As I am sure you are all aware, we are in election mode once again. It is truly a great gift to be able to freely participate in the democratic process. Many of our families have come to Australia because of the stability and freedom that is present here and with greater hope for their children. We really should never take for granted the political process as it is a genuine way for our voice to be heard.

Among the many issues that would go to informing your choice in the election, could be the State Government Funding of Catholic Education.

For many years, the Catholic Education Office has been lobbying the Labour Government to have Catholic funding linked to State School Funding and I am very pleased to announce that for the first time, both of the major political parties (Labour and Liberal) have committed to providing sustainable funding to Catholic Education.

The Premier and Minister for Education have this week announced that a re-elected Brumby Government will provide state funding to Catholic schools linked to 25% of the cost of education in a State School. This is a truly historic commitment to sustainable state funding for Catholic schools in Victoria. Only four years ago state funding made up only 15% of the income of Catholic schools.

Catholic education has now achieved bi-partisan commitment to fund Catholic schools at 25% of the cost of education in a State School. The Coalition previously committed to state funding for Catholic schools at 25% of the cost of education in a State School.

This commitment is a result of the hard work of many Parish Priests, principals, teachers and parents in raising the issue of fair funding for Catholic schools with our political leaders. This historic achievement is a direct result of that strong advocacy.

Thank you in particular to parents who have written to local MPs raising the issue of funding. Your work will have a lasting legacy in delivering sustainable funding to Catholic schools in Victoria. I have expressed our appreciation to Bronwyn Pike (Education Minister) and Daniel Andrews MP (the College’s local member and Health Minister) and have received a message acknowledging that.

Never again should State funding for Catholic schools be a political issue at a State election.

This week we farewelled the VCAL (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning) students at the Valedictory Mass and Dinner. The evening was a wonderful celebration with the students and their families. We were able to hear of their experiences in VCAL and we were able to say thanks to all of the Staff and families for their support of the boys.

It is our genuine hope that the boys will take the experience of belonging to a caring community, out into whatever field of work that they enter. We feel we have worked well with families to complement their opportunities.

I thank Mr Matt Johnson, Mr Tony Rolfe, Ms Vivian Seremetis, Ms Kaye Williamson and all VCAL Staff for their care of the boys. Your work is genuinely appreciated and valued.

We also held the final Board Meeting and Dinner for the year. I am very grateful for the tremendous work that Mr Peter Le Grand and the entire Board do for the College. This group of fine people have the College’s best interests at heart and are a wonderfully affirming and supportive presence within the school. I can genuinely say that each meeting is something that I look forward to.

I was very pleased to see that our Year 7 Public Speaking Team won the recent ACC Title. This, combined with the Intermediate Division, means that we have some of the finest Public Speakers in the State. I congratulate Ms Joanne Caird and the boys involved. I also commend the Year 8 Debating Team which finished in 2nd place in their competition. We are very proud of your efforts.

Our Year 9 Camps have taken place over the course of the week with trips to Canberra and country Victoria. I sincerely thank all of the Staff involved for their care and diligence in looking after the boys. It is on these camps that significant character and opportunities are revealed. With a couple of exceptions, I was impressed with the behaviour of the boys and I am glad that they took the opportunity presented.

I will leave the Sports Department to comment on the results of the Semi-Finals across Tennis, Cricket and Volleyball however I will say that once again, I have been impressed with the team work and cooperation of all involved. It is very important to me that we are known as fierce, yet fair competitors and that we accept decisions with respect. Under the care and direction of Mr Adrian Connelly, I feel very confident that the boys understand and appreciate the tremendous responsibility they have in representing all of us. They consistently do us proud and we thank them for it.

This year options for the exchange of second-hand textbooks have increased for the Mazenod community with the introduction of MazBay. The regular textbook sales will still be held, but this presents another option for families unable to attend the sale. It also has the convenience of being available all year round

We are currently right in the midst of exams and there was a small moment of significance that occurred on the stairway leading to the exams. Some Year 12’s had just finished their last exam and they were passing the Year 7’s on their way to their first exam. One Year 12 asked why these Year 7’s had smiles on their faces, to which another replied “they don’t know what’s coming yet!”. I hope and pray that every student gets the marks that they deserve and that they remember that they are worth much more than a number.

Please keep in your prayers all those experiencing loss through death. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

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

THE SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE OPEN
Friday 19 Nov 12.30 pm – 4.30 pm
Saturday 20 Nov 8.30 am – 12.30 pm
Saturday 27 Nov 8.30 am – 12.30 pm

Needed urgently: all good condition Mazenod School Uniform VCE blazers, VCE jumpers, VCE ties, new fabric blazers, school and sports uniform, ties, school bags, sports bags etc. Please note only good condition items will be accepted. Great opportunity to sell your son's outgrown uniform before the end of the year. Get them in as soon as possible to the Front Office with your name and address clearly attached to each item. Clothing must be clean and blazers dry-cleaned.
Nancy 0418 553 191 nancy.mete@optusnet.com.au
Amanda 0401 194 799 diamanta@bigpond.net.au

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MOTHERS’ AUXILIARY

Christmas Party
Ladies Auxiliary – 2010 Christmas Party
Still time to reply
Don’t miss out on this year’s Christmas Get Together
On Wednesday 17th November, 2010 commencing with an early
“Christmas Mass” at 7.30pm in our College Chapel then make your
way to the Founders Complex.
If you would like to be part of the choir lead by Danny Kennelly please
meet in the chapel at 7.05pm on the night to have a bit of a practice.
Stay for a “quick catch up” or “stay longer” but come – great food,
drink, door prizes and best of all great company
Let’s all celebrate the end of another successful year at Mazenod with
our final gathering for 2010 with a Christmas Party. This is a great
opportunity for some to say good bye and for some to catch up with
fellow Mothers. It will also give the opportunity for Ladies to welcome
the “New Mothers of 2011” into our community.
Come along and enjoy the night. For catering purposes you can please
reply promptly to: Sandra Mancini - Mobile: 0418 177 283
Email: sandracmancini@yahoo.com.au

Mazenod School Uniform

New uniform shop (located behind the School Chapel)
Open Tuesdays and Thursdays (during School Terms)
12.30 pm – 4 pm

Extra Opening Times in November
Tuesday 16th November (Orientation Day) 11 am – 4 pm
Saturday 27th November (Second hand book sale) 8.30 am – 12.30 pm
Tuesday 30th November 12.30 pm – 6 pm

Mazenod College Newsletter

The College Newsletter will now be sent to you via email.
For those Parents who have not supplied their email address, please ensure
you provide this to the Front Office as soon as possible.
For Parents who do not have an email address, a hard copy will be available for
collection by students or parents each Friday after 8am from the Student
Counter.

House Polos
New house polos will be available for 2011 at $39.00 each. Current House polos
are available at a special price of $15.00 (while stock last – Years 8-12 only)

VCE Blazers
New VCE Blazers are available at both Mazenod and Rowville shops. Those
students who wish to have braiding added to their current woollen blazer, may
do so for a cost of $45.00. The blazer will need to be dry-cleaned, labelled and
dropped off at either the uniform shop at the College by 2nd December or at
the Rowville store before 3rd December. As this will be done as a bulk service,
any late blazers will incur additional costs and possible delay. The blazers will
be available for collection after 17th January 2011.

Track Pants
New design Mazenod track pant will be available for 2011 at the current price
of $47.00. Old style track pants are available at $29.00 (while stocks last).
Parents and students are reminded that during October-March the UV index reaches extreme levels, increasing the likelihood of skin damage and cancers caused by UV exposure while outdoors.

At Mazenod, during Physical Education and Sport in Term 1 and Term 4 we require students to wear a peak hat when participating outdoors. We encourage the use of sunglasses and SPF 30+ broad spectrum sunscreen on uncovered areas of the skin, such as the face, neck and arms. The boys are encouraged to bring their own sunscreen and their own school hat for class use at recess and lunchtimes.

**SUN SAFETY**

**TOORAK UNITING CHURCH DANCING CLASS**

603 Toorak Road, Toorak 3142
Tel: (03) 9829 0301 / 0408 310 714
Email: dance@toorak.unitingchurch.org.au
Please contact Lin Cooper at the Church Office for further information. Bookings are now open for 2011 classes.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

This year MazBay has been set up to assist the exchange of secondhand textbooks. Students have been issued with a username and password to log onto the site and enter details of the items they have for sale. They don’t need to login to buy.

MazBay is offered as a service to the Mazenod Community. All sale agreements are personal between the seller and the buyer, so students are encouraged to check the details carefully. Library staff can assist with queries.

MazBay - [http://mazbay.wikispaces.com](http://mazbay.wikispaces.com)

Booksales will also be held at the College on the following dates:
- Year 12 - Mon, 22 November, 12.30 pm - 2.00 pm
- Year 11 - Wed, 24 November, 12.30 pm - 2.00 pm
- Year 10 - Thurs, 25 November, 12.30 pm - 2.00 pm
- Year 7-9 - Sat, 27 November, 8.30 am - 10.30 am

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**SPORTS NEWS**

**ACC SPORT**

Fr. Michael asked us recently at an Assembly, when do we stop becoming a Mazenod Student? It was a question that made many of us take note and debate the answer. Is it at the completion of your last class, or when you take your uniform off at the end of the day or is it when you decide on a new pathway that involves another type of learning or work environment?

It is my opinion that you never stop being part of Mazenod and consequently we never stop taking an interest in you! We all as parents can look back at our Secondary School experiences with so many memories. It comes to life every time you hear someone say they went to the same school and you start the conversation about when you finished and who was in your year level and what teachers you had. There is also the inevitable link that they knew your brother or sister or cousin and so the flame of your old school still burns away in us all.

It is fantastic that every week here at Mazenod we have a number of Old Boys come back and assist with Coaching and Sport. They provide great role models for the students with the way they conduct themselves, but also with the way they relate to the boys. They become real examples of how Mazenod lives on in every one that comes here. As I write this I can see out my window 3 Old boys who are going on camp this week with the Year 9 students. It probably only seems like the other day they were going on camp themselves, but they come with enthusiasm and compassion to make sure that the current students get the same rewarding experiences they did.

As the year draws to a close, I encourage all our old boys to stay in contact with the College. They can do so by involving themselves in the Old Boys Cricket and Football Clubs and also now be part of the Old Boys Association.

We currently have 2 students overseas on Soccer trials and both these boys take us with them when they go. I know Fr. Michael and our Soccer guru Mr Montoya listen out for all the updates on how our students are doing. **Christian Lar** of Year 10 has had his stay extended in England as a number of English Premier Clubs wish to see if he can one day make it in the world’s strongest competition. **Lajos Hun** of Year 8 is in South America, and by all accounts raising the eyebrows of a number of scouts with his goal keeping talents.

As the year draws to an end, we have the National Volleyball Titles in full swing with our Coaching Coordinator and organiser Mr Damian Schumann kept very busy with last minute preparations. The teams are working and training very hard at the moment, and the competition in honour division will mean we will need to be at our best come the time of the championships, starting on December the 6th. Most squads have been selected now and information will be coming home with your sons regarding the help that is required to make the championships a success.

Last weekend we had 6 students compete at the Victorian all Schools Athletics carnival in at Olympic Park. This event is run so the best students from all over Victoria can compete against each other. Again Mazenod showed that when it comes to sporting talent we can mix it with the best of any school in the state, in the country or the world!! On the day we had a number of personal best performances worthy of a mention. **John Paul Van Rensburg** came 3rd in the u/17 1500m, **Jack Minack** 7th in 100m Semi final & 16th in Triple Jump, **Joshua Chia** came 8th in 100m Semi, **Vincent Arena** 5th in 100m heat & competed in High Jump, **Jude Ambrose** 10th in U/14 discuss and **Corey Martino** 8th in 1500m & 5th in 100m heat. Congratulations to all those who competed so well on the day.

**OBLATE CARNIVAL**

A reminder that training continues with our coaches Mr David Regan, Mr Dirk Van Heer and Mr David Bedwell on Monday nights after school, for approximately an hour. A preliminary squad will be
announced shortly. We are still seeking parents who can billet students from our 2 brother schools Iona College and Mazenod WA for 5 nights over the carnival.

**BILLETING REQUIRED**
As we are hosting both our brother schools we will soon be ringing parents to see if they can help out with hosting 2 boys from one of the Mazenod College’s. We are asking that you can host them for 5 nights. Thanks to those who have already rung and offered assistance it is greatly appreciated. If you would like to help you can contact Mr May at the College on 8561 1164 or dmay@mazenod.vic.edu.au.

**OLD COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB NEWS**
Finally there was some good weather and a weekend of cricket. There were some good results for Mazenod’s 4 senior teams, with former part time staff member Mr Michael Fitzgerald making a sparkling 82. Current staff member Dave Regan was at his damaging best taking 5 wickets for 18 on Saturday to skittle to the opposition for 60 runs. Young Anthony Howes also took 3 for 24 in the 3rd.

**FOOTBALL COACHING OPPORTUNITY AWAITS**
If there is a parent or Old Boy out in our community that has a passion for AFL Football and would love to start or continue a coaching career, the Mazenod Old Collegians Football Club may be the place for you. The Old boys are currently looking out for an enthusiastic and passionate Under 19 coach for 2010. The Team were runners up this season just losing the Grand Final, and is full of talent. If you are interested, you can contact me here at the College and I will pass on your details.

aconnolly@mazenod.vic.edu.au

**Results**

**Cricket**
Year 10 – Finished 9th - Season completed
Year 9 3/157 vs WHTFRS(2)4/72
Riley (40no) White(37) D’Souza(28)
Year 7A 6/62 vs ST Bede’s 2/70
Mayadunne (24), Minack (11), Gubbels (7no)
Year 7B-8/115 vs WHTFRS 6/128
Rozario (21no), McPherson (17), J Tran (13no), A Dixon-Mason (1/6)

**Volleyball**
Year 10 3/75 vs WHTFRS 0/41
Year 10B 3/75 vs WHTFRS 0/52
Year 9 BYE
Year 9B BYE
Year 8 A-3/75 vs Salesian 0/51
J Tang, McLellan, Wiles, Maniphet
Year 8B-3/75 vs Salesian 0/48
Byrne, Stephenson, Buccella, Ziino
Year 7A-3/75 vs ST Bede’s 0/49
V Nguyen, Pham, McLellan Mitsiouls, Martin
Year 7A/2- 3/76 vs ST Bede’s 0/54

**Tennis**
Year 10 8/88 vs WHTFRS 4/67
Byrnes, Bertino, Baker, Wright
Year 9- BYE
Year 8 10/66 -vs Salesian 2/33
Best: Di Paolo, Pegoraro, Le, Tran,
Year 7A 7/55 vs ST Bede’s 5/56
Hetrelezis, Urrego Varon, Chia, Bonacci, Cao
Year 7B 5/50 vs Whitefriar’s 7/59
Cusmano, Tran, D’Angelo, Ojaimi, Beer

**Next Week’s Games:**

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Due to the nature of our finals draw I will not know details of our Junior Finals until Monday morning. Students will be informed ASAP and I ask you to ask your son for the relevant information. Please feel free to ring me to confirm details or look up the ACC website for confirmation. You can find it on the following link www.accmelb.com.au

# All times are approximates.

**The Sports Team**

Mr Montoya, Mr May, Mr Crabtree, Mr Bedwell & Mr Connolly

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**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 6pm, Sun 8am, 10am, 11.15am (Italian).