

MARCELLIN COLLEGE RANDWICK



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Friends,

Our College theme for 2010 is '*Journey with Compassion*'. Many priorities can be drawn from these three words. These yearly themes help to place before our students and staff a standard we hope to attain. Underlying all our recent themes is the core value of respect. This is or should be at the heart of our school activities. If respect is not in evidence in all we do then I would see little value in promoting our academic results or the most recent premierships. Success is a very positive thing and we certainly aim to achieve at a high standard in all we take on at Marcellin. This success though should not be at the expense of the welfare of students and staff.

Henri Nouwen in the book 'In my own words' tells us that "*increasing prosperity has not made people more friendly toward one another. They're better off, but their wealth and success has not resulted in a new sense of community. I get the impression that people are more preoccupied with themselves and have less time for one another than when they didn't possess so much. There is more competitiveness, more unrest and more anxiety. There's less opportunity to relax and enjoy the important things in life. Success has isolated a lot of people and made them lonely.*"

As we become more self engrossed I think a greater dissatisfaction or disillusionment follows. Our theme for 2010 tries to encourage success but more importantly, not to lose sight of our communal values. When we journey together we communicate the importance of family spirit and emphasize this valuable feature of our school environment.

The Emperor Penguin stays in Antarctica for all of winter. Some breed in winter in temperatures forty degrees below zero. A study has shown that they survive owing to two main reasons. First, they possess an extremely dense plumage and secondly, during blizzards, they forget all about their individual territories and gather in a single mass.

I am quite certain that when we work in partnership and display sensitivity and care for one another we will achieve to a high standard. '*Journey with Compassion*' challenges us to be mindful of one another, ensuring that a genuine respect is at the heart of all we do.

I hope we continue to appreciate the great giftedness that flows when we keep these values central in all that we undertake.

With best wishes

Br Bill Sullivan, fms
Headmaster



FROM THE HEADMASTER

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

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



Year 7 (2009) Special Award Winners

Conor Docherty, Jarrod Wachman, Cameron Wells, Jaydan Tuohy, Rorie Seddon, Nicholas Roper



Matthew Edwards, Year 12

2010 Maroubra Youth of the Year Quest winner and won the Public Speaking section of the Regional Youth of the Year Competition



Year 8 (2009) Special Award Winners

Jack Erickson, Cheyne Whitelaw, Jake Richards, Benjamin Thornton, Benjamin Liew, Andre Brimo, Abaina Davis, Luke Dooner, Matthew Waller, Theodore Xavier



Year 9 (2009) Special Award Winners

Dylan Cartwright, James McKaig, Liam Job, Oscar Sharah, Jacob Burke, Matthew Kelly, Christopher Goutama, Andrew Jackson

CONGRATULATIONS

Christian Lozada, Year 11, won a silver medal (2nd) in the NSW Youth championships U18 400m Hurdles at Homebush and has now qualified for the Nationals.

John De Lacy, Year 10, completed the Australian Air Force Cadet course, passing with a Distinction to become a Cadet Corporal. John was also awarded the Dux of Basic stage with the Australian Air Force Cadets.

Justin Richardson, Year 9, completed his Radio Operators and Senior First Aid course.

Tom Perrin, Year 8, won a silver medal in the U/14 Beach Flags event at the NSW State Age Surf Lifesaving championships at Swansea, Belmont.

Lars Roy, Year 11, was appointed Fullback and Captain of the North Sydney Bears Harold Matthews Cup Rugby League team. Lars plays his club football with the Mascot Jets.

TERM 1 CALENDAR EVENTS

Thursday 4th March

- MCC Swimming carnival 3 - 6pm. Years 7 and 12 attend this event to support the squad. A separate letter has been sent home giving details.

Sunday 7th March

- Mother's trip to Mittagong. A note is available from the front office.

Monday 8th March

- Year 12 exams commence. Exams finish 17th March. Year 12 lessons resume 18th March.

Wednesday 10th March

- Special Parents in Touch Evening with Mr Paul Dillon - Teenagers, Alcohol & Drugs. (More details on page 3 of this newsletter).

Thursday 11th March

- MCC Summer Sports Grand Finals.

Wednesday 17th March

- Year 7 Parent Feedback Meeting.

Thursday 18th March

- MCC Cross Country.

NOTICES AND NEWS

SPECIAL PARENTS IN TOUCH - MR PAUL DILLON



Mr Paul Dillon is the author of the recently released book entitled 'Teenagers, Alcohol & Drugs' that deals with this important issue that affects many in our society today.

I believe we need to look at these issues as a school community. It is sure to be an engaging and informative evening. I encourage you to attend and look forward to a great response from the parent community.

A note was sent home with your son on Monday.

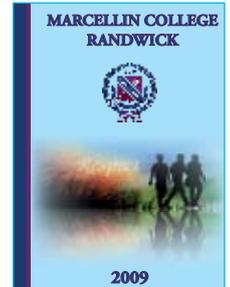
RSVP: Friday 5th March or email vanetempestb@marcellin.nsw.edu.au

NEWSLETTER PRINT QUALITY

We apologise for the print quality of the newsletter. We are investigating problems we are having with the printer and hope to have the issues sorted out shortly. In the meantime, the newsletter can also be accessed via our website at www.marcellin.nsw.edu.au/media.php

2009 SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Copies of the 2009 school magazine are still available. If you'd like another magazine please pick one up at the College reception.



MOBILE PHONES/IPODS

Parents should be aware of the College regulations regarding these items. Boys may bring them to school if they wish but phones and IPODs are not to be used in school time. Boys who use them know that they will be confiscated for two weeks plus issued with a detention. There is no exception to this rule.

Pay phones are located outside the College office for use during the day and in an emergency. Coordinators or the office can easily make contact with home. It amazes me just how many parents ring boys during school and class time. Parents are requested not to ring boys while at school. If there is an emergency then ring the office please. I can see absolutely no need to be ringing boys while they are in class. Boys are quite clear that if they use it they lose it. The excuse of checking the time does not wash with staff either. Boys need to purchase a watch if that is why they are looking at their phones. The problem will then be solved. Parents are requested to support the College with these requirements.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS AGM

Thank you to all parents who attended the P&F AGM on Wednesday 24th February. The election was held and the new P&F Committee members include Fernando Rolden, Stephen Thurn, Kim Said, Lila Saady, Marian Romeo, Lisa Stirling, Natalie Harkins, Wendy Law, Lizzie Milligan, Debbie Green, Katie Thornton, Christina Amados, Margaret Jones and Cordelia Roswell. Mr Tony Parramore was elected the new President. The College community gratefully acknowledges Mr Michael O'Brien who was P&F President from 2005-2009. Thank you.



2010 P&F Committee



Br Bill and Mr Michael O'Brien

EX-STUDENT COMMITTEE

Many thanks to the Marcellin Ex-students association for their recent donation of \$2500 towards our student Bursary fund. I appreciate very much the generous and ongoing support of the association. The next committee meeting is on Monday 29th March at the College. I invite ex-students willing to be involved to come along to this next meeting. All meetings commence at 6pm and are concluded no later than 7.15pm.

The Ex-student annual function this year will be held on Saturday 28th August, commencing with mass at 10.30am and followed by a lunch function at Coogee Surf Club. The annual golf day will be held at Randwick Golf Club Malabar on Saturday 20th March. Details on both events have been added to the website.

The Ex-student committee for 2010 is as follows:

President: Michael Daley, Vice President: Adam Poche, Secretary: Luke MacNamara, Treasurer: Clinton McDonald, Patron: Lionel Bowen, Chaplain: Fr Max Blumenthal, Auditor: Neil Colquhoun.

Committee: Jim Donellan, Ken Johnston, Kyle Howes, Phil Stivano, Stephen Prime, Ben Bayot, Stephen Doran, Jamie Grant, Sharon Elliot, Shane Douglas, Chris O'Brien, Sean Harris and Aodhan Docherty.

BR BILL FAREWELL

Br Bill's farewell evening will take place on Friday 19th March at the Randwick Labor Club. **TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!!** - \$25 per person from the College Office. Numbers are strictly limited. In lieu of gifts please consider a contribution to a 'Farewell Fund' for Br Bill. You will be able to register your name when you make a contribution: Commonwealth Bank Account Name: William P Sullivan, BSB 062230, Account Number 11054942.

SPORT AND NEWS

Maintaining our high standards, Marcellin qualified every team in the Semi Finals of the Summer season. All but three of these teams would go on and contest the Grand Finals. This in itself is a fantastic effort, then to win 6 of the 12 titles on offer is a phenomenal achievement. We now hold the Aggregate Trophy in Basketball, Cricket and Touch Football. Many hours of training have gone into results like these, not to mention the pride and tenacity which the boys show when competing for their school. Congratulations to the coaching staff who invest their time and expertise in preparing the boys. Thank you to Mr Chris Shields and Mr Wayne Lobo who convene the Touch Football and Basketball, spending hours preparing these competitions and making sure they run smoothly each week. Thanks also to Mr Dave Ferguson who looked after Marcellin Fields and ensured it was in great condition each week.



A Grade Touch Champions



A Grade Cricket Champions



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MCC SUMMER SEASON - FINALS

Basketball	Team	A Grade	B Grade	Under 15	Under 14
	Opposition	Ashfield	Failed to qualify	North Shore	North Shore
	Result	W: 51-29		L: 32-44	L: 47-64
	Player of Match	James Moran		Mason Jones	Abaina Davis
Cricket	Team	A Grade	Under 16s	Under 14s	Squash
	Opposition	Wahroonga	Kogarah	Pagewood	
	Result	W: 8/90 to 10/50	L: 6/64 to 5/65	W: 4/86 to 10/64	
	Player of Match	Lachlan Maroon	Liam Job	Jaya Murdita	
Touch Football	Team	A Grade	B Grade	Under 15	Under 14
	Opposition	Lewisham	Failed to qualify	Lewisham	Kogarah
	Result	W: 5-4		W: 9-7	W: 2-0
	Player of Match	Matthew Evans		Jackson Swiney	Zachary Bataille



A Grade Basketball Champions

The MCC Swimming carnival will be held this Thursday 4th March at the Sydney Aquatic Centre, Homebush. The swimmers have been training three mornings a week for four weeks and are primed for their competition. Marcellin has an outstanding tradition in swimming winning the Aggregate trophy 26 out of the last 27 years. This carnival was previously held at 7pm but now moves to the new time slot of 3pm. Gates open at 2:30pm and parents are most welcome to attend. This is a compulsory event for Years 7 and 12 who will be supporting our swimmers. We wish the swimmers and their coaches the best of luck for their competition this week.

The Cross Country championships will be held on the 18th March at King Georges Park, Leichhardt starting at 9:15am. More details will be given in the next couple of weeks.

Coaches of the Winter Soccer and Rugby League teams will now call for nominations from boys interested in trialling for these sports. Details will appear in the daily notices and on the sports notice board for meeting times. Every boy will receive a consent form which needs to be signed by parents and returned to their coaches before being allowed to trial. Training will begin as early as Tuesday 2nd March for some teams and training on Thursdays will begin on the 11th March. All Rugby League teams will train at Marcellin Fields and Soccer will train at Heffron Park behind the netball courts adjacent to Fitzgerald Avenue.

Mr Robert Capizzi, Sports Coordinator