Mount Lilydale Mercy College

NEWSLETTER

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22 OCTOBER IS THE FEAST OF ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II

Jesus said…
"Abide in Me, and I in you…for apart from Me you can do nothing." John 15:4-5

Prayer based on the words of Pope John Paul II…

May the Lord Jesus reveal Himself to each one of us, that He will give us the strength to go out and profess that we are Christians, that He will show us that He alone can fill our hearts. Help us to accept His freedom and embrace His truth, and be messengers of the certainty that we have been truly liberated through the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus. Let this be the new experience, the powerful experience that will generate, through us, a more just society and a better world.

Amen

Let us reflect on the words of our present Pope

“Let us be renewed by God’s mercy… and let us become agents of this mercy.”

~Pope Francis~
Dear Members of the Mount Lilydale Mercy College Community

Welcome to week three of the term and the week in which we farewell our Year 12 and graduating class of 2015. A great deal of planning and effort has ensured that our Year 12 can finish formal classes and thus prepare for their exams in a dignified manner and one which reflects the leadership of the group over their six years at the College. Indeed, this week, this group of students finish some thirteen years of formal schooling and for most it is a very exciting time, but it is also a very emotional time. The students have been working hard to finish up course work and they know that exams are so very quickly approaching. Celebrations to mark the end of the year must be balanced and respectful of the work that needs to be submitted in coming days before they sit their English exam in a week’s time. The students are indeed in need of our support.

On Monday morning the students will attend their final assembly at which the student body will farewell them and the College Captains will address the students for the last time. This assembly is important as it is vital that the group knows that they have the support of the College community.

Tuesday is a student free day for Years 7 to 11 to allow the Year 12s to have some special time together and to allow time with the staff that have supported them throughout their whole secondary journey. When staff are not spending time with students they will be undergoing curriculum writing sessions for 2016 and beyond.

Tuesday will start with Mass at the beginning of the day and all staff will join with our Year 12 group in prayer. Family and friends are most welcome to come to this Eucharist.

I would like to formally thank the staff that have supported our Year 12 group as they prepare for these final days. I know the students have been well supported and I am most grateful to staff that continually give of themselves for our students.

With this newsletter families and students will find the nomination form for the Mark Prest Award. The selection criteria are clearly set out in the nomination form and each year we have a number of staff nominated by families and students. Please consider putting pen to paper in support of staff that you think are worthy. Experience would indicate that the Mark Prest awardee would require submission from colleagues, families and students. There can be no greater acknowledgement of a staff member than to nominate them for this award.

Over the course of time since the last holidays, a number of families within our community experienced the grief of the passing of a loved one. We remember and pray for:

Jan Gluyas, Grandmother to Callum (Year 10), Shannon (Year 11) and Matthew Lowden (Old Collegian 2014); Deb Kennedy, an Old Collegian who tragically lost her life in a motorcycle accident in Healesville. Deb was an Aunt to Hollee Mandelt (Year 9); Geoff Healey, father to staff member Linda Yeomans who past quietly in the final weeks of Term 3; and Ralph Coyne, father to staff member Rosemary Buchanan who also passed from this world peacefully whilst in hospital.

Let us remember Jan, Deb, Geoff and Ralph in our prayers as well as their extended families. We pray for the repose of their souls and that they rest in the presence of our Father in Heaven. May they rest in peace.

God bless

Philip A Morison
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - MISSION - ELIZABETH KEOGH

SAVE THE DATE

MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2015

FAMILY SERVICE OF CAROLS

Bring the family and a picnic and get into the Christmas spirit

Philip A Morison
Principal
FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL CURRENT YEAR 8 FAMILIES - MACBOOK AIR DEPOSIT FOR YEAR 9 2016

All current Year 8 families should have received information regarding the MacBook Air program for 2016 recently. As advised, the deposit of $250 needs to be paid by 6 November 2015. This will ensure that a MacBook Air is ordered for the student. The deposit can be paid by credit card securely via NAB Transact on the Parent Portal. Please see below for instructions:

http://www.mlmclilydale.catholic.edu.au/
- Select Parent/Student Tab
- Select Parent Portal
- Login with your Username (family ID) and Password (please contact College if you cannot locate)
- Select Payments Tab
- Select MacBook Air Deposit Icon
- Follow the prompts

NB: Only full amounts of $250 can be processed via the Parent Portal

If you are unable to pay this via the Parent Portal, please pay in person at the Finance Office at the College. This will apply to families that are on a split billing arrangement also.

If you did not receive this information a copy of the letter can be found on the College Website under the Parent/Student Tab – Parent News – Finance Information or click on the following link: http://web.mlmclilydale.catholic.edu.au/?p=simonmoodle

OUTSTANDING COLLEGE FEES

Thank you to all the parents and guardians that have once again cooperated with our payment agreements for the collection of College fees. However, there are still a small number of accounts that are overdue and remain outstanding as at 16 October. If you are one of the 23 accounts remaining outstanding and overdue, please ensure you make payment immediately or contact the Finance Office to avoid unnecessary follow up collection action. This includes any payment that remains outstanding from a direct debit or credit card that has been declined during the year and not been paid to date.

If you have an existing approved payment arrangement with the Business Manager where the fees will be paid in full by the end of November, please continue on with that arrangement as agreed.

If you are on a regular Direct Debit or Credit Card plan and have not missed any payments throughout the year, please ensure funds are available for your last remaining payments.

If you anticipate that your fees cannot be paid in full by end of November, you are required to make contact with the Business Manager immediately on 9237 1314.

A reminder that payments can be made via the Parent Portal for all College fees.

Thank you again for your commitment to the payment of College fees.

Dean de Munk
Business Manager

INVITATION TO MASS OF REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2015

On the reformation of the Mount Lilydale Mercy College Old Collegians’ Association in 2011, a Mass of Remembrance to commemorate those community members who had entered Eternal Life was initiated. The purpose was to offer support to the bereaved by paying tribute to loved ones no longer with us.

This year the Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 15 November at 2 pm and will be followed by afternoon tea in Mount Saint Joseph’s dining room. Names of deceased loved ones will be acknowledged in the Prayers of the Faithful during the Mass. A Memorial Book is located in the Our Lady of Mercy Old Collegians’ Chapel. If you wish to have a family member’s name included in the Book and the Prayers, please contact Patricia Olson, olsonpt@mlmc.vic.edu.au or phone 9237 1356.
A huge Thank You to everyone who contributed to Mercy Day 2015. We raised over $10,300 which will be donated to Mercy Works and Mercy International. This will help people in Australia, Papua New Guinea and East Timor as well as helping to fund projects to stop human trafficking. Congratulations on a wonderful effort.

Elizabeth Keogh
Deputy Principal - Mission
The McAuley Park Young Farmers Club has had wonderful success with the Boer Goat program in this, our inaugural year. The students involved have learnt about ruminant animal care, observed and participated in animal health workshops with Eloise Deen, past student and local large animal vet, commercial breeders, cattle producers and university lecturers. Our students have also given back to the community through Landcare, assisting in improvements to Babbajin Wildlife Refuge.

They have also seen their hard work, from helping to construct fences through to show preparation bear fruit in wonderful achievements in the Royal Melbourne Show and the Seymour Show resulting in Champion 4-6 month Doe, Runner up 4-6 month Doe, Champion 4-6 month White Boer and Runner up. Also runner up Junior handler to Elyshia Harrison. The breeding and showing program for the year will conclude with the Lilydale Show in November, where on the Sunday, students will be involved with the Boer Goat Breeders Association in bringing back a Boer Goat section to the show for the first time in two years.

Myself and the College Advisory Council look forward to an expansion of activities next year for the motivated students of this program. Applications are open in first term for a limited number of places in the club. Those students who apply must be willing to dedicate one lunchtime a week and several days of mid year holidays to learning about and caring for agricultural and native animals.

Ms Wingett, Ms Grant-May and myself would like to thank the students and their families for their wonderful spirit and hard work this year.

Tim Thompson
Agriculture Teacher

In the first year of the Farmer’s Club we embraced the opportunity to have goats at the school. Luckily enough with everyone’s help we trained the goats and had them collar trained. We had three lovely female goats who granted us with five charming kids (baby goats). We gave two of the kids and one mother back to the original owner and kept two mothers and three babies to continue on with the program. There were two twin kids whom we named Frankie and Holly, and the youngest baby Miffy. We also gave Frankie away to a kind loving family, who are taking lots of care of our baby boy.

In September this year we were given the amazing privilege to show both of our baby goats, Miffy and Holly. In the lead up to the show we went from two crazy babies who had hardly been handled to two gorgeous calm kids. We trained them every Tuesday and Friday after school and every Thursday lunchtime when the Young Farmer’s Club met.

I was kindly nominated by my peers to lead Miffy in the Royal Melbourne Show and Sheridyn lead her own goat Holly. On Saturday 19 September, it was show time. With all the hard work we had all put in, the goats were finally ready to be shown. We arrived at 10am to prepare the goats and stayed with them for most of the day. At 6pm the goat showing commenced with Sheridyn and I leading in the McAuley Park Miffy and McAuley Park Holly. We had to lead them in, let them go and catch them again. Miffy and I came out on top winning in the age section 4-6 months and Champion. All up, everyone had an outstanding day learning new things and having a once in a life time opportunity.

As members of the Young Farmer’s Club we have been privileged with so many marvellous opportunities. We had a visit from Eloise Deen (former student), who is a vet at Wandin Vet clinic. She told us how to care for the goats and what to look for if there is something wrong with them. Eloise also did a physical examination on the three baby goats, and they were perfectly fine. The Farmers Club also had the opportunity to meet the original owner, Mrs Nerida Tull, from Para Boer Goats in Nagambie. She helped us out with show preparation and showed us what to do when leading in the show ring. Through this involvement we have learnt many things like how to trim their feet, prepare the goats and how to truly care for the animals. All of us in the program have had huge amounts of fun and can’t wait to see what is going to happen next.

I would like to say a big thank you to Mr Thompson, who went out of his way to create this wonderful club. He has given up loads of his time to take us to shows and teach us how to look after the goats. Mr Thompson always keeps everybody engaged and makes everyone laugh.

Ivy Ferguson-Mayer

On 3 October, myself and a few other girls from the McAuley Park Young Farmer’s Club were given the opportunity to show goats at the Seymour Agricultural Show. With the help of Nerida Tull who had kindly provided us with the goats to show, we set up the pens and prepared for the ring. We showed off bucks, does and kids and even had luck in the junior handlers class, where one of our own won first place. All in all, It was a fun, but busy day.

Madelyn Dunston
During the recent September holidays, 44 Year 10 students headed off on the annual Central Australia trip. This year, we flew to Uluru, NT, before making our way north to our final destination of Darwin. Over 11 days, we hiked through rugged landscapes, cruised ancient gorges and crocodile-infested wetlands, came up close with snakes and lizards, drove for countless hours through the outback and swam in many stunning waterholes.

With a new destination almost every day and many activities to fill our time, we had the chance to experience many wonderful sights of outback Australia and the Top End. During visits to Uluru, Kata Tjuta, Watarrka and Kakadu National Parks, students learnt of the ancient stories which these areas told and the importance they hold to the Aboriginal people. We witnessed the destruction caused when World War II came to Australia’s shores during our visit to the Darwin Military Museum. At Mataranka, we swam in 34 degree thermal pools and in Darwin we held a baby crocodile.

The Central Australia trip is not only a wonderful learning experience, but it is also a fantastic way for students to be immersed in a culture and a way of life very different to our own in Melbourne. Through fundraising opportunities and a liturgy in Alice Springs, students demonstrated the Mercy spirit. This year, we raised $3,443 for the Royal Flying Doctor Service. This was an amazing effort and one which all students on the trip should be very proud of.

This year, we were fortunate to receive a grant from Tourism NT to use towards the trip. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tourism NT for their contribution towards making the Central Australia trip such a memorable occasion.

As yet another Central trip has now returned, we are only left with our souvenirs, photos and memories. These memories will stay with us for many years to come, as will the friendships, which were formed. They will help shape us to become better people and ensure we have a greater understanding of our country and all its people.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff and students who were involved in this year’s trip. The respect, teamwork and compassion shown by all was outstanding. The students were fantastic ambassadors for the College and I was proud to lead them on this journey.

Ashley Gray
In week one of this term, Intermediate VCAL students travelled to St Patricks Primary School to provide toy making activities for a class of Grade 3 students.

This project involved weeks of preparation. The class began with discussion about toys and their importance during childhood. Intermediate VCAL students then wrote a personal narrative about a childhood toy that was important to them. To develop their understanding students then read journal articles on the psychology of children and children’s toys. Students looked at the text features of the articles and then contrasted them and expressed their opinion on the effectiveness of articles in a report.

VCAL Students then decided on a toy they would like a Grade 3 student to construct. From here they built a prototype toy and then dismantled it, so a procedural text could be written on how to put it back together. The toy components and written instructions were then taken to St Patricks, where the Grade 3 students were eager to participate. After they had an opportunity to build and play with the toy they then participated in a survey, which the VCAL students would use to reflect on their practices.

Well done to the Intermediate VCAL students involved in this project. Not only did you present yourself as positive role models for younger students you also provided them with a fun and memorable activity in which there was a great deal of learning.

Steve Tarulli
Applied Learning Coordinator

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As we grow in awareness of the many ways we can support the initiatives of the Cancer Council we are very proud of one young lady in Year 10 who recently was featured in The Herald Sun on 7 October for the work she is doing for the Cancer Council.

Zoe Lawson lost her mother, Monica to cancer as a young child and now Zoe is working with the Cancer Council to raise funds to support their work. Recently Zoe and her friends participated in the Cancer Council’s Girls Night In campaign by inviting friends over for a fun, “night in” with funds raised and donated to the, “Girls Night In.” campaign. Well done, Zoe and a fine effort in supporting a very worthwhile cause.

Andrea Coney
Head of Library and Information Services

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Please note that the Bob Stewart Uniform Shop will be closed on Monday 2 November and Tuesday 3 November. We will open as per usual on Thursday 5 November from 12.30 till 4pm and Saturday 7 November 9.30 till 12.30.

For all enquiries regarding Bob Stewart Uniforms please contact the shop directly on 9735 4370
New School Form: “I’ve had Asthma First Aid today”

We are pleased to introduce a new asthma resource for schools funded by the Australian Government as part of the Asthma Child and Adolescent Program.

The new school form, “I’ve had Asthma First Aid today” is a simple way to advise parents and carers about the school’s management of an asthma incident experienced by their child. It records details about the time and place of the asthma flare up, the medication administered and any follow up required.

The form is provided as a writable pdf that can be emailed to the family or as a standard pdf for staff to print and complete by hand. Both formats are attached.

Asthma Education for Parents & Carers

The Asthma Foundation of Victoria is funded to provide FREE Asthma Education Sessions to Parents and Carers. Foundation Staff can come to your School or Children’s Centre and speak directly to parents of children with asthma. Please see the attached Flyer for more details or contact us on 1800 ASTHMA for more information.

National Asthma Week (NAW)

A big THANK YOU to all who became actively involved in their communities during National Asthma Week!

Triple A
Asthma Adolescent Action Program

Triple A is the first peer-led education program to improve the health & wellbeing of students with asthma.

Why is Triple A different?

miş Innovative student-centred approach
みたいですStudents become the drivers of both the teaching and learning
幸せHands-on activities e.g.: videos and games
幸せInformative and participatory
幸せHaving fun is central to all aspects of learning!

There are still some places available for Term 4 2015, including a condensed program if time availability is limited.

For further information please see our website: www.asthma.org.au/Programs/TripleAProgram or contact Rebecca Colcott at rcolcott@asthma.org.au

Melbourne Pollen Count returns!
The daily updated Pollen Count is now available on our website.
New Newsletter format
In 2016 the Asthma Australia School Newsletter will be provided in a new format using online technology. With our new Staff Attendance forms now collecting each staff member’s email for face-to-face training and the use of the online training also providing staff emails, we will be able to deliver the new newsletter directly to you to read at your convenience.

The new format will come out twice a year, in school terms one and three, from now on.

Generally this will occur through the newsletters but there may be a need at other times to inform you of program developments.

To ensure wide distribution to staff, we will continue to provide the newsletter to each site through your contact person with the local Asthma Foundation also.

Online training
The use of online training for school staff via our e-learning hub continues to increase, with 40% of all sites doing training using the online package in the last report period (Jan-Jul 2015).

As well as online training offering an option to remote schools where a trainer may not be available, staff that miss attending a face-to-face session can also be trained around the same time as their colleagues, ensuring a whole of staff approach to the safety and support of students with asthma.

A further advantage of online training is that you can do it any time and as many times as you want and you can log out at any time and resume later. In our survey of online users, 30% of staff indicated that they used the package to update their asthma knowledge, e.g. when they had a new student with asthma enroll in their class.

When we see a staff member has done online training in a site that has not had recent training, we will contact the site and discuss options to help all staff to be asthma trained. The use of online training for whole staff is increasing in both rural and metro schools as this mode suits many staff due to its flexibility.

We understand the significant demands on education staff time and will ensure that our privacy disclaimer is upheld in the use of your email information. Any communication you receive via your email from Asthma Australia will be directly related to the Asthma Child and Adolescent Program that funds this training in schools and other education settings through the Australian Government Department of Health.
SPORTS REPORT

SPORTS AWARDS
Please keep Thursday 12 November free for the MLMC Sports Awards evening. This will be held in the Doyle Centre at 7.30pm with guest speaker, Simon Clarke. We are looking forward to acknowledging all our age group champions, best and fairest players and the nominations for College Sports Champions.

KARATE KID
Congratulations to Cassandra Banks (Year 7) who recently represented Australia at the Commonwealth Karate Championships in New Delhi, India. In the Female Children 12/13 years kata division she won a Silver medal and in her Female Children -42kg kumite division she won the Gold medal. Cassandra was the highest achieving competitor at the tournament and has been selected for the 2020 Olympics program! Congratulations on your fantastic achievements Cassandra from all at MLMC. We look forward to hearing about your exciting future.

WELL DONE
Congratulations to Isabella Embleton (Year 8) and her rep basketball team, the Sherbrooke Suns, who made the Grand Final against Chelsea. The U16/3 Girls Basketball Team won their Grand Final against Chelsea - well done Isabella!

EASTERN RANGES TAC CUP
Congratulations to Jordan Jaworski on his selection into the Eastern Ranges TAC CUP under 15 summer development program.

VICTORIAN DOWNHILL MOUNTAIN BIKING
Race 1 of the Victorian Downhill Mountain Biking Series at Mount Beauty on the weekend of the 10 and 11th October 2015. Congratulations to the following students: (l to r) Sean Hebblethwaite Year 12, Tristan Heffernan Year 11, Harry Wright Year 9, Cooper Downey Year 8 and Louis Chidiac Year 7. All boys did extremely well in wet conditions. No scrapes or broken bits either just grins from ear to ear and a lot of post race commentary about what could have been. See http://vdhs.com.au/live-timing/ for rankings and placings in the series.

SWIMMING TRAINING
Swimming training will resume on Wednesday 21 October at Croydon Aquahub (until the Croydon Memorial Pool is open after Cup weekend)

When: Wednesday mornings at 7.00am
Where: Aquahub (11 Civic Square, Croydon) until 4 November when outdoor pool opens
Details: Get dropped off at the pool and a bus will bring you back to school afterwards, bring $1 for breakfast at school

WEIGHTLIFTING TRAINING
Weightlifting training will move back to Tuesday lunchtimes in the weights room. No experience is necessary, new members welcome! Next competition is October 30.

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**From the Acting Registrar – Tina Tasiopoulos**

On behalf of the school community, I would like to say a big thank you to the P & F Committee for working with me during Mary Ryan’s absence. Our school is very fortunate to have a wonderful group of parent volunteers who assist the school with a range of activities and major events. I know at times as a parent, it is difficult to volunteer and offer your time to a school setting, but I would like to encourage you to consider helping by offering your many skills and talents to the school. The staff appreciate your involvement, but more importantly, your child does too.

A big thank you to Tracy Pettigrew – President of Mount Lilydale Mercy College Parents and Friends Association for all her efforts and energy throughout 2015.

Please encourage new families to the area to come and visit our school during one of the school tours scheduled throughout the year.

Tina Tasiopoulos
Acting Registrar
Twelve students from Mount Lilydale Mercy College had the privilege of being part of the Kool Skools program where they were able to work within a professional recording environment to record and package an album of music. **Kool Skools** is a multimedia and recording project for secondary school students across the **Australian** states of **Victoria** and **New South Wales**. Kool Skools promotes, develops and supports a diverse range of talent and genres of contemporary music.

The very talented students include Marlee Carter, Chloe De Groot, Montana Drieberg, Chris Fox, Samuel Lees, Charli Lilagan, Bohdi Lindsey, Georgia McAleer, Krystal Meyer, Kayla Murphy, Tysha Ramacula, Oliver Ryan, Chelsea Scott and Peter Verhagen.

The Music Department would like to congratulate these students on their ongoing enthusiasm and professional approach throughout this journey.

**CDs on sale**

**Wednesday Nov 4 2015 at a cost of $10**

CD’s can be purchased at the Kool Skools CD Launch on **Wednesday 4 November** in McAuley Quad during lunchtime or through Mrs Flint in the Music Department (before school, recess or lunchtime).

**Note:** Correct money will be required when purchasing.

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**HERITAGE CENTRE TOUR**

Tours of the Heritage Centre, including morning tea, will be held on Wednesday 21 October between 9.30am and 1.00pm.

All Old Collegians are welcome to come along and share their stories and view the memorabilia on display.
INSTRUMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM 2016

Please return to Reception, Music Department or email music@mlmc.vic.edu.au

To encourage excellence in Music our Mount Lilydale Mercy College awards 24 Instrumental Scholarships to students equal to half the fees of private instrumental/vocal lessons for the year. This reduces the fee to $288 per semester.

Scholarships are given to students who display an outstanding ability at their chosen instrument (including voice) for their age. Scholarships are awarded based on their performance in an Audition.

Students should prepare two contrasting pieces for the audition. The applicant will be notified of the audition date and time in writing. You are most welcome to attend your child’s audition. Auditions will take place on Tuesday 1 December and Wednesday 2 December 2015.

Successful and unsuccessful applicants/parents will be notified via email by mid December 2015

Scholarship Conditions:
Students who receive a scholarship must participate in a college band or choir. Students who miss more than 3 rehearsals without due reason in one term will have their scholarship revoked.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER AT 4.00pm

Student Surname: ___________________________ Student Given Name: ___________________________

Postal Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Email Address: ______________________________ Telephone Number: ___________________________

Instrument/Voice: _________________________________________________________________________

Years studying this instrument/Voice: ______________ Previous Instrumental/Voice Teacher: ___________

Please list any exam results (eg: Grade 4 AMEB, Trinity College etc, include both theory and practical examination results).

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Other instruments studied: __________________________________________________________________

Other bands/ensemble memberships etc:

Year ______________ Band _____________________________________________________________________

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Mark Prest Award

To commemorate our much loved and admired Deputy Principal, who commenced at the College in 1996 and became Deputy Principal in 1997, the College Executive has named an annual award for an ‘educationalist’ in his honour. Mark had a deep love for his God and was passionate educator who had a deep sense of the school community. He listened, accepted and embraced all the people he found in his life. Mark demonstrated strength during his own battle with illness and throughout his life he was willing to be a ‘shelter in a storm’ for others. He was a deep thinker and came to believe strongly in the stewardship model of leadership.

The award will be presented annually to a member of staff who most exemplifies Mark’s educational philosophy and witness as judged by the following criteria which embody the spirit of Mark as an educator. It is expected that the recipient of this award will reflect many of these characteristics.

Mark:

- had a passionate respect for the dignity of each person
- set a public example of integrity, love, commitment and awareness each day
- showed empathy and concern for the welfare of others
- fostered genuine, honest, authentic, compassionate and just relationships
- had a healthy sense of tolerance, acceptance and openness
- was filled with the excitement of teaching
- was a courageous and committed learner
- aspired to and encouraged excellence
- exhibited a quality of teaching which opened up learning to others
- encouraged a love of learning in others
- was willing to take risks and learn from experience
- believed that teaching mattered
- fostered a strong climate of community involving students, teachers and parents
- had a sense of civic responsibility and pride
- contributed to the social and spiritual environment of the school

The selection of the winner will be made by a special panel. The Members of the Selection Panel will be the Principal, an Advisory Council Member, two Staff Members and one Student (a Student Leader).

I wish to nominate ……………………………………………………………………….………………………………………………………………….. for the Mark Prest Award

Signature of Nominator: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………...……………………

Please attach a Statement addressing the above criteria and forward to the Principal by 9 November 2015.