further to the fine efforts of Joel Watson at the AIS Swimming Championships a few weeks ago, we learnt that fellow Year 7 student Nathan Huynh competed and finished 3rd in the Butterfly. A fantastic effort by our Mazenod boys, and names we will all keep an eye out for in the future.

SPORTSMAN NIGHT/ Change of Date
Due to the ever increasing calendar and the demands on our Year 12 students in late October we have decided to move the Sportsman Night to Wednesday, September the 15th. This night is to acknowledge the efforts of our ACC sporting teams and to present trophies to those students who have been lucky enough to win one. The night will be held at the Drum Theatre, Dandenong. Invitations
will be sent out to students in the near future. Those students who compete in Term 4 sports will receive their awards at a special assembly at the end of the year, as we have done previously.

OLD COLLEGIANS FOOTBALL CLUB
The Old Boys had another great win on the round! After the long road trip to Sunbury, both teams had terrific wins. The Seniors still keep their finals chance alive with a 10 point win, and with 3 games to go must win all three games and rely on others losing games. Matthew Arnot from Year 11 was again named in the best. The Seconds had a much bigger win with J Fahey and B Woods continuing their good form. Alex Jones kicked another 4 goals as the under 19’s secured second spot on the ladder. The Old Boys are at home to Ormond this week.

Results:

**Hockey**
Sen 2 vs Emmanuel 3
Scorers; Third 2 Best: Moonasinghe, Third, Fewkes, Aquino, Warfe, Lai
Yr 10 6 vs CBC 4
Scorers: Munro 4, Radziminski 2 Best: Radziminski, Munro, Urban, Coster
Yr 9 0 vs St Bede’s 2
Best; Butler, D’Rozario, L Riley, Freeman, Skrzyniarz, Chanel
Yr 8 4 vs DLS 3
Scorers; Aquino 2, McLellan, Cincotta Best: Aquino, Cincotta, Gunton, McLellan,
Yr 7 0 vs WHTFRS 10
Best; A Nguyen, Bayly, Clifton, Welsford

**Basketball**
Sen 85 vs Emm 25
Best: Castledine, Wood, Kenny, Pitts Scorers; Castledine 28, Wood 18
Sen B 68 vs Emm 22
Best: Bruce, Verbly, Phillips, Cabral Scorers; McKeogh 13, Verbly 12
Yr 10 64 vs CBC 28
Best: Gee, Lasic, Melenhorst, Ephaumras Scorer: Gee 17, Lasic 17
Yr 10 B 48 vs CBC 18
Best: Izon, Meares, Dickenson, Knight Scorer: Izon 12, Velante 11
Yr 9 50 vs St Bede’s 42
Scorers; Wood 15, Scammell 11 Best; Grigg, Signal, Scammell, Dalzotto
Yr9B 50 vs St Bede’s 30
Scorers: Hegarty 14 Best: Hegarty, Stewart, Hill-Donovan,
Yr 8 24 vs DLS 56
Best; Stephenson, Goullet, McKeogh
Yr 8B 23 vs DLS 58
Best; Le Maitre, Sier, McKenna
Yr 7 23 vs WHTFRS 43
Best; Castledine 9, Kinkela 6 Best; Castledine, Kinkela, Woods, Cross
Yr 7B 25 vs WHTFRS 29
Scores: Nguyen 12 Best; V Nguyen, Nikcevich, Costello, Ubay

**Table Tennis**
Sen vs BYE
Yr 10 13/63 vs CBC 2/32
Best; J Nguyen, C Chew, J Logan, J Souter, A Bonazinga
Yr 9 12/49 vs St Bede’s 3/26
Best; B Braganza, A Schiano, S Vaz, T Sikora
Yr 8 13/59 vs DLS 2/16
Best; Cotte, A Huynh, S Gilmore, S Nguyen, D Ho
Yr 7 14/69 vs WHTFRS 1/6
Best; Rozario, Mayadunne, Carmody, Braganza, K Phan, Hetrelezis, Shields, M Pham

Next Week’s ACC Sport

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The Sports Team
Mr Montoya, Mr Crabtree, Mr Bedwell, Mr Connolly & Mr May

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. Wheels Hill, Sat 6pm, Sun 8am, 9.30am, 11am, 6pm
St Justin’s, Wheels Hill, Sat 7pm, Sun 8.30am, 10.30am; St Joseph’s, Springvale, Sat 6pm, Sun 8am, 9.30am, 11am, 1pm(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).