For many years, the College has enjoyed a positive, fruitful and mutually beneficial relationship with Monash University. Geography and mutual aspirations are a common factor. With approximately 60% of graduates from Mazenod heading on to the University, there are strong links between our two institutions. Monash University hosts the College functions of Speech Night, Music Gala and Musical as well as offering the training and playing base for many of our sports, including our Championship winning Swimming Team. We have been involved in the Enhancement Programme at Monash University for many years and achieved great results there.

While the overall relationship is positive, we have had an opportunity to expand another relationship with the University of Melbourne through an Enhancement Maths Programme. This programme will provide our students with a pathway with some real and genuine benefits. Initially we will be working with St Kevin’s students in 2012, however, in 2013 we have applied to be one of the School providers of this programme. Our aim will be to explore further relationships with the University of Melbourne, while at the same time continuing to grow a positive relationship with Monash University. We are in the unique position of being able to form fruitful and positive relationships with a range of tertiary providers including Universities and TAFE.

Through the work of Mr James Tranter, our Enhancement Coordinator we are able to provide a wide range of options for a wide range of students in the areas of Science, Maths, Humanities, Music, English, Religious Education and Information Technology. The breadth of these opportunities are one of the distinguishing features of Mazenod and one of the most pleasing.

To have a formal relationship with two of the top 5 Universities in Australia provides Mazenod College students with a unique and great opportunity. I thank everyone involved in fostering and promoting these relationships.

VCAL Graduation

During the week our VCAL Class of 2011 celebrated their Valedictory Mass and Dinner. The evening was a wonderful and appropriate way to conclude the VCAL experience.

VCAL (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning) is a recognised and valued senior secondary qualification. The VCAL’s flexibility enables students to design a study program that suits their interests and learning needs. Students select accredited curriculum components from VCE studies, Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualifications, Further Education (FE) and VCAL units. I thank Mr Matthew Johnson, Ms Vivian Seremetis, Ms Kaye Williamson and all of the Staff involved in the programme. A few weeks ago, I wrote about the recent decision of the Baillieu Government to cut coordination funding to VCAL and I wanted to assure you that the College will continue to provide the best VCAL Programme that we can.

At the graduation an award was presented to Thomas Jolly which was called the “Steve Putrino – Fostering the Future Award”. This award recognises the student who has displayed the most positive elements of an education at Mazenod. Thomas received the award because of his contribution across all of the School. The award gave Thomas the chance to donate $250 to the charity of his choice. Thomas chose Rosies Oblate Youth Mission, which is the Oblate work with the homeless of Melbourne. While I was really happy with Thomas’ choice, it was the reasons behind it that made me most proud of him. When I asked Thomas why he chose Rosies Oblate Youth Mission, he gave the following response:

- I saw a news report on the homeless and saw how many people just walked past without stopping and this made me feel sad.
- I felt that I should make a contribution to inspire others to do the same.
- I chose Rosies because of its connection with the Oblates and also I believe that my donation will definitely reach those in need.

This response is a wonderful example of a Mazenod graduate. He has seen a situation, felt a desire to respond and has then done so in the hope of inspiring others. It was a wonderful affirmation of the shared values between his family and the College and is hopefully representative of every graduating student.

African Appeal

It is my pleasure to be able to report to you that the current Mazenod total (with personal, College and Government contributions) has reached $20,000. This total will be distributed through Caritas Australia and will reach some of the most vulnerable people in the world. The drought crisis in Africa is their worst in a decade and their situation must not be forgotten. The donation offer of the College and the Government will last until the end of November, so I encourage any family to make a contribution through www.caritas.org.au. After you have donated, please send an email to mtwigg@mazenod.vic.edu.au and the College will match your donation.
A sincere thanks to all families who have contributed to the annual St Vincent de Paul Food Hamper Drive. We are asking each and every family to make a contribution of 2-3 non-perishable items for families within our region in real need for Christmas. Through your generosity we are aiming to donate approx. 3000 items of food.

This community at Mazenod is a generous one with over $100,000 worth of aid reaching people all over the world. Each and every family should recognise the wonderful gift that you are giving to your sons in providing them with an opportunity to see a need and respond to it in love. This year, the College, through your generosity has supported: Kenya, Zimbabwe, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, China, Indonesia, India, Queensland, Somalia, Rosies and St Vincent de Paul. This is the strength of the community to which you all belong.

Today, I travel to Western Australia for the annual gathering of Oblate Rectors in our three Colleges (Iona in Queensland, Mazenod in Western Australia and ourselves). I am looking forward to the fraternal sharing and community that comes from meeting fellow Oblates involved in the same ministry. We will continue to look for ways that our Colleges can work together. I will meet with Fr Mark Edwards O.M.I.- Iona and Fr Brian Maher O.M.I. – Mazenod WA.

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

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**DATES**

**November 2011**

- Fri 18-23 Nov: Year 11 to 12 Promotion Interviews
- Mon 21-25 Nov: Year 10 Exams
- Wed 23 Nov: Extended Transition Afternoon (2012 students)
- Mon 28 Nov-02 Dec: Year 9 Exams
- Mon 28 Nov: Year 12 Second hand book sales ($12.30 pm - 2.00 pm)
- Tue 29 Nov: Year 12 Valedictory Dinner

**December 2011**

- Thu 01 Dec: Year 10 Second hand book sales ($12.30 pm – 2.00 pm)
- Sat 03 Dec: Year 7-9 Second hand book sales ($8.30 am – 10.30 am)
- Sat 03 Dec: Mazenod Old Collegians C.C. Founder’s Day Match
- Sun 04-09 Dec: Mazenod Old Collegians C.C. Founder’s Day Match in QLD
- Mon 05 Dec: Year 11 (2012) Transition
- Mon 05 Dec: Year 11 Second hand book sales ($12.30 pm to 2 pm)
- Tue 06 Dec: Booklists due All Year Levels
- Wed 07 Dec: Peer Support Training
- Thu 08 Dec: Feast of Immaculate Conception
- Thu 08 Dec: End of Term 4 (Year 7 & 9)

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

- Mon 21 Nov: Lorraine Dorio, Mary Clayton, Suzanne Neil
- Tue 22 Nov: Pamela Smith, Rebecca Shaw, Rozanne Leyeran
- Wed 23 Nov: Anne Deegan, Amanda Mustica
- Thu 24 Nov: Julie Minack, Majella Kovak
- Fri 25 Nov: Robyn Riley, Georgie White, Mia Dalamagos

**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.

Old style blazers are no longer accepted in second hand uniform shop.

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

**Extra Opening times for Uniform Shop**

- **November**
  - Tuesday 15th 11 am – 4 pm (Year 7 2012 Orientation Day)
- **December**
  - Saturday 3rd 8.30 am – 12.30 pm (Second Hand Book Sales)
  - Tuesday 6th 12.30 pm – 6 pm
  - Thursday 8th 12.30 pm – 4 pm
  - Saturday 10th 9 am - 11 am
  - Tuesday 13th 2 pm - 7 pm
- **January**
  - Tuesday 17th 10 am – 2 pm
  - Thursday 19th 3 pm - 7 pm
  - Saturday 21st 9 am – 12 pm
  - Tuesday 24th 3 pm – 7 pm
- Monday 30th 9 am – 3 pm (Campion Book collection day)
  - Tuesday 31st 12.30 pm – 4 pm

Uniform Shop times return to normal from Thursday 2nd February. We are open each Tuesday and Thursday during School Terms from 12.30 pm to 4 pm.

Please note Year 7 students for 2012 are asked to make an appointment, so as not to inconvenience current students. Please phone 9763 0266 for extra times and booking.

New students at any Year level are welcome to make an appointment as are current students who need to be re-fitted for several items of uniform.

**Year 11 students for 2012**

- Braiding can be put on current blazers (new style wool) at a cost of $45.00.
- If you require this service please have the blazer dry-cleaned (the tag must be left on) attach your name and phone number and leave it at the Uniform Shop at Mazenod by 13th December. Extended hours are in the Newsletter.
- These are baided over the Christmas break and will be available no later than 30th January. Please note no late orders can be accepted.

MazBay is available again this year to assist the buying and selling of second hand textbooks. Students have been issued with instructions and a username and password to log onto the site and enter details of the items they have for sale. They DO NOT need to login to BUY, only if they have items to sell.

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. Many students have found this a very convenient means of exchanging their textbooks. Library staff can assist with queries, forgotten the passwords etc.

MazBay - http://mazbay.wikispaces.com

Secondhand sale days for specific year levels will also be held as usual on the dates indicated in student diaries and in the Newsletter.

**MUSIC NEWS**

**MUSIC PROGRAM NEW ZEALAND TOUR 2012**

The information session for Rhapsody Rotorua is on this Tuesday 22nd of November at 7.30 pm in the Lecture Theatre at the O’Rourke Complex at Mazenod College. This trip is for students in the Symphonic Wind Band and Symphony Orchestra in 2012. We hope to see all the parents of the students in these groups on the night. Please make sure you have registered your interest by returning your attendance slip to the Music Department over the coming days.
FATHERS’ ASSOCIATION
The Fathers’ Association AGM was held Tuesday 15th November, with Office Bearers elected for 2012:
President - Danny O’Hara
Vice-President - Greg Tout
Treasurer - Darren Buswell
Secretary - Tony Patti
The Fathers Association End-of-Year BBQ is on Friday 2nd December from 6pm. As well as our breakup, this is our opportunity to farewell Steve Putrino and thank him for his tremendous efforts over the years. Please make an effort to come along and so we can send him off properly! RSVP please for catering: imacaulay@unimelb.edu.au, no charge.

CAREERS AND PATHWAYS
The University of Melbourne Careers Update:

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? ENROLMENT AND ACADEMIC ADVICE DAY
Enrolling and making informed subject choices are important steps in the transition to university. Students are provided with clear instructions during online enrolment, and are invited to attend Academic Advice Day which will be on 23 January for Australian students, and 16 February for international students. Students offered a place will receive a copy of A Guide to Enrolment and Academic Advice Day in the mail. This publication explains the enrolment process and includes the program of information sessions on Academic Advice Day. Students will be welcomed to the University by volunteer guides before attending course and subject information sessions. Students may also meet with a Student Adviser on the day. Those needing to find accommodation can attend a Housing Information Session. The day is also a chance to become familiar with the campus and to meet other new students before Orientation Week, 21 – 24 February.

What happens if a student is not in Melbourne in January?
Since enrolment can be done online from anywhere with internet access, proxy enrolment is not available. Students MUST enrol for themselves. Because there are acceptance and enrolment deadlines, it is very important to complete enrolment on time. The Academic Advice Day brochure will include instructions for what to do about obtaining subject advice if students are unable to attend on the day.

Keep up to date online
The program for January 23 will be available online from mid-December at: www.services.unimelb.edu.au/transition

COURSE INFORMATION DAY: MONDAY 19 DECEMBER 2011
Timed with the release of final Year 12 results, Course Information Day is the perfect opportunity to gather vital information about courses, alternative pathways, entry requirements and fees to help students make an informed decision about their future. Many of the sessions will be presented by leading academics from the University’s faculties and Graduate Schools. Join the tailored course information sessions, guided campus tours and experience all aspects of the University campus and student life. Don’t forget to grab yourself some lunch at the free sausage sizzle! Register for Course Information Day at: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/cid

ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN SUMMER SCHOOL REMINDER
Registrations close soon for the Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning’s Summer School, held from 12 — 15 December 2011. Student numbers for the Architecture and Design Summer School will be capped at 100. Students are advised to discuss the program with their parents and register early to avoid disappointment. For full program details go to: www.abp.unimelb.edu.au/summer/
Summer School cost: $450 (includes materials, lunches and snacks)
To register please visit: http://go.unimelb.edu.au/Awo
For more information contact: Amber Perry, Email: perrya@unimelb.edu.au, Tel: +61 9035 4982

ENGINEERING RANKED 25 IN THE WORLD!
The University of Melbourne has leapt from number 30 to number 25 in the 2011-12 Times Higher Education World University Rankings for Engineering and Technology. This result confirms the University’s position as Australia’s leading university in Engineering and Technology. The University of Melbourne is the highest ranked Australian institution in the ‘THE’ and ‘QS’ rankings surveys and equal highest in the Shanghai Jiao Tong Academic Ranking of World Universities. Commenting on the rankings success, Professor Iven Mareels, Dean of Engineering said, “We welcome this recognition of our progress. As we are striving to be and remain one of the world’s great engineering schools, it is important that these rankings reflect these efforts in a positive way.” Melbourne’s Engineering and Technology scored particularly well in citations, marking the influence of its research, and “international outlook”, which captures the make-up of the staff and student bodies along with international research collaborations.

More information
Times Higher Education Top 50 Universities for Engineering and Technology: www.timeshighereducation.co.uk/world-university-rankings/2011-2012/engineering-and-it.html
Find out more about Engineering rankings at The Melbourne Engineer: http://themelbourneengineer.eng.unimelb.edu.au/

General Careers Update:

BOX HILL INSTITUTE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
Barista Bar & Wait - Summer 2011
This program is an exceptional opportunity for students! Students are issued with black business shirt waiter’s friend (bottle opener used by industry) plus practical training opportunities in the Institute’s restaurant, Fountains, and Conference Centre. They may be rostered on for business breakfasts, lunches & dinners/evening functions. The program is full time for 2 weeks. It’s a great idea as they have ample food and beverage time to get confident in a commercial environment with real customers. Students will get exposure to a-la-carte dining, brigade service, buffet service, coffee making skills, cocktail skills and bar skills.
On successful completion students will receive:
• Responsible Service of Alcohol Certificate
• Food Hygiene Certificate
• Certificate of participation in Barista, Bar and Wait
Want to know more? Call 1300 BOX HILL (1300 269 445) or visit www.boxhill.edu.au

ZOOS VICTORIA KEEPER FOR A DAY HEALESVILLE AND WERRIBEE
Keeper for a Day is a fun hands-on day that provides an insight to the role of a Zoo Keeper. Opportunities will be provided to get up close with some amazing animals and perform keeping duties. Go behind the scenes, have a chat with a keeper and find out the pros and cons of the job as well as recommendations on the experience and qualifications required to get a keeping position. Meet other people working at the zoo to find out about animal related roles that you may have never considered before. This is a great experience for young people interested in working with animals and conservation.
Keeper for a Day at Healesville Sanctuary - January 2012
Dates: Years 7/8: Jan 17th, 24th, Years 9-12: Jan 18th, 25th
Time: 9.30am - 3.30 pm
Keeper for a Day at Werrabee Open Range Zoo - January 2012
Dates: January 16th, 17th, 19th, 23rd or 24th
Time: 9.30am to 4.00pm
Age: (13-18 years)
Enquiries and Bookings: (03) 9285 9406

Vivian Seremetis – Careers Coordinator

SPORTS NEWS

General News
It was fantastic to see so many wide eyed and eager Year 6 students wonder around the College on Tuesday morning. They all seem small and over awed by their first real taste of Mazenod life. The Sports Department are very lucky to get a small amount of time to present a quick over view of what we have to offer here at the College.
When we start talking about all the Sports, the Carnivals, Chess, Debating, Public Speaking, Music, not to mention House Sport and Physical Education classes, you start to appreciate the broad range of experiencing each of these students has to explore over the next 6 years.
I started to look in depth at our current crop of Year 7’s who sat with the same energetic looks last year. When we started to go through each Sport and ACC activity, we discovered 183 students out of 216 in Year 7 represented Mazenod in some form of ACC activity. This is an amazing result and speaks highly of the activities we offer.
It also reflects the eagerness and willingness of the boys to be involved. As I have mentioned before, I would love to bottle this up in some form and get them to sip it slowly every couple of years. Although we have good numbers representing us each week we still could all do better. It often comes down to the culture of the Sport. We all admire the success of Volleyball at Mazenod and its ability to entice students to participate. No doubt its foundations have come from the hard work of staff such as Mr Joe Moore and Mr Damien Schumann in setting high standards in participation and expectation of success. We all love to take part of things that are successful and the students see this in Volleyball. At the moment we are struggling at Cricket, a Sport we have previously been fielding our best team and most committed until we start to see the positive results of our efforts. It is too easy to have a doctor’s appointment, physio, driving lesson than to actually get out with your friends and make yourself better.
CONGRATULATIONS
Mr Damien Schuman finished 3rd on the weekend at the first round of the Volleyball Australian Championships. This was a great start to the season for him and we will give him and his partner the confidence to keep improving. The first round was filmed by channel one and will be screened soon on television.

Last Term we took 4 students out to Casey Fields to compete in the Victorian Schools Championships. For most, it was the first time they had ridden in any form of cycling race. From this day it is pleasing to see that one student in particular; Bradley Puts of Year 8 has joined the very strong Caulfield-Carnegie Cycling Club and has competed in 2 road races around the Glenvale circuit. What gave Brad more of a thrill was that his racing mentor was Jack Cummings of Year 12. We wish Bradley all the best.

SEMIESTER TWO SPORT AWARDS (Change of date) DECEMBER 6th TUESDAY
Our second Award Ceremony for this year will be on Tuesday 6th December here at Mazenod. The evening has been changed so as not to interfere with the exam week for Year 9 students. The night will commence at 5 pm and conclude with dinner at 6 pm. Students who have received an award during Terms 3 and 4 will be invited by mail to attend with their family.

We unfortunately do not have the ability to invite all those students who have represented Mazenod during the year to these functions. In total we have approximately 800 students represent Mazenod in an ACC event and it is impossible to cater for all. We do however recognise that all students play a valuable role in helping us put together very competitive teams. We have had some primary discussions as to how we can do this and hopefully from next year we will be able to invite all students to at least some function that recognises the important role they play in our sports program.

ACC SWIMMING TRAINING
The 2012 defence of the ACC Title has begun every Tuesday and Thursday morning at the Monash University Pool. The session begins at 7am and concludes at 8am. Students are to get dropped off at the pool and we will organise a bus to return them. We do provide a breakfast pack but would encourage the boys to bring some of their own food! All students are invited to turn up and train!

OBLATE CRICKET CARNIVAL
The Oblate Carnival for 2012 will be held in Queensland and hosted by our brother College Iona. The dates for the competition have been confirmed from Sunday 15th January to Thursday 19th January. It is hoped that there will be 4 days of cricket. At this point in time fellow ACC School Whitefriars will also be attending. We have made some preliminary bookings for flights, transport, accommodation and we will cost each family approximately $800 for the trip plus any additional spending money. The boys will be billeted out to families from Iona, just as families from Mazenod generously took on students from our brother Oblate Colleges in December. We will have 2 to 3 staff members travelling with the party of 13 students. Training details will be given out soon as we begin our training and selection process. Training will be after school once a week at the indoor facility at Clayton.

MAZENOD OLD COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB
The Old Boys enjoyed a great day on the weekend in finally some weather of cricket. At this point in time fellow ACC School Whitefriars will also be attending. We have made some preliminary bookings for flights, transport, accommodation and we will cost each family approximately $800 for the trip plus any additional spending money. The boys will be billeted out to families from Iona, just as families from Mazenod generously took on students from our brother Oblate Colleges in December. We will have 2 to 3 staff members travelling with the party of 13 students. Training details will be given out soon as we begin our training and selection process. Training will be after school once a week at the indoor facility at Clayton.

The Old Boys enjoyed a great day on the weekend in finally some weather friendly Cricket! All 4 teams performed very well and have themselves placed for good wins. It was great to see former Old Boy Mick Riley play with his son Tom (Year 7) and nephew Jarrod (Year 7) in the fourth’s. Tom took 2 wickets and his dad took one to share some of the glory! Mick’s older son Liam (Year 10) is currently in the seconds.

RESULTS RD 5 YR 9-10 & RD 4 YR 8A & 7A
YR 10 CRICKET 8/100 Whitefriars 4/127
YR 10 VOLLEYBALL A 3/75 Whitefriars 0/34
Papalaskaris, Legrand, Bruce, Lemalu
YR 10 VOLLEYBALL B 2/50 Whitefriars 0/39
Wood, Tamino, Mehta
YR 10 TENNIS 10/79 Whitefriars 2/34
YR 9 CRICKET – 8/99 Parade 4/100
YR 9 VOLLEYBALL A 3/75 Parade 0/52
Tang
YR 9 VOLLEYBALL B 1/50 Parade 2/60

MAZENOD OLD COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB

The Sports Team
Mr May, Mr Montoya, Mr Connolly, Mr Bedwell, Mr Regan & Mr Phibbs

ACC SPORT DETAILS – TERM 4 22nd – 24th NOVEMBER

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