Recipe for a Loaf of “Vinnies Homemade Bread”

Mix together all the thoughts that you have heard during our time together.

Add the yeast of your own desire - that strong desire to serve the poor.

Moisten the mixture so that it will be drawn together in order to get it in shape for the moulding of your daily life in the future.

Knead the mixture well! Keep working at it until you feel that the lump has been saturated not only with your strong desire but with your determination to serve those in need.

Leave the mixture to set a while:

In quiet prayer before the Lord, ask for the courage to serve those in need.

The dough will rise in proportion to the strength of your desire and the consistency of the mixture.

Then bake your loaf! Have the temperature just right and wait to see what happens.

Taste it - has it come up to your expectations?

Share it and pass it on!

That’s your contribution to the Society.

If each of us bakes and share our loaf, the homemade bread will never run out.

(taken from ‘Spiritual Reflections’ – Complied by St Vincent de Paul Society, Parramatta Diocese)
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL STUDIES - MICHAEL JOHNSTON

This week sees the conclusion of formal classes for Year 12 students, as they commence their final period of study prior to the commencement of VCAA exams on October 26. Our thoughts and prayers are with them at this important time.

A reminder that Tuesday, 18 October is a student free day for students in Years 7-11 as the Year 12 students conclude with a day filled with a mix of formal and informal activities - Mass, Award Ceremony, a shared lunch with staff, followed by student awards and presentations. This is always a great day and a fitting way to celebrate the end of formal secondary education.

Included with this Newsletter is a nomination form for the Mark Prest Award. This is an annual award presented at the Night of Excellence. The award is in honour of a former teacher and Deputy Principal of MLMC, Mr Mark Prest, who during his time at the school came to exemplify the sense of community that we strive for and was an outstanding leader and classroom practitioner. You are encouraged to nominate a member of staff for this award and the details are contained on the nomination form.

On Tuesday of last week the Prefect Investiture ceremony was conducted for the 2017 Prefect group. The newly appointed Prefects received a badge of office and the ceremony was rich in symbolism with the handing over from the 2016 Prefects. College Captains for 2017, Eden Pritchard and Nicholas Hamilton delivered an address to the full school assembly and a large number of parents were in attendance.

Friday evening saw the launch of the 2016 McAuley Park Farm Cabernet. This was the culmination of a huge undertaking from the time of the harvest of the school grown grapes back in March. Mr Tim Thompson has been the driving force behind this venture and on Friday evening we were treated to a real occasion as the Member for Yan Yean and Parliamentary Secretary for Tourism, Major Events & Regional Victoria, Ms Danielle Green was the official guest. Apart from the Agriculture & Horticulture students who were part of this venture, a number of other curriculum areas were involved in the project. VET Hospitality students catered for the gathering with a range of mouth watering food, a number of musicians and singers provided entertainment across the evening, and Visual Arts students were responsible for the artwork associated with the label. The entire evening was a great advertisement for cross curricula projects. The 2016 vintage was very well received and congratulations go to Mr Thompson and the students involved.

The Old Collegians Gala Dinner was conducted on Saturday evening with four new inductees for the Mercy Honour Roll. Mrs Leah Hill, a former member of staff between 1974-1996; Mr Cameron Heath, former student and currently Principal of Healesville Primary School; Dr Elizabeth Farrell (AM) former student and a leader in the field of women’s health at both the national and international level; and Mr John Michael McLindon, former College Captain (2001), and until recently, Chief of Staff to the Premier. It was a great night as each inductee spoke about their memories of the College and the work they are currently involved in. Many former staff members and students were in attendance. Well done to the Old Collegians Association for their work in organising this event. Proceeds from the evening go towards funding an Old Collegians scholarship here at the school.

A reminder that on Monday, 24 October at 7.30pm in Centennial Hall there is a meeting for parents of Year 7 2017 students. A lot of valuable information is provided at this meeting so attendance is important.

Michael Johnston
Deputy Principal - Studies

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL OF MISSION - ELIZABETH KEOGH

Year 12
Celebration of the Eucharist
Tuesday 18 October
9:00am in the Doyle Centre
Parents and Families of Year 12 Students are welcome to attend
MERCY DAY 2016

Despite the initial postponement of Mercy Day due to the poor weather forecast, we finished last term with a wonderful day of celebration and fundraising. The weather stayed fine and everyone was in good spirits as we came together as a community to remember the opening of the first House of Mercy in Dublin.

The day began with a liturgy which helped to focus us on our reasons for celebration. We heard from Sr. Anila, Sr. Mary and Katharine Graziano, a Year 12 student what Mercy Day means to them. The Gospel taken from Matthew 25 reminded us of our call to help others.

The many talents of students and staff were then displayed in Mercy Idol and House Performing Arts, whilst many other members of our community helped to run stalls, various activities and the all-important sale of food.

It was a great day of fun and sharing made possible by the generous donations from so many of you. The day itself could not run smoothly without the many volunteers from Parents and Friends who give of their time so willingly. The preparation leading up to Mercy Day is vital and I sincerely thank the many students, staff and community members who were involved in this.

It was lovely to see so many Homerooms involved in running stalls and activities and these helped us to raise over $11.000.

In the words of Catherine,

May He grant you every grace and blessing and make you one of His dearest and best beloved. (Letter to Mary Joseph Joyce October, 1841)

Thank you to all who contributed.
AUSTRALASIAN MERCY SECONDARY SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

“Bridges of Mercy” was the theme for this year’s Australasian Mercy Secondary Schools Association Conference. Over five days, 70 students with a passion for social justice converged on St Joseph’s Retreat Centre in Baulkham Hills. We embarked on a pilgrimage around Sydney as well as listening to many guest presenters, and enriching our knowledge and passion for social justice.

There were two speakers that stood out for us in particular. Olivia Nicholls from Melbourne spoke to the group about Human Trafficking. She informed us about the common myths and stereotypes surrounding human trafficking. This informative session shocked many of the students, including us, and we now have a more informed understanding of this issue.

The second speaker that we found particularly interesting was Sr Elsa McKinnon the Executive Director of Mercy Works. Elsa spoke to the group for about half an hour about what our money, such as that raised on Mercy Day, actually does. She spoke about the initiative of Mercy Works outside of Australia and within our own borders. We were inspired when Sister Elsa told us that the money raised by one Adelaide Mercy College had completely refurbished the dormitory of a school in Papua New Guinea. It wasn't until the two girls from Papua New Guinea stood in front of us and expressed their appreciation, that this session really hit home.

On our day of Pilgrimage, we visited Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College and Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta. In smaller groups we visited the Mary MacKillop Church, walked across the Harbour Bridge and visited the Opera House. This gave us an insight into the Mercy spirit. We learned about the trail of the Mercies and walked in their footsteps. We were also privileged to be able to pray at the graveside of Mary MacKillop, Australia’s first Saint.

After the five days, we left with a renewed energy and passion for social justice. We returned with many ideas and lots of knowledge to share, hoping to encourage a change for the better, hoping to build a Bridge of Mercy.

James Tosh and Isabella Preston | Year 11

YEAR 7 RELATIONSHIP DAY

On Friday the 7 October, the Year 11 CSYMA Team had the opportunity to work with the Year 7 homerooms as part of their Religious Education incursion to discuss relationships. This involved planning a session that aimed to educate them on the different types of relationships that they may come across in their life - particularly the kind that are important in Year 7 and how to maintain them in a healthy way.

It was a compelling experience for us as young leaders, as for some it was one of the first steps towards true peer ministry. It was an experience that was not only beneficial for the Year 7s but for us also, broadening our views and reaffirming our own beliefs.

It is not everyday that we are given the opportunity to work with younger students and pass on our knowledge, so we made the most of the opportunity. Overall, it was a wonderful experience and we hope that the knowledge we were able to pass on to the Year 7s will help them in their interactions with others throughout their years at Mount Lilydale Mercy College and beyond.
Congratulations to our newly appointed student leaders for 2017. After an extensive selection process, our new leaders were presented to the College Community at our Investiture assembly last Tuesday. As part of the ceremony our newly appointed leaders presented the outgoing Prefects and Captains with a certificate acknowledging their service to the College. May I add my many thanks to the 2016 leaders and congratulations to those who will lead for the remainder of the year and throughout 2017.

**College Captains**
Eden Pritchard
Nicholas Hamilton

**Mercy & Justice Prefect**
Chloe De Groot

**Faith & Ministry Prefect**
Tahila Hayes

**Carr House Prefects**
Daniella Zappia
Angus Faulknner-King

**Colleague Vice Captains**
Isabella Preston
Zachary Griffin
Gemma Ryan
Corey Whitchell

**Frayne House Prefects**
Chloe Leenan
Andrew Macfarlane

**McCaulay Prefects**
Ruby Kelly
Christian Toy

**Maguire House Prefects**
Jenny Ting
Henry Staindl-Dymond

**Sport Prefects**
Stacey Fleming
Tyson Noyes

**O’Neill House Prefects**
Emily Corbett
Kyle Stokes

**Performing Arts Prefect**
Krystal Meyer

**Yearbook Prefect**
Domenica Molluso
Garang Nai

**English Prefect**
Lily McDonald

**Terry Dunn House Prefects**
Rebekah Kelly
Christian Ruscitti

**Maths/Science Prefect**
Madeline Cimo

**Technology Prefect**
Dylan Findley

Congratulations also to the College Counselling team for organizing another thought provoking and informative Parent Seminar. The array of quest speakers on the Drugs in Society Q and A panel were very informative, leaving us all with much information. It was also pleasing to see the number of parents attending our seminars and hope this service to our community continues to grow.

The choice of summer or winter uniform will continue until Melbourne Cup weekend after which time summer uniform will be compulsory. As part of our Sunsmart Policy it is a requirement that students wear hats at recess and lunch throughout term four. Please ensure your child has the school bucket hat.

Please remember that Tuesday 18 October is a student free day for Years 7 – 11.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if there is anything I can assist you with.

John Rodgers
Acting Deputy Principal - Students
An excited bunch of Year 10 students along with staff set off on the 26th September to Uluru-Ayers Rock heading to Darwin over the next eleven days. The excitement was turned into reality, the idea of tent setting up and pulling down, washing dishes and being up and ready to go at very early times soon set the wheels in motion for a trip of many memories and friendships.

The students embraced the culture, visited many historical sites, roadhouses and remembered through a very moving liturgy the bus accident and the passing of Elizabeth Calcagno in 1993. Staff and students delivered the liturgy that took place and through verse bought the 2016 Central group closure for the remainder of the trip.

Lots of laughter and song took over the countless hours of driving while awards and words of wisdom were handed out for those who assisted during the day. Swimming took place in many areas under strict guidance of Taylah and staff who very much appreciated the chance to cool off from the sudden heat increase as we travelled closer to Darwin.

Unfortunately the trip was coming to an end; there were still plenty of things to do before the plane trip back to Melbourne. The group visited Crocodylus Park, Mindil market to complete the last minute shopping then followed by a night time cruise on the Spirit of Darwin for some Nut bush and other kinds of dancing.

In closing I would like to thank all of the students for the way they helped out over the eleven days and the way they represented not just themselves but the way they represented MLMC.

Thanks also go to the parents for allowing their sons and daughters to be part of this trip and allowing us as staff the trust in looking after them.

I would also like to say a large thank you to Ashley Gray (leader), Cathy Pote, Jessica Tipping and Taylah Moschetti for the way they have all assisted in making this trip a success.

Warren Stephenson
2016 Central staff member
On Friday 16 September, I headed off with 44 excited Year 10 Students and 4 other staff on the Annual Central Australia Trip and what an amazing but exhausting 11 days I experienced. On our journey we visited sacred indigenous sites around Uluru, hiked through gorges and canyons with amazing views & wildflowers, cruised the spectacular waterways of Katherine Gorge and the crocodile inhabited wetlands of Kakadu, experienced the warm therapeutic springs at Mataranka and swam in the refreshing cool waters of Edith & Wangi Falls.

During our visits to these places, the group learnt about the ancient stories that are so sacred and important to the Indigenous people of these lands. I believe each one of us came away with a renewed respect for these people, their stories and their land.

We visited the Royal Flying Doctors in Alice Springs and learnt more about how first aid works in the outback. Each year the students fundraise for this service and the activities this year always brought lots of fun and laughs with a trivia quiz on the bus, an auction of “stuff and privileges”, purchasing songs to play on the bus and a games night. $3,050 was raised from the students this year for the Royal Flying Doctors which was an awesome effort. The students should be really proud of their efforts and contributions to make this happen for such a worthwhile cause.

I learnt a lot about camping with 44 students, something I would recommend to anyone looking for lots of fun and laughs, hospitality, respect and dignity, teamwork, leadership and compassion. 5, 6, 7 now has a new meaning for me! These students were amazing. I was touched by their compassion during the liturgy held for a former MLMC student Elizabeth Calcagno, the beautiful singing at the Garden of Eden in Kings Canyon, I laughed at their sense of humour (and song choices on the bus – “Sweet Caroline” how do you guys even know that song?!) I was enlightened by their teamwork when setting up and packing up camp and most of all, their great attitude just made it fantastic to be around them. I actually received feedback on many occasions from other tourists and campers on how our students were so well behaved and mannered. The Mercy spirit is so evident in these students and they are fantastic ambassadors for the College. I am so proud and grateful to have experienced this.

I would like to mention also the incredible job and commitment from the other 4 teachers on the trip. The organisation that goes on behind the scenes is incredible and Mr Gray had everything ticking along like clockwork as he is such an amazing leader, organiser and teacher. Its not often a non-teaching staff member gets to see that interaction and engagement between teachers and students. It was so encouraging to see the teamwork, leadership and compassion being brought out of each of the student and the respect they showed towards myself and the 4 amazing staff I was so privileged to share this trip with.

Cathy Pote
Assistant Business Manager
FROM THE REGISTRAR

• The AGM for the Parents and Friends Association is on Tuesday 18 October at 7.30pm. Coffee and chat from 7.00pm. The meeting is held in the staff dining room, in the back of the Mount Saint Joseph building. All are welcome. It was resolved at the meeting earlier this year to move the AGM to this time of the year to bring it in line with a calendar year. At this meeting all positions will be declared vacant and a new executive will be voted in. If you would like to find out more about these positions and what they entail, please feel free to contact me by phone 9735 4022 or email registrar@mlmc.vic.edu.au. As always, attending a meeting doesn’t mean that you will be ‘signed-up’ for every activity we run. There is no pressure.

• The last day of trading this year for both uniform shops will be on the Year 7 2017 Orientation Day, Tuesday December 6. Bob Stewart from 9am to 2pm and the Parents and Friends shop from 11am to 2.30pm.

• Students who wish to sell their uniforms are asked to have them cleaned and taken to Reception or the P&F shop ASAP. Don’t forget to complete all the details on the form and attach to the uniform.

• Please note there will be no second-hand book sale this year as there will be a reduced number of texts that can be sold. When the book lists are ready I suggest students contact someone in the year ahead of them to buy books or, easier still, advertise on the Second-hand Forum on the College website (under the Information tab).

• If you are wishing to buy or sell a Deb dress this can also be done on the Second-hand Forum. You might also like to include a photo of the dress.

TOY LIBRARY

This year in Senior VCAL, we were given the opportunity to form a partnership with the Mt Evelyn Toy Library and build and donate toys for them. This formed part of our assessment. It was a great opportunity enjoyed by all students involved. I was able to build a chalkboard for the library. I planned, researched, and found the right materials before applying practical skills to make the chalkboard. This was an enjoyable experience for me as I was able to give to others while still completing my school work and learning new skills. Reaching my goal of successfully completing the chalkboard was a great feeling of accomplishment, which I know was shared with other members in my class. Overall this project was a great success and I think I can speak on behalf of our class and say we all had fun and would highly recommended projects like this to continue into the future.

Sam Duncan
Senior VCAL

YEAR 11 CHEMISTRY FIELD TRIP

Earlier this week, Year 11 Chemistry students went to collect water samples from the Lillydale lake and Hull Rd Wetlands. As part of the extended investigation on analysing water quality, the samples were brought back to the college to test for pH, turbidity, salinity and levels of pollutants that enter our local waterways. It was great getting out of the classroom to see how the wetland reeds and plants contribute to water purification and to learn about water sampling techniques.

Claudie Thia
A SWEET BUSINESS MANAGEMENT LESSON

In Term 3 Mr Reilly's Year 11 Business Management class undertook a practical lesson focussing on pricing products. They decorated biscuits and learnt how to reasonably price their creations.

Students designed and decorated the biscuits by using a range of assorted ingredients then calculated the prices for the ingredients and used a cost based pricing method to determine a final price.

They also had to think about our target audience, fellow competitors and making sure sales would be made.

Winners were carefully selected with the help of guest judge Miss Attardi. Tahlia Rooney and Adam Beath were awarded the best decorated biscuits and received a prize for their amazing efforts.

Overall the lesson was one that was enjoyed by everyone that participated and Tahlia and Adam walked away extremely happy with their rewards!

Krystal, Adam, Hannah, Jordan and Em C

YOUNG FARMERS

Mount Lilydale Mercy College introduced the McAuley Park Young Farmers program at the beginning of 2015 when the school purchased 3 Boer Goat does. The Young Farmers program was started, to give students the opportunity to learn about livestock such as Boer Goats and develop our knowledge and skills in the agricultural and farming industries.

The program has enabled our school to make valued connections in these areas resulting in many opportunities arising for students to get a feel for the industries. These opportunities have included attending the Stud Beef Cattle Camp and a day at RIST in Hamilton which gave us insight into the farming of both cattle and sheep. Having goats in the school has provided students with even more opportunities, such as experiencing the Royal Melbourne Show, Lilydale show and the Seymour show.

Having experienced these exciting and fun filled events, I have taken a particular interest in Boer Goats. This has led me beginning my own small herd. My herd currently consists of just four, of which two are unregistered and two registered. McAuley Park Holly has been shown at Royal Melbourne in both 2015 and 2016, where she has placed 2nd in her age section both years. She has also been shown at Lilydale show 2015 and Seymour show 2016. Her mother Skittles has most recently been at the Seymour show where she placed 1st in her age section and came ‘Reserve Champion Senior Doe’. My other two goats Holly and Lucky were taken in the junior handlers class.

At the Seymour show, students from our school were given the opportunity to not only show goats and compete in junior handler, but assist in judging. While judging, we learnt what to look for in goats, and how to distinguish and decide between goats for placings. It was fascinating to see what different judges looked for as we focused on in the conformation of the goats. Seymour show was an awesome and fun day which I would without a doubt recommend that other schools attend. I also encourage the students from my school Mount Lilydale to get involved in the McAuley Park Young Farmers program and attend the Seymour show in 2017.

The Young Farmers program at Mount Lilydale gives students like me, the opportunity to experience different areas of agricultural and farming industries which provide a wide variety of inspiration for future career paths and hobbies. By being involved in this fabulous program, I have been inspired to begin my own herd of Boer Goats. I also plan on studying Veterinary science at university to be able to care for for all animals including Boer Goats.

Sheridyn Hiney | 9 Green
### Year 9 Results 6 October

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TERM 4 SPORT REMINDERS

Hats: Please remember hats for Sport in Term 4.

Bags: Please DO NOT bring your school bag to Sport unless you are in an EISM Team.

SPORTS AWARDS DATE

Wednesday 16th November (7.30pm-9.00pm). Students will be notified shortly if they are receiving an award on this night. Please keep this date free!

Our guest speaker this year is Brooke Stratton, who has just competed at the Rio Olympics and made the final of the Long Jump.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Karate Gold

A huge congratulations to Cassandra Banks (Year 8) who has just returned from competing in the WKF Oceania Karate Championships in New Caledonia where she WON GOLD in the 12-13 years Kata division. This means that Cassandra is now the Victorian and Australian Champion in her Kata division and Commonwealth Champion in her Kumite division.

Best wishes with your karate as you strive for Olympic selection in 2020, Cassandra!

Cassandra has also appeared in an article by Catholic Education Melbourne, please follow the link:

Girls Football

The inaugural Youth Women’s Football V-Line Cup was held during the school holidays and 8 Mount Lilydale Girls were selected for this team.

Congratulations to Bridget Deed (Year 8), Sophie Faulwetter (Year 10), Charlie Kollosohe (Year 10), Georgia Macpherson (Year 10), Hayley Tucker (Year 10), Belle Price (Year 11), Emerson Woods (Year 10) and Lilly Kelly (Year 10). The future of Women’s Football at MLMC and beyond is looking bright, so best wishes to these girls!

Soccer

Congratulations to Tom Eaton and Alex Byrne (Year 10) who recently won their Under 16 A Division soccer final. Well done boys!

EFL Best & Fairest

Congratulations to the following students who received Best and Fairest awards for the EFL:

• U17 Premier league – Tyson Noyes (Winner)
• U17C league – Nicholas Camp (Runner up)
• U13C league – Liam Cox (Runner up)

Football

Congratulations to Adam Camp (Year 8) who won the Chirnside Park B & F for 2016 and captained his side to a premiership.
Netball
Congratulations to Isabella Anns, Rhani Oxley, Francesca Ripepi and Beccy Snell (Year 8) who played for the SPJ Stars in the U15 LYVNA Grand Final and won the premiership.

Equestrian
Well done to Mikayla Byrne who recently competed at the Royal Melbourne Show in Equestrian. Mikayla placed 2nd in the Novice Pony (over 13.2 hands) section and 6th in the Open Pony (over 13.2 hands).

Cheerleading
Congratulations to Alia Fehring (Year 9), James Tosh (Year 11), Ashleigh Clinton (Year 10) and Ebony Downward (Year 11) who recently competed for the Glitz Gymnastics mixed squad at the Allstar Cheerleading State Championships at MSAC. They placed 2nd in their category. Well done everyone!

Mountain Bike
Well done to Wes Rayner (Year 10), who competed in the Bendigo State Final VSCC Race on 15 October. Wes placed 3rd his Under 17 category and placed 1st for the series.

Staff Achievements
GOW 100
Well done to Dan Beard on another 100km run at the GOW 100! He finished in 4th overall with a time of 11.12.57!

Melbourne Marathon Running Festival
Congratulations to the following staff who competed in various events at the festival over the weekend:
Dan Kelly - 5.7km
Sally Wingett – 10km
Taylah Moschetti – half marathon
Michael Johnston – half marathon
Steve Palmer – half marathon
Dan Beard – marathon
Trevor Murray – marathon
Brad Ryan – marathon

If you have any student achievement news, please email dwebb@mlmc.vic.edu.au.
Frequently Asked Questions

**Personal support**

*Can I access any financial assistance?*

Please contact Council’s Municipal Recovery Manager (MRM) who will put you in touch with a relevant agency for further advice or assistance.

*Where can I access counselling and/or personal support for myself or my family?*

Red Cross and other agencies can assist with a number of services. Please contact Council’s Municipal Recovery Manager (MRM) on 1300 368 333 who will put you in touch with the relevant agency for further advice or assistance.

*Where can I go if I need accommodation tonight?*

If your house suffered major damage and has been deemed uninhabitable, contact Council and you will be referred to an appropriate service provider.

*My power is still out. Is there somewhere I can access hot showers and laundry facilities?*

Council has made contact with the following businesses to arrange access to showers and laundry facilities (at some locations only). Please note you will need to report to the office and BYO towels and soap for each facility. Gold coins will also be required to operate laundry machines.

- Belgrave Heights Convention Centre, 3 Convention Avenue, Belgrave Heights, (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)
- Badger Creek Big 4 Caravan Park, 417 Don Road, Badger Creek
- Britannia Ridge Caravan Park, 160 Tarrango Road, Yarra Junction
- Doon Reserve Caravan Park, 200 Doon Road, Yarra Junction, (7am-10am and 4pm-7pm. Please call in advance. Laundry facilities are not currently available.)
- Healesville Caravan Park, 322 Don Road, Healesville (1pm-4pm)
- Lilydale Caravan Park, 105 Warburton Highway, Lilydale ($5.50 fee)
- Warburton Caravan Park, 30 Woods Point Road, Warburton, (9am-6pm)

**Property**

*My house has suffered major structural damage and I don’t know if it is safe to enter – who do I need to contact?*

Contact your insurer and Council.

If your house has suffered major structural damage, Council will complete a building assessment and provide advice on whether your house is habitable.

As a precaution:

- You should not enter the tree-damaged sections of the building until a building assessment has been completed and you have been advised that it is safe to access those parts of the building.
- You should ensure that anyone on the property or adjoining properties maintains a safe distance away from the fallen tree and tree-damaged sections of your building/s, which as a guide is at least one and a half times the height of the wall of the building.
- Ensure the electricity and solar panel supply to the building is isolated or disconnected by a licensed electrician.
- Ensure the gas supply to the building is turned off at the gas meter.
- Secure any loose debris that may be blown around and become a danger in high winds.

For all Council-related property enquiries, phone Yarra Ranges Council on 1300 368 333.

**Septic tanks**

If your power is out and your septic tank is not working, please contact a local plumber for emergency works.

*What if my home has been damaged and it contains asbestos?*

Buildings built before 1988 may contain asbestos cement sheeting in walls, roofs, floor underlays, eaves, some flues or backing of some vinyl floor tiles. These materials are not generally a health risk unless they are cut or broken up, or ground, in which case they may release asbestos fibres.
If your home contains asbestos and you suspect asbestos materials have been damaged from the storm, it is recommended you contact a licensed asbestos specialist to assess.

More information regarding the safe handling of asbestos can be found at www.asbestos.vic.gov.au

Food and water

How do I dispose of food safely during a power outage?

Food safety is an important consideration during power outages.

Some pockets of the Yarra Ranges may not have power restored until the end of the week.

There are basic precautions to take to make sure food remains as safe as possible.

If you have meat that’s defrosted and unsafe to eat, please keep it inside your freezer and place in your bin on the day before collection day.

Be careful when using portable generators and alternative power supply options. Generators should never be used indoors.

This information applies to residents and business owners.

Food waste and collection

Yarra Ranges Council recommends you talk to your neighbours to ask if they have any spare bin space in the lead up to collection day.

Please fill your bins to their maximum capacity but do not allow them to overflow.

Overflowing bins containing food or bags of food waste piled up beside the bin will attract vermin and animals.

What should I do with food waste until my weekly waste collection day?

- Move food from the fridge to the freezer.
- Place bagged ice under food packages and trays stored in freezers and fridges (where possible).
- Place an insulating blanket over cold or frozen food (where possible).
- Only open the fridge and freezer doors when absolutely necessary to keep the air cooler for longer.

Food advice for the home

The most important thing is to try to keep cold and frozen food cold. If food is still cold to touch (less than 5 °C), it is safe to use.

Before and after a power failure:

- Once cold or frozen food is no longer cold to touch, it can be kept and eaten for up to 4 hours and then it must be thrown away.
- If it is raw meat, it should be cooked and eaten.
- Eat hot food within 4 hours of it being heated or throw it away.
- If power is restored when frozen food is still frozen solid the food is safe.

For more information:


Can I drink the tank water if my power is still out?

The quality of your tank water may be compromised if your pump has not been working due to the power outage. Bottled water may be your best option in the meantime.

For concerns regarding the safety of your tank water, please contact Council’s Public Health Officers on 1300 368 333.

For more information regarding food safety:

Power outages: Food safety after a power outage
Wastewater and septic systems

If you rely on power for your septic system to function, and your property is without power, the system may be affected.

Sewage contains harmful bacteria and viruses and diseases can be transmitted if appropriate measures are not taken.

Indications that your septic system may require attention include:

- A pungent odour around the tank and land application area.
- Blocked fixtures and wastewater overflowing from the relief point.
- High sludge levels within the primary tank.
- Sewage flowing up through the toilet and sinks.

If your tank is full or overflowing, contact your service agent and/or licenced septic tank cleaning service.

If your tank or effluent lines are damaged, contact a licenced plumber or drainer for emergency works.

For general advice or enquiries around septic systems, contact Council’s Health Service on 1300 368 333.

How do I stay healthy during a power outage?

Good basic personal hygiene and handwashing are critical to help prevent the spread of illness and disease. Clean, safe running water is essential for proper hygiene and handwashing.

Keeping hands clean during an emergency helps prevent the spread of germs. If your tap water is not safe to use, wash your hands with soap and water that has been boiled. Follow these steps to make sure you wash your hands properly:

- Wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold) and apply soap.
- Rub your hands together and scrub them well; be sure to scrub the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
- Continue rubbing your hands for at least 15 seconds.
- Rinse your hands well under running water.
- Dry your hands using a paper towel or air dry them.

A temporary hand wash station can be created by using a large water jug that contains clean water (for example, boiled or disinfected).

For more information:


Electricity and gas

Can I use a generator if my home is without power?

Using portable generators and alternative power supply options can allow for normal activities to continue; however it is important to use them safely.

If not used safely portable generators can lead to:

- Carbon monoxide poisoning from the engine exhaust.
- Electric shock or electrocution, or fire.

Please follow the directions supplied with the generator to ensure safe use.
Do not use a portable generator indoors. This includes inside a garage, carport, basement, crawlspace or other enclosed or partially enclosed area, even with ventilation.

Opening doors and windows will not prevent carbon monoxide building up in the home.

Are there places to go to charge my mobile phone and other devices?

Yes, Council’s Community Links in Lilydale, Monbulk, Upwey, Yarra Junction and Healesville are available for residents who need to charge their mobile devices.

What do I do if I have concerns about gas connections?

You should contact your gas retailer or a plumber to organise to have your gas bottles checked.

Stay updated

Further updates regarding assistance for community members impacted by the storm are available on Council’s website and social media channels:


www.facebook/yrccouncil

www.twitter.com/yrccouncil
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 11 November 2016
2017 Instrumental Music Scholarship Application Form

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

To encourage excellence in Music, Mount Lilydale Mercy College awards 24 Instrumental Music Scholarships to students equal to half the fees of private instrumental/vocal lessons for the year. This reduces the fee to $144 per term.

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.

Year 7 Students (commencing in 2017)
Upcoming Year 7 students for 2017 DO NOT need to audition for a Music Scholarship. These students will need to enrol into their chosen Instrumental Music Lesson at the beginning of Term 1 (2017). At the end of Term 2, eight (8) x Year 7 students will be offered a Full Music Scholarship for Term 3 & 4 (2017) based on their:
(a) Attendance, (b) Commitment and (c) Progress in the Instrumental Music Program in Term 1 & 2.

Students (Yr 8-12) should prepare two contrasting pieces for the audition. The applicant will be notified of the audition date and time via email. Parents are most welcome to attend their child’s audition. Auditions will take place on Tuesday 29 November and Wednesday 30 December 2016 between 3.30 and 5.30pm in Music Department SLR 1.1

Successful and unsuccessful applicants/parents will be notified via email by mid December 2016

Scholarship Conditions:
Students who receive a scholarship must participate in a College Ensemble of their choice. Students who miss more than 3 Ensemble rehearsals without due reason in one term will have their scholarship revoked.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER AT 4.00pm

Student Surname: ___________________________ Student Given Name: ___________________________

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 ___________________________

Year ____________ Band ___________________________

Year ____________ Band ___________________________
Socktober

In the month of October Catholic Mission’s runs its schools appeal, Socktober, the purpose being to ‘sock it to poverty’ by holding a sock themed fundraiser. As Catholic Mission is the official aid agency of the Catholic Church, operating in over 160 countries worldwide, it is a great privilege for us as a Catholic Community to support their work.

This year, the theme is “Just as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me.” (Matthew 25:40)

Money raised is going towards providing educational services for Cambodian children in the slums of Phnom Penh. Cambodia is a country that experiences high levels of poverty and has a violent past. The Khmer Rouge regime of 1975-79 killed 3 million Cambodians and particularly targeted teachers, priests, doctors and other professionals. Now, many families simply cannot afford to send their children to school and have to work long hours to support their families, leaving their children alone in the slums during the day.

Sr Eulie Desacula, a Sister of Charity, is working with local staff and teachers running a mobile educational centre out of a tuk-tuk, a motorized taxi vehicle. This initiative provides children with free education as well as running essential food and hygiene programs. Sr Eulie and her team require funds to increase the frequency of community visits and to purchase resources, petrol for the tuk-tuk and to pay the teachers.

To support this appeal the College will be celebrating Anti-Poverty week from the 17th- 21st October, holding activities and engaging in awareness raising throughout the week and concluding with Crazy Sock Day on Friday 21st.

On this day students can wear their most colorful, out-there pair of socks and bring a gold coin donation for Catholic Mission, a Sock Parade will be held at lunchtime with prizes for the best socks! Throughout the week, socks will be available for $2 a pair in the Ministry Lounge. We look forward to supporting ‘the least of these’ through our fundraising efforts and are grateful for your support!

For more information please visit http://www.catholicmission.org.au/wmm.
“THE ALIENS HAVE TAKEN MY CHILD!”

Do you sometimes feel your child as you knew them has disappeared and some other child has moved in?

Come along to a parenting seminar where two counselors from EACH Social and Community Health will talk about their personal and professional experiences of living & working with teenagers. We will explore:

- Physical & emotional changes including brain development that effects behavior
- Coping strategies for parents to ensure that you don’t disappear too!
- Referral pathways for specialized problems

Please bring along your sense of humor as it is essential for survival until your child returns

Who: Parents of secondary school aged children

Where: EACH Social and Community Health, Building B

46 Warrandyte Rd Ringwood

When: Wed 26th Oct 2016

Time: 7.00pm – 8.00pm

Cost: free

More information: Amanda Jenkins – Youth and Family team EACH, 9871 2632

RSVP by 19th October, bookings essential