

MARCELLIN COLLEGE RANDWICK



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Students, Staff, and Friends of Marcellin,

Br David's Leave

Br David is away until Wednesday 24th November, next week. He is doing some international consultancy with the Marist Brothers in Ireland. In his absence, I will be acting in the Headmaster's role and Mr Anthony Boys will be Acting Deputy Headmaster.

Parents in Touch

Perhaps one of the most remarkable features of our school is our 'Parents in Touch' program. Four times a year we run an information evening for parents. This normally entails a presentation from an outside speaker – usually speaking about some aspect concerning boy's education or development. Why this is so remarkable is the quality of the presentations and the large number of parents who attend. When a lot of schools struggle to get more than a handful of interested parents to P & F nights, we usually have an audience averaging 100 parents. For well known experts in boys issues, presenters such as Mr Steve Biddulp, Mrs Celia Lashlie or Mr Ian Lillico, it is not unusual to attract 500 plus parents. We believe it is part of our commitment to the ongoing partnership with parents in the care and development of our boys.

Wednesday 17th November will be the second part of a presentation from Br Darren Burge, Principal of The John Berne School and Ms Christine Langridge, co-author of 'Parenting in Practice'. Last time they spoke about 'Boundaries & Consequences for Boys'. This time they will be exploring further the notions of good parenting practices. In particular, they will look at how parents can look after themselves in the parenting process with strategies to facilitate effective communication with one another. The evening will also incorporate an open forum where a range of issues related to the parenting of boys will be discussed. Do not be put off attending if you missed the first part of the presentation as Br Darren will recap this at the start of the evening.

For those parents who haven't taken the opportunity to attend one of our Parents in Touch evenings, I urge them to come along. I am confident you will find it worthwhile. A lot of the credit for this program should go to Mr Brian Vane-Tempest who sources the best presenters, compiles the program and makes sure that the night is well publicised. If you would like to attend the event, please RSVP via email vanetempestb@marcellin.nsw.edu.au with your son's name, homeroom and number of people attending.

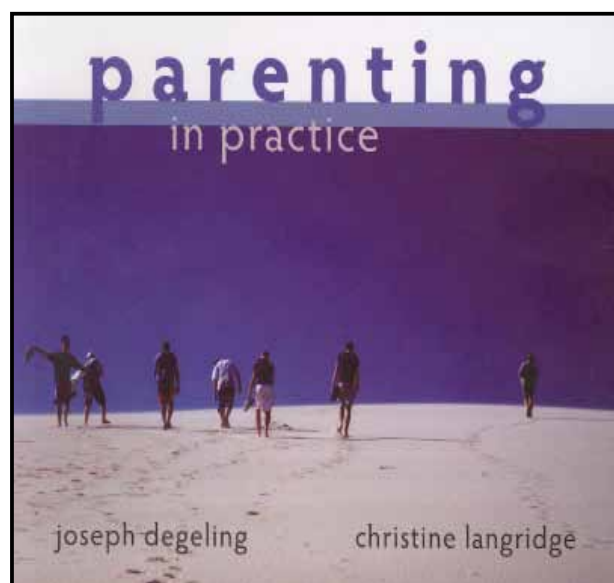
With best wishes

PARENTS IN TOUCH

Mr Les Salisbury
Acting Headmaster

WEDNESDAY
17TH NOVEMBER
@ 7:30pm

The evening is guaranteed
to finish no later than 9.00 pm.



"Shaking off some of the stress that we accumulate through each of our busy days will re-invigorate and re-energise us in our role as parents."

FROM THE HEADMASTER

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to all these boys on their Special Achievements. Well done!



Ashley Burton
Year 8

Selected in the Randwick Petersham Green Shield representative team and nominated for the Cumberland Courier Junior Sports Star award



Lachlan Taol
Year 8

Selected as Goalkeeper for Sydney No 2 Hockey team



Daniel Ivancic
Year 8

Youngest member to receive the 'Warrick Segal Memorial Trophy' from Maroubra United Soccer Club for his contribution to coaching, playing and refereeing



Navin Pillai
Year 11

Took a Hat Trick against North Shore in the A Grade Cricket



Year 9 students Matthew Waller and Liam Petersen were awarded their Silver Crest awards at a recent CEO function

ITALIAN FOOD DAY

Congratulations to the Italian students who prepared an Italian feast food day last Friday with gelatos, lasagne and pizzas. Lunch was a great success. Thank you to Ms Carmelina Fede and Br Joa for organising this event.



Alec Faulkner
Year 10

Alec's art work was selected for the Children's Hospital Art Competition earlier this year

FAREWELL JAN MAROON AND THANKYOU PARENT HELPERS

We are celebrating the retirement of Jan Maroon who worked for many years in the school Canteen, please join us in the College courtyard on Wednesday 1st December from 5.00pm-7.00pm.

We will also acknowledge at this time, all the wonderful parent helpers who have so generously supported the College throughout 2010.

For catering purposes please RSVP secretary@marcellin.nsw.edu.au by Wednesday 24th November.



Mrs Jan Maroon

WEBSITE CALENDAR

In 2011 we are moving to replace the fridge magnet calendar of previous years with the electronic calendar on the College website.

College staff have already moved to using the electronic calendar and in keeping with this, the website will now be the definitive calendar in 2011. Some event dates for 2011 can already be accessed on the College website at www.marcellin.nsw.edu.au in the News and Events section under the heading Calendar.

The College newsletter will also still have a reference to upcoming term calendar events.

The screenshot shows the Marcellin College website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, Our School, Our Community, Our Curriculum, Extra Curricular, News & Events, FAQs, Links, and Contact Us. Below this is a 'Calendar' section titled 'Events For February'. The events listed are: Year 7-12 students commence (Tuesday 01st February), Class Parents Meeting (Wednesday 02nd February), College Swimming Carnival (Friday 04th February), Parents and Friends AGM (Wednesday 23rd February), Inaugural Mass (Friday 25th February), and Meet and Greet (Friday 25th February). To the right of the text is a calendar grid for February 2011, with dates 1 through 26. The bottom of the page contains contact information for Marcellin College, Randwick, including the address, phone number (02 9398 6355), fax number (02 9398 9049), email address (secretary@marcellin.nsw.edu.au), and website design credit to SKOOZ.

NOTICES AND NEWS

TERM 4 CALENDAR EVENTS

Wednesday 17th November	• Parents In Touch Evening. 'Parenting in Practice' Forum.
Monday 22nd November	• Year 10 Work Experience commences. Concludes Friday 26th November.
Monday 22nd November	• Years 7/8/9 Assessment Week commences. Concludes Friday 26th November.
Monday 29th November	• Year 10 Prizegiving commences at 9.30am. Year 10 concludes today.
Wednesday 1st December	• Farewell for Mrs Jan Maroon and Thankyou Parent Helpers Function 5.00pm-7.00pm.
Thursday 8th December	• Year 11 Speech Day.
Monday 13th December	• Walkathon Reward Day.
Tuesday 14th December	• Parent Teacher Feedback Day 1.00pm to 6.00pm
Friday 17th December	• College closes.

ACARA PRIVACY NOTICE TO PARENTS

Important privacy information from ACARA (Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority) is now available on the College website on the Curriculum - Assessment and Reporting Page. Please take a moment to read this information.

WYD 2011 MADRID

In preparation for WYD 2011 in Madrid Spain, indulge in some Spanish food, be entertained by some Spanish seminarians, have a go at some Spanish phrases, learn Spanish dancing and the Madrid WYD song.

When: Friday 26th November 2010 at 7.00pm

Where: Holy Family Church Hall,
214 Maroubra Rd Maroubra Junction
RSVP: sydney2spain2011@gmail.com



EVENING OF PRAYER

On Saturday 27th November, His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI will celebrate in St Peter's Basilica, a solemn 'Vigil for all nascent (new) human life'. The vigil will thank the Lord for his total self-giving to the world through the incarnation and invoke his protection over every human being called into existence. The Archdiocese of Sydney will join with the Holy Father in this Vigil of Prayer at St Benedict's Church, Broadway (Cnr Broadway and Abercrombie St) on Saturday 27th November at 7.00pm. Mass will precede the Vigil at 6.00pm and the Vigil will conclude around 8.00pm with Benediction. For full details visit http://www.lifemarriagefamily.org.au/Vigil_for_Nascent_Human_Life.pdf

STUDENT FORUM

The following boys took part in the Student Forum on Monday 1st November at the CEO Eastern Region Office, Daceyville: Year 9 students Fabian Svejkar and Matthew Waller, Year 10 students Myles Fischer and Jack De Lacy and Year 11 students Cameron Black, Christopher Edwards, Jackson Garlick and Nicholas Saady. The forum was established following suggestions from the Student Listening Assemblies in 2009. The forum's aim was to capture a collective 'student voice' with some discernment on issues affecting young people in our school communities. Cameron and Jackson gave presentations on the topics of Social Networking and Cyber Safety. After the presentations, boys worked in mixed school groups addressing the concerns. The CEO staff were impressed with the contributions that all the boys made and in particular Cameron and Jackson.

Mr Ian Laing, Youth Ministry Coordinator

YEAR 9 SCIENCE EXCURSION



On Thursday 28th October students in Years 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 attended a Science excursion in which they conducted a field study at Centennial Park. The excursion put their scientific knowledge on natural ecosystems to the test as they measured abiotic factors such as pH, temperature, humidity and wind speed. Students were shown gross pollutant traps and taught how the park is attempting to solve issues regarding storm water and pollution from surrounding suburbs. Observations of the biotic factors of the ponds were made, and students were then able to assess how human activity is impacting upon the environment. On Thursday 4th November students in Years 9.1, 9.2 and 9.6 attended the second science excursion to conduct their field studies at Centennial Park.

Miss Rachel Thompson, Science Coordinator



NEWS AND SPORT

The U15 Basketball team coached by Mrs Spencer, have performed extremely well in two dominant displays. The U14 team are gaining excellent experience and have improved phenomenally in the last two weeks, winning both matches. A Grade and B Grade Basketball have had a very successful two rounds, with the man of the matches being shared in this group, indicating a team effort over the first four rounds of the competition.

Mr Stephen Roemling and Mr Stephen Davidson have said that the more the boys play Squash, the better the team gets, with the Squash team winning Round 3 against Wahroonga after going down to an extremely strong North Shore side in Round 2. The Touch teams have performed very well winning all games in all grades demonstrating the competitiveness of the boys, as well as the quality coaching and instruction that they are receiving.

In Round 2 of the Cricket the A Grade, U14 and U16 teams all won against North Shore. It is very impressive to see the Cricket sides working so hard to improve at training and in the game, this attitude of hard work is evident in their performance. A special mention to Navin Pillai, A Grade who took a Hat-trick against North Shore, taking figures of 3 for 3.

The respect, attitude, sportsmanship and personality of all the Marcellin College teams this season has been impeccable. I encourage parents to continue to discuss the importance of these values with their boys, as it is these facets that separate our College from others on the sporting field. It is always great to win at sport, but the value of being good, respectful young men should never be underestimated.



MCC SUMMER SEASON - ROUND 3

Basketball	Team	A Grade	B Grade	Under 15	Under 14
	Opposition	Wahroonga	Wahroonga	Wahroonga	Wahroonga
	Result	W: 31-20	W: 49-20	W: 74-20	W: 44-20
	Player of Match	Aldwin Hidajat	Mason Jones	Abaina Davis	Harrison White

Cricket	Team	A Grade	Under 16s	Under 14s
	Opposition	Wahroonga	Wahroonga	Wahroonga
	Result	D: 6/121 to 8/121	W: 4/126 to 5/118	W: 7/120 to 8/97
	Player of Match	James Hamilton	Eamonn Hawke	Cameron Murray

Squash	Opposition	Results
	Wahroonga	W: 1139 to 641
	Player of Match	Jordan Portokalli

Touch Football	Team	A Grade	B Grade	Under 15	Under 14
	Opposition	Wahroonga	BYE	Wahroonga	Wahroonga
	Result	W: 23-0		W: 14-2	W: 12-0
	Player of Match	Blake Hurley Daniel Moore		Giuseppe Giuffre	Connor Mirotsos



MCC SUMMER SEASON - ROUND 4

Basketball	Team	A Grade	B Grade	Under 15	Under 14
	Opposition	Kogarah	Kogarah	Kogarah	Kogarah
	Result	L: 40-52	W: 55-35	W: 69-10	W: 103-13
	Player of Match	Josh Cogin	Denzel Taueli	Jackson White	Luke Dever

Cricket	Team	A Grade	Under 16s	Under 14s
	Opposition	Kogarah	Kogarah	Kogarah
	Result	W: 3/147 to 10/115	W: 6/104 to 8/102	L: 3/96 to 5/99
	Player of Match	Jason Gray	Ashley Burton	Declan White

Squash	Opposition	Results
	Kogarah	W: 1117 to 584
	Player of Match	Aaron Carvalho

Touch Football	Team	A Grade	B Grade	Under 15	Under 14
	Opposition	Kogarah	Kogarah	Kogarah	Kogarah
	Result	W: 6-4	W: 3-0	W: 6-0	W: 7-3
	Player of Match	Alex Thomas	Tom Stirling Dan Moore	Brock Butcher Joshua Trombetta	Jaiden Brown



COMMUNITY NEWS

Mr Ben Gardiner, Acting Sports Coordinator

Uniform Shop: Please come into the uniform shop to buy your blazers before Christmas. If you require special sizing you need to put your blazer order in before the middle of December. Opening hours Tuesday 8am-11.15am and Thursday 8am-1pm. In Term 4 we are open on these Saturdays: November 20th and 27th 8am-1pm, and December 11th 8am-1pm.