Dear Parents,

Next Friday 1st June is the annual Father/Son Communion Dinner. The evening commences with Mass in the College Chapel followed by dinner in the Founders’ Complex. The Fathers’ Association would like to encourage as many Fathers as possible to come along with their sons to what is always an enjoyable and informative evening. This year Matt Backhouse will be our Guest Speaker. He is an Old Boy of the College and will share his experiences in business and charity work. If you have not attended in the past please consider coming along this year. You won’t be disappointed.

Over the next few weeks all of the students will be sitting their mid-year examinations. For those studying Unit 3 courses the exams have considerable weighting toward their overall performance. Practice Exams are being studied and analysed and are extremely useful preparation tools. The more exposure students get to past papers the better their results tend to be.

For students not sitting the official VCAA mid-year exams there isn’t the same level of urgency or tension, as these exams are not as critical or final. Nonetheless we would like to think everyone from Years 7 to 12 is feeling a sense of anticipation as exam season approaches. A healthy perspective towards exams is what is desirable. The student who has been constant with his study habits, systematically reviewing each subject and constructing notes in a methodical way, should find the whole process rewarding and satisfying. Hopefully there won’t be any surprises and the boys will have the opportunity to show the level of understanding they have attained. For those who have been less systematic and perhaps distracted at times, or have taken a few shortcuts with their study, there may be a sense of panic and eventually they may be a little disappointed in their final results.

Impediments to positive study routines, according to the students, include: Facebook, the internet, part–time work, procrastination and too much housework. The growing trend of having a mobile phone at the student’s side and having one eye on Facebook while attempting to study is counterproductive to the entire exercise.

Some students get quite anxious about exam time, and while a little anxiety is a healthy thing, stressing over exams and academic performance is a great concern to the teachers and counsellors. Some students work very hard and do not achieve the results they are hoping for. They are conscientious with their preparation, try their best, but just find some topics or subjects too challenging. Experience tells us that students who persist and continue to seek assistance eventually achieve successful outcomes, particularly when vocationally based subjects are offered in the latter years.

Effectively preparing for exams and adopting sensible strategies in the exam room are skills that are acquired through practice and that is one of the reasons Mazenod starts the exam process in Year 7 – to get the practice. The student diary is a resource that outlines many of these skills.

For students in Years 10 and 11, exam performance can serve as a good indicator of correct subject choice based on their interests and talents. At the end of Semester 1 and at the end of the year, interviews are conducted either with students, or with students and their parents, to discuss reasons why certain standards have not been achieved. This is an arduous process for all concerned but very worthwhile so that the boys can reflect on their study habits and begin to consider what is required for them to meet their vocational needs.

I would like to wish all the boys the best of luck for their upcoming exams.

Regards,

Mr Tony Coghlan
Acting Principal
MAZENOD OLD COLLEGIAN’S INSIGHT SERIES #2: ELITE SPORTSMEN – DETERMINED TO SUCCEED

On Wednesday 6th June the second MOCA Insight Night for 2012 will be held. We welcome back five Old Boys who have pursued their dreams on the sporting field, fuelled by a burning passion and drive to succeed. Our guest speakers for the evening include:

Matthew Boyd (2000): Captain of the Western Bulldogs, 196 AFL games, All-Australian Team 2009. Australian representative in the International Rules Series against Ireland. Matthew has risen above the disappointment of not being drafted and finding himself in Frankston Reserve grade VFL team to becoming one of the game’s most respected and elite players.

Jeff Riseley (2004): Dual Olympian who will represent Australia in 2 months’ time at the London Games, in the 800m and 1500m events. Jeff’s current training regimen sees him running 160 km each week in preparation for London 2012.

Heath Black (1996): 192-game player with Fremantle and St. Kilda. Since retirement Heath has returned to Melbourne and speaks regularly on the topic of male depression. Heath has also recently penned his autobiography, entitled “Black”.

MOCA have also secured:


Details: Wednesday, 6th June in the O’Rourke Complex Lecture Theatre at the College. (7.00pm for a 7.30pm start). Light supper provided.

RSVP by email: moca@mazenod.vic.edu.au to confirm number of attendees. Feel free to bring partners, family, friends, and fellow Old Boys.

FATHERS’ ASSOCIATION

The Annual Mazenod Father & Son Communion Dinner

Memories that will last a life time

You’re Invited

Share an evening with your son, his friends and other dads.

Chat, laugh and be entertained whilst enjoying a delicious meal with your son or sons.

Other family members may also come along and this is included in the price.

Inspirational Guest Speaker

Our special guest speaker for the evening is Matt Backhouse.

A student of Mazenod College between 1983 and 1987, Matt left the College to pursue a career in landscape gardening.

After qualifying, he spent time working with Russia’s Youth Mission, where he developed a passion for people and leadership.

Matt soon moved into Sales, which gave him international exposure with companies such as Tenant Karcher, Toro and Bridgenone.

Matt is General Manager of Ross Finmore Tyres.

Be entertained as Matt shares stories about becoming an inspiration and leader for your children, just as he is a positive role model for his family.

OTHER NEWS

City of Monash All Schools Leadership Program

From the 7th to 11th of May 2012, William Huynh, Jadon D’Souza and Nathan Di Teodoro of Year 10 attended the All Schools Leadership Program at Clayton Community Centre. 26 attended from many Schools around the Monash district, and interacted to create firm bonds and an effective environment to improve and exercise leadership skills.

The program complemented existing knowledge and morals, to develop and supplement leadership skills in communication, co-operation, listening, solving disputes and delivering a presentation. The All Schools Leadership Program provided more than just a chance to meet new people and become better leaders; but countless initiatives to aid us in any walk of life we choose to pursue.

Nathan Di Teodoro

The All Schools Leadership Program has not only given me the chance to experience something different from sitting in the same old classroom. It has provided me with the opportunity to meet other young leaders in the community; helped me develop my skills and confidence as a leader and also taught me the importance of teamwork. However, one thing that I believe the program was truly great at was changing my perspective on what it actually means to be a leader.

The All Schools Leadership was certainly an enjoyable and rewarding experience to be a part of. It is, without a doubt, one which all of us will remember for a very long time.

William Huynh

It was a really rewarding week, replacing a week’s worth of education with a week’s worth of enrichment in the skills of leadership; making it an opportunity that was too good to miss.

Jadon D’Souza – Year 10

MOTHERS’ AUXILIARY

The next Mothers’ Auxiliary meeting will be on Wednesday 6th June commencing with Mass in the School Chapel at 7.30 pm followed by meeting and light supper in the Conference Room.

All ladies welcome, no membership required.
The new Communication Design degree at Monash has been developed to enable students to become independent, inquiring and responsible designers across a range of platforms of production. Students develop skills in visual communication, multimedia and motion graphics so they graduate with an industry-relevant qualification and an extensive folio showcasing their complex skills and conceptual maturity across a variety of media and communication platforms.

Key features of the degree include a focus on studio learning in small groups, a complementary suite of design theory units, and flexible elective choices which can include branding and identity design, 2D and 3D design, motion graphics, digital imaging, electronic design, graphic design, illustration, audio and video, photo media, print and digital publishing, typography and visual communication.

As of 2013, the Bachelor of Communication Design will replace the Bachelor of Design (Visual Communication) and Bachelor of Multimedia & Digital Arts.

Campus: Caulfield
Duration (years): 3 (full time)
VCE entry requirements: Units 3 and 4, a study score of at least:
30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.

*Please note that this course is not currently available for international students

For more details, visit www.artsci.monash.edu/design/communicationdesign/
Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences
Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery Info Evening
Monash will be holding an information session for the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery. This is a new event and is tailored for future students and their parents who want to hear about the admission process, the UMAT and interview process.

We encourage all prospective students to attend this event before they apply to the MBBS degree.

Date: Wednesday 30th May
Time: 6.30 – 8pm
Location: Robert Blackwood Hall, Building 2, Clayton Campus
Please RSVP your intention to attend by emailing medicineadmissions@monash.edu

As any new information regarding dates and institutions becomes available about Open Days contrary to the above it will be relayed to students via the weekly newsletter, daily bulletin announcements and flyers posted in relevant year levels. Please remember to check Careers Noticeboards regularly.

Luke Keneally – Careers Coordinator

SPORTS NEWS

CHANGING FORTUNES

What a great week for Mazenod Football. On Wednesday we had the rare feat where both the Senior Football and Senior Seconds both recorded great win against Whitefriars and De La Salle respectively. This was in addition to our Year 9’s winning well on Tuesday. It has been a long time since both teams have won on the same day and it gave all those who have coached any of these students great pride in what we achieved. It does again prove that we can do great things when we are committed and passionate about what we do. The Senior team now go out to St Bernard’s next week with an opportunity to win a place in the Senior ACC Grand Final. With 3 wins and a bye to come which is credited as a win, we can conceivably be playing next week for a spot in the Final. Our Senior Soccer team keeps performing well and has its biggest test next week against Parade. A win will give us a better ranking in the Semi-Final stage and a home Final before the Grand Final on June 27. Unfortunately our Year 10 Soccer team were devastated at losing their first game ever to St Joseph’s Geelong on Tuesday. The short season for Year 10’s due to exams and work experience means that it is not a fair draw and we will miss the chance to play in the Grand Final due to a smaller goal difference than the other Colleges. Coach Mr Montoya said the boys were starting to realise what has happened and are all genuinely shocked and upset that they cannot play their outstanding record of winning ACC Finals. It is unfortunate that they will not make the Final but losing in Sport is a consequence we all have to be prepared to handle. Losing makes you appreciate all the effort and hard work required to win and this experience will no doubt make all the boys better Sportsmen when they win and when they lose.

Founder Day Clash – Central Reserve – Saturday 26th May

As Fr Michael has promoted the Mazenod Old Collegians Football Club is holding its annual Founder’s Day matches this weekend at Central Reserve. All four teams are playing on the 2 ground starting at 11.30 am. It is a day of great celebration to honour the Oblate Community that now exists in many different forms, one of them being the Football Club. There are plenty of activities for the young and old. Fr Michael has generously put up some great incentives for those attending. There is no admission to attend the day and No Alcohol is served during the games to the public.

The Club is holding a big luncheon on the day to celebrate with former Old Boy and AFL player Heath Black as Guest Speaker. If you would like to attend please contact Paul Kelly on 0419 242 091 to book a place.

FINAL HOME CLASH – Our Senior Footballers play their last game at home on Wednesday. For our departing Year 12’s it was a particular sad day as they are
the only group to have won an ACC Football Premiership for the College. Then Year 12 boys won the Year 7 and 8 titles and should have won the Year 9 except for some flaws in the draw. All the boys have made enormous contribution to the Colleges Football program and I thank them for their commitment over the years. We wish them every success in their Football careers which hopefully are with the Old Boys.

RUNNING CLUB: In preparation for the upcoming Cross Country in Term 3 and to promote health and fitness we have started a running club. Those interested are invited to come to the Mazenod Monday and Friday lunchtimes and Wednesday mornings at 7.30 am. We will supply a warm breakfast for those who make the effort. We will have plenty of incentives for those who train regularly. Whether for fitness or competition I encourage all students to get involved. See Mr Cunningham or Mr May if interested.

JUMPERS- FOOTBALL AND SOCCER – it seemed only weeks ago we were getting started, now it feels like the ACC season is starting to finish up for a number of teams. Year 10 Football and Soccer as well as Senior Football all finish their seasons in the coming weeks. Could I remind all students to please get their jumpers washed a returned to the College within 2 weeks. Students who do not return jumpers will be issued with an invoice for $100 to offset the cost of ordering replacement tops.

Old Collegians News FOUNDERS DAY CLASHES

Mazenod United News: The United Boys had their first loss for the year, being defeated 2-0 to second placed Hirstville. The boys tried extremely hard and were beaten by a better team on the day. It was great to see the D’Angelo boys Rob and Nick play their first game together, as well as being coached by their father. This week the team plays the top placed side away. The Reserves also had their first loss of the year.

Old Collegians Football Club - U/19’s has a convincing 50 point win over Penleigh and Essendon Grammar Old Boys on the weekend with a fantastic team effort. This week they play top side the Northern Bullants in a fantastic Founders Day clash at Central Reserve starting at 2 pm. There should be a number of current College students playing so come down and show the boys some support. U/19 Players - The Club is looking for more U/19 players to help with a long season ahead. If you would like to play but cannot commit to training that is fine as we understand students need to balance work with Sport. The team is playing in an 8 team competition in Division 3 and it would be great to see more current students join Liam Riley and Chris Mangoni on our playing lists. Interested students should see Mr Connolly.

Seniors: The Seniors had a disappointing day against Fitzroy on Saturday losing all three games. Mr Regan continues his great start to the year and Mr Philibs will be offering his advice coaching from the stands. There were some promising signs and I am sure all teams will be keen to make amends for Founders Day this week at Central Reserve. The Seniors play Hampton Rovers at 2 pm, the Reserves at 11.40 am and the 3rds and 11.30 am on Central North, where they will be having a flag unfurling for their 2011 Premiership.

Old Collegians Cricket Club

The Old Collegians Cricket Club is on the lookout for a new captain Coach for season 2012/13. Currently in Second division Turf in the Eastern Cricket Association, and with 3 other teams the Club needs someone to continue the development of its young and talented list. With many current students playing and strong links to the College with the use of its facilities, it will be an exciting opportunity for any keen cricketer wishing to go to a new challenge in their career. If interested please contact the club president Mr James Dobeli on 0400 099 070 or check the links on the Club website, http://www.moccc.com.au/

Results

Our Year 9 Footballers and Soccer teams continue their good form with good wins for the second week in a row. Well done to Mr Lawrence and Mr Crabtree and your teams. Both sides will come up against better opposition in the coming weeks and I am sure they will acquit themselves well. Our Year 10 Soccer team suffered their first ever loss together on Tuesday. Luck finally deserted them and they were beaten by a better team on the day. A quirk in the short Year 10 season will now see them miss the Grand Final for the first time as well.

Year 10 Football 14.13.97 vs DE LA SALLE 9.4.58

Goals: Mcgowan 5, Swainston, Urban, McEniry Best: Cotte, McGowan, McNanna, Consolmagno, Van Rensburg, Urban

Year 10 Soccer 0 vs. ST JOSEPH’S GEELONG 3

Best: Siriani, Guarnaccia, D’Alfonso, Avice, Handakas

Year 9 Soccer 9 vs PARADE 0

Goals: Camerota, Velupillay, Radziminski, Boissezon, Kambranis Best: Velupillay, Radziminski, Boissezon, Camerota, Mitsoulis

Year 10 Football 10.8.68 vs WHITEFRIARS B 3.7.25

Goals: Casteledine 4, Noone, Chia, Byrne, Nikcevich, Shields Best: Byrne, Ciccolta, Welsford, Martin, Castledine, Pollata

Senior Football –10.6.64 VS WHITEFRIARS 8.13.61

Goals: Gladman2, Trounce 2, Munro 2, Selvduraisi, Wachter, Bruce, Durdin

Best: Van Rensburg, Magnoni, Gladman, Munro, Goullet, Durdin, Senior Seconds Football 11.12.78 VS DE LA SALLE 10.14.74

Goals: Ciccolta 5, Gubbins, Bickers, Ruffalo, Poretti Best: Ciccolta, Acciarito, Demetriou, Webster, Hann, Di Nezza

Senior Soccer 6 vs CBC ST Kilda 0

Goals: Palermo 3, Camorota 2, Karak 1: Best: Palermo, Karak, Mazzeo, Rennie, Sablijk

Senior Seconds Soccer 2 vs. ST BERNARDS 4

Goals: Carl 5, McConnell, Elliott, Kojadelian, Ciccirelli, Van der Garde, Hope

Best: Cheong, Carl, Ciccirelli, Attard, Vom, Skrynznar

LAST WEEKS RESULTS

Year 8 A Football vs ST BEDES

Goals: Riley 2, Pancione best: Cochrane, Dickson, Kovac, Signal, Stewart, Soligo, Martino, Pancione, Riley

Year 8 A Football 3.3.21 VS. Parade 9.11.65

Goals: Smith, Lyannah, Canduff Best: Fuschofer, Duckett, Roach, Smith, Peterson, Schumann

Year 8 A Soccer 8 vs CBC 2

Goals: Beninati 2, Legrand, Staffieri, Psilos, Karak Best: Beninati, Legrand, Andrieri, Karak, Staffieri

Year 8 Badminton 9/15 vs Salesian 2/6

Best: Ang, Kwok, Izzo, Wee, Jayaward

Year 8 A Soccer 0 vs ST BERNARDS 0

BEST: Umoh, Shen, Andrews, Russo, Conte, Perna, Harper

Year 7A Football -BYE

Year 7A Soccer vs ST BEDES 1

Score: Burgos, Buswell, Radziminski, Rosales-Zurugia Best: Burgos, Lar, Vincent, Giarrm. Rojas, Radziminski

Year 7 Football

Goals: De Pasquale, Moretti Best: I Nyugen, G Phillips, Cheng, Ryan, Lovell, Mascioi

Year 7 Soccer- WHITEFRIARS

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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, 3.30pm; St Peter’s Clayton, Sat 6pm, Sun 8am, 10am, 11.15am (Italian)

The Sports Team

Mr Connolly, Mr Montoya, Mr Cunningham on behalf of the Sports Team