

MERCY REGIONAL COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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Our Vision

Mercy Regional College serves a wide rural community which values growth and diversity in Catholic Education in the Mercy tradition.

Our Mission

In the Spirit of the Gospels we commit ourselves to the core values of community, inclusiveness, learning, care, justice and mercy, excellence and achievement.

Our Focus for 2015

"Through the Mercy tradition we encourage our community to seek knowledge, to nurture curiosity and to love learning".

From the Principal

On Wednesday, the College and the nation as a whole stopped for a minute to reflect on the 97th anniversary of the declaring of the armistice that led to the end of the First World War. But more than that it is an opportunity for us to reflect on the courage and sacrifice of all who served and are serving in the defense of our country, who protected the freedoms we hold dear and who fought against tyranny.

A Prayer of Remembrance

*Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted,
either by death or life:
hear our prayers and thanksgivings
for all whom we remember this day;
fulfil in them the purpose of your love;
and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

2016 Mercy Regional College MacBook Program

Thanks to all parents who worked with our staff to ensure orders for Year 7 & 10 2016 students were in and recorded in a manner that allowed us to take advantage of the cheaper MacBook pricing.

The College is exploring transport options for the MacBooks to help ensure that they remain safe and protected during students' travel to and from school and while moving around school. At this stage, our recommended option is for parents to purchase a protection bag that covers the MacBook while it is carried by students and while in students' backpacks. There are range of these available from retail outlets, one of which that is most suitable is the "Sprout Caddy Bag". It comes in sizes to suit both 11" and 13' MacBooks and is available at a discounted price through Tower Computer Aid in Camperdown.

Mercy Regional College Teacher of the Year

In recent years, a highlight of the College's End of Year Thanksgiving Mass has been the Mercy Regional College Teacher of the Year Award. In its first three years, it has been awarded to Mr. Justin Staunton, Mr. James Castles and Mr. Lachie Lee.

I encourage all members of the College community to consider nominating a teacher for the award using the attached form and the criteria listed. Mercy has many fine teachers whose energy, knowledge, dedication and care enable our students to achieve their very best and this award will give the school the opportunity of recognizing this excellence.

Nomination forms can be handed in to either College Campus and addressed to the Principal. I encourage nominators to include a letter detailing how the teacher they are nominating has exemplified the award criteria (see nomination form later in this newsletter). The deadline for submission of these nominations is **Thursday 26th November.**

Mercy Arts Night and Car Raffle

Along with the important commemoration of Remembrance Day, Wednesday saw the College's Annual Arts Night and draw of the Car Raffle. Congratulations to all students whose work was on display in the de Chantal Stadium and to the many Arts and Technology staff who guided and inspired students to such achievement. I was particularly impressed by the quality of the Year 12 work on display across a range of subjects and the depth evident in the written commentaries accompanying the visual pieces. Thanks also to the VCE Dance class whose dance workshop added life and activity to the evening.

Congratulations to Ms. Greta Arundell of Terang who was the winner of this year's Car Raffle. In a pleasing result, it turns out that the Ford Focus is an extraordinary 25th birthday present for her! Full results of all prize winners are included below.

2015 Car Raffle Prize Winners

1ST PRIZE: FORD FOCUS AMBIENTE HATCH – VALUE \$23,040.00

Supplied courtesy of Rex Gorell Geelong
Proudly supported by Trevor Lee, Camperdown Auto Sales
Winner: Greta Arundell, Melbourne

2ND PRIZE: TRAVEL VOUCHER – Value \$2,000.00

Supplied courtesy of Hello World, Camperdown
Winner: A James, Camperdown

3RD PRIZE: ELECTRICAL VOUCHER – Value \$1,000.00

Supplied courtesy of Camperdown Betta Home Living
Winner: L Coverdale, Swan Marsh

4TH PRIZE: NUTRIMETICS PAMPER PACK – Value \$300.00

Supplied courtesy of Helen Bourke, Kolora
Winner: Greg Darcy, Tesbury

5TH PRIZE: FUEL VOUCHER – Value \$250.00

Supplied courtesy of Riordan Fuels (Stephen Lucas, Shell Camperdown)
Winner: Brenda Huffadine, Princetown

6TH PRIZE: CLOTHING VOUCHER – Value \$250.00

Supplied courtesy of Fashion Club Wear, Canterbury
Winner: Brianna Gass, Cooriemungle

7TH PRIZE: JEWELLERY VOUCHER – Value \$200.00

Supplied courtesy of Showcase Jewellers, Camperdown & Colac
Winner: Jenny McVilly, Terang

8TH PRIZE: GIFT VOUCHER – Value \$200.00

Supplied courtesy of Café 153 on Manifold, Camperdown
Winner: Heather Collins, Camperdown

9TH PRIZE: DINNER VOUCHER – Value \$100.00

Supplied courtesy of Madden's Bar & Bistro, Camperdown
Winner: I. & C. McNabb, Warrnambool

10TH PRIZE: GIFT VOUCHER – Value \$50.00

Supplied courtesy of Timboon Railway Shed Distillery
Winner: Paula Newcombe, Simpson

The Mercy Regional College Parents and Friends Association would like to acknowledge the generosity of:

Trevor Lee, John Cheslett & Staff of Camperdown Auto Sales
Hello World, Camperdown
Jacinta Lee, Camperdown Betta Home Living
Helen Bourke, Kolora
Riordon United Fuels & BP Camperdown
Fashion Clubwear, Canterbury
Showcase Jewellers of Camperdown and Colac
Café 153 on Manifold, Camperdown
Commercial Hotel & Bistro, Camperdown
Timboon Railway Shed Distillery

Thank you to all Parents and Staff, and Friends of the College for your generous support in making our Annual Car Raffle such a success in 2015.

Thank you to each business for selling car raffle tickets in their shops.

Thanksgiving Mass and End of Year Awards

In the last week, all Mercy Regional College parents and families should have received a personal invitation to attend our annual End of Year Thanksgiving Mass and End of Year Awards. The Mass and Awards are being held on Thursday 3rd December at St Thomas' Church, Terang starting at 7.00pm. We would love to increase the numbers at the mass and awards presentation and catch up afterwards for a cuppa and cake in the St Thomas' parish centre.

Graduation and VCE Exams

Next Thursday sees the culmination of 13 years of secondary education for our Mercy Regional College class of 2015 with the Graduation Mass and Dinner. It is always a lovely evening and a wonderful opportunity for students, staff and families to gather and celebrate the achievements of the past twelve months and indeed many years previous to that.

Congratulations to the class of 2015 for the maturity and work ethic you demonstrated over the last four weeks as the VCAA exams were held. It was clear that all students had taken on board the advice of teachers and the College's Senior School leaders in their conduct and attitudes.

Good luck to our prospective class of 2016 as they begin their Year 12 Transition classes next Monday. These two weeks provide an invaluable head-start to the work of Year 12 and provide an important platform for the study necessary in the upcoming January holidays.

Student Activities

The busyness at Mercy Regional College continues to ramp up with many activities of note in the previous two weeks:

- Over the Melbourne Cup long weekend, we welcomed back our intrepid Kimberley travelers who had enjoyed a memorable two weeks as part of the first MRC immersion trip. In this newsletter there is an excellent article from Mr. James Castles but of course it neglects to highlight the enormous thanks that students, staff and the College owes him for the passion, vision and energy in making the trip such a success.
- Last Friday, a group of 25 students from across the school travelled to Geelong as the End of Year function for the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge. The group enjoyed many 'book-themed' activities including visits to the Sacred Heart College Library and Chapel, the Newcomb Library and a number of bookshops.
- Today, one quarter of the College's students have the opportunity of escaping regular classroom learning with the entire Markey House spending the afternoon at the Mortlake Pool. As I have mentioned previously, this initiative is the first in

what we hope will be many years of growth in the importance of the House Shield and in students' recognition that house achievement can be much broader than just through the annual swimming, athletics and cross-country competitions.

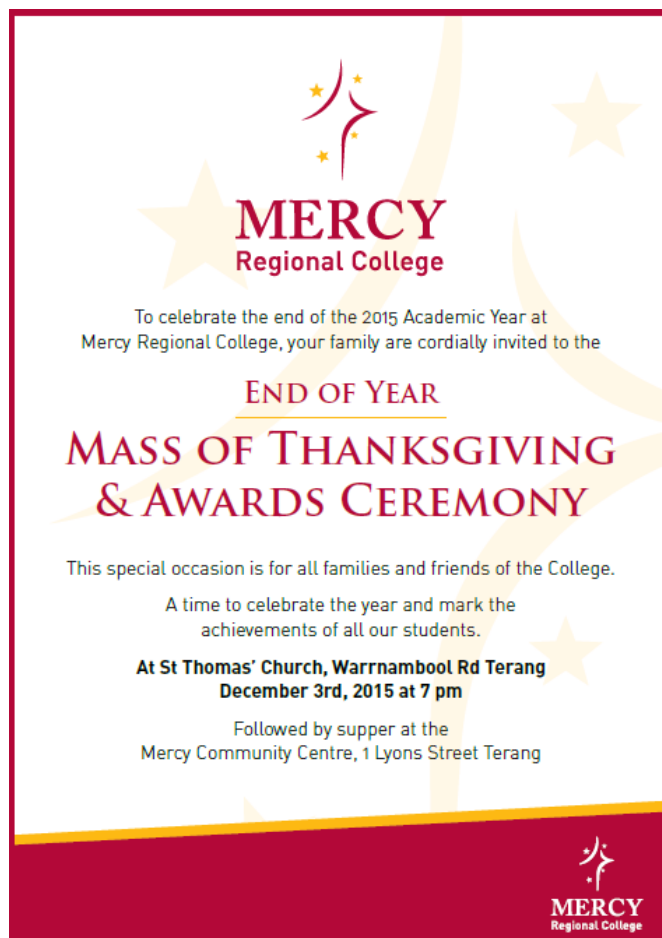
At next year's Beginning of the Year Mass, we will award the first House Shield to Markey and officially name the shield and competition, the McLeod Shield, recognizing the McLeod brothers and family, past students of Mercy Regional College.

- Congratulations to students who have participated in a range of sporting activities in the last two weeks including GW tennis, table tennis and basketball as well as those currently on their way back from the Unit 1 & 2 Outdoor Education trip to the Grampians.

Yours in Mercy,



DR. DARREN EGBERTS
PRINCIPAL



Teacher of the Year Award

Mercy Regional College has been blessed over many years to have had a succession of outstanding teachers committed to supporting young people to be their best. This award will recognise one outstanding Mercy Regional College teacher each year with the award to be presented at the End of Year Thanksgiving Mass.

Any member of Mercy Regional College's teaching staff may be nominated for the award which will be judged according to the following criteria. It would be expected that the recipient of the award will reflect many of these characteristics:

The Mercy Teacher of the Year:

- Has an absolute respect for the dignity of each person
- Exhibits a public and private example of integrity, love, commitment and justice in his or her daily activities
- Is consumed by the excitement of teaching young people
- Sees the classroom as a place of innovation, creativity and laughter
- Aspires to and encourages excellence
- Fosters honest, reciprocal, authentic and compassionate relationships
- Celebrates individual difference in learning and other activities.
- Is a committed life-long learner who opens up learning to others
- Demonstrates empathy and concern for the welfare of others
- Is willing to take risks and learn the lessons of experience
- Fosters Mercy community with students, staff, parents and those beyond the College
- Contributes to the spiritual and social environment of the school

The panel that determines the recipient of this award each year will reflect the breadth of the Mercy Regional College community –Principal (chair), College chaplain, member of the College Board, Staff member and Student leaders.

If you wish to nominate a teacher for this award please complete the details below. The selection panel encourages nominations to include a letter that outlines how the applicant has met the selection criteria. The deadline for submission of these nominations is **Friday 27th November**.

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TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

NAME OF TEACHER BEING NOMINATED: _____

NAME OF NOMINATOR: _____

SIGNATURE OF NOMINATOR: _____

Kimberley Trip

From the staff:

Our students represented the school, themselves and their families to an exceptional standard during their stay at Halls Creek, Fitzroy Crossing, Broome and Kununurra. Watching them interact and develop friendships with people from the community highlighted both the purpose of this experience and the values of each student. We are very proud of each student as they faced challenging but rewarding circumstances.

Bethany, James, Sharyn and Peter



Here are some of the stories that the students wrote during the trip:

Clontarf Cricket Carnival:

On the 22nd October we woke up at 5 so that we could help out with the Clontarf Beach Cricket Carnival at Cable Beach in Broome. Mercy kids arrived at the venue at 5:30 to cook the breakfast, set up the pitches, unload the gear, score, do administration work, umpire and play. Four Mercy boys formed a team with 4 boys from the Clontarf academy of Katherine whom we had made friends with at the hotel we were staying at. We won our first 2 games against Katherine and Hall's Creek. We lost our last game to Derby. Fitzroy Crossing won the Grand Final.

After the Final we cleared all the equipment away and went to a restaurant overlooking Cable Beach for lunch and a drink. From there we drove to Fitzroy Crossing, a 400 km drive. We made a few stops along the way, which made the trip take 4 and a half hours. Broome was 37 degrees when we left at 1 and when we arrived at Fitzroy Crossing at 6 the temperature was 42 degrees. We stayed the night at the Clontarf Academy in swags and watched a movie with a local boy in it called Satellite Boy. No one ended up watching the entire thing because we were that tired.

Sam Cole



Fitzroy Crossing:

Thursday 23rd

Today we all woke up bright and early to pack up all our sleeping gear before the Clontarf boys came in for breakfast. At 8 o'clock we went down to the basketball courts to join in with the primary's morning fitness session. We were then appointed to a classroom where we helped out. Mr. Castles came to collect us at 10:00 and we went to join the bushranger class. We either rode or caught the bus down to the creek. It was amazing to see how easily the locals rode in the heat and gravel while we struggled to keep up. Once I saw the creek I ran through the boiling hot sand (no joke it was BOILING) and hopped straight in with our clothes on. We joined the Fitzroy Crossing boys who were jumping off a branch while others canoed down the creek. We came in from the water and all made a sandwich.

After we had eaten we headed back to the school, it was 12:30 by then which is the time they finished school on Fridays so the students all went home. At 1:00 we went to the pool where a lot of the school kids were and we started a game. The kids all joined in and we ran around the pool carrying the kids on our shoulders. We had to leave and it was hard to say goodbye because they wanted us to stay. We left to go to Geikie Gorge and we canoed down the river, it was so beautiful as the sun set. We drove home singing all the way back as we sang all the way there. Once we arrived at the school we showered, ate tea and put on a documentary about the Fitzroy Crossing people and their country, which helped us fall asleep.

Jordana Bateman



Assisting the grade 1/2 teachers in the classrooms has been one of the highlights of this trip. I also loved organising the Dynamite for Minds program and playing basketball with some of the locals. I really enjoyed jumping of the tree at Palm Springs, visiting China Wall and eating damper and kangaroo tail at the language centre. I have made lots of wonderful friends I hope I can keep in touch with.

Amy Kavanagh

I have thoroughly enjoyed this experience to work with the Halls Creek 1/2 students, as well as having the chance to teach them ourselves. Many of us bonded with the Halls Creek 7, 8, 9, 10s students playing basketball, swimming and interacting at school. Palm Springs and China Wall both were beautiful with a great picture to capture. Eating some kangaroo tail at the language centre put me out of my comfort zone, although I thought it was very tasty having a total of three pieces. Visiting Halls Creek ended on a high by having all the mates we have made come around for a BBQ. I'm sure this experience is one we will never forget.

Grace



We write to you with hoarse singing voices, blistered feet and the sorrow we feel towards leaving all the beautiful places and people of the Kimberley behind. But, Wow, what an experience the 2015 Kimberley trip has been. This trip has changed our views and actions towards so many different things. During this amazing opportunity you learn not to judge people by their cover but to listen to their stories. This has really opened our eyes to what is important and widened our knowledge on the many aspects of our beautiful country. We have learnt that we are capable of many things; we can be pushed out of comfort zone and can come back with great results. Discovering how easy it can be to make new friendships in a matter of hours and building the confidence to do so has been one of the main highlights of the trip. We feel privileged to have visited these towns and find out for ourselves what they are really like. During our travels we felt nothing but engaged and at home (and very hot!) We could write forever about what we have achieved and loved about this journey.

Jordana Bateman and Nina Parker



In my point of view, the main idea of this trip was to improve our understanding of aboriginal culture and better our mindset of how we perceive aboriginal people. Some people heard about the places we were going to from friends or relatives before we left, and not all of the advice was positive. This reinforces negative stereotypes about indigenous people, and so by us coming to the Kimberley and having positive experiences with aboriginal people and their culture we will hopefully spread our good experiences around and so shatter misconceptions about aboriginal people and their culture. Because, above all else, this was a trip that was meant to help better our understanding of aboriginal people.

Sam Cole



This trip has been the most amazing experience and I've loved it all. I have learnt so much and have had many perceptions and thoughts change. This experience has made me understand that what people say about Aboriginals and the places that we went aren't necessarily true. When I first started telling people about where we were going it was quite often questioned why we were going to the Kimberley and why teachers would want to take us to places like Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing. Many people think that these two places are rough as guts and not very safe. But they aren't. Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing are completely different to what some people were trying to tell me. There was not one time while in both these places where I felt like I wasn't safe.

One of the many things that I will remember about this trip is something we were told in Fitzroy Crossing. Many people think that Aboriginal communities, especially in the Kimberley area, are rough because the people are Aboriginal. This is not true, it's because of poverty. There is a high rate of unemployment in the area, which makes poverty more common. There is poverty and unemployment in our communities as well, but the rate of unemployment is a lot lower which means there is less poverty.

This trip has put me in new situations, but I have learnt so much from this and I am so grateful to have had this opportunity. I know that I won't forget this experience and I don't think anyone else will either.

Eliza Johnstone



I was very excited heading into the 2015 Kimberley trip. It went above, beyond and exceeded all of my first expectations. I loved visiting Broome, Fitzroy Crossing, Halls Creek, Kununurra and Lake Argyle. It was very fascinating to work with the kids in Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing to see how they learn. Working with the kids was one of my favourite parts of the trip. I enjoyed the whole experience and all the activities we took part in.

Toby Kent



Australian Mathematics Competition Results

Mrs. Melissa Woods
Mathematics Domain Leader

In July of this year we had 143 students across all levels participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition.

Of the students who competed 12 students were awarded a distinction, placing them in the top 15% of students who participated in the competition. We also had 32 students who were awarded credits.

The Prudence Award, which recognises the highest number of correct consecutive answers, starting from question one was awarded to Sam Bath.

Congratulations to all students who participated in the competition this year.

Distinctions

Year 7	Adam Van-Donk & Ruby Poustie
Year 8	Samuel Cole
Year 9	Martin Robbins, Joshua Newcombe & Demby McKenzie
Year 10	Sam Bath
Year 11	William O'Brien, Joseph Smith, Jesscia Cheslett, Emma Lucas & Jacoba Mungan

Credits

Year 7	Hayley Wason, Patrick Ryan, Jaxon Rowe, Charlie Scanlon, Anna Cole, Oliver Wright, Henry Routson, Jack Aitken Lachlan Gass, Jasmine Moore & Amy Vogels
Year 8	Stacey Riches, Sondi Guthrie, Tadgh Dwyer, Tully Watt, Isaac Kenna, Connie Blake, Josephine Stephens, Luke Bone, Tess Harris, Toby Mahony.
Year 9	Ebony Davis, Luke Lenahan, Eliza Johnstone, Benjamin Toose, Faith Thornton & Abbey Vines.
Year 10	Louis Cain
Year 11	Dale Marquand, Eve Johnson & Aarie Jansen Van Beek

Mercy Arts Night

Ms. Tina Jenkins

The annual showcase of student work across the areas of art, design technology, graphic design, food technology, media and textiles was held on Wednesday 11th November.

Student work from Year 7 to 12 was on display for the night and provided opportunities for students and parents to see their work on display. Well done to the Year 12 students for the countless hours spent on their folios and the production of final pieces.

Congratulations to this year's Mercy Arts Prize was awarded to Georgina Quinn for her 'Ageing' series. This artwork will be a feature in the building o

Thank you to students, staff and parents for a wonderful night.





Spotlight Awards

Mrs. Jenny Binder

Last Monday night we were on cloud nine as Jackie McKay won the senior students award at the Spotlight Awards. Jackie won for herself a sewing machine and \$500 dollars for the Textiles department. Congratulations also to Tara Suri, Sam Evans and Alana Schulz. All girls did the school proud.



Middle School Oratory Competition

Mr. Brendon Norman

For weeks Middle School English classes had been treated to presentations from students on weird and wonderful topics as part of the 30th Annual Middle School Competition. Tuesday week four, saw the culmination with seven class champions presenting their talks to an impressed and attentive audience of 180 fellow students, family members and college staff.

Comperes Lucretia Bell and Austin Evans entertained the audience with their warmth and wit.

Judges, Cr Jo Beard, media consultant Glen Bernoth and Paul Marsland from the Victorian Police, were captivated by the exceptional speeches of the finalists.

All speeches were of a particularly high standard. Chelsea Lucas, Year 10, took out the Encouragement Award. This year's final winner was Jack Bell, from Year 9.

Congratulations to all Middle School students on your hard work and courage over past weeks. Your teachers were really impressed by the high quality of your presentations. The moving way you supported your classmates in the final, was a demonstration of your character and maturity. Thank you all for a really great day.



Battlefields Trip

Mr. Lachie Lee

In this newsletter are a number of reflections from the students who participated in the 2015 Battlefields Tour.

Being a part of the Mercy Battlefields Tour 2015, is an experience I will never forget. We are lucky enough, being so young, to be able to travel to some of the most iconic places of the world that others may never see. To follow in the footsteps of our ancestors that sacrificed their lives for us, was a great opportunity. A huge thankyou to Lachie Lee, all the teachers, organisers, the ladies in the office, parents and the other students, without you all the trip wouldn't have been a huge success.

Zoe Barker



Being a part of the battlefields tour of 2015, was an experience that I will never forget. The meaning behind the trip helped us to realise how lucky we are to be in such a strong country that many young soldiers fought for. The stories, memories and friendships made are ones that will always be remembered. The most memorable part about the trip was the medieval dinner where we were all enjoying ourselves and having fun dancing and singing. Massive thanks to Lachie Lee, all the teachers, parents, organisers and the students on the trip for making it a trip to remember.

Elly Harris



The France Battlefields Tour was an amazing trip and an experience I will never forget! I absolutely loved every part of it and all the places we visited. The tour of the Battlefields was a very emotional and moving experience. We visited numerous war cemeteries and found the graves of many of our fellow travellers relatives or soldiers we had researched. We laid poppies and other symbols of remembrance to honour those who had paid the supreme sacrifice. I had the honour, along with some of my fellow travellers, to lay a wreath at Menin Gate in Ypres. Every night they hold a solemn ceremony where they remember the part that Australians played in WW1. I really enjoyed the touristy part of the trip at the start and end as well. I loved London the most as it reminded me of home because the city was just so easy and laid back.

The tour would not have been possible without the expertise of Mr. Lachie Lee who organized and guided us in the time leading up to our departure and while we were away. Thank you Lachie! Also thank you to the other staff members who looked after us, we appreciate your kindness while we were away from home. And lastly to all my fellow travellers, thank you for your good humour and the spirit in which you embraced each day. I would recommended the Battlefields Tour to everyone, if you get the chance to go.

Meg Lenehan



The battlefields tour was one of the most moving experiences that I have ever ventured upon. This trip really opened my eyes to the horrors of WW2 and what our soldiers went through. Searching our own soldiers and finding their resting place or where they fought, made the trip personal and it allowed us all to experience the love and loss that each soldier suffered. Not only did we get to see the battlefields and different stages of the war, we got to see the sights of London, Paris and Belgium. It was a captivating experience and I would highly recommend this trip to anyone who enjoys a bit of history and different cultures.

Annie Kenna



Term 4 Dates

Monday 16 November

- * 2016 Year 12 Transition Commences
(10 Days: 16th – 20th and 23rd - 27th)

Tuesday 17 November

- * MRC Board Meeting 7:30pm in Board Room

Wednesday 18 November

- * Hospitality Excursion to Port Fairy

Thursday 19 November

- * Year 12 Graduation - (Mass 6pm St. Patrick's)
(Dinner 7:30pm at Five Star Function Centre)

Friday 20 November

- * Intermediate Boys Table Tennis State Championships

Wednesday 25 November

- * Year 7 & 8 Exams

Thursday 26 November

- * Summer Sports Day

Friday 27 November

- * Year 11 Students Conclude
- * Year 7 & 8 Exams, Year 9 Exams, Year 10 Exams

Monday 30 November

- * Year 9 Exams, Year 10 Exams

Tuesday 1 December

- * 2016 Year 7 Transition Day
(No classes for current Year 7 students)
- * 2016 Year 9 Transition Day

Thursday 3 December

- * Mass of Thanksgiving and Awards Night
(St. Thomas' Church, Terang @ 7:00pm)

Friday 4 December

- * Years 7 – 10 Students Conclude

Thursday 10 December

- * Teaching Staff Conclude

2016 School Year

Wednesday 27 January

- * College Office Opens
- * All Staff Return

Monday 1 February

- * Years 7 – 12 Students Commence Term 1

Careers Information

Mrs. Jenny Phillips

Discover Deakin Day

On Thursday 24th October, Year 10 students had the opportunity to visit Deakin University in Warrnambool to experience the facilities and courses offered at this campus. Prior to the day, the students were asked to select two different sessions that they would like to attend, based on their particular interests. The day was very well organised, starting with a keynote speaker who spoke about his career journey, beginning with secondary schooling in Warrnambool, followed by tertiary studies at Deakin University and finishing with his current employment and future job opportunities. The students then divided into small groups and attended the two sessions of their own choosing. There was a diverse range in the sessions offered and the university supplied lunch for everyone and entertained us with live music. Well done to all the students for their involvement on the day and we hope that this inspires them to consider tertiary education as an option and attend University Open Days in 2016. The College would like to thank Deakin University for their hospitality and the time and effort put in by the staff with a special thanks to Jenna McMeel (Student Recruitment Officer).

University of Melbourne ConocoPhillips Agricultural Science Experience

Applications are now open for the University of Melbourne ConocoPhillips Agricultural Science Experience to be held 25th - 27th November at Dookie. This program is for students in Years 9 & 10. Students will learn about Agricultural Science, participate in hands-on workshops and learn how important agricultural science is to current real world issues, particularly in Australia.

For more information see Mrs. Phillips, or visit www.scienceexperience.com.au

Keeper for a Day

Are you an aspiring zookeeper? Find out what takes to care for an amazing array of animals at Healesville Sanctuary and Werribee Open Range Zoo. Come behind-the-scenes and learn about how you can help us to Fight Extinction.

Age: Students in Years 7-12.

Healesville Sanctuary: January 2016: 12th, 13th, 19th and 20th

Werribee Open Range Zoo: January 2016: 13th, 15th, 19th, 20th and 22nd

Vet for a Day

Come and work alongside our vets on real life cases involving Healesville Sanctuary's animals including endangered species, as well as injured wildlife brought to the Australian Wildlife Health Centre.

Age: Students in Years 7-12.

Healesville Sanctuary: January 2016: 13th, 14th, 20th and 21st

For more information, please see: <http://www.zoo.org.au/education/careers-programs>

To make bookings please phone: **1300 966 784**

GENERAL NOTICE

Text Books needed for 2016

Because 2016 is the last year of the current VCE Chemistry Course Units 3 & 4 and the class is doubling size, the College requires extra copies of the following textbook: Heinemann Chemistry Two 4th Edition.

If you have a copy of this textbook that you are willing to sell, it can be left at the McAuley Office with a note addressed to Mrs. Jenny Phillips stating the selling price.

Thank you.

Weekly Career News

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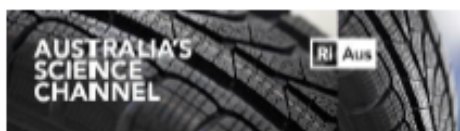
Tuesday 10 November 2015

VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Science news: Be inspired by the latest stories featured on RiAUS – Australia's Science Channel. Some of the topics covered this week include:

- Road testing driverless cars
- How nanotechnology works
- Catastrophic science – climate migration

Access the stories at this link - <http://bit.ly/1N1KkN5>



Interested in natural health? Endeavour College of Natural Health (ECNH) offer courses in myotherapy, naturopathy, complementary medicine, acupuncture, and nutritional and dietetic medicine. ECNH has developed the 'Health + Wellness Careers Viewbook', which promotes careers in the natural health industry and showcases some of their graduates. Download the resource here -

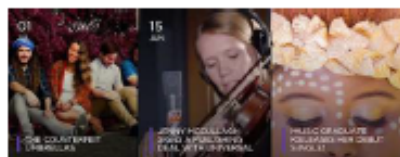
<http://bit.ly/1MGuJXD> Year 12 completers can also apply for the Endeavour College scholarship, which is due by 30 November, <http://bit.ly/1L5SGGI>



New Bachelor of Science (Analytics) at University of Technology Sydney: In this course students study key areas of business activity and develop a broad range of mathematical, statistical, computational and data management skills, as well as experience in the use of the information technology required for modern data analysis. For information about this exciting new course, go to <http://bit.ly/1NE3IJy>

VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Interested in creative media? JMC Academy offer courses in animation, audio engineering and sound production, contemporary music and performance, digital design, entertainment business management, film & television production, game development, and songwriting. To learn about the amazing career pathways of several JMC graduates, go to <http://bit.ly/1MjC8gm> Year 12 completers can also apply for the JMC scholarship, which is due by 18 December, <http://bit.ly/1KDOrbR>



New website for students interested in university study: The new 'Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching' website allows you to select and compare statistical data between universities, find courses across Australia, and compare graduate outcomes and student satisfaction data between universities and courses. This website will assist you to make an informed decision about your future course choices. Go to www.qilt.edu.au/

FedUni tops six Victorian quality rankings: Federation University Australia has been ranked the best university in Victoria in six important areas, according to recent Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching data. The data, based on the responses of current undergraduate students, sees FedUni achieving the top results in six out of 12 indices.

No other Victorian university achieved as many firsts in the survey as FedUni. FedUni's top rankings were in teaching quality, student support, skills development, teaching scale, full time employment and median salary. For information about Federation University, go to <http://federation.edu.au/>

VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

What is studying Nursing and Midwifery like?
Follow Clare from La Trobe University as she undertakes a typical week of her double degree in nursing and midwifery,
www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/nursing



Geophysics: Do you like exploring and investigating our planet? Enjoy Mathematics and Physics? Then you might want to consider Geophysics as a career. Student Edge chats to Geophysicist, Barrett to find out what a Geophysicist is, and what personal characteristics and education are required to get into this career, <http://bit.ly/1SCWrtF>

Australian Defence Force Information

- **Defence Jobs YouTube Channel:** Watch videos about the different roles available in the Army, Navy and Air Force here- <http://bit.ly/1QoBraH>
- **Diagnose patients using your mobile phone:** Learn about health careers in the Defence Force by downloading the free Mobile Medic app to x-ray, diagnose and treat several medical emergencies, <http://bit.ly/1M1tEfO>
- **Work experience:** The Defence Force provides work experience opportunities across Australia. To search for upcoming work experience placements and to bookmark the page, go to <http://bit.ly/1MGymwl>



Interested in how the human body works? The University of Tasmania offers the Bachelor of Medical Research, which is the first named degree of its kind in Australia. The degree aims to "prepare students for careers in medical research by providing an understanding of the structure and function of healthy human cells, tissues, organs and systems, as well as of the abnormal genetic, cellular and systemic changes that characterise human diseases and conditions. For information about the course, go to <http://bit.ly/1NZ0Lli>

VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Careers in Criminology and Justice: Navitas College of Public Safety offer the Bachelor of Social Science (Criminal Justice). Some of the career areas their students have gone into include:

- State and Federal policing
- Customs
- Court administration
- Youth justice and Corrections
- ASIO working as intelligence officers,
- Training prison officers in the United Arab Emirates, and
- Working with Racing Victoria investigating gambling crimes and race fixing.

For information on the course, go to www.ncps.edu.au/

University Newsletters for Secondary Students

Stay up to date with future student news by subscribing to newsletters or bookmarking pages to browse future student information:

- UNSW, <http://bit.ly/1XZ609j>
- University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1dZXV2B>
- Monash University, <http://bit.ly/1j8VzRI>
- University of Wollongong, <http://bit.ly/1PxlhKB>
- University of Technology Sydney, <http://bit.ly/20G7zv2>

Do you have a passion for agriculture? If you are in Years 9 – 12 and are planning to study agricultural science in the future, you can join the University of Melbourne 'Pre-Ag Club'. You will be able to:

- Attend University run lectures and practical sessions
- Meet with leading academics and students
- Connect with students who share your interests
- Discover the benefits of a career in agricultural sciences.

To join, go to <http://bit.ly/1XZ6E6H>

The Good Universities Guide: assists young people to make informed decisions about university study in Australia. The guide contains information about what a degree is, what you can study and where, and it contains independent 5-star ratings and comparisons of courses and providers. To order a copy, contact Hobsons at 1800 682 133, info@hobsons.com.au

VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Events at Endeavour College of Natural Health:

The following is a list of events the College is running in November:

- 11: Pathways to studying at ECNH - webinar
- 11: Bachelor of Health Science (Myotherapy) - webinar
- 19: What you need to know about studying at Endeavour – on campus.
- 25: Nutritional and Dietetic Medicine, skills for debunking fad diets – on campus
- 25: Acupuncture information session – on campus
- 26: Mobilisation with movement, strengthen your career in myotherapy – on campus.

For more information and to book your place in any of the above events, go to <http://bit.ly/1MjBzDj>



University of Technology Sydney Business Information Evening: This event is for prospective students and parents and will be held on Tuesday 17 and Thursday 26 November, <http://bit.ly/1Hpxd0D>

Interested in studying a health course in the future? Gap Medics offers work experience for students in Years 11 and 12 who are looking to study medicine, nursing, dentistry and midwifery in the future. Placements are located in Europe, Africa and Asia and there are placements available over the summer holidays. You will have the opportunity to shadow highly skilled professionals in a clinic during your placement. For more information, go to www.gapmedics.com.au/



New Bachelor of Psychological Science/Bachelor of Laws at Australian Catholic University: Gain a combination of skills that will broaden your employment opportunities in the field of law and psychology. Studying psychology offers graduates who become legal practitioners with an advantage by adding to their understanding of human behaviour in the context of law, <http://bit.ly/1XZ8yEh>

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER EVENTS

- 25 – 26: Graduate Exhibition and Parade, Whitehouse Institute of Design, <http://bit.ly/1WrZEOT>
- 22 – 27: Residential Indigenous Science Experience (RISE) Program, www.qtac.edu.au/rise/
- 25 – 27: ConocoPhillips Science Experience, University of Melbourne, Dookie Campus, focused on agricultural science, <http://bit.ly/1LQHW0L>

DECEMBER EVENTS

- 29 Nov – 20 Dec: Trinity Young Leaders Summer School, Trinity College, University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1Zu9RNm>
- 15 – 18: High School Workshops, JMC Academy, Music (15), Songwriting (16), Entertainment Business (17), Film & Television (18), Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1jYfuD9>
- 20, 29: UMAT Medical Interviews Workshop, NIE, Richmond, <http://bit.ly/1hztLEi>

JANUARY EVENTS

- ConocoPhillips Science Experience, RMIT, University of Melbourne, Monash, Marine & Freshwater Discovery Centre, <http://bit.ly/1Wdh6oe>
- 3 – 12: National Computer Science School, University of Sydney, <http://bit.ly/1G8vign>
- 5 – 24: Filmmaking Summer School, University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1WWhXfp>
- 11 – 15: Campion College Summer Week, Sydney, <http://bit.ly/1Ot4dY0>
- 11 – 22: MU Student Union VCE Summer School, <http://bit.ly/1NjTv31>
- 13: Open Day, JMC Academy, Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1VNjuHy>
- 14 – 15: Summer Workshops, Whitehouse Institute of Design, <http://bit.ly/1WrZEOT>

Dear Parents,

We are in the process of placing another order for rugby jumpers. These jumpers are only to be worn in PE classes and on representative sports days out of school. We see the rugby top as a warmer, longer lasting and more practical option for our uniform at this time. Orders for the College's new Rugby Jumpers will be placed 2-3 times a year, students will need to pre-order if they would like to purchase a Rugby Jumper.



We will be having a size fitting day for students at the O'Keeffe Campus Library during recess on [Monday 16th November](#)

If your child is unable to be fitted for their size on that day please send them to the uniform shop before the end of Term 4.



McAuley students can have a size fitting at the uniform shop during lunchtime.

The Uniform Shop is open [Tuesdays & Thursdays 12pm - 2pm](#).

If you wish to place an order for the Rugby Jumper, please complete the order form below and return with your payment on the fitting day.

All orders must be in by Friday 27th November, 2015.

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	<p>MERCY REGIONAL COLLEGE</p> <p>RUGBY JUMPER ORDER FORM</p>				
	<p>Nicola Fletcher (Uniform Shop Manager) Phone: 0481 311 701 Email: uniform@mercy.vic.edu.au</p>				
Rugby Jumper	Available Sizes	Select Size	Qty	Price	
	8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 20, 22, 24, 26, 28			\$60.00	
			TOTAL COST		

PAYMENT DETAILS (Parents to Complete)

☐ **CHEQUE** (enclosed is my cheque to **Fashion Club Wear Pty. Ltd.**)

☐ **CREDIT CARD PAYMENT**

CREDIT CARD NO: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

EXPIRY DATE: ____ - ____ Please charge my: ☐ Visa or ☐ Master Card

AMOUNT: \$_____ SIGNED: _____

PARENT NAME: _____ MOBILE NO: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____ YEAR LEVEL: _____

I wish to pick my order up from (please tick a box):

☐ **McAuley Campus, Camperdown**

☐ **O'Keeffe Campus, Noorat**

NOTICES

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**For the month of November 2015
Laffs Camperdown
have generously been kind enough to
offer a donation of \$1 per each item
sold to the Camperdown Little
Athletics.**

Timboon Railtrailers & Lions Relay for Life Team

Open Garden

Enjoy a day at Princetown's Best Kept Secret-
**Yvonne & David Lawson's
Beautiful Coastal Garden -**

Overlooking the Princetown Headland.

1208 Old Ocean Road, Princetown.

Sunday 29th November- 11.00 am - 4.30 pm

**\$10.00 entry includes Devonshire Tea & Musical
Entertainment**

Bring a chair if you fancy

Light lunch available.

Follow the signs from Princetown

Mortlake Junior Tennis Tournament

Monday 7th Dec at 3.45pm

Doubles & Singles

**Two age groups - 12 & under and Over 12.
Entry fee \$5 / entry but mlake junior members
half price. Closing date for entries - Thurs 3rd
Dec @5pm**

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS

**Please note that tournament may run till after
8pm. Sausage sizzle and drinks available**

**Please contact Jacinta Wareham
on 0418 612 638 if interested**

2015-16 NIPPERS



A 10 week program for 8-14 year olds
aimed at surf awareness, skills
development and fun!

Activities include beach running, flags,
surf swimming and board paddling.

**Saturdays from 1-2:30pm on
Port Campbell beach**

Starts Saturday 28 November

- Membership and uniform sales
from 10:30am (\$50 per child, Nipper
cap \$20, Hi Vis singlet \$15,
sunhat \$10)
- Sign in from 12:45pm
- Program starts at 1pm sharp

Contact Brooke Bamewall
Junior Coordinator on 0438 580 419
or ajandbrooke@bigpond.com

**New families welcome to
come and try out on the day**

To all parents

**Are you interested in getting
your Bronze Medallion?**

We're looking for parents who are keen
to help out with Nippers and learn rescue
techniques, basic first aid and surf awareness.

We need more parent volunteers with their
Bronze Medallion and this is a great chance
to get involved and help us deliver a quality
Nippers program.

You can volunteer as little or as much as you
like. To register your interest and find out
more contact James Green on 0418 529 201.

Noorat Show Picnic Area Competition

Show Day 21st Nov

Enter on the day

Theme: Pick your own

Prize: Picnic hamper, winner's
sash

Judging at 2 pm

Sponsored by

MT NOORAT
HOTEL

For more information call
Diane Glennen
0429 925 314





Corangamite Rural Women's Bus Tour

You are invited to join us on a dairy farm & sustainability bus tour of the Heytesbury district



HOSTS: Linda Whiting & Kylie Trebble

THEMES: Dairy farming and sustainability. The day includes a visit to Whitfield Dairy Farm, The Place of Wonder, Gorge Chocolates & Apostle Whey Cheese

WHEN: Thursday 19th November 2015.
Meet 9.15am for 9.30am departure, returning 4.30pm

WHERE: Bus pick up @ Corangamite CMA 64 Dennis St Colac (opposite Memorial Square)

COST: Free

RSVP essential to Karen O'Keefe by 16 November 2015
Phone 03 5232 9100 or karen.okeefe@ccma.vic.gov.au



FAMILY ACTIVITIES IN THE PARK

FREE ENTRY

EACH TUESDAY FROM 4 PM

STARTS 20 OCTOBER TIL 24 NOVEMBER 2015



CRICKET

BOCCE

BASKETBALL

BOWLS

AND MORE

South West
Healthcare



Introducing our Cobden website **cobden.org.au**

Did you know we had a Cobden website? cobden.org.au. It's a great way to keep up to date with what's happening in and around Cobden.

Look to see when the following events are on: CBN late night shopping, Saint Mary's Church fete, Cobden Primary School's 150 Year Celebration, Christmas-on-Apex Park and Carols by Candlelight.

Let us know what your club or group is up to, so we can help promote your event.

Cobden clubs and groups are invited to have a page on the website. For all the details see cobden.org.au/clubs.

Download "Connecting Cobden" at cobden.org.au/connecting-cobden, to see who has been featured in our newsletter, published regularly in the Cobden Timboon Coast Times, or to catch up on editions you may have missed.

Visit cobden.org.au/gallery to view the 2015 CopRice Cobden Spring Festival in pictures.

Bookmark the website, to easily check back now and then, to see what's happening, get details of an event or to contact us.

Looking for a Cobden business? Visit our CBN website cobdenbusinessnetwork.org.au.

On Facebook? "Like" our page Cobden Community to see our posts.

If you would like to know more, then send an email to mail@cobden.org.au, a message through our contact page cobden.org.au/contact-us or ring 5595 4243.

Keeping Cobden connected.

