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First Sunday of Advent

‘Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

‘Stay Awake, you must be ready’ is the theme of the First Sunday of Advent. We are asked to be ready for Christ being part of our lives. We prepare for Christmas, the celebration of that time when God took on a human nature and lived amongst humanity to show us how we should treat each other. The period of Advent helps us to reflect again on what we can do as followers of Jesus to help others in His name.

During the coming weeks, let us be very alert to the needs of others; to be ever alert to the opportunities that will present themselves to help others.

Prayer

My song is of mercy and justice; I sing to you, O Lord

Amen.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Guardians, Students, Staff and Friends,

Students in Years 7 to 9 must use this week to ensure that all outstanding work is completed and to undertake studies that will be helpful for them next year and in the future. They will also have the opportunity to give thanks for the opportunities they have given during the year and to celebrate their achievements. I invite parents/guardians and family members to attend the Eucharistic Liturgies and Award Ceremonies for Years 7, 8 and 9.

The Year 9 Liturgy and Award Ceremony will be held on Thursday 2 December. The Award Ceremony will be held at 9am followed by the Liturgy at 11.15am. Both will be held in Centennial Hall.

The Year 8 Liturgy and Award Ceremonies will be held on Friday 3 December. The Award Ceremony will be held at 9am in Centennial Hall followed by the Liturgy at 11.15am in the Doyle Centre.

The Year 7 Award Ceremony will be held on Thursday 2 December at 1.45pm in Centennial Hall. The Liturgy will be held on Friday 3 December at 11.15am in the Doyle Centre.

SPECIAL EDITION OF THE NEWSLETTER

The final printed Newsletter for the year will be distributed with the reports. It will acknowledge staff, parents/guardians and students for their contribution this year and include important details regarding 2011. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all students for the way they have empowered all with belief, hope and passion during the year and wish them every blessing for the joyful season of Christmas. I look forward to the return to the College in 2011 of the vast majority of students. Some students are not returning to the College in 2011 and so I take this opportunity to wish you well in all that you do and pray that God will always remain with you as you journey through life.

Catherine had no idea of founding a religious congregation when she responded to the opportunity that presented itself to her to help the slum dwellers and unemployed youth. She began to gather young people to help her. Her plan was to gather a group of willing secular ladies, in the years between leaving school and marriage, to contribute a few hours daily in work for the poor.

Catherine McAuley rsm
UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS
A special letter to parents/guardians relating to uniform will also be distributed with the Special Edition of the Newsletter. Parents/guardians and students are asked to take special note of these regulations and note the changes that have been introduced for 2011.

NIGHT OF EXCELLENCE
If you want to encourage your child/ren to strive for excellence, bring them along to the Night of Excellence on Monday December 13. This night is designed to affirm the performance of students in all fields of endeavour and thereby encourage other students to strive for excellence. The celebration of student achievement will commence at 7.30 in the Doyle Centre. Parents/guardians and students are asked to be seated by 7.15.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM AND BOOK SALE
The Parents and Friends Association is conducting a Second Hand Uniform and Book Sale on Saturday December 4 from 9am to 12pm. We should all be very grateful to the Association for providing this outstanding service. Parents/guardians should note that the Association does not control the pricing, the quality of books or the quantity of books available. I trust that we will all show our appreciation of their generous gift of time in providing some assistance to parents/guardians.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - DIRECTOR OF STUDENTS
In March of 2011 our school community will host staff and students from our Japanese sister school, Horyuji International High School. This cultural exchange is a fantastic way to learn something about a culture that is very different to our own and to help develop the sister school relationship that has been operating for well over a decade. Students interested in participating in the Japan Study Tour in September of 2011 are strongly encouraged to act as hosts for the Horyuji visit. If you are willing to host a Japanese student for a two week period in mid to late March next year you can ring me on 9237 1332 or contact me via email from the College webpage under ‘Contact Us’. Thank you to the families who responded to this notice last week.

The return visit to Horyuji International High School in Nara is planned for departure on 17 September and returning on about 3 October. The Japan Study Tour is open to students at Years 10 and 11 who are studying Japanese. Consideration would be given to students who have studied the language in 2010 but have decided not to continue with it in 2011. Final costing is still to be completed. In 2009 the cost of the trip was around $3,600. Students who are interested should write an “Expression of Interest” letter to Mr Dobson explaining why they would like to be part of this trip. This should be completed by Monday 5 December.

Classes conclude for Years 7, 8 and 9 students on Friday 3 December at 3.15pm. A special program of liturgies and award ceremonies will operate across the final two days. Parents are invited to attend.

As this school year draws to a close it is appropriate to thank all members of our school community for their contribution in 2010. So many opportunities exist for our students to experience the broader notion of school. Much of this is due to the commitment of staff who are prepared to offer activities beyond the classroom that enrich young lives. May the Christmas vacation period be a time of peace and renewal for families and may we all return safe in the New Year.

Year 7, 11 and 12 students resume classes on Friday 4 February with all students in attendance on Monday 7 February.

Michael Johnston
Deputy Principal - Director of Students

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - DIRECTOR OF MISSION
2011 Santa Teresa Immersion Experience
Next year, the College is planning to send a group of up to five Year 12 students for a week long immersion experience in the indigenous community of Santa Teresa, near Alice Springs. The trip will provide an opportunity for the students involved to spend time in the community, working with students in the local school and assisting the Marist brothers with whom the accommodation is organised. The trip will occur in the week beginning March 7th with exact dates depending on flights. Students will be accompanied by a staff member. The trip will cost approximately $600.

Interviews for the Santa Teresa Immersion experience will occur early in Term 1 next year. Interested 2011 Year 12 students are invited to apply using the application form on the College website. These can be accessed through http://web.mlmcilleydale.catholic.edu.au/newsletters.htm

Please contact me on 9237 1351 for further information.

Darren Egberts
Deputy Principal – Director of Mission
YEAR 10 ACADEMIC AND MERIT AWARDS SEMESTER 2 2010

1 MERIT AWARD

2 MERIT AWARDS
Olivia Burrows, Darcy Cripps, William Dickson, Emily Drury, Jessica Enright, Abbey Kemp, Jayden Loughnan, Christina Mahoney, Rebecca Mc Keown, Mohamed Mohamed, Jacinta Mollica, Jake Nicholson, Madison Osborn, Gino Parisi, Paul Purcell, Georgina Smith, Anthony Beshara, Mark Tyers-Moorhouse, Georgia Walsh, Shaun Wright, Lee Yuncken and Melissa Zwagerman.

3 MERIT AWARDS
Jake Ashton, Crystal Atkins, Madison Badgery, Joshua Chamberlain, Brendan Foley, Bethany Mc Gill and Ryan Voges.

4 MERIT AWARDS
Shayarna Styles.

6 MERIT AWARDS
Sarah Gmehling.

1 ACADEMIC AWARD
Cameron Dixon, Matthew Gillett, Jarryd Harvey, Sampson Latham, Britney Lawrence and Deng Nai.

1 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARD

1 ACADEMIC & 2 MERIT AWARDS
Adriana Aloj, Jesse Brindley, Jacqueline Caley, Christopher Foley, Sharna Hallum, Blake Henderson, Catherine O Neill, Astrid Reker, Rachel Ross, Joshua Schille, James Stogryn, Sebastian Ugarte, Daniel Watson and Heidi Welsh.

1 ACADEMIC & 3 MERIT AWARDS
Holly Grimes, Sean Jarvis, Lachlan Koger, Gareth Milloy, Nicholas Moore, Erica Ryan, Tayla Salisbury, Lewis Thwaites and Johanna Van Der Linden.

1 ACADEMIC & 4 MERIT AWARDS
Matthew Di Nardo, Madeline Hasan, and Fiona Van Den Bronk.

1 ACADEMIC & 5 MERIT AWARDS
Jessica White and Emily Wilkinson.

1 ACADEMIC & 6 MERIT AWARDS
Cassandra Poynter.

2 ACADEMIC AWARDS
Nicole Carusi, Tatum Joseph and Benjamin O’Donnell.

2 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARD
Isaac Andueza, Natalie Czislofski and Elise Harpe.

2 ACADEMIC & 2 MERIT AWARDS
Nicky Bibo, Laura Cummanne, Benjamin Di Battista, Rhiannon Rak and Jennifer Scott.

2 ACADEMIC & 3 MERIT AWARDS
Sonya Kiker and Casey Wright.

2 ACADEMIC & 4 MERIT AWARDS
Brooke Baldry and Hannah Dowling, Madeline France.

2 ACADEMIC & 5 MERIT AWARDS
Tali Duffield.

3 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARD
Darcie Marmion, Thomas Nolan, Alexandra Pagels, Oliver Thomas – Taylor and Jordan Williams.

3 ACADEMIC & 2 MERIT AWARDS
Bianca Condello, Zachariah Keuken, Sarah Mc Leod and Daniel Wright.

3 ACADEMIC & 3 MERIT AWARDS
Grace Hart, Melina Lucisano, Breanna Pearce and Alexander Turner.

3 ACADEMIC & 4 MERIT AWARDS
Riley Gentle and Ruth Mosbauer.

3 ACADEMIC & 5 MERIT AWARDS
Yalleen Flahive.

4 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARD
Mary Tur.

4 ACADEMIC & 2 MERIT AWARDS
Vasuki Ambekar, Elena Bartoli, Bianca Farley and Molly Mc Connell.

4 ACADEMIC & 3 MERIT AWARDS
Courtney Broussard.

5 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARDS
Claire Fitzgerald, Daniel Jensen and Christopher Keane.

5 ACADEMIC & 2 MERIT AWARDS
Nicholas Hearne and Jordon Lott.

5 ACADEMIC & 3 MERIT AWARDS
Jasmine Morris and Suzann Palej.

6 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARDS
Daniel Clarke, Amy Darvell and Kathryn Roddis.

7 ACADEMIC AWARDS
Sarah Mc Conn.

7 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARD
Jaymie Buis.

8 ACADEMIC AWARDS
Alexandra Sherman and Tessa Van Eekelen.

8 ACADEMIC & 1 MERIT AWARD
Nicole Cassai.
CAREERS DEPARTMENT

Year 12 students:
Just another reminder that students who plan to study next year will need a Tax File Number if they don’t already have one.

Careers counsellors will be here to offer assistance from Monday 13 until Thursday 16 December for their changes of course preferences.

Healesville Sanctuary is offering ‘Keeper for a Day’ in the January school holidays on the following dates:
- Tuesday 11 January
- Wednesday 12 January
- Tuesday 18 January
- Wednesday 19 January

Students participate in zoo keeping activities and discover the pathways they can follow to become an animal keeper.

For any students in Year 9 and up (in 2011) who wish to work with animals ‘Keeper for a Day’ is a must!

Bookings: 9285 9406

For more information: http://www.zoo.org.au/Learning/Programs/HSDKeeper_for_day

Jo-Anne Hopkins
Senior Careers Counsellor & VET Coordinator

NEWS FROM MATHS DEPARTMENT

Students from Year 7 – 9 achieved outstanding results when 60 of them participated in the ICAS Mathematics Competition in August of this year. Those students whose achievement was outstanding will be rewarded with certificates of Credit, Distinction and High Distinction which will be posted with their school reports.

ICAS YEAR 7

Distinction
- Alison Dark
- Noah Griffin
- Caitlin McDonald
- Dylan O’Neill
- Chris Roberts
- Jordan Sibbersas
- Toby Beach

Credit
- Natalie Hamment
- Reese Henriques
- Darcy Osborne
- Shinae pennington
- Emily Puts
- David Remminga
- Luke West

ICAS YEAR 8

Distinction
- Aaron Duivenvoorden
- Alex Edmonds
- Jaedon Farrugia-Roberts
- Benjamin France
- Indra Gowan
- Ryley Howard-Scales

Credit
- Rebekah Abblitt
- Troy Broussard
- Jack Cassai
- Samuel Downie
- Jack Farley
- Beth Hanlon
- Alice Harding
- Chris Keuken
- Alex Schafer
- Rebecca Thaler
- Dominic Waterhouse

ICAS YEAR 9

High Distinction
- Michael Middlemast
- Jarryd Reymert

Distinction
- Robbie Boxell
- Jacob Crowe
- Jesse Duffield
- Thomas Harsant

Credit
- Cassandra Black
- Brigitte Goujon
- Andrew Malcolm
- Tom O’Keefe
- Gabrielle Stolzenhain
- Jaynen Yong

FINAL NEWSLETTER PUZZLE

It seems we have come to the end. I hope you have enjoyed solving the many puzzling adventures of Alan and John this year as I did writing them.

Last Week’s Answer:
10 centimetres.

Alex Ingham
Maths/Science Prefect

MASS AT YARRA GLEN

Fr Julian will be officiating at a pre-Christmas Mass at ST ALOYSIUS, Sayle Street, Yarra Glen on THURSDAY 9 DECEMBER at 6.30pm

P & F SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP HOURS COMMENCEMENT OF 2011

The Parents and Friends Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday 3 February.

9.30am - 12.00pm
SPORTS REPORT

Last week was the final week of EISM sport. The results of the Year 9 EISM Grand Finals will be published in the next newsletter. This week Year 8 and 9 students will try out for EISM teams for the Summer Season of 2011. Good luck to all involved.

YEAR 8 RESULTS – ROUND 5

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SWIMMING SQUAD

The final session for Swimming Training this year will be on Wednesday 1 December at Kilsyth Pool (Indoor Pool). Students meet at the pool for a 7am start and swim until 8am. Afterwards a bus will take students back to the College where Breakfast is supplied for $1.

EISM SURF CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all students involved in the Surf Carnival at Point Leo on Wednesday. A special thanks to this group who gave up their Student Free Day to represent the College. Also thanks very much to Miss Webb and Mr. Woodward who gave up their Correction Day to drive and support the students at this event.

STAFF AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Amy D’Ortenzio (12 Jade), Nicole Carusi (10 Purple), Monique Nogueira (9 Red) and Briony White (10 Green) all participated in the try outs for the Victorian Champions League for Soccer. Amy, Nicole and Monique were selected in the team and Briony was selected as an emergency. Well done girls and good luck for the season.

Congratulations also to Matt Fotia (10 Green) who has been selected in the Outer East Metro Cricket team to compete in the State Championships. This will be held in January. He has also been named as Vice Captain of the team. Well done Matt.

If you know of any other great sporting achievements by members of the college, ie: a hat trick in cricket, basketball rep team, dance certificate, any other rep team; please contact me on 9237 1323 or e-mail at: ferguson@mlmlilydale.catholic.edu.au

Lauren Ferguson
Director of Sport