

MARCELLIN COLLEGE RANDWICK



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Friends,

As I am finishing in my role at the end of the year, I thought I would use my last newsletter article as a chance to thank the school community for my time at Marcellin College.

Firstly, I am forever grateful to Br Bill for giving me the opportunity to be a leader at Marcellin. I am also very appreciative of his successor, Br David, for his leadership style and trust which has empowered me to do my job. Br David would have to be the most inspirational person I have worked with.

Secondly, I would like to give my appreciation to the wonderful staff at Marcellin, whom in terms of ability, dedication and professionalism, are in a league of their own. In particular, I am indebted to the members of my pastoral care team of Year Coordinators, led by Mr Paul Daley. Again, a group of professionals, who I believe will all become future leaders in Catholic Education.

My appreciation also to seven years of Marcellin students. They are an exceptional breed of boys who, no matter what you ask of them, will always meet expectations. The warm relationship that they have with their teachers and the way they look out for each other, make Marcellin College a unique place in which to teach.

To the ladies in the Office who have always been there to prop me up, I thank you for your support and friendship, which I know will be ongoing.

I'd like to make a special mention of my colleagues on the College Executive. They are a group of men with unbelievable capacity. Whilst truly effective leaders, they never take themselves too seriously, which has meant that coming to work always involved fun and a lot of laughs.

In conclusion, I would like to thank you, the parents, who trusted me with the care of your sons. Schools like Marcellin would not succeed without the total support of the parent body. Thanks for the cooperation and support which made my dealings with the boys so much easier.

Marcellin College is one of the flagships of Marist schools and I feel extremely privileged to have been part of this great community. My time at Marcellin will go down as a highlight of my career. I look forward to following its fortunes in the future as it continues to be one of the best performing boy's schools in Sydney.

One final message to the boys - Go the Dogs!

God bless,

Mr Les Salisbury
Deputy Headmaster



NOTICES AND NEWS

TERM 3 CALENDAR EVENTS

- Thursday 6th September** • Year 11 Preliminary Exams commence. Conclude Friday 14th September.
- Thursday 20th September** • Year 12 Graduation Day. Final Day of Lessons for Term 3.
- Monday 8th October** • Term 4 commences.
- Monday 15th October** • HSC commences. Concludes Friday 9th November.
- Friday 26th October** • Walkathon.

MR ANTHONY BOYS FAREWELL & THANK YOU

The conclusion of Term 3 marks a significant change in the leadership of the College. Mr Anthony Boys Religious, Education Coordinator will take up the position of Deputy Headmaster at Marist College Kogarah commencing Term 4. Mr Boys has been a member of the staff at MCR since 2008.

During his time at the College he has held the positions of Year 10 Coordinator and been the Religious Education Coordinator since October 2009. The College has been very fortunate to have Mr Boys as a member of the leadership team. He has contributed much to the life of Marcellin and had a very positive influence on the boys as a teacher, coach, mentor and role model. Mr Boys is a gifted educator who has exemplified personal witness to his faith and provided inspiration to many in the community at MCR. We wish him all the best as he continues his work in educating boys in the Marist tradition at Marist College Kogarah as Deputy Headmaster.

STAFFING CHANGES TERM 4

In Mr Boys' absence Mr Ian Laing has been appointed Acting Religious Education Coordinator for Term 4. The appointment of the Religious Education Coordinator for 2013 will be announced in the coming weeks. As a result of Mr Laing's appointment, Mr Paul MacGee will be Acting Year 9 Coordinator commencing next term.

Mr Brian Vane-Tempest, Director of Development & Communications

ART EXHIBITION

The Marcellin College Art Exhibition was held on Friday 24th August. The College staff and Year 12 students enjoyed morning tea together, which provided the boys with the opportunity to showcase their 'Body of Works' to the staff. Ms Sam Sheppard-Boros, Youth Officer for Randwick Council also attended the morning tea and commented on the high standard of art the students have produced. She would like to include some of the student work in an upcoming Art exhibit at Bowen Library. After school the exhibition was open for parents and friends to explore.

Ms Peta Bourke, Visual Arts Coordinator



EX-STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Ex-Students Annual Mass and Lunch was held on Saturday 25th August. Mass at the College was presided over by Fr Max Blumenthal, with around forty people in attendance.

Lunch followed at the Coogee Surf Club. Around one hundred 'Old Boys' attended the luncheon. Many graduating classes were represented on the day. Included amongst the gathering were ex Principals and Captains of the College, current student leaders, and a number of Marist Brothers.

Association President Michael Daley addressed the group on behalf of the Committee. Br David and College Captain Myles Fischer spoke on behalf of the College. Mr Jim Donnellan was awarded with Life Membership of the Association in recognition of many years of service. A great day was had by all, catching up with mates from years past. Thanks to the Committee for their organisation of the day and to everyone who attended. We look forward to another great day next year.

Mr Luke MacNamara, Ex-Students' Secretary



Michael Daley and Jim Donnellan, with Jim's son Anthony and grandson Bailey

YEAR 11 MINISTRY WEEK

Ministry week is a major part of the Social Justice program for students to actively serve in the community for one week. The students went to St Vincent de Paul centres, Salvation Army stores, local primary schools, local preschools, nursing homes, centres for people with intellectual and physical disabilities, working with the homeless, and Meals on Wheels. All students attended the week and came back together with a number of stories and great experiences.

Some students were selected to go on mini immersions in Bowraville and Mittagong. The Marcellin students visiting St Mary's Bowraville helped in and around the school for the week. They experienced the indigenous culture and how the school runs. The students selected to go to Marist Brothers Farm in Mittagong worked on the farm for the week. They collected firewood, cleaned the goose pen and helped with fences. Students gained great insight as to how hard it is to run a working farm and also what the Marist Brothers do at the Hermitage.

Mr Damian Chase, Social Justice Coordinator



**Bronson Garlick, Zachary Wheeler,
Jake Richards and Harrison Yates at Mittagong**



Students at St Francis of Assisi, Paddington

CHAMPAGNAT SINGERS

Earlier this year the Marcellin Choir retired after 40 years. I thought I would keep you informed that not all members wanted to retire so a new group was formed known as The Champagnat Singers, under my leadership. The name 'Champagnat' was chosen as the choir has a strong affiliation to Marcellin. The Champagnat Singers are always willing and delighted to take part in any of the masses and functions at the College. We wish our connection to remain with the school and the Marcellin community, as this bond is very dear and special to us. The Champagnat Singers invite and welcome any ex or present students, parents and teachers to join the choir either as singers or musicians. For more information please contact Mrs Lisa Stirling 0410343107 or email lisa@stirlinginteriors.com.au

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

During Week 4 of this term the Year 10 cohort took part in a one week Work Experience program. Students chose a diverse range of career opportunities. From all reports it was a benefit to both the students and their respective employers. The boys did the Marcellin name proud by being well presented, on time and always willing to give anything a go.

The Year 10 students have another opportunity to do work experience next term from 25th November to 5th December. The work experience paperwork needs to be completed and submitted to the Careers Coordinator by the end of Week 1 Term 4.

Mr Ben Proctor, Work Experience Coordinator

For work experience I went to CAE Australia, a branch of CAE Inc. in Canada dealing with the manufacturing of simulation. CAE has clients such as Qantas, the Royal Australian Air Force and V Australia for which different simulators for different planes have to be built. I flew in two simulators, a Boeing 777 simulator for V Australia and a C-130h Hercules simulator for the Air Force. It was great fun but I didn't get to fly all day every day.

I saw what it was like to be a Software Engineer. Software Engineers deal with a lot of codes and try to design the system for their clients. I worked with one of the head software engineers to try to solve a problem with one of the simulators in Melbourne. I also saw what it was like to be a Simulator Technician. The main role of a Simulator Technician is to maintain the simulator in working order. The technician supervising me opened up all the computers and I was able to see the insides of them. It was very interesting and I learnt a lot from my experience. I had lots of fun and can't wait for my next week of work experience.

Miguel Vila, Year 10 Student



Linus Gibson at work experience

SPORT

SUMMER SPORTS SEASON

The Summer sports season has now started. Training and trials have commenced on Tuesday afternoons and will continue in Weeks 8 and 9. Boys need to watch the sports noticeboard for instructions and see their coaches if they have any questions.

MCC ATHLETICS

The MCC Athletics Squad competed at the MCC championships on Thursday 23rd August. Marcellin finished third in the Juvenile division, second in the Junior, second in the Senior and second overall. Joshua Dever broke the U15 1500m record by nine seconds and James Bassil broke the U15 Triple Jump Record. Jacob Burke broke Marcellin's Opens Discus record. Thirteen boys will now compete at the NSWCCC championships on 14th September at Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush.

CCC RUGBY LEAGUE

The Opens Rugby League team are ranked in the best four Catholic School teams across NSW. They will compete in the semi final of the CCC Cup competition against St Pat's Blacktown on 5th September at St Mary's Stadium. Kick off is at 11.15am.

AFL

The Year 7/8 AFL team continue to impress each Friday night at the AFL All Schools Challenge. They remain undefeated winning their last two matches 122 to 0 against Hunters Hill and 94 to 1 against Barker College. The boys are really enjoying the training each Thursday and games on Friday nights. Marcellin plays Trinity Grammar this Friday night at the Lakeside ground commencing at 6.30pm.

MCC VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS

Last week the U15 and Opens Volleyball teams competed at the MCC Volleyball championships at Homebush. The popularity of Volleyball has grown in recent years with over 100 boys trialling for both teams. The boys trained for over five weeks, before school and in the afternoons and their efforts were rewarded with both teams being victorious on the day.

WINTER SPORTS ASSEMBLY

Mr Paul Simpkins, father of Noah in Year 9, was the special guest at the Winter Season Sports Assembly last Friday. Mr Simpkins has had a long career as an NRL referee and has officiated in many representative fixtures including State of Origin and Test Match football. On behalf of the College, I'd like to thank Mr Simpkins for the time he gave on the morning and for the positive messages he left with the boys. Congratulations to all award winners and teams involved in the Winter Season.

WINTER SPORTS ASSEMBLY - AWARD WINNERS

Athletics	Age Champion	Soccer	Most Improved	Best and Fairest	Rugby League	Best Forward	Best Back
U12	Lachlan Golsby	U13 Div 1	Andre Goncalves	Daniel Abruzzese	U13 Div 1	Harrison Smith	William Harrison
U13	Jonathan Mitsias	U13 Div 2	Liam Shaddock	Stephen Young	U13 Div 2A	Charlie Poche	Cooper Stevens
U14	Jai McGrath	U14	James Katakouzinis	Conor Quilligan	U13 Div 2B	William McCormick	Fionn Geraghty
U15	James Bassil	U15	John Triantos	Luke Bond	U14	Jed Bouris	Lachlan Lam
U16	Luke Irvine	B Grade	Matthew Georges	Christian Zumpano	U15	Nat Butcher	Jaydan Tuohy
Opens	Erik Eklof	A Grade	Eric Whitfield	Daniel Mifsud	B Grade	Jack Unicomb Laird	Jack McKinlay
					A Grade	Alexander Sorge	Alexander Thomas

Volleyball	Most Improved	Best and Fairest
U15	Matteo Grassi	Ben Davis
Opens	Matthew McKenzie	Jack Erickson



Volleyball Award Winners



Soccer Award Winners

COMMUNITY NEWS

MCR Class of 1962 Reunion: The 50 Year Reunion will be held at the Tattersalls Club on 25th October 2012 at 7pm. Cost is \$125. Contact John Jessup on 8901 4221 or Reg Louis on 9665 5089.

Mr Robert Capizzi, Sport Coordinator