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OPPORTUNITY, SOLIDARITY, EXPERIENCE, REFLECTION, PILGRIM, COMMUNITY, SERVICE

These are all words that help to explain what the Immersion experience in 2009 was all about. However, before I explain, and share a little of my experience with you, I would like to begin by thanking the community of Marist College North Shore whose generosity and support made this experience possible. Your contributions, whether they be in time, money or goods have helped to enrich the lives of men, women and children who will be forever grateful.

Preparations for the 2009 Cambodian Immersion Experience began some time ago and for a long time it seemed like an intangible goal waiting for us in the far off distant future as although we were working towards raising funds, preparing English lessons and getting our vaccinations there was so much that needed to be completed before we could leave. The boys were busy with the demands of the HSC course and us staff were occupied marking work and writing reports. Finally though, it was with much excitement and enthusiasm that we met in the pre-dawn hours at Sydney Airport as our adventure well and truly began.

At our first meeting with the students of LaValla we were tentative and nervous but their bravery, cheerfulness and enthusiasm soon won us over. It was clear that this was going to be a very special experience.

Rising before the sun, our days were filled with a multitude of activities that allowed us to gain significant insight into the Khmer people and a life so different, yet fundamentally similar to our own. Family, sharing, togetherness, hope, love and joy are at the heart of the Khmer community and like us they are busy, striving to make their world a better place.

While at Sala LaValla we were able to undertake a number of projects that aimed at enhancing the facilities of the school. These included purchasing and installing a pump so that river water can be utilised to irrigate crops, improving the drainage and flow of water in problematic areas, creating a garden, levelling the surface of the main quad and completing general maintenance and improvement tasks.

It was immediately apparent that the works undertaken on behalf of MCNS are incredibly significant to the local community as we were rarely working alone. Sarin, Muup and Sophea (our tuk tuk drivers), the drivers employed by the school and most importantly the students of Sala LaValla, all picked up tools and worked extraordinarily hard alongside us. Some of my most favourite memories are of the students coming over in their break time, wearing their school uniform, to help shovel dirt or push a wheelbarrow. Their cheerful presence, cheeky smiles and enthusiasm for the projects was contagious. To say that they were helping us is inaccurate, we were working together on a project that enhanced all our lives.

I consider myself extremely lucky to have been able to take part in this experience and am immensely proud to be associated with the 2009 MCNS Immersion Group. They are a group of young men of character, competence and compassion; truly great ambassadors for our community.

Karen Donnelly on behalf of the Immersion Group



From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Parents/Carers,

As I mentioned in the last edition of High Notes, the Parents and Friends Committee is currently organising two events and I ask your kind support for both of them. The Fathers' Day breakfast is on the morning of Friday 4th September. This has proved to be a popular social event for Dads and their sons so I encourage all Dads to place this in their diaries for that morning. The Trivia Night is on Saturday 12th September in La Valla Hall. The Association hopes to make this a fun-filled and interactive social occasion coupled with raising some much needed funds to continue the improvement of older classrooms that was begun last year. Please place this date in your diary and think of a table full of friends who you can invite.

Money raised by the Trivia Night and the Walkathon (11th September) will be used to further upgrade more classrooms. In recent weeks builders have already created a new learning support space and will begin on Friday on works to totally refurbish Rooms 13 to 16. The Walkathon money and P&F funds will supplement the BER funds from the Federal Government. Our calendar is full with the various constraints of the academic year; and so these events are coming close together. I just ask that families be understanding of these constraints and to just do the best you can with respect to our fundraising efforts.

On Sunday and Monday evenings of last week some of our students were involved in liturgies and welcome ceremony for participants of a biennial conference for the leadership teams of all Marist schools in Australia. The Association which organised the conference is called AMSA (Association of Marist Schools Australia). The performance of our group of choir students was outstanding, attracting praise from the staff of many of the participating schools. The effectiveness of our music program was highlighted at this event because members of staff from other schools were obviously impressed. I thank our vocal group consisting of: Tim Abbott, Alex Casanova, James Rollo (Year 10); Michael Arney, Robert Doherty (Year 9); Alex Radovan, and Nathaniel Fletcher (Year 8). Several people said to me that it was particularly impressive that our vocal group was **enjoying** their singing and were not just doing this as a chore. Four other students helped out with the ceremony of welcome. They were: Alex Sullivan, Liam Kelly, Blake Riddington and Kurt Bouvy, all from Year 11. Congratulations to all of these students and their family members who may have helped with transport.

Applications for enrolments are still coming in constantly for years 2010 and 2011. I am a little anxious that there might be brothers of existing students who intend coming to Marist but who are not currently enrolled. So, I repeat the importance of getting those documents in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

On Wednesday evening of last week I was pleased to attend the NBBEN (Northern Beaches Business Education Network) graduation dinner at Terrey Hills. This Program was taken up by six of our Year 10 students learning how to repair cars and promoting motor vehicle industry trades. Automotive tradesmen are in short supply in the Northern Beaches so funding is accessed by NBBEN for this Program. Our participating students and their parents attended this end of program dinner for 2009.

Thank you and God bless,

Br Peter Corr

Br Peter Corr
Headmaster

From the Deputy Headmaster

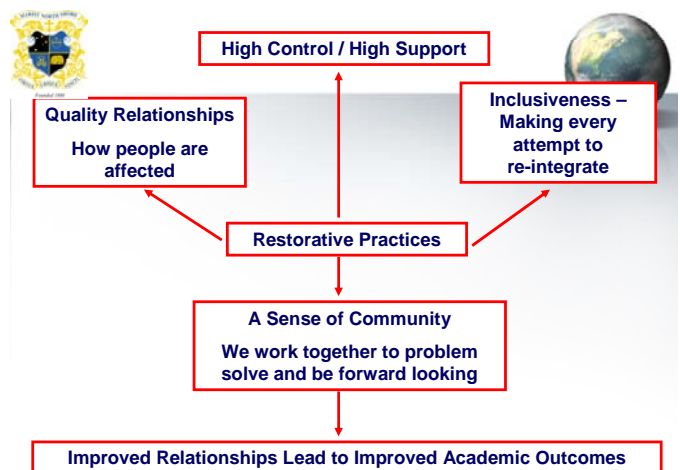
Restorative Practices at Marist

The pastoral structure at the College is centred around a Restorative model. This approach is based on the principle of using mistakes as opportunities for individual learning and improved relationships within the community.

An important component of the model is to encourage the boys to reflect on their own behaviour so as to better understand the impact that behaviour has on themselves and others. It is also critical for them to understand there are consequences for their actions but that what they have learnt can be used positively into the future

All staff have had training in the use of Restorative Practices within the classroom and the Pastoral Team (House Coordinators, Counsellors and myself) use this model for more serious issues also.

The diagram below summarises some of the outcomes that can result from using the model.



There are many strategies within the Restorative model and if anyone would like further information, please contact me at the College.

Student Leadership for 2009/2010 – Further Update

With Ministry Week now completed, the first stage of voting for the Senior Leadership Team for next year takes place on Wednesday. All Year 11 students will meet to have some input from the Executive and current and past students. They will then be given some time to reflect on all of this and cast their first ballot for College Captain.

We wish them well in their discernment.

Regards

John Hickey
Deputy Headmaster

TERM THREE SCHOOL FEES

The Term Three School Fees were posted out last week and payment is due by 28th August – BPay is the preferred method of payment.

Thanks,

Mark J Brooks
Business Manager

From the Director of Teaching and Learning

Academic Update

HSC

Year 12 students are currently completing the last week of their HSC Trial Exams. The return to school after the arduous nature of the HSC Trial Exams is often difficult for many students. Experience has shown that some of the Year 12 boys find it hard to get back into a good study routine quickly. This is at a time when the HSC Examinations are only nine weeks away, and this includes the interruptions and appropriate celebrations associated with finishing classes at the end of Term Three. Each of the weeks remaining pre HSC are critical, as by settling back quickly the boys will be able to do much more examination preparation. Some in the past have made the mistake of seeing the period leading up to the HSC, particularly the lesson free period immediately prior, as this great long period in which they will be able to complete what turns out to be an impossible amount of work.

I have often advised boys to have a small break from their studies immediately post Trials so as to refocus. Some feel that there is so much to do that they don't know where to begin and time flitters by without them beginning anywhere in earnest.

One strategy is to start small. Aim to complete a relatively small but achievable amount of work on any given day/night and to gradually build up on this.

The boys could also review the sheets given out at the HSC Study Success Day. These contained many organisational tips as well as ideas to help maintain a positive psychology during this tough period.

One final piece of advice from me, if I may, is that the boys really need to support each other with their study efforts. If they set up an environment with their close peers that supports those who are putting in the hours, that will make it all the more easier to 'hit the books'.

Study Resources

The Board of Studies, through their website, provides a great range of materials to help students prepare for the Higher School Certificate. HSC students have access to their personalised 'students online' page with links to the various resources for their subjects. These resources can also be accessed through the Assessment Resource Centre at <http://arc.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/go/home/> and include such items as some multiple choice questions for relevant subjects.

School Certificate students should also be accessing this site. Here they will not only find the multiple choice questions but copies of past papers and other resource material.

Subject Lines for Year 11 2010 and Year 9 2010

Students in Years 8 and 10 recently submitted their subject selection forms for 2010. We will spend some time working with individual students refining their selections before we set the lines for 2010.

Academic Excellence Awards in Semester One

YEAR ELEVEN

Sam Argyropoulos	Sport, Lifestyle & Recreation
Kusuv Bhandari	Mathematics
Harry Blain	English Extension 1, Modern History
Kurt Bouvy	English Standard
Connor Bradbery	PDHPE
James Cowling	Drama
Peter David	Music 1
Karl Davis	Visual Arts
Oliver de Jong	Physics

Rami Elzahaby

Kieran Gair
Joshua David Martin
Matthew Molony
Lachlan Rowston
Thomas Smith
Henson Steven
Nick Xu

YEAR TEN

Kusuv Bhandari
Michael Burgess
Nicholas Fox
Alexander Gerber
Stanford Gillespie
Simon Jenkins
Peter Kurtz

Sirasit Piaratisit

Nicholas Sprent
Jack Wearne
Marc Williams
James Willmott

YEAR NINE

Christopher Buchanan
Sosaia Cook
Jonathan Dang
Frank Di'Iorio
Daniel Ferrari
Daniel Flynn
Alexander Mascarenhas

Tony Pongthavornasawadi
Cameron Rowston
Damien Smith
James Webster
Thomas Windeyer
Jackson Wylie
Christopher Zancanaro

YEAR EIGHT

Liam Baker
Goran Belobajdic
Daniel Boyle
Lewis Criniti
Dennis de Caires
Alexander Fong
Timothy Fung
Robert Grasso
Harry Lambrou
Thomas Manos
James McQueen
Declan McWhinney
Peter Newall
Toby Plasto
Alexander Radovan
Yianni Saragas
Douglas Simpson
Jose Sollano-Antonio

Biology, Chemistry, English Advanced,
Studies of Religion I
Studies of Religion II
Business Studies
Hospitality
Ancient History
Mathematics General
Photography & Digital Media
English Advanced, Economics,
Mathematics Ext 1, Studies of Religion I

Australian History
Elective History, Mathematics 5.2
Information & Software Technology
Mathematics 5.1
Music, Science
PDHPE
Commerce, Food Technology,
Australian Geography
Mathematics 5.3, Photography &
Digital Media, Religious Education
English
Industrial Technology
Physical Activity & Sports Studies
Science

Australian Geography
Physical Activity & Sport Science
Music
Industrial Technology
Elective History
Photographic & Digital Media
Food Technology, Australian History,
Mathematics 5.2
Mathematics 5.1
Elective History
PDHPE
Commerce, English, Visual Arts
Mathematics 5.3
Information Software Technology
Science

Geography, Visual Arts,
Music
Technology
Religious Education
Italian
Italian, PDHPE,
Science
Technology
Music
PDHPE
Technology
English
Visual Arts
History, Italian, Science
History, Religious Education
Mathematics
English
Technology

Alastair Sutherland	Science
Thepdara Sylapranay	Technology
Tom Terado	Geography
Divyesh Thakkar	Mathematics
Naynesh Thakkar	Mathematics
Harrison Thomas	Religious Education
Carl Trevena	PDHPE, Science
Liam Tully	English, Italian, PDHPE, Science
Thomas Windeyer	English, Religious Education

YEAR SEVEN

Patrick Adams	PDHPE
Peter Boyer	English, Geography, Visual Arts
Cian Byrne	Technology
Harry Chan	Science
Alexander Coyle	PDHPE, Science
Joseph Dashwood	Technology
James Doyle	Religious Education
Harry Dunne	Religious Education
Francesco Fenech	Technology
Matthew Fisher	PDHPE, Visual Arts
Mitchell Flynn	English
Patrick Gandin	Science
Jack Garay	PDHPE, Religious Education
Jakub Grzybowski	Science
Alexander Gwozdecky	English, PDPHE, Religious Education, Science, Technology
Luke Hovhanesian	Mathematics
Thomas Ingram	Mathematics
Nisal Jayalath	Religious Education, Technology
Benjamin Johnston	Science
Benjamin Macintosh	Geography
Luke Morgan	English, Geography
Liam Murphy	Geography
Alexander Pettigrew	Music
Oliver Price-Reeve	Mathematics
Robert Stevenson	English, Science, Technology, Visual Arts
Rohan Tailor	Music
James Turner	Technology
Dean Ussher	Mathematics
Aaron Wilkie	Mathematics
Marcus Woodfield	Geography
Daniel Young	Geography

CHANGE OF LOCATION OF LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICE AND CLASSROOM

Learning Support is now located at the back of the Faith Formation Centre. The entrance to the new Learning Support Classroom is near the back gate.

“Open Classroom”

The “Open Classroom” Program Hours – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings 8am – 8.30am and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at lunchtime 12.45pm – 1.30pm in CR1 and the new Learning Support Centre.

Learning Support staff and Year Eleven Peer Support students are available to assist students.

Carmel Cullen, Learning Support Teacher

HSC Music Trial Performance Evening

Parents and students are welcome to attend the annual Year 12 Music Course 1 Trial HSC Performance Evening when students will showcase their talents in preparation for their HSC Exams.

Tuesday, 25th August.
6.00pm – 7.30pm in Music Room 1

Mary Mackillop Centenary Mass

On Wednesday 5th August, James Webster, Alexander Mascarenhas and Damien Smith were selected from Year Nine to represent the College at the 100 year commemoration of the death of Mary Mackillop.

A Mass was celebrated by Cardinal George Pell at St Mary's Cathedral, where schools from around Sydney gathered to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of Australia's pending first saint. The boys were accompanied by Mr Lowe on the day and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to deepen their understanding of Mary Mackillop.

The boys were amazed that a lady who spent many years working just down the street in North Sydney could accomplish so much with so little assistance and yet make such a difference to the community around her.

Cultural Week – Monday, 7th – Thursday, 10th September (Week 7)

The Creative Arts annual Cultural Week showcases and congratulates the many students involved in the Arts at the College. There is a number of events during Cultural Week to which we invite all parents, friends and students to be our guest.

Events:

Year 9 Visual Arts Exhibition – Monday, 7th – Tuesday, 8th September - lunch

Sports Films Festival – Tuesday, 8th September - lunch

Cultural Assembly – Wednesday, 9th September 9.00 – 10.00am

Year 11 Visual Arts Exhibition – Wednesday, 9th September – lunch and evening.

Cultural Evening – Year 12 and Year 11 students in Drama, Music and Visual Arts - music performances from the Senior Concert Band, Junior Band, Drum Ensemble and Year 10 Music students.

Venue for all events – La Valla Foyer and Hall

Carolyn O'Brien

Creative Arts Subject Coordinator

School Dance Years 7, 8 & 9

Friday 18th September 2009

Tickets on sale soon – watch for daily notices & announcements

‘Crush Road Show’ School Dance will be held on Friday 18th September 2009

Venue: The La Valla Hall

Ticket Price: \$10

Time: 7.00pm – 10.00pm

Entrance by pre-purchased ticket & School I.D. only

Brilliant school dance, professional DJ's, 10,000 play list, large video screens, amazing coloured laser light show, break dancers, competitions. Neighbouring girls' high school students invited.

Full Security – Refreshments – No re-admittance – normal school rules apply.

Taking up the Challenge!



Earlier this year five of the top students from the Year 7 Accelerated Maths competition were chosen to take part in the 2009 Junior Mathematics Challenge. The Junior Mathematics Challenge is a nationwide Competition which targets the top 20 percent of students from grades 5-10. This year Marist North Shore students Joel Brown, Thomas Ingram, Robert Stevenson, Alexander Coyle and Christiaan Visser were all given the opportunity to take part.

The Challenge required the students to complete several complex problem-solving questions over the three week duration of the Competition. The boys achieved extremely pleasing results with Joel, Thomas, Robert and Alex receiving Credit Certificates, a result that placed them amongst the top mathematics students across the country within their year level.

In other Maths News, on 6th August, 104 students from grades 7-11 took part in the Westpac Australian Mathematics Competition. The Australian Mathematics Competition was introduced in Australian schools in 1978 as the first competition in Mathematics. It has served almost all Australian secondary schools, providing valuable feedback and enrichment. The Competition has become the largest single event on the Australian education calendar, allowing students to attempt the same tasks, on the same day in about 40 countries. It has become a truly international event, with countries throughout the Pacific and South East Asia participating.

Luisito dela Paz and Ben Doyle, Mathematics Teachers

Get Ready To ...



The "Battle of the Bands" has commenced. Each House is to form three bands, with the boys being encouraged to cross years. Bands may include a staff member from their House, which in some cases may be a help.... and in some cases it may not! In Week 6 of Term 3, the winners of the three heats perform in the grand final, battling it out against a staff band.

Student Profiles



Doug Shyegun, aged 17, (11 Moore) and **Vatche Torossian**, aged 15, (9 Salta), both, in their separate and different ways, added unique dimensions to the success of the College musical 'Positions Vacant'.

Doug designed the 'Positions Vacant' advertising logo, which was seen on the programmes, cast and crew hoodies and the posters. Perched up high in the stalls, Doug spray-painted a different 'urban street art' on a large canvas every night during the performance. It was fascinating to watch as the colourful art work evolved and took shape during the course of the performance. Spraying, in a very anonymous fashion, as only urban street artists do, Doug took no bows for his work.

Doug Shyegun has been painting street art for around three years, and has been previously commissioned to paint for the Forest Way Youth Centre. One of his favourite subjects at school, not surprisingly, is Visual Arts. His favourite Marist Moment was Year 11 Ministry Week at Mittagong.

Vatche Torossian choreographed many of the hip-hop dance scenes within the Musical this year. Along with **Aylwin Lui** (10 Salta), Vatche worked with **Ms Glamore**, who placed her trust in this Year 9 student to work with the cast. To those of us in the audience with two left feet, we could only marvel at the ease with which everyone moved around the stage, synchronised in their movements, knowing full well that the end result would have been achieved after many weeks of rehearsals.

Vatche has been dancing since Year 3 at Cammeray Public School, and says listening and working with the music gave him the design ideas for the movement scenes. He says it was a great experience, and he loved getting back into dance again.

Vatche's preferred subjects are Visual Arts and History, and as he contemplates a career path in Hospitality, Food Technology ranks as his favourite subject. His principal influences have been his family and friends and teachers Mr Lowe and Mrs Schuback. His favourite Marist Moments are the Walkathons.

Cana Café

Thank you to Year 10 students Peter Contos and Jonathan Condon for offering their hospitality and time on Friday evening, 7th August, at Cana Café. Thankyou to Mrs Tina Contos and Ms Kylie McKiernan for assisting the boys.

Thankyou also to Mrs Nicola Brown, Mrs Helena Rowston and Mrs Doreen David for their assistance and generosity with catering for the Café.

Anne Reading, Coordinator

INFORMATION FORUMS

Is there someone in your family with a mental illness or do you have a friend with a mental illness? Do you want to know more about mental illness?

Bradfield Park Wellbeing Centre provides activities, information forums, referrals and support to carers or people who support someone with a mental illness. The service invites the service providers and the community to information forums about mental illness and respite.

Public forums

Wed 26th August: **Prof. Gin Malhi Gin Malhi**
 Head of Discipline Psychological Medicine, Northern Clinical School, Sydney Uni. Professor Malhi has a longstanding interest in mood disorders in particular bipolar disorder and depression.

Wed 30th September: **Petrea King**
 CEO and Founding Director Quest for Life Foundation. The Quest for Life Foundations, seminars and residential programs educate, inspire and encourage people to make meaning of their circumstances and actively create an environment for physical, emotional and spiritual healing.

All forums free of charge

Time: 7-9pm
 VENUE Bradfield Park Wellbeing Centre
 41 Alfred Street, Milsons Point NSW 2061

RSVP **for all events essential Ruth Jacka or Paul Oglesby**
 8920 0675, Email wrap1@kncsydney.org

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CARERS PROGRAM

INSIDE BREAK '09

HSC LECTURE PROGRAM

WWW.INSIDEBREAK.ORG.AU

ENGLISH - WRITING UNDER PRESSURE
 Lyndall Hough: HSC marker, mentor & study guide author
 Tuesday 1 September 6pm-7.30pm
 MANLY LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

LEGAL STUDIES FOR YEAR 11 STUDENTS
 Learn about the Legal Information Access collections @ your library
 For students years 11-12 in 2010 & teachers
 Thursday 3 September 5pm-6pm
 MANLY LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

ENGLISH - WRITING FOR BELONGING PAPER 1
 Larry Grumley: HSC marker, Head teacher & study guide author
 Monday 7 September 4.30pm-6pm
 MONA VALE LIBRARY

BIOLOGY FOR THE HSC
 Vicki Maggs: HSC marker & Head teacher
 Tuesday 8 September 6pm-7.30pm
 MANLY LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

DATABASES FOR SENIOR STUDENTS
 Learn about free database information you can access from home or school
 For students years 10-12 in 2010 & teachers
 Thursday 10 September 5pm-6pm
 MANLY LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

MATHEMATICS - 2 UNIT
 Greg Wethered: Head maths teacher, HSC marker, mentor & tutor
 Tuesday 22 September 6pm-8pm
 WARRINGAH MALL LIBRARY

MODERN HISTORY - CORE STUDY WW1
 Bruce Dennett: Curriculum co-author & HSC marking supervisor
 Wednesday 23 September 4.30pm-6.30pm
 MONA VALE LIBRARY

Free Entry

Booking Essential

PITTSWATER COUNCIL • Mona Vale Library
 1 Park St, Mona Vale
 Bookings PH: 9970 1600

Manly Library
 Market Place, Manly
 Bookings PH: 9976 1722

Warringah Library Service
 Warringah Mall Library
 Shop 560, Level 2
 Arena Cove, Warringah Mall
 Bookings PH: 9942 7999

LOOKING AHEAD

- 19 Aug: Year 11 Leadership Meeting – 1st Ballot for 2010 Leaders
 Uniform Shop Open 10.00am-2.00pm
- 24 Aug: Geography Field Trip
- 25 Aug: Year 12 return to class following HSC Trial Exams
- 26 Aug: Uniform Shop open 10.00am-2.00pm
- 27 Aug: MCC Athletics Carnival
- 28 Aug: RE Incursion
- 31 Aug: Night Patrol organised by Moore House
- 02 Sep: Uniform Shop open 10.00am-2.00pm
 Year 9 Science Excursion
- 04 Sep: Fathers' Day Breakfast
 Legacy Badge Day
 Cana Café
- 7 Sep: Cultural Week commences

CANTEEN ROSTER

- 24 Aug: Mieke Cox, Vivienne Du Tout, Ruth Holcombe, Denise McCarthy
- 25 Aug: Sally Forsythe, Julie Gaidzkar, Stethea Grobler, Maureen McKee, Anton Singh
- 26 Aug: Marlena Collins, Susan Hardie, Lyn Radovan, Angela Rifkin
- 27 Aug: Rosemary Burgess, Johanna Huskins, Chrissy Leahy, Jenny Winter
- 28 Aug: Rhonda Blau, Gillian Caley, Dorothy Howieson, Margaret McGirr
- 31 Aug: Diana Bredeson, Maria de Caires, Xenia Federico, Sarah Panozzo, Agi Stevenson, Takayo Thompson
- 01 Sep: Diane De Brincat, Bronwyn Neville
- 02 Sep: Tracey Kelly, Peta Turner, Avril Fallat
- 03 Sep: Ellena Boyer, Cathy Criniti, Michelle Stevens
- 04 Sep: Kitty Buchanan, Dominica Edwards, Joanna Milenkiewicz, Narelle Smith, Anna Zaher

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

- 26 Aug: Liany Cupido
- 02 Sep: Elizabeth Price

Helping learner drivers become safer drivers

FREE workshops for parents and supervising drivers

To provide practical advice about:

- New laws for L and P licence holders.
- Completing the Learner Driver Log Book.
- Supervising learner drivers.
- The benefits of supervised on-road driving experience.

The next workshop in the North Sydney area will be held:

Time and date: 6.30pm 17 September, 2009	Venue: North Sydney Council 200 Miller Street North Sydney	Book now on: Cassie Otter 9936 8246
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Personal Achievement: Do you have a personal best/personal achievement story in any field inside or outside of College life, be it sports, the arts, academic, culture or community? If so, High Notes would like to hear from you. Please forward submissions by email to: hro@maristcollege.com mark in the subject heading 'Achievement Story – High Notes'

FROM THE CAREERS ADVISER

WORK EXPERIENCE

The completed paperwork for Year 10 Work Experience is due back **this** week. All boys are required to hand in their student Workplace Learning Record, with the employer details organized. If there is any reason that this will not be done, could you please send a note to me explaining the situation.

YEAR 12 RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL COURSE

There are approximately 20 places available for the RSA Course. If any boy in Year 12 would like to take part in this course, please return the permission slip together with payment this week.

2010 TVET COURSE APPLICATIONS

Any boy in Year 11 or 12 in 2010 who is interested in undertaking a TVET Course must see Mrs Brown. Boys in Year 11 who are currently undertaking a TVET Course must reapply for next year.

PANEL BEATING & SPRAY PAINTING APPRENTICESHIP

Sydney Street Smash Repairs at Sydenham is currently recruiting apprentices to work in Panel Beating & Spray Painting. Interested persons should contact Linda Ayache, Education, Employment and Training Liaison Officer on 0432 584 752.

MACQUARIE LAW SCHOOL

Professor Radan and Macquarie law academics will speak about how the Macquarie Law degrees are structured and how Macquarie's law programs differ to other universities. An opportunity to meet students and staff to ask questions - 2nd September 6.30pm-8.00pm. RSVP essential: events@mq.edu.au.

UNIVERSITIES ADMISSION CENTRE

On time applications close 30 September with final applications closing on 4 February 2010 (late fees apply). To help with the decision making process, applicants can consult the UAC 2010 Guide or the companion UAC website. Both provide comprehensive information on university courses and how to apply through UAC. Most applicants will find out if their application is successful in the Main Round of offers released on 20 January. Web: <http://www.uac.edu.au>

CHARLES STURT UNIVERSITY – NSW HSC ONLINE

CSU gives the support you need to succeed in your HSC. Through the NSW HSC Online website you have desktop access to resources and exam material that will help you through the HSC. Developed in collaboration with the NSW Dept of Education, Science and Training you'll find: information for students, teachers and parents; supplementary material for subjects in the HSC curriculum; interactive features; advice on study strategies; past exam papers; online forums; links to careers information. Web: <http://csu.edu.au>

MANUFACTURING SKILLS AUSTRALIA is the national Industry Skills Council which works with the Australian Government and the manufacturing industry to ensure that the skills needs of enterprise are being met. The website has a range of factsheets on jobs and careers in manufacturing. Web: <http://www.mskills.com.au>

OPTUS – ENGINEERING CADET PROGRAM. At TAFE you will study a 'Graduate Diploma of Telecommunications Engineering'. On completion you can enjoy a career as an Optus Engineer involving design, installation, operation, maintenance and management of Optus telecommunications networks and equipment. Applications close 28 August. Web: <http://www.optus.com.au/careers>

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRAMATIC ART (NIDA)

NIDA is the Australian national theatre school. NIDA offers courses in all aspects of theatre. Applicants must apply directly to NIDA, not through UAC. A non-refundable fee of \$60 applies. Every applicant is given an opportunity for audition or interview from October-December. Applications now open and close 30 September. Web: <http://www.nida.edu.au/>

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND DEREGULATION 2009 CAREER STARTERS' PROGRAM:

Finance is looking for talented people who have recently completed or are currently completing Year 12 to participate in the Finance Careers Starters' Program. You need to demonstrate a strong academic record in either tertiary or accredited subjects. Applications close 6 September. Web: <http://www.finance.gov.au/>

UNIVERSITY ADMISSION BONUS POINTS: Universities have a number of schemes that allow the allocation of bonus points which may mean that applicants can receive an offer to a course even though they have an ATAR below the published cut-off. Consult the 2009 UAC Guide for details. Web: <http://www.uac.edu.au>

INTEGRAL ENERGY 2010 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Integral Energy is one of the largest employers of apprentices. An apprentice at Integral Energy will provide you with one of the best opportunities for a career in the Electrical Distribution Industry. Register online for selection tests. Web: <http://www.integral.com.au/>

OPEN DAYS

University	Campus	Date	Time
Australian Catholic Uni (ACU National)	North Sydney Strathfield Canberra	Wed 9 Sep Sat 12 Sep Sat 29 Aug	5pm-8pm 10am-3pm 9am-4pm
Australian National Uni	Canberra	Sat 29 Aug	9am-4pm
Australian Defence Force Academy	Canberra	Sat 29 Aug	
Bond University	Gold Coast	Sun 23 Aug	10am-3pm
Charles Sturt University	Albury- Wodonga	Open every day — Book a Campus Tour Mon to Fri	
James Cook University	Cairns Townsville	Sun 23 Aug Sun 30 Aug	10am-2.30pm 10am-2.30pm
La Trobe University	Albury- Wodonga Melbourne	Sun 23 Aug Sun 30 Aug	10am-2pm 10am-4pm
Macquarie University	Sydney	Sat 12 Sep	10am-4pm
Uni of Canberra	Canberra	Sat 29 Aug	9am-4pm
Uni of New England	Armidale	Fri 4 Sep	
UNSW	Kensington	Sat 5 Sep	
Uni of Newcastle	Newcastle Ourimbah Port Macquarie	Sat 29 Aug Sat 22 Aug Thu 3 Sep	
Uni of Notre Dame	Broadway	Sat 29 Aug	10am-4pm
Uni of Queensland	Gatton	Sun 23 Aug	9.30am-3pm
Uni of Sydney	All	Sat 29 Aug	9.30am-4pm
UTS Sydney	City Kuring-gai	Sat 29 Aug Wed 9 Sep	9am-4pm 4pm-7pm
Uni of Western Sydney	Parramatta	Sun 30 Aug	9am-2pm

Nicola Brown, Careers Adviser

Sport

MCC SPORT

MCC ATHLETICS CARNIVAL at HOMEBUSH on Thursday 27th August – all day.

MCC VOLLEYBALL [Opens and 15's] at HOMEBUSH on Thursday 17th September – all day.

MCC Summer Trials in Cricket [A-Grade,16's ,14's], Basketball [A-Grade, B-Grade,15's,14's] and Touch [A-Grade, B-Grade,15's,14's] will start on 3rd September [A and B Grades all sports] and 10th September [15's/14's]. Boys will need to attend meetings before these dates to put their names down to try out. [Age for these sports is the age you turn next year – 2010.]

MCC SUMMER Trial games will commence on Thursday 22nd October.

MCC Athletic Squad is reminded that training this Thursday is more important than other MCC sports. All members of the squad MUST be at training.

Peter Giles, Sportsmaster

Under 13's Water Polo Report

The Under 13's who played Friday night's game against SCECGS Redlands, entered the water looking almost like a completely different team from their previous (first) game, two weeks before. In what turned out to be a terrific, well constructed water polo game, the boys were confident in their ability and are beginning to develop some excellent ball skills. They have listened during their Friday morning training sessions with Mr Dan Kulk - putting into practice all that they have learned.

The boys played a great 'team' game, with plenty of one-two's, good attacks, good defence and some great goal keeping by our rotating goalies. There was some accurate passing, with really strong ball throwing, making Redlands work hard to win control of the ball. Several shots at goal came throughout the game, with Ben Johnston, scoring in the 4th quarter.

The Marist fighting spirit was with them on Friday, ensuring that this wasn't a pushover for Redlands, who had the benefit of a couple of experienced players within their team. The final score Redlands 3 – Marist 1.

Thanks to Jack's father, Anthony Garay for stepping in on Friday and also Blair's mother, Cheryl Blomfield, for scoring. Thanks to Jake King (12 Moore – in the middle of HSC Trials) for attending and coaching the game.

Water Polo Presentation Night - Tuesday 15th September 6.30pm – 8.30pm The La Valla Hall.

GORDON DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB JUNIORS

Club Area: Chatswood, Willoughby, Artarmon, Castle Cove, Castlecrag, Northbridge, Naremburn and surrounding suburbs.

Registration: 31 August www.gordonjuniorcricket.com to download form. Contact: Mike Suttor (Registrar) 0411 704 536

P & F News

Given the busy school calendar the P & F has had to slot two major events into Term 3. The first is our Fathers' Day Breakfast on Friday 4th September. This event gets bigger and better every year. This year we are fortunate enough to have John McGrath from McGrath Real Estate as our special guest speaker. This event is always top notch. We have managed to keep the price at \$15.00 per ticket again this year. Tickets for this event will soon be on sale.

Our second event for Term 3 is our major fundraiser, "The Marist College Trivia Night" on Saturday 12th September. Tickets for this event are currently on sale. Please see order form with this High Notes. As part of this event the P & F will be running a raffle. Tickets will be sent home this week with each student from school. Please return all tickets by Monday 7th September 2009. Tickets that are not sold must be returned to school as each book is numbered. Where a family has more than one child at the school I understand it might be difficult to sell more than one book and request you to do the best you can. We are still seeking prizes/donations for our Trivia Night and ask parents who can help to contact David Lucas at davidlucas@optusnet.com.au or Susan Davis at Susanavispossum@hotmail.com or myself on 0401012221. We are looking for items to auction, or services that people can provide, for us to sell on the night.

In order to make this event a success we need parents to help with donations, no matter how large or small. Just ask your boss or a friend if they can help. This year we have an amazing P & F Committee which is working very hard to make a huge contribution on your behalf to the school. Forget "Kevin 07". Let's all "Combine for Marist in 09". Looking forward to seeing you at these events.

Jan Simpson, P & F President

PH: 040101221 or email margeandhomer@optusnet.com.au



12TH SEPTEMBER TRIVIA NIGHT

FUNDRAISER & SOCIAL EVENT LA VALLA HALL

- Silent Auctions
 - Lucky Door Prizes
 - Live Auction.. *Fabulous sporting memorabilia*
 - Tea, Coffee & Sweets
 - and more...
- \$25 per head
Tables of 10
Parking available**

*6.45 for 7.30 start—BYO Nibbles & Drinks
Brainiac or not! Simply enjoy some good company and have a laugh :)*

Booking Form: \$250 per table or \$25 per head

Name:.....Contact no:.....
Please book me a table of 10 Total \$250.00 Table Name:.....
OR Number of People Names Total \$.....
If you have requested individual tickets every effort will be made to place you with other parents from your year/tutor group.
Tutor group name:.....Other:.....

Email enquiries: margeandhomer@optusnet.com.au or call Jan 0401012221 or Lesley 0416094325

Please return your payment in a sealed envelope to the office in the P&F Trivia Box

Cash / Mastercard / Visa \$ _____ Card Number: _____
Expiry Date ____/____/____ Signature: _____
Cheque \$ _____ (payable to Marist College P&F)