From the Director of Development & Communications

I was never a big fan of Shakespeare until Mr Mario Ghezzi came along. This assumes I knew who Shakespeare was at the ripe old age of sixteen. My diminutive English teacher in stature, was larger than life in persona, and his passion for literature was infectious. Being sixteen, I was on the precipice of adulthood and ‘Ghezz’ as he was affectionately known, was an inspirational teacher - one of the main reasons I’m a teacher. By the end of Year 12, I was engrossed in conversations about the significance of King Lear’s fool, whilst others my age were running amuck in the malls and shopping centres of Campbelltown. Such was his impact.

I’m sure we can all remember people who have inspired us, those who have enlivened our passions for learning and life. Those who have entered our lives at just the right juncture to cajole, encourage and advise. It is a wonderful gift to be the ‘inspirer’, the one that smokes out the real you within, to strive for greater things. I believe we all have this capacity - to influence others for the better.

Last week the College was privy to such a moment. The inaugural Lionel Bowen Lecture Series address was presented by Mr Jeff McMullen. Jeff, from 4 Corners and 60 minutes fame, delivered what many in the MCR community have said is one of the most extraordinary speeches in recent times. It was indeed quite special and inspirational. His brief was to explore and elaborate on the topic of Citizenship and the Common Good. He was to speak broadly of his experiences in life that have formed his views on what it means to contribute to the making of a better world. He did this, and much more.

Those present were invited to peer into the heart of a man who has dedicated his life’s work to the service of others, in particular indigenous communities in Australia and abroad. For forty five minutes he eloquently traversed the political, social and environmental terrains of the world. Without notes, he spoke of his aspirations and the possibilities for Australia becoming the paradise that billions across the globe seek each day. A place where humanity is the core concern, not race, religion or creed. Of Lionel Bowen, as Old Boy, Mayor, State Member of Parliament, Federal Member, Deputy Prime Minister, among other things he said:

“I believe it was that early lesson as a boy, that determination to earn the knowledge and skill he so desired, and then to put it to work for the common good, it was this quality, this value system, that lifts his achievements above pure self-interest and allows us to celebrate a man of the people who prized the common good.”

Here it was, the confluence of an inspirational speech that spoke of an inspirational man. A captivating moment. When he came down from the stage I saw it in his eyes – he had nothing left. He had laid bare before us his manifesto for a utopia where all of humankind can participate in a just and free world. Sounds like a speech you would give at the United...
Nations, quite appropriate actually, it was about uniting nations.

So who inspires you? Who injects in you a desire to go out and seize the day? I suspect you can name many in your life who do this. We are blessed at MCR to meet these people daily, to be touched by their enthusiasm for life and drive to serve others. We see it in the life of St Marcellin who was able to inspire a band of young men in rural France to dedicate their lives to educating the lowly and marginalised. The fire of his inspiration burns wildly today in the hearts and minds of generations who have been touched by the story. There is much great work in his name to be inspired by.

With so much violence and destruction in the world it is often easy to despair and lament for what might be. However, there is still so much to celebrate and savour as Jeff said:

“I have found brilliant people to inspire my belief that we can change our world for the better.”

How refreshing to hear from a man who has spent a good deal of his life immersed in the most troubled and fractious parts of the planet. ‘Ghezz’ my English teacher may not have covered the conflicts of the world as Jeff has, but he too has a shared passion. Reach deep and find within you what really matters in life, share this, and in doing so you will play your part in inspiring others to do the same.

Mr Brian Vane-Tempest
Director of Development & Communications

The audience at the inaugural Lionel Bowen Lecture Series

The Marcellin Graduate

1. His Calling

They arrive as young boys dependent very much on their parents and their teachers; they depart as adults in the eyes of the law. Young men - citizens of the world. There is an impression that the Marcellin boy is cocooned on the eastern side of Anzac Parade. The challenge for him is that he sees beyond that into the broader world. He is a global citizen. He is called to reach out to others, to let go of any preoccupation with self. His destiny is, as St Marcellin Champagnat foretold, to be a good Christian and good citizen.
From the Deputy Headmaster

Old Boys’ Mass and Luncheon

As many as 90 Old Boys gathered on Saturday, 23 August for the annual Old Boys’ Mass and Luncheon. The event, organised by the Ex Students’ Association, started with a tour of the College and Mass in the Vaughan Centre, and was followed by a lunch at Coogee Surf Club in the afternoon, with everyone enjoying each other’s company and reminiscing about the old Marcellin Days.

What struck me the most on Saturday was the affection with which many old boys talk about their days at school, and the pride that lives with them. It was wonderful to see a group of men across a range of ages share memories and laughter. I particularly noted the number of ex Marcellin students who have continued a career in Catholic education. Brennan Sharpley, the Assistant Principal at Champagnat Catholic College, reminded me on Saturday that he and his brother, having been educated at Marcellin are now Catholic educators themselves. Brennan’s Principal, Dave McInnes is also an ex student of Marcellin. Phil Davis was at the lunch and is the REC at Waverley College.

I wonder how many boys currently at Marcellin consider a possible future in Catholic education as a teacher? I often ask boys about their prospective careers and more often than not, the answer is “I have no idea”. My hope is that Marcellin produces among other things, fine educators for the future. I consider teaching a true privilege that really contributes to making a difference in the lives of young people, and therefore a difference in the world.

Thank you to Mr Mullaly, Ms De Francesco, Fr Max, Mrs Elliot, Mrs Wilson, Mr Michael Daley and the Old Boys’ Committee for putting on an enjoyable and memorable day last Saturday.

Mr Peter Buxton
Deputy Headmaster

Photos: Over 90 Old Boys gathered for a Mass and Luncheon to reminisce and celebrate their MCR connections.
ICAS Science Competition High Achievers

In June, students from 7.1, 8.1 and 9.1 participated in the ICAS Science Competition. The competition provides an independent evaluation of students’ science skills and knowledge in core learning areas and provides insight into students’ understanding. Our students achieved the following outstanding results.

Awards

**High Distinction Certificate (the top 1% of participants)**
Kurt Murray (Year 9)

**Distinction Certificate (next 10% of participants)**
Year 9 - Cormac Murray, Braden Raffo, Matthew Sulistyo
Year 8 - Jake Nobre, Zak Pluta, Thomas Stellino
Year 7 - Gian Cornale, Edward Simmonds

Well done to all students who participated.

Ms Jeannie Scevity
Science Coordinator

Right: Kurt Murray (Yr 9) received a High Distinction in the ICAS Science competition

Right: Distinction certificate recipients. (Back row from left) Tom Stellino, Gian Cornale, Jake Nobre, Edward Simmonds, Zak Pluta. (Front row from left) Matthew Sulistyo, Braden Raffo, Cormac Murray
Extension 2 Major Works Showcase

Wednesday night, 27 August, saw our four Extension 2 English students present their major work projects to an appreciative audience of staff, students and parents.

Dean Moutopoulos opened the night with his highly accomplished short film “Taurus” about a failing bit part actor and his unusual commute to a performance at the Sydney Opera House.

Cameron Wells read from his undergraduate-level critical analysis of scripto-therapeutical approaches to personal and collective trauma in the works of American novelists Kurt Vonnegut Jr and Jonathan Safran-Foer.

Next, Year 12 student-celebrities James Bassil and Rory McGuiness joined our authors to enact the first scene of Carlos Hernandez-Quintero’s provocative and original stage play Australians which places middle class Australians in the role of refugees seeking asylum in Indonesia in an apocalyptic near-future. Finally Linus Gibson premiered his whimsical comedic short film I’m Rubbish, cleverly recycling the silent movie genre to explore one man’s relationship with a plastic soy sauce fish and the environment.

Each work demonstrated higher order skills of collaboration, craftsmanship, originality and engagement with the contemporary world. Thanks to Miss Annette Emms, Mrs Tegan Evans and Miss Amy Parish who assisted in getting them there. The novelist Margaret Atwood once said that without young writers there will be no one in the future to carry forward the values of literacy and democracy. We can all kick back and relax.

Mr Ben Rice - English Enrichment Coordinator
Year 11 Ministry Week - Student Reflections

What did you learn about others?
• That other people, both parents and children, live in disadvantaged, broken communities such as Bowraville. A developed country such as Australia still has these communities with issues of racism, discrimination and high crime and violence rates.
• That life is hard whether you’re older and the younger generation needs to support and make time for the older generation.
• I worked with the teachers I used to have in primary school and saw things from their perspective. I experienced how hard they work and have a greater appreciation for what they did for us.
• That everybody has a role to play in their job and to work in a team with others is very important.
• That people respond to situations in various ways and also that friendship and trust help motivate people to do things they didn’t think they could do.
• That if you give others a chance they may just surprise you, which was the case with the group of boys I went with.

What did you learn about yourself?
• I have become more aware of issues and now that I have seen it first-hand I feel I should give more. I also feel more lucky and privileged to be in very fortunate circumstances.
• That I have been selfish at times and could be more giving.
• That I am able to make a difference and improve people lives and make their jobs easier by seeing them.
• That I am not as grateful as I should be.
• That I was able to cope under pressure and still act as a good role model.
• That helping others is what I want to do in the future.
• That I am capable of working hard.

Have any of your values or attitudes changed as a result of your ministry week experience? In what way?
• I have definitely changed. I now want to help the community, independent from school.
• I feel that I am more humble and grateful for all the things around me and the opportunities that are presented to me. I am more motivated to work hard and achieve my best, knowing some kids don’t get the chance to do this.
• I feel my willingness to give has become stronger and I feel more encouraged to give to others. I feel a lot more fortunate of the things I have which some children I was with would see my possessions as wonderful gifts rather than taking them for granted.
• I have changed to be more thoughtful of others.
• I want to help all those who ask for my help, no matter the size of the task.
• I understand the value of serving others, even in small ways - it makes a difference.
• Greater Empathy, Greater Patience.
• This experience gave me the opportunity to get out of my comfort zone which has helped my attitude
• My attitude towards Year 7s and teachers has changed. I saw how hard it is to be a role model and a leader.
• I gained more patience and understanding.
• I value my mobility.
• I think my relations with other people have improved and my work ethic has improved.
Year 8 Film Making Competition Winners

During the recent Activities Week, Year 8 participated in a Film Making Day. The boys worked in small groups to produce a film, with the theme ‘Eternity’ and a signature item, the College tie. There were many outstanding entries, but none better than, ‘The Eternal Sham’. Congratulations to James Doherty, James Walker, Joshua Glekis, Ace Enriquez and Brandon Hendra (pictured left) for their outstanding composition.

Old Boys Selected in NRL Academic Team of the Year & NYC Team of the Year

Three Old Boys have been selected in the NRL Academic team of the Year and NYC Team of the Year, which recognise rugby league players for their achievements in higher education and in the workplace.

Jason Clark and Tom Symonds were announced in the NRL Academic team of the Year, with Cheyne Whitelaw making the NYC team of the Year.

Above: Jason Clark (left), Tom Symonds and Cheyne Whitelaw recognised for achievements in education and the workplace by the NRL.

2014 DEBATE EXTRAVAGANZA

The world is at our fingertips and we are better for it.

Marcellin Old Boys V’s Marcellin Students

WHEN: Friday 5 September 2014 (Term 3 Week 8 Day 10)
COMMENCING: 6.00pm throwdown
WHERE: Vaughan Centre
Marcellin College Randwick
POST DEBATE CELEBRATIONS: supper provided

Family Event
All welcome!

The affirmative will have a different view!
2014 Annual College Walkathon

The Annual Marcellin College Walkathon will take place on Friday, 24 October (Term 4, Week 3) and promises to be yet again a day of colour and enthusiasm.

On Wednesday, 3 September, all parents will be emailed the details of the Walkathon and during Period 6 all students will be given their sponsorship cards.

Photo highlights from 2013 Walkathon
Marist Oratory Competition

Six Marcellin students spoke at the Marist Oratory Competition on Wednesday, 20 September 2014. All boys performed well in front of rooms full of family, friends and supporters from 12 participating Marist schools. Once again Alex Krikorian placed as a finalist in the Year 9 division. Marist College North Shore were the overall winners on the night and next year we will be competing there. Congratulations to all the students involved, through the effort and courage you have contributed to proudly representing the school and hopefully had a rewarding experience.

The opportunity to represent Marcellin College in numerous public speaking competitions since Year 7 has been one of the highlights of high school for me so far. Admittedly it was not an area where I saw myself succeeding however I really surprised myself. While it can be taxing on your time in terms of preparation, practicing and forgoing the Rabbitoh’s games on Friday nights I can honestly say that the rewards (personally and academically) have far outweighed the minor imposition. Not only have I been able to perfect my public speaking skills and speech writing skills, I have been inspired by some excellent public speakers from other schools. Also, given the fact that oral presentations are a common form of assessment throughout high school this opportunity has been invaluable in preparing me for these assessments. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity the College has given me and I would highly recommend public speaking to every student.

Alex Krikorian (9.1)

Marist Oratory has been a wonderful experience for me as a Year 7 student, being able to represent my school is indescribable. It is a great opportunity and I’m proud to have done it because I believe I truly benefited from it. I believe it is natural to be a little bit nervous about speaking in front of a room full of people, but it was comforting knowing that everyone from the other 11 schools was having the same experience too. It was great to hear other boys and girls my age speak about things they believe in, social justice and some were a bit humorous too. Gian from 7.1 and his mum came to support us and it was great to have some extra support in the audience. I am already thinking about what I could speak about next year!

Amir Butler (7.4)

Miss Naleen Greenwood
Debating and Oratory Coordinator

Photos: (1) Ethan Whitty (Yr 10), Noah Simpkins (Yr 11), Amir Butler (Yr 7), Rafael Bruzzese (Yr 11) and Alex Beck (Yr 8). (2) Alex Krikorian (Yr 9) and parents. (3) Gian Cornale and Amir Butler (4) Noah Simpkins and family
Careers

UAC has now been open for 3 weeks. Boys should have logged on and started filling in their preferences for university. I have explained this process with the Year 12 cohort in detail, so they should be taking ownership of this. If any students have not received their login details in the post, please see me so that I can help them access this information.

Now is the time to be finalising applications for university scholarships and any UAC Educational Access Schemes. Having these completed before the HSC starts helps to remove any extra pressure from such a highly stressful time. As mentioned previously, many of the university open days will be held this month. Please check university websites for details and registration.

The Year 10 cohort should be thinking about their next work experience block. It will be held over four days from 1 - 4 December. The same paperwork that was required for the first block will be required again for the second. This paperwork will be due very shortly after the September holidays, so boys should use this time to organise their second placement.

The College website has the latest careers news. For any enquiries, please contact me at: john.cuthbertson@syd.catholic.edu.au

Mr John Cuthbertson
Careers & VET Coordinator

YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
A Voice For Randwick’s Young People

The Youth Advisory Committee provides a forum for young people to have a say on community issues that affect them and their peers and to provide input into Council’s youth policy development. The Youth Advisory Committee is also a discussion forum for young people (aged 15 to 25 years), youth related and/or local area organisation representatives.

For further enquiries or information please contact: Tania Krasinski, telephone 9399 0678, email tania.krasinski@randwick.nsw.gov.au

Marcellin College Randwick
Class of 1973-1975 Reunion
Scheduled for October 2015
Details: Facebook Page
"Marcellin College Randwick Class of 1973-1975"

2002 - 2013 Yearbooks
The College has additional copies of the 2002 -2013 Yearbooks.
If you would like to obtain a copy, please email john.finley@syd.catholic.edu.au, and a copy will be labelled for collection

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We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.
We walk on a land once occupied by the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation.
May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.
MCC Athletics

Thursday, 21 August & 25 August
From the Sports Coordinator

MCC Athletics
Our Athletics team competed at a rain affected MCC Carnival on Thursday 21 August at ES Marks and then again on Monday 25 August at the Ridge Complex. Our squad managed to place fifth overall for the carnival. The highlight of the day was the remarkable performance by James Bassil, equalling the Opens Triple Jump record which was set in 1950. A special mention also to Lachlan Golsby who won three of his events; a truly remarkable feat. Many thanks to Mr Fitzgerald, Mr Leary, Mr Donnelly, Mr Ross and Mr O’Shea who coached the squad this season.

Students who won their events at the carnival and progressed to CCC are:

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MCC Volleyball
Best of luck to our Volleyball players who are competing in the annual MCC Championships next Thursday at Homebush. Under the watchful eye of Mr Laing, Ms Bourke, Mr Davidson and Ms Moore the Opens and U15 teams have been training hard to keep up the proud tradition of volleyball success at the College.

Winter Sports Awards Assembly
Our Winter Sports Awards Assembly was held on Friday 15 August. Many boys received awards for their performances in Rugby League, Soccer and Athletics. Our special guest for this assembly was former Rugby League player and Old Boy Brian Fletcher. It was great to see many parents and families in attendance also. Congratulations to all award winners for their outstanding efforts throughout the winter season.

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Winter Sports Trials
Winter trials for all Basketball, Touch, Cricket and Squash all begin in Week 8. It has been pleasing to see such a large number of boys keen to represent the College and share their talents. Anyone else wishing to trial for a team needs to see their coach at the beginning of the week to put their name down. We will be having internal trials until the end of term followed by a trial match in Week 1 of Term 4.

Mr Sean Mullaly
Assistant Sports Coordinator