Dear Mazenod Community,

I would like to begin this Newsletter by sincerely thanking you for your commitment to the Parent/Teacher Interviews. Through the online booking system, many more interviews took place and it is genuinely hoped that these interviews will assist everyone to remain in good communication. The move to the Parent/Teacher online booking system was the direct result of listening to Mums and Dads at the different Parent Association Meetings. As is always the case, I would like to encourage you to offer any feedback or suggestions in this area.

I have been asked by the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) to circulate information about the Day of Protest scheduled for 5th September, the same day as the Australian Education Union’s Stop work meeting. I think it is important to try and understand the complexities of this situation and also explain the provisions that we are making as a College. It is a very complicated set of situations and I will attempt to be as fair as possible to all sides, while at the same time trying to support and promote the progress and care of our Teachers.

During the last election Mr Ted Baillieu announced that Teachers in Victoria would be the best paid in the country. Upon election, the Victorian Liberal Government offered a pay increase of 2.5% and sought a range of measures aimed at productivity including performance pay, hours of work etc. The broken promises made to Teachers reflects a disturbing trend that has occurred for nurses and emergency services providers.

The strike action on the 5th September organised by the Australian Education Union (Government Schools) is a legitimate and protected Industrial Action between employees (Teachers and support Staff) and employer (Government). On that same day, some Teachers from Catholic Schools will attend a Day of Protest. This day had originally been organised by the Independent Education Union (IEU), however it was declared unlawful and so the IEU cancelled the day. In spite of its unprotected nature there are still some Staff in Catholic Schools (including Mazenod) who believe very strongly in protesting against the disgraceful and abhorrent way in which the Government is treating all Teachers and support Staff that they are willing to forgo a day’s wages.

A number of years ago the Independent Education Union (IEU) negotiated with the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (body representing employers in the Catholic Sector) a system of pay called pay parity. This means that the conditions of pay and productivity that the Government Teacher’s receive will be passed on to Catholic Teachers. In this instance, the belief is that a broken promise and inadequate set of conditions will be inflicted upon them, hence the reason for joining the action against the Government (even though the Government are not the employers of Catholic Teachers).

A further complicating factor is that Catholic Teachers will be standing side by side with the Australian Education Union on that day. This Union via its policies and Government submission has been actively campaigning to change the funding made to Catholic Schools and looks to reduce funding to 2003 levels, thus effectively ending the Catholic Sector as we know it. Rightly, the IEU has tried to distance itself from this Australian Education Union on this policy. The CECV finds it hard to differentiate the levels of support and distancing that seems to be taking place.

I hope that you can see that what we have is a very complex situation, however, what should not be lost is that Teachers are being treated disgracefully by the broken promises of the Baillieu Government and this should be known, named and expressed. We need to be attracting and retaining great Teachers into the future and there is no doubt that the current pay scale and divisive conditions will not attract good Teachers but in fact drive them away.

We are blessed here at the College to have the vast majority of our Staff give well above beyond the call of duty. This goodwill that we have received should never be taken for granted and must in fact be protected. I do not believe that our society respects the enormous contribution that Teachers make to our society, economy and culture. The current offer by the Government is an insult and most definitely should be opposed, however, the proposed Day of Protest by Catholic Teachers has been declared unprotected by the Fair Work Australia Commission.

Implications for Mazenod

The relationship between the Independent Education Union and Mazenod College is a very healthy one. There has been full and open communication between the IEU Staff Representative and myself. We have been very keen to both maintain that communication. The relationship between the Catholic Education Commission and Mazenod College is also extremely healthy and every communication has been provided from them. The relationship of the Victorian Government to Mazenod College is significantly more complex. In the one relationship the Government is our provider (funding), regulator (compliances), direct opponent (through the destructive Selective-Entry Schools) and also our collaborator (as we need to work with them as our elected representatives). I am confident that we can navigate through these complexities as we also enjoy a positive relationship with members of both the Liberal and Labour Parties. It is virtually impossible to enjoy a healthy relationship with the Greens, who like the AEU, would like to see a reduction in funding and resources made available to Catholic Schools.

On Wednesday 5th September, all Students will be required at School for fully staffed programs that have been adjusted to reflect the unique circumstances of the day.

Year 7 – Classes as Normal
Year 8 – Reflection Day (compulsory)
Year 9 – Classes as Normal
Year 10 – Classes as Normal
Year 11 – Classes 1-4 as Normal (no afternoon sport except ACC Grand Finals)
Year 12 – Retreat Day Classes 1-4 (no afternoon sport except ACC Grand Finals)

The balancing act that I have attempted to make is to be absolutely supportive of Teachers, their profession and their dignity, while at the same time protecting families from taking the brunt of the industrial action intended and aimed at the Government.
Congratulations to our ACC Chess Teams on completing first, second and fourth in the recent Senior Tournament. Each and every boy represented the College with distinction and treated their opponents, referees and organisers with absolute respect. It was great to be able to support them in this activity and planning now turns to the State and National Championships. I remain very proud of our College Debating Teams and all of the Staff who support them. I congratulate our Senior Basketball Team on reaching the Finals of the State Basketball Championships and I also congratulate the many teams who have represented the College so well in the ACC Sports of Table Tennis, Basketball and Hockey. We anticipate having approximately 8 teams playing in Grand Finals. We hope they continue to enjoy these very worthy pursuits.

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

OTHER NEWS

Music Gala Night

The Alexander Theatre, Monash University
Wednesday 19th September 7.30 pm
Tickets at $10 each or $30 per family
(with a maximum of 4).
Forms can be collected from Student Counter

Re-Enrolment for 2013

Re-enrolment forms for 2013 have been sent out to all families.

Could you please make sure that you have checked your family details and signed the front of the form.

Your form and payment must be returned to the College by Wednesday 12th September.

If you have not received your form in the mail, please contact the College on 9560 0911 for a re-print.

De Mazenod Family Fundraising Mass & Dinner

The De Mazenod Family Fundraising Mass & Dinner is rapidly approaching on Saturday 8th September, at the Mulgrave Country Club. Our vision is to bring together the De Mazenod Family in Victoria, which includes Victorian Parishes (Sunshine, Springvale North, Moe & Sorrento), MAMI Supporters, Mazenod College Victoria, Oblate Youth Australia and Rosies Vic for a night of faith, fun and fundraising. Money raised will be shared between Rosies Victoria and the Oblate Orphanage Vietnam, which is supported by Mazenod Old Collegians Association (MOCA) in partnership with MAMI. You are invited to book tickets or a table (10 per table) by contacting the MAMI Office (03) 9805 8888, Rosie Office (03) 9795 5077 or www.oblates.com.au/dmffmd_vic . Please RSVP by 28th August. If you can’t make it you can support this event by purchasing raffle tickets available through the parish office.

LIBRARY NEWS

Mazenod Old Collegians Cabaret Night

On Saturday 25th August, some Old Boys of the Mazenod Music Community came together to listen to a night of music and catch up with some familiar faces. There were a number of performances, all varying in styles, ranging from a traditional cabaret jazz theme to traditional gypsy music, creating a truly cultural experience. Some of the ex-students who performed were, Chris Lee, Andrew Power, Nick Marturano, James Edwards, Daniel & Christopher Woodhouse, Christian Luxmore and Brendan Scott.

We were also lucky enough to have a guest appearance, Joseph Perna (Year 11), who took the time out of being at a previous engagement to play for us. A special thanks to Ms Natina Giacco, Mr Matthew Johnson and Mr Tony Coghlan who organised the event.

We hope to have an annual event where Old Boys who were heavily involved in music can come along and catch up with staff and other boys.

If you would like more information about upcoming events in the Music Department, please contact the Music Office on 8561 1108.

CANTEEN ROSTER

| Mon 03 Sept | Lorraine Dorio, Sue Glennon |
| Tue 04 Sept | Sally O’Brien, Joanne Nikakis, Karen Davine |
| Wed 05 Sept | Daniella Di Nezza, Isabel Hernandez, Angela Aivaliotis |
| Thu 06 Sept | Lydia Cheong, Marjorie Riley, Louise Carl, Rosie Karipidis |
| Fri 07 Sept | Mia Dalamagas, Debbie Papataskaris, Robyn Riley |

MOTHERS’ AUXILIARY

PLEASE! PLEASE! BUY A BOOK - SUPPORT THE MOTHERS’ AUXILIARY

Buy an Entertainment Book and start using it NOW! Great way to entertain the kids and save money at the same time.

Heaps of savings to be made for only $65

Pick up your book from School Reception and support the Mazenod Mothers’ Auxiliary

The next Mazenod Mothers’ Auxiliary Meeting will be on Wednesday 12th September, 2012. The evening will commence with celebrating Mass in the School Chapel at 7.30 pm followed by meeting and supper in the Conference Room.

No membership required, all welcome.
THE SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE OPEN MONDAY 3rd AUGUST 2.30PM TO 3.30PM

If your son has grown out of his GOOD quality School/Sports Uniforms. Now is the time to sell! We have a huge demand for all second hand uniforms.

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.

Old style blazers are no longer accepted in the Second Hand Uniform Shop.

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

CAREERS & PATHWAYS

There are plenty of opportunities available for students to sample different career opportunities at many of the tertiary institutions in Melbourne at the moment. It is never too early to start the ball rolling so make an appointment via the intranet or simply drop in and speak with Mr. Kenealy about your subjects or tertiary study.

Year 9 and 10

ALL Year 9 and 10 students should have completed their online selections this week. Students who have not completed them will need to inform myself or Mr Noel Jenkinson (Deputy Principal-Curriculum) as soon as possible next week.

Students should not be panicising about subject choices. As was explained at the Subject Selection Evening this is a major planning process for the College but there may be some students who will have to change subjects at the end of the process depending on a range of factors. Any students who have concerns MUST come and see Mr Luke Kenealy as soon as possible.

Year 11

ALL year 11 students should have also completed their online selections this week. Students who have not completed them will need to inform myself or Mr Noel Jenkinson (Deputy Principal-Curriculum) as soon as possible next week.

Year 12

It is great to hear of the numbers of students attending Open Days and getting that firsthand information that is so vital to their decision making. Students should continue to visit institutions even if they think they might not choose to attend them.

VCAA candidate numbers are available from Mr Kenealy, Mr Rolfe, Mr McAlister and Ms Caldwell. Students must have these to complete their VTAC application forms.

Interview times are continuing to fill up quicker than expected and already I am making an appointment time with Mr. Kenealy ASAP to ensure you get some advice before the end of term deadline for VTAC preferences.

Students are also reminded to register with VTAC as soon as they can on the VTAC website: www.vtac.edu.au

Apprenticeships

Students seeking a career in Hospitality should speak with Mr. Kenealy or Mr. Johnson regarding a prospective apprenticeship at a restaurant in Mulgrave owned and run by an old Collegian. Further information will be given to interested parties.

Careers in Animal Care

Spend the day at the first ever RSPCA Animal Career Discovery Day! Hear from 12 RSPCA staff currently working in the industry and gain helpful insider knowledge on planning pathways to a fulfilling career with animals. Take advantage of this very special offer, the first 20 applications for the Animal Career Discovery Day who mention this email will receive $15 off the registration price making it $30 only!!

Date: Tuesday 4th September
Time: 9:30am – 3:30pm
Location: Burwood East RSPCA
Cost: $45 includes Discovery Day registration, morning tea, RSPCA career show bag, and all activity costs.
For more information visit: http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/secondary-education/animal-career-discovery-day

Monash Parent Information Evening

For any parents interested there is a Parent Information Evening at Monash University on Thursday 6th September commencing at 6:30pm. The seminar will be held in Building H at Monash Caulfield. Bookings are essential and can be made at http://monash.edu.au/parent/ or enquiries can be directed to richenda.russell@monash.edu.au or by calling 99034763.
ACC SWIM SQUAD
Mr Montoya has invited students who are interested to start training with the Swim squad on a Tuesday or Thursday morning at 7 am at the Doug Ellis Pool Monash University. Students are asked to get their own way there and we will provide bus transport back to Mazenod at 8.15 am. We supply a small breakfast for the boys and encourage the hungry boys to pack some extra food.
Numbers have been very good and we are averaging over 10 swimmers per session. Manuka has again accepted the challenge of coaching the boys each morning and we are grateful for her assistance.

OBLATE CRICKET CARNIVAL
This is another reminder to parents of interested sons that the OBLATE Cricket Carnival will be hosted by Mazenod WA from Sunday 9th of December and Friday 14th of December. We have started to put together an initial squad to start training in Term 3 and Parents should have received a letter notifying you and your son. The early notice was to also inform Parents that the trip will cost approximately $800 for everything, including team clothing and equipment. We hope to have our final squad of 13 selected by the end of Term 3. If your son did not receive a letter but would like to try out for the team they are most welcome to attend the sessions.

JUMPERS–FOOTBALL AND SOCCER – It seemed only weeks ago we were getting started, but as time flies 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 –
Mazenod United Soccer Club - The Club is still on a high after being deemed Champions for 2012. As a number of bottom teams forfeited in past weeks the Football Federation Victoria took the step of going back through the rounds and deeming the Championship be judged as per team positions at the completion of round 18. With this being done to ensure that each team had a fair chance to score wins and have a fair goal difference. So with Mazenod United being awarded the Champions pennant, it was no surprise that Dandenong Wolves decided not to play their games on Saturday. This week Mazenod United will play at Home and hopefully can finish the year with a game.

CRICKET CLUB: The Old Boys Cricket Club is about to start its build up for season 2012-13. The Club has appointed former Old Boy Chamath Jayaweera as its new Captain will help coordinate training with the 3 new specific coaches who have also been appointed. Michael Hancock will oversee the batting, Jason Brown to take the bowlers and Chamath will also look after the fielding. Training begins on Sunday 2nd September here at Mazenod in the new nets and then every Wednesday night at the Clayton indoor venue after that. All players are welcome especially any new players from within the College who would like to play Seniors or be part of the Junior teams.

Old Collegians Football Club - The U/19’s finished their season with a 50 point win over St Bernard’s on Saturday and progress through to the second Semi-Final against the Northern Blues. The winner will go straight through to the Section 3 Grand Final. This week the boys will play on Saturday at 2 pm at Waverley Park, Waverley Rd Malvern.

The Seniors had a 14 point loss to fellow finalists aspirant PEGS and that means a place in the finals comes down to whether they can win on Saturday against the top placed team, Parkdale. A win secured 4th spot and loss will see the team drop to 5th. The game is at Central Reserve, and the Club will be playing its last game on the ground before moving to its new clubrooms on the top oval at Central Reserve next year.

Results
YEAR 10 TABLE TENNIS 15/66 vs St Bernard’s 0/9
Best: Gilmore, Nguyen, Ho, Tran, Cotte, Viegerve
YEAR 10 HOKEY vs Parade 1
Goals: Aquino 5, Murfett, McClean Best: Aquino, Gunton, Jacobs, Buccella, Sinnamon

YEAR 10A BASKETBALL 42 vs CBC 44
Goals: McKeogh 18 Best: McKeogh, Sier, Stephenson, Dimitrakis
YEAR 10B BASKETBALL 29 vs CBC 24
Goals: Deegan 7 Best: Deegan, Le Maitre, Arena, Johnson
YEAR 9 TABLE TENNIS BYE
YEAR 9 HOKEY 1 vs St Bernard’s 3
Goals: Cincotta Best: Bayly, Nguyen, Wheeler, Cincotta, O’Hara
YEAR 9B TABLE TENNIS 19 vs CBC 19
Score: Kinkel 13 Best: Kinkel, Maquignaz, Cross, Gubbels
YEAR 9B BASKETBALL 38 vs St Bernard’s 19
U Bay 6 Best: Ubay, Baloiuni, Costello

Scorers : Guscott 22 Best: Guscott, Gee, Melenhorst
SEN BASKETBALL B 46 vs St Bernard’s 35
Scorers : Poretti 14 Best: Poretti, Bruce, Paulding
SEN HOKEY 1 vs St Bernard’s 3
Goals: Munro Best: Munro, S Riley, Durdin, Freeman, Patti
SEN TABLE TENNIS 14/70 vs Salesian 1/5
Best: Sikora, Pham, Nguyen, Souter, D’Souza, Pannuzzo, Wickerton, Chen, Vaz, Pawlukowski

Last week’s results:
Year 8 A Table Tennis 15/75 vs CBC 0/0
Best: Clayton, Luc, Ryan, Sagayaraj, Batnic, Urbina, O’Shea
Year 8A HOKEY 0 vs CBC 1
Best: Ryan, Cauchi, Anthony, Smith, McFadden
YEAR 8A BASKETBALL vs Simmonds
Scorers: Riley 17 Best: Signal, Riley, De Zilva
YEAR 8B BASKETBALL vs Simmonds
Scorers: Palermo 13 Best: Palermo, Roach, Martino, Saina
Year 8 Div 2 A Table Tennis vs Parade P
Best: Dalamasar, Wee, D’Silva, Molinoro, Gunasekara
Year 8 Div 2 A BASKETBALL vs Parade P
Scorers: Jerome 12 Best: Jerome, Aren, Paloo, Murphy
YEAR 8 Div 2 B BASKETBALL Parade P
Scorers: Andrews 11 Best: Andrews, Tchia, Comerford, Ng
YEAR 8B HOKEY 0 vs
Best: Dealy, Glennon, Joseph, Nguyen, Liyanage
YEAR 7A TABLE TENNIS 15/66 vs Whitefriars 0/9
Best: Lim, Mangoni, Esplendid, Gilmore, Nguyen, Beana, Kaka
YEAR 7A HOKEY 2 vs Whitefriars 1
Goals: Mitsuoius, Radziminski Berts, Radziminski, Mitsuoius, Decleva, Branaganza, Raffa, Haddad, Bray
YEAR 7B TABLE TENNIS vs Parade P
Best: Dinh, Foo, Moutsopoulos, Sebastian, Acciarito
YEAR 7B HOKEY vs Parade P
Goals: Froude , Byard Best: Byard, Noone, Cheng, Cheon, Gormaz
YEAR 7B div 1 BASKETBALL vs Parade P
Scorers: Ryan 8 Best: Ryan, Moretti, Sherlock
YEAR 7B div 2 BASKETBALL vs Parade P
Scorers: Phillips 4, Davine 2 Best: Davine, Tranter, McPhee, Phillips, Buswell

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

ACC SPORTS DETAILS – TERM 3 4th September Week 8

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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)