This week saw the formal conclusion of the 2012 VCE Class with their final exams. Tonight we gather for their Valedictory Mass and Dinner with families, staff and students. It will be a wonderful opportunity to mark an important transition for the boys. I am particularly pleased that many staff will be in attendance because I know how much they have cared for the boys. I know that also for many families there is a sense of some sadness that their time as parents of the College is coming to an end, however, our message is that they are welcome to any College function in the future. Every family contribution to the School is important and every family is remembered in our prayers at Mass. Our Valedictory Mass begins at St John Vianney’s at 6.00 pm followed by dinner at the Sandown Racetrack.

I was particularly proud of our College’s involvement in a Shared Stories and Art initiative. After Mr Mark Rolfe first suggested the idea based on his daughter’s experience at Avila College, I asked Ms Felicity Kamevaar, Mr Mick Keady, Mrs Esther Herdina and Mr John McCabe to coordinate our involvement. I would particularly like to acknowledge the following students and let them know how incredibly proud we are of them: Matteo Sella (10), Eugene Aquino (9), Joshua Manzo (10), Samuel Clifton (9), Patrick Cincotta (10), Matthieu Grinter (10), David Goullet (10), Darcy Burke (10), Anthony Marandola (10), Marcus Barthelot (10), Thomas Rooney (10), Isaac Ng (7), Nicholas Gramatakos (8), Stefan Jayasuriya (10), Sean Solari (7), Tim de Korte (10), Marcus Wee (8), Raphael Chia (8) and Sarah Joseph (8). Each of these students have now had their work published in the anthology called Shared Stories which will be kept in the National and State Libraries as well as here at Mazenod.

Over the next couple of days, Mazenod Staff and Students will be venturing to two separate locations, Italy and China. Both experiences, while different in many ways, also share a great common bond. Each of them will aim to really appreciate the value of a culture and community. The Italian Experience led by Mrs Joanne Noone, Mr Mick Keady and Mrs Pina Parisi will leave tonight and our China Mission Immersion Experience led by Mrs Anne Johnson, Mr Daniel Kelly and Fr Andrew Chen O.M.I. will depart on the weekend. Each of the Staff understands the enormity of the responsibility to look after the boys while overseas and I fully trust each one of them with that care. The Italian Experience will provide the opportunity for some intensive language development and cultural immersion, while the Chinese Experience will place the Students at the service of some of the most vulnerable people in the world, the abandoned, disabled Chinese babies at the orphanage. We can never underestimate the enormity and privilege of these experiences.

Recently we sent home a flyer to our Year 9 and 10 students to see if any of them were interested in attending World Youth Day in Brazil next year. If your son did not bring this home and you would like further information, please feel free to email me on rector@mazenod.vic.edu.au.

We congratulate James Pham and Vimaj Peiris both of Year 10 on gaining selection to the prestigious Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program at the University of Melbourne. This is a further recognition of two very fine young men and we are obviously extremely proud of them.

I thank the dads who attended the Fathers Association Annual General Meeting. The following Fathers are the office bearers for 2013:

President: Mr Danny O’Hara
Vice-President: Mr Greg Tout
Treasurer: Mr Darren Buswell
Secretary: Mr Andrew O’Hara

I would also like to invite you to attend the final Fathers’ Association Christmas BBQ on Friday 30th November starting at 6.00 pm in the barbeque area near the main Staff room. Please call Danny on 0407 904 404 for further information.

The College Mazenodian is currently being distributed to the various Year Levels as they finish their Academic Year. It is a magnificent publication and I thank sincerely Ms Carly Bird, Mrs Tanya Nowlan, Joshua Clifton, Ethan Jackson and Ricky Ruffolo for their great dedication to the publication. It is an excellent reflection on our year and I thank them most sincerely. Year 7-9 will receive their book on the last School day after our final Mass.

In conclusion, I would like to praise the behaviour of Joshua Gormaz in Year 7 Lombard, who this week found a wallet and handed it in to the Student Counter. The satisfaction and joy he received in handing the wallet in, was genuinely a great thing. We are very proud of him and encourage every student to follow his example.

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

**November 2012**
- Thu 22-30 Nov: Year 12 (2013) Transition
- Fri 23 Nov: Italy Trip Commences
- Fri 23 Nov: Year 12 Valedictory Dinner
- Sun 25 Nov: China Trip Commences
- Mon 26-30 Nov: Year 9 Exams
- Mon 26-30 Nov: Year 12 (2013) Transition
- Mon 26 Nov: Year 12 Secondhand Book Sales (12.30 pm – 2.30 pm)
- Thu 29 Nov: Year 10 Secondhand Book Sales (12.30 pm – 2.00 pm)

**December 2012**
- Sat 01 Dec: Year 7-9 Secondhand Book Sales (8.30 am – 10.30 am)
- Sat 01 Dec: Mazenod Old Collegians C.C.
- Sun 02 Dec: Mazenod Old Collegians C.C.
- Mon 03 Dec: Year 11 (2013) Transition
- Tue 04 Dec: Year 11 (2013) Transition
- Tue 04 Dec: Campion Sales for Year 11 Novels
- Tue 04 Dec: Booklists due for All Year Levels
- Wed 05 Dec: Peer Support Training
- Thu 06 Dec: End of Term 4 (Year 7 – 9)
- Thu 06 Dec: Advent Mass
- Thu 06 Dec: Staff Inservice Awards
- Sat 08 Dec: Feast of Immaculate Conception
- Mon 10-14 Dec: Australian Schools Volleyball Championship
- Thu 13 Dec: Trip to Italy Concludes

CANTEEN ROSTER

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OTHER NEWS

THE SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE OPEN
FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2.00 PM TO 3.30 PM
SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER 8.30 AM TO 11.00 AM

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 the Second Hand Uniform Shop.**

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

Our regular Goat, Chook and Tool Box gift cards supporting education programs in Indonesia will also be available. The income generated through the goats and chooks pays for books and school fees. Your gift of an $82-piece tool box to a young person studying to be a mechanic in one of our technical colleges, will help them complete their training.

Donations can be made and gift cards obtained through the College or by contacting Missionary Association of Mary Immaculate (MAMI) on 9805 8888 or purchase online at www.oblates.com.au/mami

**VCE BLAZERS for YEAR 11 2013**

There is an opportunity to have woollen blazers braided for VCE. If the blazer is in good condition and will continue to fit for Years 11 and 12, it can have the braid attached for a cost of $45. The blazers are sent ONCE only, over the Christmas break.

If you wish to have a blazer braided please ensure:
1. It has been dry-cleaned and the tags are left attached.
2. It has a name, address and contact number attached.
3. It is dropped off to the Uniform Shop no later than Tuesday 4th December (12.30 pm – 4.00 pm).

New VCE blazers and black VCE jumpers are also available for purchase at the Uniform Shop on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 12.30 pm - 4.00 pm behind the School Chapel.

Homework Program has now concluded for 2012. The program will commence again in Term 1, 2013.
CANBERRA TOUR 2012

The Year 9 Outdoor Education week included Mazenod’s Annual Canberra Tour. This tour was a five day experience which allows our Students the opportunity to visit the Nation’s Capital. It was initiated by Fr. Michael three years ago and has grown in popularity each year.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist parents in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of $30 per Student under the Parliamentary and Civics Education Rebate Program towards travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the College.

The group took up residence at the AIS for the week and travelled to sights including Parliament House, the old Parliament House, the Royal Australian Mint, the National Portrait Gallery, the High Court and the Australian War Memorial.

The Students also participated in a lesson on the Parliamentary process at the Canberra Electoral Education Centre conducted by the Australian Electoral Commission.

Secondhand Book Sale

The Secondhand book sale days for specific Year Levels will be held as usual on the dates indicated below:

- Year 12 Mon 26th Nov (12.30 pm – 2.00 pm) (10 Ryan)
- Year 11 Mon 3rd Dec (12.30 pm – 2.00 pm) (10 Lombard)
- Year 10 Thurs 29th Nov (12.30 pm – 2.00 pm) (10 Ryan)
- Year 7 – 9 texts Sat 1st Dec (8.30 am – 10.30 am) (10 Ryan)

These books will need to be handed over to the Student Counter by:

- Year 12 - Friday 23rd November
- Year 11 - Wednesday 28th November
- Year 10 - Wednesday 28th November
- Years 7 – 9 - Friday 30th November

Families can sell and buy books online using the “Mazbay” service. Students have been given an information brochure explaining how to use Mazbay. This proved a very convenient way for many families to purchase and sell books last year.

Cover sheets can be collected from the Student Counter. Each saleable text book will need to have a cover sheet.

CAREERS & PATHWAYS

Year 12 VTAC Information

As the Year 12 examinations draw to a close students are reminded about change of preference dates. Students do have the opportunity to change preferences from the 26 November until 24th December after ATARs are released but I would advise students to speak with myself before any changes are made.

Go to www.vtac.edu.au to apply or make changes. Don’t forget to check updates regarding new or cancelled courses on the VTAC website.


Don’t forget your Australian Tax File Number – application forms available from Mr. Kenealy in the Careers Office. Students must have an ATO to enrol in university courses.

Year 12 in 2013

Start planning now for life after school. It is never too early to start thinking about your future direction. There have been a number of students coming to the Careers Office making enquiries about changing subjects for next year. Students should only be doing this if they are a little uncertain about the selections they have made. Information regarding prerequisites for courses and careers can be given to students before any changes are made. It is advisable that students are fully informed before any changes are even considered by students and their families.

Year 9 Safe@Work

The first group of students successfully completed their Safe@Work component of the Work Experience program on Monday before they headed off to camp on Wednesday and the next two groups will be completing their workshops on Friday as we went to print and Wednesday next week. Any student who missed any of the workshops MUST see Mr. Kenealy in the Careers Office or Ms. Cowan before the end of the year. The students who are going to Canberra and or Italy will complete this program on Wednesday 21st November. It is a full day’s program and students must successfully complete this program in order to fill the legal requirements of work experience.

La Trobe University

Advisory Day: Wednesday 19 December 2012
11.00am – 2.00pm, Parkville campus

Timed to coincide with the release of Year 12 VCE results, Advisory Day is a perfect opportunity for students and their parents to visit our campus, speak with our friendly staff about all the possibilities available to them and gain vital knowledge that will assist them in choosing the best options for their future.

Holmesglen TAFE

Holmesglen has recently established a new partnership with The University of Canberra. Students are now able to apply for a place in a University of Canberra degree; but with the ability to study that degree at a Holmesglen campus for the duration of the course. The degrees will be offered in the same way as at any other university, through the HECS fee system. The degrees are being offered in
Business (Executive Administration or Marketing Management), Commerce, Fashion (Apparel Engineering and Design), Graphic Design, Hospitality Management, Interior Architecture, Information Technology, Justice Studies, Screen Production and Sport Management. Applications for 2013 are direct to the University of Canberra and competition may be a little lower given how new this arrangement is. For more information, go to http://www.holmesglen.edu.au/start/university_of_canberra_melbourne

**Australian Defence Force**

Current Year 11 students, who are considering applying for the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA), are eligible to apply for the ADFA Education Award. Successful applicants will be awarded a laptop computer. Applications are open now and more information is available from the Careers Office.

As any new information regarding dates, courses and institutions becomes available 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 Kenaley – Careers Coordinator*

**SPORTS NEWS**

**ACC SPORT**

From the photo above and the many below you can see all our students had a very enjoyable week playing their last ACC Fixtures for the year. We were very fortunate to play in a number of Grand Finals and the smiling faces above are our victorious Year 9 Tennis Team that defeated St Bernard’s. It was a very tight game however our boys were able to pull together and win some critical games towards the end. Our Year 10 Cricket Team did extremely well finishing the season in 3rd position. Considering they finished low on the ladder last year it was a fantastic turn around. Mr Ben Phibbs has done a great job bringing the best out of the team. Patrick Cincotta played a fantastic innings with 40no clearing the boundary 3 times on their way to victory. Our Year 9 finished off with a superb win bowling Parade out for 51. The highlight was a wonderful hat trick from our Captain Shihan Weerapperuma who clean bowled 3 batsmen in a row.

Year 7 Div 1 A team

Year 7 Div 2 Team-Premiers

Year 8 Div 2 A Team

Year 8 Div A B Team

Year 8 Div 2 A team

Year 8 Div A

Premiers Year 8 Div A

Our Volleyball teams again had some outstanding results but there is no doubt the other Colleges are improving quickly. We won 2 Finals on
Tuesday with our Year 9’s winning both the A and B games in straight sets. Thursday night at Dandenong Stadium the home of Volleyball Victoria, we had a number of teams playing. All results will be in next week’s Newsletter but we had a number of outstanding results. Our Year 8A team continued their winning form against St Bernard’s winning 3 sets to 1. Mr Josh Cowan has spent many hours preparing the team for the upcoming Nationals with Matthew Young, and all their hard work is paying off. Our Year 8 Division 2 teams both had great wins over St Bernard’s as did our Year 7 Division 2 A team who were able to reverse the result of earlier in the Term and defeat St Bernard’s in 3 sets.

All our teams and coaches can be very proud of their efforts over the Term and I thank them all for the passion, enthusiasm and sportsmanship they displayed.

**NATIONALS VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

All our teams are in their final weeks of preparations as we prepare for the start of the National Championships on Monday 10th December. Again it will be a massive week with Mazenod being represented by 10 teams in all age groups. We have many teams playing for honours which are the top section in the competition. Mr Damien Schumann has done a fantastic job again organising the students. Big thanks must go to the many Old Boys who come in to coach most of these teams. All of them have been lucky enough to have been inspired by past Mazenod coaches and the inspiration of Mr Joe Moore. We are very fortunate that they come back willing to give so much of their time and energy. Thanks and best of luck to all our Old Boy coaches in Josh Cowan, Matt Young, Rob Verlardo, Kenny Lai, John Dal Santo, Anthony Smarrelli and Kirk Dickson. Of the squad only 3 players participated last year. Samuel Deegan, Vimaj Peiris, Ishan Gunawardena, Joshua Swainston, Hoog, Anthony Howes, Zaron Chanel, Benjamin Riley, Patrick Cincotta, Samuel Deegan, Vimaj Peiris, Ishan Gunawardena, Joshua Swainston and Kirk Dickson. Of the squad only 3 players participated last year.

**ROUND 1 2013 - ACC SENIOR SPORT**

As first Term next year is a short 9 week Term, the ACC has decided to make Round Fixtures a floating round. That means with our Year 12 Retreat first week back we will play Parade College on Wednesday 5th December at Parade to start the season and free the first week. This will involve our Senior Cricket and Tennis squads. Our Seconds will have a home game against St Bede’s. This will mean that Students in Years 11 & 10 can be selected in these teams. Coaches will confirm squad’s in the lead up to this game.

**OBLATE CARNIVAL**

There will be a Parent meeting on **Wednesday 28th November** where more specific details will be elaborated on. Training will continue in our lead up to our departure. Congratulations to the following students on their selection:


**OLD COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB NEWS**

The Old Boys teams had mixed results and are all in challenging positions. The seniors have 230 runs to chase down while the seconds are facing an outright loss, while the fourths need 360 to win. I am sure some magnificent feats by batsmen and bowlers will see them all get across the line.

**ACC RESULTS**

Due to time line constraints I am unable to get the Junior Final results in today’s Newsletter they will be published next week with all our award winners for the term.

**Cricket**

Year 10 9/133 vs St Bernard’s 7/132 (Cincotta 40no, Deegan 26, Peiris 28)

Year 9 5/185 VS 10/51 (Weerapperuma 4/10 including a hatrick, Cincotta 3/3, Wijeyeratne 41no, A Cincotta 41no, Wheeler 32)

Year 8 A 5/107 vs St Bede’s 4/110 (Wilson 31no,De Zilwa 18, Jayawardena 1/16)

Year 8 B 5/106 VS St Bernard’s 5/107 (E Anthony 32no, Jayawardena 15, Angurudu Kankamame 4/14)

Year 7A 7/100 VS Parade 7/103 (Nathan 30no, Sherlock 2/14)

Year 7B –0/28 VS Parade P 5/27 (G Vincent 2/0, C Kley 2/1, T Matthews-Rust 19)

**Volleyball**

Year 10 –2/65 VS St Bernard’s 3/98 (McKeogh, Tang, McLellan)

Year 10B -1/78 VS Parade 3/93 (Mulipola, Gilmore, Charman)

Year 9 -3/75 VS Parade 0/39 (Welford, Castledine, Goldsmith, McLellan, Clifton, Murdoch)

Year 9B - VS Parade

Year 8 A 3/95 vs Whitefriars 1/62

Year 8AB 2/95 vs Whitefriars 3/98

Year 8B 3/101 VS St Bernard’s 2/90 (Neil, Ryan, Cendamo, Taylor)

Year 8BB 2/67 VS St Bernard’s 1/54 (Fasano, Leydon, Kovac, Comerford)

Year 7A-7/59 VS Parade 0/59 (Bailouni, Zietsman, Jago)

Year 7A-7/59 VS Parade 0/47 (Goldenberg, McKenna, Van Haaster)

Year 7B 3/107 vs Whitefriars 2/95 (Park, Jayawardena, Moretti, De Luca)

Year 7BB 0/64 vs Whitefriars 3/75 (B-Hodgetts, Ngoi, Milner, P Vincent)

**Tennis**

Year 10 10/46 VS Salesian 2/49 (Di Paolo, Ng, Le, Viergever, Manuel, Siriani, Le)

Year 9 -9/77 VS Parade 3/39 (Urrego-Varon, Rascovici, Chia, O’Hara, Watson, Braganza, Nguyen Van,Wu)

Year 3/35 VS St Bede’s 10/65 (De Lutis, Izzo, Batican, Wee, Chia, O’Shea)

Year 8B- 0/37 vs St Bernard’s 12/76 (Urbina, Qian, Aliotta, Riley)

Year 7A- 4/42 vs Parade 8/61 (Haddad, Phillips, Filopoulos)

Year 7B – 5/55 vs Whitefriars 7/60 (T Nguyen, Le, Lai, Weerasinghe, Cramer)

The Sports Team

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