Dear Mazenod Community,

Each and every week, I try and write something of the many wonderful happenings here at the College. While I will still try and do this, I was fortunate enough to experience the great hospitality of two Schools in the Archdiocese.

On Wednesday evening, some Staff and Students were invited by former College Captain Paul Reed (1980) to Catholic Regional College in Sydenham for their fundraising dinner for East Timor. Paul is the Faith Development Coordinator at CRC Sydenham and we were delighted to receive the invite. His School is a Year 11 and 12 Catholic College that has made a great commitment to VCAL and VCE. They have magnificent facilities for their Trade Centre where they run a commercial bakery, framer, sign writing and restaurant. The boys and the students of CRC Sydenham had a great night sharing ideas and resources. We have invited the Students out to our Mission Action Day in 2013 and hopefully the good relationship can continue between our Colleges.

On Thursday, I was invited by Nazareth College, our nearest neighbours, to give the Homily at their Nazareth Day Mass. This was a great honour that I was very happy to accept. The Mass was a beautiful liturgy of reflection and reverence. Our region is blessed with many fine Catholic Colleges and being together with Nazareth on their special day is a treasured memory.

Our new, yet to be named, building is steadily moving closer to completion. There has been considerable progress since I last gave you an update as I hope the photo is able to demonstrate this. The roof and the underground car-park are nearing completion and we congratulate Devco, our builders on their great attention to detail and care of our new building. Our architects, Lattitude, have provided us with the plans of a very important building and Devco are bringing those plans to life. This new facility will house our indoor Sports of Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton, Chess, Table-Tennis and Indoor Soccer, as well as an outdoor Basketball court. The building will also double as our gathering centre for Masses, Assemblies, Classrooms and Board Room. We are sincerely looking forward to its completion in Term 2, 2013 and look forward to welcoming every family to see it. A new building is an exciting time in the life of a College as it demonstrates a commitment to the present and future needs of our boys.

I would also like to express my sincere thanks to the many people who responded to complete the Parent Survey for the Schools Improvement Framework. There were many more respondents than there were surveys and I was very happy with the response. These surveys are one of the ways that the College gathers crucial feedback and planning information. The other great avenues of feedback are provided at the Mothers’ Auxiliary and the Fathers’ Association.

Re-enrolment for 2013
I thank most sincerely those families who have returned the Re-enrolment Forms for 2013. It is vitally important for planning and enrolment enquiries that this occurs. While obviously the vast majority of families return to the College each year, this is not always the case. If you have not yet done so, would you please attend to the Re-enrolment Forms as soon as possible.

This weekend sees some very important Football matches with Mazenod Old Collegians Football Club playing in a Preliminary Final at 2.00 pm on Saturday 15th September at Trevor Barker Oval, Sandringham. A win in this game will propel Mazenod into “Premier B” Grade within the amateurs, as well as a Grand Final. It doesn’t end there though, because at 2.15 pm on Sunday 16th September, at W.A. Scammell Reserve, Oakleigh, the Mazenod Under 19’s are playing in a Grand Final. This team has Students from Year 10, 11 and 12 and we wish them every success after finishing on top of the ladder.

The College is very proud to be associated with the Mazenod Old Collegians Football Club (as well as Mazenod Old Collegians Cricket Club and Mazenod United Football Club).

Oh and there are also two more games of Football this weekend which is obviously very important with a spot in the Preliminary Finals of the AFL up for grabs. I wish all teams (except West Coast) the best of luck and I especially wish that Adelaide proves to be a successful hunting ground for the Dockers. Time will tell.

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

**September 2012**
- **Mon 17 Sept**: Year 12 Italian Students – COASIT in Carlton
- **Tue 18 Sept**: Fathers’ Committee Meeting
- **Wed 19 Sept**: Year 12 English Exam
- **Wed 19 Sept**: Music Gala Night at Alexander Theatre
- **Wed 19 Sept**: Japan Trip Commences
- **Thu 20 Sept**: Term 3 Concludes
- **Fri 21 Sept**: Staff Inservice
- **Fri 21 Sept**: Year 12 Formal
- **Mon 24 Sept**: Year 12 Italian Lecture

**October 2012**
- **Mon 01-Fri 05 Oct**: Year 12 Exams
- **Thu 04 Oct**: Japan Trip Concludes
- **Mon 08 Oct**: Staff Inservice
- **Tue 09 Oct**: Students Return for Term 4
- **Wed 10 Oct**: Year 7 (2013) Parent Information Evening (A-L)
- **Wed 10 Oct**: Mothers’ Auxiliary Meeting
- **Thu 11 Oct**: Year 7 (2013) Parent Information Evening (M-Z)
- **Fri 12 Oct**: Steven Tynan Memorial Service
- **Sat 13 Oct**: Past Students Reunion (2002)
- **Mon 15 Oct**: Year 8 Horse Riding Day 1
- **Mon 15 Oct**: Year 12 Police Presentation
- **Tue 16 Oct**: Open Day 4 pm – 8 pm
- **Tue 16 Oct**: Fathers’ Committee Meeting
- **Tue 16 Oct**: Year 8 Horse Riding Day 2
- **Mon 22 Oct**: Year 8 Horse Riding Day 3
- **Wed 24 Oct**: Year 12 Breakfast & Farewell
- **Thu 25 Oct**: Speech Night at Robert Blackwood Hall

**CANTEEN ROSTER**
- **Mon 17 Sept**: Rose Venuto, Nancy Mete
- **Tue 18 Sept**: Constance Foo, Lorenza Spano, Sandra Bucovaz
- **Wed 19 Sept**: Tina Lea, Lingga Yamin
- **Thu 20 Sept**: Anne Ryan, Trudy Handakas, Rachna Gupta

**OTHER NEWS**

**THE SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP**
If your son has grown out of his GOOD quality School/Sports Uniforms. Now is 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.

**Order Your Co-Curricular Activity Photos**
Photos are displayed in the Year 8 and 9 corridors. Forms can be collected from the Student Counter. Photos are $16 each (Cash or Cheque only).

- Forms must be returned by Thursday 20th September 2012
- Year 12 group Photo also available for $19 each.
Last night the 27th Annual Awarding of the Norman A. Smith Memorial Scholarship was conducted at the Glen Waverley RSL. In attendance representing Mazenod was Vimaj Peris of Year 10 and his dad.

Vimaj was one of the five finalists (also including students from Avila, Salesian, St Kevins and Highvale Secondary).

Mazenod has had a number of finalists previously, with Vimaj becoming our first winner!

The scholarship is $5000 to be spent by Vimaj however he chooses, study, educational travel, books, fees, instruments, etc.

The website of the award is as follows: [http://waverleyrsl.com.au/about/norman-a-smith-scholarship/](http://waverleyrsl.com.au/about/norman-a-smith-scholarship/)

The award is “For Year 10 Students who reside, or attend a Secondary School, in The City of Monash. The object of the scholarship is to support Year 10 students to continue their education into tertiary studies with a view to becoming leading members of a profession or trade and contribute to the further development of the nation to the benefit of all Australians.”

Vimaj was part of a lengthy process involving written applications and personal life stories, references from teachers, an examination, a panel interview and a research project.

A number of former scholars spoke last night of their journeys and working life – all highly accomplished people – stretching back 25 years. All winners are invited back every year. The five finalists spoke and gave presentations regarding their research of a former veteran. They were all absolutely excellent, and in particular Vimaj’s panel interview was apparently outstanding.

His father was overjoyed last night, and he was highly commending of Mazenod and the opportunities the College has afforded Vimaj. All at Mazenod congratulate Vimaj on this outstanding achievement.

Mr Noel Jenkinson
Deputy Principal - Curriculum

ACMA
Australian Communication and Media Authority (ACMA) are inviting Parents to a presentation on Digital Citizenship next Thursday 20th September at 7.00 pm at the College Lecture Theatre. Students from Year 7-10 will attend a presentation during the day so the evening is for Parents only. There is also a Staff presentation from 3.30 pm to 5 pm.

Students in:
- Year 7 & 8 11.00 am to 12.00 pm
- Year 9 & 10 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm
- Staff 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm
- Parents 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

CAREERS & PATHWAYS

There are plenty of opportunities available for students to sample different career opportunities at many of the tertiary institutions in Melbourne throughout the year. It is never too early to start the ball rolling so even if you are in Year 9 or Year 12 make an appointment via the intranet or simply drop in and speak with Mr. Kenealy about your subjects or tertiary study.

The focus this week is again on the Year 12 students and the timely completion of the VTAC online applications for University in 2013.

Year 12

VTAC Preferences for University entrance in 2013 are due by the 28th September. I would hope that all students will make the most of the lunchtime sessions that are continuing into next week. At the time of going to print less than 10% of Year 12 students had completed their applications. Students will be walked through the process with Mr. Kenealy to ensure no mistakes are made. If a student submits preference with errors and has to notify VTAC an administration fee of $23 will be incurred. Students will require the following things to complete the application:

1. VTAC registration completed
2. Course preferences completed (up to a maximum of 12) on booklet provided for students
3. Proxy details in case you are unable to attend institution yourself to enrol (name, relationship to applicant, DOB, email, phone number)
4. VISA/Mastercard number including 3 digit number on back of card.

A reminder about dates and costs:

- Sept 28th Timely applications due $26
- November 9th LATE applications $89
- December 7th VERY LATE APPLICATIONS $114

Obviously it is advisable to have applications done with instruction before the end of term to ensure that late fees do not apply. Students do have the opportunity to change preferences from 18th December – 24th December after ATARS are released.

The cost of applying online is $26 for timely applications if paid by VISA/Mastercard at the time of application. A cost of $3 VCAA candidate numbers are available from Mr Kenealy, Mr. Mark Rolfe, Mr. McAlister and Ms. Caldwell. Students must have these to complete their VTAC registrations and then applications. [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au)

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 Kenealy – Careers Coordinator

SPORTS NEWS

On Wednesday, our Cross Country team ventured out to Bundoora Park. For a change the weather was great except for a very strong wind. We had good numbers from each Year Level and everyone who ran did his best. Picking teams is always difficult as you try to reward training attendance with ability. We can’t argue that at times we do not get this balance right as we try to get the best team to run. The ACC has also introduced a promotion and relegation system for all their Carnival Sports and this has no doubt put pressure on all Schools to find ways to get its best runners to run.

The day had many highlights with some outstanding results. Any Student that can achieve a top 10 placing in a race with 110 competitors can be very proud of their effort. We had 3 Students finish in the top 10. In the Under 14 race Brian Fogarty of Year 8 finished in 7th place. Brian has used his strong swimming background to great affect and was able to stay with the leading group for the entire race and was in that pack right to the end.

Liam Riley had a sensational run finishing in 8th position in the U/17 run. Liam pushed very hard from the start and tucked in well to the leading group. He kept to his race plan and in the last kilometre was part of the group that broke away. Liam pushed extremely hard and was not disgraced in finishing 8th only seconds away from a top 3 spot.

James Munro our Captain led by example and action and finished in 2nd place. James had a great run heading out with the leading group and then pushing ahead with the eventual winner from St Bernard’s. James kept pushing as hard as he could and eventually in the last 500 metres was pushed to his limits. James never gave up at any stage and finished just behind the winner and approximately 400 metres ahead of 3rd. Special mention to our College Captain Sean Paulding who finished in 9th place in the Open Event.

Our other best performers were Rueran Braganza U/13 (23rd), Corey Martino U/15 (16th) and Sean Ryan U/16 (16th).

The team score is calculated by adding the placing of our top 6 runners in each race and unfortunately we finished in 6th position, relegating us to Division 2 for 2013. The boys can hold their heads high, but also be honest in admitting that we need to look at how we can improve our results for next year and ensure we are in Division 1 for 2014. We congratulate St Bernard’s who had a clean sweep of nearly every section on the day. Well done to St Joseph’s Geelong who earned promotion to Division 1 for next year.
ACC CROSS COUNTRY BREAKFAST
To celebrate the hard work of our Cross Country team and those who trained and were part of the team, we are holding a celebration breakfast next Wednesday here in the Canteen at 7.45 am. We will also present our ACC Cross Country Awards during the morning ceremony. I have asked all Students to please collect an invitation from the PE Office or see Mr Connolly to RSVP in person for catering purposes.

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