

Marcellin College Randwick

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AETERNA NON CADUCA
The Eternal not the Transitory

From the Deputy Headmaster

Congratulations to Mr Les Salisbury, who was presented with a special Marist Award last Friday evening at the Marist Ministries Mass and Dinner held at Champagnat Catholic College, Pagewood. Mr Salisbury, as many would remember, finished his career at Marcellin College in 2012 as the Deputy Headmaster. In recognising Mr Salisbury as an outstanding Catholic Educator, an extract from his citation from Friday evening follows:

“His extensive experience in Marist schools has become the cornerstone of his spiritual formation, educational philosophy and practice. He is a witness to the vision of Marcellin Champagnat and has played a critical role in the development of young people into becoming ‘good Christians and good citizens’. Students throughout his career and the boys at each Marist school will attest - he has a Champagnat heart, an empathy for the strugglers, and a love of work that sets high personal standards for all in the College community to emulate”

A clear vision I have at Marcellin is to see the further development of a rich, vibrant learning culture - alive and pushing the boundaries through innovation. I see this as taking the learning agenda to the next level at Marcellin College. A recent OECD education report seeking to measure innovation underlines its value in contemporary schooling. It identified that countries with greater levels of innovation see increases in educational outcomes, along with more equitable learning outcomes across ability groups as well as more satisfied teachers.



Most would have heard the saying: “If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it.” The saying has more wrong with it than just its grammatical errors. It implies that the status quo is fine, and no energy should be wasted in trying to change the current situation, whatever that may be. However, if this is our attitude in the classroom and in life, we are going to miss out. Think about the iPhone. The new iPhone 6 has been launched. Many of us currently have the iPhone 5, and enjoy all the wonderful functions that it can perform. But why was it invented? What was wrong with the iPhone 3 and 4? They also worked perfectly well. It is because at Apple, the creative and technical team there are always looking beyond the status quo, trying to determine what “the next big thing is” and pursuing innovation. In support of this we read in our draft 2015 Annual Plan:

“An innovative approach is not adopted solely to embrace what’s new, rather it is sought as a means to inspire a community of learners to reach beyond what they imagine is possible.”

Students in the twenty-first century need to develop a hunger for ideas and change. This involves taking risks and not being content with the way things have always been

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done. It's time to dream big and take your learning, ideas, assignments, and discussion to the next level. Be innovative, push the boundaries and don't be content with "just doing it as it's always been done." In the past, schools produced students capable of functioning properly in the workplace if they were honest, skilled, followed directions, got on with others and worked hard. These skills are still crucial. However, the world is changing through innovation and students in our schools will also have to solve problems creatively, work in teams, communicate clearly, take the initiative and learn technologies that change very quickly. Challenge yourself to think outside the square, stand apart from the rest and be the creator of those new ideas.

Mr Peter Buxton
Deputy Headmaster



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Teaching & M-Learning

As our end of year examinations approach for Years 7-10, we wish all boys well as they wrap up their preparation for these important final assessment tasks.

Our exams this year will be held in the new Greenstead Hall. What better way to bring our 2014 learning year to its climax than in the palatial surrounds of our wonderful new building. I'm sure our students will be inspired to great heights overlooking the canopy of gums that surround the College.

The Booklist detailing the textbooks required for Years 8-11, 2015 will be issued within the next week. Ordering is to be done online through Campion Booksellers via their website. There is also a facility to order over the phone. Campion are offering the texts at 15% off recommended retail price, and the books will then be posted to families before the end of January 2015. Where possible each book will have an electronic component. This will enable boys to better manage the load of their school bag.

As we move towards the full implementation of Phase One of the National Curriculum it is vitally important that all boys have the correct editions of the textbooks nominated, and this is guaranteed through our arrangement with Campion.

Students entering Year 7 in 2015 have been issued with their list, and our 2015 HSC cohort have already purchased their texts.

All boys will receive the Booklist before the end of Week 7, and ordering must take place by mid-December to ensure delivery early next year. Orders can still be placed online after this date, but Campion do not guarantee delivery by the start of the 2015 school year. Please note that all orders must include postage, as no books are being delivered to the College in 2015 due to restrictions in place with our building project.

Mr Chris Shields
Director of Teaching & M-Learning

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4 2014

Fri, 21 Nov	Headmaster's Assembly (Yr 11 Prizegiving)
Mon, 8 Dec	Headmaster's Assembly (Yr 10 Prizegiving)
Thu, 11 Dec	Br David Farewell (evening)
Mon, 15 Dec	Years 7-9 Picnic Day
Wed, 17 Dec	Parent feedback interviews
Thu, 18 Dec	Term 4 concludes

TERM 1 2015

Wed, 28 Jan	Year 7 Orientation
Thu, 29 Jan	Years 7-12 classes commence
Fri, 30 Jan	Swimming Carnival (Botany Pool)



Music Camp 2014

The Music Department will be heading down the M5 to The Hermitage in Mittagong for the annual Music Retreat. Positions for this camp have been offered to students who have demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the Marcellin Music community through performance commitment and ensemble membership.

Students will be involved in a number of rehearsals each day as well as tutorials, workshops and combined sessions. When boys are not involved in a timetabled session they will be able to participate in a variety of supervised sports and rehearse for the highly anticipated Marcellin Music Variety Night.

Looking forward to a musical three days!

Mr Bill Kostovski
Music and Tuition Coordinator

Student Verification Forms

All Student Detail Verification forms need to have been returned to the school. Failure to do so will result in your son being billed as the first child in a Catholic school, which may effect sibling discount entitlements.

If you did not receive a form, please contact Sharon Elliot on 9398 6355, and we will collect the information over the phone.

School Fees

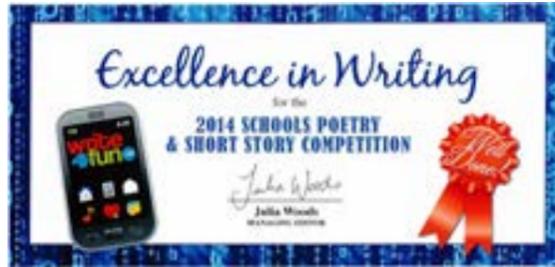
School fees have been emailed and posted to parents. The due date is Friday, 21 November. These are the final fees for the year.

Lost Property

If your son has lost articles of clothing, bags or books, please have him check Lost Property at the Front Office. Items will be kept until the end of term.

English 7.1 - Excellence in Writing

Creative writing has been an area of focus in 2014 for Year 7, so it is great to see Gian Cornale (pictured right) from 7.1 coming in the top 4% of the independent writing competition, Write4fun. Congratulations Gian!



1. Write.
2. Write MORE.
3. Write EVEN MORE.
4. Write EVEN MORE THAN THAT.
5. Write WHEN YOU DON'T WANT TO.
6. Write WHEN YOU DO.
7. Write WHEN YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY.
8. Write WHEN YOU DON'T.
9. Write EVERY DAY.
10. KEEP Writing.

"About 2 months ago I entered a writing competition by Write4Fun. This competition involved people writing a 500-word short story or a 16-line poem. It was for students in primary or secondary school, from K-12. The purpose of this competition was to both encourage writing and get material for the Text Generation, a collection of short stories and poems by young writers. I wrote a story called 'Gone Fishing' and it received an Excellence in Writing award."

For more information, see Write4fun.net

Ms Annette Emms - English Coordinator

Class of '74 Reunion



The Class of '74 reunion was held on Friday 7 November, with a Mass in the College Chapel, followed by a tour of the College and dinner at The Randwick Labor Club. Old boys were joined by former teacher Br Kevin Blyth (Ronald).

Class of 1973-1975 Reunion

Scheduled for October 2015

Details:
Facebook Page

"Marcellin College Randwick Class of 1973-1975 Reunion"

2002 - 2013 Yearbooks

The College has additional copies of the 2002 -2013 Yearbooks.

If you would like to obtain a copy, please contact John Finley on 9398 6355.

Free Graduated Licensing Scheme Workshops for Learner Driver Parents in the Randwick area

Young drivers are three times more likely to be involved in casualty crashes. That's why the Roads and Maritime Services has introduced a new licensing scheme, with more supervised driving practice for learner drivers.

To help parents in supervising learner drivers, the RMS has set up a FREE 2 hour workshop for parents that offers practical advice on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers.

A FREE RMS parents' workshop will be conducted by David Riches and hosted by Randwick City Council on Thursday, 27 November at Randwick Council Offices in Avoca Street from 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm.

Early bookings are essential, by phoning Catherine on 9399 0786, or email catherine.hoe@randwick.nsw.gov.au

WYD2016 CAR BOOT SALE

St Michael's Catholic Church

Sat 6th Dec | 8am - 2pm
33 Banks Avenue, Daceyville
To book a car space (\$25)
please ring 0409 718 665
No food or drinks stall please.

INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY

THE NEWMAN STREAM SYMPOSIUM

WEDNESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER
4.00 - 6.00PM
MARCELLIN COLLEGE RANDWICK

Student demonstrations showcasing innovative, creative and interesting activities from every key learning area

RSVP: jennifer.dove@syd.catholic.edu.au



LEXINGTON PLACE BUSKING COMPETITION

Sat 22 Nov 2014 | 12pm - 2pm | Lexington Place, South Maroubra

Performers wanted!
Cash prizes 1st Prize - \$500 2nd prize - \$250 Audience favourite - \$125

Free sausage sizzle, popcorn and live entertainment.

Cost: FREE

Details: Randwick City Council - 0419 846 910

GREENSTEAD HALL

Named in memory of a horse, house and hall.

Curiously, the name of the Greenstead Hall can be traced back to a famous racehorse and sire of the 1920s. Greenstead, a winner of major races at the time, many at Randwick racecourse, also developed a reputation post racing as a very successful sire of subsequent champions.

How the name became connected with Marcellin College is worth noting. In the mid nineteenth century the property we now know as Marcellin College and the Brothers residences, Glanmire and Seabird, was originally named Brisbane Villa. When it was later purchased by Herbert Shackelford Gibson he renamed the property Greenstead, after the champion racehorse.

The first building of the College was known as the Greenstead Hall after the name of the property. Quite fitting then, that this relocated Greenstead Hall looks out to the racecourse where the mighty Greenstead strode as a champion on his stage.

THE DEVLIN CENTRE

William Charles Ralph Devlin

7 May 1922 – 21 March 1945

Named in memory of our Old Boys who died in war

William Devlin is an Old Boy of the College, graduating in 1935. At the age of 19 he enlisted in the Army and served during World War II in the 2/1st Battalion (Infantry). Toward the end of the war he was imprisoned in a POW Camp in Berlin and only two days before the Camp was liberated he was killed by his captors. He died in defence of a fellow prisoner.

The tragedy of his death, on the brink of freedom, and exhibiting such honour and selflessness has meant that William Devlin's name has been chosen to represent all Old Boys of Marcellin who have died in war.

Lest we forget.

MERV CROSS ROOMS 1 & 2

Named after Dr Mervyn Cross,

Old Boy 1951-1958

Mervyn Cross is an Old Boy of the College, graduating in 1958. He was College Captain in 1957. During his years as a student he was a proven leader in the academic and sporting spheres of the College. After leaving school he was admitted to the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Sydney.

Merv Cross is widely recognised as the leading Orthopaedic surgeon among professional sporting codes in Australia. He has been a longstanding contributor to the development of the College both with his time as a member of the Ex Students Association and as a generous benefactor. His passion for learning and helping others was recognised in 1995 when he was made a Member of the Order of Australia for services to Medicine.

THE LAVALLA CENTRE

The place of the first Marist community in France

The Lavalla Centre is the place where boys gather together to learn about Food Technology and Hospitality. They plan, prepare and create meals that they share. They sit around the tables in a spirit of communion with one another. The first Marists did the same thing. They sat around the table at Lavalla to share in ones company and to celebrate their works.

We read from *Water from the Rock*:

"For the community today that Marcellin created, the table at La Valla is also a powerful symbol of family and service. Made by Champagnat himself, that table may be seen as the embodiment of his efforts to create a community dedicated to the Lord. Furthermore, to share more intimately with the first Brothers, the Founder abandoned the relative comfort of the presbytery to live with those first Brothers. Life-together, expressed through family spirit, is an integral part of his vision."

Capital Works Progress

We are nearing the completion of the capital works for The Devlin Centre (our new library) and the canteen. Already the boys and teachers are using the Greenstead Hall above The Devlin Centre for Years 7-9 exams this week.

Works in the Marist Centre for the new food technology, hospitality and drama areas are progressing with an estimated completion by the commencement of the 2015 school year.

Mr Brian Vane-Tempest
Director of Development & Communications



Above: Site Foreman Mr Peter O'Neill and Br David inspecting The Devlin Centre, classrooms and outdoor areas



New Buildings – New Names

Our previous upper level rooftop playground has been extended and converted into a second Hall. This space will be used for exams, multi-purpose learning activities, Year group meetings and activities, and Parent meetings. We have named this space the **GREENSTEAD HALL**.

The old Library has been extended and refurbished and will be known as **THE DEVLIN CENTRE**.

The former Merv Cross room has been extended and can be divided into two learning spaces which will be known as **MERV CROSS 1** and **MERV CROSS 2**.

The classrooms on the periphery of the Marist Centre are being converted into Hospitality and Food Technology learning spaces and will be known as **LA VALLA**.

We are yet to name the final three new spaces in our capital works project:

- The new Canteen
- The Drama Studio which will also double as a stage for the Marist Centre. (This space is a conversion of the storerooms at the Avoca St end of the Marist Centre.)
- The new rooftop playground which incorporates the lower level of the previous rooftop playground and has been extended.

We are seeking suggestions for the names of these new spaces. If you have any ideas, please email Mr Brian Vane-Tempest: brian.vanetempest@syd.catholic.edu.au

We will be considering all suggestions offered at the Executive Meeting on Thursday, 20 November.

From the Sports Coordinator

MCC SUMMER SEASON

Round 4 of the summer season is traditionally one of the tougher rounds of the competition. Our boys really stood up, claiming victory in nine of the twelve matches contested. Two of the remaining three matches finished as a draw/tie. Our basketball teams managed a clean sweep and our Squash team claimed their first victory of the season.

We played Pagewood in Round 5 of the MCC summer season. The 'local derby' saw Marcellin claim victory in seven of the twelve matches contested, including a clean sweep for our Cricket teams. The Squash team and B Grade Touch team produced the most dominant performances of the week, while the U14 Basketballers continued on their winning run with a 40 point victory.

DOWNIE TROPHY CRICKET

On Friday, 31 October, we took on St Augustine's Brookvale in the opening round of the Downie Trophy. We won the toss and elected to bat first. The batsmen had to work hard for their runs and the St Augustine's bowlers were not giving much away. At 3/74 after 34 overs, wickets in hand was a big factor. This allowed our batsmen to open up their shoulders and to increase the run rate. At the end of our 50 overs we were 9/144 a defensible score on a pitch with an extremely slow outfield. Best batsmen was Cooper Smith with 33 runs (this ended up being the top score of the day).

Declan White got the team off to a sensational start taking 3 wickets in his second over. This was backed by Ryan Danne, Tom McCusker and Cooper Smith all taking two wickets with plenty of 'dot' balls.

With 12 overs remaining St Augustine's needed 11 runs to win with 3 wickets in hand, the game was looking to go their way. Marcellin had other thoughts and bowled 6 maidens in a row. With the pressure mounting on the St Augustine's batsmen they collapsed and Marcellin claimed a fantastic come from behind win over a very strong opposition. Our best bowler was Declan White with figures of 4/29 off 10 overs.

Congratulations to all boys involved. It was certainly a team effort with everyone contributing either with the bat, ball or in the field.

Mr Jacob Gibbons (Coach)

BERG SHIELD CRICKET

On Friday 31st October Marcellin Boys competed in the opening round of Berg Shield Cricket for the first time in a number of years. Berg Shield is a state wide competition that involves a combined team of Year 7, 8 and 9 students. The first round saw the boys travel to Rydalmere to face Parramatta Marist in what was always going to be a close encounter. The team lost the toss and were sent into the field where a huge effort saw the boys restrict Parramatta to 108 off 30 overs.

Special mention in this innings goes to Joshua Mellick who had figures of 4/16 off 6 overs and Marco Rossman who took the diving catch of the year off his own bowling. The run chase never looked in doubt with the total being reached after 26 overs for the loss of only one wicket. A great Captain's knock by Fionn Geraghty (43 not out) supported by Kel Mullins (56 not out) comfortably sealed the victory.

Mr Sean Mullaly (Coach)

Mr Luke MacNamara
Sports Coordinator

New House T-shirts

**In 2015 new house T-Shirts will be introduced.
They will be available from the Uniform Shop in December
and cost \$24.00.
Champagnat House will become Bowen House in 2015.**